





# DOPISI

(Nadaljevanje z 2. strani)

Člane in članice opozarjam, naj ne pozabijo, da je od 1. septembra naprej mesečna naklada v znesku 10 centov na člana. To naj upoštevajo posebno tisti, ki poslušajo svoje asesmente po pošti. In vsi člani in članice so prošeni, da so točni s plačevanjem svojih asesmen-

Danes, ko to pišem, je v Chicago zelo lepo vreme in topomer kaže 70 stopinj. Upam, da ostane vreme tako prijetno vsaj do 18. oktobra, da bodo vsi člani lahko prišli na sejo. Pozdrav vsemu članstvu! — Za društvo št. 170 ABZ:

Agnes Jurečič, tajnica.

**Aurora, Minn.** — Naše društvo št. 85 ABZ je v sedanji vojni izgubilo svojega prvega člana. Na francoski fronti je bil dne 31. avgusta ubit sobrat Albin Jaeger. Njegova žena je prejela tozadeno uradno sporočilo dne 19. septembra. Pojnik zapušča mlado ženo, mater, tri brate in tri sestre ter več drugih sorodnikov. Rojen je bil tu v Aurori, Minn., 4. marca 1915.

Smrt mladega moža pomeni težko izgubo za njegovo mater, ženo ter brate in sestre. V imenu našega društva naj bo vsem izraženo globoko sožalje. Tudi naše društvo bo pogrešalo Albina Jaegra kot svojega dobrega člana in ga bo ohranilo v spoštovanju in bratskem spominu. Svoje življenje je dal za obrambo naše svobode in demokracije. Naj mu bo lahka tuja zemlja, katere osvobojenje je tudi pokojni Albin pomagal. — Za društvo št. 85 ABZ:

Matt Anzelc, tajnik.

**Detroit, Mich.** — V marcu t.l. smo si osnovali podružnico Združenega odbora južnoslovenskih Amerikancev, da smo pripravljeni, ko bo možno navoriti prvo ladjo, ki bo vozila našo pomoč v obleki, obuvu, medicini, hrani, in drugih živilskih potrebuščinah našemu junakuemu narodu, ki si je prizobil spoštovanje celega sveta, ter še tako silno trpi v tej strašni vojni.

Odpošitali smo naš prvi prispevek k skupini pomoči naših junakov in junakinj, 185 velikih napoljenih vreč (6 ton) v New Yorkski skladišči, da se takoj naloži, ko pride ladja. Jugoslovenski pomorščaki, ki so že toliko žrtvovani in še žrtvujejo, bodo dostavili brezplačno našo pomoč v jugoslovansko luko. Ti vrli sinovi lepega Primorja, ne zahtevajo nobene plače za svoje težko delo. Vsak dan in noč tvegajo svoja življenja. Vodi jih samo ena misel, ena želja pomagati narodu, ki ga je podvijana nemška, laška in madžarska fašistična drahula tako neusmiljeno mučila in morila. Naš narod silno strada, brez obleke in hrane, živi le v pričakovovanju, da mu skoro zasije dan svobode.

Bratje in sestre, naša sveta dolžnost je, da takoj pomagamo. Naša podružnica ZOJSA ima svoje prostore na 2539 Woodward Ave., 305 Hofmann Bldg. Tu se zbirajo obleke, obuvajo i.t.d. Šiva krpa, snažni, parkira, Jugoslovenske žene (Srbkinje, Hrvatice, Slovenke, Bolgaro-Makedonke) vse v lepi složi delajo skupaj. Vsi, ki se niste poslali ponosene obleke, obuvajo i.t.d. ste prošeni, da to takoj storite. Naš narod potrebuje vse, ker mu je bilo vze to vse. Treba bo več ladij, da se vsaj malo ublaži veliko pomanjkanje in reši smrti one, ki so preživelih vse te strahote in silno trpljenje. Obleko očistite. Komur ni možno dostaviti obleke posebno, naj javi naši ZOJSA podružnici na naslov: 2539 Woodward, 305 Hofmann Bldg., z dopisnico, ali telefonira z Madisonom 2864, da se pobere.

V nedeljo 15. oktobra ob 3. uri popoldne sklicuje podružnica Združenega odbora južnoslovenskih Amerikancev shod v Northern High School, Woodward in Clairmount. Glavni govornik bo Rev. E. Glocar iz Akrona, Ohio. Govoril bo kako lahko pomagamo narodu v stari domovini. Pridite vsi, ki imate srce za narod, iz katerega izhajate. Slišali boste o strašnem trpljenju in nadčloveški borbi naših bratov in sester pred morja. Vstopnine.

V kratkem se bo pričelo s pobiranjem prostovoljnih prispevkov od hiše do hiše za naš narod v stari domovini. Ne izgovarjajte se: "Dam svojim." Dolgo bo še, predno bo mogoče poslati pomoč posameznikom svojcem. Če hočete res pomagati, dajte takoj. Milijon Jugoslovjanov je v skrajni bedi, bojazni je, da umro, če jim ne pomagamo takoj. Dva milijona jih je postalo žrtev bestijalnih naci-fašistov, le naša krvida bo, če ne rešimo one, ki jih še lahko. Krvica, ki se je storila po prvi svetovni vojni, se ne bo ponavljala, zato jamči odbor osvobodilne fronte, ki je izbral najboljše može in žene iz ljudstva samega, da bodo pravično delili pomoč onim, ki so res potrebeni. Zato dajte kar največ morete, dobili bodo tudi vaši najbližnji sorodniki, če so potrebni. Vsak, kdor d-a-r-u-j-e \$100.00, bo prejel po zaključku nabiranja posebno izkaznico, ki bo v ponos vam in vašim potomcem.

Vabim vse, ki so voljni pobirati od hiše do hiše, da se javijo takoj, ker pričeti moramo s tem plemenitem, a težkim delom nemudoma.

Drage sestre, v našem jugoslovenskem središču je posla za vse, katere hočejo pomagati. Sestre Mary Jurca, Mary Knez, Elizabeta Plahtar (zadnji dve sta vso drugod nabranje obleko osnažile, pokrapale in polikale same doma in jo dostavile v naše skladišče) in Lia Menton so že aktivne v tem oziru. Mary Rant že pridno zbirja obleko. Sestre Dugar, Kapel, Lapanja so pa obljudile, da bodo pričele sodelovati. Upam, da se bodo še mnoge javile k sodelovanju.

Lia Menton.

**Pittsburgh, Pa.** — Pred kratkim je bilo poročano iz naše naselbine, da smo ustanovili posmožno akcijo, sedaj pa želim podati nekoliko več podatkov o našem delovanju. Na ustanovni seji smo namreč sklenili, da bomo o tem poročali v vseh slovenskih listih, da bo vsak vedel, kako bo napredovala naša kampanja.

Če pomislimo, da je naša kampanja šele v razvojni dobi, so nekatere marljive žene, ki so šle takoj na delo, dosegle načrnost neverjetne uspehe. Potreba je ogromna in prva pomoč zelo nujna. Zato prosi JPO-SS št. 4 vse rojake in rojakinje v Sheboyganu in okolici, da zberejo čim več obleke in obutve nove ali stare, posteljno perilo, odeje itd. ter naj prinesejo v tednu od 15. do 21. oktobra v Slovensko šolo. Član odbora bo vsak dan v šoli od 12. do 6. ure popoldne, da bo vsakega vpisal, kdor bo daroval. Kdor ima več obleke, tako da mu ni mogoče prnesti, ta naj pokliče enega sledenča: Frank Remšak, Martin Jelenc ali Anton Debevec, da pride skat obleko na dom.

Prosi se pa vse rojake in rojakinje, da vsak daruje kolikor mogoče. Vsek komad bo dobro došel, pa naj bo otroško perilo, moške obleke ali ženske reči.

Potrebno pa je, da bo vsak kos bil vsaj toliko v dobrem stanju, da bo še za obleče. Predvsem pa se prosi vse in vsakogar, da se perilo dostavi čisto in oprano, ni pa potrebno, da bi bilo izlikano.

Ne bodimo sebični in ne posmajejmo sebičneža, kateri prav: bom že svojim poslal! Muka, beda, glad in trpljenje je prav tako nezanosno za tvojega kot za mojega svojca. Ljubi bližnjega svojega kot sam se, in ne bodi sebičnež. Daruj, kar moreš, ena sirota ti bo hvala za tvojo dobrodošnost, ker ji boš blažil gorje, da, mora jo celo smrti. Naj živi narod iz katerega izviramo mi!

Za JPO-SS:

Leo Milostnik.

**Center, Pa.** — Vabilo na sejo. — Tem potom vabilo vse brate in sestre Slovence in Slovenske šole SND. V soboto 14. oktobra ob 10. uri dopoldne se prične s poukom v Slovenski šoli S. N. Doma. Vsi, kateri se zanimate za šolo pridite ob tem času v dvorano štev. 2, novo poslopje, vhod na 6417 St. Clair Ave., kjer bo učiteljica Mrs. Antoinette Simčič določila, v kateri razred bo kateri pozneje prihajal.

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otmemoto gotovi smrti otroka, mater-partizanko in ostale ranjence, da jim olajšamo krijev pot do končne zmage in svobode!

Ob četrtekih in petkih zvečer pa vabimo ženske, da pridejo v Slov. dom, da pomagajo priščati gumbe in zakrpati kako luknjice in razvrstiti čisto obleko. Moški pa naj pridejo ob petkih zvečer, da spravijo stvari v zaboje, da bo vse šlo hitreje naprej na parnik.

Zbiranje obleke je naporno delo. Vsak, komur ni predaleč, je naprošen, da prinese sam v Slov. dom ali pa na sledče zbiralne postojanke, katere so na razpolago širom naselbini: Anna Klun, 5168 Butler St.; K. Plantan, 5560 Camelia St.; K. Bubash, 5231 Poe Way; F. Trempus, 42-48th St.; J. Hrvatin, 5417 Butler St.; Jos. Mestnjak, 1104 High St., N. S.

Pauline Fabec, tajnica.

**Sheboygan, Wis.** — Prva posmoč. — Združeni odbor južnoslovenskih Amerikancev, nas je z veseljem obvestil, da je prejel od President's War Relief Control Boarda postavno dovoljenje za nabiranje in odpošiljanje materialne pomoči v Jugoslavijo.

Zastopniki jugoslovenskega posmočnega odbora, slovenske sekcijske, št. 4 v Sheboyganu, Wis., smo se sestali na svoji seji, ter podvzeli takojšnjo akcijo, da se čim prej zbere in odpšilje prvo pomoč v staro domovino našim bratom in sestram, kateri danes hirajo in umirajo radi pomanjkanja hrane, obleke, zdravil in strehe.

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Naši člani, ki imajo sinove ali hčere v vojni službi Zedinjenih držav, ki so člani našega društva, so prošeni, da oddajo njihove naslove pri društvu, ker se bliža božična doba.

**Chisholm, Minn.** — Zabava društva Sloga, št. 230 ABZ, katero smo bile priredile 30. septembra, se je dobro obnesla. Za to gre zasluga našim pridnim članicam, ki so prodajale tikete in zraven še darovale. To so sestre: Korbar, Margaret Zobec, Sajevec, Gerzin, Vesel, Ambrozich, Verant, Vida Udovich in Popovich. Hvala za darove tudi sledenčim: Mary Susnik, Jennie Zobitz, Johana Perush, Mary Oberstar in Jennie Oates. Lepa hvala tudi Mrs. Marcus Kelly, katera je imela v izložbenem oknu razstavljene naše reči.

V imenu društvenega odbora naj bo torej izražena najlepša hvala vsem gori omenjenim, obenem pa tudi članom in članicam ter vsem drugim gostom, ki so nas posetili. Hvala in pozdrav vsem! — Za društvo Slovenske države, št. 230 ABZ:

Katarina Petrovič, predsednica; Mary Zurga, tajnica; Agnes Debelak, blagajničarka.

**Cleveland, O.** — Prijetek Slovenske šole SND. V soboto 14. oktobra ob 10. uri dopoldne se prične s poukom v Slovenski šoli S. N. Doma. Vsi, kateri se zanimate za šolo pridite ob tem času v dvorano štev. 2, novo poslopje, vhod na 6417 St. Clair Ave., kjer bo učiteljica Mrs. Antoinette Simčič določila, v kateri razred bo kateri pozneje prihajal.

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Na svidenje v nedeljo 15. oktobra!

Anton Erzen, predsednik, podružnice št. 58, SANS.

**San Francisco, Cal.** — Tednik Novo Dobo rada čitam, četudi nisem članica ABZ; član pa je moj set John Popovich, in njegov list prihaja na moj naslov. Ko ga jaz prečitam, ga pa zetu izročim. Tako izvem mnogo novic, žal, da je med temi novicami mnogo slabih.

Premnoge matere skrbe za svoje sinove, ki so v vojaški službi, in mnoge že žalujejo, ker so njihovi sinovi padli v bojih daleč v tujini. Posebno sočuvstvujem v tem oziru z materami v Elyu, Minnesota, katere vse osebno poznam. Tistem, ki so že izgubile svoje sinove na bojiščih, naj bo izraženo iskreno sožalje. Tudi jaz sem izgubila pred 4 meseci, ne sina, ampak soproga. Ta mesec bi bil 38 let odkar naju je bil na Elyu, Minn., poročil pokojni Rev. J. Buh. Zdaj je pa še mene obiskala.

Za Slovensko šolo S. N. Doma,

Erazem Gorshe, tajnik.

**Barberton, O.** — Na poziv podružnice št. 18 JPO-SS so se sestali zastopniki slovenskih društev dne 7. oktobra v svrhu, da se razmotri, kaj naj se ukrene glede poziva, katerega smo prejeli od Združenega odbora južnoslovenskih Amerikancev, da se zbirajo materialna pomoč narodom Jugoslavije.

Ker sem ravno pri poročanju

slab novic, naj še poročam, da je bilo končno sklenjeno, da podružnica SANSA št. 51 v našem mestu pozove na sestanek za stopnike srbskega in hrvaškega naroda v Barbertonu, kateri se bo vršil dne 14. oktobra (v soboto) ob sedmi uri zvečer, v dvorani društva Domovina, kjer se bude nadalje sklepalo, kako naj skupno vsi Jugoslovani v našem mestu začnemo z delom.

Po daljšem razmotrivanju in po prečitanju vse prejete komunikacije, ki je bila podpisana v petku 20. v treh načinih, so se ustavimo našemu življenju na sirotam . . . Rane je treba povezati, moč je treba vrniti telesu, da popoloma okreva in se odpomore.

John Gottlieb, tajnik.

**Chicago, Ill.** — Vojna v Chicago dobro napreduje. Vsak hčere biti prvi in podreti kolikor mogoče na javeč sovražnikov.

Zadnji petek so se odlikovali sledenči: Stopar Andrew, ki jih je podprt v enem jarku 206, v treh načinih, Dolmohov Louis, v enem 195, v treh načinih, Bruckman Max, v enem 177, v treh načinih, 476. Divizije pa so napredovalo po miljah in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak dezertiral ali pa bil ujet od sovražnika. Toda Hujan pravi, da bo za prihodnjo bitko očakovanje vseh mladih jugoslovenskih vojakov in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak dezertiral ali pa bil ujet od sovražnika. Toda Hujan pravi, da bo za prihodnjo bitko očakovanje vseh mladih jugoslovenskih vojakov in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak dezertiral ali pa bil ujet od sovražnika. Toda Hujan pravi, da bo za prihodnjo bitko očakovanje vseh mladih jugoslovenskih vojakov in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak dezertiral ali pa bil ujet od sovražnika. Toda Hujan pravi, da bo za prihodnjo bitko očakovanje vseh mladih jugoslovenskih vojakov in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak dezertiral ali pa bil ujet od sovražnika. Toda Hujan pravi, da bo za prihodnjo bitko očakovanje vseh mladih jugoslovenskih vojakov in sicer: Liberty Bell 3; New Market-Blue Island 10; Golič 2; Gottlieb Florists za eno. Edino Hujanova divizija je ostala zadaj in vzrok je, ker je eden vojak





# New Era

ENGLISH SECTION OF  
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American Fraternal Union.

# Nova Doba

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

## MINUTES

THE 17th REGULAR CONVENTION OF THE AFU HELD  
AT ROCK SPRINGS, WYO., FROM AUGUST 17th  
TO AUGUST 21st, 1944

Words of Important Decisions Translated From the Slovene  
By Frances J. Erzen, Associate Editor of Nova Doba

(Continued)

Seventh Session — August 21, 1944 — a. m.

The Convention Chairman calls the seventh session of the regular convention to order on Aug. 21st at 9 a. m. The delegates, Supreme Officers and Supreme Judges are read; all are present. The minutes of the fifth session are read and approved with the immediate included amendment.

The Resolutions Committee introduces the following resolution:

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: In view of the fact that a new Section 526-C bidding for Field Representatives has been adopted by this convention, and

WHEREAS: it is likely that many good new members could be induced to insure themselves in Plan "D," "E" or "F" for amounts than now provided in our By-Laws.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that Section 258-a be amended to read:

a) From 16 to 35 years of age up to \$5,000.00.

The resolution was unanimously adopted and thereupon it was unanimously decided that the former decision in regard to section 258-a be abolished and the wording of the mentioned section be corrected in regard to the mentioned resolution. Further it is emphasized that the limiting of death insurance for new members between the ages of 16 to 35 years for the duration of war apply also in regard to the above-mentioned amended section 258-a.

The Resolutions Committee introduces the following resolution:

The delegation of the 17th regular convention of the American Fraternal Union, which met in the Old Timer's Hall in Rock Springs, Wyo., during the time of its session was accorded friendly aid and brotherly service on the part of all three lodges of the American Fraternal Union in the community.

The delegation is well aware of how much work, effort and service was made by individual members of the mentioned lodges in order that they could serve the delegates during their stay in this pleasant Slovene settlement of western America. It is why the delegation of the 17th regular convention of the American Fraternal Union in the community.

The delegation will not forget this accorded friendliness but will retain the Slovene settlement of Rock Springs in a beautiful and grateful memory.

For the Resolutions Committee:

Frank Mehle, Pres.  
Mary Mistek, Sec'y

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

\* The Resolutions Committee then announces that it has completed its work and recommends its dismissal. The Convention Chairman thanks the Resolutions Committee for their fine work and announces that the committee is relieved of further duties.

The election of Supreme and Judiciary Officers is now in progress. Prior to the election, the delegation unanimously approves that for this balloting shall be used the same ballot forms as were used at the 16th regular convention because many of the forms are on hand.

For Supreme President is nominated the present President, N. Rogelj, and, since he has no opponent, he is elected unanimously.

For First Supreme Vice-President are nominated: Frank Krapenc and Frank Okoren. The nomination is accepted only by Kress and Krapenc. The result is Kress 85 and Krapenc, 66 votes. Frank J. Kress is therefore elected First Supreme Vice-President.

The following are nominated for Second Supreme Vice-President: Anton Krapenc, Paul Oblock, Mary Kershishnik and Philip Fister. The nomination is accepted only by Krapenc and Fister. The results are Krapenc 99 votes and Oblock, 51. Anton Krapenc is therefore elected Second Supreme Vice-President.

The following are nominated for Third Supreme Vice-President: Philip Fister, Mary Kershishnik, Mary Balint, Cyril Rovansek, Paul Oblock, Steve Mauser and Joseph Sneler. The nominations are Fister, Kershishnik, Balint, Rovansek and Mauser. The first ballot gives Fister, 20 votes; Kershishnik, 41; Balint, 27; Rovansek, 32, and Mauser, 29. Another vote taken on the candidates Rovansek and Kershishnik. The subsequent ballot gives Mary Kershishnik, 87 votes and Cyril Rovansek, 65. Mary Kershishnik is elected Third Supreme Vice-President.

The following are nominated for Fourth Supreme Vice-President: Cyril Rovansek, Mary Balint, Frank Prevec and Steve Mauser. Nominations are accepted by: Balint, Prevec and Mauser. The results give Balint 57 votes, Prevec 21 votes, and Mauser 70 votes. Candidates Mauser and Balint are then voted in. The final result gives Steve Mauser 97 votes and Mary Balint, 52. Steve Mauser is elected Fourth Supreme Vice-President.

The following are nominated for Fifth Supreme Vice-President: Philip Fister, Mary Bodack, Mary Balint, Joseph Sneler, and Steve Mauser. The final result gives Fister 100 votes, Bodack 65, Balint 52, Mauser 41, Sneler 32, and Steve 29. Steve Mauser is elected Fifth Supreme Vice-President.

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## Important Notice To All Members Of Lodge No. 170

Chicago, Ill. — At the September meeting of Lodge Illini Stars, No. 170, AFU, it was decided that through the medium of the Nova Doba, all members of our lodge be reminded to attend the next lodge meeting which will be held Wednesday, Oct. 18th in the usual place. It will be necessary to discuss some way to help increase our lodge treasury. The year is drawing to a close and lodge officers will have to be paid. Our lodge is ever willing to support various welfare funds and by doing so, our lodge treasury grows smaller every month.

No one is enthusiastic about levying special assessments, that is why I ask all members to attend on Oct. 18th and present their suggestions as to how we can reimburse our lodge treasury.

Members are also reminded that from Sept. 1 on, there is a special assessment of 10 cents for every member. Those members who send their dues by mail are especially asked to keep this in mind. All members are asked to pay their dues promptly.

Today, while writing this article, we have very nice weather here in Chicago and the thermometer registers at 70 degrees. I hope the weather shall stay this way at least until Oct. 18th so all our members can attend our meeting at that time. Regards to all members.

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

## S-Sgt. John Kern Home on Furlough

White Valley, Pa. — For four years we hadn't seen each other then on August 21st my 20-year-old son came home on furlough. He is S/Sgt. John S. Kern. He had served in India for 31 months from where he boarded a ship on July 11 and reached California on Aug. 12th. After a 20-day furlough he went to Florida and from there to Nebraska. How long he will be there, he does not know.

John was among the first American soldiers, who after war was declared, were shipped across the Pacific on to Australia and then into India. At one time he was very ill with malaria. They were all very happy when they were told they were going to return to the United States. John has been in the service since 1935 and serves as an air force mechanic. He has served in various airports in Virginia, Illinois and California.

All of us, of course, were very happy about his return. He is the first from here to come home from such a far away place. It is too bad that his furlough went so fast and he had to put his things in order and return to duty. Mothers who have sons in the service know how it is when a son, after a short furlough, again has to return. I hope that this terrible war will come to an end soon and that our sons shall return home healthy and happy.

Frances Kern

## American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



## S-Sgt. Dominic Peterrel Killed in Action June 4th

Imperial, Pa. — S/Sgt. Dominic Peterrel, 23, was killed in action on June 9, 1944 in France. He entered the armed forces on July 29, 1942 and was sent to England in August 1943. Sgt. Peterrel served with the U. S. Paratroopers. His captain

sent a letter to his widow in which he states that Sgt. Peterrel was beloved and respected by all who knew him and that he showed his bravery to the last.



The deceased was a member of Lodge No. 29, AFU since childhood. His survivors are his wife and three-and-a-half-month old son, of Waynesburg, Pa.; his mother, Mary Peterrel-Spijk; step-father, Jernej Spijk; two brothers of whom one is in the service; one sister; two half-brothers; one half-sister; four step-brothers and three step-sisters, all of Imperial, Pa.

In the world-wide battle in the midst of pain and strife—

Another young American lad  
For us, laid down his life."

## BRIEFS

A social will be held by Lodge No. 148, AFU of Finleyville, Pa., on Saturday, Oct. 14th at the Slovenian National Home in Hackett, Pa.

Mrs. Mary Kastelic of Murray, Utah was a visitor to the Nova Doba office this week. She is a member of Lodge No. 51, AFU.

There's only one place you can find success without work—in the dictionary.

## News of AFU Yanks



September 13, 1944  
Hello All of You Members  
and Friends:

Here I am again, but this time I'm letting you know a little about the country of Belgium.

Before I start on my subject, I would like to extend my sincere greetings to all of you. I hope that all of you are healthy and happy.

I'll start from the beginning, when we first set foot in this country. When our convoy passed through some of the villages and larger cities, all of the people were out to welcome us to their country. They were waving flags, hands, and almost everything. All of the beautiful girls came out to kiss us. The people brought out some wine, beer, whiskey, and a lot of food such as waffles, vegetables, fruit and cake and gave it to us. The beer is very much like our own beer. It has a good top on it, and it tastes just like our own homebrew. The waffles are really delicious.

One city that we passed through, we stopped for a few minutes. I saw a cute girl standing with her mother in front of their home. I called the girl over to the truck, and she came with a big smile on her face. She gave me a big hug and a kiss, and I in turn gave her a chocolate bar. Then she went into the house and brought me a box of good old home-made cookies and a bottle of wine. I wish that I could have stayed there.

This country reminds you a lot of the States. It has beautiful modern homes, taverns, and buildings. They have their dance halls, ice cream parlors, real ice cream, juke boxes, refrigerators, radios with push-buttons and automatic phonographs on them, and a lot of other things.

You can find a lot of people

over here that speak good English. There are some Croatians over here too. I'm sure looking forward to getting a furlough over here. In all of the towns we visited, the people welcome us and want us to stay. We always find a home, I can sincerely say that in all of the countries that we have been in so far, we never got a better welcome than we got over here in Belgium.

Well that is about all that I

have for now. I hope to have

more in the near future. Keep on backing the attack with "Bonds for Victory." May God bless all of you.

Your friend and AFU member,

Pvt. Joseph Banich

Pvt. Fred J. Startz would like to receive the Nova Doba at his new address which is now somewhere overseas. Fred recently won the expert infantryman's medal and was placed in the expert infantryman's group. Friends may write to him at the following address:

Pvt. Fred J. Startz,  
37326999  
Co. L, 409th Inf.  
APO 470 c/o Postmaster  
New York, N. Y.

Great is truth. Fire cannot burn, nor water drown it.

## Joliet Slovenes Mourn Passing of A. R. McAllister

Joliet, Ill. — A. R. McAllister, National Championship Band Director, passed away on Sept. 30, 1944. Mr. McAllister was well known by all Joliet Slovenes who always referred to him as "our friend." He was ever ready to help in all our lodge doings and Slovene affairs in Joliet. Whenever he was asked to participate in lodge affairs with his band, he never refused, but gave us his whole-hearted cooperation. When invited to our dinners or various programs sponsored by our Slovene lodges, Director McAllister always accepted and attended and would bring with him his band in which are several of our Slovene boys.

We Slovenes of Joliet and members of Lodge No. 66, AFU wish to extend our sincere sympathy to his family: Mrs. Clara McAllister, widow; Mrs. Henry Hanson, daughter, and sons: Capt. Forrest and S/Sgt. Leslie.

Although Director McAllister, "our friend," has passed on, his contributions to this community and cooperation with our Slovene lodges shall live with us forever.

John L. Jevitz, Pres.  
Lodge No. 66, AFU  
Joliet, Ill.

## Preseren Singing Society Plans Entertainment

Chicago, Ill. — The battle in Chicago is coming along fine. Everyone wants to be first and bowl over the greatest number of enemies. Last Friday, the following made an excellent showing: Andrew Stopar, who bowled over in one game, 206, and in three games, 491; Louis Dolmovich bowled 195 in one game and 467 in three; Max Bruckman 177 and 476. The division scores were as follows: Liberty Bell Lodge, 3; New Market-Blue Island Hotel, 2; Gottlieb Florists, 1. Only one division remained behind, the reason being that one soldier deserted or was killed by the enemy. However, Hujan says that for the next battle he will get a young and fearless soldier and by all means will forge forward. Much luck to you, John. We'll be seeing you on Friday.

Chicago Bowling League  
John Gottlieb, Secretary

Patience is not passive; on the contrary it is active; it is concentrated strength.

—Bulwer

## STAMPING OUT THE EVIL.



## AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

Founded July 18, 1898  
HOME OFFICE: ELY, MINNESOTA

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Chairman: Anton Okolish ..... 1078 Liberty Ave., Barberton, Ohio;  
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2nd Judiciary: Rose Svetich ..... Ely, Minnesota;  
3rd Judiciary: Steve Mauser ..... 3511 Humboldt St., Denver 5, Colo.;  
4th Judiciary: Ignatz Zajc ..... 683 Onderdonk Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## Minutes of the 17th Regular Convention of the American Fraternal Union

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Cyril Rovansek, Pauline Vogrich and Andrew Milavec. Nominations are accepted by Fister, Bodack, Balint, Sneler and Rovansek. The results are Fister 33 votes, Bodack 14, Balint 33, Sneler 23, and Rovansek, 48. A subsequent vote is taken on candidates: Rovansek, Fister and Balint. Cyril Rovansek gets 77 votes; Filip Fister, 42; and Mary Balint, 32. Cyril Rovansek is elected Fifth Supreme Vice-President.

The following are nominated for Sixth Supreme Vice-President: Mary Predovich, Anton Erzen, Frank Prevec, Mary Balint, Mary Bodack, Pauline Vogrich and Louis Polasky. Nominations are accepted by Predovich, Prevec, Bodack and Polasky. The results are Mary Predovich, 98 votes; Frank Prevec, 26; Mary Bodack, 8; and Louis Polasky, 23. Mary Predovich is elected Sixth Supreme Vice-President.

For Supreme Secretary are nominated: Anton Zbasnik, Frank Tichar and Frank Tomsich, Jr. Tomsich and Tichar decline the nomination whereby Anton Zbasnik is unanimously elected Supreme Secretary.

The seventh session is concluded at 12 o'clock noon.

Anton J. Terbovec, Recording Secretary; F. J. Kress, Convention Chairman; Frank Tomsich, Jr., Convention Secretary.

**Eighth Session — August 21, 1944 — p. m.**

The Convention Chairman calls the meeting to order promptly at 1:30 p. m.

The Convention Secretary reads the names of the Supreme Officers, Supreme Judiciaries and delegates. All are present.

The Chairman reads a telegram from the United Committee of South-Slavic Americans which greets the convention and wishes it much success. The delegation favorably records the greetings.

The Supreme President and Supreme Secretary then presents the special awards to the winners of the Pre-Convention Membership Campaign. The first award was won by Sister Mary Kershishnik, the second award went to Sister Fannie Jenko, and the third award to Brother Anton Klemencic. The delegation thanks the winners and accords them with hearty applause.

The business of electing the remaining Supreme Officers and Supreme Judiciaries is resumed. Brother Frank Tomsich, Jr. was nominated and unanimously elected for Assistant Supreme Secretary. The Supreme Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

The present Supreme Treasurer, Brother Louis Champa, was nominated and unanimously elected for Supreme Treasurer. The Convention Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

Dr. F. J. Arch was nominated and unanimously elected Supreme Medical Examiner. The Convention Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

Brother Anton J. Terbovec was nominated and unanimously elected Editor-Manager. The Convention Secretary cast the required ballot for him.

Brother John Kumse was nominated and unanimously elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees. The Convention Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

Brother Frank Vranichar was nominated and unanimously elected First Supreme Trustee. The Convention Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

Brother Matt Anzele was nominated and unanimously elected Second Supreme Trustee. The Convention Secretary cast for him the required ballot.

Brother Frank Okoren and Brother Andrew Milavec were nominated for Third Supreme Trustee, and both accepted the nomination. The results were Frank Okoren, 84 votes and Andrew Milavec, 66 votes. Frank Okoren was therefore elected Third Supreme Trustee.

The following were nominated for Fourth Supreme Trustee: Andrew Milavec, Anton Erzen, Frank Tekautz, Joseph Turk, Mary Balint, John Tomazic. Nominations are accepted by John Tomazic and Mary Balint. The election results were John Tomazic, 89 votes and Mary Balint, 57 votes. John Tomazic was therefore elected Fourth Supreme Trustee.

\* Anton Okolish was nominated and unanimously elected as Chairman of the Supreme Judiciary Committee. The Convention Secretary cast the required ballot for him.

The following were nominated for the First Supreme Judiciary: Rose Svetich, Frank Mikec, Frank L. Tomsich, Philip Fister and Frank Tekautz. Nominations are accepted by Rose

Svetich and Philip Fister. The results are Rose Svetich, 118 votes and Philip Fister, 31 votes; 3 votes were invalid. Rose Svetich is therefore elected First Supreme Judiciary.

The following are nominated for Second Supreme Judiciary: Anton Erzen, Joseph Sneler, Valentin Marcina, Frank L. Tomsich, Anton Klemencic, Ignatz Zajc, Mary Balint and Valentin Orehek. Nominations are accepted by Anton Erzen and Joseph Sneler. The results are Anton Erzen 82 votes and Joseph Sneler 64 votes. Anton Erzen is elected Second Supreme Judiciary.

The following are nominated for the Third Supreme Judiciary: Mary Balint, Frank Tomsich, Agnes Jurecic, Ann M. Allen, Valentin Orehek, John Jevitz; nominations are accepted by Mary Balint, Frank Tomsich and Agnes Jurecic. The results give Mary Balint, 67 votes; Agnes Jurecic, 11 votes, and Frank Tomsich 73 votes. Since no candidate received more than half the majority of votes another ballot is taken for Mary Balint and Frank Tomsich, 80 votes; one vote was invalid. Frank L. Tomsich is elected Third Supreme Judiciary.

The following were nominated for Fourth Supreme Judiciary: Mary Balint, Ignatz Zajc, Frank Masle, Katherine Penica, Valentin Orehek; nominations are accepted by Mary Balint, Ignatz Zajc and Frank Masle. The results are Mary Balint, 79 votes, Frank Masle 45, and Ignatz Zajc, 27; one vote was invalid. Mary Balint is elected Fourth Supreme Judiciary.

It is adopted that the former decision of the convention be abolished and that Section 213 be changed to the extent that the Supreme Board has the right to fill every vacant position for the unexpired term which may occur in the Supreme Board, Supreme Judiciary Committee or Finance Committee.

The election of two members of the Finance Committee follows. For the first member of this committee are nominated the following: Frank Kress, Frank Vranichar, Matt Anzele, John Kumse, Dr. F. J. Arch, Anton J. Terbovec, Anton Krapenc, Frank Tomsich, John Tomazic and Frank Okoren. Nominations are accepted by Frank Kress and Frank Vranichar. The result is Frank Kress 78 votes and Frank Vranichar, 71 votes. Frank Kress is elected. For the second member of this committee are nominated and accept the nomination, the following: John Kumse, Frank Vranichar and Dr. F. J. Arch. The first ballot gives John Kumse 41 votes, Frank Vranichar 68 votes, and Dr. F. J. Arch, 41 votes. Since no candidate received one half of the majority of votes, all three are again voted upon. The results are John Kumse, 34 votes; Dr. F. J. Arch, 42 votes, and Frank Vranichar, 74 votes. Since no candidate received more than one half majority a subsequent ballot is taken for Frank Vranichar and Dr. F. J. Arch. The final results are Frank Vranichar, 89 votes and Dr. F. J. Arch, 61 votes. The second member of the Finance Committee is Frank Vranichar.

It is then decided that the Supreme Board has the right to fill any probable vacancy in the Finance Committee.

The delegation gives the Supreme Board full authority to read and approve of the minutes of its seventh and eighth sessions at the Board meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 22nd.

The Convention Vice-President Michael Rovansek then administers the oath to the newly-elected Supreme Board and Supreme Judiciary Committee officers.

The following greetings are then read: From the Yugoslav Fraternal Organization Sloga, Lodge No. 116, Lodge No. 36 and finally a farewell letter from the mayor of Rock Springs, Wyo., in which he wishes our Union much success and a safe journey home to all delegates and officers. The delegation records the greetings.

The Supreme President then thanks the settlement of Rock Springs, Wyo. for their hospitality and the lodges of our Union for the work which they had with our convention and he wishes everyone a safe journey home.

The whole delegation then stands and pledges allegiance to the American flag.

The Supreme President concludes the convention at 4:45 p. m. on Monday, Aug. 21, 1944.

Anton Krapenc, Recording Secretary; F. J. Kress, Convention Chairman; Frank Tomsich, Jr., Convention Secretary.

## Napredok Notes

### Artificial Ears, Nose, etc.

Dr. Stanley D. Tylman, University of Illinois Dental College professor, has developed a new plastic which looks like flesh and blends with any skin pigmentation.

He toiled three years in laboratories before he developed the plastic, kept mum until he was certain it would do the job he wanted it to do. Then he explained.

The plastic has a texture similar to skin, a tissue-like flexibility, life-like transparency. It can be permanently tinted to blend with any skin. Primary use is to replace lost noses, ears, fingers, etc.

Army and Navy medical officers are interested in Dr. Tylman's development, and believe it can be used as a mass restorative for maimed servicemen.

Your blood is needed to save the lives of our fighting men. When did you make your last donation?

Tend the meeting on Oct. 13, 1944.

Fraternally yours,  
John Cecelic, Sec'y  
Lodge No. 132, AFU  
Euclid, Ohio

## Lodge 66 AFU to Honor War Heroes

Joliet, Ill. — This coming Sunday, Oct. 15th (following the regular lodge meeting which will begin at 1 p. m. and be very brief) our Lodge No. 66 AFU will conduct a fraternal military memorial program eulogizing memory and respect to its first fallen soldier-member Sgt. Frank L. Zugel and also in tribute to all our members in the military forces of our country.

The program will be the first of its kind by the local Slovens organization — fraternal and patriotic. The program you will all note is elaborate and solemn. Therefore, every member, adult and juvenile of Lodge No. 66 and his or her family and friends are invited to attend. All friends and relatives of any boy or girl in the service are cordially welcome to attend.

A special invitation is extended to our neighbor Lodge No. 92, AFU of Rockdale, Ill., and to all our AFU lodges in Aurora, Chicago, De Pue, La Salle and Waukegan, Ill., and also to those from Indianapolis, Ind. and Milwaukee, Wis. With your hearts and thoughts on your own, nearest and dearest, who are giving and offering all their efforts, strength, blood and life on the altar of war . . . with them in mind take a trip to Joliet this coming Sunday and participate in this solemn memorial program.

The program will start at 2:30 p. m. sharp and there will be no admission.

Sunday, October 15, 1944—2:30 p. m.—St. Joseph's Hall.

### MEMORIAL PROGRAM

#### World War 2

President John L. Jevitz, the program chairman, after assembly of guests etc. will officially open the program.

Advance of Colors: By the American Legion Color Guard.

Bugle Call—Presentation of the Colors: By Legionnaire George Hendricks.

"The Star Spangled Banner"—Song led by Miss Lillian Bebar.

Roll Call of members in the service of their country: By secretaries Musich and Martinich—concluded by the lodge president's official announcement of the supreme sacrifice of its first member, Sgt. Frank L. Zugel, the theme of the program.

The president then presents Supreme Trustee Bro. Frank E. Vranicar, as the master-of-ceremonies.

Bro. Vranicar presents a brief message.

Invocation: By the Rev. Geo. M. Kuzma.

"The Lord's Prayer"—Song by Miss Maryann Kostelz.

Presentation of flowers—By Mrs. Josephine Erjavec, Slovenian community leader.

Introduction of the principal speaker—Former Lieut. Governor Thomas F. Donovan of Illinois who will conclude his address with placing the first gold star on the service flag.

"To the departed"—Song by the St. Joseph's male octet. Prof. A. Rozman, directing.

Again I wish to remind our members to pay their dues promptly and attend our next meeting.

Best wishes to the Supreme Board Members, the delegation and members of the American Fraternal Union.

30 seconds of silence—in memory and respect to departed servicemen in the present war.

Address in behalf of the War Mothers—By Mrs. Jean M. Tezak, a leading local businesswoman and the mother of 3 sons in the service.

"I Am Her Son"—Song by the Male octet.

"War Industry and their part"—Address by Mr. Wm. Matthews, of the Elwood Ordnance Plant who concludes with the lighting of the torch of Victory.

"God Bless America"—Song led by Misses Lillian Bebar and Maryann Kostelz—audience also sings.

Retire Colors—By the American Legion.

Piano accompaniment—By Prof. Anthony Rozman and Mr. Ed. Brewster.

John L. Jevitz, (Zivetz)  
President  
Lodge No. 66, AFU  
Joliet, Ill.

## Attention Members of Lodge 190, AFU

Butte, Mont. — Members of Lodge No. 190, AFU will meet Thursday, Oct. 19th at 8 p. m. at the usual quarters. All members are asked to attend the meeting. Lately the attendance at our meetings has not been very good.

As you already know there is a 10-cent increase in your monthly dues, which began September, 1944. This is the Special War Fund which was created in order to pay full benefits for all deceased servicemen-members. This will last for the duration and until such time when all the claims shall have been paid in full.

The AFU convention in Rock Springs was concluded in four days and proved to be a very successful one. Credit must be given to the local committee for arrangements, the housing committee and the entertainment committee of the lodges in Rock Springs, Wyo., for the wonderful hospitality shown us during our stay in Rock Springs.

I shall long remember the good meals which were served in the Old Timer's Hall and which were supervised by Mrs. M. Rossold and the girls who helped her. I recently had the opportunity to meet the secretary-treasurer of Lodge No. 151, AFU of Mullen, Idaho, Mrs. L. M. Jackson. I met her on my way home from Spokane, Wash., a month or so ago. She lives in Wallace, Idaho just a few miles from Mullen. We had quite a conversation during my short stay there.

Again I wish to remind our members to pay their dues promptly and attend our next meeting.

Best wishes to the Supreme Board Members, the delegation and members of the American Fraternal Union.

Mary Predovich, Sec'y  
Lodge No. 190, AFU  
Butte, Mont.

## Cash Awards

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

The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;  
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 3,000 death benefit, \$ 12.00 award;

For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 2.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F



## Seja glavnega odbora JPO-SS

19. septembra 1944

Vincent Cainkar, predsednik JPO-SS, je otvoril sejo ob pol deseti uri dopoldne v konferenčni sobi Slovenske narodne podporne jednotne v Chicagu.

Navzoči so slediči odborniki: V. Cainkar, zastopnik Slovenske narodne podporne jednotne, Joseph Zalar, zastopnik Kranjsko-slovenske katoliške jednotne, Janko N. Rogelj, zastopnik Ameriške bratske zveze, Josephine Erjavec, zastopnica Slovenske ženske zveze, Leo Jurjovec, zastopnik Zapadne slovenske zveze, Josephine Zakrajšek, zastopnica Progresivnih Slovenk, in Frank J. Wedic, zastopnik Družbe sv. Družine. Odsočni so: John Gornik, zastopnik Slovenske dobrodelenne zveze, John Ermenc, zastopnik Slovenske podporne zveze "Slo-ga," in Frank Česnik, zastopnik Slovenske moške zveze.

Predsednik JPO-SS poroča, da je bila sklicana ta seja iz večih razlogov, predvsem pa zato, ker že dolgo nismo zborovali in ker se razmere na vojnih frontah slednje čase tako naglo spreminjači in vsak čas se lahko zgodi, da bo pomoč nesrečnim rojakom v starri domovini res mogoče dostaviti ter je potrebno, da smo na to pripravljeni. Kot veste, je prav iz tega razloga bila sklicana skupna seja vseh narodnosti, ki so včlanjene v Združenem odboru južnoslovenskih Amerikanov, da bi se pogovorili glede možnosti skupne akcije v pomoči, katero bi mogli nuditi osvojenim krajem. Datum te skupne seje je bil določen za soboto 16. septembra v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Clevelandu. Napovedana seja je bila zadnji čas odgovedana iz razloga, ker Hrvati niso hoteli priti na to sejo, čeprav so se na skupni seji ZOJSA v New Yorku vse narodnosti strinjale, da je potrebna enaka seja, zlasti ker je ZOJSA izposloval dovoljenje za nabiranje in razpečavanje skupne pomoči pod imenom War Relief of American of South Slavic Descent, ki bi posloval z dovoljenjem President's War Relief Control Boarda, registracijska številka 583.

Nadalje izjavlja predsednik, da se je v Washingtonu delalo na to, da bi se združile vse južnoslovenske vojne pomočne organizacije v eno pomočno akcijo, oziroma, da bi se spojile vse obstoječe s tako zvano United Yugoslav War Relief Fund of America, katere pravo ozadje je organizacija American Friends of Yugoslavia in, katera je bila faktično pod dominacijo jugoslovenskega veleposlanika Fotija. Radi tega je bilo med nami mnogo dopisovanja in zastopnik omenjene organizacije je tudi osebno obiskal njega (br. Cainkarja) ter Jos. Zalarja in ju poskušal pridobiti, da bi pristala v spojitev. Oba sta mu pojasnila, na kak način smo mi organizirani in kako se vrši naše zbiranje prispevkov ter kako imamo začrtno pomočno delo sploh, ter da vsled tega taka spojitev ni mogoča, nakar je vse ostalo pri starem. O teh poskusih je izvedel tudi br. L. Adamič, ki je na to merodajnim osebam stvar še posebej pojasnil. Brezdomno je tudi njegovo posredovanje precej pomagalo, da so potem odnehali.

Končno je posegel v zadevo Združeni odbor ali ZOJSA. Pri zadetem uradom je pojasnil, da bi bilo najbolje, ako bi se njim izdal dovoljenje, nakar bi lahko sledilo skupno delo vseh južnoslovenskih narodnosti. In to so čez čas tudi dosegli. Kot je že bilo deloma objavljeno, jim je izdan dovoljenje pod imenom War Relief of Americans

of South Slavic Descent in to, da smejo zbirati prispevke ter pomoč dostavljati v Jugoslavijo. Možnost sedaj postoji, da se bo tudi že prej imenovani United Yugoslav War Relief Fund of America priključil tej akciji.

Predsednik še poudarja, da je prišel čas, da poživimo našo pomočno akcijo kakor največ mogoče ter poziva, da naj na tej seji nekaj konkretnega zaključimo. Zaeno omeni, da je prejel telefonično sporočilo, da je jugoslovanska ladja že na poti v Ameriko, da naloži potreбne stvari in jih odpelje v Jugoslavijo. Računajo predvsem na našo materialno pomoč sestrada nemu ljudstvu v starri domovini.

Ker nismo mogli obdržavati skupne seje v Clevelandu kot je bilo namenjeno, sem smatral za potreben, da imamo vsaj Slovenci svojo sejo, na kateri bi se pogovorili glede vprašanja pridružitve za skupno akcijo in da sklenemo vse drugo potrebno. Tato smo torej danes sestavljali. Kot znano, zadnje čase nismo bili kaj posebno aktivni, to pa radi udejstvovanja pri SANSu. Karkoli bomo sklenili, bomo potem lahko poročali na skupni seji ZOJSA v Pittsburghu, ki se ima vršiti 21. septembra in na katero smo vabljeni, namreč ves odbor, kateri tudi odbori hrvaških in drugih jugoslovenskih pomožnih akcij.

Poročilo predsednika se vzame na znanje.

Tajnik JPO-SS poda pisano poročilo, katero se glasi:

Bratje in sestre!

Odkar je bila ustanovljena politična organizacija (SANS), ni bilo pri naši pomočni akciji onega navdušenja in živahnosti, kot bi bilo pričakovati.

Z ustanovitvijo SANSa in organiziranjem Združenega odbora južnih Slovanov je bila naša pomočna akcija (JPO-SS) nekako v ozadje postavljena. Sicer so prihajali prispevki od meseca do meseca, ni pa bilo one prave in žive aktivnosti, kot bi moral biti. In ker ni bilo že mesec in mesec prave in resne aktivnosti, zato tudi nimam veliko poročati.

Delo v zvezi z mojo službo sem izvrševal točno in po svoji najboljši zmožnosti. Denar, ki je bil meni poslan, sem ga takoj odpolsal bratu blagajniku. Brat blagajnik mi je pa točno vsak mesec poslal izkaz vseh mesečnih prejemkov.

Ker je poslovjanje naše akcije pod nadzorstvom in kontrolo federalne vlade, se zahteva, da se poročilo o prejemkih in morbitnih izdatkih redno kot predpisano pošljejo The President's War Relief Control Board, Washington, D. C. Ta ka poročila so bila vedno pravocasno na pristojno mesto poslana.

O finančnem stanju ne bom poročal, ker bo to storil brat blagajnik. Želim pa omeniti nekaj in to je:

JPO-SS je bil organiziran 19. aprila 1941. Z našo akcijo ter poslujemo že približno tri leta in pol. Za ves ta čas znašajo poslovni stroški \$79.50. Torej v treh letih in pol smo imeli samo \$79.50 stroškov. Pa tudi ti stroški bi ne bili v tolki meri kot so, ako bi ne bilo zaradi premije blagajnikovega poroča in če bi ne bilo treba vladati v Washingtonu, D. C., posiljati poročila, ki morajo biti pripravljena po računskih veščinah. Z drugo besedo rečeno, stroški, ki smo jih do sedaj imeli, so bili po večini v zvezi s poročili računskih veščakov (Certified Public Accountants) in pa plačano premijo od blagajnikovega poroča.

To omenjam zato, da bo javnost vedela, da vsi, ki imamo posle v zvezi z našo akcijo, ne prejemamo nikakšnih plačil ali odškodnin, ter da ne trošimo denarja, pač pa gledamo na to,

da v pomoč onim, za katere je bil darovan.

Na zahtevo je bila 21. julija t. l. poslana The President's War Relief Control Board, Washington, D. C., tudi resolucijska.

JOSIP ZALAR, tajnik.

Poročilo tajnika se sprejme.

Blagajnik JPO-SS poroča, da ima sedaj v blagajni \$77.074.35, kar smo nabraли v treh letih in pol. Skupni stroški znašajo samo \$92.00, kar je zelo malo, ker vsi uradniki dela brezplačno, a včlanjeno podporne organizacije plačujejo stroške njih glavnih uradnikov, ki se udeležujejo sej glavnega odbora JPO-SS.

Poročilo blagajnika se vzame na znanje.

Direktor publicete poroča, da je pisal članke, katere ste vsi čitali. Nadalje pravi, da nismo toliko napredovali, kot se je pričakovalo, kajti imamo med Slovenci v Ameriki neprijatelje, ki znašajo vesti med naše ljudi po naselbinah, ki niso naklonjene našemu delu. Tako je bilo priročeno v nekem slovenskem časopisu, da se namerava izročiti denar JPO-SS "komunistom" v Jugoslaviji, kar ne odgovarja resnicni. Louis Adamič, ki je govoril o novem skupnem pomočnem odboru ZOJSA, je povdarił, da ves denar, ki je bil nabran pri Slovencih, bo porabljen v pomoč Slovencem v domovini.

Poročilo direktorja publicete se sprejme.

F. J. Wedic poroča, da smo bili sedaj malo bolj počasni pri pomočni akciji, ker so se Slovenci bolj udejstvovali pri dovozu v domovino. Tudi o tem ne pride, odbor do definitivnega zaključka, kajti v navodilih, ki jih bo dal odbor ZOJSA, bo tudi v ključeno.

Razpravlja se nadalje, kdo bo plačal za prevoz oblike do pristanišča, kdo bo plačal za dovoz v domovino. Tudi o tem ne pride, odbor do definitivnega zaključka, kajti v navodilih, ki jih bo dal odbor ZOJSA, bo tudi v ključeno.

V razpravo pride vprašanje, kako bi začeli veliko kampanjo za denarne prispevke. Sledijo nasveti, da bi pričeli z nabiranjem od hiše do hiše, da bi pisali pisma vsem članom in članicam naših podprtih jednot in zvez, da bi poslali pisma samo na vse društva, na vse lokalne odbore JPO-SS in na vse podružnice SANSa.

Poročilo se vzame na znanje. Josephine Zakrajšek poroča, kako so se ženske v Clevelandu že organizirale v tri skupine, da bodo nabirale, šivale in pripravljale oblike, katero bodo pozne poslale v domovino, ko bodo navodila, kako se more pošiljati. Pravi, da oblike mora biti vsa čista in oprana, ker druge se je ne more poslati.

Tajnik poroča, da bodo imeli v Jolietu v nedeljo sejo, kjer bodo določili, da se odda skupni preostanek od slavnosti 50-letnici KSKJ, kar znaša okoli \$1200.00, v glavno blagajno JPO-SS.

Predsednik se zahvali joljetemu odboru za tako velik dar.

Nato se razvije razprava glede bodočnosti JPO-SS. Soglašeno je bilo sklenjeno, da ves do sedaj nabrani denar, kakor tudi ves denar, ki bo v bodoči pri JPO-SS nabran, ostane pod nadzorstvom in kontrolo JPO-SS. Naša pomočna akcija je bila ustanovljena po predstavnikih slovenskih bratskih organizacij in je torej slovenska pomočna akcija. Denar, ki ga zbiramo, je v smislu naših izjav in pravil, na podlagi katerih smo vodili agitacijo, namenjen slovenskemu narodu, in JPO-SS mora sam deliti ter gledati in skrbeti, da pride v pomoč onim, za katere je nabran, vsled česar naša pomočna akcija ostane samostojna, kakor je bila do sedaj.

Kar se pa tiče pošiljanja oblike v starri domovino, je bilo sklenjeno, ker ima ZOJSA sedaj tudi dovoljenje za razpečavanje blaga, zato naj se od-

bor ZOJSA naprosi, da bi se nam dovolilo posluževati se njih permita za pošiljanje in razpečavanje oblike našemu narodu v starri domovini. Razpečavanje blaga se ima vršiti pod nadzorstvom JPO-SS.

Predsednik zaključi dopoldansko sejo ob dvanašti uri.

Popoldansko sejo odbora je predsednik ob eni popoldne.

Nadzorni govorijo, da bi izdali skupno izjavo glede našega kultura. Nekaferi so se bali kabilovali in so jih upali potolažiti z mesom drugih. "Spustite pošast proti vzhodu," so rekli. Drugi so računalni, da bodo s pomočjo morilcev, požigalcev in loparov uničili deželo, kjer je bila v časti zavest človečanstva.

"Da li je bila to bedastota ali zvitost, je težko reči. Toda Evropa je plačala za to s svojimi sadovniki v svojimi skupnimi podobnosti z Ameriko: naša mladost, naša razsčenost, nekončnost naših polj in naših sanj naših dela sorodne. Naše ljubezni do Francije ni treba poudarjati. Ko se je Pariz osvobodil in ko so se gerilci ovenčali s slavo, mi nismo bili presečeni, ker poznamo, kaj je Francija.

"Mi smo čutili trpljenje čehov in Srbov kot bi bilo naše lastno.

In mi smo tako ponosni na vojnike maršala Tita

kor naše lastne in junakačočesovak, ki zdaj osvojajo svojo deželo. Vse to pa je daleč od starega slavofilstva.

Mi ne postavljamo en del človeštva proti drugemu. Mi nismo plemenski fanatiki, toda mi vidi

mo v slovenskih narodih mnogo, kar nam je sorodno. Toda mi smo vzhici na njihovi govorici, kateri zapopadamo po znanih melodijah njihovih narodnih pesmi, po vezenih brisačah v slovaški koči, po pripovedki stare Črnogorke.

"Naši sovražniki trdijo, da

mi smo na pohod za podjarmenje.

To pravijo Nemci, ki so

sanjali o zavojevanju vsega

sveta, ali pa politične kokete,

ki si želijo ljubimkanja von Papenov. To je obrekovanje, zlono obrekovanje.

"Mi smo prekoračili naše me-

je kot sodniki zatiralcev in osvo-

boditelji zatiranih. Naša moč

je, strašna, toda le za ječarje.

Vsi narodi zro z upanjem v nas,

z izjemom tistih, ki so dokazali,

da nič človeškega v njih. Kri-

minalci morajo biti kaznovani;

s svojim potom in krvjo mora-

jo plačati za opustošenje Eu-

rope in za smrt nedolžnih. Ni

nizkotna besnost, ki nas prinosa

v Nemčijo, ampak naša skrb za

bodočnost, za otroke, za pse-

nino klasje in kulturo. Katera

mati more dojiti svojega otroka,

zavedajoča se, da fašisti še

žive! Zaradi otrok, ki se igrajo

v Moskvi in Leningradu in Pa-

rizu in Londonu, mi ne smemo

imeti usmiljenja s fašizmom in

moramo izrezati ta grdi tvor iz

srca Evrope. In mi bomo to sto-

ri. Zato upanjem zro na nas

vdove v Londonu in matere v

Parizu. Zato smo obrekovani od

odkritih in prikritih ubjalcev

otrok.

"Tujezemski tisk lahko raz-

pravlja, če bodo fašistični vo-

relifno akcijo ZOJSA, smo

stavili v slovenščini v sprej-

ljivo apel na naše rojake. Omre-

število iztisov lahko dobre v-