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## DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

## RAZNO IZ AMERIKE IN INOZEMSTVA

Kreza JSKJ društva v zapadnem Pensilvanijskem bo zborovala nedeljo 29. marca v Slovenski naselbine Center.

Federacija JSKJ društev v zvezoti bo zborovala v nedeljo 25. marca v Evelethu, Minn.

Federalni ustanovitelji praznovale žensko društvo št. 103 JSKJ v Clevelandu, nedeljo 19. aprila z banjem in plesom v Slovenskem domu Holmes Ave.

Ustavnika tekmoma med kegijaški društvi JSKJ iz raznih držav bo vršila v nedeljo 19. aprila v Ikeganu, Ill.

Federalni ustanovitelji bo praznovale žensko društvo št. 173 JSKJ v Clevelandu, O., z veselico v nedeljo 25. aprila. Veselica se bo v S. N. Domu na St. Ave.

Žensko društvo št. 170 JSKJ v Ikeganu, Ill., bo praznovalo ustanovitev z banjem 9. maja.

Ustavnika 4. warde v Sheboyne, kandidira M. A. Pavell, lastnik "Smile" restavracije v član društva št. 82 JSKJ. Kandidat je v letu 1893 v Elizabeth, Pa., pozneje pa je živel v Ikeganu, Ill., in nato v Indianapolisu, Ind. V zadnjem mestu je bil leta 1926 tajnik društva št. 45 J. S. Primarne volitve se bodo v tork 17. marca.

Zvezna ženska društva št. 103 JSKJ v Clevelandu, bo praznovalo petinletnico društva predobčinskega članic. Ideja je v upatu je, da jo sosedna ženska društva št. 103 izvedejo društva pa da jih v posnemajo.

ZLATA REZERAVA Zedinjenih držav je nedavno dosegla vrednost deset tisoč milijonov dolarjev, kar predstavlja skoraj polovico dejarnega zlata na svetu. Večina tega zlata je spravljena v mogočnih železinih in kamnitih trdnjavah, katerih ena je blizu Ft. Knox v državi Kentucky, druga pa pri Denverju, Colorado. Trdnjavi sta seveda strogo zaščiteni z mehaničnimi napravami in vojaštvom. Zgodovina nám poroča o raznih mogičnostih, ki so imeli kupe zlata, toda ni verjetno, da bi bili kateri imel takoj povprečno po dva milijona dolarjev, zenske pa le po \$200. Začasno ne bi hoteli možnosti za desti manj kot stotin milijon dolarjev, zenske pa bi za kaj takega zadovoljile z nagrado pet milijonov dolarjev.

Vero v posmrtnost bi bili ne

kateri možki spravljeni izgubiti brez vsake odškodnine, nekateri pa za razne vseste, tudeli visoke. Povprečna cena možkih za to pa bi bila okrog eno dolarjev. Zenske pa bi povprečno za izgubo take vere zatevale nagrado \$10 ali celo manj.

Nestrupeno kačo bi si dali možki oviti okrog vratu za povprečno ceno \$100, zenske pa bi za tak čin zahtevala povprečno nagrado \$400. Nekateri možki in zenske pa so izjavili, da ne bimari priti v take intimne odnosaje s kačami za nobeno ceno.

Profesor Thorndike je tudi želel izvedeti, za koliko časa bi se možki in zenske pustili zapreti v jeo k trdemu delu, da bi kot nagrada za to dobili pravilno eno uro govoriti s predsednikom Rooseveltom, z ruskim diktatorjem Stalinom, z italijanskim diktatorjem Mussolinijem ali pa z znano igralko Greta Garbo. Odgovori na ta vprašanja so bili zanimivi.

Mladi možki so bili povprečno voljni izgubiti štiri dni prostosti za pogovor s Stalinom, pol dneva za pogovor z Mussolinijem in sedem desetink dneva za pogovor z Greta Garbo. Mlade ženske bi se dale en dan za preti za enourni pogovor z Rooseveltom, podigrati dan za pogovor s Stalinom ali Mussolinijem in eno tretjino dneva za pogovor z Greta Garbo. Mlade ženske bi se dale en dan za preti za enourni pogovor z Rooseveltom, podigrati dan za pogovor s Stalinom ali Mussolinijem in eno tretjino dneva za pogovor z Greta Garbo.

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Kdor prinese s seboj večjo količino likerjev, bo imel sitnosti s carinskimi oblastmi.

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# MLADINSKI ODDELEK - JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Marko Vzhodnik:  
ODKOD IMAMO ČAJ

A thousand years ago (or it may have been much longer than a thousand years since the things told of in this story happened), there lived in a far-away land a young orphan boy named Jim. If he had a surname no one ever heard him called by it. He was just orphan Jim, and lived by the earnings of his own hands. During prosperous years, when crops were to be garnered, Jim found plenty of employment, but following a bad season of too much rain or drought, he had to go poorly fed and more poorly housed and clad. So that young Jim, aged 16, knew the meaning of want.

It happened very often that Jim went about the alleys and backyards in the rear of the houses of the rich and looked for old bottles, old tin and iron. These castoff things he would sell to a junk shop for a few pennies. In this way he picked up enough money to tide him through the hardest part of the winter, which, fortunately, were short in the land where Jim lived. But they were quite severe sometimes, snow lying over the ground like a white carpet. It was then that Jim suffered most, for the cold bit his tender flesh unmercifully. His coat was thin and his shoes were much worn.

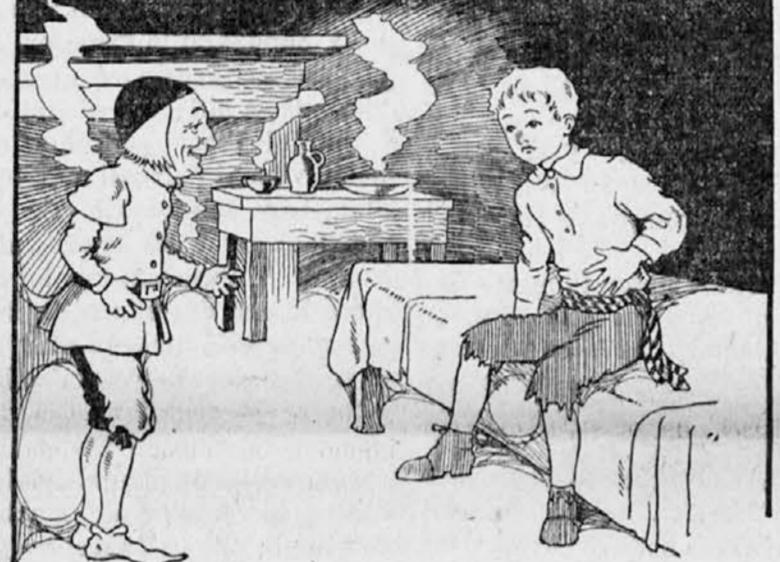
One late afternoon during a heavy snow fall Jim was walking about an alley which ran behind a very large house. He was looking for things which may have been thrown out by some of the rich man's servants. Suddenly a bit of shining blue glass caught his eye. Now, there was a dealer in the town who bought all the old bottles that Jim could find, and paid a

"I'll run to my room and clean out the bottle," said Jim. And hiding his blue treasure beneath his thin coat he ran with all possible speed to his room which was in the rear of a stable behind a tumble-down inn no longer in use. This room occupied by Jim had been a small meathouse where winter provisions had been stored. And while it was cheerless and cold it was strong and secure from storms. In no place did its roof leak, and the winds could not get in through the sides. So, from one standpoint at least, the room was a haven of safety for Jim, and was rent-free. Once inside his room Jim stirred the few embers in the little fireplace and by the feeble light washed the bottle clean. Then, the darkness setting in, he decided he would wait until the next day before going to the bottle dealer.

The room being terribly cold, Jim lay on his bed and drew the covers about him. Thus he fell asleep, and might have slumbered on for hours, being so tired, had not voice at his side spoken. "Are you wasting precious evening hours?" asked the voice.

Jim quickly awoke and sat up, staring about him. To his wonder, the room had become both warm and light and a fine supper was smoking on the table beside the glowing fireplace. Jim put his hand to his head, saying to himself: "I'm asleep and dreaming. Oh, if only I might awake to find everything just as I see it in my dream."

"You are not asleep and dreaming, my boy," spoke the voice. Then Jim looked about to see who addressed him.



His Eyes Rested on a Queer Little Figure Dressed in a Quaint Fashion

very good price for them, too. So Jim, hoping that the blue glass would turn out to be worth a few pence, smoothed away the snow and found it to be the end of a very large, long-necked bottle. Jim picked it up and began calculating on all the things that the money from the sale of the bottle would bring him. First, there would be a bit of bread and a smaller bit of cheese. Then there would be a candle to light his little room so that he might see how to mend his shoes that night before going to bed. Oh, the bottle was quite a little fortune to be picked up so late of an evening, especially as Jim had had a very disappointing day.

In vain he had tried to get work from first this one and that one, but all to whom he applied for employment shook their heads and said they had no work for him. Jim, being of an independent spirit, loving his liberty, and holding hopes for the future, had thus far kept himself from becoming an apprentice to some weaver of cloth or maker of cartwheels and had fared better—even while considering his poverty and suffering at times—than fared the poor little apprentice boys of his acquaintance.

"What is all that money doing here?" asked Jim in breathless amazement. "It is for you, providing you answer my questions as I would have them answered," replied the Jinnee. "Come, what will you do with the first one hundred coins that is on the top of yonder pot full of gold?"

Jim sat puzzled for a moment thinking what would be his desire to do with such a fortune left to him.

"Ah, I would make the town's poor happy by giving them warmth and food," he replied quickly, remembering his own poverty.

"Very good, young chap," smiled the Jinnee. "Remove the first one hundred coins and place them in that silver box on the table."

Jim did as requested. "Now, close and lock the box," said the Jinnee, "and place them in the pewter casket and box."

Again Jim meditated; then said: "I'd build a fine hospital for the sick and give the patients every care and attention."

"Remove the second one hundred coins from the box," said the Jinnee, "and place them in the pewter casket and box."

Jim counted out the one hundred coins and placed them in the pewter casket and locked it. And to his surprise he found that only one coin was left in the pot. "Now, what remains is for you," said the Jinnee. "Are you satisfied with the amount?"

Jim's face was aglow. "Yes, I am more than pleased, for I can get all that I really need with one golden coin, for it amounts to more than I can earn in a year. And—the thing which makes me very happy is to know that there is money to make the poor comfortable and the sick well. Ah, isn't that quite enough to make me happier than I ever was before?"

"Then you are willing to give two hundred golden coins to others, and keep only one for yourself?" asked the

## THE MAGIC BLUE BOTTLE

### THE JUNIOR COOK OYSTER SOUP

Drain the oysters—for 4 persons use 1 pint.

Go over them carefully, making sure that there is no shell.

Melt 3 tablespoonsfuls of butter in a saucepan.

Add the oysters and cook gently till the edges frill.

While the oysters are cooking heat 3 cups of milk in a double boiler.

Add 2/3 teaspoonful of salt.

If your family like a thickened soup (some do and some do not) dissolve 1 tablespoonful of flour in 1/4 cupful of the milk and stir into the heated milk in the boiler. Bring to the boiling point and cook 5 minutes. If you thicken the soup, start the milk cooking before you start the oysters.

When the milk is ready, pour the frilled oysters into the milk, stir to mix well and serve at once with salted crackers.

Danilo Gorinšek:  
MAJDA—PERICA

Kar pri roki je perila,  
Majdica je pritrnila  
s kljukami na tenki nit,  
ker pač treba je sušiti.  
Robci, črni kot hudočici  
tam vise: če bi jih gobci  
tigrovi bili seefrali,  
— ne bi zdaj takoj zjivali!  
Potlej tam visijo rjuhe,  
ki so že tri leta suhe,  
ker jih ni perila mala  
vsa tri leta nje oprala.  
Le čigavo je perilo,  
ki se zdaj bo tod sušilo!  
Majdino nit! — A njen panček  
tak umazan je grdinček!  
To je Majdo tak zježilo,  
da se punčko je za krilo  
priprnila na vešala,  
kjer za kazen bo bingljala!

Ivan Albreht:  
BASEN

Modro stari hrast raz goro  
po dolini se ozira:  
"Lep je svet, a bil bi lepsi,  
ko bi ne poznal prepira."

Tik ob hrastu mlada breza  
milo prosi korenjak:  
"Pusti malo me na sonce,  
da ti v rasti bom enaka!"

Ježno hrast krošnjo zamaja:  
"Glejte, glejte to pritliko!  
Tih! Hrasti, a ne breze  
smo na svetu za veliko!"

Onkrat plota v grmu brina  
sama v sebi premišljuje:  
"Bo le res, da najbolj davi,  
kdo najbolj sladko modruje."

visitor. Jim said very emphatically that he was.

"Ah, then sit down and eat your supper, for it will be cold if you wait longer, and I will consider what you shall buy with the one golden coin," said the Jinnee. Jim was not slow in obeying, for the fragrance of the steaming supper had sharpened his hunger and he fell to with relish. Never had he eaten such a meal. It was a real banquet and for half an hour Jim regaled himself plentifully. Then, his hunger appeased, he turned to his strange visitor, who sat on a stool watching him.

"Ah, you have finished your supper, so now we can complete our business. Take the two hundred golden coins and do with them as your conscience and heart dictate. You are a deserving boy, and I have confidence in your doing the right thing. And, having had my good opinion of you verified, I shall make your one coin grow into a hundred."

So saying, the Jinnee touched the one coin remaining in the pot with his wand, and lo! the vessel was soon almost full. Then, while Jim stood looking with wonder on the heap of coins, he put his hand on the youth's shoulder and said: "You can now enter a business as befitting your desire and ambition. And you can also have a home—a pretty cottage at the edge of the town with a garden about it."

Jim raised his head to look at the speaker, but at the instant the room became dark and when again the little candle on the shelf flared it showed the room as it had been before the Jinnee had appeared. But on examination Jim found the box and casket and pot held the hundred golden coins each, and the fire still burned warmly in the fireplace and the remnants of a fine supper remained on the table.

It did not take Jim long to seek out the poor of the town and to establish many of them in a small business fitting their capacity. Others of the poor he pensioned, for they were old and could not work. And soon a fine hospital was built for the sick poor, and everything done to make them comfortable and to aid in their recovery. And everyone marveled at the money Jim had to spend and at the pretty little house he bought on the outskirts of the town. And as the years rolled on Jim prospered and the whole town sang his praise.

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## BILLY AND NANCY

Dainty Nancy seated herself upon the davenport and spread her skirts primly. She let one fat, dimpled arm trail over the arm-rest, as she had often seen her Mamma do when Mamma was talking with Billy's Mamma who had brought Billy to play with Nancy.

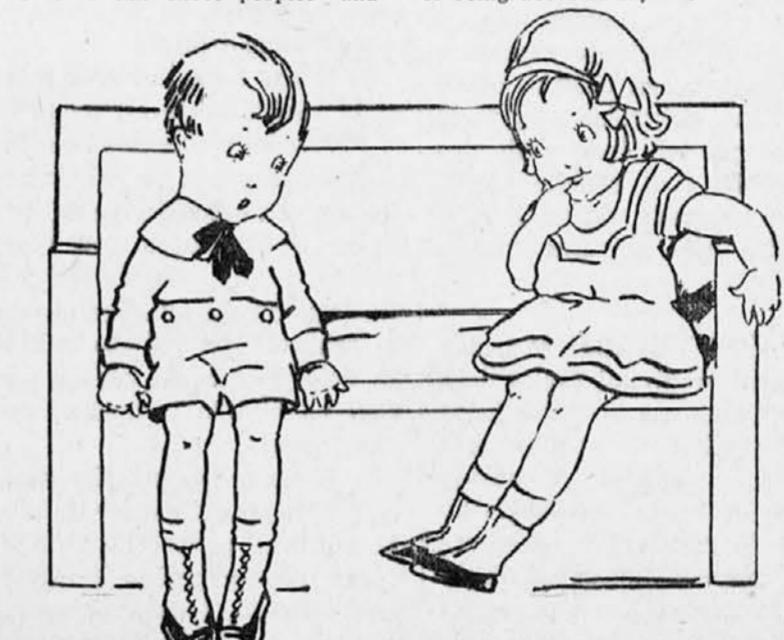
Billy balanced himself uncomfortably, perilously, gingerly upon the edge of the davenport, clutching it grimly for support. He stared straight ahead at the floor and held his breath.

"Would you be 'fraid of a mouse?" asked Nancy timidly.

"Humph! Why—why you just show me a mouse and—and I'd pick it up by its tail and—and swing it round my head three times and—and—" Billy hesitated a moment, gulped hard and plunged in boldly—"and throw it out the window, I would!"

Poor Nancy nearly slipped from the davenport. She stared with her mouth open. Never, never, she thought in all her life, had she met such a wonderful, wonderful boy! She looked and looked—her eyes as big as saucers.

And as she looked, she presently became aware that Billy was staring straight down at the floor—and that he was staring in a frightened way—and that his lower lip was beginning to tremble—and that he gave every sign of being about to cry out in terror.



"My Mamma Said for You to Talk to Me—Why Don't You?"

Quickly she followed his gaze along the floor until she saw, scurrying toward them—

—a centipede. Perhaps you will recognize it by its more common name of "thousand-legged."

"Oh!" cried Nancy, clutching Billy by the arm. "Oh! step on him, Billy!"

"Alas! And again, alas! Poor Billy couldn't have stepped on his own feet—he was that scared!

"Oh-o-o-o-o-o!" cried Nancy, throwing both arms around Billy's manly neck.

Then Billy acted. Roused at last by the cry of a fair maid in distress, he summoned his wit and—

Nancy's eyes were wide open.

"And—and if an alligator was to—to fly in the window I'd—I'd kick his teeth out, I would!"

Nancy simply could not suppress an exclamation of delight—which seemed to encourage Billy mightily.

"And—and," he added more confi-

## THE STORM KING

The Army of the North is out,  
The Storm King in command;  
Its snowy banners flung aloft  
Are moving thro' the land!

The herald winds their bugles blow  
And "Forward" is the word;  
Far in the dismal northern sky  
The battle-cries are heard.

And southward clouds in squadrons race

The Storm King's cavalry;  
Their icy arrows pierce and hang  
From every bending tree.

The flowers have broken ranks and fled

Long since but, strong of limb,  
The oaks have stripped them for the fight,

While earth waits cold and grim.

And now with giant arms they meet  
And struggle with the foe;  
Thro' day and night they strain and toss  
In threatened overthrow.

The Storm King shouts his fierce commands;  
Descends the snow and hail—

Till Spring's advancing host in sight,  
The blustering foemen quail!

Lojze Zupanc:

## VINO ZA ŽUPANA

Belokrajinska narodna

V Beli Krajini je bil nekoč človek, ki je bil perdet let za župana. Občani so hoteli njegovo dolgo in zaslužno župovanje proslaviti s pijačo. Občinski sluha je naložil v telec sod, ojamil volička ter hajd po občini nabiral vina za slavje.

Prišel je k prvemu gospodarju. Ta pa je bil o šile skop. V sod je zil z

## VRABČJA DRUŽINA

Očividno je vrabčji rodbini na tem balkonu zelo ugodajo... Nad vratom razpoliki stare vetrnice so se biljki stanili. Ko so se mladiči izvleči,

roditelj neutrudno letala sem in

Zdaj sta prinesla mušico, zdaj

novi gnezdo. In od ranega

poznega večera so letali vrabči

ter tja in čivkali.

Rad imam živali, a vsaka re

meje. Dve rodbini napravili

sem opazil za vetrnicu drugač

mojega potrlijena konec. Odpr

teno vetrnico, ki je bila že

zgredila, se je oglastilo tih mene.

Enkrat je sedel na vetrnici in si ogla

papir z vse strani. Se enkrat

To je bilo slišati dokaj zadovolj

očitajoče, kakor da bi hotel reči

šo neumnost si tu napravil?

Gospa Vrabčeva je prisila in pos

odmetnila vrat, ki je bila v

zvezničevi čustvju, zatem

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## Getting Together

BY LITTLE STAN

Chairman, National Juvenile Publicity Committee thumb route. But maybe he will get it back, and take it with him to Cleveland this September, where the convention will take place—the big adult convention he means. That is if he is able to go. What do you think, fellows, should I?

Justine Korent is certainly skimming the high spots of Ely news every month, and she's doing a swell job of it! About that New Year's baby contest. It certainly went over with a bang, and there actually was a youngster born on New Year Day. Just as Little Stan was coming home from the annual frolic.

Little Stan is happy to hear that Dorothy Brezovec likes to read the column. Thank you, Dot, and say hello to Freddy for me. (No, not her boy friend, juveniles, her brother.) And to Eddie Hudal . . . the snow is deep here, Eddie. The sun makes it "just right" for a nice snowball battle. What do you say? You throw 'em from Braddock, and Little Stan will throw them from Ely. Throw what? Why, snowballs, of course! Heh, heh! We have nice, big, slushy ones in Ely. But can we take this 40 below weather! Ugh!

All in all, fellows, that juvenile page was just crammed full of news and everything. Little Stan just sat back in his chair and ate up every word. In fact, he didn't even eat any supper afterward! Just a little one. Where the heck are the other writers—Vickie Kumse, Dolly Balkovec, Elsie Bregar, O'Green gals, Anna Mae of Roundup, that cute blond gal from Butte, Miss Erjavec, and hundreds of others? What do you say? You pull a "mean trick" on Editors Terbovec and Kolar by just flooding them with articles... Then he'll have to add on a couple more pages! Heh, heh! (I'll bet Louis Kolar would like to sic the printer's devil on Little Stan! Heh, heh!)

And it's so darned nice here that Little Stan will tell you about Little Audrey and go out into the beautiful balmy weather.

Little Audrey's cousin, Agatha, was fairly good singer. Her cousins, friends and relatives wanted her to appear on Major Bowes' amateur program, but they didn't know for sure whether or not Agatha would make the grade with the rest of the amateurs. They raised the money, and then hesitated to send her . . . the same fear that she would flop. But Little Audrey laughed and laughed because she knew that Major Bowes would say, "All right! All right!" Heh, heh! So long!

## MLADINSKI DOPISI

### Contributions From Our Junior Members

MORELY, COLO.

EDITOR: To express appreciation and for the one-dollar check we have lately received. I am sorry I have not written sooner to you.

On Friday our club presented a skit, "When a Woman Desires," It was a three-act comedy and for a local benefit. We received \$10 cents for every-

play cast consisted of eight characters, namely, Billy Defoe, a young man, his aunt, Hilda; Silas, his father; Rastus Tall, blacker than coal, his son, DiHaven, no whiter than

Billy. A sklep pozdravljame vse članice mladinskega v odraslega odelka JSKJ, posebno pa še g. urednica.

ANNE KOZEL (14), članica društva št. 20 JSKJ.

VIRGINIA, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR: This is the first time I am writing to the Nova Doba. I am sending in a story:

### JANE'S RUNAWAY EXPERIENCE

Jane was a little girl, 9 years old. She was an orphan. Jane was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Balton. Jane was never happy because she could never go out and play with the other children in the neighborhood. She always had to stay in to do her school work or learn new manners. Jane did not like this.

One afternoon when Mr. and Mrs. Balton were out and the nurse was out in the kitchen, Jane decided she would run away. She quickly put on her sweater, softly opened the door and ran as fast as she could down the street to the railroad tracks. When she got to the tracks she sat down to rest, for she was all out of breath. While she was resting she saw a tramp come walking along the track toward her.

"Hello," said the tramp, "where are you going?"

"Hello," answered Jane. "I am going to run away. Where are you going?"

"Oh, I am just bumming," said the tramp.

"May I come along?" said Jane. "Won't your mother and dad care if you run away?"

"I have no mother or dad, I am an orphan," was Jane's reply.

"Well, I think it will be all right, since you have no mother or dad. We will jump on the next train that comes

by."

"Good," said Jane, "this is just what I was wishing for. What is your name? Mine is Jane."

"Just call me Tom," was his reply. It was late in the afternoon when Jane and Tom caught a train. The train was bound for Chicago. That night Jane and Tom slept in a box car. In the morning they arrived in Chicago. They got off the train and started down a narrow street to beg for some food. They soon had their breakfast and they started off again.

While they were walking along Tom picked up a morning paper. The headlines read, "Jane Balton Kidnapped From Her Home Yesterday Afternoon." When Tom finished reading, he looked at Jane. He saw she answered the description given in the newspaper. Tom didn't want to get into trouble. He decided he would catch the next train back to the town they left yesterday afternoon. They caught the train and Jane was going back home.

When the train reached Jane's home town, Jane and Tom got off. It was just 12 o'clock noon. Jane soon noticed she was home and began to cry. Tom told her that the newspaper said she was kidnapped from her home. Tom also told her he would be put into prison if he was seen with her. Jane felt sorry because she did not want Tom to go to prison just because she did not like Mr. and Mrs. Balton.

Tom asked where she lived. Jane showed him the house. Tom walked up to the front door and knocked. Mrs. Balton answered it. She was so happy to see that the man returned Jane that she gave him a reward. Later Jane told Mr. and Mrs. Balton that she ran away and that she was not kidnapped.

After this Mr. and Mrs. Balton treated her better.

JULIA STAMPAHAR,  
No. 161, SSCU.

BRADDOCK, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:  
This is my first letter to the Nova Doba. I am sending in a true story. My lodge number is 31 and my age is 14.

### MY PETS

A dog and a mouse living in the same house seems very strange, but they did in ours. Mish-she was the name of the pet white mouse and Rex was the name of the dog. Mish-she lived in a screened cage and Rex had his chance of freedom, but Mish-she also had her chance of freedom. When she was loose in front of the dog there was sure to be war. Mish-she would get some food and the dog as usual would spring his paw on her. To make a long story short, you can just imagine the rest of the fight.

In my next letter I will tell more of the adventures of Rex and Mish-she.

ANTOINETTE CVENTON (age 14)  
No. 31, SSCU.

CLEVELAND, O.

DEAR EDITOR:  
This is my second letter to the Nova Doba. I want to tell you of our singing club. We have a meeting every first Saturday in the month. On Jan. 4 we had our first meeting. We elected officers: May Nemeć, president; Frank Kosten, vice president; Angela Kern, secretary; Frank Krasovec, treasurer; Elsie Yerak, timekeeper.

When these officers were elected, each one gave a speech. Each child that belongs to this club pays 15 cents a month. We sing every Saturday from 9:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m.

On Feb. 15 we had a valentine party and gave valentine post cards. Mr. Seme is our singing teacher. He is very good. We are called Skrjančki because we boś, saj ni takо težko! Samo korajše in dobre volje je treba. Oured.

DOROTHY SKERLY, Pres.,  
No. 116, SSCU.

EVELETH, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:  
This is my first letter to the Nova Doba. I am sorry I didn't write sooner. It is extremely cold in Eveleth. For 33 days the mercury failed to rise above zero. Many of the thermometers couldn't go low enough. On Feb. 16 the weather was 48 below zero.

I am in the sixth grade of the Franklin School. The thing I like best in school is swimming. I've had swimming for half a year and already know how to swim a little. We have movies in school every week.

To you, dear editor, and other members of our SSCU I extend my heartiest wishes.

FRANK KRZISNIK,  
No. 25, SSCU.

WEST ETNA, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:  
I haven't written for a long time, so I decided to write again. The letters written by the other members are very interesting and after reading them I decided to write one, too.

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We started a basketball team at school. On every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday we practice. Sometimes we just get home late from practice because we only start at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

We can go sled riding almost every day because there is snow on the ground nearly every day. When it gets too cold to go out we have to stay

in and read or do something to keep us busy. I hope it does get warmer soon because I know everyone is getting tired of it being cold all the time.

ANNA KRALL (age 13),  
No. 26, SSCU.

HOOVERVILLE, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:  
Well, I hope everyone is glad that spring will soon be here. Though it doesn't look as if it is going to be spring it won't be long now. We had very deep snow, but it has all melted away. There were big icebergs and gorges going down the river and caused flooding.

It is snowing all day today and I hope it will stop sometime. This morning while my girl friend and I were going to school we heard a robin. We turned to see what was going on. All at once my friend saw it standing on a stone right behind us. It knew that spring was coming, I suppose. It soon flew away.

Goodby and best regards to all.

FRANCES MALNAR,  
No. 36, SSCU.

ELY, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:  
Beautiful spring is almost here. People around here do not feel it yet, but the air is filled with the scent of spring. Even our canary is trying to let us know that spring is coming, by giving us a little tune. He sings most of the day now, but before he wouldn't let out any sound at all. We fed him many different kinds of food to try to make him sing. None did any good.

The sun is brighter and the days are longer. These are two more signs of spring. It seems as though we didn't get our share of snow because it is still snowing just about every day. The cold air still pushes the mercury down to 10 degrees below zero.

You should have seen our cat. He must have been in a fight. He sure was an awful sight. He came home on three legs, half his ears missing and his nose full of scratches. I was trying to bathe him, but he wouldn't let me.

I won't write anything about my rooster, because he is so mean. Whenever I come into the chicken coop he jumps at me and tries to scratch my eyes out. At one time I thought he bit my finger off. I couldn't take any violin lessons for a week.

While I am writing this, Mr. Barich is being laid in his last resting place. He is the father of Mrs. Svetich, who is a member of the Supreme Board of our SSCU. We are sending our most heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Now I am going to thank the editor for the dollar check that I received for my last article in the Nova Doba.

JUSTINE KORENT (age 13),  
No. 200, SSCU.

EXPORT, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:  
I wish to thank you for the dollar check that I received as a prize for my article. I am sorry that I did not write sooner.

Our juvenile club had its first meeting this year in January. There were not many present due to inclement weather, but officers were elected just the same. Our next meeting is scheduled for this month, and since it is getting warmer I hope to see more members in attendance so we can decide on some suitable program for Easter Sunday.

Well, here's hoping to see more members present at our next meeting scheduled for Sunday, March 15, at White Valley Hall. All juvenile members of Lodge No. 116 are urgently requested to be on hand for the meeting, which will start at 3 p. m.

DOROTHY SKERLY, Pres.,  
No. 116, SSCU.

NAGRADE

Za dopise, priobcene na mladinski strani Nove Dobe z dne 12. februarja, so bile nakazane nagrade po en dolar (\$1.00) vsakemu sledenim mladinskim dopisnikom:

Edward Hudale, društvo št. 31, Bradock, Pa.; Justice Korent, društvo št. 200, Ely, Minn.; Helen O'Koren, društvo št. 21, Denver, Colo.; Mary Bohan, društvo št. 183, Yukon, Pa.; Josephine Meze, društvo št. 159, Cornwall, Pa.; Helen Previc, društvo št. 116, Delmont, Pa.

Častno priznanje (Honorable mention) zaslujijo: Robert Palic, društvo št. 222; Frances Fister, društvo št. 25, in Jack Slavec, društvo št. 21.

FRANK KRZISNIK,  
No. 25, SSCU.

ODMEVI IZ RODNIH KRAJEV

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Lenarju v Slov. goricah. Škoda znaša preko 10,000 Din. Orožniki iščejo sedaj osmisljenega požigalca, nekega 51 letnega želarja, katerem so izpovedale priče, da je najprej doma pretepel ženo in hčerkino, nato začgal Šenekerjev hlev in neznano kam pobegnil.

V Čačku je stal pred velikim

senatom 70 letni Radovan Čurkić, ki je ubil 40 letno sosedo Rađoslavo, ki odsekal obe nogi in jo zakopal za svojo hišo. Že dvakrat je bila razprava odgovredna. Močen curek krvje je lelesa. Čudno je, da bi psihijatri ugotovili starčevo duševno stanje. Res so takoj spoznali da boleha na neodzdravljeni bolezni (lues), kar pa ne vpliva na njegovo normalno duševnost. Obsojen je bil na dosmrtno ječo. Starci je odsodbo sprejel povsem apatično.

Potovanje starega srbskega operacija z nohti mu je pomagalo: Janez si je pretrgal kožo v Beograd kmet na obisk k Masaryku. Iz vasi Teočina blizu Gornjega Milanovca je prispel v Beograd kmet Jeremija Nedić, ki je že

od leta 1910 pobratim bivšega predsednika Češkoslovaške republike Masaryka. Starci je lelesa. Močen curek krvje je na potu v Prago, da obiše svojega prijatelja. Ko Janev Oven sred vseh govoril v svetokriški fari. Ponosno razkazuje kroglo, o katerem se glasi splošna sodba bivših bojevnikov, da je iz francoške puške.

Zavito ima v svilen papirček in podplatu v ruko. Obsojen je bil že lani 27. novembra. Preko pravnika je hotel ostati doma in je šele sedaj krenil na potovanje. Silno se veseli po tolikih letih sestanku s svojim prijateljem, rad pa bi tudi spoznati njegovo domovino in ostale jugoslovanske pokrajine, zakaj se nikdar ni dalje potoval ka

kor do Novega Sada.

Lastnici premogokopa Trobnički pri Laškem, sladkorini tovarni v Čipriji in Crvenki sta sklenili ustaviti obrat zaradi nekontrolabilnosti in rudnik prodati. Oblasti so sicer skušale preprečiti likvidacijo premogokopa, naposled pa je bil vendarle z vsemi pritiklinami, stroji, žeznicami, poslopji in zemljišči prodan nekemu podjetniku iz Ljubljane za okrog 400,000 Din. Baje je rudnik pridan že na prej neki zagrebški družbi, ki bo to dne pričela s popolno demontažo in razprodala strojno napravo, tračnice, staro železo in tudi zemljišča.

No, in starši so te dni resprejeli neko pismo iz Gradača in uršulinskega samostana. V pismu, ki je bilo seveda falsificirano, so bili navedeni pogoji za sprejem v samostan, med njimi tudi položitev kavčije v znesku 4500 dinarjev in oskrba potrebnega perila. Mati je hčerka v zavodu opravila svojo nalogo, Zmijeta je bil mungo prenesen na Korčuljo, kako pa je sedaj pričela razvajšči.

Izkanje starodavnih zakladov v okolici Niša. Kmetje v okolici Niša prekopav



# New Era

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# Nova Doba

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

## CURRENT THOUGHT

### A Good Resolution

Lodge No. 106, SSCU, of Davis, W. Va., adopted a unique resolution at its February monthly meeting to stimulate enrollment of new members during 1936.

According to the information furnished by Bro. John Kosancec, member of this lodge, each baseball player of the local team is requested to secure at least one new member. Bro. John Kosancec is the organizer of the Mountaineer Baseball Club, subsidiary of Lodge No. 106, which again expects to place a team in the local field of competition when the season opens in 1936.

Members of this lodge are to be commended for adopting this resolution, which is believed to be the first of its kind in the SSCU circles. Particularly so since it invites the member-players to contribute materially toward the growth of the local.

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Resolutions urging the lodge member-players to take an active part in "signing up good prospects" is bound to make the athletes conscious of their responsibility to the local. While in instances the baseball and basketball players, bowlers, contribute more than their share of agitation, too often privilege of selling the lodge and the Union to the outsider to the lot of non-participants in sports.

Lodges, who meet with difficulty when seeking the co-operation of member-athletes in a membership drive will do well to consider the resolution idea, as set forth in the first paragraph

This editorial. It is not the aim of such a resolution to place undue stress upon those members who represent the lodge on the playing field, although it has been said at times that athletes are a drain on the local treasury, and the money spent for uniforms and equipment had been wasted. A member once said: "Yes,

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and hold dances to realize some working capital; we are given financial assistance from the sports fund. Then what happens? After we spend a lot of money for sports paraphernalia, the member players are not sufficiently interested in our lodge to make much part of it when the playing season comes to an end." While this situation was true with some locals in the past, experience has taught us all to make necessary provisions at lodge meetings to preclude any more such possibilities. By

gaining an understanding with players that they derive a certain amount of pleasure in playing the game, and the members to a lesser degree, and that the lodge has gone to considerable expense to make the team possible—such an arrangement will dispel many mistaken notions entertained by

in groups. We have several examples of 100 per cent co-

operation of member-athletes within our lodges, who do more than their share in working for the benefit of the local and

the Union.

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Judging by the reports of individual members published in this week's issue of Nova Doba, duckpin bowling in the state of Pennsylvania again has caught the fancy of SSCU lodges.

In 1935 the first national SSCU duckpin tournament was held in Pittsburgh. On May 12 of last year our Union witnessed some thirty teams competing for national SSCU honors.

The athletic board of Pennsylvania Federation of SSCU was in charge of the first duckpin tournament, which was with such overwhelming success. Unquestionably the

tournament idea will be repeated this year.

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A suggestion to all our English-speaking members, including athletes, when inducing a prospective candidate for membership into our Union:

Consult your local secretary, who will be very glad to explain the three different plans of death benefit certificates

offered by our Union, the sick and accident benefits, indemnities, operation benefits and disability benefits.

Your local secretary also has at least three copies available

the booklet "Table of Assessments and Non-Forfeiture Values of Certificates of the South Slavonic Catholic Union," which was prepared essentially to assist members when inducing

good prospects to join the SSCU.

In this booklet you will find a detailed explanation of all the plans "AA," "B" and "C" death benefits applying to each

age.

Read the booklet and familiarize yourself with the necessary

### For Enrolling New Members

What can be accomplished through concerted action was best demonstrated by our members during the year 1935 when our Union realized a net gain of 1437 new members.

Are we going to beat this record in 1936? The answer depends

upon the response to be given by our members in inducing their

friends and relatives to enroll during this year.

Our SSCU offers the following cash awards for securing

new members:

\$4.00 for each new member enrolled for a \$2,000 death benefit.

\$3.50 for each new member enrolled for a \$1,500 death benefit.

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\$1.50 for each new member enrolled for a \$500 death benefit.

\$1.00 for each new member enrolled for a \$250 death benefit.

50 cents for each juvenile member.

### Special Rail Rate From Cleveland to Chicago for SSCU Tournament

Nicke Plate Railroad offers a round trip rate of \$9.40 from Cleveland to Chicago, to Cleveland SSCU members interested in attending the national SSCU bowling tournament which will take place Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19, at Waukegan, Ill.

Train will leave Cleveland at 11:55 p. m. Friday, April 17, and arrive in Chicago Saturday morning 7:35 a. m. From here the visitors can take the elevated to Waukegan.

All Clevelanders interested in making the trip should get in touch either with John P. Lunka, secretary of Betsy Ross Lodge, 15413 Lucknow Ave., or the Nova Doba office.

On its return trip the train is scheduled to leave Chicago at 11:20 p. m. Sunday, April 19, and will arrive in Cleveland Monday morning at 8:00 a. m.

### G. W.'s Meet Friday

Cleveland, O.—Members of George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU are urgently requested to attend the lodge's meeting which will take place Friday, March 13, in room No. 2 of the Slovener National Home, starting at 8 p. m.

One of the principal items coming up for discussion shall be the second national SSCU bowling tournament scheduled for April 18-19, at Waukegan, Ill. All bowler-members interested in making the trip and participating in the tournament should be present so that plans can be made accordingly.

According to advance information the SSCU tenpin tournament will be the biggest spectacle in sports undertaken by our Union to date. An elaborate program of entertainment awaits the visitors who will be in Waukegan on April 18 and 19.

Entertainment will follow adjournment of the meeting. Our basketball team, which wound up the current season in the Interlodge league will be honored. As president I want to take this opportunity to thank publicly Mr. John Bukovnik, neighborhood photographer, for his financial assistance which made the GW, SSCU-Bukovnik Studio team possible.

Our meetings this year have been attended mostly by the members who joined our lodge within the last year or so. Others, who have been in the lodge for several years, have made themselves conspicuous by their absence. It is my earnest desire to see all members present so that we can have record attendances. The progress of the G. W. lodge depends upon the whole-hearted co-operation of all members, and I am sure that we can accomplish most if we have the support of all.

John Kardell, Jr., Pres.

**Just Can't Find a Job**

Old Lady: If you really want work—Farmer Gray wants a righthand man.

Wanderer: Just my luck, lady—I'm left-handed!

There are 70,000,000 acres of forests in Alaska.

Film photography was made possible only because of the fact that cows eat mustard.

### BRIEFS

#### Ohio Federation Convention Committee on Arrangements

for the coming 15th quadrennial SSCU session elected the following officers at the meeting held Wednesday, March 4: John Zalar, president; Joseph Grdina, secretary, and John Kardell Jr., treasurer.

The first national Serbian basketball tournament will take place next Saturday, March 14, in the East High School gymnasium of Cleveland.

Ten teams representing various parts of the country will battle it out for national honors, and only players of Serbian nationality will be permitted to compete. First game is scheduled to start at 1 p. m. and will continue until 10:30 p. m., and the survivors will play the following day for the Serbian Federation of Pittsburgh and Cleveland Serbian Unity Federation trophies. The following cities will be represented: Cleveland, Akron, Warren, Massillon and Steubenville, O.; Pittsburgh, Aliquippa, Pa.; South Bend, Ind.; Lackawanna, N. Y.; Chisholm, Minn.; Milwaukee, Wis., and Weirton, W. Va. Nick Radlick, prominent Serb leader of Cleveland, is president of the tournament.

Charles Lausche, member of Cleveland George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, again hit the bowling headlines when he and Frank Franz rolled 1297 to capture the northern Ohio doubles championship. The events were held last week at Linsz Alleys, Cleveland.

Nick Lalich, stellar performer for the Ohio University basketball squad, was nominated to a center position on the All-Buckeye cage team recently by coaches, officials and sports writers for the Associated Press. He led the league with a total of 135 points scored during the season.

John Erjavec, the Slovene white hope from Biwabik, Minn., moved another step upward in his fistic ambitions when he defeated Mickey McAvoy in a four-round feature bout held in Buffalo. Erjavec is staying in Chicago, where he made an impressive showing in the white hope tournament recently.

Michael A. Pavell of Sheboygan, Wis., has entered the race for alderman in the Fourth Ward in the city's primary election to take place March 17. Mr. Pavell is a member of Lodge No. 82, SSCU. Prior to moving to Sheboygan in 1923, the candidate for city office was sanitary inspector for the Indianapolis, Ind., Board of Health and also instructor in citizenship under the supervision of the board of education of that city.

Just Walking

On a mid-July afternoon a man in Chicago was grumbling about the heat. Said another who had just returned from a trip through the South:

"Hot! Boy, you don't know what hot is. One day this week down in the Mississippi I saw a dog chasing a cat, and both were walking."

### Center Ramblers

Center, Pa.—The girl bowlers of the Center Ramblers Lodge, No. 221, SSCU, wish to welcome Helen Reghi, a new member and bowler, into their team. I hope Helen will enjoy the regular Tuesday night bowling as much as the other girls. We would also like to see Ann Unterberger back with us.

On Tuesday, March 3, some of the girls bowled better and some not so good. Right, Jennie? Oh, well, that is all in the game. The beginners are still holding their own. Smitty is back up where she was before. For a while she was slipping, but now she is showing us she can still do it. She rolled the high score for last Tuesday of 126. She also rolled the highest average, 110. Pebbles still holds high score of 139 for this season, and Jennie Mozina the highest average of 123. I am still waiting to see who will beat it. What do you say, girls? I still think someone can do it.

Antoinette Mozina.

### Betsy Ross Meets Thursday, March 12

Cleveland, O.—On Thursday, March 12, Betsy Ross Lodge, No. 186, SSCU will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Slovener Workingmen's Home, starting at 7:30 p. m.

All members are requested to be present and take part in the discussions. Of particular interest to our bowler-members is the national SSCU bowling tournament which will take place in Waukegan, Ill. on April 18 and 19. At this meeting plans shall be formulated as to what arrangements shall be made for those who wish to participate in the tournament; that is, what means of transportation shall we employ. Shall we travel in a body by rail, or with individual machines?

After the order of business has been disposed, the lodge will follow with a social. Frankie Yankovich, who is well known for his dance music, will play for the members and friends.

John P. Lunka, Sec'y.

### Michaels Have Big Turnout on Feb. 28 and 29

Claridge, Pa.—The card and bingo party held Feb. 28th went over big as the two floors were crowded to capacity.

Fun was had by all. Watch the subsequent issues of Nova Doba for our next party which will be held soon. Six big prizes were awarded at our last party to winners in cards instead of tickets sold.

On Feb. 29 our ledge held one of the most successful dances ever held in our town. The committee itself was surprised at the turnout. The three cash prize winners were William Novak of Claridge, first prize of \$10.00; Catherine Moore of Jeannette, second prize of \$6.00; and Anderson of Export, third prize of \$4.00.

The writer wishes to thank all that helped to make this affair a success. Follow the Nova Doba for more of our doings.

John Regina.

As late as 1631 cattle were made to pull crude plows by their tails.

### Rollicking Around

#### With Little Stan

Ely, Minn.—The tide turns, frigid below-zero weather changes and in its stead we have mild, warm weather driven into our fair city by the ever welcome March winds. Soon it will be spring. Mmm, snow gone, but it is a little too early for Little Stan to turn romantic. Instead he will describe the highlights of the vanishing sport of basketball.

Teams, school, college and local SSCU—are making preparations; in fact are at the minute engaged in championship tournaments. But as Little Stan isn't doing any world-wide traveling, he will stay in his own backyard and tell you what's going to figure in the news.

In the city amateur league, comprised of six local teams, three of them SSCU, the annual championship tournament is

scheduled to begin this Wednesday through Friday. It looks like the SSCU is going to repeat. Three strong contenders for city champ honors are seen in the Gophers, Hawkeyes and Rangers. The three teams have been playing somewhat even ball lately. The Kay Jays, first half league leaders, lost a lot of snap during the second half, which, Little Stan might add, followed their winning of the Minnesota Kay Jay championship. As both the Gophers and Hawkeyes beat them by close scores during the past few weeks, and the Rangers eked out one-point wins over the Gophers, and the Hawks kinda evened up—there is no question that the race will be close.

On the other hand, the opposing teams, Italians, Co-ops, are playing fairly good ball, but not consistent. So there you have it. Pick your winners, and Little Stan will just sit back and get the official dope.

And now to indulge in some sense and some nonsense. Lent is here .. . and everything is quiet. No dances—lodge affairs at a standstill, excepting that all seven Ely units of the South Slavonic Catholic Union combined efforts in staging a three-act play, "O ta vratja vdova," at the Washington School auditorium last Sunday. The play, directed ably by Adolph Dolenshak, (juveniles remember him), was a howling success. The cast was headed by Mrs. Mary Rebol and included Joseph Spreitzer Jr., Mary Skule, Jack Smrekar, Frank Likar, Matt Kobe, Mrs. Mary Shepel and Charles Merhar Jr.



### ANNOUNCING THE National SSCU Bowling Tournament FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE SSCU

To Be Held April 18-19, 1936, Waukegan, Ill.  
Open to all members in good standing 90 days or more prior to April 18, 1936.

Our Union is offering the following cash prizes:

Men's Division	Ladies' Division
\$40.00	Team Champions \$20.00
\$20.00	Doubles Champions \$10.00
\$10.00	Singles Champions \$5.00
\$10.00	All-Events Champions \$5.00

Entry fee is \$1.00 per member for each event.

Entries close April 1, 1936.

For entry blanks write to:

Louis M. Kolar,  
Athletic Commissioner,  
6117 St. Clair Ave.  
Cleveland, O.

## Can Fraternal Societies Pay Funeral Expenses to Undertakers?

By Richard J. Zavertnik, Chicago, Ill.

Since the organization of fraternal societies among the Yugoslavs in America, the custom prevailed to pay funeral expenses directly to the undertaker. Members of fraternal societies have taken for granted that the benefit certificate and the by-laws give the society the right to pay funeral expenses directly to the undertaker and deducting this payment from the amount due the beneficiary.

One leading Yugoslav fraternal society, whose officers insist that its charter, benefit certificate and the by-laws gives the society the right to pay funeral expenses directly to the undertaker and then deduct this amount from the benefit going to the beneficiary has the following provisions, to-wit:

The charter reads as follows:

"and to provide death, funeral, sick, accident and disability benefits for its members, which said benefits are to be paid from assessments to be levied and collected from its members as provided for in the by-laws of said Society."

The benefit certificate of the society reads as follows:

"A sum not less than Five dollars and not to exceed Two Hundred and fifty dollars can be paid for his or her funeral expenses and deducted from the full amount."

The by-laws of the organization has the following sections:

(1) "Upon the death of any member in good standing, as provided by the by-laws, the Society shall pay from his death benefit a sum not less than \$5.00 and not to exceed \$250.00 for the funeral expenses. In no case shall more than the amount of the death benefit be paid. The secretary of the subordinate Branch shall file with the Supreme Secretary the death certificate, together with the undertaker's bill sworn to before a notary public, before payment of said sum shall be made."

(2) "Benefit Certificates shall be made PAYABLE to members of the family, beneficiaries, blood-relatives, wife or husband, father-in-law and mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, step-father, step-mother, step-children, step-brothers, step-sisters, legally adopted parents, fiancées, to persons on whom the member was dependent."

(3) No person other than designated in the foregoing section of this article shall be qualified as a beneficiary."

A careful analysis shows that the charter, benefit certificate or by-law marked number 1 give the society no right to pay funeral expenses to the undertaker then deduct this sum from the amount going to the beneficiary as no explicit direction is made therein. These provisions give the society the right to label or earmark certain portions of the death benefit fund as a funeral benefit. By-law marked 2 and by-law marked 3 answer the question to whom the money is payable. These two sections definitely state that the money is payable to the beneficiary coming within one of the classes mentioned within the by-laws.

Even under the charter, benefit certificate and by-laws of this Yugoslav society, funeral expenses must be paid direct to the beneficiary. It only illustrates to us that supreme officers may come and go, yet each succeeding managing board will make the mistakes of its predecessors as to interpretation of the by-laws of its society.

Now let us review this problem from another viewpoint. Let us assume that the benefit certificate and the by-law marked 1, explicitly read that the society has the right to pay funeral expenses to the undertaker and has the right to deduct this sum from the money going to the beneficiary. Let us assume, further, that sections marked 2 and 3 remain the same. This would give us a situation where the benefit certificate and the by-laws are in conflict.

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## Ramblers' All Star Team Victorious

Center, Pa.—The Center Ramblers bowling teams were challenged by the KSKJ Booster Club of Pittsburgh, and the result was match games played Sunday, Feb. 23, at the Lawrence Recreation Alleys. Our All-Star team won by a margin of 192 pins, coming from behind and taking the third game by 205 pins.

### CENTER RAMBLERS

F. Yearm	162	162	170
F. Mozina	114	189	217
J. Yearm	114	92	
T. Skerl	147	149	191
I. Oblock	147	173	160
Hrvatnik			184
<b>Totals</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>920</b>

### KSKJ BOOSTERS

J. Stosik	155	97	126
F. Henrica	209	132	149
R. Bezyak	97	159	118
F. Lokar	159	162	153
S. Hudak	124	168	169
<b>Totals</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>715</b>

The ladies and Rinky Dinks dropped their match to the Boosters. Talk about strikes and spares: Juke started with a triple, then Al broke loose with four straight, while Skerl took the one-pin spares. Fishy and Shine were holding their own. Juke Mozina took high honors, bowling 520, and Fishy Yearm came second with 514.

### SSCU RINKY DINKS

P. Kron	139	134	
A. Mozina	111	156	
L. Arno	140	140	131
J. Oberch	192	156	106
J. Shanta	121	156	
V. Yearm		155	
J. Oberch		123	
Spanyo			113
<b>Totals</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>662</b>

### KSKJ BOOSTERS

A. Fabec	163	149	104
M. Budiks	206	116	147
J. Smerdel	207	130	129
H. Mrovine	88	151	149
P. Encimer	166	212	102
<b>Totals</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>631</b>

Those Rinky Dinks started off like a house on fire for the first five frames, but the razzing got the best of them.

Poor old Brother Smitty and Fuzzy wandered from the alleys and got lost when returning home the next day. It seems as if Fishie had to do all the bowling to keep the team on top, as Juke and I drank coffee, while Dizz and Al were singing "The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round." Pebbles did not fare so well, as she was out too late. Jennie's wonder ball wondered all over the alleys, while Fats and the rest of the girls had their minds on the fellows.

The Center Ramblers bowling team has open dates for match games. All interested write to: Ignatz Oblock, R. D. 1, Turtle Creek, Pa. Telephone Unity 9035-J.

Ignatz Oblock,  
Athl. Supvr., No. 221, SSCU.

## American Citizenship

Barberton, O.—The court's procedure of making aliens into bona fide American citizens is a serious matter and dignified enough, but now and then something happens that causes smiles and even laughter. Take for instance a man whom I know for years. He was getting fairly well with his replies to questions put to him by a federal examiner, until he was asked whether he believes in bigamy. Yes, came the reply. The examiner suspecting that he does not know the meaning of the word bigamy, simplified the question by asking, how many women does he love. Three, came the reply again. By this time the examiner became impatient and asked him in an angry tone: You love three women? Who are they? The applicant became confused, but finally told him meekly that one of them is his wife and that the other two are his daughters. To love his own wife and his own children is of course not a crime, is not against any existing law but a man's virtue. The applicant was then commended as a good husband and father but a poor student of English and told to go back to school.

Now let us look at a scene in judge Oscar Hunsicker court room in Akron, O., where I served as a character witness sometime ago. Before the judge stood a group of applicants for citizenship. One after another they renounced allegiance and fidelity to their former country and their former rulers, and promised that hereafter they will be true to this United States of America. That they will respect our flag, our laws and government. When all official work was done, the judge and all those in court stood up. The judge then made a short speech in which he said: "As you now stand before me, so my father stood some years ago before another judge, taking oath in becoming an American citizen. I must tell you that I am very happy that an opportunity was given me, a son of an immigrant to administer the same oath to others. To you, now new American citizens," the judge went on and named the town and country his father came from. Of how he first learned to talk in his father's language before he knew any English. He said that the first thing he learned in his father's language were the prayers his mother taught him. He then recited said prayers, probably for the benefit of those present that understood what was said, or because he wanted us to know that he is proud of his father and not ashamed of his language. Now if any of you American-born brothers or sisters feel unlucky or less an American because one or both of your parents happen to be foreign born, think of judge Hunsicker, who is well liked and respected. Yes, how much better and happier this great country of ours would be, if all men in public places would be like this judge.

Anton Okolish,  
Char. Jud. Comm. SSCU.

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"Did you break any?" asked his mother, when he told her of it.

"No," said the little fellow, "but the shells came off some of them."

### Costs Too Much

Spinster: Why don't you get married, Mr. Oldbach?

Oldbach: Why marry a woman when I can buy a parrot for \$5?

Spinster: Yes, that shows once more how the men have the advantage of us women. We can't buy any kind of a bear for less than \$200.

Please, miss," he called out, proud of his knowledge, "college-flowers!"

## Lodge No. 120

Ey, Minn.—All members of edge No. 120, SSCU are cordially requested to attend our meetings more regularly. On March 15 we will elect three representatives to the Minnesota Federation meeting scheduled to take place March 29, at Eveleth, Minn. As this is the year when our Union shall hold its regular quadrennial convention, it is the duty of all members to attend our meeting, and to voice their opinions on the by-laws.

Rose Svetich, Sec'y.

## Gowanda Pathfinders

Gowanda, N. Y.—Pathfinders lance held on Feb. 22d was a great success, and a big surprise to all of us to see such a nice attendance on a cold night. I believe it was one of the biggest, if not the best, attendances of the Pathfinders' affairs. Both halls were packed with people. In the main hall we had Oklahoma Hanks six-piece orchestra playing the popular American numbers; while in the lower hall we enjoyed Slovene music of polkas and waltzes provided by "Loche" Klancar and his accordion.

We had many out of town visitors from Buffalo and Cleveland. Time and space do not permit the mention of the most of visitors. I don't know hem all, and like the Irishman who said, "if I only knew where I was to die I would never go near that place." Brother Frank Drobnič and Frank Sodnikar, both from Cleveland, appeared to have a great time at the lance with the Gowanda girls. All the more power to you boys, but just watch out so the kidnappers don't get you. It's leap year, and anything may happen.

In last week's issue I noticed an article contributed by Jennie Anderson. She surprised me with her unique style, and for a minute I thought she picked up the Ethiopian language from the Mussolini's Ethiopian war. That was so happy over the four perfect hits that it slipped my mind. It was this way. I visited the Electrons and saw two possibilities. My hits were perfect, and so two weddings for the Electrons. On my way to Ely, Minnesota, my intuition told me to stop at Pittsburgh. Upon spotting a certain Pittsburgher I scored another bull's eye and so there shall soon be a newlywed for the Pittsburghers. I then hurried out to Ely, where my next victim was awaiting. He was the easiest of the four because of his size. There you have it. The fourth is to be in Ely."

Bro. Martin Matekovich is in the hospital where he underwent an operation for the removal of appendix. Bro. Matekovich is secretary of our senior lodge, St. Joseph, No. 89, SSCU. Let us all pay him a visit and cheer him up during his period of recuperation. I am sure he will appreciate it. We all wish Bro. Matekovich a speedy recovery. We can hardly wait for the time when he will be with us again. I hope that I have not offended anyone with this article as this thought is farthest removed from my mind.

Joseph Zummer  
No. 222, SSCU.

## Lost the Shells

A little boy was carrying home some eggs from the store and dropped them.

"Did you break any?" asked his mother, when he told her of it.

"No," said the little fellow,

"but the shells came off some of them."

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Water is now being used in the gold fields of Central Australia as a means of barter or a form of currency—due to the excessive drought.

## Vesna Club

Lorain, O.—This is the final notice of the lecture that the Vesna Cub is sponsoring on Sunday, March 15 at the Slovene Hall. There will also be a musical entertainment and refreshments will be served after the lecture.

Those on the committee of arrangements are: Jennie Promic, Chairman, Mary Kanotic, Mary Spanick, Helene Urbas, William Bresak, John Rozane.

We want to see a large attendance at this affair, so tell your friends about it, for we don't want anyone to regret being absent.

Will be seeing you at the lecture, Sunday, March 15.

Martha Kumse.

## Cupid vs. SSCU

By Stan Progar

Springdale, Pa.—From authentic sources comes the flash that during Leap Year the SSCU will witness the marriage of four of its well-known members. In a special interview arranged with Dan Cupid, it was revealed that four romances have already bloomed into wedding plans and a few more seeds had been planted in the garden of bliss. It is Cupid's unbiased opinion that Leap Year is responsible—you know, the hunted turning hunter. Where, Oh, Where . . .

As to the whereabouts of the four happy couples, we were lost. Once again we turned to Cupid. "My dear little friend, just where are your victims from?" To which Cupid replied, "Oh, yes, I completely forgot to tell you. You see, I was so happy over the four perfect hits that it slipped my mind. It was this way. I visited the Electrons and saw two possibilities. My hits were perfect, and so two weddings for the Electrons. On my way to Ely, Minnesota, my intuition told me to stop at Pittsburgh. Upon spotting a certain Pittsburgher I scored another bull's eye and so there shall soon be a newlywed for the Pittsburghers. I then hurried out to Ely, where my next victim was awaiting. He was the easiest of the four because of his size. There you have it. The fourth is to be in Ely."

"Just a minute please, Dan," I interrupted, "who are the victims?"

"Sorry, but I can't tell," rejoined Dan; "you will just have to wait for a while. You will find out in due time."

East Meets West

"Oh, yes, before I go I must tell you this. Two of the happy couples are planning to honeymoon to Cleveland during the national SSCU convention. One couple will hail

## DOPISI

Conemaugh, Pa.

JSKJ obveščam, da je bila v redni seji 19. februarja izvoljeno, da bo na vsaki seji \$2.00 za nagrado e-mailom ali članici, katerega mesto odloči sreča. Dotični ali članica pa bo moral ali želite biti na seji, sicer ne dobita. To se je storilo tako, da bi se članstvo v številu udeleževalo društva. Izkazuje dokaz, da imamo veliko članov, so pravila ter določbe v jednotinah s popolnoma neznane. Pri udeležbi na sejah bomo ali članstvo bolj seznaniti JSKJ, obenem pa mu poslušanje in ugodnosti, ki so v njih nudi J. S. K.

Frank Kramar, tajnik.

Ely, Minn.

Članice društva Marije Cist. Spočetja, št. 120 JSKJ, so vladno vabljene, da se bolj točno udeležijo društvenih sej. V nedeljo 15. marca bomo izvolile tri zastopnice za sejo Federacije JSKJ društva v državi Minnesota. Omenjena seja bo vršila 29. marca v Ely, Minn. Letošnje leto je konvenčno leto, zato je še posebno dolžnost članov in članic, da posečajo društvene seje in se udeležujejo razprav o pravilih. Na svidenje na seji 15. marca! Sestrski pozdrav!

Rose Svetich, tajnika.

Gowanda, N. Y.

Kakor je članom društva sv. Jožefa, št. 89 JSKJ, že znano, se je moral podvredeti operaciji na slepiču društveni tajnik so-brat Martin Matekovič. Za čas njegove bolezni sem na priporedilo predsednika in drugih odbornikov prevzel tajniški posel spodaj podpisani. Ker pa sem nekako čudno zaposlen pri delu v tovarni, mi skoraj ne bo mogoče kolektati asesmentov ob hiše, kot je naš sedaj bolni tajnik večkrat storil. Upam, da bo sobrat tajnik malu na nogah in sprijeti s poslu, toda, dokler se to ne zgodi, bom moral jaz opravljati tajniške in blagajniške posle. Zato se obračam na članstvo s prošnjo, da se polnočevalno udeleži redne seje v nedeljo 15. marca ob dveh popularnih. Vsi člani so prošeni, da piačajo svoje asesmente na seji, ali pa naj jih prineseo ali posljejo podpisemu na dom, seveda pravočasno.

Na zadnjem letnem seji Zvezde J. S. K. J. društva v zapadni Pensylvaniji je bilo sklenjeno, da se plača društviom nagrada za tiste novo pridobljene člane, ki so pristopili pred 23. junijem 1935. Z ozirom na to prosim društva, ki so mogoče upravljena do teh nagrad, da pošljemo tajniku Zvezde izkazilne kartice, da se zadeva uredi. To se mora urediti pred prihodnjo sejo Zvezde, ki se bo vršila 29. marca v Centru, Pa. Na poznejše to zadevne prijave se ne bo moglo več ozirati.

Nadalje je bilo sklenjeno na letnem seji Zvezde, da društva, ki pripadajo Zvezdi, plačajo v zvezino blagajno letno po 5 centov članarine od člana. Društva so prošena, da naj bi to članarino našega društva pa bratsko počimprej pravnila. To vsed težko, da bi že prihodnja seja Zvezde, ki se bo vršila 29. marca, mogla spet oživeti kampanjo z nagradami za pridobivanje novih članov.

To omenjam vsled tega, ker je glavni odbor ugodil naši prošnji in ojačil našo blagajno z voto \$50.00. Ako torej še društva prispevajo gori omenjeno članarino, bomo imeli na rokah spet nekaj gotovine, na podlagi katere bomo lahko z večjo vremenu šli na delo za napredek in porast naše pravne bratske organizacije.

K sklepnu pozivam vsa JSKJ društva v zapadni Pensylvaniji, da gotovo pošljemo svoje zastopnike na prihodnjo sejo Zvezde, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 29. marca v Slovenski dvorani na selbine Center, Pa. Bratski pozdrav! — Za Zvezdo JSKJ društva v zapadni Pensylvaniji:

Frank Oblak, tajnik.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Frank Oblak, tajnik.

Chicago, Ill.

Vsem članicam društva "Zvezda," št. 170 JSKJ tem potom naznam, da se naša prihodnja seja vrši v sredo 18. marca.

Seja se bo vršila v navadnih prostorih in se bo pričela ob 8. uri zvečer. Ta seja bo zelo važna, zato je potrebno, da se navzoče vse članice, brez izjeme. Slavnost desetletnice našega društva se hitro bliža in treba bo še marsikaj ukreneti in urediti, da bo prireditev uspešna, kar želimo. Na prihodnji seji bodo razdeljene že vstopnice za prodajo, in čim več bomo razprodale, tem boljši uspeh nam bo zagotovljen.

Priporočljivo je tudi, da v proslavo desetletnice našega društva skušamo pridobiti vsega vsaj po eno novo članico v odrasli oddelki, ali vsaj člana oziroma članico v mladinski oddelki. Pojdimo na delo in počašimo, da se z druženimi močmi lahko doseže marsikaj, kar je posamezni članici nemogoče. Najlepše darilo za društvo ob prihodni desetletnici bi bilo večje število novega članstva. Torej, potrudimo se! In vse pride na sejo 18. marca! Pozdrav vsem! — Za društvo "Zvezda," št. 170 JSKJ:

Agnes Jurečić, tajnica.

Cleveland, O.

PETINDVAJSETLETNICA V COLLINWOODU. — V mislih namam nameč 25-letnico našega društva Marije Vnebovzete, št. 103 JSKJ, ki jo bomo proslavile 19. aprila, to je prvo nedeljo po veliki noči ali na belo nedeljo. Za to priliko bomo priredile desetletnico bi bilo večje začetkih zadev, tikajočih društva. Dalje moramo izbrati tri zastopnice za sejo Federacije JSKJ društva v državi Minnesota, katera seja se bo zadnjo nedeljo meseca aprila. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 133 JSKJ:

Angela Verbic, tajnica.

Lorain, O.

Clani društva sv. Alojzija,

št. 6 JSKJ so prošeni, da se

polnočevalno udeležijo prihod-

nje seje, ki se bo vršila v ne-

deljo 15. marca. Na seji bo

treba rešiti več važnih zadev,

ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 15. marca. Za

rešiti bomo imeli več važnih zadev,

da poleg tega so pa Jo-

žeti obljudili, da bodo prinesli

s seboj nekaj galone, oblju-

ljenih je tudi nekaj krač, tako

da bo po seji nekaj razvedrila

da bodo že drugi brez nje

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Kakor je članstvu znano, se

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## BLAGOSLOV ZEMLJE

(Prevedel Rudolf Kresal)

(Nadaljevanje)

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Sla na hrib. Geissler, njegov spremjevalec in Izak se ostali nekaj ur tam. V tem kratkem času je Geissler sledil teku bakrene žile preko dolgega hriba in je določil meje v obsegu, ki ga je kanil kupiti. Tekal je, kakor podlastica. Toda neumea mož ni bil, njegova hitra odločitev je bila eduno gotova.

Ko se je vrnil na Sellanrao — z vrečo polno novega kamenja za poskus — je prosil za pero, črnilo in papir ter sedel k pisanju. Toda ri pisal kar venomer, ampak je vmes kramljal: Veš, Izak, velikih vset topot ne dobiš za svoj hrib, toda nekaj sto dolarjev lahko dobiš! Potem je spet pisal. Nikar me ne pozabi spomniti, da si tudi tvoj mlini še ogledam, preden odidem, je dejal. Potem je zapazil nekaj rdečih in modrih črt na statvah, in dejal: kdo je pa rabil tiste? — Da, Elizej je narabil konja in kozla, poskušal je s svojim pisanim svitčnikom po statvah in drugem lesenu orodju, ker ni imel papirja. Geissler je dejal: To je kar dobro napravil in je Elizeju podaril novec.

Geissler je spet nekaj časa pisal, potem je dejal: Brž ko ne pride zdaj kmalu več novih nasljencev semkaj skozi puščobo! — Njegov spremjevalec je posegel vmes: So že prišli. — Kdo pa? — Na joprivo je tu široki razgled, kakor mu pravijo, Breda na Širokem razgledu tam dol. — Ah, ah, se je Geissler zaničivo smehl. — Da, in potem jih je še nekaj kupilo svet. — Če le kaj zaledjo, In ker je v tem trenutku opazil, da sta v izbi dva otroka, je malega Siverta potegnil k sebi in tudi njemu da novec. Čuden človek, ta Geissler! Ali zdaj so bile njegove oči kakor malo vnete, trepačnice so bile rdeče obrobljene. Mogoče je bilo to od predelega bedenja, časih pa se v nemu tudi zaradi uživanja močnih pijač. Vendar pa ni napravil vtiska, da gre z njim navzdol: medtem, ko je o vsem mogočem kramljal, je gotovo ves čas misil na dokument pred seboj, zakaj benadoma je spet prijet za pero in pisal dalje.

Zdaj se je zdelo, da je pri kraju.

Obrnil se je k Izaku. Da, kakor rečeno, pri tej kupčiji ne obogatil. Toda pozneje mogoče kaj več. Naredila bova tako, da dobi več pozneje. Dve sto pa lahko takoj dobiš.

Izak ni mnoge vsega tega razumel, to je bil vsekakor spet čudež in imenito plačilo. Brž ko ne ga dobi le na papirju, gotovo da ne v gotovini, pa tudi tako mu je bilo všeč, imel je povsem nekaj drugega v glavi in je vprašal: In mislite, da bo pemiločen? — Tvoja žena? Če bi imeli v vasi telegraf, bi poklical Drontheim in vprašal, ali že ni prosta, je odgovoril Geissler. — Izak je bil seveda že nekaj slišal o telegrafu; to je bilo spet nekaj čudnega, žice ra visokih kolih, nekaj nadzemeljskega — v Izakovo srce se je vtipotapilo zdaj nekaj kakor nezaupanje proti Geisslerjevim velikim besedam in je pripomnil: Kaj pa, če kralj odbije? — V tem primeru pošlim svojo prilogi k dekazilu, v kateri je vse napisano, in potem mora biti tvoja žena prosta. Ne dromi o tem!

Nato je biral, kar je napisal, kupno pogodbo za hrib, dve sto dolarjev na roko in pozneje še poštene visoke obresti pri obratu ali pa pri nadaljnji prodaji bakrenega rudosleda. Podpiši, tukaj! je dejal Geissler.

Izak bi bil v hipu podpisal, pa ni znal pisati, vse svoje življenje je samo v les rezal črke. Ah, tam zraven pa je stala nemarna Oline in gledala. Pograbil je pero, to strašilo, to lahko stvarco, obril pravi konec navzdol in pisal — pisal svoje ime. Nato je Geissler še nekaj pripisal, najbrže pojasnilo, njegov spremjevalec pa je podpisal kot priča.

Končano.

Toda Oline je stala še vedno nepremično, prav za prav je še zdaj postala vsa trda. Kaj se bo zgodilo?

Postavi jed sa mizo, Oline! je dejal Izak in morda je bil malo visok, odkar je začel pisati na papir. Morali se boste pač zadovoljiti s tem, kar imamo, je dejal Geissler.

Fo mesu in po omaki diši, je dejal Geissler. Sem poglej, Izak tu-le je depar! — S tem je privlekel na dan svojo listnico, ki je bila debela in kljubujoča, vzel je iz nje dva snopiča bankovcev, ju preštel in položil na mizo: Pretej sam! je dejal.

Molk. Tišina.

Izak! je vzkliknil Geissler. Da. No da, je dejal Izak in mrmljal povsem premagan: Saj isem mislil tega — po vsem tem, kar ste že storili za nas. Biti mora deset desetakov in dvajset petakov, je dejal kratko Geissler. Upam, da prejmeš kdaj še mnogo več.

Tedaj se je Oline spet ovedela. Na mizo je postavila jed.

Prihodnje jutro je šel Geissler k reki in si ogledal mlini. Vse je bilo majhno in sirov obdelano, da, bilo je videti kakor kak mlini za plešenščka, toda močno in koristno za ljudi. Izak je vodil svojega gosta še malo više proti toku in mu pokazal še drugo rečno brzico, kjer je tudi že nekaj delal, napravil bo majhno žago, če ga Bog ohrani pri zdravju.

Vse bi se bilo, samo ko bi ne bili tako oddaljeni od šole, je dejal. Otroke bom moral dati doli v vasi na hrano. — Gibčeneru Geisslerju se to ni zdelo tako hudo. Prav zdaj se naseljuje v tem kraju vedno več ljudi in potem šo šola kmalu tukaj. Ah, to se zgodi pač šele tedaj, ko bodo moji otroci že veliki. — In kaj zato, če pošteš svoje otroke v vas? Z otroki in živežem se pelješ v vas in po treh, šestih tednih prideš spet ponje, to tebi vendar ne bo težko. — Ne.

(Dalje prihodnjic)

## LAŽNIVCI

(Za N. D.—Victor J. Valjevec)

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Pa ako mora človek vživati vse navedene dobre (in uživati jih mora, ako hoče okrevari), postane zaspan, tako da koncemkonca ne ve, ali bdi ali spi. In kadar je človek v takem zaspanobudečem razpoloženju, mora vsekakor ukreniti nekaj, da ostanejo oči odprete.

**Prva storja — prvi lažnivci**

Redno vsaki dan prihajojo na moj vrt štiri veverice, 27 "blue-jays," 4 rdečglave žolne, 11 drogov in kakih 100 vrabcev, kajti redno ob 6:30 A. M. jim prinesem za nje potrebno žito. Tako tudi danes. Potem sem se vsedel k oknu v gostinske sobe in jih opazoval: nič ni razlike med njimi in nimi; vedno se prepričajo in tudi pretejo — samo pametnejši so od ljudi, kajti lige narodov oni ne potrebujejo.

Potem sem pregledoval moj starci dnevnik in v njem sem našel sledete, kar se čita v obliki storje nekako takole:

Nesmisel, in nekaka fatalistična ambicija doveže včasih človeka do tega, da skuša lagati, ko pride v družbo z dokaj razbito glavo, otečenim nosom in znano "črnilo" krog oči. Nas "sodnik" — (bil je nekoč mirovni sodnik v neki vasi v Connecticut in med leti 1910 in 1917 potoval je z nami na vladnem carinskem parniku kot potročevalce novosti, ki se pripeča na v newyorskem luku prihajajočih parnikih) — prisel je nekoga jutra na našo ladjo in se vsedel na naslanjač, ki je stal v najtemnejšem kotu kabine: "Dragi Francel:

"Na tisoče Slovencev živi v Zedinjenih državah že po 30, "40 in tudi 50 let. In klub temu so vsi ti ljudje zaenčo s svojim potomstvom še vedno "Slovenci. To potomstvo sicer ne govori povsod slovenski, ker, ako hoče v naši deželi živeti, mora govoriti jezik te "dežele — aka pa ne, naj gre "tja, odkoder so prišli njegovi starši. Morda mu bo tam "boljše. Nekateri starši takih "otrokov so sicer že bili v "starem kraju," toda preprečili so "se, da je življenje tam od muth in se hitro vrnil domov v "Zedinjene države. Nikari ne piše takih neumnosti.

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"Nato je poslal gospodčino Ruženo v Prago po denar. Namreč, poslal jo je, da bi tu z inserati našla natakarje, ki bi bili v položaju položiti kavcijo. Sam je postal na Krku, kjer so se vrteli okrog njega v velikem spoštovanju in z veliko pozornostjo kakor okrog brata Čeha, ki hoče geslo "zvezstva za žvestobo" praktično izvajati in od katerega gotovo kane kak dinar, če takole živi in se sploh ne briga za nobeno pogodbo. Jedel je najokusnejša jedila, pil opolo, prošek in bakarsko vodico in zagotavljal domače, da si jemljo nad Krkom najkrasnejše zvezde — Gospodčina Ružena je medtem res našla v Pragi dva natakarja, ki se jima je predstavila kot soproga hotelirja in solastnika hotela na Krku. Bila sta pripravljena položiti kavcijo, da bi tako dobila službo v njenem hotelu na Jadranu. Enega, ki je položil 10,000 Kč kavcije, je sprejela za plačilnega, drugega, ki ji je izročil 5,000 Kč, pa za ravnatelja. Denar je vzela od njih po návodilih gospoda Šireka, kajti kavcijo, seveda s pravico svobodne dispozicije. "Danes sicer ve vsak pikolo, kako težko je dobiti kako službo v Jugoslaviji, toda če gospa hotelirka zagotavlja, da je vse v redu, če zatrjuje, da je njen hotel prekrasen, da ima 28 sob, kavarino, restavracijo, pa še povrhu lastnično kino in da vse to sijajno upravlja, kajti jaz takoj vem, ako kdo laže."

"Brezdovmo si najboljši opazovalce in poznavalec ljudi," dejal je naš ranjence.

"Sure," nadaljeval je njegov priatelj, "tako, ko sem videl tvoj nos, sem vedel, da je prišel v dotiku z dökaj trdo pestjo."

Toda istina je, da našega "sodnika" ni nihče udaril, kajti na nekaj drugi strani mojega dnevnika sem našel bilježko, da sva bila prejšji dan na parniku "Carmania" in da je, ko sva šla po opravljenem delu v stewardovo kabino po razvedrla, "sodnik" odpril vrata kabine in tako silo, da je padel naravnost pred baro in si razbil nos.

Toda resnice ni hotel povedati, kajti vedel je, da mu ne bo nihče verjel...

## Druga storja — drugi lažnivci

Na vladinem parniku smo imeli človeka, ki je govoril vse komorsko ribo — preraše tako, da se riba zaduši.

Zanimiva je tudi druga riba, cena, marveč samo tako, po podporo, če zholi ali če ga

čelalje bolj proti škrgam in jih zdelo se mu je, da nekaj ni v podporni organizaciji. Če je na sončni sinji Jadran, na Krk. In svoje prispevke tudi v dnevnici, ugotovil je, da gospod Širek in časih svojih zdravih in močnih let, da more potem racunajo na gospodčino Ruženo nista poročila, da je vse do tem časih vladala v življenju, da je lastnica tega "hotela," ničesar več slišati o kakšnih nadaljnjih pogajanjih z bratom Širemu. Rojaki v tukajšnji organizaciji, peruti, s katerimi se lahko iz vodnih parov požene za svojim plenom ali pred svojimi zasedlostmi. Ob spodnji celjosti ima vseč slišati o kakšnih nadaljnjih pogajanjih z bratom Širemu. Nagrada, ki jo dobim od note za novega člana, na tem sam, ampak jo ne more potem nista, da se način, da se novopričlanični člani olajšajo prispevki. Novo pristopljeno člano, ki bo med asesmentom. Bratski pozdrav.

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