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## MISLIMO NA INVAZIJO!

Velika invazija Hitlerjeve "trdnjave Evrope" je v razmahu. Vsi upamo, da pomeni to začetek konca za nacijašizem, ki je povzročil človeštvo toliko gorja. Toda od začetka do konca more biti še daleč. Naši deželi so bile prihranjene grozote invazije, ker so jo naše bojne sile držale proč od naših mej. Zdaj so te sile v strahotnem boju s posastjo nacizma, da jo strejo na njenih lastnih tleh, strejo tako temeljito, da ne bo nikdar več dvignila glave in ogražala svetovnega miru. To je neobhodno potrebno, če nečemo v par desetletjih doživeti, mi ali naši potomci, nove in še strašnejše vojne. Zver nacijašizma mora biti uničena zdaj.

Naši vojaki na fronti, med katerimi so tudi mnogi naši sorodniki, sobrati, znanci in prijatelji, doprinašajo silne žrtve, doprinašajo jih za našo varnost, za varnost naših dragih, za varnost Amerike, za bodočo varnost vsega človeštva. Boji so hudi in zmaga bo dosežena morda šele po dolgotrajnih bojih. Mnogi naši vojaki se ne bodo nikdar vrnili; žrtve teh bodo največje. Mnogi se bodo vrnili pohabljeni in tudi njihove žrtve bodo velike. Pa tudi tisti, katere bo dobra usoda privreda zdrave nazaj na svobodna ameriška tla, bodo imeli za seboj vojne grozote in trpljenje, kakršnega si mi niti predstavljati ne moremo. Ali mislimo zdaj na to? To niso lepe misli, pa so potrebne.

Ako bomo ponislili na to, ne bomo godrnjali zaradi malih omejitev in nevšečnosti, ki so nam jih prinesle vojne razmere. Ne bomo odlasali s prispevanjem naše krvi za krvno plazmo, da s tem pomagamo ohranjati življenja tistih, ki se borijo za nas na bojnih frontah. Ne bomo skopí s prispevki za Rdeči križ in druge ustanove, ki lajajo trpko življenje naših vojakov, in ne bomo trošili našega denarja za nepotrebne reči, ampak ga bomo investirali v vojne bonde.

V zavezniški ofenzivi v Evropi sodeluje stotisoč, morda milijone ameriških vojakov. Ti vojaki potrebujejo oskrbe in opreme. Vojna samo uničuje vsak dan in vsako uro, ne samo življenja, ampak tudi orožje, municijo in tisočere druge predmete, ki so potrebni za vzdrževanje in opremo vojaštva. Vse to stane silne vsoce denarja. Ta denar potrebuje naša vlasta in si ga izposojuje od nas potom prodaje vojnih bondov. Naravnost neodpustno, da, zločinsko je, če brez potrebe zapravljamo naš denar, mestno da bi ga investirali v vojne bonde.

Pomislimo, kaj žrtvujejo naši vojaki. In pomislimo, kaj žrtvujemo mi; prav za prav nič. Denarja, ki ga investiramo v vojne bonde, ne darujemo, ampak ga samo posodimo naši vladi, najbolj zanesljivi in pošteni dolžnici na svetu. Ona ga potrebuje, da preskrbi in opremi naše vojake na fronti z vsem, kar potrebujejo.

Zdaj je v teku kampanja petega vojnega posojila. Naj ne bo nobenega rojaka nobenega Američana, ki ne bi vložil v to posojilo vseh svojih razpoložljivih prihrankov. Naj ne bo med nami nobenega dolarja, ki bi se v teh kritičnih časih kuhal in lenaril, mesto, da bi pomagal veliki zavezniški invaziji k zmagi. Čani Ameriške bratske zveze smo ponosni, da smo državljanji te velike svobodne republike. Mi, ki ne moremo na fronto, pokažimo zdaj naš državljanški ponos in našo lojalnost do Zedinjenih držav doma; pokažimo to v praksi, z dolarji!

### VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

da pojdemo v Anglijo, in zdaj in admirali ponudili za pomoč. Saj nas je kot listja in trave. Posebno zadnje čase rastejo učeni vojaški strategi med civistimi kot plevel na vrtovih po gorkem junijskem dežju. Celo na našem slavnem St. Clairju v Clevelandu se ponašamo z enim. Upamo, da general Eisenhower že ve zanj in da ga bo poklical, kadar bo v zadregi ter ne bo vedel, ne kod, ne kam.

Tajnik države Massachusetts je ugotovil, da je eden izmed predsedniških elektorjev, ki jih je prohibicija stranka postavila za letošnje volitve, že tri leti mrtev. Za prohibicijo, ki je na več deset let, bi morda kvalifikiral.

V sedanji vojni je padlo že nad ducat ameriških generalov in admiralov. Toda, nič se bati, da bi Ameriki zmanjkalo zmožnih vojaških ekspertov. Ce dobri jih začelo primanjkovati med uniformiranimi bojevnikimi, se bomo pa mi zapečaški generali svoj prestopek priznala in po-

vedala, da je prišla v Detroit tor Saje pa v Clevelandu, Ohio. Isto, Canado in Zedinjenimi državami se more znatno dvigniti produktivnost vseh teh distrikrov.

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V Madridu se je nedavno tamkajšnji angleški poslanik Samuel Hoare nameraval odpeljati s svojim avtomobilom na letališče, da odpotuje v Anglico, ko je opazil, da so vši štirje obroči njegovega avtomobila "flat". Neki zlikovci je bil izpustil zrak iz pnevmatik in zraven je pustil listek z besedilom: "Gasolin je morda britški, toda zrak je še vedno španški."

Pehtran je rastlina, ki ji Američani pravijo "tarragon." Zakaj ji Slovenci pravimo pehtran in Američani tarragon, zgodovina ne pove. Pehtran je navadno najti na domačih vrtovih, kateri oskrbujejo dobre kuharice s pomočjo naklonjenih kučegazd. Okoli hiš, katerih prebivalci se po večini preživljajo iz plehastih škatel, pehtran ne uspeva. Drugače pa je pehtran zelo skromen državljan in se zadovolji skoro z vsak pozicijo na vrtu. Ne sili se v ospredje, ne ponosa se s pestrim cvetjem, niti s sočnim stročjem ali vabljivimi jagodami. Vsa njegova zunanjost je preprosta in plebejska, toda ima bogato duševnost, ki se razvije do božanske popolnosti v družbi pehtranovih štrukljiv. Tu je vse počitljivo po lastnem ustrem izročilo.

Zoreče črešnje so zardevale, srebrno cvetje jazmina je radovno gledalo iz sočnega zelenja, junijске vrtnice so opojno duhete, toda vpršo vseh teh krasot je bila prisojena zastava slave pehtranovim štrukljiv. To je vse počitljivo po lastnem ustrem izročilo.

Kaj? Pravite, da ne poznate pehtranja? Potem tudi ne poznate pehtranovih štrukljiv! To vam ne bo odpuščeno ne na tem, ne na onem svetu.

Urad obrambne transportacije v Washingtonu pripravlja prebivalstvo z ozirom na poletne počitnice sledče: "Ostanite doma, obdelujte vaše domače vrtove, seznanite se z vaso bližnjo okolico, kupujte vojne bonde in s tem hranite denar za poznejše čase, ko bodo potovanja spet v svojem najboljšem!" To so stoprocentno pametna priporočila za vsakega, ki ima dom in victory garden in ki si more vpršo rastoče draginje kaj prihraniti. Vaš počitljivec bo počitnice, če jih bo kaj, porabil za pobliže spoznanje najbližje okolice. Na najbljžji menogu je lekarna preko ceste pa salun.

Lepi so ti dnevi kresni, ki sledi božanski vesni: Črešnje se smeje rdečijo, v parkih vrtnice duhtijo, in lovci se sončni svit po valovih mladih žit.

Preko morja v zarjah kresa pa vihar ozračje stresa: Mlada padajo življenna v svetu sužnjev odrešenja, da vzplamti človeštvo kres svobode, do nebes.

Kakor ptice čez obzorce misli plovejo čez morje, tam bodrijo naše drage: "Brž porazite sovrage in privrskajte nazaj, zmagovalci, v rodni kraj!"

A. J. T.

SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

zivljenja Mr. in Mrs. Frank Zgonc, Sr. Oba rojena v Sloveniji, sta bila med prvimi pari, ki so bili poročeni v takrat še nedograjeni prvotni slovenski cerkvi v Elyu. Izmed petih otrok živita sina Frank in John in hčer Mrs. Frank Rozman na Elyu, Minn., dve hčeri, namreč Mrs. Matt Ogrinc in Mrs. Vic-

vedala, da je obvladala doba letalstva. Zdaj potrebujejo razvoj v poljedelstvu in industriji. Dolžnost Zedinjenih držav in Canade je podvzeti odločne znanstvene napore za razvoj svojih severnih distrikov, kar je to storila Sovjetska Unija z ozirom na razvoj Sibiri in Daljnega Vzhoda. Jaz sem prepričan, da potom izmenjave informacij, semen in najboljših vrst goved med Sovjetsko Uni-

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"Moje sedanje potovanje po distriktil sovjetskega Daljnega Vzhoda in Sibiri, moji posesti tovarn, poskusnih poljedelskih postaj in polj ter moji razgovori z vodilnimi osebami in z delavci poljedelskih institucij in industrijskih podjetij so me prepričali o silnem zanimanju za vse, kar se godi v moji deželi, v Zedinjenih državah. To me je tudi navdalo s trdnim prepričanjem, da bo prijateljstvo med našima dvema deželama, ki je bilo cementirano s krovjo najboljših sinov obih teh dežel na frontah v borbah za življenje in smrt proti Hitlerjevi Nemčiji, tej sovražnici človeštva, bo rastlo in postajalo močnejše in močnejše tudi po vojni."

### PRIPOROČILA NAM NA DOMAČI FRONTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

in, karkoli v tem oziru prihranimo, pomeni prihranek naše imovine in narodnega bogastva. Star papir, stare cunje in pločevinaste škatle se predelajo za koristno porabo v vojne in civilne svrhe.

Končno ne pozabimo na naše domače vrtove. Kar koli se predela na domačem vrtu je tako rekoč čist dodatek k prehrani prebivalstva dežele. Poleg tega ve vsaka hišna gospodinja, koliko odleže za prehrano družine pridelek razne zelenjave na domačem vrtu.

### VRTNA DELA SEZONE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Vrtnicam naj se sproti odrežejo ocvetki ali ovenelo cvetje. Semenske glavice vrtnic nimajo nikakega pomena, toda jemljejo rastlini moč, da ne nastavljajo novega cvetja. Plemenite vrtnice, katerim se sproti odrežejo ocvetki, navadno bolj ali manj cveto do pozne jeseni. Približno isto velja za enoletne poletnote cvetlice. Čim več novega cvetja se poreže, tem več novega cvetja bodo pognale. Seveda, cvetljcam, od katerih želimo dobiti sem, ne smemo odrezovati cveta in ocvetek.

### SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

### NARAVNE SILE

Pretekli teden so silni viharji povzročili veliko škodo v državah severnega srednjega zaledja, posebno v obah Dakotah in v Iowi. Ubitih je bilo 12 oseb in večje število ranjenih.

V Los Angelesu, California, pa so konci preteklega v zaledku tega tedna čutili več potresnih sunkov, ki so povzročili precej razburjenje, toda nikake resne materialne škode.

### MNOGO LADIJ

Pri zavezniški invaziji francoske obale je sodelovalo okrog 4,000 ladij različnih tipov. Od teh je bilo 1,300, ali približno eno trečino, ameriških. Sodelovalo so tri velike ameriške bojnike in tako mojstersko izvedbeno v obliki in tako mojstersko izvedbeno v obliki. Priponil je, da je Hitler dve leti pretil z invazijo Anglie, pa si je ni upal podvezeti. Le ameriške in britiske čete so si upale preko Rokavskoga preliva napasti celino in so podvezete častno izvršile. Zgodbina bo to beležila kot uspeh najvišje vrste. To je visoko in pošteno priznanje od Stalina, ki lahko kaže tudi na sijajne uspehe ruske vojske.

### ODPREMA RANJENCEV

Po poročilih s francoske fronte dobijo ranjence prvo zdravniško pomoč takoj na fronti, nakar so odpremljeni v zasilne bolnišnice v zaledju fronte, nato pa naloženi na ladje in odpravljeni v Anglijo. Ladje, ki dovaja vojaštvo in opremo na obalo Francije, se vračajo z ranjenci v Anglijo. Neki angleški častniki so izjavili, da je izvabil, da je

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## "NEW ERA" — VOICE OF AFU

The official organs of various fraternal benefit societies are doing a great work in acquainting their members with the principles of fraternalism. They encourage the devotion of love and loyalty to our country and are based on a genuine patriotic spirit. They spread the gospel of love of fellowmen. A great number of these publications are published in part in foreign languages so that the old timers who came from "over there" may read and learn the principles and objectives of their adopted country.

Today our official organ, the New Era, presents to its readers all the rules and regulations of war time requests from our government. We feel honored to be in a position to serve our country. Recently our editor-in-chief, Mr. Anton J. Terbovec, was awarded by our government, the Army-Navy "E" pin for the New Era's contributions to our war effort. We know that we have behind us the full support of all AFU members who are also doing their share to keep America, the greatest country in the world, free from tyranny.

One of our freedoms is the freedom of speech and press. We invite our members to take the opportunity of using our paper to express themselves on any subject which belongs to the category of fraternalism. At present, many of our members and subordinate lodges as a whole, are expressing their thoughts as to how we can improve our present by-laws at our coming convention which will be held this August. This is as it should be; the more ideas and suggestions expressed and discussed, the better the final decisions which will be made along these lines.

Make the most of your official organ. The editors are eager and willing to serve all members who submit articles in accordance with our AFU by-laws. The New Era is the voice and public poll of the expression of AFU lodges and their members. We willingly translate articles from Slovene into English and vice versa whenever a contributor requests this.

The New Era is your paper. Its pages are open to all AFU members. It is truly the "voice of the American Fraternal Union!"

## Thought For The Day

Every American is pledged to do his or her part toward the attainment of Victory and Peace. Those in the service are doing more than their share. We salute all the men and women of our armed forces. Let those of us who have supporting roles to play so conduct ourselves that on their return they will be as proud of us as we are of them.

## CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

### Reported by Anton Zbasnik, Supreme Secretary

June 13th was the name day of all Tony's, therefore my name day. I don't know whether it was a coincidence or intentional but Sister Fannie Jenko, secretary of Lodge No. 202 of Rock Springs, Wyo., sent me 30 juvenile applications for my name day. Of course I was happy and grateful to accept them. Thank you, Sister Jenko, for the contribution which you sent to our American Fraternal Union on the day of my patron. Moreover, your applications raised the number of our membership to more than 26,000 — the most we ever had!

Besides Sister Jenko the following qualified for the convention honor badge during the past two weeks: Supreme Judiciary Steve Mauser; Mary L. Bodack, secretary of Lodge No. 182, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Caroline Fink, secretary and delegate of Lodge No. 54, Hibbing, Minn.; Ute, secretary and delegate of Lodge No. 45, Indianapolis, Ind.; Simon Marolt, delegate of Lodge 114, Minn.; Agnes Segota, delegate of Lodge No. 39, Wash.; Joseph Mismash, delegate of Lodge No. 57, Ely, Minn.; Frank Omahen, delegate of Lodge No. 21, Denver, Colo.; and August Stipetich, delegate of Lodge No. 10, Export, Pa. In one week Brother Stipetich enrolled 10 new juvenile members and four adult members making a total of 18 points!

The appeal for enrolling new members, which was initiated by the Supreme President and Supreme Secretary to selected delegates, has been very successful thus far. To date — June 17th, we acquired in this campaign 556 new juvenile members and 216 new adult members making a total of 772. Therefore only 228 more members are needed to reach the quota of 1,000 new members. Since we have more than a month until the conclusion of this campaign, I have no doubt that the set quota will be reached.

### POTTERY FIGHTS

One of the most ancient and peaceful world arts has gone to war in the biggest and most conflict of all times. Pottery, one of the oldest arts, pretty vases were the finished product of the potter's skilled hands. Today he is turning out such vital items as bean pots, acid vats, pitchers, perforated acid dripping baskets, stone piping for water systems, etc. One company, the Dorchester Pottery Works in Boston is 100 per cent on war production.

## Lodge No. 182 AFU To Elect Delegate

Pittsburgh, Pa. — At our meeting last month, it was decided to give the members attending the next regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 27th the very important task of electing a delegate to the 17th regular AFU convention.

This meeting cannot be put off or postponed, so please consider this a gilt-edged invitation to be present. Even those members who haven't been attending the meetings in the past, are requested to make it a point to be at the coming meeting. I vouch for the regular attendants at the meetings, that your presence will give us all a pleasant surprise. Also you will be here to discuss some very important items which haven't been debated about properly due to the poor attendance we have been having.

The undersigned was unanimously elected as nominee for delegate as last month's regular meeting and brother John Furar was elected as nominee for Lodge No. 196 AFU. At this coming meeting one of the nominees shall be elected delegate to represent both lodges. You can readily see why it is important that you attend this meeting in as large a number as possible to elect the delegate you wish to represent your lodge.

This invitation includes also all our new members, and those recently transferred from the juvenile department, as well as the old members.

The meeting will be held at the usual meeting place—at the home of the secretary, at 4917 Hatfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa., at 8:30 p. m.

Hoping to see you all present on Tuesday, June 27th, at the designated place, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

Mary L. Bodack, Sec'y  
Lodge No. 182, AFU  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

## Give Your Child a College Education

### Save Yourself A Lot of Expense for Ten Years

If you buy one \$18.75 United States War Bond each month from the time your baby is born until he or she is 10 years old, re-investing only the bonds maturing between his tenth and twentieth birthdays, he will have an income of \$400.00 per year between ages 20 and 30. Entirely aside from helping your country now, \$400.00 annual income at that time could be helpful to your child and to you.

P. S.—\$37.50 per month invested by you now will buy your child \$800.00 worth of education and financial assistance annually at ages 20 to 30.

It's the patriotic thing to do!



## American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



## Notice of Federation Meeting

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Federation of AFU Lodges of Western Pennsylvania will be held at the Slovenc Hall, Center, Pennsylvania on Sunday, June 25, 1944 at 1:00 p. m. for the purpose of reviewing proposed amendments to the By-laws of the AFU, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

All lodges in Western Pennsylvania are requested to send their lodge representatives to this meeting. Delegates-elect are also invited to attend.

The Invasion War Loan Drive is on now. The President put his finger on one of the most important factors in our entire war effort when he said "Lost ground can always be regained, Lost time—never." Your navy needs ships and planes now. Your army needs planes, guns, tanks now. Your government needs the money for them now.

Hundreds of thousands of our fighting men are really enduring hardships, living under the worst possible conditions, and buying War Bonds besides.

What about those of us at home, living in comparative comfort and security, many of us earning more than we ever earned before? We should consider lending money to the Government a privilege as well as an obligation. And then we should keep lending every cent we can possibly spare until the war is over and won.

F. J. Kress  
President, Federation of AFU Lodges, Western Pennsylvania

## New Treasurer For Lodge No. 2 AFU

Ely, Minn. — At the regular meeting of Lodge No. 2 AFU, which was held on June 11th, 1944, brother Joseph Pechaver resigned as lodge treasurer. Members attending elected a new treasurer who will perform the duties of this office for the ensuing six months. The new treasurer is: Stanley Urbas, 11 Lawrence St., Ely, Minn.

Members are requested to take note of this change of office.

Fraternally yours,  
Anton Knapp, Sec'y  
Lodge No. 2, AFU  
Ely, Minn.

## Lodge No. 75 AFU To Hold Picnic On June 25th

Meadowlands, Pa. — I wish to notify all the members of Lodge No. 75 AFU that the last dance which our lodge held was very successful. The coming affair will be a picnic, as in this warm weather it is much more pleasant to enjoy a good time outdoors than indoors.

The picnic will be held on Sunday, June 25th on the farm of Mike Franko, and will begin at 1:00 o'clock p. m. All proceeds of the picnic are intended for the fund for a Slovene Home. The picnic grounds, besides boasting a wonderful shady spot, have a place for lawn bowling (balinacanje). Of course, there will be plenty of various refreshments for all guests. Members and friends from the neighboring towns are cordially invited to attend the picnic. Everybody is invited to share in the good time!

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

## Napredek Notes

The Napredek Lodge No. 132, AFU wishes to call the attention of its members to the fact that because the 25th of this month falls on Sunday, lodge dues will be collected on Saturday, May 24th at 6:30 p. m. until 8 p. m.

We had one of our members home on furlough who attended the meeting of June 9, 1944. He is Cpl. Frank J. Tanko, son of our vice-president, John Tanko.

Good luck and God-speed Frank, and we hope to see you again soon.

Our Lodge No. 132, AFU of Euclid, Ohio wishes to express its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Frances Erzen, our English Editor of the Nova Doba, in the loss of her beloved mother, Mrs. Mary Samsa, who passed away last week. May her soul rest in peace. — Fraternally yours,

Adolyne B. Cecelic, Treas.  
Lodge No. 132, AFU  
Euclid, Ohio

## Missing In Action

Export, Pa. — The Kepchia family, of Greensburg, Pa., received word that their son Bob was missing in action.

At the regular meeting of Lodge No. 138 AFU of which the missing Navy man was a member, the members bowed their heads in prayer for his safe return.

Bob was a fine member, loved by everyone. He was an all-around good sport. He entered the Navy during Navy Enlistment Week, September 14, 1942, and was an aviation radioman. Our sincere hope is that the Kepchia family may soon be notified by another telegram, giving them the happy news that their son is alive and well. Bob has a brother in the navy and another brother and three sisters at home. His parents, brothers and sisters are all members of our lodge.

Rose J. Kuznik,  
Lodge No. 138, AFU

The new Army rifle is said to weigh 8.69 pounds. After it has been carried about three hours the decimal point falls out.

## A BIT O' THIS 'N THAT—

By Tommy Turk

Today was one of those I-don't-know-what-to-do days that we all get once in awhile. It rained all morning, but after lunch the sun began to shine so I hied downtown (downtown being Johnstown, Pa., about two miles away) to see the passing parade of "just people" in the heart of the city. It's surprising how many types of human beings one can see just by standing alongside a five-and-dime or a department store on Main St. Personally, I get a different slant on things after seeing the "tide" going by.

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"Rugged, as the hills from whence I spring,  
My faith in all living things."  
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Eternal, as the sky above,  
My love for human beings."

Here is a bit of news that will sadden the many, many friends of Staff Sgt. Otto Kaushep. He was reported missing since May 11th when he failed to return from a bombing mission over France. I hope, and I know that his many friends join me in hoping the same, that we'll hear from him soon.

Andrew Prosen, who, by the way, was a good friend of Otto's, has enlisted in the Merchant Marine recently.

The next big holiday on the list is "the glorious Fourth." Picnics, a trip to the farm for a family reunion, or just an extra day of relaxation will be the order of the day for most of us. Years ago, not too many, of course, we celebrated with fire-crackers, skyrockets, sparklers and other sorts of noisy and brilliant fire-works. All that is now a thing of the past and many of the "kids" who celebrated that way are now really putting off the real McCoy!

Tommy Turk

## WAR BULLETINS IN 28 LANGUAGES

Aerial second front that hasn't been talked about so much is the job the British Broadcasting Corp. is doing. British transmitters are sending an average of 160 bulletins a day to the 400,000,000 people of occupied Europe. Twenty-eight languages are used to give instructions and guidance to the "underground" organizations between the French coast and the Russian frontier.

*Now We Have "WIPS"*

The army has its WACS, the coast guard its SPARS, the marine corps its MARINE girls and now industry has its WIPS.

WIPS stands for "Women in Production Service" and 1100 of them have been inducted into the organization at the Lakeview mill of the Kimberly-Clark Co., Neenah, Wis., manufacturers of paper products.



"HIMMEL! WHAT A HORRIBLE DREAM—I WAS BURIED UNDER FIVE LAYERS OF AMERICAN WAR BONDS!"

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## WASHINGTON NEWS FLASHES

By Florence D. Startz

One year in our Nation's have to wait in those talked Capital—and what has it been like? Well, how about putting yourself in my place and going backwards. All set—here we go.

Hot and tired you've just stepped off the train at Washington, D. C.—excited, to say the least, as you gaze with wonder at the crowds of people in busy Union Station. All the while one thing is going through your mind: This is where the President of the United States lives. Then whizzing through the city in a taxi to your temporary home you begin to wonder. What is it going to be like living in Washington—the city where even important Government officials wait "ages" for taxicabs; where you were supposed to go for breakfast and wait in line so long that you ordered supper instead; where getting a room was next to impossible; and where exorbitant prices prevailed. Well, you're soon to find out.

The first day you go to work you are mildly amazed—you actually get a seat on the streetcar. Maybe, it's just luck, you think. On the way you see the Capitol, Supreme Court and other government buildings on "Capitol Hill" for the first time.

Of course, as a newcomer you are busy asking a million and one questions: How far is it from the Capitol to the White House? Which side of the street does the front of the White House face? Well—hundreds of questions daily, it seems.

But, neophyte that you are, you aren't as "green" as the girl who just came to Washington and thought the "Don't Walk" signs in the busy downtown district were advertisements for the Capital Transit Company.

And, as time goes on, you discover that very often you don't



## Cash Awards

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

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For Plan "D" insured for \$250 death benefit, \$1.50 award;  
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For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$18.00 award;

Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:

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

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

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

## OUT ENUMCLAW WAY

### Washington State Fraternal Congress Convention

This year the Washington State Fraternal Congress held its annual meeting on May 6, at the AOUW Auditorium in Seattle, Wash.

The meeting was called to order shortly after 10 o'clock by President Alfred W. Peeler.

Following the president's opening words, presentation of the American flag by the Neighbors of Woodcraft drill team was effected. The tribute to the flag which was conducted by the society's president, was an inspiration to every member of the convention.

The singing of "America" by the audience followed the flag ceremony.

Invocation was by Rev. Elmer B. Christie.

The address of welcome, in behalf of the city of Seattle was given by the Honorable John E. Carroll, president of the city council and response to the address was made by Mrs. Daisy B. Nash, State Supervisor of Royal Neighbors of America.

The nominating committee recommended the reelection of practically all of the present officers and executive committee and their report was adopted. The officers for the ensuing year will be: Mrs. Daisy B. Nash, president; Robert Goldberg, first vice-president; C. D. Robertson, secretary, and Mrs. Katherine Bowen, treasurer.

The approval of the officers and the executive committee concluded the morning session.

The afternoon session reconvened at 1:00 o'clock with the official roll call.

Reports of committees, round table discussions, introduction of visitors and general business composed the afternoon program. Several interesting talks on the importance of fraternalism and our youth of today, were offered.

One speaker pointed out that there are an estimated eight million fraternalists in the United States and that here in Washington there are approximately 46,000 members who carry fraternal insurance. Domiciled in our Pacific Northwest are some of the largest fraternal societies and the officers of these are recognized as some of the most outstanding fraternalists in the nation.

State insurance commissioner, William A. Sullivan said in part: "I dare say one could not find a progressive community in which the leaders are not members of some active fraternal society. I hope that statement cannot be challenged anywhere for that is the kind of leadership we need in the spiritual, economic and civic activities of our communities. This country and, indeed, the world needs fraternalism today; needs, desperately, men and women who are staunch believers in the tenets inculcated by your respective societies. You are to be commended for the condition of your societies and growth in membership. However, I sometimes wonder whether in your zeal for strength and membership you are not overlooking a most important fraternal activity, particularly at this time."

The fraternal societies today have over one million juvenile members enrolled in their organizations. This represents approximately 12% of the adult membership. It is, therefore, obvious that you are bringing only a small portion of the eligible children into your societies.

The influx of families and minor boys and girls, themselves, into our coast communities to work in our plants has over-taxed our facilities and brought about a juvenile problem that is plaguing the officials of these communities. If

### Congressional Record:

## The Problems of Yugoslavia

### THE PROBLEMS OF YUGOSLAVIA

#### Extension of Remarks of Hon. Homer T. Bone

in the Senate of the United States

Monday, March 13 (legislative day of Mon., February 7), 1944

Mr. BONE. Mr. President, on Tuesday, March 7, Mr. Louis Adamic, a prominent author,

delivered an address at the Book and Authors' Club luncheon given by the New York Herald-Tribune in the city of New York. This address dealt with important events transpiring in Yugoslavia. In discussing these problems, Mr. Adamic is discussing the problems of his own people.

I am sure that those who read the "Congressional Record" will find in his remarks something of great interest to them.

The address will be particularly interesting to those who have viewed with amazement the fact that the people of that small country, oppressed by the terrors of war and bowed beneath a weight of economic woe which is too great for us to understand, are compelled to maintain a useless little king whom the press assures us is receiving \$600,000 per annum from funds of Yugoslavia.

I ask unanimous consent that the address may be printed in the Appendix of the "Record."

There being no objection, the address was ordered to be printed in the "Record" as follows:

#### Big Event in 1941

In late years many important events occurred in March, and so this is a month of some important anniversaries. But I think none is more noteworthy than the third anniversary of what happened in Yugoslavia on March 27, 1941.

On that day the people of Yugoslavia turned against Hitler and against their own pro-Hitler regime, and thereby treated the depressed anti-Axis world to an extraordinary demonstration of the human spirit.

Thereby, also, the Yugoslavs unwittingly assumed the spiritual-political leadership toward new future in Europe. For inherent in March 27, 1941, was the Partisan-Liberation movement of today, which, led by

country can mean more than it has in the past generation—and it has meant a lot in the past—if not more in the future. I realize in these war years fraternal organizations are not as active in communities as in past years, but they are carrying on, building up reserves and if each organization will understand the wonderful part they play in modernization and will continue fraternal activities so that after this war they can reach out and present a finer, broader spirit, a better understanding between men and women who realize the real basic value in the American way of life in sharing companionship, sharing responsibility, sharing troubles, sharing jobs: if we can put out that message to the fraternal organizations, it will mean so much to us after the war.

"The real heart of America," he said, "is that fraternal spirit, and when this war is over and men and women come back after having passed through those terrible experiences, it will be difficult for them to settle down and adjust themselves into this American life of ours again. Those men and women will need fraternal spirit. If they come into our organizations, all well and good, we can help them; if they don't we will have to go out and help them anyway, and if Americans need anything after the war, they need the spirit of brotherly love, that understanding, that ability to stamp out prejudice and hatred so prevalent during the war time, and I believe me, fraternity in this

Tito, carries within itself more meaning and promise for the future than anything else I can see right now.

Three years ago the people of Yugoslavia, surrounded by the Axis on all sides, suddenly overthrew the pro-Hitler dictatorship in Belgrade, which had aimed shamefully to keep them out of war by signing a pact with Hitler.

This act of the Yugoslav people was regarded then by many in America as crazy and unrealistic. There was no doubt that Hitler would attack Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslav action of 3 years ago certainly was unique. It may be the only instance of a people toppling over their government partly because it had tried to keep them out of war with a powerful enemy.

At that time Russia and America were not yet in the war, and there was meager faith in the world that brutality was not going to triumph. Hitler was top dog in the world, and his troops were about to pass through Yugoslavia to help Mussolini finish off the Greeks.

But the Yugoslavs decided not to permit that. In Belgrade, the people went into the streets. Peasants poured into the capital. There was a sudden revolutionary mood, especially strong in the Serians.

This development in the streets of Belgrade and in other parts of Yugoslavia gave courage to a small group of army officers, some of them British agents, who on March 27, 1941, staged a coup and tossed out the pro-Hitler regime.

This was the best news until then.

#### Uprising Was Spontaneous

What happened was a people's spontaneous uprising, a magnificent human upheaval, coupled with a putsch, rather than a political action with aims and a program.

For a dozen years before, Yugoslavia had been a dictatorship, a scene of deep political confusion and unhappiness, which was not a peculiarly Yugoslav situation, but an organic part of the larger European mess.

Now, in the absence of a definite program, there came into office a new government with a newly proclaimed king, the 17-year-old Peter. But this government did not represent the spiritually splendid moment created by the people; rather, it brought to a focus the climax and confusion of the recent past. It included a few good politicians, but also some ministers who had been in the pro-Hitler regime the day before, also a former dictator, also several chauvinists with minds harking back to the Middle Ages.

There was no time for the confusion to clear up, no time to do anything, in fact. On April 6 Hitler struck and in 10 days overwhelmed the Yugoslavs.

Someone killed a German Italian and took his gun, killed a few more of the enemy and thus got more guns, were passed around.

Presently, in the summer of 1941, these people who were arming themselves by the leadership of men who fought on the Loyalist side in Spain, or who had been in underground during the period of dictatorship in Yugoslavia.

(To be continued)



Mary G. Balint

## The Little Corporal Goes to Washington

By Little Stan

Fort Crockett, Tex. — Man, oh man! This Texas sun is really hot!

Just about the time you feel like you're getting used to this humid weather, along comes a heat wave that has you gasping for breath. A gentle breeze with its cooling effect tries hard to undo those piercing heat rays of the sun, but Old Sol wins out every time!

Especially after Little Stan enjoyed a cool furlough in Minnesota. A couple of weeks ago he was lively with vim and vigor in that delightful climate near the Canadian border. Today, on duty as Charge of Quarters he sits before the typewriter in his undershirt. Taking a second look at him you'd think he was a broiled lobster, and still broiling by the looks of his red flesh. You'd think he was out in the sun all day. But it took just an hour to get that miserable burning sensation that comes with sunburn. The other GI's merely laugh and say, "You'll learn, kiddo!" And this after two years in this tropical clime! Tsk Tsk!

Various duties as Courts Martial investigator primarily prevented this soldier from appearing in print. Feels almost like being a stranger, but Little Stan hopes all you folks and chillin' didn't forget him! Remember me?

However, this last furlough really shook the Gulf salt spray out of this guy's timbers and sort of snapped him back into type again. It all happened last month when a khaki-clad warrior stepped out of a stubborn automobile in front of the AFU office in Ely, Minn., to pay respects to the hard-working drew there. Your Little Stan could hardly have been more amply. Stepping into the office seemed he'd come right on time for a press conference with our Supreme Secretary, Bro. Anton Zbasnik. Stacks of applications and pre-convention papers strewn on his desk. Following a warm reception, Bro. Zbasnik spoke glowingly of the fine response to the campaign for new members, and declared he expected everyone to come through over the quota before the campaign came to a close.

So enthused was our supreme secretary that Little Stan was

referred to a point where he fig-

ured this was not going to be

just a furlough but a real-honest-

goodness old-time press con-

ference. The kind we used to

have those thrilling years 1935,

1937, 1940! Where members re-

sponded to send each and every

previous drive soaring way over

all set goals! This year, espe-

cially because of the war, every

member should dig in harder

than ever and come through like

he never did before! If it were

worth while, Little Stan could

again encourage every lodge

and its members. But you know

well that the Carpet is

dated. With planes crossing

the country in less than 6 hours,

who cares about a Magic Carpet?

It's too darned slow! Heh Heh!

By the way, Little Stan took

advantage of his trip home to

get acquainted with his "Little

Stan" and she is a little darling all the way through. Yessir!

By the time you read this, Lit-

tle Stan will be en route to Fort

Washington, Maryland to attend

a class in The Adjutant General's

school. They tell this guy the

place is just a stone's throw from

our Nation's Capitol so we'll have

to arrange to meet our FBI re-

porter somewhere in that vicini-

ty. How about that? Little Stan

always did want to meet the

President! Heh Heh! Well may-

be he can see "Falla" in the yard

anyway! He just knows Eleanor won't be at home either!

Getting back to Crockett for a minute. Upon returning from furlough had to check up on the events which occurred. He was told the previous Saturday was the most hilarious ever spent by his GI friends. A lot of them said it was a lucky thing the Casemate reporter was on furlough because they dreaded the thought of any such story being published in the camp paper. Now it can be told!

Seems about five of the boys got together to take a Saturday night tour of the night spots in a section of Galveston they've dubbed "Jungletown" because of its questionable reputation and its out-of-the-wayness. From place to place they toured and imbibed freely. As time went by they began to eye the "Curfew" clock and just about that time they started back for camp. They were almost sure they had the jitters when they saw a plump pig walking right in the middle of the road. It didn't take a second for them to get ideas. They barked commands, flanked the pig on all sides and marched toward the MP gate. They expected the MP's to be harsh, and probably reprimand them with one of those awful tickets. They were considerably encouraged tho when they saw broad grins on the faces of MP's swell out in ear-to-ear smiles and finally loud bursts of laughter. They practically rolled in the dirt. It didn't take much to go thru the gate! They'd marched about 50 feet when an MP truck came screaming to a stop alongside them. Expecting to be stopped these guys were ready for anything. They actually felt bold about it when the MP's in the truck added to the howl of laughter which went the rounds.

Finally the quintet plus Mr. Hog marched into the barrack. The grunting pig needed help to come up the stairs and it had everything to do in trying to keep from slipping on the wax floors! One of the fellows figured it a wise thing to place the pig into one of the higher ranking non-coms private rooms. What a time they had trying to get the pig to climb two flights of stairs. They tried grabbing the pig by the back legs and lifting it up, but the pig's 200 pounds was too much for them in their condition! The pig squealed, howled and grunted. Fellows crumpled to the floor shaking in gales of laughter. The entire battery was awakened. The Battery Charge of Quarters nearly died of fright when the pig walked into the office and sniffed at him. He probably thought he was sharing his bun with an African Hippo or two! Somewhere, scmetime during the night the excitement died down. No one knew where the pig disappeared. But the next morning everyone awaited an aftermath of investigation. Nothing happened!

FIFTH WAR LOAN DRIVE  
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## Storing Woolens

This year, the storing of your woolens is like putting precious stones in a treasure chest for your woolens will have to last for the duration so that G. I. Joe can have enough for his uniforms and blankets.

Here are four simple rules to follow when storing your woolens:

1. Be sure that any stored article is clean and free from moths.

2. Artificial light and sunlight weaken wool fabrics and fade colors to see that they are stored in a dark place, preferably in a clothing bag.

3. Protect woolens from dampness which invite mildew. You can use calcium chloride in an open jar to absorb the moisture in a closet but it must be renewed.

4. Moths and beetles enjoy warmth and if you must choose between storing woolen in a hot dry attic or a cool damp basement, choose the attic.

## IZ URADA Združenega odbora južnoslovenskih Američanov

### Na delo za zmago

ZOJSA je z ozirom na kampanjo za peto vojno posojilo sklenil pomagati, da kampanja dozeče čim večji uspeh.

Smatramo kot eno najvažnejših naših dolžnosti, da kot južnoslovenska enota organiziramo akcijo v tej kampanji na način, ki bo najizdatnejše pomagal pri vojnemu naporu naše nove domovine. ZOJSA s tem poziva vsa naša društva, krajevne odbore, organizacije, ustavne in podinde, vobče vse ljudstvo, da z bratovskim sodelovanjem delamo za en cilj—za uspeh petega vojnega posojila.

Naša akcija mora v tej smerni s številkami dokazati naš resnični doprinos. Da se to omogoči, je urad ZOJSA razposlal na tisoče pisem društvom, odborom in organizacijam s prošnjem, da prijavijo kvoto kupljenih, oziroma prodanih obveznic PETEGA VOJNEGA POSOJILA čimpreje na naslov.

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borbe naših bratov v staro domovini v ameriških javnosti, kar so jih žrtve in naporite borbe zasluzili v polni meri.

Z ozirom na to a pelira ZOJSA na vsa naša društva in organizacije, na vse naše ljudi, da z vsemi silami složno delajo za uspeh PETEGA VOJNEGA POSOJILA in prijavijo vse zneske brez odlaganja na navezeni naslov.

NEW YORK, N. Y., 14 junija 1944. — Za ZOJSA:

Zlatko Balokovič,  
poslužnici predsednik.

## Pismo neznanemu prijatelju

(Sledeči članek je bil napisan specjalno za naš tisk v Ameriki od katoliškega duhovnika pri Narodni Osvobodilni vojski, Josipa Volariča.)

Presto je že nekaj let, odkar je naša domovina v plamenih in ti ne veš, kaj se dogaja tu pri nas. Ker se mi je nudila prilika, da napišem par vrstic, ti hočem v kratkem povedeti, kaj se je dogajalo in se še dogaja pri nas. Dobro veš, koliko so pripovedovali v domovini in izven nje, kako močna je naša država, ker ima močno in dobro opremljeno vojsko pod vodstvom modrih generalov. Veš, koliko so govorili o našem edinstvu in enakopravnosti, o dviganju narodnega gospodarstva, o skrb za brezposelne itd. Medtem pa se je aprila 1941 pokazala prava slika Jugoslavije. Bili smo nedavno v krivici napadeni, ne da bi grozili komurkoli in pretili komu v vojno. Naši slavniki vodje, civilni in vojaški, so pobegnili v prvih dneh, a mi smo ostali na bojnem polju brez poveljstva in pravega orožja. Bili smo prevarani in izdani od domačega sovražnika, pregazaeni in ponizani od tujev. In od tedaj se je začelo naše novo, a težko življeno. Domovina je podjavljena in razdeljena med ropajoče fašistično-svabške bande in njihove sluge, ostali pa sta dve skazi: Nezavisna država Hrvatska in Nesvobodna Nedičeva Srbija. In tedaj se je začela prava Kalvarija našega naroda. Nemško-italijansko-ustaška koncentracijska taborska so se polnila, naše naselitevine, na gorenje, naše prebivalstvo je bilo ubijano v masah. Ljudstvo ni dolgo premisljalo. V brda, v gozdove! Tako se je začelo naše Narodno gibanje, prvi partizani, branitelji ljudske pravice in svobode, maščevalci nedolžnih žrtev fašistično-nacistične agresije. Že tri leta besni pri nas bo na življienju in smrti. Vsi se borijo: moški, ženske, mladi in stari. Lačni in raztrgani, v vročini in mrazu, a s pesmijo in smehom gredo v boj. Vsaki dan nas je več. V hribih in gozdovih je vse živo. Zraven te pa vrla povsod popolna disciplina in red. Tam so borce, žene in otroci, stareci in mladiči, kmetje in uradniki, zdravnikи in duhovniki, učitelji in profesorji, vsi poklici in stanovni, pa naj pripadajo kateri koliveri in narodnosti. Vsi imajo isti cilj: pregnati sovražnika iz domovine in zatrepi njegove služabnike, ustaše, Nedičeve, Rupnikove in Mihajlovičeve četnike, ki so oskrnili sveta domača tla in pregrili svoje duše s prelivanjem bratske krvi. Vsi delajo, vsak po svojem znanju in sposobnosti.

Odbor je sklenil, da se prirede pri velik javni shod v nedeljo 25. junija v Turtle Creek High School. Na shod so povabljeni razni govorniki od Srbov, Hrvatov in Slovencev. Združeni odbor južnoslovenskih Amerikanov bo zastopal Mr. Janko N. Rogelj iz Clevelandu. Od Slovencev so povabljeni: Mr. John Kvartič, predsednik, federacije SNP v zapadni Pennsylvaniji; dr. F. J. Arch; Mr. F. J. Kress, predsednik Federacije ABZ v zapadni Pennsylvaniji, in James Maglic, tajnik angleške poslanskega deželnega delegata SNP. Za lokalno postojanko ZOJSA: Anton Rednak, tajnik.

Cihiščim, Minn. — Poročati mi je žalostno novico, namreč, da je na Elyu umrla moja sošolka pri prijateljici Neža Vertnik, rojena Papež. Pokojnica je bila doma iz vasi Podlipe, fara Ajdovec pri Žužemberku; pri hiši se je reklo po domače pri Kotarjevih. Ko sem bila 7. junija

ki se bori za ljudsko svobodo in boljšo bodočnost. Spoštujemo stvari, a s svojimi se ponosamo. Imamo najstrožje zakone zoper kršitelje javne morale. Vera je svobodna in narodne svetinje povsod spoštujemo. Imamo v svoji vojski vojaške duhovnike. Mnogo jih je na terenu in v borbi. Še več, v svoji sredini imamo nekaj višjih cerkvenih dostojan-

ja telefonično obveščena o njeni smrti, sem odpotovala od tu z busom 8. junija popoldne in sem prišla na Ely ob deveti uri zvečer. Razdalja med Chisholmom in Elyjem je 90 milj.

Ko sem prišla v hišo žalosti, je bilo tam zbranih že mnogo prijateljev in sorodnikov, in vse je bilo v eveličah. Videla sem, da je bila pokojna Neža jako priljubljena na Elyu, kjer je živelova od leta 1907. Zapušča žalujočega soprog, dva sina, tri hčere, eno sestro na Ely, eno nekje v Michiganu, in mnogo drugih sorodnikov. Moje iskreno sožalje prizadeti družini!

Pri tej priliki sem obiskala tudi družine Franka Marolta,

Franka Sršena in Kuzma. Po-

vsod sem bila lepo sprejeta in

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Anton Okolish:

## Konvenčni problemi

En problem, s katerim se bo moralna, hočeš nočeš, pečati naša konvencija, so vojaki-člani, kateri se bodo prej ali slej vrnili domov z bojišč. Ne glede na to, da je zdravniška veda in oskrba vojakov v sedanji vojni mnogo boljša kot kdaj prej, se primerja, da jih je bilo že dosti poslanih domov za stalno, ne samo vsled pohabljenosti, dobrijenih v bitkah, ampak tudi vsled posledic bolezni, katere so si tam nakopali, posebno oni v tropičnih krajih. Eni bodo še sama okrevati, za kar bo skrbel že stric Sam, drugi bodo več ali manj trpeli do smrti ker bodo vsled tega mogoče tudi fizično nezmožni. Kako stališče bo zavzela naša Zveza napram njim potom pravil?

Imamo točko 273-A, katera je poznana kot vojna klavzula. To bo treba popraviti in poleg te napraviti tudi novo točko, katera bo imela določbe glede prej omenjenih iz vojne se vrnivih vojakov-članov.

V pravilih imamo točke 361, 362 in 363, v katerih so določbe glede sportnega sklada in sportne aktivnosti. Zadnje omenjeno točko bo treba popraviti v toliko, da se bo ista nanašala tudi na vojne in ne samo na splošne depresije.

Iz zapisnika coloradske federacije vidimo, da se tam ne ogrevajo dosti za sport. Povedo nam, da v njih državi ni ravno potreben za napredki društva. Gleda tega rečem: razni kraji razne potrebe. V nekaterih državah vidimo potrebo po kozarju prave pive in druge pijsače, v drugih pa so mnenja (vsaj večina), da je ista nepotrebna. V naših osrednjih državah, vsaj v naši Ohio, odraščajoča mladina gleda tudi na to, da pristopi k takemu društvu, kjer imajo sportne zabave. Da pred leti so nam zadostovali pikniki, kjer se je pilo, pelo, vriskalo, plesalo in kjer so se mnogokrat za zaključek prirejale tudi neoficijelne rokoborbe ali vsaj praske, in v kredit naši mladini je, da si želi drugih bolj za zdravje koristnih zabav. Slovensko samostojno društvo na naši naselbine Barberton je potrošilo nad 60 tisoč dolarjev za novo kegljišče, za sport. V slovenski našelini v West Virginiji je imelo neko naše društvo tak izbran "softball team," da je bil ponos ne samo mestu, ampak celemu okraju. Neko tamkajšnje "angleško" podporno društvo je hotelo naše fante kupiti za precej visoko ceno in jih dobiti v to, da bi pristopili v njih društvo s še posebnimi ugodnostmi. Tako pri nas. Tako v West Virginiji in tako v Colorado in druge na zapadu. "Vsak bo svoje," bi reklo brat Terbovec.

V zapisniku ravno prej omenjene federacije tudi čitamo priporečilo, da se naj po točki 407 zapovedani bolniški obiskovalci opuste in da naj ima nadzorstvo nad bolniki le društveni tajnik in pa predsednik bolniškega odseka. Razume se samo ob sebi, da bolnike se more nadzorovati le potom osebnih obiskov. Kjer je društvo majhno in kjer žive člani kompaktno, bi dva prej omenjena že kako opravljala sama ta posel. V našelinih, kjer je članstvo raztreseno tudi po v predmestjih, pa bi bilo to nemogoče in potrebuje se pomoći tam bliže živečih članov-obiskovalcev.

Ne samo gl. tajnik, ampak tudi mi porotniki vidimo iz nam predloženih zdravniških poročil oziroma bolniških zahtev, da so mnogi bolniki zelo slabo obiskani, to je, slabo nadzorovani, vsled česar tripi večkrat Zvezu, in, ako se opuste bolniški obiskovalci, bo še slabše, seveda, slabše za Zvezo. Obiski k bolnim članom se morajo gledati tudi od druge strani. Obiski naj bi nikar ne smeli imeti samo

značaj nadzorovanja ali policijske službe, ampak naj bi bili v prvi vrsti tudi kot znak bratske ljubezni, izkazane na tak način in kot skrb za bolnega člana. Kot jaz, tako ste bili gotovo tudi vi drugi bolniški obiskovalci priča, kako se je trepecemo vsled bolečin in stokajčemu bolniku vsaj začasno razjasnil obraz in se mu mogoče celo razlil po obrazu nasmeh veljela, ko je zagledal sočlanabiskovalca, ter ga je prosil za zopetni in skorajšni obisk. Ne samo pravila, ampak tudi pravili fraternalizem, katerega izpoljuje naša Zveza, zahteva, da opravljamo človekoljubno delo obiskovati in tolažiti bolnike in da se na tak način ločimo od zavarovalnih družb, kjer je samo goli business in skrb za dobiček in dividende ter vsakovrstni triki, kako se iznebiti plačila, kadar se isto zahteva.

## DOPISI

Nadaljevanje s 5. strani

**Chicago, Ill.** — Zadnji mesec je bila seja federacije društva ABZ za okrožje Illinois, Indiana in Wisconsin, ki se je vršila v Chicagu in na kateri smo razpravljali večinoma o bodočih pravilih ABZ. Zavedamo se, da so take diskuzije potrebne pred vsako konvencijo, da celo-kupno članstvo prerezeta vsa priporočila posameznikov, ter osvoji le one nasvete, ki so najkoristnejši za članstvo Ameriške bratske zveze. Na prej omenjeni seji sem predložil nekaj nasvetov, o katerih se je temeljito razpravljalo. Isto so storili tudi drugi odborniki federacije ter zastopniki društva. Federacija je naredila nekaj sklepov, o katerih boste čitali v zapisniku, ki bo priobčen v kratkem. Nekaj zadev pa je bilo odloženih na prihodnjo sejo, da bo federacija dobro pripravljena za konvencijo s konkretnimi in postavno veljavnimi nasveti.

Da bo članstvo tudi v drugih krajih lahko že pred konvencijo razmišljalo o nekaterih načrtih, ki se meni zdijo koristni in sprejemljivi, bom v par dopisih povedal svoje misli. S tem pa ne vsliljujem svojih idej nujkomur, kajti vse je odvisno od tega, kaj bo večina delegatov sklenila na konvenciji.

Gledate bolniških podpor je moje mnenje, da naj v principu ostane sedanja lestvica. Ako jo je mogoče nekoliko izboljšati v smislu razmer tekočega časa, naj se to na podlagi dejstev izvrši tako, da bo članstvo vsestransko solidno zavarovan.

Kar se tiče članov-vojakov, sem jaz mnenja, da naj se za onimi, ki bodo padli v tej vojni, izplača cela zavarovalnina, ker to dela že zdaj velika večina ameriških bratskih organizacij.

Gledate samomorilcev sem mnenja, da si nihče ne vzame svojega življenja zaradi večje ali manjše zavarovalnine; v ta desperativni akt ga dovedejo drugi elementi—največ seveda bolezen, pa bodi fizična ali pa duševna, za kar ni nihče sam direktno odgovoren. Zato svetujem, naj se v bodoče v takih slučajih plača polno smrtnino.

K točki 43, ki se tiče kvalifikacij članov(ic) za delegatstvo na konvencijo ABZ, svetujem, naj se spremeni v toliko, da bo vsakdo lahko kandidat, ki je zavarovan za smrtninsko in bolniško podporo. To pa začne, ker novo članstvo večinoma tvori mladina—ki se pa zaradi federalne socialne zaščite (social security) pri bratskih društvih ne zavaruje za razne tozadne podpore. Naj imajo v bodoče kljub temu pravico do kandidature za delegatstvo. Nadalje, da naj bi se vsak kandidat udeležil šestih sej v dvanajstih mesecih pred volitvami delegatov, namesto šestih sej v zadnjih šestih mesecih, kot se

glas glas tozadne določba v sedanjih pravilih.

To so moji nasveti za začetek. V prihodnjem dopisu bom razpravljal v nadaljnji problemih naše bratske organizacije, s katerimi se bo moralava bavit prihodnja konvencija.

Upajoč, da se bodo k tej razpravi oglasili še drugi člani in članice, kako se je trepecemo vsled bolečin in stokajčemu bolniku vsaj začasno razjasnil obraz in se mu mogoče celo razlil po obrazu nasmeh veljela, ko je zagledal sočlanabiskovalca, ter ga je prosil za zopetni in skorajšni obisk. Ne samo pravila, ampak tudi pravili fraternalizem, katerega izpoljuje naša Zveza, zahteva, da opravljamo človekoljubno delo obiskovati in tolažiti bolnike in da se na tak način ločimo od zavarovalnih družb, kjer je samo goli business in skrb za dobiček in dividende ter vsakovrstni triki, kako se iznebiti plačila, kadar se isto zahteva.

Joseph Oblak.

**Denver, Colo.** — Podpisani sem prečital zapisnik zadnjega zborovanja federacije društva ABZ v državi Colorado in sem ugotovil, da so pomotoma prisile v istega nekatere netočnosti. Navedeni naj bodo torej slediči popravki z ozirom na sklepe omenjenega zborovanja:

"Priporočamo, da se zborovanje glavnega odbora ne udeležuje vsi podpredsedniki, ampak le prvi glavni podpredsednik. Ostali glavni podpredsedniki naj pridejo na zborovanje glavnega odbora enkrat na leto, in sicer na tisto sejo, katero smatra glavni odbor za bolj važno."

"Vojna klavzula. Na pojaznilo gl. podpredsednika, da glavni odbor že dela na tem in da se bodo nekateri glavni odborniki v kratkem sestali z aktuarjem v Chicagu in da bo glavni odbor na podlagi teh posvetovanj sestavil načrt ali načrte, katere bo predložil konvenciji, je federacija prepustila vso zadevo dotičnemu sestanku glavnega odbora in prihodnji konvenciji."

"Zbornica se odboru za pravila lepo zahvali za dobro izvršeno delo in mu v majhno priznanje dovoli nagrado v znesku deset dolarjev."

To so popravki k zapisniku. — Za federacijo društva Ameriške bratske zveze v državi Colorado:

Steve Mauser, predsednik.

**Meadowlands, Pa.** — Člane društva št. 75 ABZ želim tem potom obvestiti, da je bila naša zadnja plesna veselica zelo uspešna. Naša prihodnina prireditev bo piknik, ker v tem gorkem letnem času se more človek lepše zabavati v prosti naravi kot v zaprtih prostorih. Ta piknik se bo vršil v nedeljo 25. junija na farmi Mika Franka.

Pričetek ob 1. uri popoldne. Dohodki piknika so namenjeni za fond Slovenskega doma. Prostor piknika ima poleg lepih senčnih prostorov tudi prostor za balincanje. Razume se, da bodo posetniki na razpolago raznovrstna okrepčila. Občinstvo vsega tega okrožja je prijazno vabljeno na poset tega piknika. Na svidenje! — Za društvo št. 75 ABZ:

Joseph Murn, tajnik.

**Pittsburgh, Pa.** — Na seji društva Marije Vnebovzetje, št. 182 ABZ, ki se je vršila pretekli mesec, je bilo sklenjeno, da se voli za delegata 17. redne konvencije ABZ na naši prihodnji seji, ki se bo vršila 27. junija.

Ta seja se ne more odložiti, zato naj vse članice smatrajo to vabilo za važno in naj prav gotovo pridejo na sejo. To se tiče tudi tistih članic, ki niso bile na naši seji že bogoveldaj. Prepričana sem, da bodo prišle na sejo tiste članice, ki prihajajo vedno; iznenadijo s svojim posetom pa naj nas tudi tiste, ki jih le redkokdaj ali nikoli ne vidimo na sejah. Razpravljale bomo o nekaterih zelo važnih problemih, ki so bili odloženi na prejšnjih sejah zaradi premale udeležbe članic.

Na seji meseca maja sem bila podpisana soglasno izvoljena za kandidatino za delegatino 17. redne konvencije od našega društva. Od društva št. 196 ABZ pa je kandidat sobrat John Furar. Kot znano, sta društvi št. 182 in št. 196 združeni v svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata, ki bo zastopal obe

društvi. Delegat oba društva bo ali brat Furar ali pa sestra Bodack. Zato, sestre, je važno, da pride na sejo 27. junija polnoštivalno in oddate glasove za kandidata ali kandidatino po vašem prepirčanju. To povabilo se tiče tudi članice, ki so pristopile k nam od drugih društev, in tistih, ki so prestopile iz mladinskega v odrasli oddelek. In razume se, da so vabljene tudi vse naše dolgoletne članice.

Seja se bo vršila v običajnih zborovalnih prostorih, to je na domu tajnice: 4917 Hatfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Začetek ob 10.00 (8.30) zvečer. Datum: torek 27. junija. — Za društvo št. 182 ABZ:

Mary L. Bodack, tajnica.

**Pittsburgh, Pa.** — Iz zapisnika zborovanja federacije društva Ameriške bratske zveze v zapadni Pennsylvaniji, ki se je vršilo 30. aprila v Exportu, Pa., je zapisnikar pomotoma izpuštil, da je zbornica odobrila, da se da federacijskim uradnikom polno moč ali zaupnico zaradi povabil glavnega tajnika Antonia Zbašnika. To je dodatek z zapisniku in obenem popravek od strani zapisnikarja.

Vincent Arch.

**Ereth, Minn.** — Kot znano, je naše društvo št. 25 ABZ volilo delegate na sejo 28. maja. V konvenčnem letu, osobito v času, ko zvezina pravila določajo volitve delegatov za prihodnjo konvencijo, članstvo tega ali onega društva veliko ugiba, kdo bo šel na konvencijo, kdo bo naš zastopnik, katerega ali katero bomo izvolili. Ko pride čas volitve, gotovo izvolimo člana (članico), kateremu največ zaupamo, kateri je najbolj sposoben. Tako sta tudi pri našem društvu izvoljena dva, namreč sobrat Filip Fister, društveni predsednik, in sobrat Anton Skerjanc, društveni blagajnik. Ta dva torej bosta zastopala naše društvo na prihodnji konvenciji, katera bo to pot ena najvažnejših v zgodovini.

Tako podvzetje se nam vidi z ene strani tako: Delegatje so izvoljeni in konvencija se bo vršila v avgustu in mirna Bosna. Sedaj pa to misijo poglejmo in nasprotne strani, ki ima vse drugega lice.

Novoizvoljeni delegatje, kot članstvo, se moramo zavedati, da delegatje in delegatine, ki se že danes pripravljajo na konvencijo, še ne pripravljajo na kako maškerado; konvencija, ki se bo vršila v avgustu, pa tudi ne bo maškeradna veselica.

Zato je tako važno: prvič kdo bo šel na konvencijo; drugič, kakšno orodje bo naš delegat, in, tretjič, kaj bo naš delegat mogel doseči. (Ne samo naš, mislim celokupna delegacija.)

Kot sem še omenil, bo prihodnja konvencija ena najvažnejših. Vsaki član gotovo posedeuje zvezina pravila. Vsak torej lahko razmotriva o njih, tu in tam mogoče najde točko, s katero se ne strinja, in je mogoče isto premeniti, črtati, dostaviti . . .

Vsak naj torej se udeleži prihodnje redne društvene seje ter isto priporoča za odobritev prihodnji konvenciji. Vsi imamo iste pravice, samo poslužimo se jih.

Časa za to je še dva meseca; ne prezrimo tega. Društvo bo vabi priporočila s veseljem upoštevalo in vsak delegat bo ponosen na naše ideje, katere bo zastopal.

To se torej tri točke, in zelo važne. Prvič: kdo bo šel na konvencijo; to naše društvo že zna. Kakšno orodje bosta naša dva delegata rabila, to je pa še v rokah članstva. Nekaj takega orodja, ki se rabi na konvenciji, naša dva delegata že imata pripravljenega v "torbi" in veliko ga še potrebujejo. Prinesite torej vaše dobre ideje na prihodnjo sejo dne 25. t. m. Po pravek pravil, ako je potreben

in izvedljiv, je velike važnosti nam vsem in delegata bosta to z veseljem sprejela. Kolikor več gradiva bosta imela, toliko boj se bosta tudi zavedala svoje dolnosti.

Kaj bosta mogla dosegči, to vprašanje je pa še daleč odprtoto in se naslanja na vprašanje kaj boste se njima narocili.

Naročite jima sedaj, kajti po konvenciji, ko boste vprašali, zakaj se ni tega ali onega naredilo, bo prepozno. Konvencija bo zaključena, ne samo za letos pač pa za celo 4 leta.

Hrvat pravi: želete se tuče dok je vrueč. Zato se enkrat: ako imate kak popravek, ki se vam zdi potreben in izvedljiv v pravilih, prinesite ga na prihodnjo sejo dne 25. t. m., ki se bo vršila v navadnih prostorih. Do tedaj pa, bratski pozdrav!

John R. Strah, zapisnikar društva št. 25 ABZ.

**Euclid, O.** — Člani društva Napredek, št. 132 ABZ, naj bodo tem potom obveščeni, da ta mesec, ko pride 25. dan na nedeljo, se bo vršilo pobiranje asesmenta v soboto 24. junija od 6.30 do 8. ure zvečer.

Nas član, korporal Frank J. Tanko, se je bil udeležil naših seje 9. junija, ko je bil doma na dopustu. On je sin našega podpredsednika Johna Tanka. Upamo, da ga kmalu spet vidimo med nam.

V imenu članstva društva Napredek, št. 132 ABZ, želim tem potom izraziti iskreno sončje Mrs. Frances Eržen, urednici angleške sekcije Nove Dobe, ki je pretekli teden izgubila svojo mater, Mrs. Mary Samsa. Pogreb pokojnice se je vršil v pondeljek 19. junija.

Naj ji bo ohranjen