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Slavnostni dnevi mlade generacije S. N. P. J. v Chicagu

Prva konferenca zastopnikov mladinskih društev je v soboto v dvorani SNPJ. Deset referentov poroča in potem bo splošna razprava. Desetletni jubilej društva Pioneer z banketom v downtownu in radioprogramom na WCFL v soboto zvečer in slavnostnim programom v nedeljo popoldne v Havličkovi dvorani. Ta slavnost obeta, da bo največja v zgodovini društev SNPJ v Chicagu

Prihodnja sobota in nedelja, 3. in 4. novembra, bosta dva velika dneva naše mlade generacije pri SNPJ v Chicagu.

V soboto se vrši prva konferenca delegatov in delegatkinj angleško poslujočih društev SNPJ v enotini dvorani. To konferenco je sklical gl. odbor na svoji seji v zadnjem avgustu na priporočilo društva Young Americans v Detroitu kot del kampanje za novo članstvo. Vsako angleško poslujoče društvo lahko pošlje enega delegata. Konferenca je posvetovalna, izobraževalna in v pripravi na splošno konferenco, ki jo bo vodil predsednik SNPJ.

Tak je bil v glavnem sklep gl. odbora. Izmed 82 angleško poslujočih društev se je odzvalo — kolikor je doslej znano — okrog 65 in izvolilo delegate. Gl. upravni odsek je za konferenco pripravil spored in dnevnik; na sporedu je deset referatov, za referente je pa dobljenih osem delegatov in dva člani, ki nista delegata in to sta John Lokar iz Clevelanda in Oscar Godina iz Chicaga.

Tu je lista referatov in referentov:

1. Splošen pregled dela v zadnjih desetih letih. Poroča Donald J. Lotrich, delegat društva Pioneer 559, Chicago, Ill.
2. Problemi, ki izvirajo iz pridobivanja novih članov. Poroča Thomas G. Ganter, delegat društva 669, Bridgeville, Pa.
3. Zgodovina in načela SNPJ. Poroča Jane Fradel, delegatkinja društva 725, Latrobe, Pa.
4. Nasveti društvenim tajnikom. Poroča Albin Obed, delegat društva 677, Detroit, Mich.
5. Kako privabiti članstvo na seje. Poroča John Matekovich, delegat društva 728, Gowanda, N. Y.
6. Atletika — ali nam je potrebna? Poroča John Lokar, drugi podpredsednik, Cleveland, O.
7. Priporočila za masne aktivnosti in dolžnosti gl. odborov v tem oziru. Poroča Marian Konchan, delegatkinja društva 742, Cleveland, O.
8. Vprašanje publicitete. Poroča John Spiller, delegat društva 659, St. Louis, Mo.
9. Ali naj imajo federacije več moči? Poroča Frank Kress, delegat društva 665, Pittsburgh, Pa.
10. Ekonomska vprašanja in njih vplivi na poslovanje naše jednote. Poroča Oscar Godina, član Pioneerja v Chicagu.

Gornja lista predmetov se očitno na sugestije, ki so jih predstavniki mladinskih društev SNPJ sami dali na sestanku v Clevelandu v zadnjem septembru ob času slavnosti clevelandске federacije društev SNPJ.

Predsednik Cainkar, ki bo vodil konferenco, bo imenoval med delegatov dva podpredsednika. Pri vodstvu bo pomagal tudi gl. tajnik Vider, dočim bo pomočnik tajnika Gradišek vodil poverilni odsek. Zapisnik konference bodo vodile štiri delegatke iz gl. urada, dve predpopoldne in dve popoldne.

Desetletnica Pioneerja v soboto zvečer ob osmih bo

Delegatje mlade generacije pozdravljeni!

Prihodnjo soboto se snide okrog petinšestdeset delegatov angleško poslujočih društev SNPJ na prvi konferenci te vrste v okviru naše jednote; snidejo se v Chicagu v avditoriju SNPJ.

Prva konferenca zastopnikov naše mlade generacije pri SNPJ je lahko zgodovinskega pomena. Dasi bo ta konferenca le akademična, posvetovalnega značaja, lahko začrti široko pot udeleževanja naših mladih pri naši jednoti v bodočnosti.

Skratka: ta konferenca naj pokaže, kaj mislijo naši mladi o organizaciji svojih očetov, kako gledajo na delo svojih očetov, ki so se priselili v Ameriko in so si tu s svojimi tulji ustvarili ekstenzo, in kako nameravajo oceniti to delo.

Prosveta, glasilo SNPJ, ki je iskreno pozdravila iniciativo iz Detroita in sklep gl. odbora SNPJ za sklicanje te konference, danes iskreno pozdravlja zastopnike naše mlade generacije, ki pridejo ta teden v našo sredo.

Pozdravljamo vas, mladi bratje in sestre, v pričakovanju, da nastopite na svojem prvem zborovanju z resnimi in globoko zamisljenimi načrti ter da se izkažete kot vredni sinovi in hčere svojih očetov, ki so vam pripravili in vam hočejo enkrat izročiti NAJVEČJO in NAJBOLJŠO podporno organizacijo med vsemi našimi podpornimi organizacijami v Ameriki!

Ne pozabite, mladi bratje in sestre, da geslo naše SNPJ od prvega dneva njenega življenja je: NAPREJ! — NIHDAK NAZAJ! —

do delegatje in gostje iz zunanjih naselbin — pričakuje se veliko število gostov, ki pridejo z delegati vred — gostje društva Pioneer na velikem banketu v hotelu Auditorium, 430 S. Michigan ave. Ta banket bo prva faza desetletnega jubileja društva Pioneer 559 SNPJ in obenem udeleževanja naše mlade generacije pri SNPJ po vsej Ameriki. Banket se vrši v glavni dvorani v devetem nadstropju.

Federacija društev SNPJ v Chicagu bo aranžirala jedilnico za delegate v spodnji enotini dvorani. Servirala bo zajtrk, kosilo in prigrizek ob petih popoldne.

Br. Donald J. Lotrich bo stoloravnatelj banketa. Glavna atrakcija banketa bo slovenski baritonist Anton Subelj, ki pride iz New Yorka nalašč za to priložnost. Poleg Subelja nastopi tudi Elsa Jacobson s popularnimi popevkami in za godbo — tamburaški orkester — bodo skrbeli bratje Vrbancič. Med gosti govorniki lahko omenimo Maynarda C. Krugerja, profesorja s čikaške univerze.

Kar je važnega na tem banketu, je to, da bo banketni program oddajal direktno iz banketne dvorane s posebno telefonsko zvezo na

radiopostajo WCFL

in od tam razširjen po Chicagu in okolici. Radiopostajo WCFL vodi Čikaška delavska federacija in na prejemniku jo najdemo pod oznako 970. Banketni program bo oddajal od desete do enajste ure zvečer. (Po "short wave" ga dobite s postajo WX 9AAA—6080.)

Nedeljska slavnost

Višek proslave desetletnega jubileja Pioneerja pride v nedeljo, 3. novembra, popoldne ob dveh v dvorani Sokol Havliček-Tyrr, 2619 So. Lawndale ave., pol bloka od dvorane SNPJ.

Za to slavnost je aranžiran dolg in bogat program z govori, petjem, glasbenimi točkami, dramskim prizorom in živo sliko.

Poleg društvenih govornikov

Domače vesti

Proslava Pioneerja v radiu Chicago. — Program banketa ob desetletnici društva Pioneer 559 SNPJ bo prihodnjo soboto od 10. do 11. zvečer oddajal direktno iz hotela Auditorium v downtownu na radiopostajo WCFL (Dial 970) in od tam razširjen po Chicagu in okolici. Na programu bodo govori, petje (Anton Subelj) in godba. Člani SNPJ v Chicagu, Jolietu, Garyju, Waukeganu, Kenosha, Milwaukeeju in drugje po severnem Illinoisu in Wisconsinu so opozorjeni na to redko priložnost.

Srebrni jubilej SDZ Cleveland. — Slovenska dobrodelna zveza, podporna organizacija v državi Ohio, je zadnje dni slavila petinšestdesetletnico svojega obstanka. Zveza je v 25 letih narasla na 10,559 članov v obeh oddelkih in v blagajni je imela ob koncu zadnjega junija \$1,147,755.86.

Žrtve potresa v Montani East Helena, Mont. — Dne 26. oktobra je umrl za poškodbami, ki jih je dobil med potresom zadnji teden, Edward Murgel, star 13 let in član mladinskega oddelka SNPJ in JSKJ. Zapuščata starša, dva brata in sestro.

Dva nova grobova Chicago. — Zadnji petek je nagla smrt zadela Matthewa Gerdisa, staršega 23 let in rojenega v Bradleyju, Ill. Pokojnik je bil sin enega družine Matija in Louise Gerdis, katere biva v okrožju Lawndale-Crawford. V nedeljo zvečer je umrla v South Chicagu Mary Mavern, stara 58 let. Pokojnica je bila sestra br. Fr. Gorenca, člana društva 8 SNPJ.

Nov grob v starem kraju Johnstown, Pa. — Frances Gabrenja, članica društva 600 SNPJ, je prešla žalostno vest, da je v Cerkvici pri Rakeku na Notranjem umrl njen oče Franc Kocjančič v starosti 83 let. V Severni Ameriki zapuščata dve hčeri, eno pa v Južni Ameriki.

Milwaukeeška vest Milwaukee. — Frank Sagadin Jr. in Mary Potisek sta bila poročena v soboto, dne 26. oktobra, ne pa 12. oktobra kakor je bilo prej poročano.

Kardinal poveličuje Mussolinijevo vojno

Pravi, da širi krščanstvo in rimljansko civilizacijo

Milan, 29. okt. — Kardinal Schuster je v svojem govoru pred fašisti, ki so se udeležili slovesne maše v spomin žrtvam, ki so padle v pohodu v Rim pred trinajstimi leti, želel "mir in protekcijo" italijanski armadi, ki širi katoliško vero in rimljansko civilizacijo v Abesiniji. Hvalil je dobro voljo, ki jo je prinesel fašizem italijanskemu narodu, "katere je utrdila moralno, kakršno hoče katoliška cerkev."

"Sodelovati moramo z Bogom v tej narodni in krščanski misli, posebno sedaj, ko italijanska armada v Abesiniji nosi križ, ki bo zlomil verige suženjstva in odprl pot našemu evangeliju," je rekel kardinal. "Nagrada za moške globoke vere bo mir za tiste, ki bodo umrli pri izvrševanju dolžnosti in zaščiti za hrabre bojevnike, ki se pokore ukazu svoje domovine in prelivajo svojo kri, da se razširi krščanstvo in rimljanska civilizacija."

DEPRESIJA OBHAJA ŠESTO OBLETNICO

Velika armada brezposelnih še vedno tu

"NEW DEAL" SE NI POMAGAL

New York. — (EP) — V oktobru pred šestimi leti je prišlo do poloma na newyorški borzi in s tem pričel depresija, da si so bili znaki krize že prej vidni. Sedanja depresija, katere konca še ni videti, je najdaljša v zgodovini Združenih držav in udarila je široke kroge.

Bizniške aktivnosti niso še nikdar padle na tako nizko točko kakor v letih 1932 in 1933. Prva večja kriza, ki je trajala štiri leta, je prišla l. 1836. Potem so bile krize l. 1840, 1873, 1893, 1898 in 1907, toda najdaljša, ki je prišla l. 1873, je trajala pet in pol leta.

V zadnjih petdesetih letih so se izvršile velike spremembe v Združenih državah. Frontirji so izginili. Velikanska ozemlja zapada so sedaj pod kontrolo. Ekonomski sistem ni več tako elastičen kakor je bil. To je deloma vzrok, da ima Amerika še vedno veliko armado brezposelnih.

Rooseveltovo "new deal" ni prinesel vidnega izboljšanja, da si je že potrošil milijarde za pobijanje depresije. Kolikor se je povečala kupna sila ameriškega ljudstva, odkar je Roosevelt prišel na krmilo, so poskočile cene življenjskim potrebščinam.

Industrijskim magnatom, ki srdito pobijajo "new deal", ni sile pod Rooseveltovo administracijo. Skoro vse velike industrijske korporacije so povečale profite, toda delavci in farmarji nimajo od tega nobene koristi.

Dokler se ne bo zvišala kupna sila ameriškega delavstva in dvignile cene poljskih pridelkov, da se bo farmarjem izplačalo obdelovanje zemlje, depresija ne bo izginila. Vlekla se bo iz leta v leto in se starala — ako ne bo umrla naglo in nasilno smrti. Ta možnost ni izključena.

Španski škandal pokopal vlado

Mesec dni stara vlada podala ostavko

Madrid, 29. okt. — Mesec dni stara španska vlada — pod vodstvom Chapariete je danes padla zaradi škandala korupcije, ki pretresa politično Španijo zadnje dni. Predsednik Zamora je povabil Chaparieto, naj organizira novo vlado, toda zunanji minister Lerroix in vzgojni minister Rocha odpadeta, ker sta zapletena v škandal.

Listnica uredništva

Današnja številka Prosvete obsega štiri strani angleške sekcije, ker se je nabralo obilo gradiva glede prve konference angleško poslujočih društev in slavnosti desetletnice čikaških Pioneerjev. Iz tega razloga so v slovenskem delu Prosvete izostale nekatere uradne stvari, ki bodo objavljene prihodnjo sredo. Uredništvo.

Premirje v stavki pristaniščarjev

Governer Louisiane odredil pogajanja

New Orleans, La. — Governer O. K. Allen je odredil pogajanja med reprezentanti parobrodskih družb in zastopniki Mednarodne zveze pristanišnih delavcev, ki so zastavljali za priznanje unije. Governer je dalje zapril pristanišče v Lake St. Charles po bitki med stavkarji in stavkokazi, katere so družbe importirale iz drugih krajev, ter razglasil premirje. V bitki sta bili dve osebi ubiti in veliko število ranjenih.

Razgovori glede končanja stavke med predsednikom Zveze pristanišnih delavcev J. Ryanom, predstavnikom federalnega delavskega odbora in pristanišnimi avtoritetami niso doslej prinesli nobenega rezultata.

Bitko, ki je zahtevala dve žrtvi v Lake St. Charles, so izvali stavkokazi, katere so parobrodne družbe dobile na jugozapadu in jih uposilile pod protekcijo posebne policije. Do prvega spopada je prišlo, ko so kompanijski pobojniki napadli stavkovno stražo, ki je skušala ustaviti tovorni avto, na katerem so bila živila za stavkokaze.

Pred nekaj tedni je neka parobrodna družba ustanovila kompanijsko unijo, kar je izvalo protest Mednarodne zveze pristanišnih delavcev, češ, da je to kršenje Wagner-Connerjevega delavskega zakona.

Krvava bitka v rudarski stavki

Stavkokazi ubili stavkarja in ranili šest drugih

Birmingham, Ala., 29. okt. — Eden unijski rudar je bil večkrat ubit in šest drugih ranjenih, ko so stavkokazi streljali na skupino stavkarjev in njih simpatičarjev v bližini premogovnikov Margaret in Acmar v okrožju St. Clair.

Governer Bibb Graves, ki se mudi v Washingtonu, je pozval okrajno velepoto, naj se sestane prihodnji ponedeljek in prične pregledsko usodne bitke.

Truplo ubitega rudarja Virga Thomasa so našli v nekem jarku v bližini pozorišča bitke. Mack Padgett, ki ga je krogla zadela v pljuča in levo ramo, je povedal deputijem, da se je skupina stavkarjev napotila proti premogovniku Margaret, ko je bila informirana, da se hočejo rudarji organizirati. Ko so prišli v bližino, jih je ustavil s puško oborožen možki. Obrnili so se nazaj, nakar so počili strel.

Premogovnika, s katerima je izbruhnila stavka, sta last Alabama Fuel & Iron Co.

Perkins oplazila re-akcionarne delodajalce

Lansing, Mich. — Frances Perkins, načelnica zveznega delavskega departamenta, je v svojem govoru ožigosala delodajalce, ki zanikajo delavstvu dostojen življenjski standard. "Kapitalizem, kakršen je danes, se dosti ne razlikuje od suženjstva," je rekla delavska tajnica. "Delavec ni sam svoj gospodar, ni neodvisen. On ni niti nobene besede pri določanju mezd in ni nikdar siguran, kako dolgo bo trajal njegov zaslužek."

ANGLIJA ZA PO-OSTRITEV BOJ-KOTNE AKCIJE

Italija se pripravlja na odpor proti ekonomskim sankcijam

MUSSOLINIJEVE ČETE OBNOVILE OFENZIVO

London, 29. okt. — Angleška vlada je zavzela stališče, da mora biti ekonomski pritisk na Italijo učinkovit, da se tako ustavi operiranje Mussolinijeve vojne mašine v vzhodni Afriki. Iz tega razloga je se zunanji minister Samuel Hoare odločil za odhod v Zenevo, kjer se bo udeležil seje Liginega komiteja, ki se odpravi v četrtek in na kateri se bo reševalo vprašanje izvajanja ekonomskih in drugih sankcij proti Italiji. Spremljal bo stotnika Edena, predstavnik Anglije v Ligi narodov, kar diplomatični krogi smatrajo za nadaljnji dokaz poostritve angleške kampanje proti Italiji.

Tu prevladuje mnenje, da izvajanje ekonomskih in finančnih sankcij proti Italiji ne bo imelo takojšnjega učinka, ki naj bi prisilil Mussolinija na mirovna pogajanja. Cilj londonske strategije je, da se italijanska armada še bolj zaplete pri svojem prodiranju v notranjost Abesinije.

Angleška vlada je bila sinoči informirana, da so vse evropske države, razen Nemčije, Avstrije, Ogrske in Albanije za izvajanje močnega pritiska proti Italiji. Švica, ki je sprvega nasprotovala ekonomskim sankcijam, je sedaj revidirala svoje stališče. Naznanila je, da bo podpirala ukrepe Lige narodov v modificirani obliki.

Anglija bo danes uveljavila finančne sankcije proti Italiji. Angleški bankirji so odpovedali kredite Italiji že pred nekaj tedni. Takrat je bila ta akcija previdna poteza, sedaj pa ima politično ozadje.

Krog Lige narodov so nekoliko vznemirjeni zaradi stališča, ki so ga zavzele balkanske države, organizirane v mali antanti in balkanski zvezi. Te so naznanile, da bodo imele posebno konferenco prihodnji teden, na kateri bodo razpravljale o vprašanju ekonomskih sankcij proti Italiji. Možnost je, da bodo predložile Ligi narodov zahtevo, naj jih oškoduje za izgubo, ki jo bodo utrpeli s prelomom trgovinskih odnosov s Italijo.

Rim, 29. okt. — Včeraj je Italija proslavljala trinajsto obletnico fašističnega pohoda v Rim, obenem pa je pričela misliti na nevarnost, kakršna ji doslej še ni pretela — na ekonomske sankcije.

Gospodinjje mrzlično kupujejo potrebščine, ker se zavedajo, da bodo cene poskočile kakor hitro bodo države, včlanjene v Ligo narodov, pričele izvajati ekonomske sankcije. Trgovci so tudi alarmirani in pošiljajo ročila v Avstrijo in Ogrsko. V Italijo stalno prihajajo vlaki, natrpani s kladno živino, zelenjavo, moko in drugimi življenjskimi potrebščinami, iz teh držav.

Iz Nemčije in Poljske prihajajo tovrstni vlaki s premožimi, v pristanišče Geneve pa veliki tovori goriva iz Amerike.

Fašistični tisk poziva italijanski narod, naj vodi odločen odpor proti ekonomskim sankcijam. V. Gayda, urednik Musslužek. (Daje na 2. strani.)

Anglija za poostritev bojkotne akcije

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October 23, 1935.

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St. 39—Anton Sumrak, tri mesece. Mike in Ana
Catin, dva mesece.

St. 62—George B. Spehar, tri mesece.
St. 88—Frank Dolenc in Anton Nagode, tri mesece.
St. 115—Frank, Helen in Frank Jr., Sternicha, Michael Dernulovetz, tri mesece.

St. 138—Anton Mezek, dva meseca.
St. 142—Jennie in Karl Kutnar, Anton in Mary
Malečkar, tri mesece.
St. 158—Mary in Joseph Košak, Karl in Frances

St. 197—Marion Korach, tri mesece.
St. 269—Anna Posweck, tri mesece.
St. 288 Frank Albert, tri mesece.

Št. 313—Štefan Erjavec in Louis Lukek, tri mesece.
Št. 323—Steve Zorich, tri mesece.
Št. 326—Mary, Frank in John Ribich, dva mesece.
Rose in Joe Rettar, tri mesece.

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S tem je dnevni red izrpan in predsednik zaključuje sejo ob 4. pop.
Vincent Gajnar, gl. predsed. E. A. Vidar, gl. tajnik

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astka ljudi na
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njih svobodščin in manjšinske
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PO SVETU

Ali ste že naročili Prosveto ali Mladinski list svojemu prijatelju ali sorodniku?

domovino? To je edini dan trajne vrednosti, ki ga za

Kadarkoli pa
svati slovensko

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Desetletnica udejstevovanja naših mladih

Ob koncu tega tedna bo v Chicagu okrog dvesto gostov iz vseh slovenskih naselbin po Ameriki. Brez malega vsi ti gostje bodo iz naše mlade generacije, mladi fantje in dekleta, mladi možje in žene, vsi rojeni v Združenih državah, sinovi in hčere slovenskih imigrantov—in vsi člani naše velike Slovenske narodne podporne jednote.

V Chicagu pridejo, da poveljajo desetletni jubilej udejstevovanja mlade generacije v svojih ločenih društvih (English Speaking Lodges) pri SNPJ. To svoj desetletni poveljajo prvič s konferenco zastopnikov angleško poslušajočih društev SNPJ in drugič s sijajno proslavo matice teh društev—društva čikaških Pionirjev.

Udejstevovanje naših mladih se je začelo v novembru 1925 v Chicagu na iniciativu SNPJ. Pri nobeni drugi slovenski podporni organizaciji v Ameriki ni bilo takrat še tega gibanja mladih. V takrat novem domu SNPJ, dva meseca po osmi redni konvenciji SNPJ v Waukeganu, je bil prvi sestanek. Ta sestanek je porodil prvo društvo, ki si je izvolilo ime Pioneer. Bilo je dvajset članov: deset fantov in deset deklet.

Pionirsko delo je bilo opravljeno! Brazda v celini je bila obrnjena! In brazda je šla kakor električna iskra po vsej Ameriki! Ob koncu leta 1925 so že bila mladinska postojanke SNPJ v Detroitu, Chicagu, La Sallu in drugod. Postojanke so vstajale in vstajale, rasle in rasle. V desetih letih je število teh društev naraslo na 82, v katerih je danes čez 4000 članov in članic.

Vse to je prišlo iz iskre, katero je vžgalo dvajset pionirjev v Chicagu meseca novembra 1925! In Pionirji sami štejejo danes čez 500 članov v obeh oddelkih! Koliko agitatorji, energije, dela in neumorne agitacije je bilo v dvajsetih pionirjih, da so v desetih letih poželi toliko uspeha!

Po vsej pravici torej Pionirji ta teden proslavljajo desetletnico svojega velikega dela z veličino, ki jo to društvo zasluži v polni meri. Upamo, da starejši člani in članice v Chicagu in vseh bližnjih naselbinah, prihite v polnem številu na to proslavo Pionirjev in se z njimi vred napijejo bogatega užitka, ki ga bodo nudili programi in manifestacije v soboto zvečer, 2. novembra in v nedeljo, 3. novembra, popoldne in zvečer.

Koliko so Pionirji izvršili agitatoričnega, kulturnega, športnega in humanitarnega dela v teh desetih letih, je nemogoče povedati, razen če bi napisali debelo knjigo. Na splošno, v kratkih potezih je to njihovo delo pokazano v slavnostni publikaciji "The Pioneer", katera izide tedi in katera po svoji originalnosti in sočni vsebini prekaša vse slične publikacije, kar jih je do danes izšlo pri naših organizacijah v Združenih državah.

Z največjo radostjo je je treba konstatirati dejstvo, da Pionirji niso le bratstvo, podporno društvo, ki bi se brigalo le za ozek okvir frateralizma in demonstriralo svoje uspehe le s suhim številkami izplačane podpore in smrtnine. Ne, to društvo je več! Na sejah in vseh prireditvah Pionirjev ni samo business—je tudi družabnost, je smisel in zanimanje za delavsko kulturo, delavske boje, socialna vprašanja itd. Pri SNPJ je mnogo takih društev, slovensko in angleško poslušajočih—in baš ta hvaljevredna društva so tista sila, ki drži pokonci našo jednoto, na višku njenega napredka in ki jo razlikuje od drugih—in Pionirji, vsa čast, so ves čas svojega obstanka v ospredju med najaktivnejšimi društvi.

Resnica je, da vsako aktivno društvo ima svoje požrtvovalne člane, ki so gonila sila vseh aktivnosti. Prav tako je pri Pionirjih. In ob tej priložnosti ob desetletnici udejstevovanja mlade generacije pri SNPJ, je treba dati priznanje požrtvovalnim in delavnim pionirjem, zlasti br. Donaldu J. Lotrichu, v prejšnjih letih predsedniku in zdaj tajniku Pionirjev, ki se poleg drugih toliko trudi za napredek svojega društva in Slovenske narodne podporne jednote.

Naj žive naši vrli Pionirji še deset, deset in desetkrat deset let!

Glasovi iz naselbin

Zanimive beležke

Koncert pevskega društva Soča Chicago.—V La Sallu, Illinois, se je reorganiziralo društvo Soča, ki je v nedeljo, dne 27. okt. priredilo svoj drugi koncert. Posebna zanimivost tega zbora je v tem, da vidite—izvemaši par starejših pevcev imenovanega pevskega zbora—večinoma novo generacijo, katera se zanima za kulturno delo med našim narodom in za prijetno slovensko pesem.

Nedeljski koncert je bil zanimiv in dobro izvajen, kot se more pričakovati od tu rojene mladine, posebno še trijo v pesmi "Gor čez jezero", katero sta peči Mazarjevi sestri in brat. Tudi drugi del programa je bil dober, "Snubači", kar nas navdaja z upanjem, da bo naša mladina ohranila slovensko pesem, če se bo povsod za isto toliko zanimala kot v La Sallu še dolgo, ko naših priseljencev več ne bo.

Udeležba je bila izredno dobra, kar pomeni, da se rojaki zanimajo za slovensko petje in z dobrim posnetom prilijejo novo inspiracijo onim, ki se trudijo s pesmijo razvedriti otožno življenje delavstva. Red in tudi točnost programa sta bila boljša kot v krajih, kjer bi se kaj takega pričakovalo.

F. Struna je v kratkih besedah pojasnil pomen slovenske pesmi in priporočil, da se bo po programu vršila prosta zabava v spodnji dvorani.

Članom Soče želimo mnogo uspeha pri njihovem trudopolnem delu na kulturnem polju tudi v bodočnosti in upati je, da vas bo javnost nagradila s tem, da bo številno posecala vaše koncerte.

V.—

Proslava društva Mir št. 142 SNPJ

Cleveland, O.—Proslave 25-letnic naših društev se bližajo letos zatonu v Clevelandu. Še sta dve društvi, ki nameravata obhajati svoji proslavi. Prvo je društvo Mir št. 142, ki bo slavilo svojo 25-letnico ali srebrni jubilej v nedeljo 3. novembra v Slovenskem domu na Holmes ave. Popoldne se vrši program z različnimi točkami in igro "Srebrno slavo", zvečer pa banket.

Kot največje društvo po številu članstva v obeh oddelkih ima že skoraj samo dovolj veliko avdienco. Upati je, da se bo članstvo ob tej priložnosti udeležilo ter pokazalo, da čeni svoje društvo kakor tudi sbrate in sestre, kateri so se trudili, da so to prireditve pripravili v razvedrilo članstva in v proslavo. Zavedati se moramo, da 25-letnica se slavi samo enkrat ter da je vsakega posameznega člana in članice dolžnost, da se udeleži. Kako bi izgledalo, ako bi starši pripravili "reunion party" za svoje sinove in hčere ter vse povabili, pa se kateri izmed sinov ali hčer ne bi udeležil, in to brez vzroka? Ali ne bi oče in mati smatrala to za nekaj upor ali ne-hvaležnost napram svojim staršem? Tako je v tem primeru. Ako se ne udeležite proslave vašega društva, je skoraj bolje, da se ne imenujete, da ste član tega društva. Seveda, bolezen je opravljiva, kakor tudi delo. Ako se ne morete udeležiti popoldne, se udeležite zvečer in pokažite, da ste vredni imenovanja se, da ste član društva Mir in SNPJ. Torej vsi na proslavo društva Mir št. 142 v nedeljo 3. novembra v S. D. na Holmes ave. Tudi članstvu sobratskih društev se priporoča, da se udeležijo te 25-letnice.

Drugo društvo, ki se je pripravljalo, da proslavi svojo 25-letnico, je društvo Tabor št. 139, a je stvar preložila za poznejši čas, in danes mi je datum neznan, toda upam, da se pripravljajo bolj na tihem in nas hočejo presenetiti. Ne bi bilo lepo, da bi to priložnost prezrli. Na delo, bratje in sestre! Povejte javnosti, da ste še vedno aktivni.

Društvo Vodnikov Venec št. 147 je zadnjo soboto slavilo svoj jubilej z domačo zabavo in kratkim programom. Udeležba ni bila ravno sijajna, toda iskrena in zabava je bila nepriljudna in čas je potekel prehitro. Tudi program, katerega so izvajale dru-

štvene moči, je ugaljal občinstvu. Na to prireditve je prišel ustanovni član, ki se sedaj nahaja v Detroitu, br. Vincenc J. Kenich. To je prava požrtvovalnost sbrata, ko pride iz oddaljenega kraja, da se udeleži proslave društva, za katerega je pomagal polagati temelje. Seveda se je videlo tudi večje število članov in članic sobratskih društev, ki so pripomogli do boljšega uspeha društvu Vodnikov Venec.

Sedaj pa klic ob 11. uri. Količina se vas namerava udeležiti proslave društva Pioneer v Chicagu v soboto in nedeljo? Še je čas, da se prijavite ter se pridružite skupini, katera odputuje v petek večer. Cene za vožnjo so bile že objavljene, toda kot se čuje, so se precej znižale, in ko to pišem mi ni znano. Kot sem slišal, bodo med 8 in 9 dolarjev tja in nazaj. Torej nizke dovolj! Kar se sedaj potrebuje, je to, da se vas dovolj prikladi, da bo možno te cene doseči. Veliko se je že pisalo o tem in ni potrebno, da bi se ponovno ponavljalo in razpravljalo. Od strani človekanske federacije apeliramo, da se poslužite te prilike in se pridružite skupini, katera gre na proslavo društva Pioneer in na enodnevno zborovanje zastopnikov angleško poslušajočih društev, ki se bo vršilo 2. novembra v Chicagu.

Torej, kateri ste namenjeni in želite kakšna pojasnila, se obrnite na podpisane ali pa na Johna Lokarja, Otto Tekautza ali Johna Allica. Čim večja bo skupina, tem bolj bo zabavno.

J. F. Terbizan.

Razmere in presenečenje

St. Louis, Mo.—Delavske razmere so tudi tukaj precej slabe in v zastoju. Prosperiteta le noče priti nazaj; čakamo jo, ali zmanj. Ljudje tarnajo in ne vedo kaj bo, posebno sedaj na zimo. Včas se pa vseno malo razveselimo in tako smo se tudi na 5. okt.

Omenjeni dan je bil zame in za mojo soprogo najpomembnejši večer, kar sva jih skupaj doživela. Sorodniki, prijatelji in znanci so nama namreč priredili prijetno presenečenje k 25 letnici najinega zakonskega življenja. Ko sva prav po lepih okoliščinah prišla k sorodniku A. Petroviču že pozno zvečer, sva bila resnično veselo presenečena, ko so naju sprejeli naši prijatelji in sorodniki, kateri so prišli od blizu in daleč, da nama čestitajo k srebrnemu jubileju. Ne moreva se zadostno zahvaliti ne izraziti najinega čutenja v najinih srcih. Hvala vsem, ki ste se trudili in pripravili izvrstno večerjo, hvala vsem za krasna darila, ki nama bodo ostali v trajnem spominu. Hvala tudi najini hčerki, ki je vso stvar vodila, ter sploh vsem, ki ste kaj pripomogli. Velike vrednosti so poklonjena darila, še večje vrednosti pa je nama vaša naklonjenost, ki sva jo vam pripravljala vrniti.

Iskrena hvala vsem skupaj!
Frank in Margaret Zvanut.

Priprave za Savin koncert

Chicago.—Vsak človek ve iz svojih izkušenj, da ga vzame dolgo časa predno se navadi več ali manj kompliciranega dela. Če hoče postati dober mehanik ali profesionalist, ti bo vzelo leta učenja, mnogo truda in tudi denarja. Končno, če nimaš posebnega daru in nagajenja do stvari, katere se učiš, boš kljub dolgotrajnemu učenju postal le povprečnik.

Isto pravilo kakor za posameznika velja na primer tudi za pevske skupine. Le da so težkoče še večje, ker človek kot posameznik si pri pridiranju utrjuje sam svoj pot v danih okoliščinah, pri skupinah je pa ta križ, da ima vsak svoje muhe in vsak svoje probleme. Je pa vprašanje kolektivnega dela, ki je prijetno, če je skupina idealna in požrtvovalna in težko, kjer manjka volje in soglasja.

V vsak amaterski pevski zbor mora računati z raznimi težkočami, katerih na primer ne poznajo profesionalne skupine. Pri prvih je vse odvisno od dobre volje posameznika. Kjer je te v

obilici in je zbor pod dobrim učiteljem, tedaj se ni treba bati, ko se bliža koncert ali pa kakšen nastop. Dober rezultat je vitem slučaj, sigurno, kar se program tiče. Publiko bo dobila, za kar je plačala in do česar je upravičena. In slednje je velike važnosti, namreč odgovornost, katero ima vsak pevec ali vsak igralec do poslušalcev. Tega se zaveda vsak vesten pevec ali pevka.

Pred vsakim koncertom je pri slehernem zboru dosti vrvenja. V tem ni izjema tudi Sava, ki bo imela svoj koncert 24. nov. v dvorani SNPJ. Ker smo imeli precej dolge počitnice in več nastopov, je sedaj treba izgubljeni čas nadomestiti z izrednimi vajami, ki veljajo predvsem za tiste, ki bodo nastopili v drugem delu, v spevoigr "Baron-Cevljari". Stvarca bo nudila obilo smeja, ker je res smešna. V ostalem pa bo program prvovrsten in bo pri njem sodeloval tudi Naprej iz Milwaukeeja, ki ima svojo 25-letnico en teden pred našim koncertom. Na teh dveh koncertih se obeta lep program v obeh naselbinah.

Savan.

English Section Flashes

Chicago.—Hail! hail! the biggest Pioneer celebration is here! Everybody is all astir over the prospects for the grandest, most imposing gathering of our time. Reservations for the banquet are coming in by the dozen, sub books are following suit. This is our last bid to you, and you and you, don't miss this inspiring event on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2 and 3. Put on your "glad rags" and hop to Chicago to witness the spectacle of your lifetime.

Flash.—Flash—the most important flash this week is that we have just made arrangements for a one hour broadcast of talks and music direct from the Main Dining Room of the Auditorium hotel (where we will broadcast over radio station WCFL (dial 970) and its short wave station W9XAA (5880). Time 10:00 p. m. You'll want to be with us while we are doing all this. You'll want to see and be a part of a big broadcast. So now is your last chance to line up; send in your reservation and trot to Chicago!

And you folks back home who will not be able to be at the banquet, turn your dial to WCFL or W9XAA Sat. night, Nov. 2, and tune in on our fine program. Anton Subelj will sing. Singing Society Sava will sing, we'll have talks, and other interesting features. Don't miss it! We should rally around our radios, then notify radio station WCFL that you appreciated the program. We're sure to get on oftener then.

Preparations for the vast tenth Anniversary are in their final stages. We need only to polish them up. Our fine book, "The Pioneer" is being placed in Chicago Nov. 2 and 3. So we elected Bro. Frank Verbeck to represent us and I am sure he will do a good job, as he is one of our most active members. Getting back to the dance—I was surprised at the very few members of the Senior SNPJ lodge members of Girard present.—Bro. John J. Yancar was married the other day and is honeymooning out in the West. Congratulations. Bring your bride into our Lodge.

Joe Chernie.

FLOOD CITY

Johnstown, Pa.—Another good time has passed with our successful Halloween Dance. Martin Serro's music put the pep into the dancers. The Keystoneans again showed up with a gang as well as the neighboring towns. We had as our guests Anton Arhar, John Lenarcic, John Sustersis and Joe Koss of Cleveland. These fellows made a special trip to attend our affair, so our advertising not been in vain. Our cook, Ann Perchin, reports that the hamburgers were a complete sellout. The cakewalk was won by Joe Batis of Herminie and Genevieve Koroshetz, a Flood City member.

The writer and four other Flood City members will be Chicago-bound to attend the huge Pioneer affair. We've been looking forward to it for quite a while—but it won't be long now! You'll have to give credit to the Pioneers, they're sure are going to celebrate in a big way. Congratulations and more power to you!

Triglav Lodge 82 of SNPJ held their first rehearsal for a two-act play to be given on Sat., Dec. 14. Watch this column for further details.—There's a possibility of another Fred joining our lodge. Mimi (another Flood City scribe) recently celebrated her birthday. Flash! Two Flood City members are going to take the "fatal step" next week! I'll be seeing you in Chicago!

John Langerholc, Jr., Lodge 712.

Delavske odškodnine za nezgode pri religijih delih

Terjatve za odškodnine delavcem, ki so utrpeli nezgodo pri religijih gradnjah, financiranih od federalne vlade, spadajo v delokrog United States Employees Compensation komisije. Državni kompenzacijski zakoni se nanašajo na te delavce.

Harry L. Hopkins, Works Progress Administrator, je ravnokar izdal navodila državnim Works Progress administratorjem, kar se tiče prve pomoči in kompenzacij za slučaj nezgode. Ta navodila bodo nalepljena na vidnem mestu, kjerkoli se vršijo gradnje, kot na primer v pisarnah, kjer se mezde izplačujejo, v shranbi za orodje itd.

Delavcu se nasvetuje, da si poišče takojšnjo oskrbo za prvo pomoč, čim se pripeti nezgoda. Pri vsaki gradnji bo več bolničar za prvo pomoč.

Ako je treba zdravnika, bo vladen zdravnik ali dispensarij na razpolago. Ako ni ta priložnost, je poskrbljeno za lečenje s strani zdravnik ali bolnice, odobrene od Works Progress administratorja, brez vsakega stroška za delavca.

Poškodovani delavec naj takoj prijavi nezgodo. Poišče naj si ime in naslov morebitnih prič in naj pazi na to, da je vsaka poškodba pravilno prijavljena. Izjava nasvetuje, da se takoj prijavi terjatve za kompenzacijo.

Vsak delavec Works Progressa, ki dobi mezdo po lestvici, ustanovljeni od predsednika Združenih držav, za delo izvršeno kot nastanjenec Združenih držav, je upravičen dobljati primerno zdravniško, kirurško in bolnišnično pomoč za vsako telesno poškodbo v skladu z zakonom. Ako vlad poškodbe ni sposoben delo za več kot tri dni, se kompenzacija izplačuje začenši od četrtega dne. Ako poškodba ima za posledico smrt, se kompenzacija izplačuje vdovi, otrokom in drugim odvisnim srodnikom.

Poškodnina, ki se ima plačevati za dolgotrajno nesposobnost, znaša dve tretjini mesečne plače, ne sme pa presegati po \$25 na mesec niti več kot \$3500 skupaj za vso dobo. Ne plačuje se nikakoli kompenzacija, ako je nezgoda nastala vsled hotenja delavca ali vsled pomanjivosti.

Ako kak delavec ni na jasnem glede svojih pravic do kompenzacije za nezgode pri gradnjah Works Progress administracije, naj vpraša kakega kompetentnega uradnika WPA ali pa naj piše na United States Employees' Compensation, Washington, D. C.—F. L. I. S.

Osrečujte želodec

Piše dr. John L. Rice, zdravstveni komisar mesta New York

Ko želodec deluje pravilno, smo navadno zadovoljni in srečni, ali ko se želodec kuja, v dimo vse črno. Da držimo želodec v dobrem stanju, moramo paziti na svojo dieto. Kaj mnogo resnice je v trditvi, da si mnogo več ljudi izkopa grob s svojimi zobmi—kot jih le pata izkopa.

Apetit je sicer dober vodnik, ali ni vedno pametno jesti le to, kar nam tekne. Celo appetit nas utegne zavesti. Poleg tega je stvar navade in se lahko pričujemo, da nam tekne to ali ono. Kolikokrat ste že slišali kake reči: "Ne morem jesti špinat"—ali kak druga zdravonosna zelenjava. Treba je otroke privaditi k temu, da jedo, kar je dobro za njih. Sicer je res, da v nekaterih slučajih je treba jemati v poštev odločno nasprotje pravih jedi. Razlog utegne biti fiziološki navede. Ako se otrok brani z vsemi štirimi konci, poskusite s kakšno drugo listnatno zelenjavo. Pazite pa na to, da prehrana vključuje listnato zelenjavo kake sorte in sadje. Prehrana, obstoječa iz samega mesa, krompirja, kruha, masla in kave bo zadostovala za nekoliko časa, ali pride čas, ko se bo želodec skuja.

Telo mora imeti vitaminov in mineralov, ako naj uživamo dobro zdravje in dolgo življenje. In najlažji in najboljši način, da dobivamo vitaminov in mineralnih soli, je potom hrane. Vse listnate zelenjave, včevši fižol v stročju in paradajz, kakor tudi sveže sadje in seveda mleko vsebujejo obilje vitaminov in mineralov. Dajte vsakdanji hrani vsaj dvojke kuhanih listnatih zelenjav, surove solate, nekaj sadja in mnogo mleka, pa boste videli, kako želodec odgovarja taki prehrani.

Listnata zelenjava in sadje pa tudi vsebujejo mnogo neprebavljive mase, ki prispeva k izčrpanosti čreves. Redno izčrpanje telesne mase pa je bistveno potrebno za dobro zdravje.

Hrana naj bo različna vsak dan, pa ostane te zdravi in zadovoljite svoj želodec.

Casopisje v Abesiniji

Ali veste, koliko časnikov izhaja v deželi kralja kraljev? Nič več kakor pol tuceta, to je približno po en časopis za 2 milijona ljudi. Vsi listi izhajajo v Adisu Abebi, in sicer dva v francoščini, po eden v italijanščini in grščini in dva v amhariščini, to je, abesinskem uradnem jeziku.

Eden izmed le-teh se imenuje "Bahannina" in ima med svojimi uredniki zelo visoko osebnost—cesarja samega; vladar napiše lastno ročno vsak dan uvodnik zanj in sam nadzira uredništvno listo.

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ENGLISH SECTION

A Decade of Youth Movement

IT WAS a decade ago that two youthful members of the Slovene National Benefit Society conceived the idea—highly appreciated now but then received by many with pessimistic scepticism—of forming an English speaking branch of the SNPJ and thereby setting the stage for our Youth Movement under the democratic protection of our organization.

The first English speaking branch, as well as all the branches that followed, was conceived for the purpose of offering the younger generation an opportunity to organize in their own locals in which they are able to carry on the work of their pioneering parents in the language best understood.

This new movement soon gave rise to a number of new branches throughout the jurisdiction of the Society. Moreover, other fraternal organizations followed the example set by the SNPJ and started their own youth movements. The rapid growth of our Youth Movement in its first decade can be ascribed to the general demand for such an undertaking and to the popular idea of having young peoples' branches under the protection of the best and biggest fraternal organization among our immigrants.

The younger generation organized in our branches naturally has quite different conception of life than the older generation, being brought up in a highly developed capitalistic society, but the same economic forces under which we all live compel both groups to work hand in hand for the same principles, which are progressive labor principles. It is true that some are reluctant to recognize this fact but sooner or later they too will be forced to realize the fact that they must struggle for the salvation of the workers because we all—without any exception—belong to the working class and not to the owning class.

Since our organization's inception thirty-one years ago, its assemblies and conferences dealt not only with its internal administrative and financial problems, but also with cultural and social questions, and our youth should and must follow the same path of endeavors. This should be easily comprehended because we are not merely an insurance company but a fraternal, humanitarian and educational institution. That is why the SNPJ, since its beginning, has championed free-thinking principles and a radical labor program.

In that spirit all the past official gatherings met, and that should and must be the spirit of the FIRST YOUTH CONFERENCE of the SNPJ.

We are faced with important problems which demand immediate fundamental solution. What is needed most is discretion and sincere cooperation. Let us hope that every delegate to the First E. S. Conference is fully aware of the importance of the manifold conference problems and of the all-important role each will play at this initial conference.

In this spirit we greet our delegates! The times are important—let our work be important also!

Tenth Anniversary of ESL Movement

WITH the inception of the English Speaking Lodge movement in our Society much interest was created among the members in general. In spite of the fact that this movement was originated under more favorable circumstances than when the Society itself was organized, some skepticism had been expressed for its progress. As in any other field of new life there is some truth in this: "You don't seem right to any if you don't seem wrong to many." The action to interest our Youth in this organization also received favorable response and inspiration from a number of members and finally it became a reality.

During the past 10 years 87 English Speaking lodges were organized of which 81 exist today. Unfortunately 6 were forced to dissolve due to the exceptionally bad economic conditions which prevented many members from retaining their insurance. These lodges have 3,782 adult and 775 juvenile members making a total of 4,557. Among them we find many devoted and worthy workers who work with enthusiasm to increase the membership, boost the Society and also contribute interesting articles in the official organ.

Members of Lodge 559 who are celebrating their 10th Anniversary where the English Speaking movement originated, are still leading their activities in our fraternal field, although there are cities outside of Chicago where they have just as good, if not better opportunities to expand membership in their English Speaking Lodges. It is natural that the majority of youth cannot comprehend the necessity of insurance, especially in a fraternal society, therefore, it takes some able member to use his or her influence to get them into the Society.

Some members belong to this Society and have for some reason or other a wrong impression about the attitude toward economic questions. It is true, brothers and sisters of the English speaking lodges, that this is a fraternal organization and that we are organized for a mutual protection in case of illness, injury or death, but it is also true that we have a right to know and understand the vital problems of our country which seriously affect the livelihood of our brothers and sisters in this organization. I do not believe it is wrong if a fraternal society through its official organ or through its speakers teaches our members what is wrong with the present system and how a better living can be obtained. We know that only enlightened and intelligent citizens can improve this condition.

This Society was conceived by the working people and managed by them through its existence and it is considered as their ideal. Therefore I sincerely wish and hope that you will remain loyal and protect the principles under which the Society has endured over thirty years. To the members of the Pioneer Lodge who are celebrating their tenth anniversary, I extend my sincere congratulations and I appeal to remain faithful to your Society. Preserve its principles and work for the Society wherever and whenever opportunity permits. F. A. VIDER Supreme Sec'y.

A DECADE OF PROGRESS



There is still enough fallow land waiting to be plowed by the husky Young SNPJ, to be sown and cultivated with the seed of workers' mutual assistance and labor culture. Onward!

Our Anniversary

Why I am a member of the SNPJ

BECAUSE — it is the largest and most influential Slovene fraternal organization in America; it pays the most liberal benefits for its low assessment; it is the soundest and most dependable, maintaining its valuation ratio at the highest standard. It insures to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical, and political creeds. It is comprised of various funds for the aid to the protection of its members in times of distress which surpasses that of other organizations according to the by-laws.

A lodge is the child of an idea — of human brotherhood conceived as an aid to members and their families. It is the foster child of the men who have built it and maintained it. What man would willingly let his child starve? He would go the greatest lengths to provide sustenance.

So with the man who genuinely cares for the welfare of his lodge. To him it will ever be as

a child whose welfare is of vital interest. He will not permit it to suffer for lack of new blood. He will want his members to enjoy its fellowship and its protection. The cooperation of each member is necessary for the highest good of any lodge. In spite of the fact cooperation is the backbone of every lodge, therefore cooperation is necessary to attain the best results.

Our Society through its units aims to bring about better conditions. For its young members, juvenile and adult, it is doing everything possible to show them the way recognized by the foremost progressive thinkers as the best way. Its noble achievements of the fruitful work in the last ten years is exemplified by the many flourishing English Speaking branches. We are steadily marching on, loyally and faithfully carrying the SNPJ to every Slovene hamlet, village, town and city. It is gratifying to know that there are many enthusiastic SNPJ groups among our youth, always willing to do a good turn for their organization.

Joseph Caesar, Lodge 715, Universal, Pa.

Our Youth Movement

TODAY, through the pages of the Prosveta, we observe the 10th anniversary of the English Speaking Lodges.

Ten years ago a group of young Slovenes met in Chicago and formed the Lodge "Pioneers." Today the ranks have swelled until we now have 81 English Speaking lodges in our Society.

After 10 years of incessant work for the mutual benefit of our members as a whole, our Society can proudly look back upon its years of service in the Fraternal Insurance field. Through the individual members it has worked hand in hand without profit, without special aid from outsiders.

Working on democratic principles, our Society has extended equal rights, equal privileges, and equal opportunities to each and every member. The principles of Fraternity underlying our Society have been left intact during its entire history. The principle of brotherly love is extended in sickness and in health.

Our stand in promoting intellectual welfare among its members; principle of rendering aid to members and their dependents in time of sickness and death; these compose the stalwart pillar of foundation supporting the mammoth structure of our organization.

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The Pioneer Lodge

Its Organization and Activity

IT WAS Friday, the thirteenth of November, in the year of 1925. To those who are superstitious, this fact has its special significance which, however, must suffer a triumphant repudiation in the face of succeeding events. On that Friday, a group of twenty young men and women gathered for the purpose of organizing a new lodge of that great association of lodges, the Slovene National Benefit Society. Nothing very extraordinary about that, you may say. There were already five hundred and fifty-eight lodges in existence, one more or less—

But this new lodge was to be different! The other five hundred and fifty-eight lodges conducted their meetings in the Slovene language. Our lodge, number 559, was to conduct its meetings in English. And, whereas the other lodges were composed primarily of older people for whose interest they were established and maintained, our lodge was to be composed of a much younger element, the new generation of Slovenes in America.

There had been a long felt need of an organization like ours within the Society. The young Slovene possesses true American impatience with things he cannot understand readily, and sad as it may be, his language is one of the things he very often does not understand. Given the medium of the English language, however, he not only understands, but he can be interested, too. And that he is interested is best shown by the fact that there are now sixteen such lodges scattered over the country, and the field is fertile for many more.

The above is from the pen of this writer and appeared in print less than a year after the organization of the Pioneer lodge. The pen was more fluent then than now, and the writer better versed in the affairs of the lodge. There was youth then, and ambition and boundless enthusiasm for the movement that Chicago launched, and which spread through the ranks of the SNPJ so rapidly.

Certainly the development was beyond the fondest hopes of the three young people who sat in a garden one Sunday morning and watched the progress of a lodge meeting in the hall next door. It was a stormy session, and the interest of the three was keen. Suddenly, the idea of "a lodge of our own, conducted in English" was expressed, and it took hold and grew. Our respective family, relatives and friends, all good, active SNPJs, were consulted and the contagion of our enthusiasm spread. We were given every support and urged to "strike while the iron is hot." We did. A meeting was held on Friday of that week, and the new lodge was born.

That small group of twenty has grown to nearly 550, to make the Pioneers the largest SNPJ lodge in Illinois and the fourth largest of all. True, our field is fertile, but there are better fields where the results have not surpassed ours. With the Pioneers it has not been a spurt at the start, then a lull, then a slow, quiet existence. With them, it is always action, leadership and expansion.

Their work in the fraternal field has projected into the work of other progressive groups. They have understood that to extend mutual help in sickness and death is not the ultimate end, but that an awareness of the social ills which affect us as workers is also important. They have supported social legislation, and taken part in workers' undertakings. They have been alive and doing, and if ever that quality was essential among organized groups, it is in this world of today.

There need be no fear for the Pioneers in the future. The foundation is firmly established and they are on the right path. The pioneers of yesterday who built so wisely may be assured that the principles for which they fought will be protected and carried on as we stand side by side, true brothers and sisters, working for a common good,—that the SNPJ shall live forever!

Anne Golob Beniger.

The Pioneers' Tenth Anniversary

By OSCAR B. GODINA

AS EARLY as in 1922 or 1923, at a Supreme board meeting, the late Joze Zavertnik, then Editor of the Prosveta, Wm. Sitter of Cleveland, and Philip Godina, publication manager, tried to persuade the Supreme board to start English Speaking Lodges, and the members in session were interested.

In 1925, the idea again came before the Supreme board and was passed. Two girls, Anne (Golob) Beniger, then employed in the SNPJ office, and Helen (Underwood) Lukas, daughter of the manager of the SNPJ building, took the initiative and wrote letters to those whom they thought would be interested. I consider myself very fortunate to this day to have been notified to come to a meeting for this purpose. For at one time A. Lincoln Zavertnik and I had discussed this very question with our fathers (Joze Zavertnik and Philip Godina), but they told us we were "kids"; others will not listen to us.

The twenty who came that night to hear the Supreme president of the SNPJ Vincent Cainkar respond in the name of the Supreme board of the SNPJ to found a lodge, are: Anne (Golob) Beniger, Mary Novak, D. J. Lotrich, Rose Olip, T. (Udovich) Slanec, O. B. Godina, Anna (Kramarsic) Kolar, Albina (Logar) Furlan, Anna Vogrich, Rose Vogrich, Dr. J. J. Zavertnik, Richard J. Zavertnik, Joe Zupancic, Josephine (Klancnik) Ferrari, Matt Videgar, Val Videgar, L. Kramarsic, Leo Cainkar, Aug. Kramarsic and Helen (Underwood) Lukas.

Some whom we elected as officers pro tem. were Anne (Golob) Beniger, president; Helen (Underwood) Lukas, vice-president; August Kramarsic, financial secretary; O. B. Godina, treasurer; and Dr. J. J. Zavertnik, medical examiner. We decided that our lodge meetings should be held on a third Friday. We desired a Friday because a good many of us were attending high school, and on a Friday we could stay late with no fear of home work. Now in order to get the third Friday which we also wanted because it came just before the 24th of each month, we appealed to the Yugoslav Soc. Club, No. 1, to choose a different date for their meetings. They did this for us, and to this day they meet on the fourth Friday.

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Charter Member of Pioneer Lodge No. 559 S. N. P. J.

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Chicago is Scene of Young SNPJ Celebration

Ten Years of Our Section

THIS is a special anniversary edition of the English Section of the Prosveta, official organ of the SNPJ, the largest and most influential fraternal organization of Slovene workers on this continent.

It was ten years ago when the Prosveta first greeted its many readers with the first English Section, under the caption "The Young S.N.P.J." And the 10th anniversary of Our Section should certainly be considered as a memorable occasion and should be observed as such along with the observance of the 10th birthday of the Youth Movement and its first Branch, the Pioneers.

While many of our branches have already fittingly and adequately observed the 10th anniversary of E.S.L., the culmination of all jubilee activities will doubtlessly be the holding of the FIRST E. S. LODGE CONFERENCE in connection with the observance of the 10th birthday of the E.S.L.

The beginning of the English Section of the Prosveta was comparatively very modest, containing but one or two columns each week. But with the rapid growth of the Youth Movement, this section was gradually being enlarged and the 1929 convention of the SNPJ allotted three pages of the organ to be devoted exclusively to the E.S.L. and their activities "with proportional distribution of ads." Not infrequently these three pages proved to offer insufficient space to accommodate all the aspiring contributors, for the ever increasing number of enthusiastic writers of lodge reports and occasional writers. On many a Monday the Editor stood before the alternative, to either "boil them down" or postpone the appearance of lengthy yarns and personal splurges, often to the indignation of their authors. The "boiling down" method, universally practiced by every newspaper, however, has to be resorted to more or less almost constantly.

The Prosveta from the very beginning of the Youth Movement was convinced that the movement is a great asset to the Society, that the youth lodges are an essential and logical development deserving every support that can possibly be given. With the launching of the English Section, the first venture of its kind among fraternal, new branches began to appear with unbelievable rapidity and a new interest among our younger generation took firm foot.

In this edition there are a few reminiscences by our members who were in the front lines continuously for the past ten year. We appreciate their efforts.

The SNPJ, first in many praiseworthy fraternal enterprises, was also the first in visualizing the possibility for a healthy Youth Movement and acting on that idea, granted its youth its own English Section wherein they can express their views and publicize their activities.

This anniversary edition of the English Section of the Prosveta was conceived as an opportunity to serve the SNPJ in an important way, to observe the Tenth Anniversary of the entire Youth Movement embracing at least the major factors of the movement which can truly be considered as a memorable and lasting event.

We are positive that one of the greatest assets this organization ever had is our official organ, both sections of the Prosveta, for the discussion and exchanging of ideas among the members throughout the vast membership. We must remember that our organization is a democratic institution. It was under the progressive form and labor leadership in the past that the SNPJ arose to such heights, receiving recognition such as no other Slovene organization ever equalled, and that to a very large extent through its leaders possessed of progressive labor ideology.

We can truthfully say that the first ten years of Our Section have been very successful and that our younger generation received through its columns much needed information on many vital problems and an opportunity for self-education.

Sidewalks of Detroit

By Herman Rugel

Detroit, Mich. — Soon after this will open in print we will be merrily on our way to Chicago. Good Old Chicago. It took a cow and a lantern to destroy the City while in its infancy, making ancient history.

But now, it takes the "Chicago Pioneers" to make a visit there worthwhile. I assure you, we can foresee a pleasant visit as guests of the Pioneer Lodge. You bet! "Tako bomo vesel, da se bo kar pod tresel, streha pa tudi." That's giving it to you in Slovene, my friends. If you need a weekend vacation (if you can afford it), go to Chicago on Nov. 2 and 3. Those Pioneer Brothers and Sisters have good ideas, planned in full detail. Here from Detroit you can go to Chicago for three or four dollars, round trip. So let's all try and make it.

The Pioneer 10th anniversary will prove to be the largest Slovene affair ever undertaken. And if I'm wrong, I'll eat my felt hat in your presence. That's fair enough.

Now just a word to you Pioneer brothers and sisters. Many happy returns of the day on your 10th anniversary. May success and harmony remain in your lodge forever. Here's to a big smile of satisfaction on all you Pioneers when we invade your City on the Biggest and Best Anniversary Celebration ever held in all the years that the young SNPJ has been in existence.

We young Americans will hold our 10th Anniversary on Sat., Dec. 7, 1935. Possibly on a bit smaller scale, but the spirit—boy, she will be 100%. We hope to have as many as possible, visitors. We assure you a good time. You will be made to feel right at home. If you plan to ever visit Detroit, plan for them. You will be satisfied, for our Slovene ladies make swell hostesses.

In my next article I shall try to give you my conception of Chicago and other points of interest.

MOHAWKS

La Salle, Ill.—The Mohawk Lodge 673 will hold an All-Slovene Program on Nov. 16 starting at 7:30 p. m. Following the program, there will be a regular Domača zabava in the lower hall. Members, sell your tickets.

Four News-Hawks.

Important Problems Awaiting Our Delegates

ONLY a few more days, and we will be in the middle of our big doings. The English Speaking Lodge Conference scheduled for the second of November will have been opened and a new leaf in the book of our history turned up.

On that day the representatives of our English Speaking lodges will assemble in the large hall of the SNPJ Auditorium, to deliberate on various problems before us, especially on problems concerning the English Speaking lodge movement, and, to devise new plans and better methods for our future activities.

In conjunction with that conference there will be also, a commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the beginning of the English Speaking lodge—the Pioneers of Chicago, which is to begin with a banquet in honor of the delegates immediately after the regular business of the conference will have been taken care of, and to continue with an elaborate program the next day, November third.

According to the information we gather from various sources, there will be many other members and friends of this movement accompanying our delegates, and this affair promises to be a great and happy congregation of our flaming youth from almost all parts of this great country, and also of many elderly brothers and sisters, some of whom have been with us in the pioneer days and at the cradle of our Society. This promises to be a joyful and at the same time a most important historic gathering of the SNPJ family!

There are many important problems awaiting our English Speaking delegates, requiring much serious thought and earnest attention. This world of ours, full of new discoveries and modern inventions is changing very rapidly and incessantly calling for new ideas and modern features in everything that is to exist and have a future, and fraternal societies make no exceptions. The founders of the SNPJ fully realized that fact and made it clearly manifest by the Declaration of Principles and by writing into our Constitution, adequate provisions for liberal and most progressive government of our organization, and thus transferring onto us their wisdom and shining example. Thus far, we have always managed to keep pace with everything modern and real progressive; and being convinced that our constant forward march and splendid success is due mainly to the fact, it behooves us to closely follow that example in the future.

It was mainly for these reasons that this conference of representatives of our English Speaking lodges was called. The future of our organization belongs to our youth, and the members of the younger generation should know its problems and learn how to solve them, and thus prepare themselves for practical and successful future management.

It is a happy cognizance that our youth senses its duties and obligations towards the Society. It has so indicated, at least, by the selection of topics for the program of the conference. It wants TO REVIEW THE WORK for the last ten years and find what good has been accomplished since the English Speaking lodges came into existence, and how. Discussion of that subject will disclose many very interesting things, good and bad, and much good may be learned from experiences in our English Speaking lodge movement.

They want to talk on problems arising in SOLICITATION OF NEW MEMBERS, which is very timely and of vital importance. Solving that problem right will mean more new members and better prosperity to the lodges and Society.

HISTORY AND PRINCIPLES of the SNPJ, is another important subject and we are glad to see that our younger members seek to be well posted on it. Only by thorough knowledge of all the endeavors, hard work, struggles and sacrifices that our pioneers have put into the SNPJ cause, can the youth fully appreciate the grandeur of our organization and conscientiously work for it.

ADVICE TO SECRETARIES is also important and its discussion will be welcomed, especially by the younger lodges and inexperienced secretaries.

HOW TO ATTRACT MEMBERS to our meetings, is a problem which very seriously confronts some of our lodges. It is impossible for officers to succeed and a lodge to prosper if its members do not attend meetings as they should. If our conference finds a workable remedy for that sore spot in our business, it will do an invaluable service to the Society.

SPORTS. This is something which is very much grown into the body and soul of every boy and girl of the present younger generation, and it seems that our lodges consisting mainly of younger members can make no headway without it. Therefore, a thorough discussion of athletics is also very essential. Delegates at this conference will attempt to prove that athletics are not a mere liability, but also an asset to the Society, and will, undoubtedly, endeavor to convince our elder members that at the next convention a more substantial sum should be appropriated for subvention of athletics.

Much may be said about CONCERTED GROUP ACTIVITIES. From our experiences we learn that they are very beneficial, although in the past, this was practiced in a rather small scope. Concerted group activities should become more permanent and should be encouraged everywhere, and some plans should be devised by which such activities may be carried out with greatest effect and impression possible.

A DISCUSSION ON PUBLICITY is also very much in place. There is hardly anything more effective than efficient publicity on lodge matters and activities. Many delegates will have a chance to learn how other lodges do it and enjoy the fruition resulting from advance publicity, and may carry home much valuable information on that.

There will be an interesting discussion about FEDERATIONS

"The Celebration of a Decade"

Chicago's SNPJ Pioneers, following a thoroughgoing over of every detail and the execution of well thought plans, are now ready for the greatest celebration of their career.

We issue a call and an invitation to every SNPJ member and supporter to participate in, what we may term, the greatest celebration of a decade.

For ten long months our Committee of 100 has labored diligently mapping out the best possible manner in which to most fittingly observe the Tenth Anniversary of the Pioneers and the English Speaking Lodge movement. Nay, for ten long years the Pioneers have been pointing towards the successful completion and the eventual elaborate celebration of their "faithfully completed decade." Now that time has come. It is here!

During the course of these first ten years we have constantly held the lead in membership. Not once have we been displaced from first position. Nay, we weren't even threatened seriously. Today, we are 539 strong and more firmly entrenched in first place than ever before.

We have been true fraternalists and have performed innumerable worthy deeds for our members. At least three hundred Pioneer members have felt the helping hand of our lodge. Over \$27,348 was paid to our members in benefits and another \$12,000 for various other purposes. We sent \$68,140 to the SNPJ and have a favorable balance of \$40,831, today.

A review of our social functions will disclose that they were in a class by themselves. Perhaps, some called them experiments; but we made them real; yes, genuine. Any number of other institutions have seen fit to adopt any number of our experiments, after they proved successful. The Pioneers have been known to devote whole months to the promotion of their "Night in Slovenia," "Venetian Kingdom," "Garden of Eden," "Gypsyland," etc., dances and to their "Annual Prize and Juvenile Picnics." And, as we recall the preparatory work, the numerous members of these fine committees have increased their mental capacities considerably thru discussions and developments. They frequently had enjoyable times together.

On the athletic field the Pioneers distinguished themselves from among the best. We went out to win, but win or lose, we always remained ladies and gentlemen, regardless of the outcome. Championships, and the thoughts of championship contests, at least for those who participated or witnessed them, will linger long in our memories.

Nor did we just go out for pleasure. When it was time, we know how to be serious, too. Our 129 regular meetings have been inspiring. We had lectures on various problems and we tried to realize that we were workingmen and women, all of us. We tried to instill into our members

the spirit of comradeship and the struggle for a better life and in the endeavor, too, the Pioneers stand out from the rest.

We grew and expanded continuously. We took on new activities and new life. We travelled far and frequently. We helped organize other lodges. And we let the world know that the Pioneers were in existence that they were alert, and wide awake and ready for any duty or emergency.

Our road hasn't always been rosy either. At times we had to contend with discourteous people and unpleasant and tumultuous scenes. But even in this we tried our best to effect reconciliations.

These are some of the answers to why the Pioneers are what they are the best and biggest E. S. lodge in the SNPJ. Because of these reasons some are continuously degrading themselves by telling untruthful tales of our lodge. Some are envious of our power, for power it is. Else, why should they be so concerned about the way we do our things. We point with pride to the Pioneer Ten Year Record and beg our friends to read it and to follow it because that shall be the course upon which this good ship, "THE PIONEER," shall ply the future, towards even greater gains and laurels.

To the Pioneers we say, "you have SOMETHING to show on your tenth anniversary of which you can justly feel honored. Keep this unity of spirit and purpose for the future, add to it your little efforts now and then so that when we celebrate our 25th anniversary we'll have the biggest and most popular and influential lodge in the SNPJ."

Donald J. Lotrich, Sec'y.

LUCKY STARS LODGE

Imperial, Pa.—The Lucky Stars Lodge 617, SNPJ, has every year attempted and always succeeded in sponsoring the best lodge dances of the neighborhood.

So on Saturday, Nov. 16, they are having a Polka Dance. A very good orchestra has been obtained. And the admission is only 25c.

So—be there and make merry with the Lucky Stars. A good time is in store for all of you.

L. L. Zupancic, Lodge 617.

OFFICIAL NOTICE—WOLVERINES

Detroit. — The meeting of November 3 will be postponed until Sunday, November 10. The meeting will start promptly at 10:30.

Albin Obed, Sec'y.
Lodge 677.

of lodges. They are one of our latest institutions, organized to be of assistance to the head office and the local lodges. There is a general feeling that federations should have more authority. Some changes in the way of improvement of their functions, so as to make them more useful to the Society.

And then we are to discuss our ECONOMIC PROBLEMS—a subject not only very interesting but also, very, very important. For economic problems are seriously affecting activities of our organization and every one of us individually, including our youth. As a matter of fact, this problem concerns the young much more than the elder members.

These are the ten most important subjects selected for discussion out of the many, also important. If properly analyzed, much good may result from that discussion, and this conclave will not have been held in vain.

It will, therefore, be up to the delegates. On them rests that responsibility and on them will largely depend what benefits will ensue from this conference.

It is, of course, unreasonable to expect from these youngsters, assembled the first time, that they will properly solve all the problems before them, and that, in a single day which is allotted for this conference. No assembly—not even veteran parliamentarians and experienced legislators could accomplish that! It will be impossible to devote ample time to each of these subjects and it will be more or less necessary for the conference to deliberate on each subject merely in substance.

These boys and girls, however, seem to fully sense the importance of their mission, and there is not the slightest doubt in our minds that they will do their best. They are the cream of our younger element, possessing ability and good will—the two most important things in the purpose. And sincerely hoping that they will employ these precious possessions wholly to the worthy object for which this conference was arranged, we extend to them our fraternal greetings and hearty welcome!

VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President.

Pioneer Tenth Anniversary Schedule

FRIDAY EVE, NOVEMBER 1, 1935

- 7:30—Welcoming guests in SNPJ hall.
- 8:00—Symposium, auspices Social Study Club. Prominent members delivering talks. Everybody invited.
- 10:00—Social and Dance.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1935

- 7:30 a. m.—Breakfast for visitors (Free) at SNPJ hall.
- 8:30 a. m.—First All-English Speaking Lodge Conference.
- 12:00 to 1:00 p. m.—Luncheon, SNPJ hall.
- 8:00 p. m.—Banquet, Program and Dancing at Auditorium hotel, 430 S. Michigan.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1935

- 2:00 p. m.—Elaborate Program, Sokol Havlicek hall, 2619 S. Lawndale ave. Anton Subelj, guest artist.
- 6:00 p. m.—Registration and Acquaintance hour.
- 8:00 p. m.—Keith Beecher's orchestra.
- 10:00 p. m.—Awarding of \$100.00 in sub-book cash prizes.
- 11:30 p. m.—Awarding of door prizes.

Breakfast on Saturday will be served by the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ and will be free to all visitors. A nominal charge will be made for the noonday lunch. We invite you to be with us for these meals.

Official Headquarters, SNPJ hall, 2657 S. Lawndale ave.
Every visitor should register.

COMMITTEE OF 100.

The Pioneers' Tenth Anniversary

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The first year of existence was an outstanding one. The first Pioneer affair ever held was a bunco party given in March 1926 in the upper SNPJ hall and over 200 people attended. The second affair was a Hard Time Party held on a week-day, and it proved to be a success for it netted over \$90 profit. It was reputed to be the first dance to be given on a week-day by our people. Our first outing was held in the Forest Preserve just north of the Fairmont cemetery, and again the people gave us wonderful support.

Our first picnic was held on Aug. 22, 1926, in Willow Springs in the grove which now is owned by Mr. Kegel. It proved to be the biggest Slovene picnic in attendance up to that time, for over 400 people were present. But the big event of the year was "A Night in Slovenia." In brief, the hall was decorated in linden boughs, many of our members wore the Slovene national costume for which prizes were given. (Donald J. Lotrich won first prize for me just because his hat was cocked the right way.) Over 750 people were present and \$500 was realized.

The first to come to the dance with a ticket was Sis. John Jereb who came from 115th st., near Riverdale, Ill. The decorations were in charge of Bro. Mike Reading who later cooked the first banquet given by our Lodge. The first program book ever issued by us was called "A Night in Slovenia" in honor of the dance which was given. The cover design was drawn by the late Juliet Zaverinik, Dr. J. J. Zaverinik's wife; the program book was edited by Anne Beniger.

In December the treasurer handed to the Yugoslav Building and Loan the biggest check ever made by the Lodge—for \$515. It took exactly ten years to surpass this when a check will be given to the SNPJ printers for a sum slightly higher in payment of the beautiful program book. (It is to be noted that this check which will be drawn does not include a large bill for engraving.)

In the second year at our annual dance we gave out souvenir bells which people have to this very day throughout the nation. On the one side of the bell, the inscription says, "Ring the Bell for the Second Anniversary," and on the other side it says, "Pioneer Lodge 559 SNPJ, Chicago, Illinois." Bro. Vincent Cainkar was our guest speaker at this supper.

The outstanding baseball team we ever had was our girls' team of the year 1931 composed of Pioneer girls. Donald J. Lotrich, Frank Zaverinik, Joe and Frank Buric and Frank Lotrich spent a good deal of time and effort for its promotion. Aphrodite Zaverinik was the team's outstanding player. Stefa Marn received the greatest amount of publicity ever given a Pioneer when a picture of herself in uniform was in the entire length of the page of the Chicago Evening American. The year 1932 saw our boys win first place in the Chicago American Tournament. It was too bad the girls had to take second place instead of first place so that we could boast today of the best for that time. The boys' team was handled by Donald J. Lotrich and Frank Groser, while Eugene Godina was its star.

I may add here that the Pioneers helped to organize the "Little Forts" of Waukegan; "Sunglars" of Lyons, Ill.; and the "Calumet Sentinels" of South Chicago. The best entertainment ever staged for a lodge meeting was the "A Night in Hawaii," sponsored by J. J. Kolar and Wm. Putz. The biggest prize ever offered by our lodge at a picnic was a Ford roadster which was won by Edward Rakovic in 1930. The largest attendance at a picnic was in 1933 when almost 3,500 people were present, and admission was free. The largest attendance at a paid gate picnic was at Zerninar in 1929 when 2050 people were present. The lowest price ever charged for admission was ten cents at a dance at which Bro. John Setekka donated the prize of the orchestra. The crowd was so thick in the SNPJ hall that people for a fact stood side by side. Our fifth anniversary was quite an event, for nearly 1000 people danced, and it was the first attempt made by any Chicago lodge to run a dance in the large Sokol Havlicek hall. The second program book ever attempted by us was offered to the public in honor of this dance which was titled the "Venetian Kingdom."

The hall was suitably decorated. The Pioneers have had movies made of one of their picnics by Jacob Zupancic, and now again movies will be made of this gigantic affair. The outstanding method of advertising used by us was a parade and pluggers being tossed from an airplane.

This affair is gigantic in proportion to any ever attempted by the Pioneers or any SNPJ group. The SNPJ will spend about \$3,000 for the E. S. L. conference, and the Pioneers will spend upwards of at least \$1,600. We again lead the way in Chicago when we give our banquet in the Auditorium hotel opposite the world famous Mestrovic statue of the American Indian on Chicago's main promenade. It is hoped that all who come will be inspired at the cradle of the birth of our historical American Fraternal Movement. Last of all those that will come will see in reality the Pioneers are really great. The Pioneers are composed of members from Chicago, originally, and far off country homes, and all these help the Pioneer Lodge to be a true and good fraternal lodge.

Remember—all roads lead to Chicago Nov. 1, 2 and 3.

OSCAR GODINA, President, Pioneer Lodge 559, SNPJ.

Excelsiors' Extra

W. Aliquippa, Pa.—On Saturday, November 2, some sixty delegates from various English Speaking lodges of the Slovene National Benefit Society will assemble together and form the much-awaited, much-discussed conference called by the Supreme board last August.

The two reasons for this conference are (1) to observe the tenth anniversary of the Chicago Pioneers and (2) to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the E. S. movement of the SNPJ. This promises to be the most outstanding session in the history of our ten-year old youth movement, and is being keenly observed by the entire SNPJ membership.

Problems pertaining to the organization, of interest to both the younger and older generations, will be discussed and viewed therefore the conference program should be highly interesting and emotional.

This "day of days" is being anxiously awaited by all delegates. I'm sure. Each lodge delegate is, no doubt, planning to represent his lodge in the best way possible.

May the younger generation make it an unforgettable undertaking.

Onward to a bigger and better SNPJ!

Excelsior members are reminded of the November 14 meeting the usual time, the usual place.

Membership speaking, how many new members will be proposed at this fall meeting? The campaign is still in progress but the time is drawing near when it will come to a close.

Wanted: about 25 new members during the remainder of this campaign. Bring in your share of those 25 at the next meeting. Interesting, too, will be the report of the Chicago conference delegate and the report of the Federation delegates. A final reminder, November 14, Slovene hall, eight o'clock, some more new members.

The recent farewell party held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Groznik and daughter who have left Ali-

quippa to reside in Library, Pa., attracted a goodly number of local Slovene and Excelsiors. Dancing, speeches, card games, and the serving of refreshments were the pastimes of this enjoyable evening. Mr. Groznik was, prior to his departure, president of the local lodge Sokol and a well-known Aliquippa Slovene. May luck be with them in their new domicile.

"The Humming Excelsior."

OUR YOUTH MOVEMENT

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During its colorful career our Society has had its periods of shaken stability, but never in its history was the structure uprooted from its solid foundation built upon rock-bottom principles. There were some relaxations, of course, when some needed changes were not understood by all its members, but after time and experience proved conclusively to the dissatisfied members that the changes were made for the best, our strongest critics could become our greatest boosters.

Thirty-one years of our Society's life have elapsed. Our fathers and mothers have done their duty. Their work is completed. Having passed through the active stages, they are now looking to the present generation to carry on the work so nobly started by them. Are the English Speaking Lodges going to disappoint them?

This Tenth Anniversary of our E. S. L. also marks the critical period of our undergoing at this time. We are face to face with a serious problem—a problem that can be solved only by youth. Are our youthful members of the present generation sufficiently interested in our Society to shoulder the responsibility of performing their major operations?

YOUNG SNPJ TENTH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL BROADCAST
SATURDAY, NOV. 2, 1935
Direct Broadcast from 10 to 11 p. m.
Short Wave Station WX9AA—6080 kilocycles
And Station WCFL—Dial 970
From 9th Floor Main Dining Room of Auditorium Hotel, 430 S. Michigan ave.

Beacons' Highlights

Cleveland.—If the publicity concerning Nov. 2 is any criterion of the E. S. L. Conference's outcome, then we are indeed assured a most pleasant success. Success of this conference depends upon the businesslike and sensible consummation of duties by the delegates. This is one time when the machinations of groups, cliques, etc., should be discouraged from the beginning for in a conference of this sort with its limited time, and where CO-OPERATION should be the keynote to attain complete success.

One of the shining lights of the E. S. L. movement, who of his own free will gave more time and effort for the E. S. lodges than we can rightfully ask of a member, will not officially participate at this Saturday's conference. It would be stretching the mind too far to assume that it was merely an oversight on the part of the Administrative com, to overlook his brilliant efforts, and thus their failure to appoint him.

We fail to see the sincerity of the Administrative com's original plan to follow closely the recommendations of the members.

We also fail to see why the delegates to the pre-conference meeting held Labor day in Cleveland, were led to believe that they were vested with rights to designate the time and place for the conference since the Supreme board had already picked it beforehand.

Several months ago we anticipated a peaceful conference, but up to the present time it has caused considerable friction. But let us hope that the conference itself will be devoid of animosity.

Conference Notes:—Sixty-three delegates. . . One-third of them

Join in the Greatest Pioneer Celebration

Banquet Saturday, Nov. 2, starts at 8:00 P. M.—Sunday's Program at 2:00 P. M.

CHICAGO.—New history will be in the making on Nov. 2 and 3. A history which will record the triumph of the new generation in the SNPJ,—a triumph both necessary and deserving.

We want you, from near and far, from city, town or hamlet to be in on this historical epoch. We invite you to come to Chicago and see the representatives of the young generation in their first conclave reporting, deliberating, discussing and recommending for the added progress, growth and well being of our Society.

We also extend our final invitation to participate in the "Greatest Celebration of the Pioneers." Now, those of you who know the quality of Pioneer celebrations need no further explanation. But to make certain that

That our English-Speaking members have ability along the lines of Fraternal work, there is no doubt. But are they willing to use this ability to the best advantage?

Many of our loyal founders have passed on. Their ranks must be filled with youthful members. The life of the society depends upon the continuance of the enrolling of new members into our organization. Upon you and me rests the future of our Society.

Let the coming English Speaking Conference be a spear-head for a concentrated drive for new members, so that ten years from now we may look back proudly and say, "It was well worth our time and effort."

Lud Vogrich,
Lodge 573, La Salle, Ill.

you will get more than your money's worth kindly follow thru the remainder of this note.

Proudly, we announce that Anton Subelj, our well known and popular baritone of the New York Metropolitan Opera, will be the feature attraction. Ordinarily you need little else but this likeable young artist to fill a program. He will render nearly 20 beautiful songs of all classifications during his two-day stay in Chicago and you'll like him and applaud for more. Please note that he will sing at Saturday's Banquet and also on the Sunday program. Note, also, that Sunday's program starts at 2:00 p. m. Please be on time.

In addition to this celebrity we offer a number of other features. "The Awakening" will be a dramatization by young SNPJ members under direction of Mary Jugg. This was written especially for the occasion by its director and depicts the evolution of our English-speaking lodges. We'll have the young Pogoda Brothers, two classy boys, render duet instrument selections. The Misko-Medved duet always appreciated by our people. Ernestine Jugg in a recitation and for your information let us say that Ernestine knows how to do it. You'll like her.

MIL AND MARGE, the professional dance team, will add variety to our Sunday's program. Alice Artach will lend her talent to the occasion. We'll have good speakers and worthy performers.

To the elaborate program we add, what we think is the PEAK of our Tenth Anniversary achievement, our book, "THE PIONEER." After the joy and spirit and glamor of our celebration will have dimmed and died away, after the echoes will have faded out, after even we will have left our regular places, this book, "THE PIONEER," will still remain. THE LIVING MONUMENT of living men and women who carried on nobly and unflinchingly.

We're proud of this book. Nay, we are overjoyed with it. It's a real souvenir, worth its weight in gold. And we hope you'll be just as proud of it as we are.

From everywhere, letters and missives of encouragement are still pouring in wishing success to the great venture. From everywhere, they exhort the excellent work of the Pioneers in their first decade and urge for more such work and a continuation of that leadership which the Pioneers gave the new movement in the SNPJ.

There is satisfaction for the Pioneers in all such kindly missives. Satisfaction to know that the work performed does find recognition and a warm spot in the hearts of our many thoughtful people. It will be these thoughtful people who will again respond to our call and stand up for all that is good on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2 and 3. It will be these thoughtful people who have assisted and will continue to assist the Pioneers to acquire greater power and greater influence with which to promote its activities and functions.

On the occasion of this celebration it is altogether fitting and proper that we look back upon the vast multitude which has in some way or another helped to mold the present Pioneers. And it is no less proper to swear allegiance to the Pioneer policy and program and to promise and pledge an even better, finer, more influential and more conscientious Pioneer Lodge of the future.

On the strength of past performance and the promise of the future we trust to be favored with your continued patronage, especially on our big birthday party.

PC—DJL.

GREETINGS TO DELEGATES

The Prosveta offers warm greetings to the delegates of the First E. S. Conference. With this greeting goes an earnest hope for a successful conference. Remember that the SNPJ has never failed and never faltered. It has a proud record of performance. The faith that your fathers have always placed in it has never been questioned. Let us reaffirm that faith today, so that this, the greatest Slovene workers' organization may continue its noble work as it did in the past.

In this spirit we greet our young delegates!

Always First

The Slovene National Benefit Society was always a progressive leader among fraternal in many pioneering enterprises of far-reaching importance. It was the first Slovene fraternal order to initiate the following systems thereby setting sound examples for other fraternal:

Central Sick Benefit Fund
Its Own Official Organ
Initiative and Referendum
Equal Rights for Women
Juvenile Department
Juvenile Organ

English Speaking Lodges
English Section in Official Organ
Strikers' Fund
Rules Against Strikebreakers
Action for Consolidation of Progressive Societies
Lodge Federation System, Etc.

And Now

The First E. S. L. Conference

Off the President's Pen

Cleveland, Ohio.—Of foremost importance to all members of the SNPJ E. S. lodge movement is the Pioneer 10th anniversary in Chicago which is to be celebrated this coming Saturday, Nov. 2, 1935.

The conference, the first such national gathering of younger delegates in the history of any Slovene organization in America, is attracting attention everywhere. Attention of other fraternal organizations is being focused upon the outcome of this conference. The ultimate results of the conference will be closely scrutinized even more than the early progress of the E. S. lodges. The SNPJ was the first to blaze the trail 10 years ago in recognizing the younger American members within its organization and granting them permission to organize and conduct their own lodges. Other organizations followed in the footsteps of the SNPJ.

The Chicago conference with its delegates, many of unusual ability, should produce new ideas and helpful hints to the Supreme board so that it will better understand the problems which confront the youth of our organization. The delegates have a very serious responsibility. It is not merely a good time trip. It is an obligation and a privilege to serve not only the interests of the younger members, but the organization as a whole. Their primary objective should be to instill unquestioned confidence of the older generation by showing progressive and businesslike action.

LODGE TID-BITS.—Bro. Frank Truden, a very capable representative, has been elected a Comrade representative to the E. S. conference, and Bro. John Alie as alternate.—Bro. Wm. Kennick, present city councilman representing the 23rd ward, was elected in the primary elections.—Entire Comrade Executive Board attended the 25th year anniversary banquet of the Napredne Slovenke. Vida Peterlin now receives her mail as Mrs. Sam Zamejic. . . Our recent proud Comrade papas all claim babies are doing fine. The mothers haven't been around yet. Papas still confidently strutting around in all their glory. . . Since our secretary has been married he's been slipping noticeably. Did you observe that your lodge book has been dated Sept. instead of Oct.? To think that love

would play such pranks upon Otto, the otherwise efficient and scrupulous secretary.

Bro. Frank Kerzianik sold 17 tickets for our last dance. This is the second time he outdid everybody. It might interest you to know, too, that Frank sold 25 ducats for a Comrade affair sometime ago before he was even a member of the lodge. What a great difference a few Kerzianiks would make in any club.

Be prepared for the next Comrade Bulletin. According to reports it will surpass any issued to date. It is said to have wit, humor, sarcasm and even a howling out for some one.

Comrade November meeting will be held in the lower larger hall of the Slovene National Home. Following the meeting a few informal speeches by some of the officers of E. S. lodges will be heard. Free dancing for members and friends will conclude one of the best monthly gatherings of the current year. Be sure you don't miss our first after the meeting social in eight months.

The Inter-Lodge league returned our \$5.00 entry fee which our Basketball team placed upon entering the circuit in 1932. Officials of the league explained that only a partial amount of their frozen assets have been paid but owing to success of the Inter-Lodge program a 100% refund has been paid to all lodges which sponsored teams that year. The Inter-Lodge also extends an invitation to its annual celebration which will be held January 18, 1936.—The Basketball season of the Inter-Lodge will get under way Wednesday, Nov. 6, at the St. Clair Bathhouse. Eight teams are in the loop. Four games each evening. Entertainment between games. Admission only 5 cents.

Buckeyes of Harborton are staging a dance Nov. 16. Special consideration should be given to this affair, because of the splendid cooperation of the members of the Buckeye lodge whenever Cleveland lodges hold an affair.

"Heinie" Martin Antonic,
Lodge 566.

Commodores' Log

Dedication

WE offer you congratulations, SNPJ, as the Parent Organization on this, the eve of the Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the English Speaking Movement, and to the Pioneers—its offspring on the success and fulfillment of that movement. "Pioneers." They chose their name well—and then through the years lived up to their name and fulfilled that name to its utmost meaning.

A salute of recognition to the SNPJ as an understanding parent—who not only grows with its children, understands them, but as all wise and clever parents—keeps just one step ahead of them—in order to keep up with them.

The Nov. 2 Conference (a sample of that keeping a step ahead) is a historic event in the fraternal field, another pioneer move, and the eyes of the Slovene Fraternal World will be focused on Chicago on Nov. 2, watching with interest to see what "the chip off the old block" will do. And that's the keynote of that whole conference, "Do." It is a great opportunity to those who are able to attend, be present at the Eng. Speaking Conference to show what they can do at the first gathering of its kind.

Personally, I am grateful at having the honor and opportunity of being a delegate—to have the privilege of being present at the enactment of history in the making—of the Fraternal World. To be right there when the Youth of Today start the planning and mapping the future of the Youth of Tomorrow.

To the Commodores
I extend my sincere thanks for conferring upon me the position of representing them as their delegate in Chicago, and hope that I can in some way help toward the success of the conference, and creditably dispose of the task assigned me, and make a satisfactory showing in the name of the Commodores.

"Proposals for concerted group activities and the part Supreme officers should take in them" is the title of topic I have been assigned to present at the conference. At this time I would like to state that I am planning to use "The SNPJ Summer School and the Cooperative Plan" (authored by Pres. Antonic of the Commodores) among some of my suggestions, feeling that they are worthy of consideration under the title of Group Activities, but feel as if I should acknowledge the fact to the originators of ideas and feel as if they will appreciate the furtherance of the success of their suggestions.

So with a—So Long—Reunion in Chicago, I am,

Marian E. Konchan,
Commodores, Lodge 742, SNPJ,
Cleveland, Ohio.

L-I-N-K-S

By Ann & Ann

Springfield, Ill.—In spite of the fact that the weather was not entirely favorable, the Links had a very successful all-day outing at Carpenter's park, Sunday. Out-door games were played, and there were eats and drinks galore. Suggestions were made that we have more affairs of this type, and we feel sure that those held in the future will be attended by more members than this one was, due to the favorable reports made by those present.

Just two more weeks until the date of our fall dance! Keep up the advertising, members—this affair must be a success.

Just a reminder—more tickets can be obtained from the writers.

To the Pioneers

We extend our best wishes for a most successful 10th Anniversary celebration, the best ever experienced in the history of the SNPJ.—An affair where there will be many a handclasp and greeting among old

friends who have not met for perhaps years, and the making of many new acquaintances, coming from the North, South, East and West.

The Links will be represented by a delegation of three, who are anxiously awaiting the time for departure as we feel to miss this affair would be an act to be long regretted.

And so we say "Au Revoir!" (This time in person instead of in print.)

NOTICE—SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Members of Spirit of St. Louis and other local lodges who are going to Chicago and haven't secured their train fares, call BRO. JOHN SPILLER, Riverside 9155-W, immediately.

The Spirits are leaving Friday, Nov. 1, at 11:45 p. m., on the C. & A., returning Monday morning. The round trip fare is \$7.85, which is the best rate we were offered.

We regret very much that many who wanted to leave Saturday night can't get a special rate, but a \$10.43 rate.

Word was received from Springfield that they would join the Spirits en route to Chicago. WHOZZIT.

About This and That

DISCUSSION MEETING FRIDAY, NOV. 1

Chicago, Ill.—Friday, Nov. 1, promises a real treat to all Chicagoans and others interested in the future of fraternal societies and their problems. The Social Study Club will sponsor a meeting that evening to discuss Labor Fraternalism. The subject is, "The Labor Movement and Its Attitude to Fraternal Organizations." An additional number of speakers have been added to express their views on this topic which should attract a large crowd to attend the meeting.

The labor movement, particularly in the Socialist Party, thru its educational propaganda, drives at the very roots of the economic problems that affect our fraternal organizations and the workers as well. Our existence depends upon the demand for labor power. When "no help wanted" signs hang in the windows of employment offices, when factories are closed because the owners cannot realize a big enough profit for themselves when wages are reduced and hours lengthened, these affect fraternal societies rather seriously, because their members, on account of unemployment, cannot pay dues.

Max Kumer of Universal, Pa., gave a good account in his series of articles on "The Cause and Cure of Depression." But it's like Oscar Ameringer once said, "The hardest part is to get the people to vote for abundance instead of poverty." If you propagate these ideals among the members of fraternal societies who would benefit by them were they class-conscious of this fact and organized strong enough for this purpose, blind critics brand you as a politician, factionalist, job-seeker and what not. No one that has worked in the labor or fraternal movement that has stuck to his principles to the bitter end, inherited vast fortunes for his services. Eugene Debs, Morris Hillquit, Kerr Kardie, Victor Berger, Joie Zvertnik, all fighters for the cause of Labor had opportunities to become wealthy men had they wanted to serve the capitalist interests. But these men maintained principles above the mighty dollar and were respected for their stand by even their worst enemies.

Thirty years ago fraternal societies were organized because the economic conditions forced the workers to band together and protect themselves in time of sickness and death. No state compensation laws were in force to take care of the widows and children of men killed and crippled in the coal and iron mines as well as in the other industrial fields. It was the coal miners, iron and white collar workers that saw the necessity thru their school of hard knocks for fraternal institutions because of the economic environment they had to endure.

Today fraternal societies are as necessary as ever. In this modern age the existence of fraternal societies and its rank and file depends upon the economic conditions under which we live. It is to their interest to improve them for their own sake. It is folly to think that fraternal societies can divorce themselves from the economic problems which have everything in common for their own existence. Future leaders of our fraternal societies may want to close their eyes to these bitter realities, but they cannot be ignored. If fraternalism is to be carried out in its full meaning, if we really have the interest of our members and workers at heart, our efforts to improve their conditions for their sake as well as the Society will and should be carried on in the same spirit as that of the pioneers of 31 years ago. And to act in this matter does not make us politicians, job-seekers or egoists for personal glory, but working for the best interest of the Society and the workers.

These are my views on this subject. Others will express theirs. We invite all who are interested in the welfare of one another to attend the meeting Friday, November 1, at the SNPJ hall. A short discussion from the floor will follow the speakers. After the meeting a social with music for dancing will take place.

John Rak, Lodge 559.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Johnstown, Pa.—Lodge Nasa Sloga No. 600, SNPJ, will celebrate its ninth anniversary with a very good program on Nov. 16 at 7:30 p. m. at Slovene Workers' hall, Moxham.

The program will consist of a four-act drama, "Rdece Rose" (Red Rose), which is believed to be one of the best plays ever played in the Slovene language on stage. There couldn't be a play more suitable for the working class of people than "Rdece Rose."

In this play you will see how the heads of an industrial plant scheme plans and lie so as to prevent the workers from forming unions and striking. There is romance, happiness, unhappiness, death and victory for the workers. One moment you'll be laughing and the next moment you'll find a lump in your throat figuring for tears.

The players are taking great interest in their parts and are all planning their best skill in performance for the night of Nov. 16.

We also will be entertained with

a few songs from two singing societies, namely—Jugoslavia and Rodoljub.

Then, as fast as those chairs can be cleared out of our way, dancing, eating and drinking will be the features for the rest of the night.

Lodge Nasa Sloga is cordially inviting all the neighboring lodges from far and near, also friends, to spend this night with us. Your presence will be greatly appreciated.

Mary Konchan,
Sec. Lodge 600, SNPJ.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE CALUMET SENTINELS

Chicago, Ill.—In line with suggestions which we have been receiving from time to time in regard to procuring new members into our great SNPJ, there is a story told that may aid us in our efforts to bring success to the 1935 membership activity.

"One day a sage, whom people gladly consulted, was asked by what means he had learned to know so well the exact proportion of things, so that he never failed to make a success of everything he undertook to do. Calmly the man replied, 'If you wish, you will be able to possess it in your turn, for my means are not a secret. I keep my eyes and ears open.' True, everyone burst out laughing believing it a joke, but the sage continued: 'But this is not all; after having seen and heard, I call to my aid all of the facts that I have learned and with the qualities of common sense, I am SUCCESSFUL in driving home my point.'"

So it is with us fellow members. The need of new members for our great fraternal organization is ever prevalent—more so now than ever before due to the fact that the economic crisis has done considerable damage to the SNPJ membership. If we are ever alert, with our eyes and ears open-wide for the slightest sign of a prospective member, we can still aid the SNPJ to a great extent. The 6 pointers explained in the "certificate pamphlets," which every member received at the meeting, hold some very strong arguments as to benefits received by becoming a member of the SNPJ. Particularly fitting is the statement "love in a sense of fraternal spirit," which I believe is characteristic of the entire SNPJ, especially since the organization of the English Speaking Lodges in 1925!

Our own neighbors, the "Pioneers," have more than blazed the trail in a commendable fashion. All the lodges should be spurred on to "greater heights" of success, by their unflinching loyalty and real leadership! The "Pioneers" are and should be proud of their attainments during their existence, and in behalf of the "Calumet Sentinels" Lodge 610, I wish to express our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on their 10th anniversary! "Many happy returns of the day" and we'll all see you at the elaborate celebration on November 3, and thus extend our personal congratulations!

Calumet Sentinel members desiring more tickets for Sunday's affair, please get in touch with the recording secretary, so more can be obtained from the headquarters!

For a bigger and better SNPJ! Fraternally,

Jennie Kuhel,
Deleg. of "Calumet Sentinels,"
Lodge 610.

JOLLY ALLIS LODGE 686

West Allis, Wis.—Being this the Anniversary Edition, the following thought will probably be as appropriate as any. When this article appears in print, the SNPJ will be on the threshold of one of its greatest experiments, that is, the English Speaking Conference. Conversing with the older members and reading the back issues of the Prosveta will prove to anyone that the SNPJ has always been the first to experiment with new ideas, and invariably adopting those which have brought this organization greater distinction in the fraternal world.

The accomplishments in the past have been great. But with the English Speaking Conference as a new deal and with so many aces in the delegates it seems that these accomplishments will pale into insignificance compared to what is to come in the future. Of course as stated in our initiation ceremony, "Our task is great and noble and it will be your duty from now on to do all in your power to fulfill it." Great things cannot be accomplished by the leaders alone. They must have the cooperation and support of each and every individual member. With this conference as a starting point let everyone cast aside his or her past differences as between both individuals and lodges and all work together with one ultimate aim and that, to cooperate with each other to the greatest extent and in that way benefit the entire organization as a whole, so that in the future you will be even more proud than you are now, that you belong to the SNPJ.

True enough, everyone cannot always agree with each other, but let us work with the best interest of the society always as a guiding light. Dissension in the ranks has always hampered the growth of any organization, whether it be fraternal or otherwise, let us not be dissensioners, let us work together, the benefits derived will surely prove an adequate

compensation, even if the benefit is only that of a free mind that you have done your best to promote the interest of the entire organization. It is the dawn of a new era for the English Speaking Lodges. Let us show what we can do and prove to the most pessimistic skeptic that we are capable of doing anything that is entrusted to us.

To the Pioneers I want to congratulate you on being the first English speaking lodge in the SNPJ. You have completed ten years of faithful service to our organization, you have been true to your name, and have been the Pioneers in a great many worthy undertakings since your organization, and you have always come through with flying colors. Truly you are a lodge worthy of being the first, and deserving this conference to help you celebrate your tenth birthday. Every individual member of the Jolly Allis and every individual member of the West Allis-Milwaukee Federation congratulate you on your birthday and past achievements and wish you the best of luck for the future.

Members of different lodges going to Chicago. Have some sort of badge or ribbon showing what lodge you are from so that we can designate one another. Also if you see a Jolly Allis ribbon on anyone don't be afraid to come over and introduce yourselves to us if we haven't already introduced ourselves to you.

The Old Man of the Mountain.

LODGE NO. 589

Strabane, Pa.—November 1-2-3, the great gala days for the Chicago Pioneers. May we Canonsburg Pioneers tender you our sincere good wishes and congratulations.

Ten years ago as a small group they began their march towards a definite goal, the largest and most progressive of E. S. Lodges. Now in celebrating their Tenth Anniversary they may look back proudly on all they have accomplished and see that they rank as the first as well as largest E. S. lodge in the SNPJ. It is fitting that the entire SNPJ organization of which Pioneers are a part, should so wholeheartedly participate in its celebration this coming week-end, and we know that after it is all over the Pioneers will again chalk up another great, successful undertaking. And so once more we say, "Congratulations."

Emulating the Pioneers we likewise have tried in our own way to become a large and strong part of the SNPJ. Nine years ago we started with thirteen adult members and steadily we have grown until now, during the Tenth Anniversary of the E. S. lodges we rank among the foremost in W. Pennsylvania with our membership over a hundred as well as a steadily growing juvenile department. We can now look backwards on our trail of progress with many happy memories of our passage through the years. The dances, minstrel shows, parties, bowling teams, the baseball team, of which we were always so proud, our various trips to other fraternal doings and our ever increasing friendships made in contacts through Federation and Lodge activities. And now, in celebrating this Tenth Anniversary, we are justly proud of being a part of the SNPJ.

Anne Sreenop.

LAST CALL

This is our final appeal to all who are interested in the Progress of the SNPJ and the Great Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the Pioneers and the English Speaking Lodge movement. We want you to participate in what promises to be the event of events. Don't be left out! We live to enjoy life, after all. You'll find enjoyment at this vast affair.

NOTE THAT:
1—All banquet reservations must be in by Friday, Nov. 1, No later! (219 people are already listed as we write this.)
2—All subscription books, filled, partly filled or unfilled must be turned in by 6:00 p. m. Sunday, Nov. 23. We warn you not to forget your filled subs. Give them a chance at the \$100.00 in cash which will be given away Sunday, Nov. 3, about 10:00 p. m.
3—We stress that Sunday's program starts promptly at 2:00 p. m. with beautiful selections by Anton Subelj. Don't be late.—Committee of 100.



SNPJ members who will appear in "The Awakening," a dramatic sketch by Mary Jagg, at the Tenth Anniversary Program of the Pioneers, Sunday, November 3, at Sokol-Hastings Hall, 2812 S. Lawrence Ave. Continues were made under direction of Frances Omersa Gloria Babier, Helen Drachler, Wilma Gritchen, Anna Ueck, Elsie Turpin, Dorothy Ivanek, Ruth Medie, Adeline Foster, Mita Owen, SNPJ, Elvira Slavich.

Westmoreland Federation

Latrobe, Pa.—What now!—A BIG DANCE in Herminie, Pa., Nov. 30. Adm. 25c (no tax). Sponsored by the Westmoreland Federation of E. S. and Senior Lodges for the benefit of the Dramatic Club which will be composed of E. S. L. members as well as our Senior members.

Invitation is extended to all lodges. May we have the pleasure to have you at our dance. Keep Nov. 30 open for the Westmoreland Federation.

Welcome, Ladies' Auxiliary! This time our Federation announces that the Ladies' Lodge of White Valley has joined our Federation. This lodge is intensely interested in dramatics. It is composed of live-wires and the delegates at the Federation conference can certainly express themselves. Sisters Bohinc and Galic being their representatives.

Few Introductions

Among those present at our meeting on Oct. 27, we wish to introduce: Miss Mary E. Galic, popular young lady from White Valley, is president of the Ladies' Lodge and secretary of the Federation's proposed dramatic club, also member of the committee for the Big Dance. Martin Serro belongs to that well known "moving van" family. He's a very active Keystonean and leads a well-known orchestra. Joe Batis is the energetic, very popular Keystonean. He frequently writes to the Prosveta under the Keystonean columns. Joe speaks Slovene very fluently and knows his tchubla at Federation meetings. Frank Gerčnik has very little to say, but he's right there when he's needed at SNPJ activities.

The above mentioned are all members of the committee that are working to make our Big Dance a big success.

To the lodge in our Federation that gains most members in the present membership campaign the Westmoreland Federation will give a Prize. Wonder what lodge will be the lucky one?

Would you believe it? The Keystoneans are in the E. S. L. movement for 8 years—the first E. S. L. in West'd county and second in the state—and they are now going stronger than ever.

Even the Torches will soon be celebrating their 4th anniversary. The Torches have been silent but are still active. March on, Torches.

Lest We Forget

Nov. 30—Big Dance—Herminie, Pa., the Westmoreland Federation will be your host. All lodges (E. S. and Sr. lodges) invited. J. Fradel.

Youth Moves Forward

Cleveland, O.—Nov. 2 and 3 will mark the tenth anniversary of the English Speaking lodge movement of the Slovene National Benefit Society. The Pioneers have arranged a gala celebration in honor of this event. True and untired workers in our movement cannot let this eventful anniversary celebration pass unnoticed. In conjunction with this, the first English Speaking Conference takes place. As honorable will be this date

as was the date of our founding. Without malice to anyone we can hail these two events as the first of its kind in Slovene Fraternal History.

The English Speaking lodges and their leaders now face the world clothes in a complete new garb of modern ideals. Ten years of work, persistence and struggle have passed into the discard of history for our Slovene youth and will hereafter live in memory. Youth has nothing to apologize, it can go forward with newborn hope; so can their leaders. With new courage they can do, dare and accomplish feats heretofore impossible. The English Speaking lodges in our Society are fully qualified to take their rightful place in modern fraternal life. They have gained the respect and admiration of everyone. New lodges have been organized and membership steadily increased and as may be said, "Let the record speak for itself."

Youth today shows a bud with a bright future ahead; there is enthusiasm which guarantees our Society a future. The light today is shining bright. Will it continue? This remains entirely up to you. Cooperation is a big factor anywhere regardless of one's undertaking. Without certain co-operation everything would soon diminish. The human endeavor everywhere is that progress is made by co-operation with each other. Individual initiative finds no expression in the man isolated from his fellow man. It comes only when he is in contact with others and is response to some desire or hope of the people around him. Man cannot escape responsibility for the conditions under which his fellow men live and work.

In plain everyday language, he has a community responsibility to which he sooner or later finds himself obligated too. The brotherhood of man is a fact. We are all members of a great human fraternal order. Unfortunately as it may be, there are a few individuals who always oppose certain individuals through greed or self interest. Regardless of good or bad, their attitude remains the same. But after all man is a creature of conscience. He may not always know when he does a wrong against his fellow man, but he certainly feels it sooner or later in life. The result is that he is often troubled by his mistakes.

I sincerely believe that our English Speaking lodges have crossed the threshold to a great and boundless era of progress and accomplishments. Whether or not the English Speaking lodges fully make the best of this great future opportunity depends in no small part on the guidance by our leaders and elders. We must carry on with modern machinery and modern ideas.

The writer personally believes that if this conference does not point a way to greater things and betterment for our youth movement, it has failed in the purpose for which it was called and dedicated by those loyal and courageous pioneers who have so earnestly and devotedly labored to promote the growth of our Society. Through the lips of youth, I believe, our E. S. lodge movement will catch the greater vision which is the future success of our fraternal organization. Through such conferences as this one, from time to time, and getting new members into our fold will develop and inject new blood into the veins of our Society. From it will come new strength and through youth's eager desire and enthusiasm tempered with the mature wisdom and the past ten years experience it has gained.

Our English Speaking lodge movement will move forward with a momentum of speed that will not falter. Let's go forward to new heights of accomplishments that we today can only dream of. Can you, will you help make youth's dream of today become a reality? It can be done; the task is yours; now go ahead and do your share.

John E. Lokar, Lodge 614.

Western Penna. E. S. Federation Item

(The following contents may be termed a review of the Western Penna. SNPJ Federation since its inception five years ago. The review need not necessarily be complete in all details; it will be sufficiently complete to give a message of the Federation's official review. However, these contents can be accepted as the writer is well familiar with the Federation's activities since its inception.)

Ambridge, Pa.—In the late fall of 1931 the Strabane Pioneers sent out the original letters calling for a conference of Western Penna's SNPJ E. S. lodges to form an E. S. Federation. The move was endorsed by the Slovene Speaking Federation to awaken interest in E. S. locals in the fraternal field. Six E. S. lodges attended the preliminary meeting held at Strabane on Dec. 27, 1931. Those represented were Strabane, Ambridge, Library, Meadowslands, Sygan and Coverdale. Temporary officers (John Kutch, chairman; Frank Bait Jr., Sec'y; and Mary Podboy, recorder) were selected. A committee of six to draft the Federation by-laws were elected. These were Bros. Kutch, Bait, Prandini, Kosela, Gantner and Bolte, as chairman. The first conference was to be held at Library on Jan. 31, 1932.

At the Library conference an exceptionally good turn-out of E. S. lodges was had. The fourteen lodges in attendance all joined the new movement. Strabane, Pittsburgh, Sygan, Verona, Library, Ambridge, Moon Run, Harmarville, Universal, Imperial, Clairton, Aliquippa, Coverdale and Meadowslands were represented. Also attending, there were interested officials of the Slovene Federation. In brief, by-laws, purposes and officers were the work at the initial meeting. Members chosen were: Frank Kress, pres.; Henry Previc and Thomas Gantner, vice-pres.; Louis Kosela, sec'y.; August Riska, treas.; Frank Strimlan, rec. sec'y.; M. Uranker, V. Jakovac and J. Likar, trustees; A. Birs, serg.-at-arms; Max Kumer, W. Radojech and A. Birs, publicity board; John Kraji, John Kumer, Paul Wirant, A. Prince and Frank Bolte, athletic board; Kress, Previc, Kosela, Likar and M. Kumer were selected as delegates to the Slovene Federation conference. The policy of inter-representation at the two Western Penna. Federations

was begun and continues to the present date on a most satisfactory basis. Also, the conference appointed a committee to visit the Westmoreland County Federation to invite E. S. lodges in the vicinity to join our association. Latter mission failed.

On June 25, 1932, the E. S. Federation sponsored its first dance success. Frank Kress served chairman. In the summer of 1932 two mushball leagues of the Federation were in operation. Strabane and Ambridge were winners, respective circuits. Prizes received from the then existing SNPJ Athletic Board were awarded. The Universal lodge originally planned a social and entertainment for all office and delegates after the 1932 spring meeting at their hall. Following this first post-session social, it was the policy of the local lodge to invite the conference attendees at each session. In the latter part of 1932 the Federation assisted its lodges members to merge, where request preparatory to electing delegates to the 1933 convention of the SNPJ.

In Jan. 1933 the same executive board was re-elected. Some change were made in various committees. The first jointly sponsored Federation dance at Bridgeville was another success. At the Verona April 1933 conference it was moved that more dues shall be collected from member lodges of 5c per adult member per year; that policy is still in effect. That year a drive to enlist transfers of E. S. members in Slovene lodges to E. S. lodges in the localities was begun. A revision of the by-laws occurred. Bros. Riska, Previc, Kosela and Stefancic were delegates at the SNPJ convention 1933. Plans for the first Bowling Tournament were formed.

Louis Kosela, Sec'y.

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CONFERENCE OF ENGLISH SPEAKING LODGES OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY

at Chicago, Ill., November 2nd, 1935

Lodge No.	Location	Number of Members	Represented by
283	Moundsville, W. Va.	21	Tony Lautar
495	Esra, Ill.	5	
555	Rock Springs, Wyo.	29	
559	Chicago, Ill.	406	Donald J. Lotrich
564	Detroit, Mich.	190	Andrew Grum
566	Cleveland, O.	197	Frank Truden
567	Springfield, Ill.	57	Anne Banich
568	Waukegan, Ill.	153	Christine Jereb Stritz
572	Cleveland, O.	4	
573	La Salle, Ill.	74	Ludwig Vogrich
575	Indianapolis, Ind.	43	Mary Stroy
577	Pueblo, Colo.	29	John E. Klancher
578	Aurora, Minn.	10	
580	Brooklyn, N. Y.	38	Frank Padar
584	Milwaukee, Wis.	160	Leo Schweiger
589	Canonsburg, Pa.	101	Frank Progar
590	Cleveland, O.	64	August Prusnik
594	Oakland, Calif.	59	Frank Slaby
605	Des Moines, Iowa	30	
608	Kenosha, Wis.	7	Joseph Prestrel
609	Arma, Kans.	85	Mary Gorenc
610	Chicago, Ill.	66	Jenny Kuhel
613	Herminie, Pa.	70	Martin Urana
614	Cleveland, O.	162	Theodore Lauric
621	Barberton, O.	41	Olga Valenceck
627	Portland, Oreg.	22	John Struznik
631	Chicago, Ill.	92	Michael Fleischacker
634	Sheboygan, Wis.	26	John Resnik
636	Ely, Minn.	21	Frank Jenko
637	Oregon City, Oreg.	13	
640	Bridgeport, O.	42	Margareth Snoy
641	Cleveland, O.	40	Karl Kokal
643	Girard, O.	28	Frank Verbiak
645	Denver, Colo.	24	Anton Gosar
647	Akron, O.	11	
650	Eveleth, Minn.	46	Rose Veranth
655	Grand Junction, Colo.	6	
656	Forest City, Pa.	37	Edward Kamin
659	St. Louis, Mo.	44	John Spiller
665	Pittsburgh, Pa.	19	F. J. Kress
667	Cleveland, O.	16	John Aynik
669	Sygan, Pa.	47	Thomas G. Gantner
674	Gary, Ind.	6	
677	Detroit, Mich.	49	Albin Obed
680	Verona, Pa.	51	Victor Jakovac
681	San Francisco, Calif.	23	Rudolph Brodnik
682	Library, Pa.	31	Frank Strimlan Jr.
684	Johnstown, Pa.	54	Joseph Culkar
686	West Allis, Wis.	52	Adolph Yersin
690	Kansas City, Kans.	35	Tony Stoes
699	Ambridge, Pa.	84	Joseph Becek
700	Roundup, Mont.	50	Max Polsek
706	Moon Run, Pa.	31	Martin C. Urankar
709	Broughton, Pa.	12	Louis Berlich
710	Buffalo, N. Y.	33	Joseph Kren Jr.
712	Johnstown, Pa.	43	Frank Perchin
713	Harmarville, Pa.	32	Frank J. Progar
714	Trinidad, Colo.	16	John Svigel
715	Universal, Pa.	74	Joseph Caesar
716	Imperial, Pa.	52	Leopold Zupancic
719	Clairton, Pa.	21	Anthony Prince
720	Luzerne, Pa.	6	
721	Aliquippa, Pa.	39	Mathilde Derglin
723	Fontana, Calif.	19	Stanley Potepan
725	Latrobe, Pa.	10	Jane Fradel
726	Leadville, Colo.	10	
728	Gowanda, N. Y.	70	John Matekovich
729	Yukon, Pa.	38	Herman Preseren
730	Butte, Mont.	13	John Perusick
731	Bellaire, O.	9	
732	Coverdale, Pa.	20	John Miskunas
733	Canton, O.	11	Jennie Vitavec
734	Meadowlands, Pa.	7	
736	Thomas, W. Va.	13	
737	Cooperstown, N. Y.	3	
739	West Newton, Pa.	24	John Kobe
740	Peoria, Ill.	9	
741	Burgettstown, Pa.	27	Joseph Vajentich
742	Cleveland, O.	35	Marian Konchan
744	Republic, Pa.	9	Joseph L. Haky
746	Power Point, O.	14	Victor Tusek