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From the Office of  
Supreme Secretary**

**PREJEMKI IN IZDATKI ME-**

**SECA MAJA 1939**

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 1939

Odrški Oddelek.—Adult Dept.

Dr. Št. Prejemki Izdatki

Lodge Disburse-

No. Income ments

1 \$ 2,774.00

2 754.35 301.50

3 163.32

4 151.20

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105 100.91

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110 67.00

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112 201

113 26.00

114 134.50

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116 82.67

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MESECA MAJA 1939.  
CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP DURING  
THE MONTH OF MAY 1939.

Odrasli Oddelek.—Adult Dept.

Mladiški Oddelek.—Juvenile Department

Sustarski Oddelek.—Supreme Secretary

Gospodarski Oddelek.—Economic Dept.

Prestopili — Transferred

Odstopili — Withdrawals

Vzeli odpravnine — Cash Surrenders

Dr. št. 171: Louis Bozich B-426.

Premembe v zavarovalnini — Changes in Insurance

Dr. št. 82: Iz \$500 na \$250 Anna We-sendorf 39597.

Dr. št. 138: Iz \$500 na \$1000 Susie Yanko 41923.

Dr. št. 200: Iz \$500 na \$1000 Michael J. Jerich 41935.

Umrl — Died

Dr. št. 1: George Butarac 21565, Sta-nislav Sesle 336.

Dr. št. 9: Mary Vidmar 8366.

Dr. št. 11: Nick Cvetas 34121.

Dr. št. 26: Rev. John Mertel 7496.

Dr. št. 31: John Kodrich 35167.

Dr. št. 44: Paul Centa 22120.

Dr. št. 47: Johana Oberster 9681.

Dr. št. 49: Mike Novak 21709.

Dr. št. 61: Peter Chernich 5172.

Dr. št. 71: Charles Jevnikar 32532.

Dr. št. 92: Anton Zupancic 33400.

Dr. št. 128: Vladimir Braje 33431.

Dr. št. 174: Mihail Lencarcic 28094.

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MESECA MAJA 1939.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP DURING

THE MONTH OF MAY 1939

Mladiški Oddelek.—Juvenile

Department

Novi člani načrta "JA" — New Members

Plan "JA"

Dr. št. 1: Franklin J. Banovetz, Lorretta M. Banovetz, Robert A. Klemensich, Jan J. Pata, Milton G. Patka, Arthur C. Rajakovich, Jack Seliskar.

Dr. št. 2: Judith M. Petek, Alan Rhein, George Rhein, Donald Robertson, Ernest Robertson, Frank Robertson, Russell Robertson, Jean C. Seliga, Shirley L. Seliga, Mary D. Urmas.

Dr. št. 5: Edward J. Burke, Beverly A. Erchul, Dean H. Hansen, Lloyd B. Hansen, Warren P. Hansen, Jolene A. Nyberg, Mary L. Planton, John F. Spolar, Eugene D. Tanco.

Dr. št. 6: Peter Gallo, Nancy A. Gorshenek.

Dr. št. 9: Katherine M. Ilenich, Dorothy Toth, John K. Toth.

Dr. št. 21: Frances I. Blea, Irma C. Blea, Pauline L. Blea, Albert Brozovich, Carol Brozovich, Donald Brozovich, John Brozovich, Eileen Butler, Anna M. Canjar, Ella Christensen, Frieda Chrispens, Dolores M. Clark, George M. Clark, Patricia A. Clark, Frank Comminello, George Comminello, John Comminello, Mary E. Dorak, Lillian Dorchinez, George Epple, Jr., Mary E. Eppe, Irene Graff, Mary R. Graff, Rosalie M. Graff, Shirley J. Kastelic, Evelyn Kominek, Mary L. La Conte, Rose M. Levnick, Margaret Magen, James Malenoski, Lucille Matthews, Daniel A. Memmer, John A. Memmer, Ronald A. Memmer, Stanley A. Memmer, Helen Nenadic, Victoria Paraskevich, Bernice Petich, Carol R. Pigeon, Frank W. Prisic, Jr., Joseph E. Prisic, John L. Rogers, Raymond Roland, Bessie M. Rudolph, Dolores B. Rudolph, Donald E. Rudolph, Dorothy B. Rudolph, Harry R. Stockhouse, John L. Stockhouse, Patricia A. Stockhouse, Dolores L. Stojanich, Edward R. Stojanich, Marie Straface, Joseph E. Ukomich, Mary E. Ukomich, Beverly J. Unger, Diane M. Unger, Ralph D. Unger, Frances Whatley, Lucille Whatley, Viola Whatley, Maxine Zidar.

Dr. št. 26: Lawrence L. Bizjak.

Dr. št. 28: Georgia M. Goldberg.

Dr. št. 30: Mario F. Sartori.

Dr. št. 36: Victor Rovanski, Jr.

Dr. št. 39: Patricia M. Dunsworth.

Dr. št. 43: Marian P. Pavlinick.

Dr. št. 45: Josephine Berkopek, James R. Carter, Virginia C. Eckert, Everett A. Lovisce, Rose Radez, William Radez, Robert L. Spencer, Shirley J. Spencer.

Dr. št. 55: Dorothy Butcher, Marie Butcher, Hugh F. Kacur, Anthony Stepech, Jr., Helen N. Stepech, Virginia M. Stepech, Ruth P. Kacur.

Dr. št. 70: Alvera Carbone, Ralph Carbone, Henry F. Krapen, Rose M. Krapen, Mary Parino, Betty L. Warren, Richard J. Warren, Jr., Virginia A. Warren.

Dr. št. 94: Anita M. Bartell.

Dr. št. 99: Joan Butya, Alice C. Deyak, James H. Deyak, John J. Deyak, Annette Hanna, Richard M. Kraly, John W. Macek, Kenneth E. Macek, John R. Mahoney, Mildred Mithon, Sylvester Mlekuš, LaVerne Muller, Donald F. Riddle, Frank Sigmund, Jr., Bertha F. Skerl, Dorothy A. Skwarcha, Jeanne M. Skwarcha, Charles D. Trobaugh, Gall M. Twbaugh, Frank Ulager, Jr., James Ulager, Sylvia Ulager.

Dr. št. 108: Joan M. Krstlin.

Dr. št. 110: Robert J. Mohar, Rosemary Mohar.

Dr. št. 114: Barbara A. Leon, Glee M. Leon, Paul R. Leon.

Dr. št. 118: Alice L. Atler, Joseph R. Atler, William A. Harenberg, Carolyn R. Johnson, John M. Johnson, LeRoy J. Johnson, Betty A. Marsh, Edna M. Marsh, Carmela Novarro, Josephine Novarro, Mary A. Novarro, Rosalie A. Novarro, Marie F. Pachino, Carl A. Tamburelli, Frank J. Tamburelli, Mary L. Marsh.

Dr. št. 119: Arnold A. Hansen.

Dr. št. 120: Ronald F. Elieoff, Barbara J. Haley, Frank M. Kriznar.

Dr. št. 133: Ronald E. Kostelik, John LaLonde, Ronald LaLonde, Francis Mihelich, Sandra J. Murphy, Patrick J. Richardson, Thomas F. Richardson, William J. Richardson, Edward Russ, Justine Russ, Margaret Russ, Anthony R. Tomasic.

Dr. št. 223: Josephine Klancer 35914.

Dr. št. 228: Henry D. Mohar 39729.

Dr. št. 229: Mike Galich 37406, Terezia

Dr. št. 231: Joseph Vitkovic 39632.

Dr. št. 232: Josephine Febbraro 41473, Pio

Dr. št. 234: Angeline Marn 41180, Mary

Dr. št. 235: Barnadine Morris 41242.

Dr. št. 236: Matt Stukel 41424.

Dr. št. 237: Ronald LaLonde, Francis Mihelich, Sandra J. Murphy, Patrick J. Richardson, Thomas F. Richardson, William J. Richardson, Edward Russ, Justine Russ, Margaret Russ, Anthony R. Tomasic.

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## OTROCI SONCA

Ako se v jasni noči ozremo proti nebu, vidimo tisoče zvezd. Baje jih je mogoče s prostim očesom našeti do dvajset tisoč. Majhen daljnogled nam odkrije nadaljnje tisoče zvezd, veliki teleskopi, kakršnih se poslužujejo astronomi, pa jih pokažejo milijone. In vse te zvezde, z izjemo par planetov našega sončja, so sonca, izmed katerih so mnoga neprimerno večja od našega sonca. V zvezdini skupini, ki jo imenujemo rimska cesta, je, po izjavah zvezdogledov, najmanj sto tisoč milijonov zvezd oziroma sonce. Ena izmed teh je tudi naše sonce. Poleg rimske ceste so v vesmirju še nadaljnje zvezdne skupine, ustavljene iz nadaljnjih sto milijonov sonce.

Koliko zvezd oziroma sonce je v vesmirju, najbrž ne bo znanost nikdar dognala, in bržkone bi bilo število istih celo za znanstvenike nepojmljivo. V zvezi s tem je zanimivo ugibanje, če ima še katero drugo sonce v vesmirju planet, na katerih bivajo človeku podobna bitja. Kaj gotovega o tem najbrž ne bomo nikdar izvedeli, saj niti najboljši teleskopi ne morejo doseči planetov drugih sonce, če eksistirajo. Vsekakor si je težko predstavljati, da bi v vsem neizmernem vesmirju z neštetimi milijoni sonce ne bilo nobenega sonca, ki bi imelo planete, na katerih bi bilo človeško življenje mogoče. Toda, kot že omenjeno, tega najbrž ne bomo nikdar dognali. Saj še ne vemo, če je poleg Zemlje še kateri drugi planet našega sončja obljuden. Domnevna se tu in tam, da so morda na planetu Marsu in na Veneri pogoji, v katerih bi mogla živeti človeku podobna bitja, toda gotovega ne vemo nič.

Naše sonce je med milijardami sonce v vesmirju eno manjših sonce, prav za prav samo neznačna iskrica. In med planeti našega sonca je naša Zemlja eden njenih najmanjših planetov. To se pravi, da je naša Zemlja silno majhen prašek v vesmirju.

Dobro je, da včasih o tem razmišljamo, da se bomo zavedli, kako silno majhni in neznačni smo šele mi, ki lažimo po tem za nas ogromnom planetu. To bo ohladilo našo domisljajost, ki dostikrat gredi življenje nam in drugim. To nam bo pomagalo, da bomo bolje izrabili tisto iskro, ki jo imenujemo življenje, in da ne bomo brez potrebe zatemnjevali drugih isker, ki predstavljajo življenja drugih. Starost naše Zemlje cenijo znanstveniki na dva milijona let. Kaj je naše življenje, tudi najdaljše, v primeri s to dobo! Preteklost je nespremenljiva, na bodočnost pa moremo vplivati le v silno omejenem obsegu. Prevelika skrb za kolikor toliko oddaljeno bodočnost je torej čisto odveč; samo otežkoča nam življenje in nikomur nič ne koristi.

Naše življenje in naše delo je v sedanosti. Gre se nam v glavnem zato, da si napravimo življenje kolikor mogoče znosno, da skušamo lepšati življenje drugih in da pustimo zanamcem nekaj dobre podlage, na kateri bodo oni gradili lepo bodočnost. Naše moči in prilike so v tem oziru silno omejene, vendar nekaj malega skoro vsak lahko prispeva.

Kakor je naša Zemlja otrok sonca, tako smo v prenešenem pomenu mi otroci sonca. Brez sonca ne bi bilo niti našega niti kakega drugega življenja na tem planetu. Sončni zarki nam ohranjajo življenje in zdravje. Poslužimo se jih torej zdaj, ko je čas in prilika za to. Pomnimo, da v poletnem času si mora naš telesni sistem nabratí moči in odpornosti proti zimskim nevesčnostim.

Poleg tega ne omolovažujmo sončnega razpoloženja. Razne dnevne neprilike veliko težje prenašamo samo vsled tega, ker jih sami v mislih povečujemo in se potem sami sebi preveč smilimo. Primerena sreča in zadovoljnost je dostikrat odvisna od našega lastnega razpoloženja. Mnogi zdravniki celo pravijo, da je marsikaka bolezen samo v domislji, in mnogi so prepričani, da optimistično razpoloženje več pomaga k zdravju kot poln koš medicin.

Pa tudi z ozirom na našo okolico skušajmo biti otroci sonca. Spoštujmo prepričanje vsakega in ne žalimo ga zaradi istega, pa bilo tako ali tako. Ako je treba, da poudarimo naše lastno prepričanje, storimo to lahko na dostenjen, nežaljiv način. Trosimo optimistično in sončno razpoloženje, kjer koli moremo in bodimo iskreni prijatelji napram tistim, ki po našem mnenju to zaslužijo. Ako nam ena ali druga oseba ne ugaja, pustimo jo v miru, ako nismo direktno izvzvani. Svet je velik in ni treba, da bi bili drug drugemu na poti in si medsebojno grenili življenje. In pomagajmo manj srečnim soljudem, ce moramo, posebno tistim, ki so nam najbližji. Bodimo otroci sonca, ker na ta način bomo tudi dobri državljanji in dobrí člani J. S. K. Jednote.

## Iz glavnega urada JSKJ

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Uradno se naznanja, da se prične revizija knjig in računov glavnega tajnika, glavnega blagajnika in upravnika Novo Dobe v glavnem uradu, Ely, Minnesota, dne 25. julija 1939 ob 9. uri dopoldne. Revizije se imajo udeležiti glavni predsednik, glavni tajnik, glavni blagajnik in člani nadzornega odseka.

Poletna seja glavnega odbora se prične v glavnem uradu dne 29. julija 1939, ob 9. uri dopoldne. Poleg glavnega predsednika, glavnega tajnika, glavnega blagajnika in članov nadzornega odseka se imajo poletne seje glavnega odbora udeležiti tudi drugi glavni podpredsednik, pomožni tajnik, vrhovni zdravnik in urednik-upravnik Novo Dobe.

Društa ali posamezniki, ki želijo kako stvar predložiti glavnemu odboru naj poskrbijo, da bo ista v rokah glavnega tajnika na pozneje kot 27. julija 1939.

ZA GLAVNI ODBOR JSKJ:

PAUL BARTEL, glavni predsednik;  
ANTON ZBASNIK, glavni tajnik.

## VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

na nekak simbol zapada. Saj imam rad naš Cleveland z vsemi njegovimi prednostmi in nedostatki, toda klub temu se moje misli dostikrat sprehajajo po znanah in ljubih mi krajinah našega zapada.

Iz južnega dela države Colorado piše sobrat Stanley Javovich, da se njegova iz Iowe došla sorodnica na mile viže čudi, kako da v Coloradu ni muh in komarjev. Njeno komarjevo radovnost pa da je potolažil z izjavo, da bodo muhe in komarji sigurno navzoči na prvem pikniku, ki ga društvo priredi. Coloradski komarji in muhe imajo torej prav take navade kot njihovi brenceri sorodniki v državi Ohio.

Od 28. julija do 7. avgusta letos se bo v Clevelandu vršil svetovni kongres perutninjarjev, združen v razstavo perutnine. Naši rojaki pravijo, da bo kurji kongres. Po veliki reklami, ki jo delajo perutninjarji, bi se dalo sklepati, da bo to res velikanski kokodaj. Urednik je z obžalovanjem odklonil že dolgo vrsto vabil na seje, sestanke in banke, ki so nekaka predpriprava za ta kurji kongres, iz vzroka, ker bo moral baš takrat v Minnesotu. Velike škode ne bo, ker njegov kikiriki bi med tisočerimi petelin itak ne zalegel desti.

Te dni se je v uredništvu objavil prijatelj Frank Birtich, ki se je po daljšem bivanju v Jugoslaviji spet vrnil v Cleveland, kjer ima mnogo starih prijateljev in znancev. Povedal je več zabavnih doživljajev in tipičnih jugoslovenskih posebnosti, katerim sem se na glas smejal. Ne iz kakšnega prezira, ampak ker me je res zabavalo. Pa je mož prenehral, me nekako hudomušno pogledal in dejal: "Tak smeh je doma samo v Ameriki. V Jugoslaviji smo se tako smeiali samo, kadar smo se sešli Amerikanci. Smeh domačega jugoslovenskega prideka je rezerviran in skoro uredno pristren, kadar ga je sploh kaj. Le Amerika se smeje res odkritosreno in neženirano."

Nedavno so nas, kakor vsako leto, obiskali tako zvani kanadski vojaki. To so nekak velikim komarjem podobne žuželke, ki se iz jajčec izležejo na dnu jezera Erie, tam prežive dve leti v črvasti obliku, nakar se preobražijo in dvignejo iz vode v zrak. Tam se na brzo roko oženijo in samice odložijo na jezersko vodo jajčeca, ki se pogrezeno na dno, kjer se začne novi življenjski krogtek teh zanimivih živalic. Canadski vojaki in njihove neveste pa dan ali dva po poroki odidejo v večna lovišča. Kadar veter piha od Canade, jih prinese velike roje na ameriško obalo, kjer jih imenujemo Canadian soldiers. Če pa veter piha od naše strani, jih zanese v Canada, kjer jih imenujemo Yankee soldiers. Znanstveniki pa jih imenujemo z učenim imenom: ephemeroptera.

Ti kanadski vojaki ne grizejo

venciji v Indianapolisu in menita tudi na nekaterih prejšnjih konvencijah.

Zapušča sina Louisa in hčer Mildred Gray, oba že poročena. Pogreb se je vršil v ponedeljek 3. julija.

Sinu in hčeri naše sožalje!

## RAZNO IZ AMERIKE IN INOZEMSTVA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

### JAVNO LASTNIŠTVO

Memphis v državi Tennessee je prvo večje mesto v Zedinjenih državah, kjer so vse javne naprave, to je vodovod, elektrifikacija in plinarne v lasti in upravi mesta. Cene za odjemalce so od 22 do 50 odstotkov nižje, kot so bile prej, ko so javne naprave lastovale privatne družbe. Dobrek rekord mesta Memphisa bo vzpostavlja za druga mesta, da se glede javnih naprav rešijo odiranja privatnih družb.

### NOVI GOVERNER

Država Louisiana je dobila novega governerja, ker se je dosedanji governer Richard W. Leche zaradi bolezni odpovedal svojemu uradu. Govertor je postal Earl K. Long, dosedanji podgovrnar, brat bivšega governerja in zveznega senatora Hueya P. Longa, ki je pred nekaj leti padel od krogla nekega političnega nasprotnika.

### DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

aranžiran za članstvo mladinskega oddelka, obenem pa bo tudi poskrbljen za postrežbo starejših.

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*Glavni urad* poroča, da so pred zaključkom kampanje kvalificirali za delegatstvo na mlađinski konvenciji še sledeči nadaljni kandidati: Joseph Bartich, od leta 1936 do 1938 predstavljajoč državu Colorado, in James Klubochar od društva št. 1, Ely, Minn.; Leonard Perushek od društva št. 2, Ely, Minn.; Charles Brodarich od društva št. 11, Omaha, Neb.; Carolyn Kern od društva št. 54, Hibbing, Minn.; Louis Kuznik od društva št. 138, Export, Pa.; Robert Champa od društva št. 184, Ely, Minn.; Frank Ambrožič od društva št. 30, Chisholm, Minn.

Vsega skupaj je po došlih porocilih pred zaključkom kampanje kvalificiralo za delegatstvo na mlađinski konvenciji 24 kandidatov.

Za delegatstvo na atletični konferenci je kvalificiral Albert Jelercic od društva št. 186, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Federacija društev JSKJ v

zapadni Pennsylvaniji bo zborovala v nedeljo 30. julija v Claridge, Pa. Po zborovanju se bo vršil piknik.

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V Indianapolisu, Ind., je umrl Frank Žonta, star 66 let, član društva št. 166 JSKJ. Zapušča soprog, dva sina in dve hčeri. Rojen je bil v vasi Potovrh na Dolenjskem v Sloveniji.

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Louis J. Pirc, urednik in so-

lastnik dnevnika "Ameriške Domovine" v Clevelandu, Ohio, je

dne 29. junija nagloma umrl za možgansko kapjo. Če dan je še delal v uradu, zvečer pa je bil že mrtev. Pokojnik, ki je bil mnogo let urednik "Ameriške Domovine" ter listov, ki so bili predniki iste, je imel med delom slovenskega prebivalstva v Clevelandu in dvignejo iz vode v zrak.

Tam se na brzo roko oženijo in samice odložijo na jezersko vodo jajčeca, ki se pogrezeno na dno, kjer se začne novi življenjski krogtek teh zanimivih živalic. Canadski vojaki in njihove neveste pa dan ali dva po poroki odidejo v večna lovišča. Kadar veter piha od Canade, jih prinese velike roje na ameriško obalo, kjer jih imenujemo Canadian soldiers. Če pa veter piha od naše strani, jih zanese v Canada, kjer jih imenujemo Yankee soldiers. Znanstveniki pa jih imenujemo z učenim imenom: ephemeroptera.

Pokojnik je bil pred leti glavni urednik podporne organizacije Slovenske dobrodelne zveze, katere sedež je v Clevelandu.

Bil je tudi član društva št. 37 JSKJ, katero društvo je kot de-

legat zastopal na 14. redni kon-

POLJSKA PRIPRAVLJENA Iz Varšave se poroča, da je Poljska pripravljena in odločena se z orožjem upreti Nemčiji, če bi slednja skušala zavzeti Gdansko ali poljsko Pomorje, kar se imenuje tudi poljski koridor. Oboje je za Poljsko življenskega pomena. V Gdansku se baje že vežbajo v orožju večje čete prostovoljcev in med njimi je več tisoč nemških častnikov in vojnikov, ki so prišli tja kot turisti. Anglija in Francija imata s Poljsko obrambno pogodbo in, če pride do krvavega spora med Poljsko in Nemčijo, bosta v istega zapleteni tudi Anglia in Francija. Iz tega pa bi se skoro gotovo razvila splošna evropska vojna.

### ZVEZA Z RUSIJO?

Pogajanje za vojsko obrazbeno zvezo Anglijе in Francije z Rusijo napram Nemčiji, ki se vleka dva meseca, je delo pričelo v devetih letih. Do leta 1902 je vladila Lesseps, ki je leta 1869 uveljal gradnjo trije mesečni asembli. Vse je nagrade so izplačljive šele potem, ko so bili člani plačani trije mesečni asembli.

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AL JELERCIC

## From the Home Office of SSCU

### NOTICE OF SEMI-ANNUAL AUDIT AND MEETING OF THE SUPREME BOARD

*Notice is hereby given that the semi-annual audit of the books and accounts of the supreme secretary, supreme treasurer and manager of Nova Doba will commence in the Home Office, Ely, Minnesota, July 25, 1939, at 9:00 A. M. There shall be present at the audit the supreme president, supreme secretary, supreme treasurer and the members of the board of trustees.*

*Notice is further given that the semi-annual meeting of the supreme board will commence in the Home Office, Ely, Minnesota, July 29, 1939, at 9:00 A. M. In addition to the officers mentioned above the semi-annual meeting of the supreme board shall also be attended by the second supreme vice-president, assistant supreme secretary, supreme medical examiner and editor-manager of the Nova Doba.*

*Matters for the consideration of the supreme board should be in the hands of the supreme secretary not later than July 27, 1939.*

### BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME BOARD OF SSCU:

PAUL BARTEL, Supreme President

Attest: ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary

### DELEGATES TO JUVENILE CONVENTION AND ATHLETIC CONFERENCE PLEASE NOTE!

*To the many queries received by the Home Office, the delegates to both the juvenile convention and athletic conference are advised that railroad tickets from their homes to Ely and return will be forwarded to them by the supreme secretary. These tickets, together with convention badges and detailed instructions as to how to travel to and from Ely will be sent out on or before July 25th.*

*The delegates are scheduled to arrive in Ely August 3 and will depart August 7.*

*Fraternally yours, ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary*

### From Omaha, Neb.



CHARLES BRODERICK

"I am very glad to have qualified as delegate to the third juvenile convention," writes Charles Broderick, delegate from lodge 11, SSCU of Omaha, Nebraska. Charles shall be the only delegate from Omaha, and he is very thankful to John Urek, secretary of lodge 11, for his kind assistance. Born on July 17, 1924, Charles will be 15 by the time he attends the juvenile convention. His father, mother, and his three brothers all belong to the SSCU. Charles Broderick is looking forward to making many friends in Ely, and particularly is he anxious to see Little Stan.

### CLEVELAND SSCU SOFT-BALL SCHEDULE

#### RESULTS OF LAST WEEK

Betsy Ross 9, Ilirska Vila 4

Friday, July 7  
Ilirska Vila vs G. Washington  
Monday, July 10  
Betsy Ross vs Napredek, Napredek  
Wednesday, July 12  
B. Ross vs. G. Washington, Grovewood  
Friday, July 14  
Napredek vs Ilirska Vila, Kirtland  
Monday, July 17  
Coll. Boosters vs Betsy Ross, Napredek  
Wednesday, July 19  
Napredek vs Coll. Boosters, Grovewood  
Phil Sirca, Chairman

#### Perfect

Counsel (in divorce case)—Is it true your husband led a dog's life with you?

Wife—He did. He came in with muddy boots, leaving footprints all over the carpet. He took the best place near the fire and waited to be fed. He growled at the least provocation and snapped at me a dozen times a day.

### Lodge 28

Kemmerer, Wyo.—Lodge "Marija Danica," No. 28, SSCU will hold its annual picnic on Sunday, July 16, at Peterneil's farm. Each member of the lodge must purchase a ticket, whether or not he attends, as decided by the lodge at its monthly meeting. Committee in charge of arrangements assures all guests a day of entertainment. Invited to the picnic are not only members of the SSCU in nearby lodges, but also the general public.

Frank Krusich, Sec'y

## BRIEFS

CAMPAIGN EXCEEDS ONE MILLION DOLLAR GOAL. A telephone call from supreme secretary Anton Zbasnik gave the following campaign results as of June 30th: 1461 new juvenile members and 603 new adult members for a total of \$1,006,050.00 worth of new insurance; and a total of 2067 new members in both divisions. This total does not include new members and subsequent new insurance still in the U. S. mail and on the way to the home office in Ely, Minn.

## Campaign Over! Magic Carpet Is Getting Ready for Nation-Wide Trip; Will Announce Delegates!

By Little Stan, Publicity Campaign Director

Ely, Minn.—Waving gloriously in the breeze, a symbol of great national patriotism this day of the Nation's Birthday is the American Flag! Hearts will be stirred, and with bands blaring, people parading will joyously celebrate the occasion. Throughout the United States there will be the spirit of everlasting freedom, riding on the waves of varied programs!

Last Friday evening our SSCU's gigantic six-month campaign came to an impressive close. As Little Stan writes this column, final returns have

not yet been compiled although Bro. Anton Zbasnik and the staff at the home office have a pretty fair idea just who will make the grade, and be delegates to the third juvenile convention and second athletic conference August 4, 5, and 6. But

then again, the race is very close in some districts, and any last minute rush of new-member applications may change the set-up completely. For this vital reason, every little result will be shrouded in secrecy until after July 5, — deadline for receipt of new-member applications at the home office. Then the staff, including your famous magic carpet, will go to town with deadly accuracy, preparing the list of happy carefree delegates to what will be the greatest conclave in the history of our organization.

Two candidates for athletic conference have qualified automatically as delegates. They are Albert Jelercic, athletic supervisor of Betsy Ross lodge, 186, SSCU and John "Bub" Kardell, president and athletic supervisor of George Washington lodge, 180, SSCU. Both delegates are from Cleveland, O., and each secured \$10,000 worth of new insurance to their credit.

For several years the two SSCU lodges in Gowanda, N. Y., have enjoyed fine co-operation particularly in their annual picnics. This year, lodges St. Joseph, 89, and Pathfinders, 222, again will join hands to spon-

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### From Indianapolis



JOSEPH BANICH

When Joseph Banich of Indianapolis, Ind., represents lodge 45, SSCU as a qualified delegate to the third biennial juvenile convention, he will represent also Indianapolis, and in fact the State of Indiana. Joseph is 15 years old and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Banich. His father is secretary of St. Joseph's lodge, 45, SSCU.

Writes \$10,000 Worth



JOHN "BUB" KARDELL

When John Kardell, president of Cleveland George Washington lodge, 180, SSCU and its athletic supervisor was a mere shaver of a year or so, he had the happy habit of saying "bub," in answer to a lot of questions asked by his elders. So the nickname "Bub" stuck with him; even his mother calls him "Bub." At the beginning of the athletic conference-juvenile convention campaign, Bub made up his mind that he would qualify as delegate in the senior division. But like many other delegates he suffered some disappointment with his prospects, and for a while it looked like "Bub" would not get the opportunity again to see Ely, Minn., his birthplace. And just when the outlook for delegateship was darkest, in stepped Janko N. Rogelj, first supreme trustee, with some much needed assistance. So with the help of Bro. Rogelj, who writes many interesting articles for the Nova Doba in the Slovene section, Bub Kardell qualified. Mrs. Agnes Kardell, his wife, is secretary of George Washington lodge. Their daughter Elaine Kardell, is a member of the juvenile division. Although Elaine will be only 3 years old next November, she already is looking forward to run as juvenile delegate.

### From Uniontown, Pa.



FRANCES PRAH

Frances Prah qualified as juvenile delegate around the first of June, and failure to publish her picture earlier is due to a slip somewhere along the route from the photographer to Uncle Sam's mailman. Frances will represent lodge 55, SSCU of Uniontown, Pa. And is she happy to have qualified? Certainly, she is. Frances writes: "I am very enthusiastic about the whole convention idea." And why not! For she will travel many miles, see beautiful scenery, be entertained, and represent her lodge at the third biennial juvenile convention.

### Picnic Date

Detroit, Mich.—Final arrangements have now been made for a picnic to be held by the Brigadiers and Lodge Triglav. The affair is to take place at Ryan Park, 10½ Mile and Ryan Road, July 15.

How often have you said, "If it were only on a Saturday, I could make it." Here it is, no more excuses, admission is only 15c.

Are we going to have dancing? Most assuredly, drinking and dining too.

How about some of the nearby or distant lodges spending the day, and the week-end with us. Here's your opportunity to become acquainted with our lodges. This invitation is extended to all.

Don't forget Saturday, July 15, from 2 p. m. till ??

Frances Skoryance, Pres.,  
Brigadiers, 234, SSCU

### Lodges 144-234

Detroit, Mich.—Two SSCU lodges of Detroit, namely "Triglav," 144, and Brigadiers, 234, will hold a joint picnic on Saturday, July 15, at Ryan and 10½ Mile Road.

Mike Bahor, Sec'y

### From Eveleth, Minn.



JOSEPH J. LAURICH

Among the happy juvenile members of the SSCU is a lad from Eveleth, Minn., by the name of Joseph J. Laurich, for Joseph has qualified as delegate to the third biennial juvenile convention to take place in Ely, Minn., on August 4, 5 and 6. Joseph J. Laurich is a member of lodge 25, SSCU of Eveleth.

## A GOOD INFLUENCE

While the official results of the athletic conference-juvenile convention campaign are being tabulated at the home office this week, and many anxious candidates are waiting for official confirmation that they have qualified as delegates, let us review the six-month campaign activity.

Starting on January 1st, and with hopes soaring high, each candidate was confident that he or she would be among those present in Ely, Minnesota on August 4, 5 and 6 as official delegates. Several have realized their dream, such as those candidates who automatically qualified with either \$6,000 or \$10,000 worth of new insurance, or forty and twenty new juvenile members.

Several obstacles prevented some from reaching their goal. Unfavorable working conditions was the most severe handicap for candidates residing in such districts where mine and factory operations ceased during the last six months.

But, win or lose, to have qualified or not to have qualified, the six-month athletic conference-juvenile convention membership campaign has imbued in the hearts of the younger set, both juvenile and English-speaking, a higher regard for the SSCU. Candidates, in selling our Union to the outsider, learned much about the working principles of the organization, where ordinarily they would be content to remain ignorant of the numerous advantages enjoyed by the members.

Many English-speaking members have learned for the first time that our SSCU has three types of death benefit certificates. They discovered the fact that our SSCU is on par with any insurance house interested in life insurance, and as good if not better than any fraternal benefit organization.

Our boys and girls are beginning to find themselves in the SSCU. A campaign such as was just concluded helps the younger set to place themselves in the SSCU. It assures them that they have a right to be included with the senior group in matters pertaining to the Organization.

The campaign has had a stimulating effect on the younger set. They became more conscious of their responsibilities to the SSCU. The six-month campaign has stimulated in their minds an interest in the Organization, and a very important factor was their inclination to sell the SSCU on their experiences with the Organization, along with the attractive features as stipulated in the by-laws.

The athletic conference and the juvenile convention are less than a month away. The few remaining weeks before the delegates board the train to Ely will literally fly away, and before they realize it, the delegates will be on the coaches, Ely bound.

It is reasonable to believe that the six-month campaign shall have far reaching influences, particularly on the elected delegates. When the boys and girls meet on the train, and ride for hours together, they shall become acquainted, compare notes, and invariably the discussion will revert to the campaign and the SSCU.

Like the regular quadrennial conventions, where delegates remain life-long acquaintances after the conventions, the athletic conference and the juvenile convention will serve as a binder for many delegates who shall become very well acquainted with each other. And the younger mind does not forget easily days of companionship and entertainment. For years to come, the delegates will remember the conference and the convention; for years they will remember the entertainment, and for many more years they will remember each other.

The juvenile convention and the athletic conference is a great booster for the SSCU.

### BRIEFS

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sor a picnic at Mentley's Grove, and game of a series of three to decide the southern Ohio SSCU championship.

**Western Pennsylvania Federation** of SSCU lodges will hold a meeting on Sunday, July 30, in Claridge, Pa., with a picnic to follow at Greater Beechwood Park.

**Lodge 21, SSCU of Denver**, Colo., will sponsor its annual picnic on Sunday, July 30, at John Snider's farm, which is also known as "Zank's Farm."

**A joint picnic will be held** by SSCU lodges 190 and 105 of Butte, Montana on Sunday, July 9, at Nine Mile Inn.

**Spending a two week's vacation** in Cleveland, O., is Joseph Lunka of Denver, Colo. He is staying with his brother's family, John P. Lunka, fourth supreme vice-president SSCU.

**From Detroit, Mich., comes** a report that the two SSCU lodges, Brigadiers, 234, and "Triglav," 144, will hold a joint picnic on Saturday, July 15, at Ryan Park, situated at 10½ Mile and Ryan Road.

**Annual picnic of Lodge 136**, SSCU of Krayn, Pa., is sched-

### The Declaration of Independence

Ely, Minn. — The Declaration of Independence, made by the Continental Congress at Philadelphia on July 4, 1776, was written upon a large sheet of parchment. It measures about twenty-four inches wide and thirty inches long. It is now in the Library of Congress.

The representatives of the thirteen colonies present at the Congress signed the Declaration. John Hancock, the president, signed first in large letters, so that the English officers would have no trouble in finding his name. Among the other names we can recognize the familiar handwriting of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Samuel Adams and Thomas Jefferson. Washington's name is not there, because he had been made commander of the American army and was preparing to defend New York against a British attack.

John Adams wrote to his wife that the adoption of the Declaration would, he believed, "be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival." He said in the same letter, "It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with the shows, games, and sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other." He lived to see the day celebrated many times.

#### What the Declaration Said

Many statements in the Declaration should be treasured in our memories. "All men are created equal," is one. This does not mean that they are all equally tall or equally wise. It does mean that equal liberty belongs to every one. The Declaration also says that governments gain "their just powers from the consent of the governed." This is self-government or democracy. If a government does not secure liberty to the citizens, the Declaration says they have a right to change it. Such was the reason why the Declaration concludes by saying, "That these United Colonies are free and independent states," and no longer a part of the British Empire.

**Why Independence Came**

Not even after fighting had begun were the colonists ready to declare themselves an independent nation. They thought that King George and his advisers would change their minds and agree to treat the colonists fairly. Instead they heard that the king had hired German soldiers to punish them as "rebels" and to reduce them to obedience. The colonists now decided that if they must, they would fight for independence. This was the reason for the Declaration of Independence in July, 1776.

Submitted by Florence D. Startz

uled to take place on Saturday, July 15, at "Vihar" Lodge Park. Dancing in the evening will start at 7 p.m.

**"Who's Who Among the Yugoslavs** in Cleveland and Environs" is a new project just being completed this month by Anthony J. Klančar, who has spent over two years in compiling this valuable little guide to Cleveland's Yugoslav cultural, political, religious and social workers. The editor of the "Yugoslav's Who's Who" still needs assistance in rounding out his own research work and asks the readers of this page to send in information about friends and relatives they think should be included in such a Who's Who.

NAME IN FULL, PROFESSIONAL TITLE, NATIONALITY (SLOVENE, SERB OR CROAT), AND THE ADDRESS should be included in this information. Address your letters to: Anthony J. Klančar, 1047 East 67th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

**Annual picnic of Lodge 136**, SSCU of Krayn, Pa., is sched-

### LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

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fleecy white clouds above! Below, rolling waves tossing the big launch gently in its wake as a light breeze fanned your cheeks to the tune of a steady motor which churned the water in its wake. It gives you a picture of the waves wrapped in crystal spray. Passing scores of beautiful islands upon which are constructed modern summer homes. Beauty in nature's wonderland, unsurpassed nowhere! That's where delegates will be taken on a trip during their stay in Ely! Occasionally you see a fish jump out of the water almost in front of you, and your fingers itch for the feel of that same fish tugging away at your hook!

Little Stan was supposed to write a news story covering the wonders of the lake under the expert guidance of skippers Walter Aronson and Carl (Scoop) Kirkman. Aronson has been on the boats since 1915, taking time off to offer his services to our country during the great war. Kirkman has been riding the waves in the Mayflower, 40-passenger launch, for the last ten years! They're both eagerly waiting the arrival of delegates to this wilderness land. For they have many adventures to tell you!

When the trip was completed, the inspiration of the beauty was written vividly in Little Stan's imagination, and the story was easy to write. Aronson Boat Livery rides local people on excursion trips over the lake daily. And if any of you people like to admire scenery and enjoy a lake ride, you will have to get on one of these excursions before the trip ends. Enjoy them these next three months, for that is when summer beauty is unexcelled!

Last stop on this Lake Vermilion run is Trout lake portage where Cliff Morcom takes care of tourists at Morcom's Inn. He has six cabins, a main lodge decorated with historic relics of stuffed animals and minerals. There were gold explorations in these parts, but only the decayed equipment can give you indication that once upon a time, some prospectors roughed it in an effort to find the medium of exchange which would make them rich and prosperous. It is a beautiful country. You'll see a big part of it on your trip!

Sunday was a day of picnics. At Eveleth's beautiful Ely lake park, the Minnesota Federation of SSCU lodges conducted their annual picnic. Over 2,000 people were present, helping make the affair very successful. Main speaker was Bro. Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary. He pointed out that our SSCU was a "home institution" and as such deserved every bit of consideration just as the local groceryman on the corner. His talk was inspiring to all. Bro. Louis Champa, supreme treasurer, remarked on the picnic and the wonderful arrangements made, and lauded the Federation on the fine work, and reported that our organization had assets totaling over 2½ million dollars.

Chairman was Bro. George Kotze, Eveleth, one of the original charter members of the organization. Besides introducing guest speakers, he talked informally about the early pioneers who worked so hard to

start the South Slavonic Catholic Union on its way to national prominence. He introduced John Lamuth, Chisholm, secretary of the Minnesota Federation, and called vigorously for John C. Virant, Aurora, president of the federation. One of the hardest working fellows on the grounds was Joe Orehek of Lodge No. 25 who was on his toes every minute. There was music by Peppy Louis Kotzman, and dancing in the pavilion. The Eveleth Municipal band played a fine concert, and the Z.A.S. drill team, which has nine SSCU members in their fold of 20, gave a fine exhibition.

Running around the grounds with young Bill Zbasnik, Little Stan ran into quite a few of his old acquaintances. Among them, Mrs. Zurga, and Mr. Joseph Bovitz of Chisholm, Frankie Urbina and his brother of Eveleth. Frank was a delegate to the Cleveland convention in 1936, you remember. The ladies at the lunch stand were extremely busy and Little Stan was at their stand quite often. Ran across many friends who would be recognized immediately, but you know how it is when you try remembering names!

Attending the picnic from Ely were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomisch, Jr., and children; Frank is the assistant supreme secretary, you know— Then there was Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kovach, Mr. Buccowich, Sr., Mrs. Rozman, and Joseph Champa, the other passenger in Little Stan's car.

No one could miss the smiling happy countenance of Matt Anzelc of Aurora, supreme trustee. He was there with his wife and friends, and at the same time he was rubbing elbows with his many other Range-town acquaintances. Bro. Anzelc and Bro. Virant indicated Aurora would be well represented at the convention in Ely this August, and from the way new-member applications came rolling in, it is a fact.

Through error a part of his wire was left out in last week's issue; added should have been: "IF CANDIDATES CONTINUE AS THEY HAVE, THERE IS NO QUESTION BUT THAT WE WILL AGAIN GO OVER THE TOP!" Looks like his prediction came out.

O. K. Bro. Anzelc's wife, looking younger every minute, was there, adding that spirit to the picnic.

Meanwhile at Ely, the Yugoslav National Home was enjoying a successful celebration of its 20th anniversary. A crowd estimated at over 2,000 people listened to Hon. Mark Nolan, Judge of District Court; William Berlin, representative of the 60th district; and John C. Arko, assistant county attorney of Virginia. Ivan Tauzell was chairman.

Sports events, refreshments and the like completed a colorful program.

And now, be patient as the home office staff compiles the final standings in the race for delegateship to the conventions. For we'll be here with you when that time comes . . . Until then . . .

### Lodge 136

Krayn, Pa. — Lodge "Jutranja zvezda," 136, SSCU is holding its annual picnic and dance on Saturday, July 15. The festivities will take place in "Vihar" Lodge Park, and dancing will begin at 7 p.m. Frank Matlin's orchestra will furnish the music. All members of our lodge as well as members of other fraternal lodges in the nearby vicinity, their friends and acquaintances, are cordially invited to attend.

A. F. Tauzely, Sec'y

### Did You Know That . . .

By Anna Prosen, Lodge 173

John Solomon Rarey, the master and friend of horses, was born at Groveport, Franklin County, Ohio, December 6, 1827. He travelled thru most of Europe, owned a valuable race horse, Cruiser, worth \$15,000. He died in Cleveland October 4, 1866. Mr. Rarey's comfort and care of animals helped impress on the whole world, "Kindness is power?"

Ohio, with about 11,750 miles of surfaced highways, outside of municipalities ranks second in the U.S. in roadbuilding, being exceeded only by Pennsylvania?

The first tannery in Marietta, Ohio was erected in 1791?

Cincinnati has the largest laundry machine company and the biggest soap factory under one roof in the world, leads the whole world in the manufacture of playing cards; it has the largest trunk factory and the largest tannery in U.S. The American Book Co. is located here?

Ohio's flag is the form of a pennant. It consists of three red and two white stripes, with seventeen white stars in a blue field surrounding a white circle with a center. The flag was designed by John Eisenmann of Cleveland, and approved by the General Assembly in 1902 as the flag of Ohio?

**Int'l Fraternal Week**

Celebration of an International Fraternal Week sponsored by the National Fraternal Congress at Detroit August 13-18 will attract 100,000 visitors and feature an exhibition of 5000 uniformed representatives of every affiliated society, program leaders estimate.

The six-day program is the result of a long-cherished dream of President Charles L. Biggs that the annual meeting of the National Fraternal Congress of America could be converted into an international assembly of the rank and file membership of fraternal societies to demonstrate the common bond between all North American fraternalists.

It took seven months of genuine hard work by 130 members of a General Committee under the leadership of R. M. Norrington, of The Gleaners, vice-chairman Forrest Wiswell of the Protected Home Circle, and J. B. Baker of The Maccabees, to fulfill that dream.

The committee members were chosen by President Briggs to play host to Detroit's visitors. They represent Michigan's most active fraternalists.

#### Y. M. Wins

A lawyer was called in by a certain maiden lady to explain the details of her last will and testament.

"I want to give \$3,000 to the art museum, \$1,000 to my nephew, \$1,000 to the YWCA, and \$2,000 to the library."

"And what are you going to do with the remaining \$500?" he asked.

"I've never had a lover," sighed the disappointed one, "and I'll give that to anyone who will kiss me and make love to me."

"I'll do it," said the lawyer. He hurried home and explained to his wife. That night he called at the home of the maiden lady.

As the hour grew late his wife became nervous and called him on the phone.

"It's all right, dear," he said. "She has cut off the art museum and the library and if you'll let me stay a little longer, she'll drop the YWCA."

Typing Tips.

### American Slovenc Day

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — During the period from the 80's to the present time, some 250,000 Slovenes emigrated from the little province of Slovenia in northern Yugoslavia to America. They settled in various parts of the United States, but concentrated most heavily in the industrial states such as Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Minnesota. The cities of Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Pittsburgh are great centers of Slovenc people. Of the 415,000 Slavs living in Allegheny County about 25,000 are Slovenc. It is estimated that we have over 40,000 Slovenes in this State. The Slavic people are composed of nine national groups, namely, Bulgarians, Croatians, Czechs, Carpatho-Russians, Poles, Serbians, Slovaks, Ukrainians and Slovenes. We are members of the largest family of white people on earth. Slovenia is a beautiful country where nature very lavishly bestowed upon her scenic grandeur of unsurpassed magnificence. Fertile valleys run between rugged mountain peaks. The people are hardy, diligent and industrious. Because of hard times engendered by over crowding, lack of industrial development and intensified religious persecution, thousands were driven to America. In their homeland when they were persecuted with enough to eat, they were happy indeed. Our love to sing and when they brought to this country they brought with them the plaintive melody of the Balkans, sweet haunting loveliness caught up in little tunes. The Slovenc people boast of an almost complete absence of illiteracy in his native land.

America is a nation of nations. It is a combination of hundred tongues, a fusion of countless cultures. The best each is being absorbed and assimilated. From this great melting pot, is emerging a smooth functioning government, people working harmoniously together.

We Slovenc are inseparably molded into this great nation which we are helping to create. We have lost our identity as Slovenc. That is as it should be. Yet, we keenly realize that the ranks of our elders are rapidly thinning, and that are our last tangible connection to the land of our forefathers, our blood, our tongue, by our very spirits we are bound together. We want to dance and sing and rejoice together as of old.

As the years come tumbling down upon us we shall be more and more an annual Slovenc Day. We want our mothers and our fathers to meet and greet each other. To recall times and reminisce about old country.

To my mother and to my old friends and shake hands with them that is the purpose of Slovenc Day. To meet new people, old friends and shake hands with them in their own kind of folksong.

This first Slovenc Day will be held Saturday, July 8th, at West View Park, shall be remembered in years to come at the beginning of an annual constitution promoted for the purpose of preserving intact the better things our parents taught us for our children. They, by passing their heritage, will lead to finer lives as loyal Americans.

Ludwick Zupan, Solid Pessimism

"Oh, well," moralized the old man, "somewhere beyond the clouds the sun is shining."

"Maybe," demoralized the old man, "it's land, but that doesn't help a guy when he falls overboard."

**The Star Spangled Banner**

Ely, Minn. — Everybody in the United States has heard the song about the star-spangled banner. Nearly everybody has sung it. It was written by Francis Scott Key.

Key was a young lawyer. In

the war of 1812 he fought with

the American army. The British

soldiers in Maryland,

Bladensburg they fought

and beat the Americans. Key

was in this battle on the Ameri-

cans side.

After the battle the British

took Washington and

the public buildings.

They had a friend who was tak-

en prisoner by the British. He

was on one of the British ships.

He went to the ships with a

flag of truce. A flag of truce is

white flag. It is carried in war

on one side sends a message

to the other.

When Key got to the British

ships they were sailing to Bal-

more. They were going to take

the British fort near the city.

He was afraid that he

would let the Americans know

where the ships were going.

They were kept, a kind of pri-

soner while the ships attacked

Baltimore. The ships tried to

burn the city by firing at it from

water. The British army

tried to take the city on the

land side.

In the ships did their worst fir-

ing at night. They tried to take

the little fort near the city.

He could see the battle. He

really is a poem showing the

life of an honest laborer.

**English Literature**

Cleveland, O. — Early English poems have always been fascinating to all who like literature. An early and famous poem is the "Pearl." This poem was written in (c. 1358) and was translated in 1921 by Prof. I. Gollancz. This poem is about an infant girl who is dead and lying in her grave is being thought about by the author.

*Cursor Mundi* is another very interesting poem written by an unknown author. This poem is very long and the writer complains in a prologue that men rejoice to hear romances of Alexander, Arthur, Charlemagne and Troy. In the poem the writer also tells about the Virgin Mary and also the birth of Christ, following his life. A summary of this poem has been written by Morley.

The author of *Piers the Plowman* is also not known, but only is believed to be William Langland. In this poem there are realistic sketches of real persons and more of the problems of the writer's day. Piers is an honest laborer and he has a dream in which he meets all sorts of men and their conditions. This, really is a poem showing the life of an honest laborer.

Existing in three principal versions, Latin, French and English is the book called "The Travels of Sir John Mandeville." The book is rather known as an encyclopedia. It is more of a book telling the pilgrims the way to Jerusalem.

John Gower lived in 1335 and has a beautiful tomb at London at the St. Saviour's Cathedral. He wrote the very famous "Confessio Amantis."

Geoffrey Chaucer: born in 1340 and died in 1400, held a position at court under Edward III and Richard II. Spent his years in France, Italy and his

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our cause it just;

And this be our motto—

'In God is our trust'—

And the star-spangled banner

in triumph shall wave

O'er the land of the free, and

the home of the brave."

Submitted by

Florence D. Startz

**Lodge 111**

Cleveland, O. — All members of St. George's lodge, 111, SSSCU are requested to attend the next regular monthly meeting on Saturday, July 15. An item of very much importance is scheduled for discussion and disposal at this meeting. Therefore, it is imperative that all members attend.

Anton Hren, Sec'y

**American Slovene Day**

Pittsburgh, Pa. — As a member of the American-Slovene Day Committee, I want to warn you that before many days the throats will be wide open for a smile-a-minute trip to Pittsburgh's most beautiful playground, West View Park, for the biggest event ever held by any Nationalistic group or organization, namely the great American-Slovene Day on July 8th.

Every year various groups of the Slav origin throughout the United States observe, each in their own particular way, their purely national gatherings, picnics, outings, etc., exhibiting in a truly fitting and dignified manner their nationalistic ideals, customs, their music, songs and national dress.

The bill-boards seem covered during the Summer season with the conspicuous signs announcing Croatian Day, Slovak Day, Polish Day, Serbian Day, in one or the other of amusement parks throughout the United States.

Likewise we find similar events being observed by the Irish, the Scotch, and the Italians along with many other nationalities, each of them tracing in the manner the background of their ancestry, recalling to mind the old traditions, customs and folklore of their native land.

Suggestions have been made that an American-Slovene Day would attract ten thousand or more Slavs and their friends from Pennsylvania and other nearby states. Sponsored by the fraternal, civic and cultural organizations of Western Pennsylvania, it is expected that this event will naturally gain the support of large groups of our people, and it would become inviting to Slavs and especially our fellow countrymen, the Croatians residing in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia as well.

This year the fraternal, civic and cultural organizations of Western Pennsylvania have already completed plans for an American-Slovene Day to be held July 8th, at West View Park, announcement of which is being carried in various papers, and radio programs located in the Tri-State area. The thought of an American-Slovene Day has been planned for some time. The idea really merits consideration and support. Every loyal American-Slovene with the cooperation of their friends and fellow countrymen should and will help make this the greatest of all affairs ever held by any American-Slovene organization.

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latter years in England; his patron being John of Gaunt. One of his great poems was the "Troilus and Criseyde." From this poem Shakespeare was able to make his play called the "Troilus and Cressida."

Another of his great poems is "The House of Fame," a dream poem of the earlier medieval type. This poem was not finished as "The Legend of Good Women" wasn't either. His greatest poem being "The Canterbury Tales." This book brought him fame although it wasn't completed.

Elsie Mary Desmond

**DOPISI**

Krayn, Pa. — Društvo "Ju-tranja zvezda," št. 136 JSKJ, priredilo svoj letni piknik, združen s plesno veselico v soboto 15. julija. Prireditev se bo vršila v parku društva "Vihar" in ples se začne ob 7. uri zvečer. Za godbo bo skrbel slovenski orkester Franca Matlina.

Vsi članji in članice našega društva, kakor tudi članji in članice drugih bratovških društev v okolici ter vsi posamezni rojaki in rojakinje so vladljivo vabjeni na poset našega piknika.

Za društvo "Jutranja zvezda," št. 136 JSKJ:

A. F. Tauzely, tajnik.

**Rock Springs, Wyo.** — Sezona piknikov se je te čase razširila v vsej svoji prešernosti. Ta njena razigranost je dosegla tudi društvo Sv. Alojzija, št. 18 JSKJ, in posledica je, da je društvo sklenilo prirediti piknik v nedeljo 16. julija. Vršil se bo ta piknik ob cesti "30 U. S." v senci košatega drevja na tej strani reke Green River. prostor je večini tukaj-slovenec znan. Morda bi bilo dobro, da bi mu enkrat dali tudi slovensko ime, saj bo kmalu last Slovenskega doma oziroma rockspringskih Slovenscev.

Člani društva št. 18 JSKJ naj upoštevajo, da bo ta mesec zaradi piknika seja preštevna na 18. julija. Vršila se bo 18. julija ob 7. uri zvečer v Slovenskem domu. Tako je bilo sklenjeno na seji meseca junija.

Še enkrat opozarjam člane in članice našega društva in druge rojake, naše prijatelje, da naj ne pozabijo na datum našega piknika 16. julija. Vsi so vabjeni in vsi bodo dobrodošli. Še ce pride naš urednik s svojo Lizo, ju ne bomo pustili lačna in že načajna naprej. Pozdrav in na svodenje! — Za društvo št. 18 JSKJ:

Louis Taucher, tajnik.

**S pota.** — Minnesota ima v letnem času veliko število obiskovalcev, ne samo iz Amerike, ampak tudi iz inozemskih dežel. Zimska sezona je tukaj dolga, toda, ko nastopi pomlad in za njo poletje, skuša narava v kratkem času nadomestiti vse, kar je zamudila v dolgih zimskih mesecih. Žvrgolenje ptic se meša s smehom in vriškanjem letoviščarjev in piknikarjev. Livade pokriva poletno cvetje in ribiči pravijo, da je v sinjih jezerih mnogo rib.

Nedavno sem govoril tu z neko Californijčanko, ki je bila na obisku, pa se je pritožila, da šmarnice, ki jih je dobila iz Minnesota, tam ne uspevajo; menda pogrešajo zimski početak. Takrat so se tudi naši rojaki začeli priseljevati v Brookway, Kaintown in druge kraje v tisti bližini. Ob reki Mississippi, ki teče tam mimo, je bila pred leti velika lesna žaga. Zdaj pa je tam živahnobrojno območje tovariši in tovarisci. Tam je zaposleni tudi več naših rojakov in sobratov. Prva železnica je tam stekla okoli leta 1860. Baje je tam neki farmer zaprosil konduktorja, da naj vlak ustavi, da bo vstopil. Konduktor je mož ugodil in ga je vprašal za ime. Ime dotičnega farmerja je bilo Sartell in tako je nova postaja dobila isto ime. Okoli reke revne farmerske bajte je potem zrastlo mesto Sartell. Oddaljeno je od Brookwaya kakih 8 milj. Ko sem bil tam, se je vršila velika svatba. Neka Slovenka je poročila že-

nina nemškega rodu. Neki rojaki mi je reklo, da to je prav, ker dosedaj so se tamkajšnji priseljeni rojaki največ medsebojno možili in ženili in so si skoro tako v sorodstvu kot so si evropske vladarske rodbine. Svatba se je vršila v veliki dvorani in iz dvorane se je glasilo tudi slovensko petje. Dasi je to že tretja generacija, je še vedno obdržala slovenčino.

Naši oddelek, da je kandidatinja Clara Marie Frlan avtomatično kvalificirala za delegatstvo. Največ zaslug za ta uspeh seveda gre njeni materi sestri Antoniji Frlan, ki je tekoma Štihrih u pridobil 27 novih mladinskih članov. Društvo št. 118 JSKJ ima tudi kandidata za delegatstvo na atletični konferenci, glede katerega upam in želim, da doseže svoj cilj. Z zanimanjem bomo pričakovali oficirno poročila iz glavnega urada o uspehih kampanje. Bratški pozdrav!

John Lipek, zapisnikar dr. št. 233 JSKJ.

**Leadville, Colo.** — Vsi članji društva Sv. Jurija, št. 111 JSKJ, so vabjeni, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 15. julija. Na dnevnem redu se bo neka važna zadeva, zato je željeti, da so vsi članji navzoči. Bratški pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 111 JSKJ:

Anton Hren, tajnik.

**Braddock, Pa.** — Pred nekaj dnevi sem obiskal družino Strah, ki ima šest članov v naši Jedinoti in ki še vedno žaluje za materto Marijo Strah, ki smo jo nedavno položili v večnemu počitku. Pri tej priliki so me prosili, da bi zapisal neko zgodbico, katero je pokojna Mary Strah večkrat pripovedovala svoji družini. Leta 1911, takoj je pripovedovala, se je za velikonočne praznike podala v cerkev v Rankinu, da zadosti svojemu verškemu prepričanju. Ravno, ko je poklonila v se sklonila, da poljubi razpelo,

RADIVOJ REHAR:

## SEMISIRIS

ROMAN

"Vanj bi povrnil se rad..." je ponovila Evalasta. "Da, tudi jaz bi se rada vrnila! Tam daleč so večerne gore, pod njimi je na planoti mesto mojega očeta, naokrog so zelene livade, prekrizane s potoki in rekami... Tam daleč, daleč..."

slajše tam je dehtenje livad,  
lepše blestjenje nebeških je zvezd,  
lepši smehljaj je ljubežnih deklet...

Zaman! Nikoli več je ne bom videla, domovine moje."

Solze bolečine so ji privrele iz oči in vse njeno še šibko telo je pretreslo krčevito ihenje. Potem jo je obšla želja, da bi stopila na okno, skočila na teraso in se vrgla v globino, a njena mladost ni imela poguma, da bi sledila tej misli. Sunkoma se je odtrgala od okna, se vrgla na blazine in zarila vanje svojo razbolelo glavo.

"Milost, gospodarica!" se je oglasila Ilaja. "Pripravljena je večerja. Naj ti prižgem plamenico?"

"Pusti me v miru!" je kriknila mladenka. "Ne maram ne večerje ne luči!"

"Oslabelo bo tvoje šibko telo, ranjena golobica moja..."

"Pusti me v miru!" je ponovila princesa.

"Kakor ukazuješ, gospodarica!" je dejala komornica užaljeno in se odstranila.

Evalasta je iheta dalje. Njeno trpljenje se je spremenovalo v zamolklo bolečino, ki jo je utrujala, izčrpana njen telesne in duševne moći. Počasi se je od utrujenosti umirila in napolzala. Za trenotek jo je objelo pozabljenje, nato pa jo je v pelšnu zasklepla nova bolečina, da je zastokala in se obrnila. Toda jasno se ni zavedala nicesar. Potapljala se je v nepredporno meglo, dokler je ni zagrnila popolna noč spanja.

Tako je ležala že več ur, ko se ji je nenadoma sredi sanj zazdele, da jo nekdo kliče. Zdrnula se je in prisluhnula z zavestjo.

"Princesa..."

Da, to niso bile sanje. Razločno je slišala izgovorjeno besedo. Izgovoril jo je nekdo tik poleg njenega ležišča.

"Princesa, vstanji in pojdi z menoj!"

"Kdo si? Ti, Ilaja?"

"Ne. Govori tiše!"

"Si duh?"

"Ženska sem. Tvoja rešiteljica."

Evalasta se je napolzila in iskala z očmi po temi bitje, ki ji je govorilo, a noč je bila pregosta, da bi ga bila mogla opaziti. Zato je vprašala:

"Kje si?"

"Tu poleg tebe stojim."

Mrzla, skoraj mrliška roka se je dotaknila njenega komolca. "Kdo si? Kako ti je ime?"

"Ne sprašuj! Pojd!"

"Kam me hočeš odvesti?"

"Z dvora, iz Semisirisa, iz Atlantide..."

"Domov?"

"V deželo večernih gora..."

Evalasta se je dvignila in se tipaje približala nevidnemu ženskemu bitju.

"Mudi se! Hiti!" je velela prikazen.

"In moja oblačila? Nakit?"

"Pusti vse in pojdi!"

"Rada bi vzela vsaj nekaj."

"Ni časa."

"Vsaj nakit."

"Stori naglo!"

Princesa je poiskala zlato skrinjico in vzela iz nje nekaj dragocenosti. Potem je v naglici pograbila še haljo, ki je bila razgrnjena poleg ležišča.

"Pejd!" je silila prikazen, se ji približala in jo potegnila za seboj.

Evalasti se je zdelo, da jo vleče h kipu Raja, a ko je dospela do mesta, kjer bi moral stati, je otipala v steni odprtino. Hip nato se je ta odprtina za njo zaprla in znašla se je z neznanko v tem prostoru, v katerem je bilo komaj prostora za dva človeka. Vzduh zatočnosti in plesnobe ji je udaril v nos.

"Kje sem?" je vprašala preplašeno.

"Naj te ne skrbi!" je odgovorila neznana ženska. "Tu si priči in zadnjič. Nikoli več ne bos videla soban, ki si jih zapustila, nikoli faraonovega dvora, nikoli Semisirisa."

"Kaj nameravaš?" je vzkliknila Evalasta.

"Pokazati ti pot, ki vodi iz jetništva v tvojo domovino, nič drugega."

Princesa je začutila, da so se tla pod njo in neznanko zamašala in nato se ji je zazdele, da polzi tesna celica nekam v globino.

"Kaj je to?" je vprašala.

"Pogrezamo se v podzemlje."

"Kam? Kako?"

"To ni važno. Ne izrašuj!"

Glas neznanke je bil osoren in ukazuječ, da si princesa ni več upala spregovoriti. Z občutjem strahu je nemo in negibno stala poleg neznanke, dokler ni naposled začutila, da stoji celica spet trdo. Ženska je odprla stranska vrata in jo potegnila za seboj na podzemelski hodnik, v katerem je stala druga neznanka s plamenico v roki. Ob njenem svitu je princesa zagledala pred seboj strahotno žensko bitje, spreco starko, podobno bolj mumiji človeku. Od groze je skoraj kriknila.

"Kaj ti ja?" je vprašala ženska in se zakrohotala.

"Kdo si? Si človek ali prikazen?" je vprašala z naporom.

"Čarovnica Arikdinila."

"Čarovnica..."

"Še nici slišala mojega imena?"

"Nikoli."

"Potem si ga zapomni, da bo vedela, kdo te je rešil ponižana, ki te je čakalo na dvoru atlantskega vampirja!"

"In kdo je to?"

"Mladinka, ki si ji ukradla ljubezen faraona Semisa Ofirisa favoritka Nefteta."

"Ukradla ljubezen..."

"Zaradi nje sem te odpeljala, ne zaradi tebe," je dejala Arikdinila. "Brigala bi me azteška princesa!"

Evalasta se je zdrnila. Prevzela jo je groza, katero je še povečeval odpor, ki ga je čutila do te nepopisno grde starke. Misel, da je izvabljena v past in je brez pomoči v rokah dveh žensk, ki jo sovražita, jo je navdala z željo, da bi zakričala, se jima izvila in pobegnila nazaj v svoje sobane. Obrnila se je proti mestu, na katerem jo je starka pohnila v hodnik, a tam ni bilo nobene odprtine več, nobenih vrat; stal je zid kakor povsod drugod. To je njeno grozo še povečalo. Spoznala je, da je zares v rokah čarovnice. Kriknila je in hotela pobegniti po hodniku, toda starka jo je kakor s kleščami zagrabila za roko in dejala:

"Kam hočeš, golobica moja drobna? Iz tega hodnika ni nobenega izhoda, dokler ga ne pričara moja čarovnija. Ce hočeš, se lahko prepričaš; samo za take norčije ni časa, mudi se mi v moje kraljestvo. Bodti krotka in sledi mi!"

Starca jo je zopet prijela za roko in jo odpeljala dalje po hodniku. Nefteta je šla pred njima v svetila. Hodnik je bil tesen in nizek, obokan s kamnenim in se končal pred živo skalo, ki pa le nini živa, kajti na čarovniči pristi se je zamajala in umaknila, da se je za njo pokazala tesna odprtina in drug, enak hodnik. Ko so bili Evalasta, Nefteta in Arikdinila v njem, se je skala spet postavila na prejšnje mesto. Po tem hodniku so prispele do enakih vrat, za katerimi je bila tesna celica z blazinami. Čarovnica se je obrnila k Nefteti in dejala:

"Tvoje dglo je opravljen, hčerkica najdražja. Izhod na hodnik, ki veže svetišče na Gori prihoda z dvorom, poznaš. Vrni se, da te ne obdolže skrovite njenega pobega. Ce te bom potrebovala, te pokličem, če pa boš ti potrebovala mene, obišči me!"

"Hvala ti, skrivnostna!" je dejala Nefteta. "Tvoja dolžnica ostane do konca dne."

"Ne zahvaljuj se! Ne potrebujem zahvale. Pogodi!"

Arikdinila je potisnila princeso na blazino, potegnila za nek vzdvod in vhod se je zaprl, celica se je pa zganila in se pričela pomikati dalje nekam globoko v zemijo, vedno hitreje, nazadnje v diru.

Evalasta je sedela na teh poleg čarovnic in strmela z grozo v tem. Prevzemala jo je vso ena sama zavest, da je izročena težniki na milost in nemilost in da se gode okoli nje čudesa, kakršnih ji ne bi mogle pričarati najneverjetnejše sanje. Verjela je v dno duše, da je vse, kar se godi, nedoumljiva čarovnija.

Nazadnje je bilo podzemelskega potovanja konec. Vozilo je nekam zadelo in se ustavilo. Pred njim je nastala odprtina, skozi katero jo je čarovnica potegnila v nov hodnik, v podzemje, posuto s kapniki, ki ga je razsvetljevala le medla svetloba, prihajajoča od nekod iz daljave.

"Doma smo!" je dejala starka. "To je moje podzemlje, votlina pod Osenčjem na pobočju Gore prihoda. Pogodi!"

Peljala je še vedno od groze trepečočo mladenko po nizkem rovu v večjo votlino, v kateri je stal na sredini žrtyenik z ognjem, ki je osvetjeval podzemlje. Tam je starka sedla na stopnišče in ukazala sestri tudi Evalasti. Potem se je dolgo zastrmela v mladenko, pokimala naposled zadovoljno in spregovorila s hladnim, raskavim glasom:

"Mikavna si, hči dežele večernih gora, dasi nisi naše krvi in poti. Morda si prav zaradi tega moškim se bolj nevarna. Toda cemu trepečeš? Se me bojiš?"

"Kaj nameraves z menoj?" je vprašala princesa.

"Povedala sem ti, da te bom rešila in poslala domov. Prvi del oblube sem že izvršila. Pri meni ostaneš le nekaj ur, potem te spravim na ladjo, ki te odpelje iz Atlantide."

"In mi ne boš storila žalega?"

"Cemu?"

"Ker si čarovnica."

"Veruješ, da sem čarovnica?"

"Sama si dejala."

"In sem zares?"

"Da."

"Potem veruj! Glej, nič na svetu lepšega in plemenitejšega, kakor verovati. Vera je gonilna sila vsega našega življenja, in čim bolj veruješ, tem lepše je življenje. Čemu ne bi tudi verjela v čarovnico? Pa vendar, vse čarovnice niso zlobne. So med njimi tudi dobre, ki opravljajo plemenita dela. Med temi sem jaz. Se me še bojiš?"

"Malo..."

"Vidiš, poprej si se me zelo bala, sedaj se me še samo malo, nazadnje se mi pa ne boš nič več. Da, čarovnica sem, toda prav zaradi tega, ker sem čarovnica, sem te rešila pogube. Ti sama nisi vedela, kako blizu je že bila. A ni bil faraon Semis Ofiris največja nevarnost, bil je to nekdo drugi."

"Drugi?"

"Bila je ženska. Boj se vedno bolj žensk nego moških! Moški se raztgotijo, zdívijo kakor krvih, pa se tudi prav takoj naglo unesajo. Moški tudi kmalu odpustijo in pozabijo. Ce sovražna ženska, je njen sovražnik nemo; kakor kača je, ki se ne pozazno vije dalje med travo, da se potem v nepričakovanim trenotku zahrbitno požene na svojo žrtev, jo piči in umori. Navadno se ji niti ne mudi, ker se ne boji, da bi njen sovražnik splahnelo, kakor se boji moški, ki zamudi vse, če ne stori takoj, dasi so tudi med moškimi taki, ki nosijo v sebi žensko mrav, kakor so med ženskami take, ki se bliže moškim. A dočim je moško sovražstvo lahko najrazličnejših izvirov, je žensko vselej le enega samega: njen začetek in konec je — ljubezen. Vanjo je zapreden kakor pajek v svojo mrežo; iz nje napada in v njej se brani. Tudi je prežala smrt iz mreže ljubezni, in če ne bi bilo mene, bi bila zdaj morda že mrtva."

"Mrtva?"

"Bila si na poti favoritki Nefteti, ki si jo videla s plamenico v roki v podzemlju. Odkar so te pripeljali velikemu, je pozabil njen, ki mu je bila prej kraljica srca. Zato te je sovražila; hotela te je odstraniti, da bi spet sama zakraljila, in ker sem čarovnica, sem te rešila iz njenih rok bolj kakor iz faraonovih. Njemu bi se bila nazadnje še vdala, vzljubila bi ga bila v svoji otroški preprostosti."

"Kako veš vse to?"

"Ker sem čarovnica," se je zasmajala Arikdinila. "Zato vem tudi to, da ti je spregovoril sam Najvišji in te posvaril."

"Tudi to veš?"

"Si verjela njegovemu glasu?"

"Da."

"Veruj dalje!"

"Ti si zares čarovnica."

(Dalje prihodnjic)

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