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Stališče glavnega odbora Ameriške bratske zveze

Glavni odbor Ameriške bratske zveze je na svoji redni seji dne 10. februarja 1943 soglasno sprejel sledečo resolucijo:

Ameriška bratska zveza v Ameriki je članica slovenske sekcije Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora ter je zastopana po članu glavnega odbora v Slovenskem ameriškem narodnem svetu. Pomožni odbor in narodni svet sta oba priznana narodova odbora med ameriški Slovenci, zakar sta potrebna nujne podpore od strani vseh Slovencev v Ameriki. A. B. Z. je nudila obema organizacijama gnotno in moralno pomoč.

Glavni odbor A. B. Z. se zaveda resnosti in potrebe obeh narodnih organizacij ter želi, da bi obe napredovali in dosegali svoj začetni cilj.

Da pa bo imel slovenski narod v Ameriki popolno zaupanje in trdno vero v pomožni odbor in obrambno akcijo, potreba je, da se obe akciji postavita na čisto in jasno stališče, da nobena izmed obeh nima nobene zveze in nobenega sodelovanja z zastopniki zamejne jugoslovanske vlade v Ameriki ali v Londonu. Obe organizaciji morata biti samostojni in izključno samo akciji ameriških Slovencev. Obe organizaciji morajo voditi samo zastopniki slovenskega naroda v Ameriki in obe morata biti podpirani samo od prispevkov, katere zbirajo Slovenci v Ameriki.

Slovenski ameriški narodni svet ne sme postati orodje zastopnikov jugoslovanske zamejne vlade, ampak mora postati le informativno telo, ki bo obveščalo našo ameriško vladu v Washingtonu o željah in zahtevah našega naroda v domovini. Mi ameriški Slovenci smo ameriški državljani in kot taki ne maramo imeti kake zveze z zastopniki kraljeve jugoslovanske vlade.

Na podlagi merodajnih vesti, ki prihajajo iz domovine, obsojamo Jugoslovanski informacijski biro v New Yorku, ki potvarja originalne vesti in jih prikroja tako, da so v soglasju z zamejno vladu, nikakor pa ne v soglasju bojev in zahtev naših Slovencev v domovini.

Naši Slovenci v starem kraju, ki so organizirani v Osvobodilni fronti, in ki bijejo boj proti okupatorjem ter si zamlajujejo povojno Slovenijo v federativni republiki, si pravi in resnični borilci za svobodo in demokracijo vsega slovenstva. Atlantski čarter, katerega sta odobrili Amerika in Anglija, jim daje to pravico, da si sami izbirajo svojo vladu ter da lahko zavrejo vladu, katero se jim vsiljuje in katere ne marajo.

Mi, ameriški Slovenci, ki smo tudi ameriški državljani, smo se že večkrat izrazili, kako cenimo ameriško prostost, svobodo in demokracijo, zato v teh težkih časih, katere preživljajo naši bratje in sestre onkraj morja, želimo njim prav isto prostost, svobodo in demokracijo, katero uživamo mi v svobodni ameriški republiki.

Avtonomna in združena Slovenija v federativni jugoslovanski republiki, odnosno v federativni slovanski republiki, bi imela največ pogojev do pravega in svobodnega življenja, bi imela največ stalne podlage do trajnega mirovskega mira, ter bi bila tudi garancija Ameriki, da ne bodo ameriški vojaki umirali na vseh kontinentih sveta vsakih pet in dvajset let. Amerika in njeni zavezanci se danes borijo za zmago v drugi svetovni vojni ter tudi za stalen mir v Evropi, ki je mogoče le v pravilni ureditvi povojne Evrope. In če je to načrt Osvobodilne fronte, potem je naša moralna dolžnost do naših bratov in sester v domovini, da jih kot prosti ameriški državljani podpremo v njih stremeljenju ter tudi naši vladi v Washingtonu izročimo naše želje in zahteve. O tem moramo tudi obvestiti angleško vladu, posebno pa še rusko vladu, katere je že odobrila idejo združene Slovenije po končani vojni.

V tem smislu naj naša organizacija, Ameriška bratska zveza, podpira delo in udejstvovanje Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta, ker to je tudi v soglasju s pretežno večino našega članstva.

Zapisnik

LETNEGA ZBOROVANJA GLAVNEGA ODBORA AMERIŠKE BRATSKE ZVEZE, KI SE JE VRŠILO V GLAVNEMU URADU V ELYU, MINNESOTA, OD 8. DO 10. FEBRUARJA 1943

Prva seja

Glavni predsednik Janko N. Rogelj je otvoril prvo sejo v ponedeljek 8. februarja ob 9. uri dopoldne s sledečim pozdravnim nagovorom:

Dragi mi glavni odborniki in odbornica:—
Prišli ste na zborovanje glavnega odbora Ameriške bratske zveze v Ameriki. Prepričan sem, da se zavedate dela, katero je bilo oddano vam na zadnji konvenciji, prepričan sem tudi, da ste pripravljeni to delo izvršiti z vso vašo pozornostjo in zavestjo, posebno še v teh pomembnih časih, ko je naša domovina v vojni z vsemi svetovnimi sovražniki demokracije in svobode. Zato vas prosim, da v tem smislu delamo naše zaključke na tem zborovanju. Bodimo vsi pravični in nepristranski v vseh razpravah, da bodo naši zaključki v korist Zveze in v zadovoljstvo našega članstva. S to dobro željo vas prisrčno pozdravljam ter kličem k plodovitosnemu delu.

Nato se konstatira, da so navzoči sledeči glavni odborniki:

Janko N. Rogelj, glavni predsednik; Frank Okoren, prvi glavni podpredsednik; Anton Krapenc, četrti glavni podpredsednik; Joseph Sneler, peti glavni podpredsednik; Mary Predovich, šesta glavna podpredsednica; Anton Zbašnik, glavni tajnik; Frank Tomsich, Jr., pomožni glavni tajnik; Louis Champa, glavni blagajnik; dr. F. J. Arch, vrhovni zdravnik; Anton J. Terbovec, urednik-upravnik Nove Dobe; John Kumše, predsednik gl. nadzornega odbora; Frank E. Vranicnar, prvi nadzornik; Matt Anzel, drugi nadzornik; Andrew Milavec, Jr., tretji nadzornik, in F. J. Kress, četrti nadzornik.

Drugi glavni podpredsednik Paul J. Oblock je po dr. F. J. Archu sporočil, da se vsled nujne zaposlenosti ne more udeležiti zborovanja, in tretji glavni podpredsednik Joseph Kovach se je na sličen način oprustil pismeno. Zborovalci so njuni opravičili sprejeli za zadostni.

Za zapisničarja tega zborovanja je določen urednik Anton J. Terbovec in se mu za njegovo izredno delo določi običajna odškodnina.

Nato se določi čas zborovanja od 9. ure dopoldne do 12. ure opoldne ter od pol dveh do pol šestih popoldne.

Sledi čitanje zapisnika polletnega zborovanja glavnega odbora, ki se je vršilo v avgustu 1942. Zapisnik je sprejet kot čitan. Nato se prečita zapisnik izrednega zborovanja glavnega odbora, ki se je vršilo v decembru 1942. Zapisnik je sprejet kot čitan.

Sledi pregled poroštev glavnih odbornikov, glavnih porotnikov, društvenih odbornikov in tiskarne Enakopravnosti, kjer se tiska naše glasilo. Vsa poročila so pronačena v redu in odobrena.

Na vrsto pridejo poročila glavnih odbornikov.

POROČILO GLAVNEGA PREDSEDNIKA

Dragi mi bratje in sestra:
Uradna dolžnost me veže in bratsko udejstvovanje me kliče, da vam kot glavni predsednik podajam današnje poročilo. V mojem poročilu ne morem zaiti v detajle mojega dela, ker bi se pripovedovanje preveč raztegnilo. Dela imam dovolj, več kot sem ga kdaj pričakoval. Živimo v vojni časih, ki doprinašajo nepredvidena dela v mirnih časih. Vsa poverjena dela skušam po svoji moči izvrševati v zadovoljstvo naše organizacije.

Naša mladinska kampanja v preteklem letu ni dosegla zaželenega uspeha, toda če vsi pristopli mladinski člani ostanejo v Zvezi, tudi ta pripravek je današnjim razmeram upotevajoč napredek. Vojne razmere so danes močnejše, kot smo si jih mogli predstavljati. Velika industrijska mesta je današnja vojna produkcija zajela s tako ogromno silo, da je pretežna večina naših zvestih in delavnih članov zaposlena pri nadurnim delu kar po sedem dni na teden. Pri najboljši volji ne moremo pričakovati od njih, da bi utrjeni od dela žrtvovali svoj čas za bratsko udejstvovanje.

Pisal sem vsem društvom posebno pismo ter jih prosil, da naj vpišejo vsaj deset novih članov. Nekaj društev se je odzvalo mojemu klicu, druga zopet ne. Čitali pa ste, da so se nakateri društva častno odzvala sklepu glavnega odbora, ter zapisala lepo število novih mladinskih članov. Hvala jim lepa!

V državi Ohio zapisujemo otroke še z zdravniško preiskavo. Na zadnjem zasedanju ohijskega bratskega kongresa sva z državnim senatorjem W. Boydom vložila resolucijo, katere je bila tudi sprejeta, da se odpravi zdravniška preiskava. Sedaj je vložen v državni postavitvi že predlog, da se popravi to postavbo. Če bo ta predlog sprejet, prepričan sem, da nam bo lažje pridobivati mladinske člane.

Po sklepu glavnega odbora sem se udeležil praznovanja 40-letnice našega društva v Conemaughu, Pa., kar sem vam poročal v glasilu. Tako sem tudi odpotoval v Indianapolis, Ind., na prireditev slovenske pomožne akcije, katere so se udeležili tudi zastopniki drugih slovenskih bratskih organizacij. V mesecu januarju sem bil imenovan kot član slovenske delegacije, ki je odpotovala v Washington, D. C., da v imenu Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta poda naši vladi zahteve in želje ameriških Slovencev za pravično osvoboditev našega naroda v domovini. O tem je bilo že priobčeno poročilo v slovenskih listih. Ako ima kdo izmed vas še kako vprašanje, bomo lahko o tem razmotrivali, ko pridemo na dnevni red.

Vse druge posle, ki so v zvezi s predsedništvom ter z zastopništvom pri Jugoslovanskem pomožnem odboru, slovenska sekcija, in pri Slovenskem ameriškem narodnem svetu, sem vršil redno in z zavestjo, da je to pač naša narodna in bratska dolžnost v teh resnih vojni časih.

V letošnjem letu bo preteklo 45 let, odkar je bila ustanovljena naša organizacija. Ta obletnica ne more mimo nas neopazeno, čeprav se nahaja naša domovina v vojni. Poizkušati moramo, kaj moremo storiti v danih razmerah. Odbor, katerega sem imenoval na zadnji polletni seji, bo gotovo predložil svoje načrte za praznovanje te obletnice, ki naj bi bila v zvezi s člansko kampanjo. Resno bo potreba izmenjati naše misli, da najdemo pota in smernice, ki bodo premostile potežkoče, ki nam jih doprinašajo sedanje vojne razmere v deželi.

Danes je vsa Amerika združena v eni misli, kako bomo premagali naše sovražnike. To je naša prva dolžnost, ker brez te zmage ni več bodočnosti za naše bratske organizacije v Ameriki. Veliko naših članov in članic je danes v vojni sili ameriške armade, še večje število članov in članic je zaposleno v vojni industriji, vsi delajo in žrtvujejo, da doprinesejo svoj delež za skorajšnjo zmago in pravičen mir. Vse to prosim: Vztrajajte in pomagajte na vseh kontinentih in morjih tega sveta, z vami je Ameriška bratska zveza, ki tudi skuša po svojih močeh pomagati ameriški vladi z nakupovanjem vojnih bondov.

Hvala vsem in vsakemu za naklonjenost v zadnjih šestih mesecih.

Želim, da bi naše seje sprejele dobre in plodovite sklepe, na podlagi katerih bi poživeli naše bratsko delovanje pri Ameriški bratski zvezi.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

Janko N. Rogelj, glavni predsednik.

POROČILO PRVEGA GL. PODPREDSEDNIKA

Glavnemu odboru ABZ:
Spet je prišel čas, da podam moje skromno poročilo, kot zahtevajo pravila naše organizacije.

Zaključili smo leto 1942 in z njim tudi kampanjo mladinskega oddelka. Skušal sem za naše društvo pridobiti katero razpisanih nagrad, toda to pot mi sreča ni bila naklonjena. Vsekakor pa sem vesel in ponosen, da so se naša društva na zapadu tako sijajno izkazala in si priborila prve nagrade. Hvala našim društvom na zapadu, posebno v državah Wyoming in Montana, ki so dosegla take lepe uspehe. Naši bratje in sestre na zapadu so dokazali, da je tam še rodovitno polje za našo organizacijo, če so na razpolago pridne roke, da ga obdelajo.

Letos bo naša Zveza obhajala 45-letnico svojega bratskega poslovanja, in, kakor je rekel naš predsednik, ne smemo dovoliti, da bi šel ta jubilej neopazno mimo nas. Upam, da bo odbor, ki je bil imenovan v to svrhu, predložil dobre načrte za primerno proslavo tega jubileja.

Naj še omenim, da sem, kakor prej, tudi v zadnji polovici preteklega leta skušal po najboljših močeh delovati za rast in ugled naše organizacije.

Zaključujem z željo, da bi to zasedanje glavnega odbora rodilo najlepše uspehe za našo dobro Ameriško bratsko zvezo.

Frank Okoren, prvi gl. podpredsednik.

REPORT OF THE SECOND SUPREME VICE-PRESIDENT

Sister and Brothers:
As I have advised our Supreme Secretary it was impossible for me to be present at this meeting due to the nature of my work which is in a defense job for the Government. Therefore, I submit this report and request that I be excused for not being present at this meeting.

This report, as usual, covers the activity of my office during the last six months of 1942. I earnestly tried to fulfill my duties for the American Fraternal Union. I answered all referendums, letters, and requests from the Supreme Office with my best and honest opinion, keeping the welfare of our Union in mind.

I did all in my power to secure new members during our American Fraternal Union Juvenile Membership Campaign. The campaign wasn't as successful as planned. Many of our members who were formerly very active in lodge circles are today in military service; others are confined to their jobs in war industries. Those who had the opportunity to secure new members didn't fully cooperate, for some reason or other, in order to achieve our goal. We must, however, do our utmost to get new members.

In tribute to those valiant members who are fighting on all fronts I suggest that we be reminded constantly to purchase War Bonds and Stamps. This will keep alive the spirit of fraternalism in our country—the fraternalism so sadly lacking under Nazi rule. Again I repeat: BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS!

Because I was in Cleveland attending the special meeting of the American Fraternal Union and the Slovene National Congress, I was unable to be present at the National Fraternal Congress of Pennsylvania convening at Pittsburgh to which I was elected delegate.

It is my sincere wish that this meeting will contribute toward the continued progress of our American Fraternal Union.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Supreme Board for its cooperation and good will in working for our splendid American Fraternal Union.

Fraternally yours,

Paul J. Oblock, Second Supreme Vice-President

REPORT OF THE THIRD SUPREME VICE-PRESIDENT

Sister and Brother Members:

As required by the by-laws I herewith submit my annual report. Much to my sorrow I find it impossible for me to attend. I have explained in my letter to our Supreme Secretary Anton Zbašnik, my reasons.

I have always tried to answer all correspondence from the office as soon as possible.

I made every effort to attend every meeting of the Athletic Committee. I need not explain in detail any of these meetings, because the minutes of all such meetings will be read at this meeting.

I could not attend the special meeting at Cleveland for the same reasons which make it impossible for me to attend now.

In closing, I can only say, may this annual meeting be the best ever, and may it bring the best of results for the benefit of our members.

Fraternally yours,

Joseph Kovach, Third Supreme Vice-President

POROČILO ČETRTEGA GL. PODPREDSEDNIKA

Glavnemu odboru Ameriške bratske zveze.

Cenjeni bratje in sestra:

Tukaj vam podajam poročilo od meseca avgusta 1942 pa do danes. Na vso korespondenco, katero sem imel z glavnimi uradom in ostalimi glavnimi odborniki, sem točno odgovarjal. Na vse referendume sem glasoval tako, kot sem bil prepričan, da je v korist članstva in Zveze. Kot zastopnik Zveze pri Jugoslovanskem pomožnem odboru, sem se vedno udeležil sej tega odbora, in, ko je ta odbor prevzel sklicanje Slovenskega narodnega kongresa, sem se tudi sej, katere so bile sklicane v to svrhu, udeležil in sodeloval po svojih močeh. Ker ste vsi čitali zapisnike teh sej, mislim, da ni potrebno, da bi bolj natančno poročal o delu JPO-SS. V dneh 4. in 7. decembra 1942 sem se udeležil izrednega zborovanja glavnega odbora, katero se je vršilo v Clevelandu, Ohio; istotako sem se tudi udeležil 5. in 6. decembra Slovenskega narodnega kongresa. Kampanja za mladinski oddelki bi bila lahko veliko bolj izpadla, ako bi bili mi vsi ne-

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VSAK PO SVOJE

Predsednik Roosevelt je v svojem govoru na večer 12. februarja povedal Ameriki in vsemu svetu, da Zedinjene države, Velika Britanija, Rusija in Kitajska nastopajo sporazumno v tej vojni in da vidijo absolutno potrebo sporazumnega nastopanja tudi po vojni. Ruskim armadam pod direktivo Jožefa Stalina in poveljstvom zmognih poveljnikov je izrazil priznanje in občudovanje, in zatrdil je, da nacijska prizadevanja naščuvati nas proti Rusiji ali Rusijo proti nam ne bodo uspela. Dejal je tudi, da čudovite ruske armade na vzhodu zadajajo silne udarce sovražniku in da moramo z enako silo mi udariti sovražnika od zapada. Z drugimi besedami bi se to reklo, da se mi v boju proti nacifašizmu lahko nekaj naučimo od Rusov. Tega ni dejal kak zapečjaški general, kak komunist ali sopotnik, ampak predsednik Zedinjenih držav, o katerega sto procentnem amerikanizmu še nismo nikdar dvomili.

Abraham Lincoln je danes priznan kot eden največjih predsednikov, ki jih je imela naša republika, in ves misleči svet časti spomih tega velikega človekoljuba. Za časa njegovega predsednikovanja pa je bil obrekovan in napadan skoro prav tako, kot je danes obrekovan in napadan sedanji predsednik Roosevelt. Imena Lincolnovih sovražnikov pa so že davno utonila v pozabljivosti, medtem, ko sijaj Lincolnove zvezde narašča z leti in desetletji.

Nebo je najlepše, kadar je posejano z zvezdami različnih velikosti in barvnih otenkov. Čim večja množica zvezd žari na nebu, tem lepše so vse skupaj in vsaka posebej. Resnične zvezde si med seboj sijaja ne odjemljejo, ampak si ga medsebojno povečujejo. Le diktator bi želel imeti na nebu samo eno zvezdo—svojo zvezdo. Toda tako nebo bi bilo žalostno in nenaravno. Ljudje, ki se boje, da bi resnična ali namišljena popularnost koga drugega zatemnila njihovo luč, so v srečo diktatorji ali pa ne zaupajo svoji lastni leščerbi.

V listih smo čitali, da namestnik zvezni kongres odpravi regulacijo, ki določuje, da nihče ne sme prejeti več kot 25 tisoč dolarjev plače na leto. Oh, boy, če bo ta sitna omejitev odpravljena, bomo spet služili stotisočake na leto. Maybe.

V letovišču Miami Beach v Floridi so se bogati brezdelniki, ki tam prezimujejo, pritožili, da jih ob jutrih budi iz spanja petje vojakov, ki marširajo na vaje. Poveljujoči polkovnik je na pritožbo kratko odgovoril: "Vojaki bodo še nadalje peli." In nam se zdi, da bodo ti vojaki, ko se vrnejo iz vojne, tem bohatim lenuhom zapeli tako pesem, da je ne bodo nikdar pozabili.

Mohandas Gandhi, voditelj Indijcev, je naznanil, da je prišel s tritedenskim protestnim postom. Če bi živel v Jugoslaviji, na Poljskem ali v sami Nemčiji, bi bil ta post že dolgo v veljavi.

Informacijski biro te kolone je dobil od nekega rojaka iz Pennsylvanije vprašanje, katere vrste solata zahteva najmanj

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Zapisnik letnega zborovanja glavnega odbora ABZ

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

koliko bolj aktivni. Upajmo, da bo sedanja kampanja ob naši 45-letnici bolj uspešna, in to tudi bo, ako bomo vsi v resnici stopili na delo in delali v korist naše Zveze. Ker se nahajamo v vojni, upam, da bodo vsi naši sklepi previdni in dobri, da bodo pripomogli naši domovini Ameriki do zmage in da bodo v korist in čast naši Ameriški bratski zvezi.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

Anton Krapenc, četrti gl. podpredsednik.

POROČILO PETEGA GL. PODPREDSEDNIKA

Glavnemu odboru ABZ:

Tem potom podajam moje skromno poročilo za zadnjih šest mesecev. Na pisma in druge reči iz glavnega urada sem odgovarjal točno in kolikor mogoče hitro.

Po izjavi glavnega tajnika se ni naša mladinska kampanja dovolj obnesla. Po mojem mnenju je vzrok v dejstvu, da so društveni tajniki in drugi društveni odborniki v tem času večinoma zaposleni v vojnih industrijah in vsled tega niso mogli biti tako aktivni v kampanji, kakor bi sicer bili. Manjkalo jim je prostega časa, katerega bi bili mogli porabiti za pridobivanje novih članov. Izkušnje v prejšnjih kampanjah so pokazale, da so bili, z malimi izjemami, društveni uradniki najbolj aktivni, ostalo članstvo pa se je le malo ali nič zanimalo. To je veljalo tudi za sedanjo kampanjo.

Kot vam je znano, sem se bil z ostalimi glavnimi odborniki udeležil izrednega zborovanja glavnega odbora, ki se je 4. in 7. decembra 1942 vršilo v Clevelandu, Ohio. Z njimi vred sem se udeležil tudi Slovenskega narodnega kongresa, ki se je 5. in 6. decembra vršil v Clevelandu. Zaključkov kongresa ne bom navajal, ker so vam znani. Upam pa, z vami vred, da bo slovenski narod dobil dosti gnotne in moralne pomoči od zaključkov prvega Slovenskega narodnega kongresa v Ameriki.

Joseph Sneler, četrti gl. podpredsednik.

REPORT OF SIXTH SUPREME VICE-PRESIDENT

Greetings to all members attending this annual meeting.

I am submitting my report to the Supreme Board for the last six months.

I have answered all of the various referendums received from the Home Office with my honest opinion and the best of my ability for the AFU.

I want to congratulate all the branch lodges that received the cash awards in the juvenile campaign and also branch lodges that enrolled new juvenile members.

The first Slovene National Congress in America was held in Cleveland, Ohio, December 1942. They elected their Slovene-American National Council which will work for a united Slovenia and its post-war reconstruction.

I also wish to express my best wishes for the health, happiness, and the safe return of all our boys that are in service throughout the nations, and hope that they bring back victory and peace.

This year we are celebrating the 45th anniversary of the American Fraternal Union. Let us make this a better and bigger year than ever before by enrolling new members.

May this meeting bring good results for the benefit of all the members of our American Fraternal Union.

Faternally yours,

Mary Predovich, Sixth Supreme Vice-President

POROČILO GLAVNEGA TAJNIKA

Glavnemu odboru ABZ:

V smislu Ustave in pravil ABZ smo sestavili finančno poročilo o dohodkih in izdatkih od 1. julija do 31. decembra 1942 ter o stanju organizacije z dnem 31. decembra 1942, katerega sem predložil v pregled in odobritev nadzornemu odseku gl. odbora, ki vam bo o tem podal svoje lastno poročilo. Iz finančnega poročila boste posneli, da je Zveza tekom leta 1942 v vseh skladih dobro napredovala.

V smrtninskem skladu smo 31. decembra 1941 imeli \$2,580,963.71, 31. decembra 1942 pa omenjeni sklad znaša \$2,764,968.00. Napredovali smo v tem skladu za \$184,004.29.

Blagajna bolniškega in odškodninskega sklada je 31. decembra 1941 znašala \$46,633.62, dne 31. decembra 1942 pa znaša \$59,950.45, torej smo tekom leta napredovali za \$13,316.83.

V dobrodelnem skladu smo 31. decembra 1941 imeli \$27,957.10, dne 31. decembra 1942 je pa ta blagajna znašala \$29,687.87, torej smo v tem skladu napredovali za \$1,730.77.

V sportnem skladu je bilo 31. decembra 1941 \$6,492.29, dne 31. decembra 1942 je pa ta sklad znašal \$9,003.17; napredek \$2,510.88.

V stroškovnem skladu se je 31. decembra 1941 nahajalo \$26,476.21, dne 31. decembra 1942 pa znaša ta sklad \$32,453.85. Torej smo tekom leta 1942 v tem skladu napredovali za \$5,977.64.

Skupni napredek vseh skladov odraslega oddelka znaša \$207,540.41.

Blagajna mladinskega oddelka se je tekom leta 1942 pomnožila za \$8,118.35.

V obeh oddelkih smo tekom leta 1942 napredovali za \$215,658.76.

Premoženje odraslega oddelka je dne 31. decembra 1942 znašalo \$2,933,607.62, mladinskega oddelka pa \$193,564.61.

Skupno premoženje Ameriške bratske zveze je z dnem 31. decembra 1942 znašalo \$3,127,172.23.

Tekom leta 1942 je v odrasli oddelki pristopilo 638 članov, v mladinskega pa 973, skupaj 1,611. Izmed 638 članov, ki so bili sprejeti v odrasli oddelki, jih je mladinski oddelki prispeval 377.

V odraslem oddelku smo 31. decembra 1941 imeli 16,081 članov, dne 31. decembra 1942 pa 16,202. Torej smo v odraslem oddelku napredovali za 171 članov.

Dne 31. decembra 1941 je mladinski oddelki štel 9,275 članov, dne 31. decembra 1942 pa 9,111. To pomeni, da smo v mladinskem oddelku tekom leta 1942 nazadovale za 164 članov in članic.

Dne 31. decembra 1941 je Zveza štela 25,306 članov v obeh oddelkih, dne 31. decembra 1942 pa 25,313. V obeh oddelkih smo tekom leta 1942 napredovali za 7 članov.

Zavarovalnina članov odraslega oddelka je z dnem 31. decembra 1942 znašala \$11,377,045.00, mladinskega oddelka pa \$4,178,900.00, skupaj \$15,555,945.00.

Tekom leta 1942 je v odraslem oddelku umrlo 151 članov in članic, v mladinskem pa 14, skupaj 165.

V oboroženih silah Zedinjenih držav se je z dnem 31. decembra 1942 nahajalo okrog 1500 članov.

Perijodična (redna) preiskava stanja naše organizacije ter dohodkov in izdatkov od 1. julija 1939 do 30. junija 1942, katero sta v avgustu in septembru lanskega leta izvršila zavarovalninska oddelka države Minnesota in Montane, nas je stala \$1,352.78. Od te vsote smo blagajni odraslega oddelka zaračunali \$1,115.53, blagajni mladinskega oddelka pa \$237.25. V smislu zakonskih določb se ima prihodnja preiskava izvršiti v letu 1945.

Moje poročilo o poslovanju finančnega odseka je bilo že priobčeno v Novi Dobi.

18. julija bo naša organizacija slavila 45. obletnico svoje ustanovitve. Pri zadnji polletni seji je bil imenovan nekaj odsek, ki naj bi izdelal načrte za člansko kampanjo, ki naj bi se vršila povodom te obletnice. Kot član tega odseka sem o stvari večkrat premišljeval in ugibal, a nisem mogel narediti nobenega zaključka. Mladinske konvencije se v sedanjem času in v sedanjih razmerah ne morejo vršiti in izleti na Ely tudi ne. Preostane nam torej samo ena pot, in ta je, da zopet razpišemo posebne nagrade za nove člane. Te nagrade bi se lahko nekoliko zvišale, a plačale naj bi se le pod pogojem, da je društvo pridobilo gotovo število novih članov. Kampanjo naj bi se omejilo na mladinski oddelki in posebne nagrade naj bi se plačale samo za mladinske člane.

Ostala priporočila predložim pozneje.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

Anton Zbašnik, glavni tajnik.

POROČILO GLAVNEGA BLAGAJNIKA

Glavnemu odboru ABZ:

Pravkar ste slišali poročilo brata glavnega tajnika o finančnem stanju Ameriške bratske zveze ob zaključku knjig 31. decembra 1942. Vsled tega ne smatram za potrebno ponavljati števil. Iz poročila je razvidno, da je v zadnji polovici lanskega leta zvezino premoženje dovolj napredovalo v vseh skladih. Sledila bodo poročila glavnih nadzornikov, ki so pregledali knjige in premoženje Zveze. Upam, da so našli vse poslovanje v redu.

Obresti od bondov prejemanje po večini redno, kadar dozorijo. Ob zaključku knjig 31. decembra 1942 je bilo samo še za \$13,835.00 neizteranih obresti; od tistih je bilo že v letošnjem januarju plačanih za \$500.00.

Krajevna društva, z malimi izjemami, pošiljajo svoje mesečne asesmente točno, kot je predpisano v pravilih; istotako tudi pravilno poročajo, v kake svrhe pošiljajo denar. Vse asesmente od društev, obresti od bondov in druge dohodke Zveze sem vedno skušal naložiti na banko točno, kot mi je predpisano v pravilih.

Kar se tiče mojega poslovanja z glavnim uradom, je bilo vsestransko zadovoljivo. Vsakokrat, kadar sem prišel v glavni urad po uradnih poslih, sem bil točno postrežen, tako od strani glavnega tajnika kot od strani ostalega osebja.

To je vse, kar želim vključiti v moje poročilo. Vsem glavnim uradnikom se zahvaljujem za prijazno sodelovanje in obenem želim temu zborovanju najkoristnejših zaključkov za članstvo Ameriške bratske zveze.

Louis Champa, glavni blagajnik.

REPORT OF SUPREME MEDICAL EXAMINER

Sister and Brother Members:

As in the past I wish to present my semi-annual report to this Supreme Board. This office has at all times made its decisions according to the dictates of the by-laws and rulings of the Board. These decisions are not always pleasing to everyone concerned but they are always given in a spirit of fraternalism.

The number of adult applications for membership considered was two hundred forty eight (248) or the lowest number for a similar period for some time. Maternity benefit claims sent for consideration numbered one hundred thirty five (135) also the lowest number since the first six months of 1941. There were one hundred eighty five (185) operation and indemnity claims acted upon which is about average for any six-month period of the past two years. Sick benefit and disability claims numbered one thousand seven hundred seventy three (1773) the lowest number sent to this office in years.

When we consider the total number of sick benefit and disability claims presented for action in 1942 as compared with those presented during 1941 we find that there were about six hundred (600) less in the past year. This is an average of fifty (50) less per month during the entire year. This indicates that last year was one of the most healthy in the history of our Union. A record, and one that we can point to with pride, as it shows that the general health of our membership was above the average. I feel sure that our members will continue this good record because with health at a maximum and sickness at a minimum we can continue our all out effort to help in the proper termination of this dreadful war.

During the past six months there was no appeal made to the Supreme Judiciary Committee on decisions of this office, at least there were none called to my attention by the President of this Committee. To this you may draw your own conclusions.

I wish to thank all local lodge officers for their splendid cooperation during the past half year. I cannot praise too highly the relationship of the home office with my department for which I wish to thank the Supreme Secretary, his able Assistant Supreme Secretary, as well as his competent assistants. Thanks also to the Supreme Board for their cooperation in the past.

Fraternalism and Americanism, will I am sure, predominate in our deliberations at this meeting. It is my desire that we show the same growth and success, the same improvement and development in this our forty-fifth year, as we have in the past forty-four years.

Faternally submitted.

F. J. Arch, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner

POROČILO UREDNIKA-UPRAVNIKA NOVE DOBE

Glavnemu odboru ABZ:

Izredni časi, v katerih živimo, prinašajo vsakemu prebivalcu te dežele nove probleme, in v tem oziru seveda tudi uredniki listov niso izveti. Naš list ima, poleg običajnih zvezin in društvenih zadev, opraviti tudi z zadevami vojnega časa. Imamo izredne regulacije, katere je treba upoštevati, in zadeve, s katerimi je treba potom lista seznanjati članstvo, ker tako želijo oblasti.

Vaš urednik je skušal tem zahtevam ustrezati tako, kot je smatral za najboljše za posamezne člane, za organizacijo in za našo deželo. To delo je združeno z mnogim dopisovanjem in drugimi posli, za katere ne ve povprečen čitatelj lista. Previdnost, ki je pri javnem listu vedno potrebna, je v teh izrednih časih potrebna v podeseterjeni meri.

Z ozirom na predlagano spremembo bratskih organizacij se tikajočih postav v državi Ohio, katere izprememba naj bi omogočila sprejem novih članov v mladinske oddelke naših društev brez zdravniške preiskave, je imel urednik precej dopisovanja s člani legislature in z našimi društvi v državi Ohio. Upam, da dotično delo ne bo zamen in da bo omenjena izprememba postala odobrena, kar bo v korist vsem bratskim organizacijam, ki poslujejo v državi Ohio.

V smislu navodil zadnje polletne seje glavnega odbora so bili večini naših društev razposlani odtisi naslovnika Nove Dobe, s prošnjo, da se nekateri člani, kjer jih je po več v družini in na istem naslovu, prostovoljno odpovedo prejemanju glasila, da se s tem prihrani nekaj na izdatkih in da se varčuje s papirjem. To delo, ki je zelo zamudno, se od strani upravnštva vrši postopoma, kadar redno delo pri listu dopušča, in upam, da bo v bližnji bodočnosti zaključeno. Društveni tajniki in člani po večini lojalno in točno sodelujejo z upravnštvom pri tem delu.

List se tiska zdaj v nakladi okrog 13,000 iztisih tedensko, torej v približno tri tisoč iztisih manj kot je odraslih članov. Oglasi so v splošnem točno plačevani. Konci decembra 1942 je bilo dolgovanega na oglaših \$66.30. Tiskarna "Enakopravnosti," kjer se naš list tiska, nam daje v vseh ozirih zadovoljivo postrežbo.

Tu in tam dobimo posamezne pritožbe od strani članov zaradi neprejemanja glasila ali pa zaradi zapoznelega dostavljanja pošte na eno ali drugo stran. V prvem primeru se želji ali pritožbi takoj udeti, dasi je pravi vzrok za nerednost običajno izven upravnštva in izven tiskarne. Zakasnelosti v dostavi pošte pa izhajajo iz vojnih razmer, to je iz preveč obremenjenega poštne sistema. Temu se seveda ne da odopomoči od naše strani. Vsekakor se zdi, da je dostava pošte zadnje čase bolj točna kot je bila pred tedni.

Sestra Frances Erzen, ki od 1. oktobra 1942 naprej urejuje angleški del lista ter pomaga pri upravnštvu in korespondenci, se je izkazala zelo marljivo, zmožno in zanesljivo moč.

Glavnim odbornikom, porotnim odbornikom, društvenim uradnikom ter članom in članicam Ameriške bratske zveze sploh se želim tem potom zahvaliti za vso bratsko naklonjenost in lojalno sodelovanje, katerega sem bil deležen od njihove strani.

Anton J. Terbovec, urednik-upravnik Nove Dobe.

POROČILO PREDSEDNIKA GLAVNEGA NADZORNEGA ODBORA

Glavnemu odboru

Ameriške bratske zveze.

Cenjeni sobratje in sestre:

V smislu pravil naše Zveze vam podajam šestmesečno poročilo o svojem delovanju ter o pregledovanju knjig in imetje Zveze. Iz računskih knjig glavnega tajnika in blagajnika je razvidno, da so se naši skladi pomnožili zadnjih šest mesecev obeh oddelkov za okroglo vsoto \$114,000; to je znak lepega napredka.

Dne 2. februarja ob 10. uri zjutraj, smo se sešli na The Northern National Bank v Duluthu, Minnesota, sledeči glavni uradniki: Janko N. Rogelj, predsednik; Louis Champa, blagajnik, in vsi kolegi nadzorniki, katerih poročila bodo sledila. V omenjeni banki hrani naša Zveza vse vrednostne listine in obveznice (bonds). Poročati želim, da smo v navzočnosti bančnega uradnika pregledali vse vrednostne listine, odrezali in prešteli vse vrednostne kupone ter iste dali v oskrbo glavnemu blagajniku, da jih vnovči, ko poteče termin dozoritve.

Sporočati moram, da smo tam našli vse pravilno v soglasju s knjigami glavnega tajnika in blagajnika. Iz varnostne shrambe smo vzeli Wyoming County, West Virginia, Slab Fork Magisterial District No. 1 Bonds \$10,000, kateri bodo v bližnji bodočnosti plačani ali zamenjeni za nižje obresti.

Dne 3. februarja smo pričeli s pregledovanjem knjig glavnega tajnika, glavnega blagajnika in urednika-upravnika Nove Dobe. Pregledali smo vse dohodke in izdatke s priloženimi poročili, nakaznicami in listinami. V vseh transakcijah smo pronašli, da se knjigovodstvo soglasi s predloženimi računi in zahtevami. Knjigovodstvo glavnega tajnika, glavnega blagajnika in urednika-upravnika "Nove Dobe" je v dobrem in pravilnem stanju, zakar omenjeni uradniki zaslužijo priznanje za njih lepo urejene račune. Pohvalo zaslužijo tudi naši ostali usposleni v glavnem uradu za naklonjenost in sodelovanje v uradu.

Letos praznuje naša Zveza 45-letnico svojega obstanka, torej bi moral vsak član (ica) ABZ, podariti, pridobiti ob tej priliki vsaj enega novega člana k proslavi. Zatorej, bratje in sestre, storite svojo dolžnost, da boste lahko rekli, da ste tudi vi pomagali k napredku naše Zveze ob praznovanju 45-letnice.

Kot član finančnega odbora sem priporočal nakup obveznic (bonds) katere so bile najboljše za našo Zvezo.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

John Kumse, predsednik nadzornega odbora.

REPORT OF FIRST SUPREME TRUSTEE

Pursuant to the requirements of our by-laws the Board of Trustees has made its semi-annual audit of the books and accounts of the Union submitted by the Supreme Secretary, Supreme Treasurer, and Editor-Manager of Nova Doba. The same were found to be properly kept and exhibited all the business transactions of the Union during the half year ending December 31, 1942. These are summarized in the detailed Financial Reports handed to you by the Supreme Secretary. The Bonds listed in said reports were counted and examined in our Depository, the Northern National Bank in Duluth, and the interest coupons falling due up to and including August 1, 1943, were removed and placed in the custody of the Supreme Treasurer, whose obligation it is to collect the interest when due.

The year 1942 has for many been a trying one. Along with the impact of the war which has taken so many of our younger members into the service of our country, others who have been our best campaigners for new members in years past, are so employed in the country's industries vital to the successful prosecution of the war, that their time is diverted from enrolling new members into our Union. This, together with restricted transportation facilities due to gasoline rationing, has undoubtedly

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Razsodbe gl. poročil glavnega odbora A. B. Z.

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Priziv brata Steve Labor, in sestre Verona Labor, ki sta oba člana društva št. 200 ABZ v Elyu, Minnesota. V prizivu ročata, da sta dediča smrtnin po umrlemu sinu Steve Labor Jr., kateri tudi je bil član omenjenega društva, in da sta bila po glavnem uradu naše Zveze prikrajšana pri izplačanju smrtnine.

Glavni porotni odbor je stvar preiskal in po zaslišanju oboj prizadetih strank razsodil, da glavni urad naše Zveze izplača smrtnino gori omenjenim dedičem, za po prej omenjenim umrlemu članu, pravilno in po ločbah pravil naše Ameriške bratske zveze.

Anton Okolish, Frank Mike Rose Svetich, Steve Maus Ignac Zajc, porotniki (ica) ABZ.

DOPISI

Chicago, Ill. — Seje našega društva Liberty Bell, št. ABZ so precej dolgo obiskane čeprav je že več naših fantov odšlo v armado Strica Sam. To je pohvale vredno. Pridnopa še ostali na bodočo sejo, imamo po zaključku seje vedno nekoliko postrežbe s pijačo prigrizkom.

Društvena blagajna je seveda v no v dovoljenem stanju, dasi smo lanske leto imeli precej izrednih izdatkov. Društvo je kupilo vojni bond za \$10, nadalje smo kupili kegljaške uniforme skupini naših članov, katero sponzira društvo, ter li oglaš v mnoge prirediteljske programe drugih organizacij, zato je naše društvo dobro glašano v tej naseblini. Društvo je darovalo za vojake v American Slovene Service Aid, ter posebej poslalo s svojim članom - vojakom, katerega je 12, vsakemu po \$2.00 kot žično darilo za cigarete. Naše društvo prispevalo za goslovanski relief ter poslalo legata na Slovenski narodni kongres v Cleveland, Ohio. končno je društvo tudi pomagalo onemogli članom iz skupine blagajne. Vsi ti stroški, potrebni, o čemer odločajo državne seje. Pri vsem tem pa ma seveda največ dela društveni odbor, ki svoje posle do izvršuje. Podrobnosti o vseh teh računih so vedno po ne na društvenih sejah po sem tajniku in drugih odborkih, zato vam toplo priporočam, da se bodočih sej še bolj redno udeležujete!

Kampanja za nove člane oddelka, ki se je vršila skozi leto 1942, je pri našem društvu dovolj uspešna, zato smo prejeli od ABZ peto nagrado.

Kegljaška liga ABZ v Chicago dobro napreduje v tem, se prvoletniki v kegljaški skupini primeroma hitro izpopolnjujejo v tej umetnosti ter se približujejo v kakovosti nam stari veteranom. Letos ima klub eno žensko skupino; prevladuje pa mnenje med članstvom da se prihodnje leto organizirajo še dve novi ženski skupini. Z kegljama ob nedeljah popoldne pa večkrat katerega manjšer gredo na seje in zabavo. Priporočljivo bi torej bilo, bi se datum kegljanja premakne z nedelje na kak večer med tdnom.

V soboto 20. februarja se vršila seja našega društva navadnih prostorih, začeli so ob sedmi uri zvečer. Po ji bo veselica v Golenkovi rani, 2246 Blue Island Ave. Vstopnina bo: Moški po en dolar, ženske pa po 50 centov. Vstopnina na prvi pogled izgleda da visoka, toda pijača in jesti ne bodo servirane prosto, kor tudi godba. Imeli bomo prav "lušno" domačo zabavo.

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AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS



The Standpoint of the American Fraternal Union

The Supreme Board at their annual meeting held Feb. 10, 1943 unanimously passed the following resolution:

The American Fraternal Union is a member of the Slovene Section of the Yugoslav Relief Committee and is represented by a member of the Supreme Board in the Slovene-American National Council. The Relief Committee and the National Council are both recognized national committees among the American Slovenes and therefore are in need of immediate support on the part of all Slovenes in America. The AFU has given both organizations material and moral help.

The AFU Supreme Board is aware of the seriousness and need of both national organizations and wishes that both will progress and achieve their ultimate aims.

In order for the Slovene people in America to have complete trust and steadfast faith in the relief committee and defense action it is necessary to place both actions on a clear and definite stand: That neither one of them have any connection nor cooperation with the representatives of the Yugoslav government-in-exile in America or London. Both organizations must be independent and exclusively only the actions of American Slovenes. Both organizations must be led only by the representatives of the Slovene people in America and both must be supported only by the donations contributed by Slovenes in America.

The Slovene-American National Council must not become the tool of representatives of the Yugoslav government-in-exile, but must be only an informative body which will inform our American government in Washington of the wishes and demands of our people in the homeland. We American Slovenes are American citizens and as such want no connection with the representatives of the royal Yugoslav government.

On the basis of reliable reports which come from the homeland, we condemn the Yugoslav Information Bureau in New York, which distorts the original reports so that they conform with the government-in-exile, and which does not conform with the battle and demands of our Slovenes in the homeland.

Our Slovenes in the old country who are organized in the Free Front and are fighting against the invaders, and also are planning a post-war Slovenia in a federative republic, are the just and true fighters for the liberty and democracy of all Slovenes. The Atlantic Charter, which was approved of by America and England, gives them this right; that they themselves can choose their own government and renounce the government which is being forced upon them and which they do not want.

We American Slovenes, who are also American citizens, often in the past have already expressed ourselves as to how much we value American freedom, liberty, and democracy; that is why in these trying times in which our brothers and sisters are living across the ocean, we wish for them the same freedom, liberty, and democracy as we enjoy in our free American Republic.

Autonomy and a united Slovenia in a federated Yugoslav republic, or a federative Slav republic, would have the greatest basis for a just and free life, would have the greatest permanent basis for lasting European peace, which would also be a guarantee to America that American soldiers will not die on all continents of the world every twenty-five years. America and her Allies are today fighting for victory in the second World War and also for lasting peace in Europe which is possible only by the just reconstruction of post-war Europe. And if this is the plan of the Free Front, then it is our moral obligation to our brothers and sisters in the homeland that we, as free American citizens, support them in their aspirations and present our wishes and demands to our government in Washington. We must also call this to the attention of the British government, and especially to the Russian government which has already approved of the idea of a united Slovenia after the end of the war.

In this regard let our organization, the American Fraternal Union, support the work and actions of the Slovene-American National Council, for this is also in accordance with the great majority of our membership.

BEWARE OF LOOSE HAIR

A newspaper the other day told of a woman who was killed when her hair caught in the ringer of a washing machine. Housewives, the Greater Cleveland Safety Council warns that long, loose hair is a hazard in many ways. It is dangerous around moving machinery or open flames. It's a good idea to keep your hair pinned up close to your head, or to wear some sort of cap or turban, while working around the house.

One who yaps helps the Axis and Japs.

"It Takes Both"



It takes perfect coordination between plane and aircraft carrier to win battles in the south Pacific or wherever our two-ocean navy operates.

It takes both... War Bonds and Taxes to provide the sinews of war... to give our fighting men the tools they need to whip the Axis powers.

Lodge No. 116, AFU Delmont, Pa., to Hold Important Meeting

The members of Lodge No. 116, AFU of Delmont, Pa. are invited to attend the next monthly meeting of the lodge to be held Feb. 21st. It is very important that all members attend this next meeting because there will be on the agenda, a certain matter, the like of which never appeared before in the history of our lodge. Those members who did not as yet vote in the general referendum can do so at this meeting. Again I appeal to all our lodge members to be sure to attend this next meeting in as large a number as possible.

Jurij Previc, Sec'y
Lodge 116, AFU
Delmont, Pa.

News of Collinwood Boosters, Lodge 188, AFU, Cleveland, O.

In my article a few weeks ago I forgot to mention one of the most popular members of the Collinwood Booster's Lodge 188, AFU who is serving in the U. S. Armed Forces. I offer my apology to John "Trotsky" Urbanich. I would still have been in the dark if I hadn't noticed John's military address in last week's Nova Doba. In baseball "Trotsky" was as active as any of our members, also he was the manager of the baseball team a few seasons ago. He performed a very good job as athletic supervisor and was very faithful in attending many Ohio Federation meetings. During the past two years he was on the bowling team but due to the importance of war work he was unable to participate in many of the games. He also had the distinction of being one of the best ticket sellers of our lodge. (I hope this will even up matters, John!)

Another member, Rudy "Farmer" Agnich was inducted last month. During the 1939 baseball season Rudy piloted the Booster's team to the AFU city championship. At that time there were five teams in the race: Collinwood Boosters, Betsy Ross, Napredoks, Ilirski Vila, and the George Washingtons. However, in deciding upon the state champs, the Cardinals of Struthers, Ohio proved themselves worthy opponents and captured the title and the cup which is still in their possession.

Of this C. B. team the following members are in the service: Rudy Agnich, John Urbanich, Henry Bokal, Joe and Bill Champa, Bill Struna, Novy, and Lud Laurich who will leave any day now. (If I missed anyone, I'm sorry but it is four years since then.)

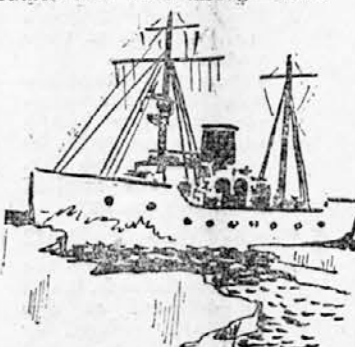
Looking over the above names it doesn't look very promising for the ball team this year. However, upon the return of Rudy, Trotsky, and the rest of the boys we are looking forward to the organizing of another team of super caliber. And we say: The sooner, the better!

Received three letters from Pvt. Stan Barba in one week which goes to show how badly the U. S. soldier boys want to correspond. Members can obtain the addresses of soldier-members from the Nova Doba office or the lodge secretary. Fraternal regards to all.

—John Laurich,
Lodge 188, AFU
Cleveland, Ohio

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

It is imperative that the ship lanes be kept free of ice. With American troops occupying Iceland and the Navy using the northern route for transportation of supplies to Russia, ice breakers are essential to Naval operations. The ice breaker is a specially constructed ship with heavily armored bows and powerful engines that crush the ice floes rather than ram through them.



Ice breakers of the Kickapoo class operating in the North Atlantic cost approximately \$10,000,000. You can help our Navy build these ships by investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every payday. Enroll in the payroll savings plan or apply at the nearest bank or postoffice. U. S. Treasury Department

BRIEFS

Due to the large amount of newspaper space needed for AFU Supreme Office reports, we are holding over some of the articles sent in for this issue of the Nova Doba. They will all appear in the next issue.

23 Members of Lodge 114 of Ely, Minn., Serving in U. S. Armed Forces

A considerable number of members of Lodge No. 114, AFU of Ely, Minn., are in the U. S. Armed Forces, practically in every branch of the service. It has occurred to me that all of you would be interested in knowing who has left for the service from Lodge 114, AFU. It is very obvious that the majority of you do not attend the lodge meetings regularly. Every member should attend the next meeting for we have some very important business to discuss. The meetings are held every third Sunday of the month at 1 p. m. in the basement room of the Yugoslav National Home. The next meeting date falls on Feb. 21st and it behooves you all to attend this meeting.

The HONOR ROLL of Lodge No. 114, AFU is as follows:

Albert Feroni, Arthur Garni, Joe Kalsich, Louis Kastelac, Sylvester Logar, Albert Marolt, Edward Marolt, George Matecha, John Petrich, Joseph Petrich, Louis Petrich, Joe Popovich, Mark Popovich, Edward Pucel, Martin Rodich, John Skradski, Fred Stantz, Bernard Svetich, Frank Veranth, Joseph Veranth, Amelia Logar, Katherine Skradski, and Ida Kotchevar.

Fraternally yours,
—Joseph Milkovich, Sec'y
Lodge No. 114, AFU
Ely, Minn.

WINTER SAFETY

Iceicles may add a pretty winter touch to your home, but the Greater Cleveland Safety Council says that those big ones are dangerous when they fall on someone's head. Knock them off, but don't lean out of a window to do it. Use a long pole. And if you must use a ladder, be sure it is set securely so it doesn't slip on the ice.

Attention Members of Lodge 37, AFU, Cleveland, Ohio

All members of Lodge No. 37, AFU of Cleveland, Ohio are urged to attend the next monthly meeting to be held Sunday, Feb. 21st at 9 a. m. in the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. in the regular meeting room. Important discussions are to be held at this time, namely: the general referendum to decide on a section of our by-laws which were discussed at the last meeting. This meeting should be of special interest to all members who have a son, brother, or other relatives in the U. S. Armed Forces. As I write the above lines my mind wanders to my own four brothers in the U. S. Army. (The Big Four, I call them) Anthony, Mike, John, and Edward Rovanssek, all lifelong members of Lodge No. 36, AFU of Conemaugh, Pa.

To brother Mike, the old veteran of 17 years of service in the Air Force, I believe he is now somewhere in the Solomons or Africa with brother John. I can only wish you both the best of luck in this horrible struggle for peace and freedom. I pray that you four may be home soon so that we could celebrate that old Rovanssek reunion with our parents, which we planned for so many years. Until then we will do all we can to keep you flying by buying more War Bonds and Stamps and we are hoping for an early Allied and American victory so we can all enjoy the peace that will follow.

I want to again stress the fact to the members of Lodge 37, AFU that the secretary is not under any obligation to back or pay any member's monthly lodge dues. Every member should make it his individual duty to see that his lodge dues are paid by the 25th of every month and thus remain in good standing with the Union and avoid suspension.

I would like to inform the members who live too far from the lodge center that they can send in their dues by Postal Money Order with their books and I will return the receipts and books in the same way. Members who call at my home please use the side entrance. I live upstairs at 14910 Sylvia ave. Phone: Liberty 6718. I will collect dues at every regular meeting, the third Sunday of the month in the Slovenian National Home as well as on the 25th day of every month. If the 25th day falls on a Sunday I will collect dues on the previous day, the 24th. Pay your dues promptly and avoid suspension. The lodge business will then run smoothly and to the satisfaction of everyone. Fraternal regards.

—Cyril J. Rovanssek, Sec'y
Lodge No. 37, AFU
Cleveland, Ohio

Lodge No. 112, AFU, Kitzville, Minnesota Meeting Notice

Lodge No. 112, AFU of Kitzville, Minn. will hold its regular monthly meeting on Feb. 21st. Many important matters will be discussed at this meeting and the general referendum vote will be held at this time.

—Frank Tichar, Sec'y
Lodge 112, AFU
Kitzville, Minn.

ONWARD BETSY ROSS!

By Dorothy Rossa

Here we are back in the grove again to bring you news of Betsy Ross and her gang. Every once in a while when we get a particularly nice pat on the back from some soldier way out there who enjoys reading this column, we bow our heads in shame for not writing more faithfully. However, we have tried to present our column to some other columnist, we have not found anyone very anxious to take it over, so guess we'll just have to carry on. We were glad to note the appearance recently of a new column. So welcome to our almost exclusive midst "Lorain Lodge-ic." At various times through the years other columns have appeared on these pages but for some reason or other they have all been very short-lived and the "Onward Betsy Ross" column alone has carried on. So besides our welcome, we'd like to extend to you also a bit of that "stick-to-it-iveness" one hears about, Jack—and may you keep us company on these pages for many issues to come.

Our biggest news of the month and the most joyful one was the announcement that two of our Betsy Ross soldiers who have been somewhere in the Pacific for quite some time—far from any of their friends or acquaintances—met each other quite by surprise and spent the day reminiscing about Betsy Ross. It really seemed like a dream to J. P. Morgan when on New Year's Day, someone lifted the flap of his tent and said "Hi, J. P." and it proved to be his old pal, Patsy Krall. We can just imagine how they spent the rest of the day. Now the boys write that they plan to spend more of their free time together to talk about the B. R. street car parties which Patsy engineered and J. P. m. c'd. At last Sunday's meeting, the lodge members got together and wrote a round-robin letter to each of the boys. Incidentally, the B. R.'s have initiated the practice of writing two round-robin letters to two different members in the armed forces at each of the monthly meetings. This week we are printing the names of two more of our boys who are in the services. We hope you will take the time to drop these boys a line. A letter or a card, it doesn't matter which—but write it. We've all heard over and over again and read it many times too that the few minutes of our time which is needed to write a letter may mean a great deal to a boy who, after all, has given up a great deal more than just those few minutes. We're likely to disregard those facts—but they are true and everyone should write. The two BR's listed below will be glad to hear from you—they are your pals—so why not write today to:

Sgt. Anton Malavasic
41 L. S. S. No. 2
Lowry Field
Denver, Colorado.

Corp. Stanley Janezich
Co. C 342nd Eng. Regt. G. S.
APO 1083
c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Stanley is somewhere in England and getting to see quite a few of the historical spots over there. Recently he was able to tour Buckingham palace and just barely missed seeing the king.

Tony, the former Blue Jacket

Important Meeting of Lodge 200, AFU, Ely, Minn., Feb. 28th

The members of Lodge No. 200, AFU of Ely, Minn. are reminded to attend the next regular lodge meeting in as great a number as possible. It will be held Sunday, Feb. 28 at 9 a. m. in the meeting room of the J. N. Home. The lodge business of the day will be the general referendum vote to decide upon the proposed change submitted by the AFU Supreme Board. The proposed change was published in the Nova Doba. Ballots may be obtained only at the meeting and must carry the signature of each member. Therefore, all members should attend this meeting and vote according to what they think is best and for the benefit of all.

Many of our members are leaving, or have already left, for military service. Later a great deal of our younger members left. In the near future I will publish their names in the Nova Doba. Fraternal regards.

—Joseph A. Mertel, Sec'y
Lodge 200, AFU
Ely, Minn.

"LJUBLJANCANI V PITTSBURGHU"

You can't believe it? Well, it's the truth, they will all be in Pittsburgh on March 7th at the Slovene Hall on 57th St. Why don't you come and see for yourself. I'm sure you won't be disappointed. This operetta "Ljubljancani v Pittsburghu" was written and directed by Mary Skerlong and Prof. Dobrovolsky, who also wrote some of the songs himself.

Imagine the Junior Prešeren Society tackling an affair such as this, and believe me they can do it with a little assistance from the Senior Prešeren. So friends just chuck your troubles away for the day and make merry with these "Ljubljancani" who want more than anything to make you happy. Remember Mar. 7th at 2 p. m. There will also be dancing to the tunes of the well-known "Polish Aristocrats."

—Rose Fabec

Remember Pearl Harbor! Buy U. S. War Bonds and Stamps!

Band leader, graduated as a gunner from a school in Florida and is now in Denver at another technical school. Congrats go to Tony for his quick rise to the position of Sergeant after such a short stay in the army.

Two more Flagmakers will be leaving shortly for the army. Frank Lisjack and Henry Kovitch expect to go within the next few days.

All Betsy Ross members are asked to please note that beginning with the first of March, dues will be collected only at the meeting and on the fourth Sunday of each month at the secretary's home from 9-12 in the morning. This is absolutely necessary due to the fact that gas rationing and defense work no longer allow the secretary to do any member a favor. All members are therefore asked to please be considerate enough not to barge in on the secretary whenever they feel like it but instead pay on the day which is set aside for dues collection. Please note now—

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FINANCIAL REPORT

of the SUPREME SECRETARY

of the AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

ADULT DEPARTMENT

Covering Period from July 1, 1942 to December 31, 1942

(Continued from page 4)

Other members of the Supreme Board 20.05
Northern National Bank of Duluth, Minn. 8.20 \$ 597.62

NOVA DOBA, OFFICIAL PUBLICATION:
American Yugoslav Ptg. & Pub. Company ... \$ 4,280.97 \$ 4,280.97

LEGAL SERVICES:
Leopold Kushlan, Attorney at Law \$ 30.00
Stone, Manthey, Carey & MacDougall 35.00 \$ 65.00

FURNITURE & FIXTURES:
Ely Hardware & Furniture Company \$ 24.00
W. A. Fisher Company 62.72 \$ 86.72

ACTUARY:
Tabulating Service \$ 673.38 \$ 673.38

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CONTRIBUTIONS & S. S. TAX:
Employer's Social Security Tax \$ 92.86
Minn. Unemployment Compensation Fund 36.39
Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation 20.57
Penn. Unemployment Compensation Fund 23.10 \$ 172.92

TRANSFERS:
Transferred to Athletic Fund \$ 1,880.28 \$ 1,880.28

MISCELLANEOUS:
Dues to Nat. & State Fraternal Congresses \$ 138.00
Northern Nat'l Bank, Safety Deposit boxes 90.00
Collection & Exchange fees on interest coupons and checks 52.09
American Slav Congress 50.00
Friedsburg Service Agency premium 30.37
Ind. Dept. of Health, death certificate 1.00
Mich. State Board of Tax Administration 1.80
Slovene National Museum, contribution 25.00
Duluth police for safe-guarding Supreme Officers while checking Securities 22.00
Joseph L. Mantel, Notary Public 5.25
Post Office Box Rents 3.00
Ely VFW Newspaper Fund, contribution 10.00
Christmas Seal Donation 5.00
Assessments returned to members 71.71
Employees' Account for U. S. War Bonds 731.25 \$ 1,237.37 \$ 28,894.59

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$163,555.56
GAIN 97,042.72
TOTAL \$260,598.28

CONDITION OF FUNDS

Mortuary Fund:
Receipts \$ 155,983.56
Disbursements 71,347.77
Gain \$ 84,635.79
Balance June 30, 1942 2,680,332.21
Balance December 31, 1942 \$2,764,968.00

Adm. Fund:
Receipts \$ 64,346.05
Disbursements 57,099.96
Gain \$ 7,246.09
Balance June 30, 1942 52,704.36
Balance December 31, 1942 \$ 59,950.45

Welfare Benefit Fund:
Receipts \$ 7,460.10
Disbursements 6,210.04
Gain \$ 1,250.06
Balance June 30, 1942 28,437.81
Balance December 31, 1942 \$ 29,687.87

Athletic Fund:
Receipts \$ 1,860.28
Disbursements 3.20
Gain \$ 1,877.08
Balance June 30, 1942 7,129.09
Balance December 31, 1942 \$ 9,003.17

Expense Fund:
Receipts \$ 30,928.29
Disbursements 28,894.59
Gain \$ 2,033.70
Balance June 30, 1942 30,420.15
Balance December 31, 1942 \$ 32,453.85

DEATH BENEFIT CLAIMS PAID

Member	No.	Amount	Frank Kaplar	41	811.06
John Harvat	1	1,000.00	Nick Maronich	43	1,000.00
John Lunka	1	500.00	Joseph Leonard	43	1,000.00
George Zupancich	1	50.00	Frank Stanich	43	298.25
George Perushak	2	500.00	Agnes Gradishar	43	500.00
Frank Namanich	5	114.23	Frank Montz	44	350.00
Frank Janecic	6	1,000.00	Mary Dugar	45	500.00
John Kliner	9	50.00	Janko Rahija	49	500.00
John Vuk	9	1,000.00	Anten Pintar	49	1,000.00
John Schneider	9	500.00	Janez Tercek	50	500.00
John Schober	12	500.00	Alexander Stimac	50	500.00
John Merhar	13	85.35	John Povsha	54	1,000.00
John Cullig	15	1,000.00	Peter Sterk	54	1,000.00
John Narod	15	1,000.00	Mary Drnjevich	57	1,000.00
John Dolenc	18	500.00	Anton Repich	58	1,000.00
John Russell	18	500.00	Frances Grezutti	68	1,000.00
John Zellar	20	1,000.00	Anna Zalar	69	250.00
John Marvetic	22	1,000.00	John Korosec	69	1,000.00
John Kekich	22	500.00	John Grille	71	1,000.00
John Dojenc	25	350.00	John Muhlich	72	1,000.00
John Harvat	25	500.00	Peter Mravinec	72	1,000.00
John Ujic	26	1,000.00	Imbro Balic	77	1,500.00
John Ogrinc	26	500.00	Joseph Florjancic	78	1,000.00
John Soderich	26	1,000.00	Tony Palovich	84	1,000.00
John Flore	26	500.00	Elizabeth Valenich	84	500.00
John Taucher	27	1,000.00	Frank Turk	85	1,000.00
John Ambrozich	30	1,000.00	Joseph Perich	86	500.00
John Previc	33	1,000.00	Eliza Badovinac	88	1,000.00
John Kostelic	33	1,000.00	Anton Rauch	88	500.00
John Ujic	35	1,000.00	Apollonia Kosak	88	500.00
John Ujic	36	127.69	Alojzija Presher	88	500.00
John Ujic	36	100.00	William H. Lynch	105	1,000.00
John Ujic	36	1,000.00	Frank Jaklic	117	101.64
John Ujic	36	1,000.00	Marija Kosak	120	1,000.00
John Ujic	36	1,000.00	Lucy Mohar	123	112.22
John Ujic	36	1,000.00	John Pohar	124	1,000.00
John Ujic	37	500.00	John Prah	126	500.00

Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount	Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount
Katrina Krall	129	53.24	Jela Flegar	185	500.00
Rossie Germ	133	1,000.00	John W. Peternel	192	1,000.00
Frances Helen Skerlj	133	1,000.00	Mary Vidmar	198	1,000.00
John Lazar	139	831.70	Matt Paulsich	200	1,500.00
John Gernovsek	149	250.00	Steve Labor, Jr.	200	33.34
Mike Coleman	149	250.00	Frank Savorn	203	150.00
Anton Kandare	157	1,000.00	Mary Oblak	225	500.00
Joseph Satic	163	500.00	Total		\$62,528.77
Marie (Potocnik)			Check returned.		
Zimmerman	170	500.00			
Agnes Gorisek	182	250.00			

Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount	Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount
Frank Zupancic	71	53.85	Martin Marold	25	50.00
Katherine Pogorelec	30	137.26	Martin Gerdanc	158	127.71
Anna Novosel	122	119.60	Louis Mausar	45	500.00
Mary Ulehar	158	355.25	Ivana Vintar	137	142.85
Joseph Volk	126	350.00	Milka Jakovic	36	395.95
Peter Novak	199	99.00	Michael Omahne	26	100.00
Mary Miklaucic	29	50.00	Margaret Siskar	162	30.00
Mary Gorichan	122	400.00	Matt Stefin	114	47.19
Frank Gorichan	122	483.25	Jakov Tomazic	3	35.00
Anton Svigel	43	25.00	Caroline Jeray	81	114.30
John Simcic	179	100.00	Frank Beve	36	250.00
Mary Lisac	122	230.84	Leonard Lenassi	75	14.53
Louis Rudman	71	282.13	Carolina Merhar	15	150.00
John Marolt	2	175.67	Frank Ahacovic	2	125.85
Lucija Kalan	134	150.00	Louis Sedmak	132	150.00
Mary Kliner	6	100.00	Marija Ostanek	6	83.90
Barbara Plantan	5	77.78	Joe Kastelic	297	100.00
John Spota	3	50.00	Anton Tekavec	200	129.44
Joseph Sluga	106	47.43	Mike Osaben	36	284.19
John Turk	128	211.65	Ignacij Plahutnik	37	1,000.00
Blaz Gorse	54	340.00	John Jaklic	105	750.00
Josephine Bradach	111	390.42	Frank Zavrnsnik	87	400.00
Jozefa Bolka	120	333.34	Frank Zunk	45	250.00
Mary Milavec	199	273.35	Frances Zust	99	500.00
Mirko Mihelc	32	292.49	Joseph Petretic	55	750.00
John Podpecan	104	189.75	Jack Ilcic	1	275.56
John Krize	9	654.03	Joseph Mismash	86	283.34
Frank Debar	70	151.36	Andrej Champa	2	886.00
Anton Starc	12	14.14	Anna Keil	138	175.00
Mike Jankovitz	13	508.01	John Kogovsek	57	712.91
Ivana Gucelj	116	135.20	Nik Matko	68	139.72
Matt Simec	5	54.02	Stipan Vukas	176	100.00
John Jannik	31	570.19	Joseph Tercek	18	250.00
Joseph Sikich	18	318.32	Marko Sobar	197	23.14
George Krcelic	135	994.70	Jerry Cadez	173	249.04
Anton Pust	6	23.46	Lawrence Prelonik	82	350.00
Elizabeth Oblak	53	100.00	John Ribich	15	436.96
Louis Papas	15	85.41	Anton Slanich	145	257.95
Katrina Krall	129	425.92	John Dermota	183	121.42
Mary Semerl	16	823.87	John Debelak	70	345.58
John Premro	75	200.00	John Klobucar	22	900.00
Frank Stanich	43	208.25	Stefan Sephar	1	782.48
Tony Shine	78	276.42	Matt Starcevic	15	654.40
Anton Bolka	114	428.57	Frank Camloh	207	350.00
Paul Tomisich	144	371.78	Alex Penich	229	175.59
Ursula Prijatelj	2	33.65	Frank Budiselic	39	699.77
Mary Tekavetz	1	70.00	John Mozgon	13	271.94
Lina Schober	13	85.34	Joe Evans	78	854.34
John Polugnak	125	320.57	Frank J. Turk	128	153.33
John Pintar	59	450.00	Frank Tomisich	30	150.00
Nick Evanoff	1	497.79	Marij Derchar	76	143.05
John Gross	58	50.69	Frank Jaklic	117	143.36
Katherine Lambert	45	600.00	Frank Montz	44	150.00
John Prince	36	176.17	John Lazar	139	163.30
Anton Boje	15	49.81	Frank M. Savorn	203	350.00
Marjeta Sunich	9	133.33	Frank Kaplar	41	188.94
Frances Zupancic	22	40.56			
Margaret Shustarich	120	100.00			
Anton Jaklic	61	79.23			

DEATH BENEFIT CLAIMS IN COURSE OF ADJUSTMENT

Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount	Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount
John Jelovean	31	\$1,000.00	George Skube	20	250.00
Joseph Koschak	1	250.00	Ignac Kramar	20	1,000.00
John Erzen	29	500.00			
Marko Gorse	15	1,000.00			

DEATH BENEFIT CLAIM UNPAID

Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount	Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount
Steve Labor	200	\$33.34			

DEATH CLAIMS INCURRED 1942—REPORTED 1942

Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount	Name of Deceased	Lodge	Amount
Jacob Dekleva	33	\$1,000.00	Marie Luzar	40	500.00
Mary Cesar	33	500.00	Angela Arih	103	500.00
Joseph Ostanek	55	1,000.00	Agnes Zalar	129	500.00
Ante Kuscevic	207	250.00			
Marko Dragovan	1	500.00			
Anna Pugel	15	500.00			

BONDS

Government	Par Value	Book Value	Government	Par Value	Book Value
United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	\$ 15,000.00	United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	\$ 15,000.00
United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	10,000.00	United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	50,000.00
United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	50,000.00	United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	10,000.00
United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	5,000.00	United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	10,000.00
United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	10,000.00	United States Savings Bond, Series "G"	2 1/2%	10,000.00
STATE			STATE		
North Dakota State—Real Estate Ser. D	5	10,000.00	North Dakota State—Real Estate Ser. D	5	9,991.15
W. Va. State—Hopemont Adm. & Hosp. Rev.	4	6,000.00	W. Va. State—Hopemont Adm. & Hosp. Rev.	4	6,594.49
W. Va. State—Hopemont Adm. & Hosp. Rev.	4	4,000.00	W. Va. State—Hopemont Adm. & Hosp. Rev.	4	4,416.93
COUNTY			COUNTY		
Atlantic Co., N. J.—Bridge	4 1/2%	10,000.00	Atlantic Co., N. J.—Bridge	4 1/2%	11,298.94
Atlantic Co., N. J.—Bridge	4 1/2%	10,000.00	Atlantic Co., N. J.—Bridge	4 1/2%	11,229.53
Brazoria Co., Tex.—Braz. Navig. Dist.	5 1/2%	10,000.00	Brazoria Co., Tex.—Braz. Navig. Dist.	5 1/2%	10,178.41
Camden Co., N. J.—Co. Bldg. & Highway	4 1/2%	5,000.00	Camden Co., N. J.—Co. Bldg. & Highway	4 1/2%	5,653.33
Camden Co., N. J.—Co. Bldg. & Highway	4 1/2%	10,000.00	Camden Co., N. J.—Co. Bldg. & Highway	4 1/2%	11,374.22
Cameron Co., Tex.—Road	5 1/2%	10,000.00	Cameron Co., Tex.—Road	5 1/2%	10,116.56
Carroll Co., Tenn.—Refunding	4	15,000.00	Carroll Co., Tenn.—Refunding	4	16,009.37
Coleman Co., Tex.—Road, Precinct 51	5	10,000.00	Coleman Co., Tex.—Road, Precinct 51	5	10,000.00
Cowlitz Co., Wash.—Public Utility, Elec.	4 1/2%	25,000.00	Cowlitz Co., Wash.—Public Utility, Elec.	4 1/2%	27,064.41
Crow Wing Co., Minn.—Ref. Series B	4 1/2%	500.00	Crow Wing Co., Minn.—Ref. Series B	4 1/2%	510.36

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SUPREME SECRETARY

of the
AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION
ADULT DEPARTMENT

Covering Period from July 1, 1942 to December 31, 1942

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Salem, Ill. Marion Co.—Elec. Light	3 1/2	10,000.00	10,316.87
Salt Riv. Proj. Agr. Impr. & Pow. Dist. Ariz.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,237.33
Salt Riv. Proj. Agr. Impr. & Pow. Dist. Ariz.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,273.68
Salt Riv. Proj. Agr. Impr. & Pow. Dist. Ariz.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,406.68
Salt Riv. Proj. Agr. Impr. & Pow. Dist. Ariz.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,444.50
San Antonio, Texas—Water Works Rev.	5 1/2	10,000.00	10,739.30
Seattle, Wash.—Sewer Bonds of 1926	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,633.73
Sheffield, Alabama—Water Rev.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,120.04
Sheffield, Alabama—Water Rev.	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,209.68
Sheffield, Alabama—Secured Ref. Gen. Bds	4	10,000.00	10,646.12
Skokie, Illinois—Judgement Funding	4	30,000.00	34,112.62
Southfield Township, Mich.—Water Supply	3 1/2	10,000.00	10,330.86
Southfield Township, Mich.—Water Supply	3 1/2	4,000.00	4,132.22
So. Jersey Port Dist., N. J.—Marine Term.	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,314.57
Tulsa, Oklahoma—Water Works	5	10,000.00	10,014.36
Union City, N. J.—Serial Funding	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,514.23
Vancouver, Washington—Water Rev.	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,839.34
Vincennes, Indiana—Water Works Rev.	3 1/2	5,000.00	5,387.28
West Park, Ohio—General Sewer	6	10,000.00	10,189.65
White Plains, N. Y. Reg. Water Works	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,966.83
Woodbridge, New Jersey—Refunding	4 1/2	15,000.00	15,696.94
Yonkers, N. Y.—Water	4 1/2	5,000.00	4,957.20
SCHOOL			
Aberdeen, So. Dakota—Ind. Sch. Dist.	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,000.00
Alexander Co., Ill.—Sch. Dist. #1	5	10,000.00	10,856.47
Altoona, Pa.—Sch. Dist.	4 1/2	3,000.00	2,868.26
Bayonne, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	25,000.00	28,020.10
Borger Ind. Sch. Dist. Hutchinson Co., Tex.	3-5	10,000.00	10,000.00
Camden, N. J.—School	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,669.22
Camden, N. J.—School Impr.	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,743.64
Camden Co., N. J.—Co. Vocational Sch.	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,640.72
Coal Township, Pa.—Northumberland Co.	5	15,000.00	17,228.75
Coal Township, Pa.—Northumberland Co.	5	5,000.00	5,654.51
Cook Co., Ill.—Sch. Dist. #99 (Cicero)	5	20,000.00	20,501.28
Cranford Township, N. J.—School Dist.	4	15,000.00	16,296.75
Cranford, New Jersey—School	4	5,000.00	5,416.08
Cranford, New Jersey—School	4	5,000.00	5,490.59
Euclid, Ohio—School Dist.	5	15,000.00	15,241.58
Evanston Township, Cook Co., Ill.	6	5,000.00	5,095.91
Evanston Township, Cook Co., Ill.	6	5,000.00	5,138.25
Evanston Township, Cook Co., Ill.	5	10,000.00	9,955.03
Flint, Mich.—Union Sch. Dist.	5	5,000.00	5,654.42
Flint, Mich.—Union Sch. Dist.	5	5,000.00	5,891.62
Harlingen, Texas—Ind. Sch. Dist. Ser. B	5	5,000.00	5,912.95
Harlingen, Texas—Ind. Sch. Dist. Ser. B	5	5,000.00	5,978.01
Hoboken, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,210.55
Hoboken, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	5,000.00	5,253.28
Lakewood, Ohio—School	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,921.22
Lubbock, Texas—School Dist.	5	20,000.00	20,673.08
Lubbock, Texas—School Dist.	5	10,000.00	10,218.76
Lynwood (Lugo) Sch. Dist. Los Angeles, Cal.	5	5,000.00	5,443.56
Maine Township, Ill.—H. S. Dist. #207	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,781.87
Maple Heights, Ohio—Village Sch. Dist.	6	10,000.00	10,672.38
Phoenix H. S. Dist. Maricopa Co., Ariz.	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,991.18
Marion Co., W. Va.—Union Ind. Sch. Dist.	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,200.62
Montgomery, Alabama—School	5	15,000.00	16,798.43
Montgomery, Alabama—Series A	3 1/2	10,000.00	10,451.00
Perth Amboy, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	5,000.00	4,849.01
Perth Amboy, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	5,000.00	4,816.11
Perth Amboy, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,126.11
Perth Amboy, New Jersey—School	4 1/2	10,000.00	10,138.12
Richland Parish, La. Consolid. Sch. Dist.	4	10,000.00	10,925.31
Rutherford Co., N. C.—Gen. & Sch. Ref.	4	10,000.00	10,925.31
Rutherford Co., N. C.—Gen. & Sch. Ref.	4	5,000.00	5,481.78
Toledo, Ohio—Sch. Dist.	5 1/2	6,000.00	6,956.39
Union City, N. J.—Sch. Bond of 1932	6	5,000.00	6,599.21
Union City, N. J.—Sch. Bond of 1932	6	5,000.00	6,650.39
Union Township, N. J.—Sch. Dist. Bonds	5	10,000.00	11,624.78
Union Township, N. J.—Sch. Dist. Bonds	5	10,000.00	11,589.25
Yonkers, N. Y.—School	4 1/2	10,000.00	9,905.30
PUBLIC UTILITIES			
West Penn Power Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	5	30,000.00	29,829.61
		\$2,505,000.00	\$2,648,644.06

Financial Condition of the Adult Department

of the
AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION
DECEMBER 31, 1942.

ASSETS

Cash:			
Cash on Hand	\$	200.00	
Cash in transit to North. Nat. Bank, Duluth		1,518.87	
Checking Account, North. Nat. Bank, Duluth		69,995.97	
Deposit, First Nat. Bank of Ely, Minn.		5,000.00	\$ 76,712.84
Investments:			
Bonds	\$2,648,644.06		\$2,648,644.06
Certificate Loans	\$ 192,535.79		\$ 192,535.79
Other Assets:			
Due and Accrued Interest on Bonds	\$	45,877.31	
Accrued Interest on Certificate Loans		3,871.65	
Due from Lodges		29,618.05	\$ 79,367.01
Inventory	\$	10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
TOTAL			\$3,007,759.70

LIABILITIES

Unpaid Claims:			
Trust Funds due Beneficiaries of dec'd members	\$	31,587.83	
Trust Funds due Beneficiaries (Sick Benefits)		39.20	
Death benefit claims in course of adjustment		4,000.00	
Death benefit claim unpaid		33.34	
Death Claims incurred in 1942—reported in 1943		5,250.00	
Sick and Indemnity Claims		6,458.00	
Welfare Benefit Claims		2,799.09	\$ 50,167.46
Accounts Payable:			
Awards for new members	\$	514.50	
To Secretaries for conversion of certificates		7.50	
To Secretaries for filling Forms 1-NM		78.00	
Medical Examiner's fees for new members		12.00	
W. A. Fisher Company		9.50	
American Yugoslav Ptg. & Pub. Company		1,091.08	
Taylor and Taylor Consulting Actuaries		157.83	
Arthur Von Senden Company, Inc.		1.14	
Minn. Unemployment Compensation Fund		14.46	
Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund		10.56	
Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation		10.02	
Anton Okolish, Stationery and postage		9.12	
Excise tax for the year 1942		133.57	
Moody's Investors Service		50.96	
Louis Champa, Supreme Treasurer		20.38	
Employees' account for United States War Bonds		33.50	\$ 2,154.12
Assessments not due	\$	1.15	\$ 1.15
Outstanding Checks	\$	21,829.35	\$ 21,829.35

BALANCE December 31, 1942 \$2,933,607.62

TOTAL \$3,007,759.70

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS SS:

John Rogel, Anton Zbasnik and Louis Champa, being duly sworn, each for himself depose and say that they are supreme president, supreme secretary and supreme treasurer, respectively of the American Fraternal Union; that on the 31st day of December 1942, all of the above described assets were the absolute property of said American Fraternal Union, free and clear from any and all liens or claims thereon, except as above stated, and that the foregoing statements as to the income and disbursements and the general condition of said American Fraternal Union are true and correct to their best knowledge, information and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of February, 1943.

Joseph L. Mantel—Notary Public, St. Louis County, Minn.
My Commission Expires March 5, 1943
JOHN ROGEL, Supreme President
ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary
LOUIS CHAMPA, Supreme Treasurer

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS SS:

John Kumse, Frank E. Vranichar, Matt Anzelc, Andrew Milavec, Jr. and Frank J. Kress, trustees of the American Fraternal Union, being duly sworn, each for himself, depose and say that they have examined the foregoing statements of income and disbursements and general condition of said American Fraternal Union, and that they have carefully compared said statements with the books and records of said Union and are satisfied that said statements are true and correct, in every respect, to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of February, 1943.

Joseph L. Mantel—Notary Public, St. Louis County, Minn.
My Commission Expires March 5, 1943
JOHN KUMSE
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of the
SUPREME SECRETARY

OF THE
AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

COVERING PERIOD FROM JUNE 30, 1942 TO DECEMBER 31, 1942

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Mortuary Fund:			
Assessments	\$2,929.60		
Interest on Bonds	2,863.80		
Gross increase by adjustment in book value of bonds	90.80	\$	5,884.20
Expense Fund:			
Assessments	\$6,881.87		
Rent paid by the Adult Department	600.00		
Employee's account for United States War Bonds	78.00	\$	7,559.87
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 13,444.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Mortuary Fund:			
Death Benefits	\$1,073.00		
Reserve Credits	1,046.23		
Accrued Interest on bonds purchased	215.22		
Gross decrease by adjustment in book value of bonds	163.39	\$	2,497.84
Expense Fund:			
COMMISSIONS AND FEES:			
To various lodges for new members	\$ 365.50	\$	365.50
MEDICAL FEES:			
Examination fees for new members	\$ 16.50		16.50
SALARIES:			
Clerk and Janitor	\$1,193.60	\$	1,193.60
GENERAL OFFICE MAINTENANCE & EXPENSE:			
Friedsburg Service Agency	\$ 36.00		
Mrs. Anton Firsh	15.00		
Standard Oil Company	154.70		
City of Ely (light & water)	54.50		
Earls Bros. (chimney cleaning)	8.00		
Mantel Hardware & Furniture Company	82.15	\$	350.35
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT FEES:			
Minnesota Ins. Commissioner (Examination)	\$ 237.25	\$	237.25
ADVERTISING, PRINTING & STATIONERY:			
W. A. Fisher Company	\$ 122.05	\$	122.05
TAXES & REPAIRS TO HOME OFFICE BUILDING:			
Home Improvement Company	\$ 19.35	\$	19.35
LEGAL EXPENSE IN LITIGATING CLAIMS:			
Stone, Manthey, Carey & MacDougall	\$ 308.50	\$	308.50
FURNITURE & FIXTURES:			
Mantel Hardware & Furniture Company	\$ 228.50		
Home Improvement Company	16.00		
Sunlight Company	54.40		
Vermillion Electric Shop	2.85		
Arthur Von Senden Company, Inc.	41.50	\$	343.25
SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES:			
Employer's Social Security Tax	\$ 11.94	\$	11.94
U. S. WAR BOND ACCOUNT:			
Employee's	\$ 75.00	\$	75.00
			\$ 3,043.29
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			\$ 5,541.13
GAIN			\$ 7,902.94
TOTAL			\$ 13,444.07

BONDS

	Par Value	Book (Amortized) Value
COUNTY		
Galveston, Tex.—Co. Road Imp.	5	\$ 5,000.00
Liberty Co., Tex.—Road	5 1/2	5,076.49
McLennan Co., Tex.—Road Dist. #3	5 1/2	10,000.00
Rhea Co., Tenn.—Funding	4	9,000.00
Wise Co., Va.—Gladeville Mag. Dist.	4 1/2	5,000.00
MUNICIPAL		
Birmingham, Mich.—Ref. Series B-1	2 1/2-4	7,000.00
Bloomington, Ind.—Sewage Works Rev.	4	5,000.00
Bluefield, West Va.—Direct Obligation	5	5,000.00
Brookfield, Illinois—Judgement Fdg.	4	5,000.00
Chicago Heights, Ill.—Refunding	5	1,000.00
Chicago Heights, Ill.—Refunding	5	2,000.00
Chicago Heights, Ill.—Refunding	5	2,000.00
Childress, Texas—Water Works Ref.	4 1/2	3,000.00
Childress, Texas—Waterworks Ref.	4 1/2	1,000.00
Childress, Texas—Waterworks Ref.	4 1/2	1,000.00
Fort Worth, Texas—Hospital Series	3 1/2	5,000.00
Gallup, New Mex.—Elec. Light & Pow.	4 1/2	2,000.00
Gallup, New Mex.—Elec. Light & Pow.	4 1/2	4,000.00
Garfield Heights, Ohio—Imp. Ref. Issue 3	2 1/2-5	3,000.00
Hamtramck, Mich.—Pub. City Hospital	3 1/2	2,000.00
Hamtramck, Mich.—Pub. City Hospital	3 1/2	3,126.07
Jersey City, N. J.—Water	4 1/2	5,000.00
Knoxville, Tenn.—Bridge	4 1/2	5,000.00
Middle Rio Grande Conserv. Dist., N. Mex.	4	5,000.00
Raymondville, Tex.—Ref.	4	5,000.00
Salt Riv. Proj. Agr. Imp. & Pow. Dist. of Ariz.	4 1/2	5,000.00

Sheffield, Alabama—Sec. Ref. General Bds.	4	15,000.00	15,969.18
Shelbyville, Tenn.—Ref.	4	10,000.00	11,134.74
Vincennes, Ind.—Water Works Rev.	3 1/2	5,000.00	5,387.31
Vincennes, Ind.—Water Rev.	3 1/2	5,000.00	5,522.36
SCHOOL			
Maricopa Co., Ariz., City of Phoenix	4	4,000.00	3,980.34
Mercedes Ind. Sch. Dist., Cameron Co., Tex.	1 1/2-5	1,000.00	363.34
Mercedes Ind. Sch. Dist., Cameron Co., Tex.	1 1/2-5	4,000.00	1,453.36
		\$154,000.00	\$160,348.07

Financial Condition of the Juvenile Department

OF THE
AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION
DECEMBER 31, 1942.

ASSETS

Cash in transit to Northern National Bank, Duluth, Minnesota	\$	47.95
Checking Account, Northern National Bank, Duluth, Minnesota		8,192.83
Bonds		160,348.07
Real Estate		22,660.77
Due and Accrued Interest on Bonds		2,019.11
Assessments due from lodges		1,571.77
TOTAL		\$194,860.50

LIABILITIES

Death Benefit Claim in course of adjustment	\$	25.00
Reserve Credits		1