

Velika Britanija poslala novo pismo nemškemu diktatorju

Hitler opozorjen na možnost izbruha vojne v Evropi, če bo odbil Rooseveltov apel za desetletni mir. Nacistični krogi vidijo novo diplomatsko zmago v povratku angleškega poslanika v Berlin. Obnova kampanje proti Poljaki

London, 25. apr. — Iz zanesljivih virov je prišla vest, da je Chamberlainova vlada ponovno posvarila Hitlerja pred izbruhom vojne v Evropi, če bo zavrnil Rooseveltov mirovni apel. Šarilo vsebuje nota, katero bo nemški diktatorju, da se vrnili v Berlin. Poslanik bo povedal diktatorju, da Velika Britanija odobrava Rooseveltov apel in sugestijo glede odločitve mednarodne ekonomske vojaške službe, da bo odbila apel, v obratnem slučaju pa bo podpovala zahteve, da Nemčija dobi surovine, katere potrebuje.

Istotčasno je J. L. Garvin, urednik lista Observer, namignil, da je Velika Britanija pripravljena sklicati mednarodno konferenco, na kateri naj bi bila razpravljana o evropskih problemih. Ta konferenca naj bi se vršila v Rimu.

Berlin, 25. apr. — Angleški poslanik Neville Henderson se je včeraj vrnil v Berlin in je takoj zahteval sestanek z nemškim zunanjim ministrom Ribbentropom. Poslanik je bil informiran, da je Ribbentrop zaposlen z razpravi s Hitlerjem, kateremu pomaga pri sestavljanju odgovora na Rooseveltov apel. William Goering, letalski minister, in Walter Funk, ekonomski minister, sta tudi včeraj konferirala s Hitlerjem.

Nacisti trdijo, da je povratek angleškega poslanika v Berlin nova nemška diplomatska zmaga. Henderson in francoski poslanik Robert Coulondre sta bila pozvana domov, ko je nemška armada invadirala Češkoslovaško. Dalje pravijo, da dr. Herbert von Dirksen, ki je bil odločen iz Londona, se ne bo vrnil v Anglijo, dokler ne bo premier Chamberlain zavrgel zahteve glede obkolitve Nemčije.

Ogrski in jugoslovanski državni bode ta teden dospeli v Berlin, kjer bodo konferirali s Hitlerjem. Ogrska delegacija, ki je udeležila proslav Hitlerjevega rojstnega dneva, je nerazgovorna, ker ji je diktator povečal, da ni zadovoljen s položajem v Ruteniji (Podkarpatski Rusi), katero je Ogrska okupirala.

Dr. Rumunija, tako tudi Jugoslavija in Ogrska zagotavljata Nemčijo in Italijo, da jima bosta prišli, če ostaneta nevtralni v slučaju izbruha vojne.

Prijatelji poljskega zunanjega ministra Becka v Nemčiji še vedno upajo v možnost sporazuma, čeprav je Poljska sklenila politično zvezo z Anglijo. Čeprav je Beck rad odstopil Gdansk Nemčiji, a se bo revolte doma, ki bi sledila, če bi zadal sklep kompromisa s Hitlerjem.

Nacistični krogi se pripravljajo na novo kampanjo proti Poljaki, da jo razkazo. Pričela se je približno mesec, ko bo Hitler predstrelil svet z novo propagando.

Zobozdravnik našel nadomestilo za zlato
Milburn, N. J. — Dr. Cornell Crossman je izdelal novo kopro, ki bo nadomestila zlato pri popravljanju zob. — Dočim unčica stane \$35, stane nova kolica, ki ima vse lastnosti zlata, petkrat manj, poleg tega pa je lažja in trpežnejša. Dr. Crossman je pričel eksperimentirati z novo kovino pred petimi leti, 18. aprila pa je dobil patent na svojo iznajdbo, ki bo prihranila tisoče dolarjev ljudem, ki potrebujejo nove zobe.

Green zahteva rudarske volitve

Reprezentacija pri kolektivnih pogajanjih

Washington, D. C., 25. apr. — William Green, predsednik Ameriške delavske federacije, je v pismu, katerega je naslovil dr. John R. Steelman, načelniku upravnega odbora federalnega delavskega departamenta, zahteval, da morajo rudarji na podlagi Wagnerjevega zakona odločiti pri volitvah, ali naj jih Lewisova unija UMW ali pa progresivna rudarska unija (ADF) reprezentira pri kolektivnih pogajanjih z operatorji. Green trdi, da ima progresivna unija več tisoč članov na polju mehkega premoga in vsled tega bi morala biti reprezentirana pri pogajanjih.

Lewisova unija govori v ime 350,000 organiziranih rudarjev, ki podivajo, odkar je potekla veljavnost stare pogodbe 1. aprila. Pogajanja glede sklenitve nove pogodbe so se zavlekla, ker Lewis zahteva "oključitev" provizije glede zaprtje delavnice.

New York, 25. apr. — Včerajšnja konferenca med reprezentanti rudarske unije UMW in operatorji ni prinesla nobenega rezultata. Pogajalci niso podali nobene izjave, dočim drugi krogi upajo, da bo federalni posredovalec danes predložil sugestije glede končanja spora.

Lewisovo pretnjo glede oklica splošne stavke na polju mehkega premoga je Jos "Ozanic", predsednik progresivne rudarske unije, včerajšnje v Ameriški delovski federaciji označil za "bluff". On je tudi poslal telegram Charlesu O'Neilu, načelniku delegacije operatorjev, v katerem pravi, da operatorji kršijo Wagnerjev zakon, ker se pogajajo samo z Lewisovo unijo glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

Bolivija dobila diktatorsko vlado

Splošne volitve preklicane

La Paz, Bolivija, 25. apr. — Predsednik German Busch se je včeraj izjavil za diktatorsko vlado, "da Bolivija dobi energično in disciplinarno vlado." V manifestu, ki ga je naslovil ljudstvu, je obdolžil politične stranke zarote proti svojemu režimu in naznanil razpust državne zbornice. Obdolžil je ekstremiste na levi in desni, ker so podžigali razkol in propagirali fašistične ter nacistične ideje v škodo državi. Busch je dalje rekel, da bo izvajal program, ki bo odgovarjal ekonomskim in socialnim potrebam države.

Busch se je izjavil za diktatorsko vlado, ko so tri glavne politične stranke — liberalci, republikanci in socialisti — naznanili formiranje enotne fronte za parlamentarne volitve, ki so se imele vršiti 4. maja. Te volitve so bile zdaj preklicane. Busch, veter iz vojne med Bolivijo in Paragvajem za posest pokrajine Chaco, ki je trajala tri leta, je rekel, da so politični oportunisti odgovorni za spremembo vladne oblike.

Busch ni hotel sprejeti resignacije članov kabineta, ki je bila le formalnost, da dobi on pravo roko. Nekateri krogi napovedujejo, da bo Bolivija kmalu dobila narodni svet, v katerem bodo vse stranke imele svoje reprezentante.

Ogenj uničil nadaljnji francoski parnik

Toulon, Francija, 25. apr. — Ogenj, ki je nastal iz doslej še nepojasnjenega vzroka, je sino-

JUGOSLAVIJA SE NI PRIDRUŽILA FAŠISTOM?

Ojačila je le ekonomske zveze z Italijo in Nemčijo

HRVATJE STOPIJO V KABINET

Belgrad, 25. apr. — Politični krogi pravijo, da Jugoslavija ni definitivno obljubila, da se bo pridružila osi Rim-Berlin, čeprav skupni italijansko-jugoslovanski komunisti, izdan po konferenci med zunanjima ministroma Jugoslavije in Italije v Benetkah, naglašajo poglobitev kooperacije med Jugoslavijo, Italijo in Nemčijo. Zunanji minister Cincar-Marković, ki je konferiral z italijanskim zunanjim ministrom Ciano zadnji teden, bo odpotoval jutri v Berlin.

Kljub trditvam, da je konferenca v Benetkah je ojačila ekonomske in politične zveze med Jugoslavijo in osjo Rim-Berlin, se fašistični krogi v Italiji ponajboljo z smago. Cincar-Marković se je včeraj vrnil v Belgrad in se takoj oglašil pri knezu Pavlu, jugoslovanskemu regentu. Poneke je konferiral s poslanikom Rumunije in Anglije. Po konferenci je bilo naznanjeno, da bodo obisku jugoslovanskega ministra v Berlinu sledila trgovinska pogajanja v Kolnu. Jugoslovanski in nemški delegatje se bodo sestali v tem mestu 2. maja. V Belgradu pravijo, da so razgovori v Benetkah rezultirali v izboljšanju odnosov med Jugoslavijo in Ogrsko.

Danes se bodo pričela v Belgradu posvetovanja glede formiranja koalicijske vlade, v kateri naj bi imeli Hrvati štiri reprezentante. Premier Cvetković bo obdržal svojo pozicijo v novi vladi, toda dr. Vladko Maček, vodja hrvatskih avtonomistov, ne bo direktno udeležen v vladi, ki ima uveljaviti reforme, katere zahteva njegova stranka. Sporna vprašanja med Hrvati in Srbi, ki kontrolirajo vlado, so bila rešena s pogajanj, ki so se vršila v Zagrebu in Belgradu, in sporazum bo podpisan ta teden.

Velike kitajske vojne izgube

Sanghaj, 25. apr. — Japonci poročajo, da je bilo 24,000 Kitajcev ubitih in 8630 ujetih v bitkah v zadnjih treh tednih, ko so bile vojne operacije obnovljene v provinci Hunan. Japonci so potopili 30 kitajskih ladij na reki Han in vsi vojaki na teh ladjah so utonili.

Naciji izgnali škofa iz palače

Salzburg, Nemčija, 25. apr. — Škof Sigismund Waitz je bil včeraj izgnan iz svoje palače po nacističkih avtoritetah, ki pravijo, da je palača državna posest. Škof je potem apeliral na Hitlerja, naj razveljavi nacistički odlok.

Težka kazen za malenkostno sleparijo

Paducah, Ky., 25. apr. — J. C. Campbell je bil obsojen na dve leti zapora, ker je dobil pet centov pod sleparsko pretvezo. Državni tožilec je dejal, da je Campbell zbiral prispevke za pogreb otroka in obdržal denar.

Či uničil parnik Angers. Odrejena je bila preiskava, da ugotovi, ali je ogenj nastal valed sabotaže. Zadnji tork je ogenj deloma uničil parnik Paris v Havru.

Domače vesti

Izprememba čikaškega časa
Chicago, 25. Prihodnjo nedeljo, 30. aprila, se izpremeni lokalni čas. Kazalec na uri je treba pomakniti eno uro naprej.

Petintridesetletnica

Chicago. — Zakašnelo, toda nikdar prekasno: Slavje petintridesetletnice SNPJ, prirejeno po čikaški federaciji SNPJ 16. aprila v jednotni dvorani, je bilo velika manifestacija ob sijajni udeležbi in z bogatim ter dobro izvedenim programom: dvema govoroma (F. A. Vider in D. J. Lotrich), pevskimi točkami dveh zborov (Sava in Prešeren), samospevi in deklaracijo mladega talenta Toma Cukaleta, enodejanko "Dete je živo" in z drugimi zanimivimi točkami. Navzoči so bili tudi bratje in sestre iz La Salla, Waukegan, Milwaukeeja in celo iz gornjega Michigana.

Prešernova desetletnica

Chicago. — Zadnji nedeljo popoldne je pevski moški zbor France Prešeren slavil svojo desetletnico z veliko prireditvijo v dvorani SNPJ ob veliki udeležbi in z bogatim programom, ki je nudil dosti petja, kupletov in komičen igrokaz. Gostovala sta pevka s sora Slovani iz So. Chicaga in češki delavski zbor Lira.

Majski glas

Chicago. — V založbi Proletarica je izšla vsakoletna revija za prvi majski Majski glas. Na 80 straneh vsebuje letošnja številka celo vrsto pesmi, črtic, članov, razprav in drugega gradiva poleg alegoričnih slik, posnetkov, portretov in karikatur — resnično dobra publikacija, na katero je oni del ameriških Slovencev, ki ne živijo kar tja v en dan, lahko ponosen. Številka stane 25c. Kot običajno vsako leto, je bila tudi letošnja številka Majskega glasa natisnjena v tiskarni SNPJ.

Poroka dveh članov

Muskegon Heights, Mich. — Pred kratkim sta bili poročeni dve članici društva 266 SNPJ, in sicer Amalia Zadel, ki je vzela nekega Nemca iz Grand Havena, Mich., in se tamkaj tudi nastanila, ter Ann Pavlin, ki je bila poročena 15. aprila s Valentinom Kuretom iz Cicera, Ill., kjer sta se tudi nastanila. Obilo sreče!

Nov grob v starem kraju

Farrell, Pa. — Louis Zickar, član društva 262 SNPJ, je prejel žalostno vest, da je na Druvem pri Krakem umrla njegova mati Marija Zickar, stara 86 let, ki je dve leti trpela na mrtvo ud. Bila je 14 let vdova in njen pokojni mož Jakob Zickar je bil v Ameriki leta 1902; nahajal se je nekje v De Pueju, Ill. V Ameriki zapušča poleg sina še dve sestri, Jožefina Resnik v Clairtonu, Pa., in Agnes Jorišek v La Salli, Ill., dalje hčer Ano Beve v Girardu, O., in sina v Kanadi, v stari domovini pa tri sinove, hčer in dve sestri.

Mladinski oddelek SNPJ narašča

Luzerne, Pa. — Mihael Bizjak, predsednik društva 204 SNPJ in njegova žena Minka sta 21. t. m. dobila sinčka prvorojenca, mladinski oddelek je pa dobil novega člana. Čestitke! Oče in mati sta že 18 let člana SNPJ.

Nov grob v Michiganu

Traunich, Mich. — Dne 19. aprila je tu umrla Terezija Knava, stara 58 let rojena v Našicah v dolnji Slavoniji. V Ameriki je bila 32 let in tu zapušča moža, tri sinove in šest hčer.

Se nekaj vesti iz Penne

Midland, Pa. — Tu se je zgrudil mrtev na ulici, ko je šel zjutraj na delo, Pavel Kupina, star 57 let in doma iz Toplice pri Jasli. Bil je član HBZ, dober član CIO in zapušča večjo družino. — Anton Rus je prejel žalostno vest, da je v Boldražu pri Metliki v Beli krajini umrl njegov stric Janez Rus, star 70 let. V Ameriki zapušča hčer, omoženo Mary Gornik v Jolietu, v starem kraju pa tri sinove in hčer. Bil je vdovec osem let. Zdalj so vsi trije bratje Rusi med mrtvimi (oče Antona Rusa, Jurij Rus, je umrl leta 1911.)

SPLOŠNA VOJAŠKA OBVEZNOST V ANGLIJI

Kabinet je v načelu odobril načrt

LABORITI ZA KONSKRIPCIO BOGASTVA

London, 25. apr. — Politični krogi pravijo, da so člani Chamberlainovega kabineta na svoji seji v načelu odobrili prisilno vojaško službo. Končna odločitev o tem vprašanju je bila odložena. Kako daleč nameravajo Chamberlain in člani njegovega kabineta iti, bo pokazal razvoj dogodkov. Laboriti in strokovne uije so proti uvedbi prisilne vojaške službe.

Njih stališče je, da mora vlada omejiti profite kompanij, ki izdelujejo orožje in municijo in odrediti tudi konskripcijo bogastva. Uvedba obvezne vojaške službe bi bila največja sprememba v življenju Anglije od svetovne vojne. Vlada je nedavno svedano izjavila v parlamentu, da ne bo odredila obvezne vojaške službe v mirnem času, toda situacija se je od takrat temeljito spremenila. Velika Britanija in Francija skušata formirati protifašistični blok, da ustavita Hitlerja in Mussolinija. Države, ki naj bi tvorile ta blok, anubita tudi Nemčija in Italija, da jih pridobita za priključitev k osišču Rim-Berlin.

Grigore Gafencu, rumunski zunanji minister, je včeraj konferiral z lordom Halifaxom, angleškim zunanjim ministrom in premierjem Chamberlainom. Anglija je obljubila Rumuniji zaščito, če jo bo napadla Nemčija. Vprašanje, ali naj Anglija zalaga Rumunijo z orožjem, ker so škodove tovarne, od katerih je Rumunija kupovala orožje pred Hitlerjevo okupacijo Češkoslovaške, zdaj pod nacistično kontrolo, je bilo predmet razgovorov. Gafencu bo obiskal Pariz in Rim predno se bo vrnil domov.

London, 25. apr. — Zunanji urad je včeraj naznanil, da je kralj Jurij odobril imenovanje markiza Lothiana za angleškega poslanika v Ameriki. Lothian je veleposelnik in v času svetovne vojne je bil tajnik premierja Lloyd Georgea. On bo nadomestil poslanika Lindsayja, ki je naznanil resignacijo. Lothianu čestajo, da je naklonjen fašizmu.

Ameriški reporter izgnan iz Italije

"Neprijateljaka" poročila vzrok izgona

Rim, 25. apr. — Richard Mowcer, dopisnik čikaškega lista Daily News v Rimu, je bil obvečen, da mora zapustiti Italijo v štirinajstih dneh. Zunanji urad trdi, da so bila poročila, katere je pošiljal svojememu listu, "neprijateljaka" in da je napadno tolačil italijanske dogodke, ni pa citiral nobenega slučaja, da podpre svojo trditve.

Mowcer je prišel v Rim iz Spanije pred štirimi meseci. On je drugi dopisnik čikaškega lista, ki bo izgnan iz Italije. Frank Smothers, njegov prednik, je bil izgnan iz Italije v zadnjem novembu, ker je tudi pošiljal "neprijateljaka" poročila svojememu listu. V zadnjih dveh letih so italijanske avtoritete izgnale 18 poročevalcev zunanjih listov iz dežele.

Rumunska ladja se potopila

Bukarešta, Rumunija, 25. apr. — Šest oseb je včeraj utonilo, deset pa je dobilo težke poškodbe, ko se je potopila ladja na reki Donavi v bližini Ismaila.

Glaslovi iz nasebina

Glas iz Kanade

New Waterford, Canada. — Moje mnenje v zadevi deficita kanadskih društev in kar je s tem v zvezi je sledeče: Kar se tiče tistih bratov, kateri pišejo, da gl. odbor razpisuje doklade na kanadsko članstvo, želim pojasniti, da so nekaj v zmoti. Z gl. odbor nisem v sorodstvu ali velikem prijateljstvu, da bi jih zagovarjal. Razlog, da gl. odbor razpisuje izredne assessmente v bolnišnici s k l a d u, je zaključek X. redne konvencije, kateri se glasi, da članstvo vsake države za sebe plača svoj deficit, ako ga napravi. To je tista točka, s katero je bilo geslo "Eden za vse in vsi za enega" razbito. Sedaj je geslo "Svaka sila do vremena". Gl. odbor izvršuje samo svoje dolžnosti, da pazi, katera država, namreč članstvo, izvleče več ven, kot plača noter.

Obsoditi moremo tistega, kateri je na X. konvenciji predlagal, da se mora članstvo vsake države v bolnišnici skladu balansirati. Ker XI. konvencija tiste točke ni črtala, bodo doklade za deficite posameznih držav ostale toliko časa, da bodo na konvenciji zopet črtane, ali pa s splošnim glasovanjem.

Tukaj je nekaj vzrokov, zakaj je nastal deficit v Kanadi. Vsa kemu je znano, da je pred vojsko bilo v tej deželi le malo Slovencev in še ti so bili raztreseni po vsej deželi. Zato je bilo v Kanadi tudi samo par društev — št. 109 v Nanaimu, B. C., št. 70 v Cammuru, št. 276 v Colemanu, št. 558 v Fernleju. Naše društvo št. 558 je bilo šele peto in ustanovljeno ob koncu leta 1925. Do takrat je bilo samo 5 kanadskih društev in vseeno je bil pri SNPJ deficit. Meseca junija 1926, ko pri našem društvu sploh še noben bolan ni bil, smo plačali po 50c na dolar, septembra in novembra pa po dolarju na vsaki dolar. Mi takrat nismo protestirali, plačali smo in mir je bil v Bosni.

Ker so bili v Kanadi do leta 1930 dobri časi, vrata za imigrante na široko odprta, se je sem priselilo veliko Evropejcev, med njimi dosti Slovanov. Prosveta je pokazala pot Slovincem celo sem v Waterford. Pred vojsko je bilo tukaj samo 8 slovenskih družin. Od leta 1925 do 1930 sem jaz bil društveni tajnik in sem v Prosveti večkrat omenjal delavske razmere. Spomladi 1. 1927 kar na enkrat pridejo k meni 4 nepoznani Slovinci, vprašajo me, če sem jaz H. D. in če bi se pri kompaniji res delo dobilo. Rekli so, da so brali moj dopis v Prosveti in prišli sem dela iskat. Čez nekaj dni so res začeli delat, samo eden je našel že na 9. št. rani grob, Nace Hočvar po imenu. Prihajali so sem trumoma Slovinci, Hrvati in Medžari.

S tem priseljevanjem so naša nova društva in napredek je bil vsepovsod. Naše društvo je že šlo čez 100 članov v odraslem oddelku. Delalo se je povsod s polno paro. Po 1. 1930 se je pa začela po Kanadi povsod depresija. Najzadnji priseljenci so bili najprvo odslavljeni, in ti so bili tisti novi člani novih društev. Pri nas je bilo najzlastnejše, ko je kompanija zaprla majno št. 14; odslavljeni so bili vsi tisti izozemci, kateri niso imeli kanadskih državljanških papirjev, brez razlike samaki ali oženjeni, če je imel svoj lastni dom ali ne. Njih delovne prostore so zasedli domačini.

Takrat se je začela za podporne društva prava katastrofa. Eden za drugim so se vlegli v posteljo za to ali ono bolezen. To se nekaterim ni bilo dosti, kakih 8 se je dalo celo na alepku operirati, v enem slučaju moč in žena (Hrvata). Če je bil v 2 ali 3 društvih, se je že izplačalo. Odslavljeni so se poigraovali in pozneje je moralo ostalo članstvo plačati deficit. 47 mesecev je trpelo predno smo poravnali in med tem je mnogo še ostalih članov pustilo društvo. Kot se v naprej vidim, bomo s sedanjim deficitom izgubili zopet nekaj dobrih članov. Pristopil pa ne bo noben.

Strinjam se z br. Gradiškom, ki v svojem pojasnilu končno med drugim piše: "Članstvo v

Kanadi naj torej pomisli, koliko časa bi oni mogli vzdržati svoj bolniški sklad?" Po mojem mnenju bi se po sedanjih pravilih ne peljali daleč, pa če bi prav sedanjim deficit odšteli. Ako mora sedanje članstvo vzdržati svoj bolniški sklad samo, tedaj je treba, da začnemo prav iz fundamente, kakor so začeli prvi ustanovitelji graditi SNPJ pred 35 leti. Izplačevalo naj bi se podpore po lestvici, kolikor bi bilo dohodkov od 291 članov, in ako bi se nabrala kaka rezerva, potem šele previdno podpore povisati kakor so pač prvi začeli. Sedanja pravila so O. K. za 38.000 članov, 291 članov v Kanadi pa ni zadovoljno samo z dokladi, ker so bili sprejeti po tistih pravilih kot drugi bratje v USA. Nikdo tudi ne ve, kaj se v USA lahko pride.

Meni je samemu žal, da je članstvo v USA plačalo \$31.000 za kanadsko bratstvo. K sreči za mene niso plačali nič, moja rezerva je še velika, tisti, ki so do bili največ, so pa že davno čez vse hribe. Nasprotno sem pa tudi jaz plačal \$141.00 v 47 meseceh, če prav zmirom ne lahko. Želim, da se še od članstva v USA kdo oglasi o tej zadevi, da bomo slišali oba plat zvana.

Herman Drobesch, 558.

O delu in seji
Smithfield, Pa. — O delavskih razmerah se ne morem nič pohvaliti, ker so prav slabe. Premogovniki ne delajo nič; vse po čiva in ne vemo nič, kdaj prično zopet obratovati. Nekateri delajo pri WPA, toda še teh vedno skrbijo, kdaj bo prišel dan, ko bodo odslavljeni.

Tudi na društvenem polju ni dobro. Članstvo se skoraj nič ne zanima za društvo. Malo nas je, toda še tisti ne pridejo na sejo. Assessment res plačujejo, ne vidijo jih pa ne, da bi prišli skupaj in se spoznali. Oni dan je prišel k tajnici neki član, da je plačal assessment. Jaz ga gledam, kdo je. Tajnica mi pravi, da je naš član. Torej bratje in sestre, zanimajte se malo bolj za našo bratstvo organizacijo. Na zadnjih par sejah je bilo samo par članov. Torej pridite na prihodnjo sejo v polnem številu. Vrši se 14. maja ob 2. popoldne v navadnem prostoru.

Anton Podlesnikar, 291.

Glas člana

St. Marys, Pa. — Seja našega društva 581 SNPJ na 16. aprila je bila precej dobro obiskana, ker smo imeli sodeček piva in prigrizek in ne vem koliko mleka. Mleko je seveda za tiste, ki niso pristajali alkohola. Mogoče bi bil kateri član prišel še izven mesta, ako bi bili društveni očetje priobčili v Prosveti, kar sem priporočal.

Na marčni seji sem predlagal, da bi nekaj darovali iz blagajne za španske sirote v smislu prošnje, ki je bila v Prosveti. No, nič ne damo. Neki član se je prav moško izrazil: "Kaj, za špance bomo dajali, da se bodo bolj vojskovali?" (On je dobil vsjo podporo). Ni moj namen nikogar žaliti s tem, toda ako imamo za pijačo, katera nima nobene koristi za društvo, zakaj ne bi imeli tudi za dober namen. Večkrat je bilo že predlagano, da se kaj daruje na špance in druge vredne ustanove, toda naše društvo še ni bilo zapisano v Prosveti, da je kaj prispevalo. In tudi ne bo po sedanjim razmeram.

Na aprilski seji sem predlagal, da bi pisni odgovori iz glavnega urada prihajali v slovenskem jeziku in tudi vsa naznanila v Prosveti bi morala biti v slovensčini iz razloga, ker naše društvo posluje v našem materinskem jeziku. Slišal sem že od zunanjih članov, da bi morala biti vsa naznanila v Prosveti v slovensčini. Br. tajnik je na to rekel, da so slovenska pravila samo privesek in da je angleščina uradni jezik jednote. Tako tolmačijo nekateri naša pravila. Ko sem nedavno govoril z nekim društvenim odbornikom glede tajnikov in njih varščine, mi je rekel, da mora vsak tajnik položiti varščino v znesku ali bondu \$500, ako nima svojega posestva. Odgovoril sem mu, da to jednota zalaga. Priporočal mi

je, naj čitam pravila. No, nisem jih čital, ker vem, da to ni resnica. Ko sem ga vprašal o enem od prejšnjih tajnikov, ki ni imel posestva, kdo je zanj položil varščino \$500, nisem dobil odgovora. Na naših sejah slišim: Mi delamo po pravilih. To bi bilo v resnici žeteli in bi bilo v korist društvu in jednoti.

Ob 35-letnici naše jednote čestitam našim prejšnjim in sedanjim voditeljem in ključem: Naprej za veliko SNPJ! Živela naša Slovenska narodna podpora jednota!

Math Shuster, 581.

Odgovor kanadskim članom

New Philadelphia, O. — V obligatni Prosveti sem čital dopis br. Grafa, predsednika društva 752 SNPJ v Ontariu, Kanada. On se sklicuje in apelira na članstvo v Združenih državah, naj presoja, kakšna krivica se godi članom SNPJ v Kanadi. Upam, da mi bo dovoljeno nekoliko odgovora predsedniku prej omenjenega društva. On piše:

"Prislijen sem, da se dotaknem zaključka glavnega odbora SNPJ, s katerim je razpisal izredni assessment v bolniški sklad na kanadsko članstvo... Oprimimo se gesla: Vsi za enega, eden za vse!"

Moj odgovor: "Vsi za enega" — to upoštevamo člani v Ameriki, kar je razvidno iz števil, ki so bile priobčene. V teku zadnjih desetih let, to je od 1. januarja 1929 do 31. decembra 1938 je kanadsko članstvo plačalo rednega assessmenta v bolniški sklad \$99,348 in izrednega \$13,804; skupaj \$113,152.00. Bolniške podpore pa je v tem času prejelo \$144,508.50 ali \$31,356.50 več kot je prispevalo. Bratje v Kanadi, ali ni to lepa vsota, katero so plačali člani v Ameriki za brate v Kanadi? Sedaj pa pravite, da se vam krivica godi. Na kakšen način? Ali imate dokaze?

Nadalje piše: "Ako pa je doklada potrebna, bi bilo bolj umestno, ako bi se razpisal izredni assessment na vse članstvo po 10c na mesec za tri mesece. S tem bi se finančno stanje bolniških skladov bolj popravilo kakor pa, ako kanadsko članstvo plačuje deset let dolar na dolar podpore. Mi držimo, da smo Slovenci tudi v Kanadi in kot taki bomo tudi ostali."

Odgovor: Gori omenjena doklada po 10c na člana je bolj podobna izrazu: Če si bil na eni strani udarjen, nastavi še drugo, da boš po obeh. Kar se tiče izraza, da smo Slovenci, se ga v takih primerih ne more upoštevati, ker tega izraza ali besede ne moremo založiti v jednotno blagajno in tudi ni z njo mogoče nakazati podpore bolnim članom, do katere so upravičeni. Ni nobene izjeme, pa bodi Slovenec, Hrvat ali pa kakšne druge narodnosti. Pri SNPJ imamo vsi enake pravice in tudi dolžnosti. Slovan je, da redno plačujemo svoje obveznosti, to je mesečni assessment, ker le na ta način nam je mogoče napredovati pri društvih in jednoti.

Nadalje piše: "Resnica je, da bi moral glavni odbor zbirati evidenco proti sumljivim članom in opozoriti upravo posameznih društev. Ako bi se dognalo, da posamezni člani izkoriščajo, naj bi se jih ne le opozorilo, marveč tudi iz jednote izključilo."

Odgovor: Za glavni urad je to neresljiva uganja, ker mu je ni mogoče pravilno rešiti. Za pravilno rešitev so društveni odborniki in članstvo, kadar se podpora nakazuje.

Nadalje se glasi: "Prečital sem, da ni niti enega člana pri jednoti, ki bi hotel kaj takega."

Odgovor: Jaz sem pa tega prepričan, da se dobi še kakšen član pri jednoti, ki si predstavlja SNPJ za molzno kravo, da jo molze toliko časa, dokler teče mleko, to je, ako se društveni odbor ne zaveda svojih dolžnosti.

Br. Graf tudi pravi: "V Kanadi imamo veliko Slovencev, a malo društev. Zakaj? Ker se malo ali pa sploh nič ne deluje, da bi se jih pridobilo v naše vrste."

Odgovor: Te besede so resnične, br. Graf. Na kakšen način potem morete pričakovati kakšnega napredka v Kanadi? Tukaj imate zopet živo sliko, da samo izraz: smo Slovenci, nima nobenega pomena, če nismo marljivi za napredek društev in jednote, ker jih je zaleda tako usoj,

da, posebno one, ki so dolgo leta pri jednoti, a so dobili malo ali pa sploh nič podpore. Toda tudi ti člani morajo plačevati doklado za nekaj članov, kateri niso za napredek, ampak za izrabljanje društva in jednote. Ključem vam: ne obupajte, ampak se oprite dela in očistite, kar je gnilega pri društvih, potem boste prišli do boljšega napredka.

William Pongratz, 484.

Jednotin jubilej in 20-letnica SDD

Johnstown, Pa. — SNPJ proslavlja 35-letnico svojega obstanka. Kdor je prečital slavnostno izdajo Prosvete, je lahko dobil sliko njenega delovanja skozi vso to dobo. Iz podatkov je lahko videl njene nepravilne in uspehe, na katere je njeno članstvo lahko ponosno.

Umevno je, da bo letos jednotino članstvo praznovalo njen jubilej. Tudi federacija društev v konemaški dolini se je odločila, da bo imela to slavnost. Na zadnji seji je imenovala odbor treh članov; da aranžira prostor in določi datum za to proslavo. Datum je določen na 6. avgusta, kraj pa znana Hrvatska farma pri Cooperadalu, kjer je jako primeren prostor za take priredbe.

Da bo proslava 35-letnice uspešna, mora članstvo gledati, da pridobi jednoti čim več novih članov. Brez tega ne bo nikakega uspeha, marveč le potratna časa in energije. Torej bratje in sestre, za uspeh je potrebno, da gremo vsi na delo in agitacijo za nove člane in čim večjo SNPJ. Ako bo njeno članstvo pridno na delu, nam bo uspeh zagotovljen in SNPJ nam bo hvaležna za naše delo.

Naj še omenim, da bo Slovenski delavski dom v Lorainu Boru proslavljal svojo 20-letnico na 1. maja. Leta 1919 meseca aprila smo zastopniki več društev imeli prvo sejo. Na tem sestanku je bil položen temelj sedanjemu domu. Na 29. junija istega leta smo imeli prvo veselico v novem domu. Bila je zelo uspešna. Tri dni po otvoritvi pa je stopila v veljavo prohibicija.

Mislím, da je slehernemu znano, da so slični domovi kot je naš odvisni od točilnice. Temu pa je prohibicija napravila konec in za nas so izgledali zelo temni dnevi. Dolga dosti, dohodkov pa malo. Takratni uradniki smo imeli precej poteškoč s poslovanjem brez denarja, ampak energija in dobra volja premagata vse ovire in tako smo jih tudi mi, kolikor smo jih sploh mogli in znali. Časi pa se spreminjajo in z njimi tudi razmere. Tako so vedno nove poteškoče in šikaniranja, preko katerih ne moremo iti. Moramo imeti vedno odprte oči in skrbeti, da se kaj neprijetnega ne pripeti.

Kakor omenjeno, bomo 1. maja obhajali 20-letnico te naše institucije. Direktorij je sklenil, da bo za slavnost pogostil vse domove člane, ki bodo navzoči. Vsak član bo dobil nekaj kozarcev dobrega piva in okusen prigrizek. Torej člani našega Slovenskega delavskega doma, ne zamudite te prilike. Pričetek ob 7:30 zvečer v domu. Na svidenje.

Frank Chuchek, 82.

Pevski festival v Milwaukeeju

La Salle, Ill. — Kot vam je znano, se je vršil lanski pevski festival v naši nasebini in letos, v nedeljo dne 30. aprila se vrši v Milwaukeeju, Wis. Da bodo na programu različne pesmi, o tem ni dvoma, ker udeležijo se ga zbori Sava in Prešeren iz Chicaga, Slovan iz So. Chicaga, pevski odsek Narodnega doma iz Wuegana, Soča iz La Salle in Planinska Roža iz Milwaukeeja. Noben Slovenec iz okolice ne bi smel zamuditi te redke prilike in priti na to manifestacijo slovenske pesmi, ker redka je prilika, ko se zbere toliko pevcev v eni nasebini. Nas je že zbranih za en bus, ki odpelje iz pred Slovenskega doma ob 6. uri zjutraj in če se priklasi še 35 oseb, ki bi radi šli z nami, dobimo še en bus — cena voznine je \$3. Kdor želi iti z nami, naj se zgleda telefonično na št. 557 ali 1616w ne kasneje kot do 6. ure zvečer v petek dne 28. aprila.

S pevskim pozdravom,

Fred Malgai.

Presenečenja teh dni
Ivan Molek
SE O "ZALJENJU" VERNIH ČLANOV
V večeršnjem članku sem na podlagi dejstev pokazal, kako se br. Kerže moti, ko trdi, da je pri SNPJ "primeroma tak odstotek vernih članov kot pri drugih naših podpornih organizacijah." Pokazal sem — kar mora biti jasno vsakomur, kdor odprto gleda — da se odstotek trdnih vernikov zelo razlikuje pri naših jednotah; pri KSKJ je najvišji, pri JSKJ je veliko nižji, dočim je pri SNPJ nizko pri teh.

Poudaril sem drugo dejstvo, da je ogromna večina naših ljudi v Ameriki totalno brezbrizna z ozirom na vero in politiko — ta brezbriznost izvira iz ameriških razmer, v katerih versko in politično udejstvovanje prostovoljno — in iz te večine brezbriznosti obstoji tudi v čina članstva SNPJ. Ne brigajo za nobeno stvar in najraje te imajo, če jih osebno postavi pri miru glede vere in politike.

Razni naši Grdine in Jeriči bodo spet "užaljeni" zaradi te moje trditve, toda dejstva bodo izpremenili, če se še tako repenčijo. Dokaz so njihovi katoliški listi, ki primeroma nimajo nič več naročnikov kot naši svobodnomošni listi! Vsi njihovi listi imajo težak boj za eksistenco, kakor naši, in nove naročnike morajo podkupavati, nazati in za lase vleči... Ali je to dokaz kakšne globoke vernosti 80 ali 90% naših ljudi v Ameriki? Smešno!

Grdine, Jeriči, Debevc in podobni "veliki gobci", kot jih je večasi krstil br. Kerže, bodo seveda hitro "dokazali" verski značaj našega članstva po — katoliških pogrebi. To pa to Morda še br. Kerže to verjame... Dejstvo, da član sam, ko je mrtev, ne odločuje — največje ga brezverca lahko odnesejo mrtvega v cerkev, pa ne bo nič protestiral! — jih nič ne moti.

To je bolezen brezbriznosti, velike večine, kateri je vseeno, po kakšnih obredih je človek pokopan. Zlasti ženske, ki so navadno bolj mehke in čustvene, je lahko pregovoriti — posebno, če se ženska zateče k rojaku-pogrebni ku, ki je javno ali na skrivaj aktiven za slavo cerkve... Na ta način so cerkveno pokopali na tisoče članov SNPJ — članov, ki se v svojem življenju niso nikdar brigali za cerkev. Ali je to dokaz verskega značaja našega članstva? Smešno! — Kam kredit omenjujamo, ki je zadnjič v Ave Mariji ožigolal verske pogrebe onih, ki se v življenju nikdar ne brigajo za cerkev, obenem se je pa prižolil, da za katoliške pogrebe brezvercev niso toliko odgovorni župniki kolikor so cerkveni odbori, ki so bolj fanatični kot je župnik sam! Zadeva je tragičnokomična. Zagrizeni sorodniki, ki niti naši člani niso — usilijo našega mrtvega člana cerkvi, potem se pa bahajo, da "nazadnje je morala biti cerkev dobra!..."

Mislím, da se bo br. Kerže strinjal z menoj, da gornje okoliščine, ki se dogajajo med nami, niso noben dokaz vernosti naših članov. Če je kdo užaljen v teh primerih, bi moral biti mi — ker tako grdo postopajo z našimi člani, ki so mrtvi. Ampak mi nismo užaljeni zaradi tega, ker mi to stvar vzamemo drugače.

Koga torej žali pisanje Prosvete med člani SNPJ? Večine brezbriznih gotovo ne, precejšnjega števila svobodnomošelnih članov, katerih je največ za brezbriznimi, tudi ne. Kdo je torej prizadet? Edinole peščica zagrizencev na dnu, ki ne predstavljajo niti petih odstotkov vsega našega članstva. Ali ima br. Kerže še tisto mnenje o zagrizencih, ki ga je imel v septembru 1910? Takrat je v Glasilu SNPJ zapisal: "Med prepričanjem in zagrizenostjo je velika razlika. Človeka s prepričanjem spoštuj, zagrizenca pa breni!"

Kolikor ima Prosveta opraviti z verskimi nasprotniki, ima opraviti največ z zagrizenci, ki so tako nervozni in histerični (Jurij Trzica, Tone Grdina etc.), da ne

No Excuse for Publicity Delay

Right now we seem to be at the height of a lively social season. The ever-increasing number of articles and lodge notices in this section is proof of the popularity it enjoys among our members and readers. Our active lodges and members know that timely, efficient publicity goes a long way in putting over their affairs.

The great bulk of articles intended for publication in the Prosveta is delivered to us on Monday of each week, with late mail coming in on Tuesdays. This has been so for the past decade or more, and of course, is also true of the Slovene side of the picture. However, alert contributors, who are in the minority, we are sorry to say, have long realized the importance of sending in their lengthy articles early and thereby assuring themselves that their piece will appear in the paper as desired. It is hoped that more of our writers will acquire the habit of sending their letters in in plenty of time to insure prompt publicity.

How can this be accomplished?

The procedure has but one requirement—mail early!

But this two-word answer does not tell the whole story.

The mailing of a letter early is not all. There are other factors that are equally important. It's the correct address on the envelope that expedites prompt delivery. For instance, the mere omission in the address of the abbreviated word "So."—a most frequent occurrence of guilt on the part of some writers—invariably delays things at least a day, but more often two days or longer, which is far beyond the deadline.

What is the deadline set for this paper?

For long articles it is Monday of each week and for short notices and announcements Tuesday forenoon of each week.

The paper goes to press on Tuesday afternoon, and you can time your letters accordingly.

Articles of lengthy nature, as for instance the writeups of the pending SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Cleveland, must always be in our office several days ahead of their publication.

Mail early! Address correctly!

Penn Pioneers Hold 'Big April Dance,'

Enter W. Pa. Fed. League, SNPJ Tourney

STRABANE, PA.—"Dance to the Rockin' Rhythm of Lee Barrett and his orchestra at the SNPJ Hall in Strabane on Saturday, April 29." These are the words that confront the eyes of many persons in the vicinity of Canonsburg on posters which are announcing the Big April Dance that the Penn Pioneers are holding. We have been fortunate in securing his orchestra and we are sure you'll enjoy dancing to his rockin' rhythm melodies. Be sure to attend, you'll spend a very enjoyable evening.

Sport Flashes. The very damp April weather has kept the Pioneer Softball Squad from getting in any practice sessions. As soon as weather conditions improve Manager Frank Podboy will issue a call for candidates. All Pioneers desiring to try out for the softball team are requested to watch for the announcement.

Plans have been made to enter the W. Pa. Federation league, no plans have yet been made to enter a local league.

James Tomic, Rudolph Krulac, Frank and Paul Podboy, Tony Progar and Joe Holsey will represent the Pioneers in the National Bowling Tournament at Cleveland on May 6 and 7.

Pioneer Pipe. "Happy Birthday" to Dorothy Zupancic who celebrates her birthday this week. Quite a few Pioneers plan to accompany the bowling squad to Cleveland. Never in our young life have we heard a polka song arouse so much interest as the "Beer Barrel Polka." For the 7th week now this polka has been the hit song at the club. The Federation softball league will consist of seven teams this year with Library, Sygan, Universal, Harnmarville, Verona, Strabane and Sharon on the roster. Quite a number of SNPJ lodges in Pennsylvania will sponsor softball teams this year.

April 29 will mark the close of the Boys' Bowling League, while the girls ended their season on April 27. The monthly meeting will be held on May 7, so don't forget to attend this meeting, all you members. Don't forget, Lee Barrett and his Rockin' Rhythm orchestra at the SNPJ Hall in Strabane on April 29.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE,
Lodge 589.

Lodge 89 Sponsor Dance Sat., April 29

MIDWAY, PA.—Next Saturday evening, April 29, in the local SNPJ Hall will be held another one of the Lodge's dances, which all of our members and friends enjoy so much. Paul Dolinar and his orchestra from Library will furnish the music, and we are informing you right now, that if you do not attend you will be one of the sorriest persons living. So—don't forget Sat. eve, April 29, at 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

COMMITTEE.

Don't Miss the SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Cleveland!

Have you decided to attend the National SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Cleveland on May 6 and 7? If not, do not hesitate to do so at once!

This tournament, according to the activities of the Cleveland members, is to be one of the outstanding events of our Society and will spur the drive for new members in the 35th anniversary campaign. To make this event of national importance, all members, in addition to those participating in actual bowling, who can afford to go to Cleveland, are urged to attend this affair.

The committee in charge of the tournament has promised to do all in its power to assure a pleasant and enjoyable time for all visitors. We, therefore, wish to take the opportunity to invite our members, especially the younger generation, to participate at this tournament and help make it a success.

Musketeers Hold Dance Saturday, April 29

MOON RUN, PA.—The Musketeers, SNPJ Lodge 706, are back in the swing of things and are planning on "going to town" with their Spring Dance on April 29 at the Slovene Hall, featuring the popular Rebarnik's White Eagles known for their waltzes, polkas and jitterbug music. A cordial invitation is extended to all neighboring lodges and friends to attend this dance Saturday night. We are expecting you and you and you!

The Musketeers will cooperate with Lodge Dobri Bratje, SNPJ 88, by holding a combined affair in commemoration of the 35th anniversary of the SNPJ. We feel that it is our duty to work with them and make this celebration an outstanding one. If more of the fraternal spirit predominated among young and old groups, don't you think we could forge farther ahead, members? We are convinced that this is very important for the welfare of our organization.

Our regular meeting, as announced in last week's paper, is scheduled for April 27. Please attend.—We still want our Frances among us, and Betty, too. Wonder if Julia Bogatay will soon pay us a visit.—Hope to see all our members and friends at our dance Saturday night, April 29.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE,
Lodge 706.

Women's Lodge Sponsor Dance Saturday, Apr. 29

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The Ladies' Lodge, No. 600, SNPJ, is sponsoring a dance Sat., April 29 at the Slovene Workers' Hall in Moxham. Music will be furnished by the well-known Joe Koradin and his Slovene Aces of station WHJB.

There will be plenty of excitement and fun when we rest our eyes upon the happy winner of a beautiful quilt given away at the dance. Buy your tickets from any member of the ladies lodge.

Note to members: Please hand all your stubs from the tickets sold to your secretary on or before April 28. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

As ordinarily, we will have plenty of homemade sausage, and hot dogs, also plenty to drink.

We are cordially inviting all the neighboring lodges and friends from far and near to attend our happy affair. We are also expecting a nice crowd from Universal. The admission is only 25c. Let all roads lead to the Slovene Workers' Hall in Lorraine Boro April 29.

MARY KONCHAN,
Sec'y, 600 SNPJ.

Lodge 748 Sponsor Popularity Contest

CLEVELAND, O.—Something has to be done out here in Collinwood to enliven our Women's Lodge. It just seems they can't get started one way or another. So Lodge "Svoboda," SNPJ 748, have decided to sponsor a popularity contest for their 3d anniversary. And now we are hunting for the most popular girl. Any girl can enter in Collinwood. There will be three cash prizes and all girls who are wishing to enter can call any member or write to Secretary Anna Vadal at 16118 Arcade ave. to find out full information. So girls, hurry and find out who will win the popularity contest of Lodge Svoboda.

I am also wishing all the members would get to work and start out campaigning for new members and show the others that we are also at work. As for some of you who would rather be in a Women's Lodge, we would be only too glad to have you transfer to our lodge. In the future we are planning to do big things with good results. We intend to do our best and boost our lodge and SNPJ.

With earnest work and fraternal cooperation we can get what we are striving for.

ANNA VADNAL, Secretary.

Comments on This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor
CAN DEMOCRACY WIN?

A week ago we stated in this column that the great army of unemployed with millions of dependents is a constant danger of fascism to America. Up to now the majority of the unemployed workers still has hope in democracy and refuses to listen to several brands of totalitarian propaganda—but where is the assurance that this same majority will still refuse to listen two or three years hence if, in the meantime, the present scope of unemployment is not considerably diminished?

In other words, Can American democracy win on its internal or home front?

There are two major conditions under which democracy can win.

First, it must at once proceed to organize its own machinery of aggressive counter-propaganda. This democratic counter-propaganda should be conducted strictly by democratic methods—and by such methods alone. In the very moment democracy employs the repressive means of the totalitarian opposition for its weapon—it will be defeated, it will cease to be a democracy!

Moreover, democracy must insist that all opposing propaganda should be conducted in the open and by democratic means; it must insist that all secret, conspiratorial, and violent methods shall be promptly squelched, and all private organizations in uniform forbidden. There should be no private police!

The totalitarian propaganda's freedom of press, speech, and assembly should not be molested, and democratic counter-propaganda should be alert enough to counter any printed attack and it should have its representatives at every opposition meeting ready to answer and expose every untruth uttered there and intended to stab democratic principles. No public mass-meeting should be barred to any speaker who wishes to reply to the opposing view.

In short, democracy should counter-attack by education and vigorous exposure; it must talk up, yes, even shout at every opportunity, individually and collectively, against the insidious propaganda of the anti-democratic elements.

The second condition is in making the American democracy more democratic. This point, too, should always be emphasized by democratic counter-propaganda.

The phrase, "we have got to make democracy work", must be realized as a fact and not remain as wishful thinking. And the only way to make democracy work is to expand it into the economic and social field. Political democracy is only a partial democracy and a very meager part at that. America must have the whole, the complete democracy—political, economic, and social!

Political democracy is wide and strong enough to serve as a tool with which to make it complete. Why not wield this handy tool in a united, powerful, and conscious action to achieve this supreme goal—complete democracy?

Economic and social democracy would wipe out unemployment and material misery of millions of Americans by organizing production for use on a practical, scientific plan, and by building up the Cooperative Commonwealth.

Cooperative Commonwealth (do not confuse it with state socialism, nor state capitalism, nor any political ownership of capital under a political bureaucracy!) is possible only under complete democracy, and no totalitarian tyranny of any kind will ever be able to achieve it.

Western Penna SNPJ E. S. Federation Items

IMPERIAL, PA.—At the regular quarterly session of the E. S. W. Pa. Federation of SNPJ Lodges held at Strabane on Sunday, April 16, the first meeting with the newly elected officers for the year 1939 convened with thirteen federated lodges being represented. With Michael R. Kumer as chairman the meeting continued for three hours, the following being the result:

The Athletic Board reports that Softball will be played this summer and to date six lodge teams will participate including the Keystoneers from Sharon-Farrell.

The Federation allotted the sum of \$100 for an adult and juvenile campaign with John Podboy, Louis Kumer and James M. Maglich as the committee. Details of this campaign will be published in subsequent issues of the Prosveta.

The third annual "Boat Ride" will take place sometime this summer. The committee for this affair are Michael Kumer, Betty Ambrozic, Kay Likovich, and Frances Dermotta.

The SNPJ Day committee as well as the Slovene Day committee gave their reports. Plans for Slovene Day to be held at West View Park, Pittsburgh, Saturday, July 8, and SNPJ Day at Shady Park, Clairton, Sunday, June 25, are almost complete and details will follow in the near future.

The Federation went on record as protesting the action of the Supreme board in regard to the dispute of "who shall represent the New York-Pennsylvania district in the National SNPJ softball tournament in Detroit last Labor Day." Bro. Louis Kumer, member of the National Athletic Board, was given no credit for his work but directly or indirectly the blame of the above dispute was placed on him. Therefore, in consideration of the above, the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania adopted a resolution and shall present same to the Supreme board.

Dates to remember: Dance April 29 and May 30 at Strabane. Dance May 30 and picnic June 18 at Sygan. Dance

May 7 at Verona. Celebrating 10th anniversary at Library on July 4.

Picnic June 18 at Ambridge. Dance April 29 and picnic June 18, also July 4, at Moon Run. Dance May 27 at Harnmarville. Dance May 20, Picnic June 18, also Aug. 20, at Universal.

Picnic July 2 and 9th anniversary dance Sept. 16, also celebration of 30th anniversary of Lodge 106, all at Imperial. Picnic June 11 at Aliquippa.

The next conference will take place at Ambridge on Sunday, July 16.

Meeting adjourned at six o'clock and a grand finish with a very good meal being served by the Pioneers.

JAMES M. MAGLICH, Sec'y.

Announce Rambler Dance for Sat., May 27

HARMARVILLE, PA.—The month of May is here and this means that the Rambler's dance is not far away—to be held May 27 at Harwick hall in Harwick. Music will be furnished by Frank Rebarnik and his White Eagle orchestra, who will play from 8 p. m. till 1 a. m. The boys certainly can play. We are inviting all of you swing and polka dancers to spend an enjoyable evening at our dance on May 27. We would like to see some of our friends from Johnstown, Sharon, Strabane, Verona, Universal, Sygan, Library and Manor Cadets be represented at our dance, as well as many of the other lodges.

Friendly Views: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kraker are visiting in the Middle Western States—Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, and Illinois. Thomas Solomon Jr. of Manor Cadets also is taking this trip to the Midwest. We wish them all a good time and feel sure if they visit a few of the SNPJ lodge affairs in those states that they will have a good time. Ann Kaus attended the Strugglers anniversary affair and said she had a very good time. Whom do Joe and Fred know in Yukon by the name of Frances?

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE,
Lodge 713.

Golden Eagles Open Membership Drive, Sponsor Anniversary Dance Saturday

GIRARD, OHIO.—Put on your "hunting" clothes—get out your "prospecting" equipment and get ready for "open season"—the Eagles are having a membership campaign! The past several months have been rather quiet and uneventful but this will be shoved aside in place of continuous activity for the remainder of the year—for only by being active—making full use of every available opportunity—can new blood be injected into our organization.

Governing rules and regulations haven't been made public as yet but this preliminary phase of the campaign is now being prepared and will be probably money awards will be offered winners and in addition you will receive recognition as a "go-getter"—both good reasons for obtaining new members. At one period in its eleven years history the Eagles had in the neighborhood of eighty members. Now with the application of a little energy combined with some friendly sales talk that total could be easily surpassed. Monthly assessments can be found in the "Constitution and By-Laws" as well as any additional information pertaining to lodge routine. It is no secret that most insurance representatives, upon reporting for the monthly dues, will attempt to heap upon you further and larger policies. This constant chatter coming month after month is annoying and unpleasant. Remind applicants of that fact. In the SNPJ we pay our dues unmolested and without any such fuss—that is one of many things in our favor when we begin soliciting.

Liberal provision will be made for any juvenile increase also. Even though our adults execute a constant vigil for the younger folks, the group itself should express their own desire for a larger and greater membership. Much more could be planned and accomplished if youths of more equal age patronized the meetings although it should be understood that the attendance of all is appreciated. Wonder why more of the 88 juveniles in the older lodge couldn't allow themselves at least an hour once a month to help things along? And in our English section a column is devoted to news, progress and happenings of Juvenile Circles. Why not use it?

The committee consists of Frank Verbie, Pioneer member and veteran campaigner; (Mrs.) Julia Pirc, formerly active in Cleveland circles; Herman Lukz, always busy with lodge affairs, and the writer. Every attempt will be made to keep things interesting and profitable for the individual. As was mentioned previously contest rules are to be put before the members at the next meeting but lack of such information for the present shouldn't prevent us from lining up prospects now. Look around in your neighborhood. Prospects needn't be of Yugoslav extraction. The by-laws state, in part, that, any white male or female person of sound mind, health and good moral character, is eligible.

Who is going to propose the first new member of this campaign?

Last call to help us blow out the eleven candles on our birthday cake. On former occasions the Eagles, many friends have assured the success of these anniversary dances and we hope we can depend upon them again. We realize that working conditions could be far better so in line

with this thought the admission has been cut to thirty cents. Joe Umeck and his Rhythm Kings always evening, so come on down and take a look. It's still at the Umeck Hall, W. Rayen Ave., Youngstown, Ohio, on April 29.

Of the Record.—The next month meeting falls on May 12 just a day before the Sharon-Farrell Keystoneers dance. Frances Milavec, signed as secretary and Ann Prev—Gordon St.—was voted into the office. Bernie Lukz, president of the Juvenile Circle, asked permission on behalf of the group to sell flowers at our dance. Request granted. Team of golden-shirted Eagles to compete in the SNPJ Bowling Tournament. Bill Prevec is in charge of the crew. If we aren't mistaken next drawing is for three dolls (meeting award). You will dance Umeck's music at the Keystone dance. "Nine Pin Pappy" Matekova sadly laments that an invisible hand seems to hold up the lost pin. Ag last Thursday he could get but at one blow. By now you should have all your dance tickets sold. "Sm Joe" Biesiada was one who came back for more. A fine thing, Ray, trying to get rid of all the "B. elors."

FRANK REZEK JR., 641

Jolly Allis Lodge No. 686

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Nice we Midge, keep it up, but don't make the mistake again of announcing a dance at St. Rita's. The dance will be held at the newly redecorated Labor Hall. The music will be furnished by Matt Pink. Bring all your friends. You are sure to have an enjoyable evening May 13.

Congratulations to the Lischak's are now the proud parents of another future ball player. Mrs. Lischak the former Angeline Dergant.

An opportunity to dance is being presented this Sat. by the Badger Place is at the Turn hall; let all plan to attend.

Sunday, the Singing Society M prej will hold a Singing Festival the Turn hall. Singing society from Chicago, Waukegan, La Sa and Milwaukee will collaborate, presenting a program. This program is something that is not offered the people of Milwaukee very often so you had better plan to attend.

All baseball players are requested to attend the next meeting when manager is to be elected.

We are Cleveland bound! Be you will be compensated for your publicity.

Don't forget the dance May 13 Labor hall, So. 64th St., West 13th Ave., West Allis.

THE OLD MAN
OF THE MOUNTAIN

EDITOR'S NOTE

CLEVELAND, O., Member-card postmarked April 18 at 9:30 p. m. reached us April 19 at 9 a. m., late for last week's official office.

JOHNSTOWN, PA., P. S.—Your article will appear next week.

Keystoneers Join ES W. Pa. Federation Softball League; Planning May Dance

SHARON-FARRELL, PA.—It was "play ball" in Sharon as the "Keystoneers" issued a call for candidates to form a softball team to represent us in the English Speaking Federation softball league. This is the first year that athletics here under SNPJ banner will be given a trial. We wish to thank the officials of the Western Penna Federation for accepting our team in their league and we expect to repay them, by playing clean and hard; win or lose we will try to be good sports at all times.

Here are a few members that are expected to make up the team roster for the coming softball season: Joe Cvelbar, Frank Godina, Martin Rupert, John Micuskey, Al Gorence, Valentic brothers, and a few ardent SNPJ members that may try out for a position on the team.

Plans are almost completed for our dance to be held May 13 at the Slovene Home here in Sharon. The Committee has been very fortunate in securing a very good orchestra for this great affair, that ever-popular Joe Umeck and his famous Rhythm Kings of Girard, O. The Keystoneers expect to entertain a large crowd on that day of days—May 13. So come on up and join us: Strabane, Universal, Verona, Harnmarville, Girard,

Struthers, Barberton, and Beers.

We will be expecting a few from each of these districts.

Friendly Views. Did you have good time (we did) at the 9th anniversary dance of the Flood City at Johnstown? Thanks for the hospitality to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pichin. Sorry "Doc" and "Prof" due to a dead battery in Bro. Pichin's car we were unable to visit your city of South Fork a visit. We may drop down in the near future. Rather delayed, but here hoping that our friends John and Ray Juvancic are up and since their unlucky experience. Korosec sure did introduce a "Traveling Bachelor" to quite a Flood City members that we did meet on our first visit to Johnstown. Do you know that the Flood City Prexy John Rak is a former Club Pioneer? We have been told that the Langerhole family are very active SNPJ members in Johnstown.

SNPJ members on hand have a few patients on hand. "Doc" George Reich. How about coming up and look them over? "Prof" Frank Siebert is said to assist and maybe "Bashful" will also be in the party.

H. RUPERT.

Friendly City News

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Well, here we are, the month of April just about gone. Has your lodge increased its membership any? If not, why not? This is the time to get your fellow-friends interested in this organization, and become One and part of Us.

Friendly City has started the month of April with 3 new mushball players. Welcome to our midst, Jacob Koss, Andy Melle, and Joe Bombatch. We are also making room for Frank Kasher Jr. and Jos. Solomon. What do you say, boys? Before this Jubilee Campaign comes to a close, Friendly City expect a membership that we ourselves will hardly believe.

It seems that the lodge activities are bringing Sis. Jennie Bombatch north again for the summer months, after spending the winter in Miami, Fla. If the weather doesn't soon break, Jennie and her "knofer" will again be migrating.

"We always have fair weather when we fellows get together," is our

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Wolverine Lodge Plan Field Day and Picnic; Participate in SNPJ Tourney

DETROIT.—Flash! The Wolverines have secured Horvath's Farm for the 4th of July where they will hold their annual Wolverine Field Day. The Wolverine Lodge will again play with their many friends from near and far. With the possibility that the Wolverine Lodge may engage the Wolverine in a tug-of-war contest, the Wolverine are anxiously waiting to see what the Wolverine are good at. "Shanty" and "Stan" are good at "rolling" as they are at "throwing!"

Because of the fact that many of the Wolverine are leaving for the SNPJ Tournament in Cleveland on Friday night, May 5, the meeting has been postponed until the following Friday night, May 12. Bud Anzick has arranged for us to see some motion pictures of one of our industrial plants and, also, of one of our National Parks. But in order to get these films, it is necessary for us to have a better attendance than we have had these last few meetings. The Wolverine will begin showing the films at 8 p. m., after which we will hold our meeting. So let's have a large turnout.

BOWLING NEWS. With the closing of the Slovene-Croatian League on April 2, we have the standings of the Wolverine teams (boys) and of some of the individual members. In the team event, the Wolverine Blues finished in second place, one game back of the Y. A. Pirates. The Blues won 59 games as against losing 31. The Growlers and the Golds finished in 15th and 16th places; the Growlers winning 43 and losing 47, while the Golds won 41 and lost 49. In the high individual single game, T. Golcar was second with a score of 261. The last three games of the season found the Blues rolling 2836 to finish 2nd in this event. In the individual averages, the Wolverine had three in the first ten, Lackner, 1st (186), Maccani, 5th (178), and Golcar, 10th (175). Quite a successful season, we think.

On April 16, the Wolverine engaged the Y. A.'s in the first Sunday of their three Sunday's contest to determine the Detroit SNPJ Bowling Championship. The Wolverine Blues took a lead of 176 pins by defeating the Y. A. Pirates 2758 to 2582; the Y. A.'s (2) defeated the Wolverine (2), 2604 to 2365; the Y. A.'s (3) won from the Wolverine (3) by coming from behind in the last game to win by two pins, 2224 to 2222; the Wolverine (4) defeated the Y. A.'s (4) by the score of 2186 to 1904; while the Y. A. Girls won from the Wolverine Girls, 2060 to 1822. The Wolverine Blues seem to be in good form and should give a good account of themselves in Cleveland. So look out, here we come!

Stuff 'n' Stuff.—Pleasant memories from Easter Sunday, what with the pleasant Easter weather, the grand Juvenile Program arranged by the Federation, etc. The hall was crowded to capacity, standing room only, and we believe the excellent program was enjoyed by all. Especial praise should be given to Mae Knez, Margie Rovsek, Joe Dolents, and Joe Cerne for their untiring efforts in producing this program. . . . There will be a bowling dance sponsored by the Slovene-Croatian League at 1329 Kirby, April 29. A swell opportunity for a swell time. We have been asked to state that any Wolverine desiring to obtain Wolverine pin can do so by seeing either H. Bolich or D. Obed. . . . And in a recent anonymous article from Barberton, a remark, skeptical by nature, was made that the writer of that article wonders "who's going to do the 'laconic' crooning for those two Wolves?" Let it be understood that this column feels no uneasiness on that point—all the crooning for this department (laconic or otherwise) is done by that well-known Wolverine crooner, F. Kern!

T. STEFFLER,
Wolverine Lodge 677.

Friendly City News

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ing dedicated to the Universal "game." We are hoping that our good friend Gish got home safe after the second Round Table Discussion with the Friendly City members. Bro. Gish acted as chauffeur to a number of Universal Comets who were guests in Johnston on April 15.

April 15 was a very busy nite in Johnston, with 3 different dances within a stone's throw from ne another. In order to accommodate them all, I've known some of the F. C. members to attend all three dances. They all wound up at Conemaugh Hall to hear Jos. Koracin. Many thanks to the Ladies' Progressive lodge for the lovely time.

I see by the papers that Sis. Agnes Bombach is back from the "Windy City" for a short visit. Sorry you weren't present at our last meeting. Bro. John Bombach finally fell victim to Dan Cupid. This undoubtedly means that the Mrs. will also be a Friendly City member. Sis. Vida Zier is reported to be up and at it again after being hospitalized for a while.

We are sorry to announce the deaths of the parents of our different members. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Trofina, Martinic, and Semic families in their bereavement.

Members, don't forget your meeting nite which falls on May 14, and bring along a new Friendly City member.

B. B. JACOBY, Sec'y 684.

The Reveliers' Column

AMBRIDGE, PA.—At the April 16 meeting of the Reveliers there was a nice announcement that drew a good response. Among the letters read was one stating Frederick Gorman born April 12 at 1:47 p. m. to James and Frances Gorman. The infant's weight was 8 1/2 lbs. The entire membership joined in wishing the baby and its parents the best of luck.

Adolph Grzicic was initiated into the lodge. Proposed were Elizabeth Kistela, Pete Smolinsky, Frank Sobota, Fred Bursh and Paul Stiglich. With these prospects, the Reveliers are showing their cooperation to make this year's membership campaign a success.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING.—On April 13 another of the pioneer Slovene residents of Ambridge was laid to rest. The entire Revelier membership extends its sympathies to the members of the family of the late Mr. Frank Pesege sr. . . . German File was appointed as the chairman in charge of preparing the post-meeting social for May 21. . . . This was repeated: The new address of the Revelier's secretary Christine Gaul is 1000 Park Rd. . . . On April 29 the Slovene Lodge held its membership meeting at 7:30 p. m.

All of the principle Slovene fraternal organizations in Western Pennsylvania are cooperating in behalf of the July 8 Slovene Day program at Gettysburg Park. This celebration is certain to bring together the largest gathering ever had in America.

ca. It is safe to predict that at least 15,000 will attend. In Dr. F. J. Arch the Slovene Day committee has an excellent chairman. . . . The annual SNPJ Day celebration for Pennsylvania will present a good program on June 25 at Clairton. . . . At its conference the Pennsy E. S. Federation went on record acknowledging the good work being done by its Pennsylvania representative on the SNPJ's national board. In commending Bro. Louis Kumer it pays tribute to a member doing good work. No criticism of other members was implied. But, in our society we take too often for granted the good our fellow members do. On occasion we should pause to acknowledge the work being done and give some credit to the active individual.

Recently, one of our Slovene men in the professional world mentioned a thoughtful word. After all is said and done, our Slovene organizations owe their strength and unity to the fact that they are Slovene. They are composed of Slovenes because of being Slovenes. In that lies a great amount of truth. We can organize under whatever assumptions we will. But we grow in numbers and hold unity because we are primarily drawn together as Slovenes. In his remarks I assume he has an unspoken hope in mind: That Slovenes in America be spared unnecessary inter-quarrelings within their organizations. . . . So long, until again.

LOUIS KOSOLA, 699.

Strugglers' Dance Is Huge Success

CLEVELAND, O.—A success! And what a success!—Yes, indeed, the Strugglers' 12th anniversary went over with a mighty bang. All participants had an interesting and pleasant afternoon and evening from the moment Sister Anne Strauss made her welcome address until your truly had to hug Shorty Zadel in order to close the affair.

On behalf of the lodge I want to thank all individuals, namely: Rudy Lokar, Eddie Azman, members of the Statute Club, Ann Zarnick, John Knifric, Rudy Jelercic, John Zalc, Dorothy DiCapp, Ulla Dance Team, Rudy Sturm, Dixie Lee Trio, and the Lazzik sisters, for giving us an appealing and not-to-be-forgotten show of shows. All the members of our entertainment committee certainly deserve a pat on the back. Good work, I say, Brothers and Sisters. Particular attention should be stressed on our recent transfer member, Bro. Phil Sirca, who for a newcomer did more than his share in publicizing our affair. Best regards also to the out-of-towners from Detroit, points surrounding Cleveland, and the various groups from Pennay. To the Sharon Keystones: Sorry you didn't have an opportunity to meet executive board. Hope to see you at the SNPJ Bowling Tournament. Special thanks also to the Loyalties for the splendid representation.

Congratulations to Sister Angela Baranowski (Krncl) for presenting a beautiful youngster to her husband just recently. Our star pitcher Eddie Zaleta is going to have a chip taken from his pitching arm this week. (Big league stuff, eh Eddie?) Hope it relieves his trouble. As soon as weather permits our baseball team, last year's City Wide Class A Champ, are going to begin practicing. Good luck to you, boys. Just a reminder that Sunday, April 30, all teams in the SNPJ Bowling League are going to bowl double-headers, thus closing the season. First shift starts promptly at 1 o'clock.

EDWARD A. SEITZ, President.

Where We Come from

CLEVELAND, O.—Where do we come from? What were our people? These are questions that arise in some of us children of immigrant peasants; and our parents, generally, are as baffled about it as we are. Our peasant parents, by the nature of their calling in life, can hardly be expected to have interest in such nice things as history. They worked hard and earned little. This position of theirs, in the old country, forced them to leave their homes and come to a land which offered them a better chance in life.

For those American-born Slovenes who are curious to know about their background, their people and their strife, a book has been produced which delves into the past of the Slovenes.

Anthony J. Klancar is one of our American-born Slovenes who has taken considerable interest in this question. He is very proud of his people—some of us think too proud. All in all, he wants to imprint on the minds of our Slovene youth that we are just as good as other people. To promote that feeling he has translated the book: *The Slovenes: A Social History*, by Dragotin Loncar, into the English language.

This book is an outline of the social history of our people since the recorded fifth century and up to 1910. Its 77 pages cover fifteen centuries of strife of a people. Needless to say, a compact work of this nature demands a cut and dried method of presentation.

We started out as a barbarian tribe allied with the powerful Avars and came across the Carpathian mountains to our present home, in the former lands of the Roman Empire. Here, our nationality was recorded and here our people still remain; though our ally, the Avars, have disappeared.

The greatest portion of this book deals with times and conditions which have hardly any connection with the present, and American history. Such terms as: Feudalism, Reformation, and Renaissance are foreign to the new world; for America, in its birth, drastically tore itself away from the old European order.

The book corroborates the declaration of some Slovenes, that our ancestors did not welcome Christianity; rather, it was forced on them with the sword. It is evidenced that the introduction of the religion was for the purpose of exploitation by foreign priests and nobility. The early missionaries, Sts. Cyril and Methodus, were sincere and were well received, but most of their efforts came to naught, because of greedy elements in the church.

The musty records bring us into the Reformation period which held great promise for the Slovenes. At this time, the dreaded Turkish invasions were taking place. Since, the Protestant movement was considered as baneful as the Turkish threat, the disorganized church and temporal interests did little to drive back the Turks. Finally, when the Turks were driven back, persecution of the heretics began, and Protestantism was defeated.

The Slovene Renaissance, the Age of Enlightenment, followed the period of absolutism which was imposed against Protestantism. In the eighteenth century, Jansenism worked side

Juvenile Circles

Jolly Kansans Report

GIRARD, KANS.—Our last meeting at the Franklin SNPJ hall, April 2, proved that our circle members are very enthusiastic about our work and are full of plans. They are in a better spirit than they were before since the arrival of spring. The meeting was very well attended and was presided by the chairman.

Our first discussion was to have armoryball teams for both the boys and girls. But our boys are still shy as ever, and would not say much. Yet, by the smile on their faces we could tell they were eager and very ambitious to organize a ball team. Our teams will challenge any team in or around Franklin. We also discussed picnics and decided to hold a "Round-up Jamboree" sometime in June, so that the older folks could come and give us their cooperation. This will be our first task that we have ever undertaken to put across but we are going to make it one of the best affairs of the month. Can we put it over big, members? You bet we can! One of the main features will be a game of armoryball when the girls will clash with our fine lads. So all of you old-timers come out and encourage our ambitious youngsters and show them you are interested in their fine work and progress.

The Secretary read an invitation from the Kansas SNPJ Federation concerning their program in which our members will participate. We gladly accepted the invitation and the Girls' Trio was the first to respond. Following the business meeting our Adviser read a story, "The Three Silles," which was very humorous. The members were enjoying the story so much that all were holding their sides. The monthly award was won by Lucille Rodich. Brother Anton Shular donated a beautiful chocolate Easter Bunny which was won by our lucky John Gratefner. We want to thank Mr. Shular for his donation, his fine spirit and continuous interest in our circle. He is always attending our meetings.

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 7 at the Franklin SNPJ hall at the usual time. After the meeting was over, refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served.

OLGA KNAPICH,
Sec'y, Circle No. 11.

Circle Members Go to Federation Affair

FRANKLIN, KANS.—As announced in last week's Circle column, the Kansas Federation of SNPJ lodges is sponsoring a gala affair this coming Saturday, April 29, at the Eagles hall, beginning at 6 o'clock. We know that you kind friends want to come and make it another pleasant and enjoyable evening by renewing all your old acquaintances and meeting many more new friends. It will be a gathering of the old and young folks.

The main feature of the evening will be the showing of the SNPJ films of Slovenia. Our circle members and friends will undoubtedly enjoy the moving pictures as much as the older folks. Following the showing of the pictures will be a "Round-up Dance" featuring the ever-popular band of musicians, the German Band of Frontenac. Jules Corsetti will do plenty of serenading with his \$1000 accordion by playing for the jitterbugs. The band will provide us with plenty of popular melodies, fox-trots, polkas and waltzes. There will be plenty of refreshments and drinks.

The admission in advance for men is 25c; for women, 15c. At the door the prices will be raised to 35c for men and 25c for women. Tickets can still be secured from all lodge secretaries.

Now, Kansas members, may this be a cordial invitation for all of you to come. Get mother, dad and the rest of the family, friends and neighbors and come to the Federation gala affair Saturday nite, April 29. Come regardless of the weather. We'll meet tomorrow evening at the Eagles hall.

SENORITA, Circle 11.

Circle Members Go to Federation Affair

by side with the ruling powers of Austria.

Jansenism was not a Protestant movement, but worked within the Catholic church, and against the Jesuits. The Jansenists were progressive in the sense that they favored public education and religious tolerance. The church condemned this new doctrine. Yet, many of the Slovene clergy harbored it while still keeping in the good graces of the church. Slovene nationalism was born through the liberalism promoted by the Jansenist doctrine.

The book concludes, hoping that the present day Yugoslavs can rise above their denominational differences, and develop a genuine intelligentsia in order that Yugoslavia may enjoy a fruitful, collective life.

The book demands study as it is very compact and there is no waste of space to develop the interest element. This is almost a fact.

A map of Slovenia certainly would have facilitated one's attempt to understand references to the various mentioned names of places.

There is a general agreement hereabouts that Klancar has done a commendable piece of work and should be congratulated for it.

LOUIS JARTZ, 666.

Planning Combined Aliquippa SNPJ Day

ALIQUIPPA, PA.—Galaxy of activities brighten social horizon on Excelsior's calendar. After lying dormant for a month Aliquippa's social groups took a sudden spurt and are uninvited with gay and colorful festivities. Never was there such an attractive galaxy of affairs, card parties, socials and dances and meetings.

The Excelsiors 721 and Senior Lodge Grosd 122 will hold a joint picnic on June 11. We will call it the "Aliquippa SNPJ Day."

What more suitable place could have been chosen for this year's picnic than St. Joseph's Park on Monaca Road. It contains a spacious dance pavilion and a large playground with ample parking space for cars.

We have secured the popular music of Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces. (They may be heard twice weekly over Station WHJB.) They are widely known for their melodious tunes.

Yes-siree! Aliquippa will be prepared on that day to give all of us SNPJs a real cordial reception along with a merry time. With the two lodges combining we will be in a position to do things in a bigger and better day. Won't you all reserve June 11 for Aliquippa's Huge SNPJ Day?

Slovene Women of Aliquippa have gotten together and organized a Ladies' Auxiliary. Meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month. All of you who have not as yet joined may do so by attending the next meeting held at the Slovene Dom at 7:30.

Birthday congratulations are now in order for this month: Ann Grosnik, Jim Yaklich and Frank Struble. Mr. and Mrs. Satherow observed their fourth anniversary. Congratulations!

Jurisdictional War. One of the Labor Board's biggest headaches, and one that is really outside its sphere, is the rivalry between craft and industrial unionism as represented by the CIO and the AFL.

The purpose of the National Labor Relations Act was to remove obstacles to unionization of workers. The Labor Board is merely the agent to carry out that purpose, and the hue and cry against it, in the main has been inspired by basic hostility to the law of the land, with the NLRB a convenient target.

But if one accepts the principles of collective bargaining, one cannot fail to accept the principle that an agency such as the National Labor Relations Board is a bulwark for industrial peace and a means of preserving a workable democracy.

Notice to members: Don't forget to attend our next meeting and pay your dues on time. Keep smiling!

JOY, Lodge 721.

Jugoslavia's Singers to Observe 20th Birthday

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The Yugoslavia, Singing Society will observe its 20th anniversary with a two-day affair, May 13 and 14, a dance and program, at the Moxham Slovene hall.

On May 13 a dance will be held, music to be furnished by the ever-popular Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces, featuring the harmonious voices of the Koracin Sisters. As guest of the evening Joe has invited Lud Zupancic, young Slovene attorney of Pittsburgh. The following day, May 14, a concert will be given in which the singing societies "Preferen" of Pittsburgh and Johnstown's "Rodoljub," under the direction of Prof. Hans Roemer, will participate. The program will commence at 2 o'clock.

"Jugoslavia," under the direction of Anne (Potokar) Edelmann, has been rehearsing for months and they promise a very entertaining concert. The program will consist of numbers by the mixed chorus, duets, a selection by the men's chorus, topped off by an operetta, "Rozmarin," with soloists Pauline Zaksek, John Rak, Genevieve Kopriwa, and John Brezovec.

Tickets are on sale for this affair by all members. There will be a group picture taken of the singers on April 30 at the Hornick Studio at 7:30 sharp. All members are urged to remember the time and date, to respond accurately. It is also essential that all members attend all rehearsals.

ELSIE CULKAR.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Are the Badgers going to town, or are they going to town? Seven (7) new members for the April meeting! And one of the seven also volunteered to work for the dance Saturday, April 29. And another new one walked away with the \$4 bank nite award. How about twice the number of new members for the next meeting? Let's all of us get down to work and really show everyone how to get new members.

Don't forget the dance Saturday nite at the S. S. Turn Hall. A popularity contest will be held, and we'll see which one of our blondes, brunettes or redheads has the most charming personality.

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Our heartfelt welcome home to

Seven Slovene Singing Societies to Present Third Song Festival Sunday

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Sunday, April 30, seven singing societies of Wisconsin and Illinois will meet here in Milwaukee to present the annual "Midwest Song Festival." The entertainment that will be furnished here will be hard to find elsewhere.

Last year these singing societies presented a long-to-be-remembered concert in La Salle. The people of La Salle packed the hall so full that even the singers could not find seats. They came expecting to hear a good program, and went home well satisfied, and anxious to hear another of its kind.

Now the people of Milwaukee have the opportunity to hear another concert given by the same singing clubs. Will they, too, come expecting to hear a wonderful program and get what they want? Will they, too, pack the hall to capacity? Of course they will, because Milwaukeeans know that they will not be able to hear another concert of its kind for quite a few years to come. They will come, stay for a delicious supper, and then have a grand time getting acquainted at the dance in the evening, and go home well satisfied.

Tickets for this concert are only 35 cents beforehand, and 40 cents at the door. Get your tickets early. We hope to see every Slovene in Milwaukee at the South Side Turn Hall, Sun., April 30, at 2:30.

A MEMBER OF "NAPREJ."

Milwaukee Song Festival

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—As you all know, Naprej is to be host to all the Slovene Midwest singing societies Sunday, April 30. This is going to be one grand concert, so I advise everyone to come and hear seven different singing clubs.

Also you out-of-towners that are coming to the concert, why not come Saturday and also attend Badgers' Dance.

EYES & EARS.

Milwaukee Bound!

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The Slovene National Choral Society is traveling to Milwaukee on Sunday, April 30, to take part in the Slovene choral festival there. Milwaukee's two fine crack singing groups will be hosts to Sofia from La Salle, Sava and Preferen, Chicago, South Chicago Sloven, and Waukegan's SNCS. Waukegan ranks very high, indeed, thanks to the splendid material that the more than competent, youthful director, Paul J. Sifler—composer-director—has had to work with.

The Slovene National Choral Society has selected an outstanding group of beautiful songs. They are: "Invitation to a Dance," "Jadransko Morje" (Adriatic Sea), and the "Sextette" from Lucia Di Lammermoor.

Of the first number little need be said, except that there are few "run-around-your-brain" numbers like it; the second number will call upon the combined efforts of the entire ensemble, particularly the men's section, as they lift their voices in the song of homeland of the old folks; the mournfully-defying song of the hopes and joys of the Slav Adriatic; and lastly, the beautiful, divided into four parts, strains of the "Sextette" will echo through the hall to end Waukegan's contribution to a vocal exhibit of Slovene culture.

ACRES, 568.

Mayor D. W. Hoan Welcomes Third Song Festival

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The following message was sent to Soc. Zbor 'Naprej' by Daniel W. Hoan, Socialist Mayor of Milwaukee, officially welcoming the Slovene singing societies to the Third Midwest Song Festival which will be held here Sunday, April 30:

Milwaukee is known as a music-loving city, a reputation which it gained in the old days of the Saenger-fests. Conditions have changed since then, but love of music still remains a dominant characteristic of our city. The Midwest Song Festival sponsored by the Socialist Zbor 'Naprej,' which will be held here April 30, is an event that deserves encouragement and support. It will bring to Milwaukee many singers and visitors from the Middle West, and will provide our people with a musical treat of distinctive quality and color.

As Mayor of Milwaukee, I extend cordial greetings to the singing societies, to their members and guests, and I wish you the utmost measure of success.

DANIEL W. HOAN,
Mayor of Milwaukee.

Lodge J. Z. Jrs. to Hold Important Meeting May 4

LIBRARY, PA.—All J. Z. Jrs. of Lodge 682 are asked to attend the next meeting that will be held Thursday, May 4, at 7:30 p. m. (D.S.T.). We have a certain dispute as to the special monthly assessment of 15c that is to be settled. We sent all the members a notice last month, but not enough of the members attended to make it a 2/3 vote.

Although we did not vote on the suggestions that were brought up at the last meeting I feel that they should be put in the minutes and followed in the future. First, if one lives or works out of town he or she should be exempt from paying the 15c special assessment; second, that a married woman who has small children should be exempt from the special assessment fee. I believe that there should be an exception to the last rule, so that if the father or husband isn't working at night the wife should feel free to go to the meeting once a month if she cares to go.

If anyone has any objections to the proposed rules they can bring them up at the meeting. The one rule that should have been followed and hasn't been is that all members who feel that they should be exempt from the Special Assessment should bring their excuses to the meeting and not to the secretary, and if the members at the meeting find that your excuse is good enough I will gladly refund your fifteen cents.

For the benefit of the members that have been paying the fifteen cents each month and haven't been attending the meetings regularly, and also the ones that have been attending the meetings and didn't listen to the reports, let it be known that we now have over sixty dollars in the savings account at the Pineville Bank, accumulated from the fifteen cent special assessment. So you see that the money has not been spent foolishly.

Mary Stille, one of our members, has been very sick in the hospital. She is at home now, and the J. Z. Jrs. wish her a speedy recovery and hope that she will be with us soon again.

The J. Z. Jrs. Lodge 682 and the Senior Lodge 386 are holding a combined Anniversary Affair July 4, and they invite all the surrounding lodges to attend this affair for there will be plenty of entertainment for all.

MATILDA BOLTE, Secretary.

Secure New Members for the S. N. P. J.

travesty, other than to say that "there'll come a day!"

The report of the treasurer for the first quarter and for the "A Night in Slovenia" was accepted after it was explained that the books were carefully audited by the auditing committee. Payments for baseball equipment were placed in the hands of the baseball-enjoying treasurer.

During the past few days this department has inquired of a number of members as to the condition of their consciences. In all cases the reply was that everything was okay. We wish to point out that a clear conscience does not always mean just that; sometimes a clear conscience indicates a short memory.

Just Notes!

It is time again for Little Fort to plan for another affair. Members, summon your wits from wool-gathering and let's do something! . . . A few members, evidently suffering from skeptic poisoning, have been seen peeking into the by-laws and Robert's Rules of Order. . . . Will the "SRO" sign be hung out at the next meeting, ballplayers? . . . It is said that "silence is golden," but at times it can be yellow. . . . To the Midwest Athletic League: the lodge treasurer has promised us that our check for this year's dues will be sent soon.

ACRES, 568.

Little Fort Lodge

Meeting Night

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Thursday night! What a night! Yes, the 1939 April meeting will long be remembered as a grand give-and-take affair.

A group of twenty-five members gathered in one of the halls of the Slovene National Home and proceeded enthusiastically with their business.

Baseball and other athletics was given most of the solemn thought of the members. Result: All male members, in good standing of Lodge Little Fort, No. 568, SNPJ, who are interested in playing indoor-ball under the banners of the lodge, are requested to come to the May meeting where final plans will be made concerning the schedule for 1939. An almost unlimited appropriation has been made for equipment; so we expect a grand gathering of the flashy appleknockers at the meeting.

It is not the intention of this department to comment on the JNF controversy, other than to say that "there'll come a day!"

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Our heartfelt welcome home to

Eddie Jerab who returned from Wyoming two weeks ago. Frank Yuran is still on the sick list, and I'm sure that he'd enjoy some visitors.

One of our members, namely, Anne Martinsek is touring the south with an orchestra. We sure enjoyed the carols, Ann, and especially one letter.

THE EYES
& EARS OF BARGERS.

S.N.P.J. Sports

SNPJ ATHLETIC BOARD MEMBERS

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Cleveland Lodges Ready for National SNPJ Tourney

CLEVELAND, O.—The Third National SNPJ Bowling Tournament, scheduled to take place here in Cleveland May 6 and 7, is attracting wide attention as hundreds of members are putting finishing touches to their bowling teams which will compete in our "event of the maples."

Many notable maple crushers will be on hand to participate in the tourney, and we want to let all the members of the SNPJ know that we will have with us Bro. Carl Nagel, member of the Gowan (N. Y.) Boosters Lodge, SNPJ 728, and leading knegler in the ABC tournament now being held in Cleveland. He is leading the ABC by a score of 714 in the singles and our lodges are wishing that he stays on top. We wish him all the success. His remarkable bowling is an honor to our great institution. He will bowl with his members in the five-man, doubles and singles events, and whatever score he makes will still stay in our minds as the best.

We want to thank all the lodges that sent in their entries. We will do all we can to accommodate all in regard to the time specified, as accurately as possible. As you know, the Cleveland teams will run off their five-man events Friday, May 5, to clear the alleys for the out-of-town lodges on May 6 and 7.

We will try to have the tournament started at 11 a. m. Saturday, May 6, and we hope to have one of the Executive Officers from the Main Office roll the first ball. Invitations have been sent to the Executive Committee to participate in this tourney and we hope to see an entry from them this week. Cleveland lodges are all looking forward to seeing them at this event and we hope they will be on hand.

Lodges that have sent their entry blanks will receive by April 29, a schedule made up in book form showing the time and date their respective teams will bowl and we would appreciate that this schedule be carried out. In this way, and no changes necessary, we will be able to run the tournament off without difficulty. Also, members that will participate can arrange their arrival accordingly. Please abide by the official schedule, as we aim to make this event a truly huge success. Your kind cooperation in this matter will help it along and will be greatly appreciated.

The Cleveland SNPJ Athletic League lodges will have a few words on the Slovene radio program sponsored every Sunday afternoon regarding our tournament. We all hope that this will bring out the Senior lodges. Bro. Edward Setz will be our toastmaster in this program. He is capable of handling a job of this kind as an experienced general reporter. The Executive board should take notice of this fact in case they are looking for a man to handle any program for the benefit of the organization.

We wish to add that the prize list will be increased 75% over last year's, due to the greater amount of money received and a likely larger entry. We are trying to give every member a share of this and we hope for the best of all members participating.

Don't forget the DATES—MAY 6 AND 7. Also—THE DANCE Saturday night, May 6, and the BANQUET Sunday afternoon, May 7, and dancing which will follow.

GEORGE CUARDA, Chairman, Cleveland SNPJ Athletic League.

Badgers Go to Cleveland

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—I see that John Aynik wrote about the National Boosters Club which originated in Detroit. I wonder what they are going to do in Cleveland. I want to meet the scribe who writes under the nom de plume of "Junior." Wonder if Julia Bogaty remembers the little deal we made up in Chicago? And before I forget, Badgers are sending six teams and in pretty sure that one of them will bring home the bacon. One of my newboud's (good things to have around) just told me that they saw someone doing the YOM with Yonick.

EYES & EARS OF BADGERS.



Hujan, Setecka Teams Pioneer League Champs

CHICAGO.—The Pioneer bowlers have bombarded the maples for thirty weeks and have concluded a successful league season. The Hujan's Tavern are the Pioneer League Champs for the 1938-39 season. They have been on top or battling for the lead all season and their home stretch drive which netted them eleven victories in last twelve games rewarded them with the championship.

Here are the final scores of boys' and girls' league:

PIIONEER BOYS' BOWLING LEAGUE

April 12, 1939

Name	Team	G.T.P.	H.	S.	A.V.
1—J. Knoch (K)	87	12864	197	310	142
2—L. Komuchar (L)	87	12616	186	400	173
3—M. Kolan (K)	90	15875	251	404	176.32
4—B. Spayer (S)	90	15391	244	402	176.1
5—H. Andrus (A)	90	15069	230	400	167.59
6—J. Moulth (M)	72	11860	212	385	166.34
7—J. Zupancic (Z)	90	14907	222	371	166.17
8—F. Zordan (Z)	42	6888	235	344	164
9—A. Firman (F)	86	14298	231	340	162.42
10—F. Lotrich (L)	86	14851	240	331	161.81
11—E. Andrus (A)	84	12857	219	344	160.77
12—E. Reichel (R)	84	12512	209	340	160.72
13—J. Nachman (N)	72	11470	214	376	159.22
14—E. Hrist (H)	87	13890	222	369	158.54
15—J. Aliah (A)	90	14852	238	340	158.42
16—J. Collins (C)	90	14248	231	312	156.28
17—M. Vidgar (V)	81	12808	218	342	156.28
18—D. Lotrich (L)	90	14666	229	344	156.14
19—E. Arko (A)	87	13846	224	376	155.83
20—J. Zordan (Z)	90	13972	212	385	155.25
21—B. Spayer (S)	91	15374	250	328	155.19
22—J. Setka (S)	74	11466	215	321	155.16
23—E. Pechnik (P)	81	12518	219	340	155.1
24—L. Lotrich (L)	90	13925	218	328	151.45
25—J. Kopsch (K)	87	13147	216	344	151.1
26—L. Cretnik (C)	78	11629	204	340	149.17
27—F. Groser (G)	90	13007	183	340	145.47
28—J. Groser (G)	90	13067	181	344	145.7
29—B. Spayer (S)	87	11888	201	341	139.78
30—F. Vidgar (V)	80	10415	197	300	129.1
31—B. Rodman (R)	42	5856	202	318	128.12
32—L. Groser (G)	16	2247	192	207	125.1
33—E. Lahn (L)	42	5442	188	311	120.24

* Initials in parentheses indicate teams "Kolar," "Lotrich," "Hujan," "Zavertnik," "Nachman" and "Flasher."

Season High Game:	Season High Series:
1—J. Knoch 355	1—B. Spayer 628
2—J. Knoch 355	2—J. Collins 612
3—M. Kolan 351	3—J. Collins 612

G.T.P. H. S. A.V.

Team	G.T.P.	H.	S.	A.V.		
1—Hujan' Tavern	56	54	622	2615	901	
2—John Zaverdink	51	39	547	551	2623	910
3—Nachman Dentists	48	47	578	537	2619	782
4—Lotrich Insurance	41	49	656	614	2661	901
5—Kolar Florists	41	49	656	628	2663	918
6—Pioneer Flasher	38	38	628	519	2623	749

Season High Game

1—John Zaverdick	551
2—Nachman Dentists	597

Season High Series

1—Kolar Florists	2661
2—Pioneer Flasher	2623

LEO KOMUCHAR, Sec'y-Treas.

PIIONEER GIRLS' BOWLING LEAGUE

April 13, 1939

Name	Team	G.T.P.	H.	S.	A.V.
1—Mitz Chernich (P)	90	12944	197	310	142
2—Agnes Jurcic (J)	90	12794	186	400	142
3—Ann Groser (G)	78	10818	197	400	139
4—Milla Jahn (J)	72	9418	199	376	121
5—Helen Harsbach (H)	30	4516	181	310	121
6—Bertha Hrist (H)	87	10605	170	440	123
7—Dor Ullrich (U)	78	8775	168	478	122
8—Mitz Kraly (K)	87	10647	191	477	121
9—Julia Knoch (P)	90	10807	182	432	121
10—Ann Loker (L)	87	10157	189	440	117
11—Joane Dremely (D)	87	10194	156	432	117
12—Ang Godina (G)	90	10849	195	430	116
13—Frances Trester (T)	90	10954	186	433	111
14—Margie Kochevar (K)	84	8496	188	401	111
15—Max Groser (G)	90	9682	170	421	106
16—Marta Omahen (O)	84	8978	152	411	106
17—Max Jurcic (J)	87	8996	146	399	102
18—Ann Kochevar (K)	87	8884	181	393	102
19—Frances Vidar (V)	90	8920	143	387	91
20—Djiv. Bozicic (B)	90	8218	143	385	91

* Initials in parentheses indicate teams "Patricia-Cole," "Rubenik," "Sticks" and "Wencl."

Individual High Game

1—Margie Kochevar	198
2—Mitz Chernich	197
3—Ann Groser	197

Individual High Series

1—Mitz Chernich	316
2—Ann Groser	290

Team High Game

1—Wencl	773
2—Pat-Ra-Cole	730

Team High Series

1—Pat-Ra-Cole	2901
2—Wencl	2058

Games High Game High Series

Team	W.	L.	Game	Series	Avg.
Pat-Ra-Cole	45	43	730	2901	389
Wencl	45	42	725	2058	345
Bozicic	45	44	724	2054	389
Wencl	42	43	773	2058	619

AGNES JURCIC, Sec'y-Treas.

All Look Forward to the 1939 SNPJ Tourney

CLEVELAND, O.—All groups are looking forward to our SNPJ Tournament being held here May 6-7. Approximately 80 five-man teams are going to represent the various lodges who are gunning for the one thousand dollar prize list. Two cups in addition are going to be presented to the winning 5 men and women teams. Also a few medals donated by our Supreme office are to be presented to the winners of the various events. A shattering record indeed is going to be accomplished on these two eventful days. If possible most of the Cleveland 5-man teams are going to do their krieging on Friday evening, May 5. In regards to the scorekeepers the committee in charge decided that a sufficient number of volunteers should be available. This in addition will automatically increase our prize list, so let's have the cooperation of the local members in this respect.

Headquarters of our affair will be the Slovene National Home at E. 65th and St. Clair. All out-of-town-ers are advised to check in at the information desk situated here before going to the St. Clair-Eddy Recreation at 12320 St. Clair. Would advise that the out-of-town guests requiring sleeping quarters check with the

person at the information desk before definitely deciding where to go.

On Saturday evening, May 6, we will conduct a dance at the Slovene Home on St. Clair. Admission for this affair is 35c. Music for this occasion and for the following evening will be furnished by Bro. Frank Yankovic and his orchestra. We are at the present also endeavoring to rent the annex for this particular evening in order that a good time plus, can be in the offering until the wee hours of the morning. On Sunday immediately after all the teams have finished bowling will again meet at the Slovene Home. The meeting to decide the site of the 1940 tournament will be held just as soon as all the delegates are present. This meeting should commence at least by 3 o'clock. The banquet for this gala affair will begin at about 4 o'clock. Thus allowing the out-of-towners sufficient time in which they can travel home. The admission for the banquet and dance is 75c; for just the dance in the evening a two-bit piece will be your passport. All readers please note that a combination ticket entitling the bearer to the dance, both Saturday and Sunday, plus the banquet Sunday afternoon can be obtained for \$1.

As a special inducement your reporter is attempting to have a few of the Cleveland Indians, and if possible a few members of the New York Yankees, present at our affair Saturday evening. Here's an opportunity for some of our baseball fans to personally meet some of the stars. So before closing may I say "On to Cleveland Brothers and Sisters for the annual SNPJ Bowling Tournament being held May 6-7!"

EDWARD A. SETZ, 614.

Reveliers' Sports

AMBRIDGE, PA.—The Reveliers have completed a highly successful bowling league season. Captain Jennie Rasky's Violets were declared the champion team of the league. Other Violet team members included Anne Pavlik, Matt Matekovich and Louis Kosela.

Andrew Burka led, by a wide margin, the individual averages made by the men bowlers. Burka had a 159 average, Kosela, 149, Peltz 146, Malec 148 and Svegell 142. Burka rolled a high single game record of 229; Peltz rolled a high three games' total of 588.

Jennie Rasky had the season's best average for the women with a mark of 116. Gertrude File had a 111 average. Margaret Petrella 111, Anne Obed 108 and Stella Peltz 107. Gertrude File rolled the ladies' high single score of 200; Gertrude File and Margaret Petrella rolled a high three games total of 412. Jennie Rasky and Joe Blascak were voted the best sports of the league, and will receive awards in that honor.

In addition to the league the bowlers had a busy season in other lines of competitive bowling. Match games with the Veronians, Friendly City and Flood City were had. Also, almost the entire league membership participated in the annual bowling tournament held at Carick.

Prizes totaling \$37.50 will be distributed among the bowlers at the next Reveliers' meeting on May 21.

The bowlers discussed for some time the best way to celebrate the ending of the league schedule. Rather than have the usual banquet, party or picnic the bowlers seemed to consider taking a trip to some lodge affair. Tony Grandovic, I believe, first suggested the plan. The members of the bowling league will take about \$50 from the league kitty to defray expenses for such a trip. However, as the bowlers are undecided to select any one lodge's affair to attend, lodge's within a radius of 50 miles of Ambridge are invited to write the Reveliers an invitation to attend their particular affair. One place will be selected. Lodges writing invitations should make known just what program they are sponsoring. The invitation to be selected is assured an attendance of over 30 Reveliers at their affair. As Tony Grandovic is interested in this plan, invitations should be mailed in his care. His address is 232 Maplewood Ave., Ambridge, Pa.

The past season's records and other details were ably handled by the secretary of the league. She was Margaret Peltz.

LOUIS KOSELA, 699.

ZARJA, BRANCH 27 SPONSOR MAY DAY CELEBRATION SUN.

CLEVELAND.—On Sunday afternoon, April 30, at 3 o'clock the Socialist Zarja in conjunction with Branch 27, JSF, will present its Spring Concert and May Day celebration. The admission is only 25 cents beforehand; 40 cents at the box-office. Get your tickets now from Mrs. Makovec or from any member or friend of the chorus.

We guarantee you more than your quarter's worth on this day. The chorus will render a few selections, among them the very classical number—"V Spomin Ivanu Cankarju" by Anton Grum. Our well-known Miss Jennie Perusek, whose style of singing and manner of expression are definitely all her own, will entertain you again with song. "Tales from the Vienna Woods" will be added to the variety by Mrs. Victoria Poljak. There will be duets and other arrangements, including the very popular "Glow Worm," sung by the women's chorus. The little dramatization

The SNPJ Executive Committee Proceedings

Meeting of March 15, 1939

In attendance were Brothers F. A. Vider, L. Gradisek, J. Vogrich, P. Godina and I. Molek, presiding. President Cankar had not as yet returned from Pennsylvania.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

On letter from the secretary of lodge 107, desiring a speaker for their 30th anniversary, decided that it be turned over to Bro. Cankar upon his return.

Communication from John Rak, Lodge 712, regarding contribution for radio broadcasting of program on the 15th of April: \$5 was approved and the Supreme Secretary may comply with their request for an article to be read over the radio.

The amount of \$100 was contributed for membership fee to the American Civil Liberties Union.

Communication from lodge 446 with reference to charter for a club they contemplate organizing. It was decided that they may procure a license for their club and if they are not familiar how to go about getting one, they may get information from other local lodges which already have such licenses, or from an attorney.

Letter from the president of lodge 648, Toronto, Canada, asking permission to organize a new lodge in Oshawa, Canada. It was decided that if there is any prospect and future for such a lodge, it may be organized.

Assistant Secretary submitted and application for payment of complimentary claim from the sick benefit fund for John Skrijanc, lodge 239; approved.

The Manager presented the question relative to supplement to the anniversary issue of Prosveta. It was decided that the supplement be devoted exclusively to the 35th anniversary, and that better quality paper be used. The meeting adjourned at 3 p. m.

I. Molek, Acting Chairman.

F. A. Vider, Supreme Secretary.

Meeting of March 22, 1939

The meeting was called to order by President Cankar. In attendance were all of the officers except Brother Molek who was busy with work on the anniversary issue of the official organ.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

On motion, the renewal of subscription to the Winnet Times was approved for another year. The request of lodge 241 for correspondence received from the former secretary regarding the 1938 election of officers was rejected. On motion, \$10 was contributed towards the distribution of the book "Fraternal Life Insurance" to educational institutions by the National Fraternal Congress of America. It was decided that the chairman be empowered to see that the translation of the minutes of the Supreme board annual meeting is done at compensation not exceeding \$75. A floral tribute was paid the late Anton Mladich, former Supreme board member and pioneer. Brother Cankar described his tour showing the SNPJ films in Pennsylvania and his participation as speaker at the 35th anniversary of lodge 5 in Cleveland.

Supreme Secretary Vider submitted Andy Unetich's communication regarding the mortgage of Nick Kleick. Upon which it was decided that Attorney F. Seabright of Gary, Ind., be instructed to commence with foreclosure. On application for special benefit from lodge 1 for Andrew Blazich, the amount of \$12.50 was approved to be kept in custody of the lodge to be applied for the purpose asked. It was decided to grant a \$15 ad for the program booklet for the SNPJ Day in La Salle, Ill., and \$300 donation for the affair, the cost of the stationery to be charged to affiliated lodges. Supreme secretary is delegated to attend the 20th anniversary of lodge 363 on May 28 in Russellton, Pa. On motion, the maximum sum of \$50 was donated for the juvenile circles in Milwaukee, the Wisconsin Federation asking for \$100. The Chicago Federation's request for Supreme secretary as a speaker at the 35th anniversary celebration of the Society, was granted, and their request for ad in program

ED. BUDENKO, Lodge 450.

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booklet to be granted upon submitting prices for space. Upon discussion, the unanimous opinion prevailed that the Supreme Secretary should advise the program committee of the Chicago Federation in charge of the contemplated 35th anniversary celebration of the SNPJ on April 16 to secure a duet of capable singers, members of the Society, to appear on the jubilee program.

A letter was read from Brother E. Tomic, and it was approved that he attend the meeting of the newly organized juvenile circle in Aguilar, Colo. A resolution relative to the sale of the Croatian Home was adopted. The meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

(Continued next week)

Asks Help to Free Slovene Youth in Spain

CLEVELAND, O.—I have been a member of the SNPJ (Lodge 450) for thirteen years. This is my first attempt to write to the Prosveta on any issue. But I have read with great interest all the discussions and debates carried out in these columns and have read with mixed feelings the expressions of personal opinions by the readers.

An issue has now arisen which forces me to ask for the same privilege as has been so well extended to others by this paper. The issue is one which will undoubtedly be of general interest and concern to all the readers of Prosveta, as well as all members of the SNPJ.

A Slovene boy, Rudolph Opara of 961 E. 29th st., Euclid, Ohio, went to Spain in July of 1937 where he joined the famous International Brigade and fought in several battles there on the side of the Loyalists against the Fascists of Franco. He was wounded once and later captured (in March, 1938) by the Franco soldiers. He has been in prison ever since and he has been permitted to write only one letter to his widowed mother and sister in all this time. He was tried by a military court martial by Franco and sentenced to die although an honorable prisoner of war. The sentence has since been commuted to twenty years imprisonment in Franco's Spain.

Many other volunteers from the USA, and from other countries, have been sent safely home. Almost a hundred other American prisoners have been recently released by Franco, and are now on their way home. Only three U. S. volunteers remain in Franco's hands.

I think it is good that the various Slovene organizations here in Cleveland have formed a committee, on behalf of my friend Opara to get him out of prison and home with his mother. Several outstanding Slovene figures have endorsed this action, among whom are such men as Louis Adamic, Ex-U. S. Senator Bulky of Ohio, State Senator Wm. Boyd, the mayor of Euclid, Ohio, Mr. Sims, have lent their names to the list of people who are supporting the action of the officers of the SNPJ lodges here who held a mass meeting last Friday, April 21, at the Slovene Workingmen's Home on Waterloo road in Cleveland. The Cleveland Industrial Council (CIO) has also endorsed the action to free Opara.

Although Franco has used the aid of Hitler and Mussolini to smash democracy and workers' organizations in Spain, I don't think that this ends the struggle of the masses of the world against fascism and the war makers of the world. I think that a part of the fight against fascism and war would be a fight to free Opara and the other two American boys still in the Fascist prison of Spain. I have confidence that Prosveta, together with the SNPJ lodges, will do all they can to secure the freedom of these boys who were in the forefront of the fight for the workers of the world.

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