

Izvedenci zahtevajo, da se delovni teden skrajša

Statistika, ki je rezultat večletne študije, podpira stališče organiziranega delavstva

ENAJST MILIJONOV BREZPOSELNIH

New York. — (FP) — Da bo ameriško ljudstvo uživalo koristi od izpolnjenosti strojne produkcije, je treba delovni teden skrajšati na 30 ur in zvišati mezo. To se bo moralo zgoditi prej ali slej, drugače se delci ne bo izlekli iz depresije. Da je boj organiziranega delavstva za skrajšanje delovnih ur praktičen, potrjuje statistika, ki jo je pravkar objavila Zveza ameriških inženirjev. Ta statistika bazira na devetletni študiji produkcije v vseh glavnih ameriških industrijah.

L. P. Alford in J. E. Nannum, ki sta v imenu inženirske organizacije objavila statistiko, sta izjavila, da strokovnjaki soglašajo z doktrino krajšanja delovnega tedenja.

V dobro upravljenih podjetjih se produkcija letno zviša 6 do osem odstotkov, kar je treba pripisati novim izumom in strojem. Enako število delavcev, ki je proizvedlo določeno količino izdelkov l. 1923 v 52 urah, bi lahko proizvedlo isto količino v l. 1933 v 30 urah. Pod sedanjim sistemom, ko se producira za profit in ne za rabo, delodajalci odpuščajo delavce z namenom, da omeje produkcijo.

Sodi se, da ima Amerika danes 11 milijonov brezposelnih. Poročilo posebnega odbora NRA kaže, da je bil v preteklem juniju povprečni delovni teden v vseh industrijah 37 ur. Ako bi se uveljavil trideseturni delovni teden, bi se zaposlenost povečala za 23 odstotkov, kar pomeni, da bi industrije absorbirale 8,500,000 brezposelnih, čeprav bi produkcija ostala na sedanjih točkah.

Poročilo Zveze inženirjev pa naglašata tudi potrebo višjih mezd in povečanja produkcije, kar je možno in kar bi prineslo blagostanje Ameriki. Stevilke, ki jih vsebuje poročilo izvedencev, govorijo jasno in prepričevalno in potrjuje argumente voditeljev organiziranega delavstva. To poročilo bo imelo nedvomno veliko veljavo in vpliv na zakonodajo glede skrajšanja delovnega tedenja, ki je sedaj pred kongresom.

STAVKA MOR-NARJEV OB ZAPADNI OBALI

San Francisco, Cal. — (FP) — Več sto mornarjev je zastavkalo na tovarnih parkirnih, ki prevajajo olje, ker so delodajalci prekinili pogajanja glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

Mednarodna zveza pristaniščnih delavcev, v kateri je večletnih 26 uni, je naznanila, da bo podpirala mornarje in v skrajnem slučaju oklicala stavko, da prisili magnate na kapitulacijo. Ako se to zgodi, bo ves pomorski promet ob zapadni obali paraliziran.

Zvezni delavski department je poslal v San Francisco E. H. Fitzgeralda in E. P. Marsho, da poravnata konflikt. Sklicala sta na sosednjo konferenco med reprezentanti stavkarjev in magnati, ki pa so vse izjavile.

Zmaga električarjev

El Paso, Tex. — Po štiriteh dneh stavki je El Paso Electric Co. priznala krajjevo unijo bratovščine električarjev in pristala na zvišanje meze za dva odstotkov in druge zahteve.

Abesinija apelira na Ligo narodov

Liga naj naredi mir

Zeneva, 2. apr. — Abesinski cesar Haile Selasie je naslovil nujen apel Ligi narodov, v katerem jo urgira, naj takoj podvzame akcijo za poravnavo abesinsko-italijanskega konflikta. Appel se smatra za odprto obtožbo, da hoče Italija dominirati Abesinijo. Nota naglašja, naj se razgovori, ki naj bi se vršili v Zenevi, Londonu ali v Parizu, omeje na trideset dni in v tem času ne sme Italija niti Abesinijo podvzeti nobene akcije, katero bi se lahko smatralo za sovražnega napada. Ako bi te konference ne rezultirale v poravnavi konflikta, naj Liga narodov prevzame vso stvar v svoje roke.

V noti je rečeno, da je Abesinija vzemirjena zaradi mobilizacije italijanske vojsk, v italijanskih afriških kolonijah, ki meje na Abesinijo. Dalje naglašja, da italijanski tisk objavlja poročila, ki ne dopuščajo nobenega dvoma o realnosti mobilizacije.

Akcija proti inozemcem na relifu

200,000 inozemcev prejema relief v Chicagu

Chicago. — Državni poslanec Charles H. Weber, demokrat, je zadnje dni naznanil, da se ta teden predloži v illinoiski zbornici spomenico na kongres, naj kongres takoj sprejme določbo za deportiranje tujerodcev, ki prejema relief in ki niso državljani Združenih držav.

Weber pravi, da je samo v Illinoisu 75,000 tujerodnih družin, vključujočih 270,000 oseb, ki prejema relief in od teh je najmanj 200,000 oseb v čikaškem okraju Cook. Weber računa, da bi illinoiska reliefna komisija prihranila najmanj 28 milijonov dolarjev letno, ako bi bili vsi nedržavljeni brcnjeni s podpore; ta vsota denarja bi bila potem na razpolago domačinom, ki so brez zaslužka.

Poslanec Weber je že predložil v državni zbornici načrt za registriranje vseh tujerodcev v Illinoisu, ki niso ameriški državljani. Registracija bi bila v območju državnega tajnika. Ta načrt še ni bil v razpravi.

Po zadnjem ljudskem štetju leta 1930 je bilo v Illinoisu 361,000 nedržavljanov in od teh je bilo 240,000 v čikaškem okraju Cook.

Ruska padalka iz letala dosegla rekord

Moskva, 2. apr. — Vera Fedorovna, žena častnika v rdeči armadi, je včeraj skočila s padalom (parašutom) na zemljo iz letala v višini 6350 metrov (20,853 čevljev), kar je svetovni rekord. Fedorovna je letela na tla 22 minut in ker ni imela rokavic, so ji skoro roke zmrzle. Na tla je prišla brez nezgode. To je bil že njen štiriindeseti skok iz letala na zemljo.

Stavka v tovarni radioaparatur

Cincinnati, O. — Nad tri tisoč delavcev v tovarni Crosley Radio Corp. je te dni zastavkalo in popolnoma ustavilo obrat. Stavkarji zahtevajo zvišanje plače, 40 ur dela v tednu in priznanje unije.

Električno oko za slepce v Rusiji

Moskva, 2. apr. — Profesor A. G. Goldman v sovjetski Ukrajini je iznašel "električno oko", s pomočjo katerega bodo slepci lahko čitali navadni tisk.

VRHOVNO SODIŠČE OVRGLO OB-SODBO ČRNCEV

Druga smrtna obsodba zavržena

ZMAGA IN BRCA

Washington, D. C., 2. apr. — Federalno vrhovno sodišče je včeraj ponovno razveljavilo odlok alabamskega sodišča, ki je obsodilo dva zamorska fanta v smrt na obtožbo, da sta napadla in posilila dve belopoltni dekletini. Vrhovno sodišče pravi, da bi bilo moralo alabamsko sodišče potlačiti obtožnico, ker med porotniki, ki so spoznali obtožbeno za krivo, ni bilo nobenega zamorca. S tem je bil kršen štirinajsti amendment zvezne ustave, ki določa, da morajo zamorci uživati enako protekcijo pod zakoni.

Odlok vrhovnega sodišča pomeni veliko zmago za zamorsko raso in radikale, ki so prisilili bil zamorec na pomoč in dvignili velikanski krik proti obsodbi. Zamorska fanta Clarence Norris in Haywood Patterson sta bila poleg petih drugih mladih zamorcev spoznana za krivo posilstva na obravnavi, ki se je vršila v okraju Jackson, Ala., l. 1931. Od teh sta samo prva dva prišla ponovno pred sodišče, ki ju je obsodilo v smrt in to obsodbo je sedaj zvezno vrhovno sodišče razveljavilo. To pomeni, da bodo vse nadaljnje obtožnice proti zamorskim fantom umaknjene.

Na drugi strani pa je vrhovno sodišče dalo brco zamorski rasi, ko je potrdilo odlok, da je demokratska stranka v Texasu prostovoljna organizacija, nad katero nima država legislativna kontrole in da kot taka lahko izključi zamorce iz primarnih volitev.

V KONGRESU SE ZOGAJO Z RELIF-NIM DELOM

Washington, D. C. — Rooseveltov petmilijardski načrt reliefnega dela je bil 1. aprila vržen iz nižje zbornice nazaj v konferenčni odsek. Demokratski voditelji v nižji zbornici so prejeli navodila od predsednika Roosevelta, da morajo odpasti vsi amendamenti, ki jih je senat prejel na ta načrt. Iz tega razloga so poslali načrt nazaj v odsek. Zastoj v konferenčnem odseku je mogoč.

Administraciji že trda prede, ker gre reliefni sklad h koncu; ako ne bo novi zakon reliefnega dela in podpore hitro sprejet, bo zmanjkalo denarja za relief.

Med tem se nižji in višji kongresni zbornici nič ne mudi s socialnim zavarovanjem. Dan za dnem mečkajo in čakajo, mečkajo in čakajo ...

Poljski konzul ne pozna aprilske šale

Winnipeg, Man., Kanada, 2. apr. — Tukajšnji poljski konzul Jan Pavlica je bil včeraj nepopisno razkačen. Ko se je pred konzulatom ustavil prvi mrtvaški voz in sta dva moža resno vprašala za mrljica, da ga odpeljeta v pogrebni zavod, ni rekel nič, ko pa je kasneje prišel drugi, tretji in celo četrti mrtvaški voz po truplo, je konzul minila vsa potrpežljivost in malo je manjkalo, da ni četrti voz odpeljal mrtvega pogrebnička, ki je zahteval "mrljica". Pavlica je pojasnil, ko se je malo umiril, da na Poljskem ne poznajo takih šal niti prvega aprila.

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Avtna nemreča

Cleveland. — Zadnje nedelje sta bila pri avtni koliziji težko poškodovana Jakob Stergar iz Painesville, O., star 50 let, in njegova žena Amalija. On ima zlomljeno desno nogo in levo roko, ona pa obe roki zlomljeni, razbito koleno in najbrž prebito lobanjo. Njuna hčerka Viktorija ima notranje poškodbe in težke rane na glavi. Vsa družina je v bolnišnici.

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Smrt rojaka v Mehiki

Cleveland. — Anton Vidmar je prejel žalostno vest, da je v Mehiki umrl njegov brat Miha Vidmar, ki je bil doma iz Dolnjega Berčeva pri Ljubljani.

Koliko dolarjev je šlo v stari kraj

New York. — Novi Svijet poroča na podlagi izkazil Narodne banke v Belgradu, da so naseljenici v Ameriki poslali leta 1929 v Jugoslavijo skupaj 887,550,000 Din, leta 1933 pa samo še 122,323,000 Din. Vsako leto, odkar je kriza, so denarne pošiljave iz Amerike v Jugoslavijo padle za dvesto do tristo milijonov dinarjev. Domneva se, da je bilo od 1919 do 1933 poslanih vsega skupaj iz Amerike v Jugoslavijo petnajst milijard dinarjev.

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HLADEN SPREJEM POSLANCA ANGLIJE V VARŠAVI

Razgovori s predstavniki Poljake bodo brez uspeha

VELIK KONTRAST NAPRAM MOSKVI

Varšava, 2. apr. — Anthony Eden, britski odposlanec, je sinoči došel s svojim spremstvom iz Moskve v Varšavo, da nadaljuje razgovore z reprezentanti Poljske v interesu evropskega mira. Angleške diplomate je sprejel polkovnik Josef Beck, poljski zunanji minister, s primernimi ceremonijami, toda vsa atmosfera je bila prežeta s hladnostjo. Med sprejemom v Varšavi in sprejemom v Moskvi, kjer je sovjetska vlada sijajno pogostila angleške državnike, je bil velik kontrast in že to smatrajo za znak, da se bo Edenova mislija izjalovila.

Dočel je obisk Moskve utrdil prijateljstvo med Anglijo in sovjetsko Rusijo in sta se obe državi zavezali, da bosta posvetili vse svoje energije konsolidaciji evropskega mira, je dvomljivo, da bi pridobili Poljsko za varnostni pakt za vzhodno Evropo, kakršnega zlasti želi Rusija in Francija. V tem momentu se ne ve, kakšen učinek bo imel obisk angleških diplomatov v Varšavi na Nemčijo in na splošno situacijo v Evropi. Pričakuje se, da bodo razgovori med predstavniki Anglije in Poljske zaključeni v četrti, nakar bo Eden odpotoval v Prago, da pokaže, da ni pozabil na Čehoslovaško, potem pa se bo vrnil v London.

Ko dospe v London, bo Eden pojasnil parlamentu rezultat svoje misije. Angleška vlada bo morala na podlagi tega rezultata formulirati svojo politiko, katero bo zagovarjal njen zunanji minister Simon na konferenci v Stresli, Italija, katere se bosta udeležila francoski zunanji minister Laval in premier Mussolini. Ako ne bosta hoteli Francija in Italija odobriti stališča Anglije, bo morala slednja revidirati svojo politiko.

Anglija hoče vsekakor ugledati pot Nemčiji z namenom, da jo pridobi za vstop v evropski mirovni klub. Dasi Nemčija ni bila povabljen na konferenco v Stresli, ki se odprla 11. aprila, ji je Anglija obljubila, da se bo lahko sešla z reprezentanti Francije in Italije na poznejši skupni konferenci v Londonu. Sovjetska Rusija ne nasprotuje tej skemi, vse pa zavira od stališča, ki ga bosta v tem oziru zavzela Laval in Mussolini.

Železničarji dobili nazaj staro plačo

Washington, D. C. — Okrog 950,000 nameščenecv na železnicah je 1. aprila dobilo pet odstotkov meždnega povejška. Skupni povejšek za vse železničarje znaša letno okrog 80 milijonov dolarjev in s tem povejškom so železničarji dobili nazaj svojo staro plačo, katere jim je bila znižana leta 1932. — Iste dne je bila plača petodstotno zvišana tudi 680,546 federalnim nameščencem, kar pomeni, da jim je bila vzpostavljena stara plača, katero jim Roosevelt znižal 15% pred dvema letoma.

Zahtevali kruha ali dela, dobili plina

McAlester, Okla. — Na tukajšnji okrajni urad je te dni prišlo 300 brezposelnih delavcev, ki so reliefnemu administratorju povedali, da se prej ne umaknejo, dokler ne dobe kruha — relifa — ali pa dela. "Dokler se ne spravite od tukaj, ne dobite nič," so dobili odgovor. "Prišli smo prav zato semkaj, ker smo lačni," so ga zavrnili.

Jeklarski baroni uprizorili novo pisano parado

Litvo dolže, da krši avtonomijo

Koncentracija nemškega vojaštva na nemško-litvinski meji

Zeneva, 2. apr. — Vse kaže, da bo o sporu, ki je nastal med Nemčijo in Litvinsko zaradi teritorij Memel, nad katerim ima slednja mandat, razpravljalo svetovno razsodišče.

Angleški uradni krogi so pravkar objavili protest, katerega so Francija, Anglija in Italija naslovili litvinski vladi in v katerem jo dolže kršitve avtonomije memelskega teritorija. Zeneva upa, da se bo zadeva mirno poravnala, ker je Litvinska zagotovila Ligo narodov, da je za obnovoitev spornih zadev svetovnemu razsodišču, za nadaljnjih pet let.

Sedanji spor izvira iz akcije litvinskega vojnega sodišča, ki je obsodilo 91 nacijev v dolgotrni zapor na obtožbo, da so skovali zaroto, da pride Memel spet pod kontrolo Nemčije. Stirje za totniki so bili obojeni v smrt, kar je izzvalo velike protestne demonstracije v Nemčiji.

Nepotrjena poročila, ki so dospela v Zenevo iz Varšave, se glase, da je Nemčija pričela s koncentracijo armade ob litvinski meji in gradnjo utrdb, kar je povečalo napetost med Litvinsko in Nemčijo.

Kovno, Litvinska, 2. apr. — Litvinska vlada sestavlja odgovor na protestno noto Anglije, Francije in Italije in se nanaša na situacijo v Memelu. Zanesljive informacije se glase, da bo Litvinska v odgovoru priznala, da je bila kršena avtonomija omenjenega teritorija, toda odgovornost za to bo naprtila Nemčiji.

Proti Wagnerjevemu osnutku so pognali zastopnike kom-panijskih unij

STROŠKE PLACAJO DRUŽBE

Washington. — (FP) — Kako priročno so kompanijske unije kapitalistom v vseh ozirih, je bilo razvidno zopet te dni, ko so prišli pred senatni odsek za prosveto in delo zastopniki teh unij v jeklarski industriji in do zadnjega pobijali Wagnerjev osnutek za nov jeklarski odbor in onemogočenje kompanijskih unij.

Paradi kompanijskih unij — nad 40 po številu — je načeloval R. E. Desvernine, odvnetnik U. S. Steel korporacije. To se je sploh spodobilo. Kot glavni paradi je odseku izročil spomenico v obrambo kompanijskih unij in rekel, da je bil načrt izdelan "s kooperacijo narodnega delavskega odbora in divizije NRA za izvajanje pravilnikov."

Za njim so dobili besedo trije podpredsedniki jeklarske korporacije, ki so izražali bojazan za kompanijske unije in sedanje "zadovoljive" odnose med gospodarjem in sužnjem, če bo sprejet Wagnerjev osnutek.

Za temi predstavniki jeklarskega trasta je vodja parade razstavil svoje žive ekahibite, zastopnike bosovskih unij, ki so ponavljali priučene govore, v katerih so jih prej vadili dobro plačani odvnetiki. Vsi so naravnost imeli le dobre besede za kompanijske unije, ki po trditvah nekaterih stokrat bolje protektirajo delavske interese kakor "profesionalne" in "raketrake" unije. Besede "raketrake" sicer ni nikdo izpregovoril, toda to se je čitalo med vstricami.

Kljub veliki gorečnosti teh "delavskih" zastopnikov je bil pa njih nastop bumerang za kompanijske unije. Na vprašanje so senatorjem namreč drug za drugim odgovarjali, da so jim družbe plačale stroške in tudi zamujeni čas. Direktno se je to branil izpovedati le Albert Crew, ki dela pri Bethlehem Steel v Sparrow Pointu, Md., a je končno vseeno priznal, da pričakuje povrnitev stroškov od kompanije in tudi dnevnice.

Odsek je tudi dobil nekoliko upogleda, kako so nastale kompanijske unije v jeklarski industriji in kdo jih financira. Martin Murphy od Republic Steel iz Youngstowna je na primer priznal, da je bila kompanijska unija organizirana po sprejetju NIRA na iniciativo družbe, da delavci niso imeli nobene besede pri sestavljanju pravil, da družba lahko ovrže vsak sklep "unije" in da se volitve za zastopnike vrše v tovarni in tudi zboražuje pod skrbnim očesom kompanije.

Jack Larkin od notorične Weirton Steel kompanije je priznal, da družba plačuje kompanijski uniji po 50 centov od člane na leto za kritje stroškov in poleg tega dobi od nje vsak zastopnik "unije" \$25 na mesec kot posebno nagrado za svoje delo. In Larkin je bil popolnoma na mestu, ko je naivno rekel, "zakaj naj ne bi družba krila stroškov take organizacije?" Tudi družba ve, da se ji to izplača.

Ta parada je bila sliena onlansko leto, ko je bil na rešet Wagnerjev prvi predlog. Razlika je bila le v tem, da je bila letošnja parada precej večja po številu zastopnikov kakor je bila lanska. Bolj značilno je tudi to, da spadajo vsi zastopniki med najboljše plačane delavce v tej industriji — med "aristokrate".

Priprave za štrajk v Akronu počasne

Delavci glasujejo o stavki

Akron, O. — Voditelji unije kavčukarskih delavcev, spadajoče k Ameriški delavski federaciji, so rekli v ponedeljek, da stavka v tovarnah za kavčukarsko blago v Akronu se najbrž zavleče za osem dni. Zadnje nedelje so delavci pri Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. glasovali o stavki in prihodno nedeljo bo glasovanje pri Firestone in Goodrich družbah.

Vseh delavcev pri treh družbah je okrog 35,000. Voditelji unije pravijo, da približno polovica je organiziranih.

Družbe na drugi strani so urnejše s pripravami. Okrajni šerif je že deputiziral tisoč mož in vsak deputi bo opremljen s bombami solzavkami. Predstavniki federalnega delavskega odbora delujejo z vsemi silami, da izravnavo spor. Ralph Lind, tajnik pokrajinskega delavskega odbora, je ponovno pozval družbe, naj dovoli volitve zastopnikov za kolektivno pogajanje. To bi preprečilo štrajk.

Komunisti izključeni iz Ameriške legije

New York. — Vse podružnice Ameriške legije v državi New Yorku so prejele ukaz, da morajo takoj izključiti vse člane, ki so komunisti ali ki simpatizirajo s komunistično stranko.

Oblasti so jih nakrmile s — plinskimi bombami.

Nekaj za zdravje

Problem je tak. Vsi mali delovni ljudje

vetu.

Timely Topics

Another month—and that means more activity in our local branches throughout the entire jurisdiction.

You have all no doubt read about the very unusual success the Lodge Delavec, No. 8, SNPJ, of So. Chicago, Ill., had in March, by initiating at their regular session more than 30 new juvenile members.

Is there any English Speaking branch of the Society that can beat that record in a single month? It depends on you and your lodge. This year more than ever before our E.S.L. should put enough pressure into this work of securing new juvenile members, for this is their Tenth Anniversary year.

Each and every English Speaking branch, depending on the activity of their members, can boost its membership this year and bring in a handsome number of new members. Concerted action is needed to accomplish this work. Remember that the SNPJ is paying doctor's examination fees for new juvenile members. Isn't that a sufficient help and an inducement for you to secure for your lodge all the eligible juveniles in your community?

Today in this column we are listing a number of celebration events which will take place this and next month in various forms and in various localities. Is your lodge included? If not, why not? See to it that your lodge will also fittingly observe the 10th birthday of the E.S.L. movement of the Slovene National Benefit Society.

Among the most important celebrations this year will be those sponsored by our Federations and active Lodges. On May 4, a unique combined anniversary celebration will take place at Strabane, Pa., and then other similar events will be held at different points, to be followed with a mammoth celebration observance by the Cleveland Federation on Labor day in Cleveland, O. Early in November, the Pioneer Lodge of Chicago will celebrate its 10th anniversary which promises to be the outstanding event of the year.

And—last but not least—did your Lodge send that resolution supporting the Lundeen Bill to your congressmen and senators? If not, act now and do so at once!

E. S. L. Anniversary Celebrations

The following Lodges and Federations of the SNPJ will observe the Tenth Anniversary of the English Speaking Lodge movement of the Society with fitting Jubilee Programs in April and May:

Lodge **SUNFLOWERS**, No. 609, SNPJ, Eighth Anniversary combined with Tenth Jubilee of English Speaking Lodges, at Frontenac, Kansas, Saturday, April 13.

Lodge **GOLDEN EAGLES**, No. 643, SNPJ, Seventh Birthday in conjunction with the 10th anniversary of E. S. L., at the Slovene hall, Gerard, O., Saturday, April 20.

Lodge **715**, SNPJ, Spring festival, Universal, Pa., April 20.

Lodge **FLOOD CITY**, No. 712, SNPJ, celebration at the S. D. D. at Mozhom, Johnston, Pa., Saturday, April 27.

Lodge **RAMBLERS**, No. 713, SNPJ, celebration at the Willows in Oakmont, Pa., Saturday, April 27.

Lodge **STRUGGLERS**, No. 614, SNPJ, 8th anniversary observance combined with ESL 10th anniversary celebration, at S. D. D. on Waterloo rd., Cleveland, O., Sunday, April 28.

English Speaking and Senior Bi-Federation Gigantic Celebration at Strabane, Pa., May 4 and 5.

Lodge **SPIRITS**, No. 659, SNPJ, celebration and May dance, at Jugoslav Sokol hall, St. Louis, Mo., Sunday, May 5.

Lodge **LITTLE FORT**, No. 568, SNPJ, May festival and celebration, at the S. N. H., Waukegan, Ill., May 11.

Lodge **EXCELSIORS**, No. 721, SNPJ, dance at the local hall, W. Aliquippa, Pa., Saturday, May 25.

Lodge **BADGERS**, No. 584, SNPJ, May Ball and anniversary celebration at S. S. T. hall, Milwaukee, Wis., Sunday, May 26.

Off the President's Pen

Cleveland, Ohio.—Comrade members who failed to attend the last monthly meeting may be surprised to hear that definite action has finally been taken to change our meeting quarters. The new meeting place will be in room No. 3, old building of the Slovene National Home. It is sufficiently large to conveniently accommodate our lodge. The members also by an overwhelming majority agreed to dispense with the usual dancing which followed the meetings. Card playing, informal discussions and debates will be tried by way of diversion. Refreshments as in the past will be served. In taking this action the Comrades will save \$6.00 every month. Besides the economic reasons advanced in making the change many were of the opinion that a change in scenery, after meeting for several years in the same club room, will tend toward more sociability. The quarters are not as large as the former spacious dance hall.

The Outing and Recreation committee is being headed by Sister Spik and Brother Fifolt. Perhaps we are rushing the season a little in announcing the first outing date, here 'tis—Sunday, June 23. If you have any suggestions as to transportation, farm, type of entertainment, prizes, etc., see Joe or Pauline at the next meeting.

A resolution was adopted at the last meeting urging our Congressmen in the 20th, 21st and 22nd districts as well as our Senators Buckley and Donahay to vote in favor of the Lundeen Bill known as H. R. 2827 and entitled: Workmen's Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance. The Duffy Bill also met with favorable approval.

Highlight of the last meeting was the report of the secretary . . . no members suspended or cancelled, none sick, one new and three transfer members and one applicant for membership.

Bros. Otto Tekautz and John Vohar are in charge of the Juvenile Campaign committee. They are planning something novel by way of enticing the younger members into the Comrade lodge. The duty of studying legislation affecting fraternal organizations has been placed upon the dropping shoulders of the Executive Board; likewise the idea of drawing up the budget.

We most heartily endorse the Struggler anniversary program which will be held Sunday, April 28. It undoubtedly will surpass the previous popular anniversary shows. For complete details refer to Lindy's column.

Do you wish to rile someone up? Then talk to Bro. Rudy Lisch about the proposed Labor day program tentatively decided upon to be held in Cleveland. Lisch is an aggressive and active member of Comrades whose energy is unbounded. He is also very active in the S. S. P. Z. organization. There appears to be some conflict on the subject of which of the two organizations is to sponsor the Labor day program in Cleveland. Bro. Lisch as editor and supreme board member of S. S. P. Z. has presented his arguments in an editorial of his Society's organ in which he believes to be the unfairness of the Cleveland S. N. P. J. Federation. He bases his contention on the grounds that the S. S. P. Z. organization has announced its intentions of staging a similar event on the same day more than a year ago and for that reason should be given priority.

A majority of the members of the local Federation are determined to go through with their plans of staging an SNPJ celebration commemorating the Tenth Year anniversary movement of the English conducted lodge.

Our regular monthly meeting should prove very interesting in many respects. The report of our two Federation representatives will be awaited with eager anticipation. We have been told that they disagree in their opinions on the stand taken by the Federation. Comrade Lisch no doubt will be on hand to emphasize his arguments. Meantime the members of the English conducted lodges in whose honor the affair is to be held are in a quandary wondering what the facts are behind the case. The Federation should present its side of the case in a considerate and diplomatic manner so as to leave no doubt in the minds of the members of both organizations in justification of its action.

Heinie Martin Antonic, Cleveland, O.—Of late, the "Log" has been absent from these pages. But here goes for the news of the Commodores!

Spring Hop
The most important news to relate is the Commodores' First Spring Hop to be held on Saturday, May 11, at Sachsenheim hall. Let's see all our old SNPJ friends at the "hop" and join together for a bit of merrymaking and fun. We already have the assurance of the Comrades (per Prexy Heinie Martin) that they will add to the comradely spirit. How about the Strugglers, struggling over to the West side, and the Beacons bringing their hi-lites along, and all youse guys 'n' gals who would have a bit of fun, join in and let's hop together at the Commodores' First Spring Hop.

Bro. Eddie Zeita has the distinction of being the first member on the sick list. Eddie has been ill for the past month and a half, and we are now glad to report that he is on the road to recovery. Members are urged to visit him and cheer him up. We hope he will be well enough to be present at our next meeting.

Meeting—April 10
The regular monthly meeting will be held on Wed., April 10, at the Music Room, Sachsenheim hall. Members are requested to attend as details regarding our dance will be discussed. The Entertainment Committee has promised that we will have a little diversion and refreshments after the meeting, so let's all be present. (Note.) Members will please take notice that our regular monthly meetings are held every second Wed. of the month, so even though you fail to receive notice before the meeting, you can depend on a meeting being held then.

Merry-Makers May Dance
That energetic group of Slovene gals, "Merry-Makers," are holding their annual May Dance on May 4 at Grdina's hall. Admission 30c.

Strugglers' Big Show
"Lindy" Lokar has been giving us interesting accounts of what to expect at the Strugglers' celebration combining the 10th Anniversary of English Speaking lodges and the Strugglers' 8th Anniversary being held on April 28.

It looks like the Strugglers are going to take the prize for attendance at this celebration. The Commodores will be there in full number. Dot.

FLASHES By D. J. Lotrich

1925 -- Pioneer Lodge, No. 559, SNPJ -- 1935

Chicago.—The first three months of 1935 have brought the Pioneers 19 NEW MEMBERS, 6 adult and 13 juvenile. We expect to initiate at least ten more at our April 19 meeting.

The following members are responsible for the 19 new members secured thus far: Donald J. Lotrich, 2 adult and 7 juvenile; John Rak, 4 juvenile; Rose Brinovec, 2 adult; Margaret Kness, 1 adult; Frank Sodnik, 1 adult; Rudolph Hochevar, 1 juvenile; Lewis Reven, 1 juvenile.

Permit us to remind our members that the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ pays the first three months dues for juveniles secured before July 1. Also, that the SNPJ refunds your doctor's examination fee of 50c for children besides offering 50c for every new juvenile member to the proposers. For our next meeting, on April 19, not only will our lodge physician, Dr. J. J. Zvertnik, prepare the social and refreshments, but he'll also have a half dozen new members for us, too.

Our Unemployed Club is due to meet Thursday, April 4, at the SNPJ hall. We're going to have reports from Washington, D. C., and after a discussion of the Lundeen unemployment insurance bill we'll partake of refreshments. You're invited to attend.

"Please put this note in the 'Flashes,'" writes a Pioneer lady. We gladly respond, so here it is: "You Pioneer ladies who did not attend the lecture of Dr. Ethel Bonar of the Medical Bureau for information on Birth Control, arranged by the Women's Committee of Branch No. 1, JSP, missed a real good and educational lecture. This meeting was exclusively for women and nearly 150 of them came and were not sorry."

Several good reports were made and received and many good suggestions given at the meeting of the Committee of 100, on Monday, March 25. The committee will meet regularly on every 4th Monday of the month at the SNPJ hall. Something special will be up on April 22. Oscar Godina, Frank Sodnik and Angelina Spaiser, in addition to the officers, made reports for sub-committee.

A reader in the Chicago Daily News writes, "why should American women bow before the King of England? How many Britishers come to America to bow before our President?" That's a fair question at that. Why should American dames take the money American workers created to leave with the British monarch? If they want to bow before a court, why can't we create a court of taxes which would charge vast sums to be allowed to appear before it. These same dames and their people howl like the dickens when the U. S. government asks them for a small share for the welfare of the workers who create the money they are "blowing away."

Integrity Broadcast

Chicago.—It is my earnest plea that every INTEGRITY member will cooperate with our lodge on our May 4 Dance. Dispose of your tickets, and if you need more, just drop me a line. Give a helping hand to the Officers and the Committee in charge. We can not do things alone without the rest of the members' cooperation. You place the Officers and the Committee to carry out their duty. We are doing our best. But this does not mean that the Officers and the Committee must carry the entire 1935 program. We must have your cooperation in order to have all the things planned for the good of the Lodge to reach a successful ending.

Sis. Agnes Mejasch reported well. Sis. Marie Chernich is home from the hospital. All those members able to see her kindly do so, to cheer her up. Also, Sis. Mary Medved is still on the sick list. Pay her a visit.

We are very sorry to hear of the death of John Podlesnik, brother of Andy Podlesnik. Andy Podlesnik, Sis. Edith (Koroshak) Podlesnik and Emma Zager attended the funeral in Kansas.—Bro. Albert Roychatt announces his engagement to Miss Katharine Kern.—Bro. William Dapner will spend his Easter holidays in Penna.

There will not be any entertainment at our April meeting. The entertaining committee for April has decided not to have any, as it happens to be Good Friday, but will

double up for our May meeting, at which we are planning to stage one of our old-time meetings. So this gives us ample time to take the Lodge business on our April meeting.

There will be a special meeting on April 8 at the secretary's home, 1642 N. Fairfield. Do not fail to attend.

Michael Fleischhacker, Sec'y., Lodge 631.

(Editor's Note:—The Chicago SNPJ Federation Campaign folder is very specific in regards to its terms. The offer referred to in your letter in its entirety reads as follows: "Special Juvenile Campaign Now On. Until June 30, 1935. The SNPJ will pay doctor's examination fee. The Chicago SNPJ Federation will give 3 months dues free to all juveniles who join the lodges of the Federation." Etc.—The SNPJ, as evidenced, DOES pay examination fees to all juveniles. The folder is referring to Juveniles ONLY. See your copy of the folder, including the caption thereon.)

LODGE NO. 605
Des Moines, Iowa.—The next meeting of Lodge 605 will be held Sunday, April 14, at 10:30 a. m. instead of Sunday, April 21, due to Easter which falls on the latter date. This change in the date and the time hold only for this month; next month the regular meeting will take place on the usual date, third Sunday of the month.

The Company Union Unmasked

Alleged spokesmen for company unions in the steel industry before the Senate Committee on Education in Washington were compelled to admit the slave role they play. They declared that company union plans had been approved by an overwhelming majority of the workers. This appeared to be unions of "their own choosing." Democracy in action.

Under examination, however, these spokesmen admitted that the steel companies paid their expenses to Washington or that they expected to be paid by the companies when they returned home. They admitted that they were paid by the corporations for the time they spent in serving the company unions. In a number of instances they asserted that the drafts of company union plans were made from material furnished by corporations. Asked if any grievances they submitted to a corporation were not satisfactorily adjusted by a final appeal, would they strike, they answered, Yes. Would they have any funds to carry on a strike, they were asked. "Nor sir," was the answer. "Every man is then on his own initiative."

That is to say, the company union is floated by corporation funds, its officials are hirelings of the company, and it is impossible for its members to carry on a strike. Each slave acts for himself when the bosses turn thumbs down on any demand. If all the facts were known, it probably would also reveal that the spokesmen of the company unions are spies of private detective agencies, for few intelligent workers would consent to play the despicable role these "spokesmen" do. The sycophant is one by-product of the production of steel.

—James Oneal.

The Shame Is on the Working Class

William Randolph Hearst owns the largest string of newspapers in the world. He wields an influence secondary only to that of the President of the United States. Seven days a week, 365 days a year he talks to the people of the nation moulding public opinion to suit his own ends, distorting facts to undermine popular beliefs, willfully suppressing information that might impeach his own honesty, and poisoning the public mind according to his own whims or selfish ambitions.

Just now he is engaged in opposing organized Labor. A few weeks ago he was lauding fascism. Next week he may be openly demanding a fascist form of government to cope with his imagined "red plots" and foreign-inspired insurrections.

Time and time again Hearst has betrayed the people of the various communities in which his scandal sheets are published. He has swayed electorates to place in office some of the worst ward heelers of record; he has put across power franchises at the behest of the power trust, knowing that he was selling out the people; he has defeated good and wholesome laws in order that special privileges might be granted to those who trade on political corruptions. He has pandered to the most depraved tastes, and used his newspapers to confuse the voters and to confound vital issues.

Hearst's newspapers are financially successful because they have circulation to justify high advertising rates. They have large circulation because the working class supports them. But not a single Hearst newspaper could survive a year were it not for the support financial and political, of the very people these newspapers have constantly betrayed. That is the pathetic thing.—Minn. Union Advocate.

New York's Jobless Inferno

A ghastly situation is revealed in New York City by the Mayor's Committee on Unemployment Relief. The number of the jobless is estimated at a million, about the same as in March one year ago, but families are exhausting their reserves and more human beings are being thrown upon the relief agencies. About 660,000 families, 37 per cent of the city's population, have unemployed wage workers. It is also estimated that 2,500,000 people are affected in some way because of the loss of family income.

Just as hideous is the fact that meager as the relief was in 1932, families are receiving less this year. More than half of the unemployed are between twenty and forty years old, the younger generation whom capitalism has transformed into outcasts on the threshold of a mature life.—The New Leader.

Sideviews in Ambridge

Ambridge, Pa.—On Friday evening, April 26, the Slovene Home Ambridge is having a big dance in the Croatian hall. According to the great work done by the committee, this dance promises to be one of the best ever held here by either the young or older Slovenes.

The biggest reason for this is that the Slovene Home consists of the Slovene Lodges in Ambridge and every one of them has 100% membership in the Home. Because many of the members in several of these lodges will have double or triple incentive to attend.

Another big reason why we should attend this dance is that the music will be by the orchestra that was such a great success for us not so long ago—Johnny Lann and his Club orchestra. That the Revellers' orchestra will be there goes without question, and no doubt practically all the Slovenes will be there, too, to enjoy themselves and to help make this jolly-merry group that will be in the room behind the hall. So, you Slovene neighbors and friends, young and old, come that night and enjoy with us a grand time.

Quite often, when trying to untwist and put into readable sentences, thoughts and flashes that come to my mind, usually in one big jam or at all, I skip off track and start rambling. This time I was no exception. Just as if there was no one in the SNPJ except 100% Slovenes, or that if they were that they count. Now there are, as we well know, a very great number of members in the SNPJ who are not Slovenes, but who are of pure and true Slav race, or relatives or much friends of them or us. Now, because of these members measures to par with any Slovene and perhaps some of them just a little better. Maybe not in every case, but to a good many localities this is true, to some extent it is with the Revellers. It is far from my true thoughts that I should exclude anyone when I talk of Slovenes and their activities. Perhaps it is a failing that I cannot always truly carry over my thoughts writing, but I hope that everyone will understand that when I say "Slovenes" I really include each and every member of the SNPJ.

Last week's "Ramblers' Spotlight" really deserves a spotlight for their efforts, for an affair at the Willows on April 27 promises to give that "it" that will make it worthwhile everyone's effort to go. It is with surprise that we read that eight more members will make the "Ramblers' Spotlight" mark. But there is the proof, they are there reaping the benefits of their efforts.—If we knew who the

"Humming Excelsior" was, and if she is the manager of the Station JAKY vocalists, we might get her to make arrangements to have them entertain us.—The Excelsiors indicate that "Joy" will soon be writing again. We hope so. And now, Excelsiors, we have conflicting affairs on May 25. How about coming to our meeting Friday, April 26, to talk this over?—Montana Stars Lodge reports 100% attendance to their meeting. Wish we could all say that.—Canonsburg Pioneers are certainly doing their share already to make the Inter-Federation affair on May 4 a big success.—Frank Groser expresses our feeling that a bigger and sounder athletic program in the SNPJ would be an asset.—Our Revelite Girls will have a card party at the Home on April 13. Let's all be there and show them how to bid a ten-heart hand. Why not a weekly article from you girls?—They tell me the Universal and Ambridge girls had another battle royal bowling battle. Tell us more about it.

For Revellers only.—Now, members, although the time past is the shortest we have had between meetings, the next one on Friday, April 26, promises to be one of the most important. This meeting will start at 7:30 p. m. sharp. Now there is no reason why it should not, for the bowlers are through with their league and should be on time. And here are the reasons why it should start early and on time. We will have all the regular committee reports. We will have the trustees' report. There will be the board report on action on the Luncheon Bill. And the bowlers should have a report on their league operation. The athletic board should tell us their plans for an inter-member league, the city league, and the question of who shall have power of disbursing their appropriation should be settled. The New Year's Eve hall committee report may be ready. The question of dues loans repayments should be brought to a head. Delegates and instructions must be had for the Federation meeting April 14. We must talk up the Home Dance, April 26. And we will have our own committee to pick for our biggest affair of the year—our Fifth Anniversary Dance on May 25. Also a speaker, and then, as usual, a pleasant surprise from Sister Petros and her entertainment committee. Let our goal be to match the other Lodge's 100% attendance record.

Martin F. Spec.

Ramblers' Spotlight

Harmarville, Pa.—Members, heed the eleventh-hour announcement of change in meeting date and place. Inflicting dates with Federation meeting, necessitated the change to Sunday, April 7, at 7 p. m. at the home of our secretary, Joseph Lann. This is our last meeting prior to the gigantic Easter Cabaret Dance, and all Ramblers are urged to be present at the Lann home. Are you listening?

Well Received

This disclosure of Ramblers' Easter dance at the Willows certainly taken the lower Allegheny Valley by complete surprise and astonishment considering the very reasonable admission and refreshment rates for such a swanky pleasure home. From the advance prevailing interest, the Willows will open to a large crowd. There is every indication that the ticket sales may be well-out in advance of the dance. Sales talk is required in the Willows vicinity, since a "good product" itself, but to distant members and friends, it may be said that here the greatest forty-cent value entered in many a moon. Words cannot portray the beauty and excitement of dancing in such pleasant surroundings under a well arranged lighting system. There is only to add that those who want to find this function the first of the year. You cannot afford to attend if you desire the greatest.

When we invite you, we mean you and you; all lodges affiliated with the SNPJ Western Pennsylvania Federation of English Speaking Lodges, Westmoreland SNPJ Federation, and all others who can attend. Canonsburg, we will welcome you. Aliquippa Excelsiors raring to come to Harmarville, and we assure you that it will not be regretted. Ambridge, Library, Moon Run, Imperial and others, may we see you represented?

The two basketball games that might have furnished action, were, through unavoidable circumstances, dropped for the season.

Strabane Pioneers vs. Cheswick Electrons as the first of the two scheduled, met its jinx and was not played. This said plenty of Rambler spectators were on hand to witness action plus—but were disappointed.

The Rambler Electron tilt, scheduled for the night of this writing also was dropped. From advance interest this might have proved a very interesting game. Due to a special Electron meeting that could not be postponed and the writer's sudden call for a lengthy week-end trip, the game must be dropped.

With the motor purring, time to be on the way, the FOCUSING will eliminate the usual FOCUSING and dim this hurried spotlight to a flick.

Frank J. Progar.

The Comrade Column

Cleveland, Ohio.—It's hardly fair the Lodge Comrades (the largest of the English speaking lodges) should stay out of the public eye. We ought to have write-ups; Heine is busy, and the "Brain Trusters" don't function very much of late. It behooves, then, that the rank and file

The Comrades have a program of work in a short course of time. They are to organize the juveniles in the lodge, let them conduct their own meetings, make their parties and other entertaining features. John Progar is chairman of this committee.

The proposition was brought before the Cleveland Federation of the SNPJ. Almost all the delegates

arose to make eulogies to the Comrades for initiating this procedure. Then they voted us \$15 for initial expenses, and guaranteed us more help should the committee need it.

The Tenth Anniversary of the birth of English speaking lodges will be held here Labor day, this year. There was considerable alteration on this issue, at the Federation meeting. Some of us felt that we should not hold the anniversary affair on this

date, as it would conflict with the plans of a sister fraternal society. It was finally decided that no conflict will ensue, and rather, the affairs will have an amicable outcome.

Comrades have endorsed the Duffy unemployment insurance bill and the Luncheon bill. These are state and national bills, respectively. We sent resolutions for the same, to our political servants. On top of this, we accepted our head man's idea of having a legislative committee. This committee will investigate proposed legislation; and if it affects the members, or the organization, it will be acted on by the same.

Wish I could be with you in Detroit to see your production of the "Hairy Ape." Etok. You Detroiters certainly pick up some good drama. Hope you pack the house. By the way, Josephine and Jennie Turk, Andrew Turkman and Frank Elersich are taking the leads in the musical comedy "It Can't Be Done," which will be presented April 14, at 3 p. m., at the Slovene National Home.

Louis Jartz.

Keystonians

Hermie, Pa.—Instead of the Keystonians breaking into print they're fading out of the Prosveta. Come on, you Keystonians, gather up your old spirit and let loose some of it in the Prosveta and at our meetings. Show the rest of the English speaking lodges we can also be active as they are. You don't have to be an author to write, spill what you know and spill it all.

Where did the author of the original "A Keystonian" article with his Shavings disappear to? And the author of the other "A Keystonian"? Come on, get out of the trance and write, don't let the other lodges think we're inactive; show them what you can do!

Our meeting falls on April 7, and it will be an interesting meeting. Many important facts will be brought up and discussed. Be there and take part in it. Every member's cooperation is needed to make a successful meeting. We must cooperate for the benefit of our lodge and for ourselves. Don't let a few carry on at the meetings, but let us all act together as one. At the meeting there will be a lot to discuss. The chartering of a bus to go to Johnstown. A date to be set aside for another dance. There will be more than this to discuss, so be there and take part in the discussion. Your cooperation is needed.

I see by the Prosveta where some of the lodges are going to have mushball teams. The athletic spirit was with the Keystonians at one time, but it died out, so let's start it up again and organize a team.

Another thing I wish to say is about our membership. Our membership is pretty high, but let's make it higher by getting more to join our great organization. This can be done in only one way: Go out and interest people in our lodge and get them to join.

Weekly Blah

Paul Andy will be with us again real soon. Frank Stern hasn't been around with the gang lately. Joe Batis thinks this is a great world. Martin Urana is beginning to think our way. Tinsy Serra's motto is, "Pleasant Valley or Bust." Rudy Osolink can be found anytime at Puck's. Joe Drop is getting uneasy lately. Some of our female members are very bashful. There's the cash award to be taken away April 7. A Reminder.

Badgerland Buzz

Milwaukee, Wis.—The attendance at our last meeting showed a slight increase over previous meetings. We can do even better than that so let's see if some of you hold-overs can't get into the habit of attending our meeting regularly.

Card Party

Plans for our card party are well formed at this time. A number of Badgers are certainly putting their hearts into making a success of this card party to further their interest in sports. A number of women from "Venera" promised to be there and so we're looking forward to seeing them on April 28 at Sostarich's hall. We also extend this invitation to the "Jolly Allis" Lodge, "Sloga" 16, and anyone else who would care to come. There will be dancing at 7 p. m. until?

Fun-O-Leers Club

The Fun-O-Leers club will sponsor a Hard Time Dance, music by the very popular Martineck Girls. You can always be sure of a good time at a Hard Time Dance, so don your old clothes and make a date with the Fun-O-Leers on April 6 at the Lower So. Side Turn hall. (Customers in evening garb will be sent home to "dress up" as befits a depression dance.) Don't forget to be there—I'll be seeing you.

Buzzes

I heard that a certain Badger is thinking of giving up his "freedom" to take onto himself the well known "ball in chain."—I wonder what Lillian said. Zip. Marco hurried away from the picnic committee meeting to say farewell to his best girl. Mollie's "twist" and "hook" got the best of her at the bowling alleys last Wednesday. We initiated a new member, Joe Vogel, who hails from Evelev, Minnesota.—Thas all.

Betty Boop.

"Sunflower Seeds"

SUNFLOWERS' EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY

Mulberry, Kans.—This year marks the tenth anniversary of the English Speaking Lodges of the Slovene National Benefit Society. We should be rejoicing over this wonderful achievement which has been so very successful in gaining members into our Society and should celebrate it as a big day.

The SUNFLOWER LODGE will celebrate their eighth anniversary and are going at it in a big way. There will be a big dance preceded by a nice program at the Slovene hall at Frontenac, Kansas, on Saturday, April 13, commencing at 7 p. m. The thirteenth may be a somewhat superstitious date for some people and that is the reason we decided upon that date for our anniversary. Things happen on the thirteenth that are remembered for a long while and our anniversary will be one event that will be worth while attending.

On our program we will have singing both in Slovene and in English, several instrumental solos, speaking, and above all, a good one-act play. By the way, the play is under the direction of Miss Mary Shular, one of the more capable Sunflowers. The scene takes place in a lodge hall, with meeting in full progress, a lady is to be initiated,—the president is a young man. The entire play is full of laughs—a regular comedy. You come out and have a good laugh with the Sunflowers and you will never regret it.

Dancing will commence at 9:00 or as soon as the program will be concluded. Will we have good music? You bet we will. We were very fortunate in securing a good orchestra; CACTUS KID and his Cowboy entertainers direct from radio station at Coffeyville, Kansas; as they are booked for many weeks in advance. It will be their first appearance in the Slovene hall at Frontenac.

Be sure and reserve April 13 and attend the Sunflowers' Eighth Anniversary dance at Frontenac, Kansas. Admission will be thirty-five cents for gents and ten cents for ladies. I might add that we are expecting a large delegation of Hearts members from Kansas City to be present.

William J. Strah, Recording Secretary.

Buckeyes' Bits

By Oh

Barberton, Ohio.—Every member should be on hand this Friday for our meeting and bunco party. There will be eats and drinks, games and music. Let's all turn out to have a merry time. Don't forget, the meeting starts at 7:30 and after it's over, we'll have the bunco party.

We're thinking about the Golden Eagles' Seventh Anniversary Dance April 20. Buckeyes, we can't disappoint 'em! They're asking for two bus loads—can't we get at least one bus-full? Keep thinkin' about it and we'll talk it over at the meeting. The dance takes place April 20 (Saturday).

Excelsiors' Extra

Aliquippa, Pa.—News for the Excelsiors is plentiful, and the biggest news is about the May 25 dance. Each and every member should do all in his power to make this venture a huge success. Knowing that the proceeds will be devoted to sports, should alone be an inducement to make each member do his part. Cooperation from neighboring lodges is expected.

Details thus far definitely planned are: Place of Entertainment—Slovak hall on Main street. Music—probably an orchestra from Ohio. Committee—active members promising to do all in their power. Will keep you posted with developments pertaining to this dance as soon as I get the latest information.

Bowling Bumps

Sunday, March 24, found most of the Excelsiors in Sharon participating in a bowling match with the Sharon boys and girls. It indeed was a pleasure to meet so many of the younger set, whom we never had occasion to meet before. The girls' match was a rather close game with the Sharon girls coming out on top. A return game will be played in Aliquippa in the very near future, probably April 6. The Excelsiors wish to thank Sharon for the hospitality rendered during our visit there. May we meet again.

During the same week that the Sharon game is anticipated, for the Canonsburg girls will travel to Aliquippa for a game scheduled for April 8, and from all indications it will be some game. That makes two games in one week with outside teams. Our girls are raring to go, and ditto for the opposing team. May the winners win.

Any lodge wishing a match with the Excelsiors should get in touch with Ser's Matilda Derglin, Main street, W. Aliquippa, and arrange for same, as we are desirous of playing neighboring lodges.

If you want to know the Excelsiors' doings, attend their meetings every second Thursday in the month at 8 o'clock sharp at the Slovene National

day, so we won't have to worry about going to work or hurrying home, because the next day will be Easter Sunday!

Another affair to keep in mind is the Commodore's dance in May. We're sure everyone is anxious to visit them.

Soap Chips.—Just ran into Ann Garbor, a je bilis tako huda! Anyway, she said she was, but she seemed in good humor after a day of labor.—This dept. was week-ending in Cleve and we find that "Mita" Zednik (a Buckeye) is still longing for good ol' Barberton.—You should see this dept. handling kids! Am I good? A niece and a "nefo" are well, but when both start crying at the same time, well, then I call the mamma! This pillar happened to be breezin' along one swell day and noticed John Mistic starting his spring cleaning. We don't mean house work, it was only the garden! Also saw "Little Snits" taking life easy in a barber shop window and noticed Bertha and Pauline Mesec doing their window shopping down town. Well, be seen' you Friday and bomo imeli good time, eh?

Verona News

Verona, Pa.—After accepting the Ramblers' invitation to their after-meeting social, the Veronians wish to thank their lodge and say we all had a swell time! Though this is rather late we certainly hope our thanks will be accepted. To Tony Kousse goes the credit for musical entertainment. He can produce more polkas from his accordion, and such polkas! They were enjoyed by everyone, and I noticed they caused many to visit the refreshment room often. Wonder why?

Our monthly meeting was nicely attended and proved to be an interesting one. Everyone joined in the discussions and offered suggestions. The main topic of the evening was mushball. A new Athletic Board was elected. With a new management the team should do big things this season. The team is staging a theater party in the near future. Proceeds to be used for equipment. Watch this column for further details.

About 2 weeks ago our little town welcomed a piece of news regarding a local bank. The First National Bank of Verona, whose doors have been closed since March (except to do small business) two years ago, reported that they intended to pay 35% on a dollar. Many people of our town were overjoyed to hear this, for they had their life savings in the bank. In a way it affected our Lodge, too, for the Home had all its money in this same bank. So, anybody who had any money saved in this bank and never expected to see it when the bank failed, is in high spirits again. Here's hoping we get the rest of the 65%.

SOS—More scribes wanted for the Veronians' column! So long!

Katie Zolet.

STRUGGLERS

Cleveland.—Saturday, April 6, look at your calendar and don't let it slip your mind, Struggler members. That's the night of the "Free Party" at the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo rd. The music will be arranged by Bro. Slejko and the boys. The regular meeting will be the first thing on the program, and starting at 9 p. m. sharp the party gets underway. Only Struggler members will be admitted free. Although each member will be allowed to bring along one friend of the opposite sex and the admission will be 50c for ladies and 75c for men. Of course, this includes everything—eats, dancing and all the beer you want to drink. Remember it's free to Struggler members.

April 20

Are you going? Now is the time to decide and let this writer know before April 10. Oh, what do I mean? Well, that good ole bus trip to Girard Golden Eagles' anniversary celebration April 20. If enough members respond one of the Great Eastern Stages 35 passenger bus will be chartered. Let's hear from you.

25 More Days?

April 28 is arriving very fast and with all the news and gossip that will take place on that day is being well rehearsed. That day the Strugglers will have their 8th Birthday in conjunction with Cleveland's 1st 10th anniversary celebration of English Speaking Lodges. The place is the Slovene Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo rd. So if you plan to take a trip, do it then. Ask those that have attended in past years. Here's hoping that we may again spell success in a big way. Tickets can be secured from any Struggler member. Admission for Vaudeville and Dance, providing you don't leave hall, will be only 35c and for dancing only 25c. Remember last year's Vaudeville Show found many without seats. Get yours early.

More Attractions

A few more last minute releases—"The Vudral Trio," that marvelous group of youngsters who have taken the Slovene stage by storm, will again reappear at the "Big Show," and little Frankie, the midget of the

trio, told me that they have a big surprise in store.

All Ye Danecrs

Time in your local WJAY radio station and you are sure to hear that grand old orchestra playing hits that you enjoy. We spared no expense to present for the first time on the Slovene Workmen's Home stage Paul Botta and his WJAY radio artists, a 10-piece orchestra at that. Tune in WJAY and hear Mr. Botta tell you all about the Strugglers' Big Show on April 28.

More News

People living in vicinity of Akron and Canton can hear all about the "Strugglers' Big Show" on the "Perkins Fellers" program. All announcements to be made the last week. While the writer interviewed Eszrie Perkins' staff announcer over WHK, who last year and this year will be the grand maestro of the stage, he promised us plenty of fun and has many new acts to perform; in fact—he is polishing up on his "Grinish."

Souvenirs

If present plans hold out, which we are pretty sure they will, there will be no soliciting of advertisements and instead of the usual souvenir book, you that attend can expect something better. The committee is planning, if enough suitable gifts can be obtained, to offer "a souvenir" to each person attending the "Big Show."

In Other Forts

I see that the Oehmans are the Reveller champions. Congrats, boys. We know that the Koselas had a good reason for not being in your position; ask Louis, he knows. Our good friend, Frank J. Progar, is sure delivering in his Ramblers' Spotlight, and what once was not heard of much we can say that Cleveland, indeed, is happy to see the Ramblers forging forward. Looks like Canonsburg will have several Clevelanders on hand to celebrate their W. Penna Bi-Federation Dance. Bro. Ed. Cigolle of Golden Eagles is recovering from an operation. Here's wishing him lots of luck. Dr. John J. Zaveritnik's health news is very interesting, which reminds me that Spring is here and I must desert you and take to the air. John E. Lokar.

Flood City

Johnstown, Pa.—At Flood City's next meeting, we will have a lot of important subjects to discuss; therefore we ask that a good number be present, and help formulate all this important matter. The meeting will be held as usual in the Moxham Slovene hall on April 14, at 2:30 p. m. Be there!

Fifth Anniversary

Our Fifth Anniversary is a very promising event. Already it is the talk of the town; our programs are really the very best, and on top of that dancing will follow. April 27 is the day. One of the big features of the program will be a one-act hilarious comedy, entitled "His! She's a Man!" Rehearsals are on their way, and believe me, the cast is a very good one. Tickets will soon be out and only members of the cast will sell them. For more information watch these columns.

"Girl-Shy"

A three-act play will be presented by the Lorain Bluebirds on Sunday evening, April 7, at the Moxham Slovene hall, at 7:30 p. m. Several Flood City members have active roles in this play. It looks as if they will entertain quite a throng, and our members are going to be among these.

Socialist Day

As of other years, our May Day program and dance is again in the air. This year the event will be held at the Moxham Slovene hall on May 4. A one-act Slovene play, "Kret revolucionarja," vocal numbers, and recitations will feature on the program. The public is invited to attend. Come and help us celebrate our international holiday—May Day!

American Citizens' Club

In the neighborhood of about thirty-five Slovenes make up a study class on the "United States Government" for the purpose of gaining the

proper knowledge to receive their naturalization papers. This class is under the tutorage of Frank Pavlovich of Lodge 88. The American Citizens' Club is sponsoring this class, and this very same group is going to hold a dance at the Moxham Slovene hall on May 18. You are invited to attend.

"Jugoslavija" Singing Society Well, it looks as if we are making some headway. Several more members have joined our ranks, and the next thing on our minds is to raise more funds to carry on this work. So, a dance will be held sometime in May. As soon as the definite date will be known, we will let you know of it—watch these columns.

Tio-Bits

Leo Beltz was recently elected checkweighman at the mines.

Ann and Frances Hovevar are active athletes with the Lorain Bluebirds.

Fred Zecker talked with Joseph Caesar of the Universal Comets not long ago, and they may come to our anniversary affair.

O. K., Keystonians, we will be anxiously awaiting your busload to our anniversary.

Yes, Louis Kosela, Johnstown is a nice place to visit; can we expect you and other Revellers to our Fifth Anniversary? We regret that the

Ramblers are having a dance the same time as Flood City. The Pioneers' "Committee of 100" are already busy engaged for their gigantic Tenth Anniversary.

Those two Slovene fellows over the Greensburg radio station, namely: Frank Cy and Joseph Koracin, are very good; we enjoy listening to good Slovene music.

The May Herald will soon be off the press; this year it will have numerous English articles by leaders of Socialist Party, and, of course, our Slovene leaders, too. Don't fail to get one, when they are out. And then, so long, until again.

Frances Langerhole, Lodge 712.

Strabane Pioneers

Strabane, Pa.—This business of writing articles is a lot of fun. I am sure the other writers of the Pioneers enjoy writing them too.

I see where the "Humming Excelsior" has started to write poetry. That's a good idea that a few other writers can use. The rest of the scribes from Aliquippa must have gotten the Spring fever.

With the warm spring days here, the Pioneer lads have started mushball practice again. Business Manager "Hooker" Chesnic is trying to secure a place for the Pioneers in the Canonsburg City League.

While on the subject of mushball, I think it would be a good idea if an SNPJ national mushball tournament would be held this year. Sports play an important part in fraternal organization, and if a national tournament is held it will enable different lodges to become acquainted. I think

it is a good idea and would like to know what other writers in the Prosveta think about it.

Things I Heard—

That the boys from Aliquippa braved winter weather March 24 to come to Strabane in their reliable Buick. That a certain Pioneer lad and Excelsior lass are reported engaged. My, something must have come of those trips back and forth. That the Pioneers will sport natty "gold" and "blue" uniforms on the mushball field this year. That they liked Yaky's and Chiloo's yodeling March 24. That an Aliquippa lad showed the Pioneer lads a few pointers on bartending. That the Pioneer and Aliquippa lads had one of the merriest parties ever given in Strabane on March 24. That "Skinny" Koklich, our Vice-Presy, is sporting a moustache along with a few other Pioneer lads.

Carsel.

Lodge News Items

Brief Notes Concerning Activities of Local Lodges

LAND OF PALMS LODGE, NO. 594

Oakland, Calif.—Our March meeting, one of the first to be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, was rather successful. Attendance was 100% over the previous Sunday morning meeting.

The Social Committee gave a good report regarding our forthcoming dance on May 11. Since we are also representing the English Speaking unit of our SNPJ, attention is hereby called that there will be a celebration combined with this affair in honor of the Tenth Anniversary of this unit. We are in existence here 9 years.

The Big Celebration will be held May 11 at Myer's hall, 94th Avenue at E. 14th st. Al Copelli's orchestra will entertain.

We wish to thank the San Francisco Lodge Tabor Slovansky, No. 304, SNPJ, for postponing their Annual May Dance to another date in favor of ours. This cooperation will help us along for a better unity and to get some of our neighboring lodges to enjoy themselves with us as we have enjoyed ourselves when we attended their affair.

The official summary of the proceeding of the Supreme Board's annual session was very interesting, and it is the duty of every member to read it, because it is very instructive and helpful in regards to agitation and securing of new members.

But at the present we must wait for a little better time and do a lot of preaching and sign them up when the times get better.

Keep in mind May 11 and join the Land of Palms celebration for a real good time. Frank Slaby, Sec'y.

PIONEER NEWS

Chicago.—Prospects are bright for the Pioneers having indoor teams this year. Cards that we mailed to 40 members whom we thought would be interested and so far have brought 19 answers. At the meeting called last Monday many names were added to the list, and these will be notified of the next meeting.

Those present decided to organize an indoor team this year. The team is to have uniforms, and as soon as weather permits practice will begin. Election of captain and manager was postponed until later. All members are invited to come out to practice, the lodge is going to great expense to outfit the team this year, so we want a good team. The boys also want to play out-of-town teams.

So lodges having teams, do not forget the Pioneers challenge you. Our aim is to have a first class team and make the trip to Cleveland on Labor day.

The girls also are at work to organize a team. So all you old timers get together again; and the girls should again have a good team.

The Committee of 100 also had their meeting Monday. Thirty-two were in attendance. This Committee is hard at work for our Tenth Anniversary. Although there is over 6 months until the time of our Anniversary, the different committees are already making plans for this event which should and is the greatest venture the Pioneers ever attempted. With the proper cooperation from the membership this should be a never to be forgotten event.

The membership Committee will roll up its sleeves and will attempt to reach the goal of 600 in membership by the time of our celebration. Favorable response by our members and out-of-town members makes things look as there should be a record gathering of Slovians for our two day affair. So all you SNPJ members reserve Nov. 2 and 3 to be in Chicago as guests of the Pioneers.

On Sunday, April 14, Singing Society Sava is sponsoring their Annual Spring Concert at the SNPJ hall. They invite you and promise to present another program as the one that they presented last fall. A large number of the singers belongs to Pioneers and promise you a good and interesting program. The program begins at 3 p. m. In the evening there will be dancing to the music of Johnny and his Merry-makers.

On Sunday, May 5, Sava is making a trip to La Salle, Ill., where it will take part in a program. Many of singers made the trips with the Pioneers in past year and are anxious to make this trip. Some plan to leave early and visit Starved Rock. So all you Chicagoans are invited to make this good will trip. More details later.

Frank Groser, Lodge 559.

YOUTH VALLEY KNIGHTS

W. Newton, Pa.—After quite a long absence, we once again appear in print. Held our March meeting Sunday, the 24th. It certainly was a pleasure to see more of the members present. Keep it up! The attendance is beginning to look more favorable, but still could be improved.

How about some of you getting your brothers and sisters into our lodge? One member who was present at our meeting must be complimented for her interest in our lodge—Sister Jean Povirk. She also reports that she has several transfers in mind. In spite of her working such a distance from home, she possesses a good attendance record.

It was a pleasure to have a visitor at our meeting, namely—Vincent Urbania, who in the near future will be among our ranks. Our recording secretary also has many good prospects in mind.

One of the most active of our members, Sister Pauline Yamnik, suggested at our last meeting that the boys of our lodge indulge in some active sport such as baseball. What do you say, boys? It took a girl to do the suggesting—why not carry out the idea and show your lodge spirit?

That the date was set for the Youth Valley Knights' Fourth Anniversary dance, which will be Saturday, June 15. We request that our neighboring lodges kindly reserve that date. For further details concerning this affair watch the Prosveta.

The other outstanding event just around the corner is the Westmoreland County Federation annual dance.

WHEN—May 30.
WHERE—West Newton.
PLACE—Slovene hall.

All those present at last year's dance probably recall the grand time they had.

Would love to hear more from our other member scribes who have helped to keep our lodge in the limelight. What do you say, girls?

Frances Langerholc. To attend an affair so near your old home town and not even finding time to drop in to see us. Enjoyed reading your last week's article.

We were glad to hear that the Keystone's Polka Dance was such a great success. Sorry we couldn't attend. Trailers, Lodge 739.

EXCELSIORS' GOSSIP

Aliquippa, Pa.—With the coming of spring, the Excelsiors are getting into action again. The boys will soon be practicing baseball, while the girls will look on unless they start something else.

On March 24, the Excelsior girls' and boys' bowling teams bowled with the Sharon teams. The girls' team won one out of the three games bowled, while the boys lost all three of their games to the Sharon team.

All those who went to Sharon, reported having a good time and wish to thank the Sharon lodge for their excellent hospitality.

Inside Dope

Frances Antonie's still at bowling. Where does L. Yagas keep himself? ... A bowling match between the girls of Canonsburg and Aliquippa ... Anna Sivic's bowling with the Tin Mill girls ... Everyone's missing Jay's articles ... The Pioneers come in to Aliquippa, where the Excelsiors are abroad.

Let's Remember

A dance to be held for the benefit of Excelsiors' sports on May 25. The Excelsiors' first affair this summer, a picnic on June 30.

The Bi-Federation Dance on May 4, at the Strabane hall.

The Ramblers Easter Dance on April 27 at Harmarville.

Sees all, hears all, and tells all: Television.

LODGE NO. 609

Arma, Kans.—Sunflower Lodge, No. 609, SNPJ, is sponsoring a great celebration observing the 10th anniversary of the founding of SNPJ English Speaking Lodges, and its own 8th anniversary.

The committee in charge has been working hard to make this one of the finest affairs ever staged.

There will be an entertainment and interesting program of speeches in both Slovene and English, singing, musical numbers, and above all a most humorous and exciting play.

This grand entertainment will be held at the Slovene hall, Frontenac, on Saturday, April 13. Program will begin at 7 o'clock, followed by dancing till—?

Musical dancing will be furnished by those grand radio stars, Cactus Kid and his Cowboys, who have been steadily gaining in popularity, until they are now certainly the most popular orchestra in Southeastern Kansas.

In order to make this a grand and outstanding affair, we are cordially inviting all neighboring lodges, friends, young and old, to attend, and have a most pleasant and joyous evening. And you Sunflower members, of course we are counting on you to be present hundred per cent.

So, remember April 13 at Frontenac. M. G.

BADGER NEWS

Milwaukee, Wis.—Looking down Bruce st. in the Spring, when the neighbors' kids start to play ball in the alley, the two trees start to bud, the clear waters of the Menominee resound and bring music to our ears and perfume to our noses, my thoughts turn to—the day of the Badger Picnic. (It's the poetry in me, blooming.) The date is all set for June 30. The Athletic Club promises to have a surprise for you at the picnic so that's something to look forward to. Let's see more members there this time.

The Federation has its picnic on July 21. Another day to circle on your calendar.

The Athletic Club wishes me to announce that all girls interested in participating in sports meet at Vera Sostarich's home Sunday morning, April 7, at 10. All boys interested meet at Frank Oblick's home at the same time and the same day. We want to get some teams started for baseball. We want to see all sport-minded members there. The Athletic Club will hold their next meeting Monday night, April 8, at 7 o'clock sharp at Vera Sostarich's home. Members, please take notice.

Our Card Party is drawing nearer. As yet I have received only three pair of pillow cases embroidered. The cases are not crocheted. If any of Badger girls can crochet and would be willing to donate their services, please see Vera Sostarich as soon as possible.

Mr. Schweiger wishes me to announce that he recently received an invitation to a Card Party to be held on April 14 at Tamme's hall by the "Forwards." Let's see some of you Badgers there. I'm sure they'll back us if we back them. Don't forget!

What was the matter with the boys at the last meeting? Maybe the dollar we are giving to the member lucky enough to have his name drawn will bring more of the boys at the next meeting. You may be the lucky one!

How about more news in the "News Box"? Vera, Lodge 584.

JOLLY ALLIS LODGE, NO. 686

West Allis, Wis.—Tuesday, April 9, marks the date of our next lodge meeting. If we have many of our older members coming to our meetings again, we will have quite a crowd.

It was nice to see the Gole twins taking such an active part in the discussion after not having been to a meeting for so long.

Another member who has not been attending the meetings so regularly again made an appearance at the last meeting.

There's a certain member who has not attended a meeting for a long time. Sis. Matilda, where have you been keeping yourself? An important topic for our next meeting will be the Jolly Allis party to take place Saturday, May 4. This party will be something different than any dance Jolly Allis have ever had before. The detailed arrangements are not yet completed, but by the discussion and enthusiasm at our last meeting this promises to be a very good place to go to have a good time. At our next meeting we will also initiate a new member. Here's hoping to see you all at the next meeting.

Ann Yersin.

JOLLY JUNIORS

Bridgeville, Pa.—The annual May 30 affair held at Sygan by the Senior Lodge, No. 6, SNPJ, this year will be a joint event of Lodge 6 and Jolly Juniors, No. 669, with a committee of five members to be selected from each lodge to arrange for this combined affair.

The Jolly Juniors April meeting will be held the first Sunday, April 7, at 6:30 p. m. The change is due to Federation April meet.

What say boys, how about a mushroom team to compete in the Federation league? Come to the meeting

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoozit

St. Louis, Mo.—Whoozit just can't help dwelling on the success of our St. Patrick's dance. Certainly all present seemed to have enjoyed themselves to the limit. And limitless was the joy that prevailed.

Depression, economic conditions, worry, etc., were temporarily forgotten for the moment as everyone danced the polka to the strains of Ed. Dobak's accordion. And just think, the whole thing financed on the drawing of a ton of coal and the 10c ticket admitting the party to the dance!

Let's have more of them, Spirits. Altogether now for bigger and better times such as our Xmas and Valentine parties and our last St. Patrick's dance. However, while the spirit of the last three parties still lingers, "We" must turn our attention forward and make our future undertakings even more successful.

SPIRITS, let's make our next social undertaking, the SPIRITS' MAY DANCE, dwarf our previous socials. Let's make it TREMENDOUSLY SUCCESSFUL. Remember, we have quite a bit of work on our hands. Yes, quite a bit. Besides the usual routine of a dance in the making we have the play to be presented on the same date, also the advertising. Remember, the success of this event depends to a large extent upon the advertising ability of our membership. Spirits, tell your friends about it, tell them to tell their friends about it, etc.

Then there's the ticket-selling contest. How y' doin', Spirits. Remember, the Spirits are divided into two factions, Bro. Frank Mahlich and Bro. Ben Durate have been elected captains of the factions. And so Spirits, there prevails a friendly rivalry amongst us so let's bear down and make it a highly competitive one. Indeed, we should be stirred onward when we learn of the beautiful pen and pencil set and potica to be baked by Sis. Frances Zimmerman, which are to be the prizes of the contest. (Thanks a lot, Sis. Zimmerman, Hyala.)

Have you received your tickets? If not, see your captain immediately.

Judge It

Chicago.—The Social Study Club presents an opportunity for the general public to be able to hear two well versed men on the New Deal free of charge. The debaters, each will place his knowledge of the New Deal on the scale for you to decide whether or not the New Deal is what you want it to be. To be able to intelligently discuss the subject with your neighbor you should come to this enlightening debate. The topic will be as follows: "Resolved, That the New Deal has not fulfilled its promises." The debaters are Leonard L. Serdiuk and Donald J. Lotrich.

Mr. Serdiuk is well known among the people of the West Side for he was editor of the Harrison Herald, president of the Twenty-Sixth Street Business Men's Association, and he is at present editor of the West Side News, and personally writes the editorial column which is so well read by the people. Mr. Serdiuk will defend the New Deal with heart and soul for he firmly advocates its policy and believes that President Roosevelt is an ideal man. As a debater you will find him excellently qualified. As a matter of fact the Social Study Club is fortunate in being able to present such a man.

Mr. Lotrich, who will present the opposing side that the New Deal has not fulfilled its promises, is an ardent opponent of the New Deal and the President's policy. He is well known among the Slovians for he is active in the Pioneer Lodge, holding the responsible position of financial secretary, a member of the Yugoslav Socialist Club No. 1 for many years, a member of the State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party of Illinois for some time, and well versed in the principles of Socialism. He, too, is excellently qualified to present his part, and we are happy to present him.

The debate is scheduled for the regular meeting night of the Social Study Club Friday, April 12, at Styblo's hall, 2700 S. Turner ave. The admission is free, and everyone is welcome to come. Pub. Committee.

CAVALIERS, LODGE NO. 741

Burgertown, Pa.—What has happened to our Lodge members? Why are our meetings poorly attended? Why are we not getting any new members? Why are our competitors getting along splendidly? Who is the cause of this or what is the reason for this.

Come on Brothers and Sisters, let's get together and build up our lodge. Try to get some new members. Let's try to make this a successful year. Let's try to beat our competitors who are proud of themselves.

We would like to see more members come to our next meeting which will be held Sunday, April 14, at 10:30 a. m. Two Horsemen.

prepared for some discussion on the subject.

The following dates are in the Jolly Juniors calendar: April 20, April 18; May 25, and have room for other dates of lodge activities.

Thomas G. Ganter,

Louis Adamic's New Book—'Grandsons'

"Grandsons" is a Strong and Living Tale, Set in a True Scene, Peopled by Characters of Extraordinary Vitality

By H. W. Boynton

SOMETHING warm and human and above all sane in Louis Adamic has assured him, from the first, a grateful audience. He is brilliant, he is realistic, he has ideas, but he also has a heart. Slovene by blood, American by choice, his writing seems to confront no racial barrier. It shows small traces, certainly, of the somber-mercenary temper or "psychology" that so commonly shuts off the Slav from friendly but puzzled neighbors. We know this man, he speaks our language in more senses than one, and we accept him readily as a kinsman who, coming lately among us, is able to see better than we can our qualities and defects and to speak honestly, without fear or offense, of what he sees.

Mr. Adamic's earlier books, "Laughing in the Jungle" and "The Native's Return", though frankly autobiographical, showed plainly his potentialities as a novelist. Now in "Grandsons" he steps easily over the line that separates, or unites, autobiography and fiction and offers a first novel of unquestionable maturity. Unlike much of our best-praised recent fiction, it is a close knit and sinewy narrative, without an irrelevant person in it, or a superfluous episode. It has a richness of compression far rarer than the richness of diffusion that at the end of five hundred or a thousand pages leaves, too often, but a doubtful cumulus of human odds and ends for the spectator to gasp and goggle at.

The autobiographical note is not abandoned here. The supposed chronicler is Adamic himself or an easy adaptation of him. Somewhere behind the Meuse-Argonne front, not long before the armistice, he is supposed to come upon a young American non-com, Peter Gale, a tense and moody lad who turns out to be a part sharer in the story-teller's Carniolan blood. They are parted at once by chance of war, to meet again in California nine years later. By then they are both writing men near the bottom of the ladder. Gale is a reporter in Los Angeles. The chronicler is busy by day with a mechanical white collar job, spends his spare time writing, and begins to have a little success "getting into America, at America as a writer." A story of his in a Coast magazine brings about his second meeting with Peter Gale.

Peter has changed much for the worse since wartime. His moodiness and restlessness have become acute, his manner is both brusque and hesitant, defiant and jumpy: "his laugh sudden, uncertain." Repelled at first, the chronicler soon realizes that his feeling is based on recognition. Gale is an extreme case of the type to which but for a measure of self-control, he himself would belong: "the restless, hectic mannered young man who often, but not always, was an ex-soldier of the World War." The chronicler, as a defense against bewilderment and disillusion, has cultivated bursts of Menckonian laughter at the great American circus.

But after a time he feels himself caught up in the spectacle, too much a part of it for comfort: "I had the damndest time to be calm and keep laughing." Perhaps his solid peasant inheritance saw him through. But Peter Gale's blood was a ferment of several racial currents, since his grandfather the immigrant had married a half-breed Indian woman. Moreover, he had been badly wounded and gassed during the last days of the war, and had spent four years in military hospitals. And the continual strain of his relation with his racketeering brother Andy, and a hopeless love affair, and Peter Gale's special jitteriness is amply accounted for.

For the chronicler, nevertheless, he at first merely sums up and makes visible a general condition: "This restlessness, this semi-hysteria, was a disease, an American disease, and I had it. I had contracted it after the war, if not already before, roaming about, interesting myself in all sorts of things, becoming fascinated by the country, starting to love it, identifying myself with it, calling myself an American." It isn't, we notice, the American system he loves, or the American people: the one a rickety mechanism run by selfish minorities; the other a crowd with the jitters, without spiritual integrity; "shadows fitting over the face of this beautiful continent." As with the hero of Thomas Wolfe's "Of Time and the River," it is the beautiful continent itself he loves—or is in love with: its vast spaces, its infinite physical variety, its potentiality as the home of a better race than now inhabits it. Not for nothing is Walt Whitman a favorite with both Peter Gale and his chronicler.

But they do not share Whitman's illusions about actual American humanity. Most Americans, they are agreed, lack meaning outside their possessions or occupations, even for themselves. They are mere shadows of each other, without reality, without solidarity, hardly alive: "There was little life, real, dynamic human life in America. Only a sort of nervous, furious superficial extingness." It was partly a condition of the times, this sterility, but less pronounced in Europe because, says Pe-

ter Gale, "communities, regions, countries and States have had more or less organic growth and families have lived in the same spot for centuries."

Here, then, is our disease. What shall we do to combat it? What can we do but fumble toward some partial form of nervous escape in noise, in drink, in speed, in games of chance? Peter Gale hankers for release in poetry, but falls back on fast driving and "What the hell!" His elder brother, Andy, gambler and big shot, finds his answer in the excitement and danger of racketeering, in wrestling all the loot he can from a society which he is convinced has no better or other principles than his own. "Why the hell not?" is his motto. And the cousin, Jack McLeish, embodying a stronger element in the family strain (for did not grandfather Anton Gale lose his life in the Haymarket riot, back in the Eighties?), became a labor organizer and died fighting under the I. W. W. banner.

He is first to make his exit from the stage, but the fates of the three grandsons are closely linked. His death is partly responsible for Peter's attack of amnesia and his disappearance from California, and for Andy's bumping off shortly after by a rival big shot. Two years later Peter comes to himself in a Pittsburgh hospital. He has been working in a Homestead mill under the name Jack McLeish.

He sends for the chronicler, now writing in New York. "Now grandson number two is finished," he says bitterly, hearing for the first time of Andy's death. "All ready for the story . . . for my book." For Peter has left in California, to be rescued by the chronicler, a partly finished novel, "Grandsons," a story of the three generations of Gales in America. For a time he seems on the road to recovery, plans to finish his book. But all his past is against him, and a moment of carelessness snuffs him out. He leaves his story, the story of the grandsons, to be told by the author of this book.

What does it all come to, then, the story as we have it? If the American majority is sick, is there hope in the minorities? We find none here. The self-exiled boys and girls "issuing anti-American pronouncements written on menu cards in Parisian cafes were a daft, pathetic little crew." Equally pitiful the home-staying cliques of esthetes and intellectuals with their patter and posing. And hardly less so the groups of self-intoxicated professional proletarians, seeking publicity in the name of martyrdom. Or the remnant of the



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ACCIDENT AFTER PARTY

Cleveland, Ohio.—Our Bro. Anton Czare of Lodge "V boj," No. 53, SNPJ, had a big shower party at his house last Saturday, March 30, in honor of his daughter, Mary, who was engaged to Carl Eha. After he had taken some relatives of his home, tire on his machine went flat. He and his friend, Anton Mihelich, of Lodge No. 126, SNPJ, stopped to repair it. They were fixing it when another motorist came upon them from the rear. Mihelich was killed instantly and Czare died two hours later. The accident occurred Sunday morning at 4 a. m. at Coit road and Lake Shore blvd.

Anton Czare is survived by his wife, Rose, daughters, Mary and Eleanor, and son Anton.—F. Harb.

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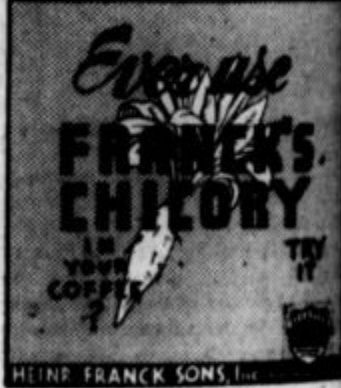
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