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FRANCO ODBIL VSAKO POSREDOVALNO AKCIJO

"Absolutna zmaga ali brezpogojna kapitulacija!" je njegov odgovor

ANGLIJA JE JEZNA

Berlin, 15. dec.—General Francisco Franco, vodja španskih upornikov, je včeraj informiral svojega zaveznika Hitlerja, da ne sprejme mirovnega posredovanja Francije in Anglije. On zahteva "absolutno zmago oziroma brezpogojno kapitulacijo" Caballerovih čet in kompromis ne more biti. Franco upa, da mu bodo prijateljske države, ki so priznale njegovo "vlado", še nadalje in bolj pomagale, da doseže "absolutno zmago".

London, 15. dec.—Angleški zunanji minister Anthony Eden je sinoči v svojem odgovoru v Bratfordu indirektno svaril Nemčijo, Italijo in Portugalsko, da Velika Britanija ne bo trpela nobenega kršenja španske integritete. Eden je ponovil očitke, da nekatere države—in tu je namignil tudi glede Rusije—neprestano kršijo splošno nevtralnost napram Španiji, ko pa so te države povabljene k sodelovanju za mir v Španiji, tedaj zavlačujejo odgovor in navajajo celo vrsto pridržkov in kratkotalno se nečje odločiti ne za to, ne za ono.

Madrid, 15. dec.—Na španskih bojiščih ni bilo že tri dni nič posebnega. Fašistični tanki so se včeraj nekaj gibali v madridskih predmestjih, ali kmalu so se morali vrniti nazaj na svoje mesto. Ljudska milica je bila aktivna na južni madridski fronti in je reokupirala policijske barake v Carabanchel Baju, tri milje južno od mesta.—Presejanje starcev, žensk in otrok iz Madrida se nadaljuje in zadnje dni je bilo preseljenih okrog 260,000 oseb na vzhod.

Barcelona, Španija, 15. dec.—Nadaljnjih 1500 inozemskih prostovoljcev, večinoma Francozov in Belgijcev, je včeraj prislopo semkaj. Pred tremi dnevi je prišlo 1200 prostovoljcev in nekaj dni prej drugih 2500. Nosili so rdeče zastave in protifašistične napise. V Barceloni so jih navdušeno sprejeli, pogostili in jih spremiti z godbo na kolodvor, odkoder jih je vlak odvedel na madridsko fronto.

Katalonska vlada v Barceloni, kateri je predsedoval Jose Tarradellas, je včeraj podala ostavko zaradi spora z anarhisti. Companys, predsednik Katalonije, hoče skušati reorganizirati vlado.

Velike sleparije s propadlimi bondi

Cez osem milijard dolarjev ukradenih, pravi Sabath

Chicago, 15. dec.—Kongresnik A. J. Sabath, ki je dve leti vodil preiskavo glede propadlih dolžnic (bondov) in takozvanih "bondholders" protective committees, je izjavil te dni, da so ti odbori počenjali in še počenjajo "največje raketirstvo v vseh časih".

Četku depresije je propadlo okrog 20 milijard dolarjev dolžnic in ti odbori so pokradli lastnikom dolžnic najmanj osem milijard dolarjev, je rekel Sabath. Kongresnik je označil te "zaščitnike" za "kruke, tatove in zavrane". Mnogo teh odborov—ustavljeni so v ogromni večini iz spekulativ in lakomnih advokatov—je poštenih, ampak večina

Prošnja glede decembrskega asesmenta

Da bo lokalnim tajnikom mogoče ta mesec dostaviti asesment v gl. urad pred zaključkom leta, prosimo in tudi priporočamo članstvu, da plača svoje prispevke točno kot predpisuje pravila in naj se nikar nikdo ne zanaša, češ, bo že tajnik založil. Naši tajniki so navadni delavci, katerim v mnogih slučajih—kakor članom—gre trda za denar in tako jim pri najboljši volji ni mogoče člane zalagati. Pričakujemo, da bodo člani to razumeli ter, kakor omenjeno, točno plačali svoj asesment.

Tajnike pa prosimo, da pošljejo asesment ta mesec tako, da istega prejmemo vsaj 30. decembra popoldne. Dalje tudi priporočamo, da društva poravnajo vse dolgove, ki jih slučajno imajo pri enotni, za kar vam bomo hvaležni.

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik.

Domače vesti

Ameriški družinski koledar
Chicago. — Ta teden je izšel Ameriški družinski koledar za 1937, triindvajseti letnik. Lepo vezana knjiga, ki je polna zanimljivih povesti, ertic, pesmi, člankov, opisov in slik. Naroča se pri Proletarcu, 2301 So. Lawndale ave., Chicago, Ill., in stane 75 centov.

Svojevrsen list
Austin, Tex. — Tu je izšla prva številka majhnega formata, ki se imenuje "Tamburita News" in ki ga izdajajo hrvaški in slovenski študenti v tem mestu v interesu tamburaške godbe. Kako bo list izhajal, ni povedano. Urednik je Matt L. Gouze (Govže).

Požarna nesreča
Clairton, Pa. — Jos. Smrkolj, tajnik društva 426 SNPJ, je imel 5. decembra veliko nesrečo. Hiša mu je zgorela do tal z vso opremo vred. Omenjeno društvo je tudi prizadeto, ker so zgorele društvene knjige in drugo imetje.

Najpopularnejša v svojem kraju
East Helena, Mont. — Ana Benigar, hči dolgoletnega člana društva 143 SNPJ Franka Benigarja, je zadnje dni zmagala v "popularity contestu", ki ga je razpisala lokalna Ameriška legija. Kot nagrado dobi brezplačno vožnjo v Hollywood, kjer bo tri dni v gosteh pri Myrni Loy in Gary Cooperju, dveh filmskih zvezdah.

Slovenski boksar tepen
Cleveland. — Eddie Simms (Simončič), mladi slovenski rokoborec, se je 14. t. m. zvečer spopadel z znanim črncom Joe Louisom v Public halli pred 12,000 gledalci in izgubil je bitko takoj v začetku. Črnc je potolkel Simmsa v 28 sekundah prve runde z enim samim udarcem, nakar je bil Simms nesposoben za nadaljnji boj. Gledalci so zelo godrnjali, ker so plačali vstopnino le za pol minute boja.

Propadanje združnega gibanja v Nemčiji

Kolin, Nemčija. — Nacijski minister propagande sicer zatira vesti o propadanju združnega gibanja v Nemčiji, toda nedavna konvencija združnikov je vseeno pokazala to dejstvo v jasni luči. Od nekdanjega močnega gibanja je ostalo le okrog tisoč zadruget, katerih letni promet je preteklo leto znašal le nekaj milijonov mark. Odkar so prišli nacija na krmilo, je bilo razpuščenih 72 vodilnih združnih organizacij, katerih letni promet je pred štirimi leti znašal dvesto milijonov mark.

na je nepoštena in poslužila se je vseh postavnih trikov in manipulacij, ki jih na sramoto dovoljuje konkurzni zakon, da je osleparila okrog pet milijonov oseb za defaltirane bonde, ki danes naraščajo v vrednosti. Teh "zaščitnih odborov" je na tisoče po vseh Združenih državah in brez zalega vsi so se okoristili na stroške lastnikov dolžnic, večinoma vdov in sirot, ki nimajo pojma o finančnih trikih in trikarskih postavih. Veliko število dolžničarjev je izgubilo vse do centa in danes so na ulici.

Pobijanje spolnih bolezni v Illinoisu

Država naj zalaga zdravnike z zdravili

Springfield, Ill., 15. dec.—Državni zdravstveni department je te dni naznanil, da bo v prihodnjem zasedanju legislature sugestiral, naj država zalaga zdravnike z zdravili za pobijanje sifilisa. Ta zdravila naj dobivajo brezplačno, prav tako kakor sedaj prejemajo zastojni serum proti difteriji. Dr. Frank J. Jirka, direktor državnega zdravstvenega departamenta in dr. A. C. Baxter, pomožni direktor, sta podala to izjavo po konferenci illinojskih zdravstvenih uradnikov in bolničark, na kateri je bila razprava o kontroli spolnih bolezni.

Dr. R. A. Vonderlehr iz Washingtona in dr. C. N. McDonald, načelnica medicinskega oddelka na univerzi Loyola, sta na konferenci priporočala vzgojno kampanjo o sifilisu, da bo ljudstvo informirano o tej bolezni. Razprava naj bo javna, ne skrita kot doslej, ko ljudje nečje govoriti o tej bolezni.

Dr. Jirka je omenil, da bo vprašal za vsoto \$200,000 v prihodnjem zasedanju legislature. Ta bo šla za zdravila za pobijanje sifilisa, katere bo dobil zastojni vsak zdravnik, ki jih bo zahteval.

Dr. Baxter je dejal, da pride v državne umobolnice okrog 600 na spolnih boleznih trpečih ljudi na leto. Povprečna dolžnost življenja teh ljudi v umobolnicah je tri leta.

Chicago, 12. dec.—Federalna vlada je obljubila, da bo sodelovala z mestnimi in državnimi avtoritetami pri pobijanju sifilisa, moderne kuge, v Chicago in po vsej državi. To zagotovilo je dal dr. R. A. Vonderlehr, pomožni federalni direktor oddelka za zatiranje spolnih bolezni, na čikaški konferenci zdravnikov, katere sta se udeležila tudi dr. Herman N. Bundesen, predsednik čikaškega združenja zdravstvene odbora in dr. Louis E. Schmidt, tajnik tega odbora.

Mestni finančni odsek je ustvaril novo pozicijo, pozicijo direktorja socialne higijene. Oseba, ki bo imenovana na to pozicijo, bo vodila vojno proti sifilisu.

Dr. Vonderlehr, ki je prišel iz Washingtona na čikaško konferenco, je sugestiral, naj mestne in državne zdravstvene avtoritete zbirajo podatke o obsegu spolnih bolezni. Dejal je, da bo večšakov njegovega departamenta sodelovalo pri tem delu. Slično kampanjo bo njegov department podvel v drugih velikih mestih v vseh državah.

Dr. Bundesen je dejal, da upa, da bodo vse zdravstvene avtoritete v čikaškem okrožju sodelovale z njim pri zatiranju spolnih bolezni. Mobilizirane bodo tudi klinike in policija, da bo njegov department dobil točne podatke o obsegu sifilisa in drugih spolnih bolezni.

Nevtralnostni pakt izzval opozicijo

Argentina odklonila odobritev dogovora

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 15. dec.—Argentinska delegacija je ponovno prevrnila ravnotežje na panameriški konferenci, ko je naznanila, da ne bo odobrila provizij nevtralnostnega pakta, ki naj bi zagotovil mir na ameriškem kontinentu. To naznanilo je ustvarilo nove poteškoče, ker delegatje drugih ameriških republik niso pričakovali opozicije.

Posebni pododsek je šel potem na delo in sestavil nov nevtralnostni dogovor, ki bo zdaj predložen delegatom v pričakovanju, da ga bodo soglasno odobrili. Opor argentinske delegacije kaže negotovost situacije, ki se stalno spreminja. Zadnjo soboto je vodilni odsek konference soglasno odobril načelo kolektivne zaštite in nevtralnostni dogovor in bil je uverjen, da ne bo nalezl na opozicijo. Državni tajnik Cordell Hull, načelnik ameriške delegacije, je bil tako gotov, da bo dogovor soglasno odobren, da je objavil vsebino dogovora, vendar pa je Saavedra Lamas, argentinski delegat, izjavil, da je potrebna nadaljnja diskuzija, nakar je posebni pododsek revidiral dokument. Vsebinsko bo objavljena po predložitvi dokumenta delegatom, ki se niso udeležili seje članov pododseka.

Skupna seja, ki bi se morala vršiti danes, je bila odgojena. Ponovno se bo pričela, ko bo dana garancija, da bodo vsi politični načrti, ki bodo prišli pred konferenco, sprejeti. Med temi je resolucija, ki urgira ratifikacijo pakt in dogovor kolektivne zaštite. Vsi določajo mirno poravnavo sporov med ameriški republikami, obvezno posvetovanje v vseh slučajih, ki bi ogrozili mir v katerikoli ameriški državi in skupni nastop proti zunanji napadalni državi.

Davčni department o milijonskih dohodkih

Washington, D. C., 15. dec.—Preliminarne številke, katere je včeraj objavil federalni davčni department, kažejo, da je imelo preteklo leto 44 oseb več kot milijon dolarjev dohodkov, osem več kakor l. 1934. Skupni dohodki te grupe so znašali \$73,630,000, toda od te vsote je šlo v federalno blagajno \$41,499,000 kot dohodninski davek. Dohodki 2,067,736 oseb, ki so jih te prijavile v svrhu obdavčenja, so znašali v preteklem letu \$14,656,076,421.

Fordova kompanija gradi tovarne v Kanadi

Windsor, Ont., Kanada. — Fordova kompanija je naznanila, da bo potrošila tri milijone dolarjev za gradnjo novih tovarn in moderniziranje starih v prihodnjem letu, da poveča produkcijo avtov v Kanadi 25 odstotkov.

AMERIKA BO IMELA NOVO STRANKO KO LETA 1940

Benson napovedal združitev vseh progresivnih grup

PODRŽAVLJENJE INDUSTRIJ IN BANK

St. Paul, Minn. — (FP) — Izgledi za ustanovitev splošne tretje stranke so ugodni, je dejal Elmer A. Benson, novi governor Minnesote, ki je bil izvoljen na listi farmersko-delavske stranke. V razgovoru s časopisnimi poročevalci je napovedal, da bo takratna stranka dejstvo čez štiri leta. Pogajanja za združitev farmersko-delavske stranke v Minnesoti, wisconsinске progresivne stranke, nestrankarske lige v Severni Dakoti, delavske stranke v New Yorku, Commonwealth federacije v Washingtonu in progresivnih grup v Californiji so že v teku. Ako se bo načrt uresničil, bodo te grupe tvorile podlago nove politične stranke, ki bo izražala politična prepričanja delavcev, farmerjev in progresivcev.

John L. Lewis, predsednik rudarske unije in načelnik Odbora za industrijsko organizacijo, je zainteresiran v ustanovitvi tretje politične stranke, je rekel Benson. "Gotov sem, da bo Ameriška delavska federacija podpisala to stranko, čeprav pravijo, da so nekateri voditelji federacije prav tako konservativni kakor industrijci. Zadržano gibanje bo veliko pridobilo, če bo stranko podpisalo. Mali trgovci se ne bi smeli bati tega gibanja, kajti njihovi glavni sovražniki so monopolisti, ne zadruget. Ne vem, kakšne korake bo podvzela Rooseveltova administracija, toda iluzij nimam. Vesel bom, če bo Roosevelt izvedel socialne reforme, toda glavno delo bo morala izvršiti nova stranka, stranka farmerjev in delavcev. Prva njena naloga bo podržavljenje orožne in municijske industrije, železnice in bank. To bo začetek. Sistem socialne zaštite bo treba revidirati v smislu načel Lundeen-Frazierjevega zakonskega načrta, ki ga je kongres zavrgel in sprejel zakon, katerega je odobrila Rooseveltova administracija, ki pa je pomanjkljiv."

Dalje je Benson rekel, da gospodarska kriza še tlači Ameriko, čeprav so skoro vse industrije povečale aktivnosti. Potrebne so dalekosežne ekonomske spremembe, da bodo vsi, ki proizvajajo bogastvo, dobili svoj delež, drugače se dežela ne bo izklopala iz depresije.

Stavka voznikov busov v Michiganu

Detroit, Mich. — Promet z avtobusi med Detroitom in mest v gornjem delu države je bil ustavljen, ko so zastavkali vozniki pri Eastern Michigan Motor Coach Co.

Bitka med stavkarji in stavkokazi

Stavkovni val se razširja po Ameriki

Reading, Pa., 15. dec.—Najmanj 14 oseb je bilo ranjenih v včerajšnjem spopadu med stavkarji in stavkokazi pred tovarno Berkshire Knitting Co. Izgrede je kmalu potlačila policija, ki je razpršila obe skupini a plinskimi bombami.

Do spopada je prišlo, ko so skušali stavkarji preprečiti stavkokazom, ki so se pripeljali v avtomobilih, vstop v tovarno. Stavkarji so izjavili, da so stavkokazi izzvali bitko, ko so napadli pikete, ki so oblegali tovarno. Dve ženski in nekega moškega je policija aretirala na obtožbo hujkanja na izgrede in napada. Nekaj policajev je bilo tudi ranjenih, a noben resno.

Toledo, O., 15. dec.—Glen W. McCabe, predsednik Zveze steklarskih delavcev, je včeraj zapretel z oklicem stavke v tovarnah Libbey-Owens-Ford Co., ki jih ima v Toledu, Shreveportu, La. in Charlestownu, W. Va., ako ne bo kompanija podpisala nove pogodbe, da nadomesti staro, katere veljavnost poteče danes.

David H. Goodwillie, podpredsednik kompanije, je dejal, da se bodo pogajanja nadaljevala, čeprav se ne strinja s pogojli, katere je unija predložila. Pripravljeni smo iti do skrajnosti, da ugodimo zahtevam unije, je dejal Goodwillie.

Detroit, Mich., 15. dec.—"Sedeča" stavka je včeraj izbruhnila v dveh tovarnah Kelsey-Hays Wheel Co., ki je kompanija odklonila zahteve unije združenih avtnih delavcev. Odbor stavkarjev je potem imel konferenco s predstavniki kompanije z namenom, da se konflikt poravna.

Lewisov odbor raztegnil kampanjo

Organiziranje delavcev v čevljarški industriji

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Tri unije čevljarških delavcev so bile reprezentirane na konferenci, katero je sklical Odbor za industrijsko organizacijo. Odbor je zastopal Johnny Brophy, eden izmed direktorjev, ki vodi organizatorično kampanjo med delavci v industrijah masne produkcije.

Po konferenci je Brophy naznanil, da bo Lewisov odbor pomagal pri organiziranju vseh čevljarških delavcev v industrijski uniji. Konferenca so se udeležili Daniel K. Collins, predsednik unije Shoe & Allied Craftsmen, John D. Dolan, P. E. Turner in Ernest Henry, uradniki Shoeworkers Protective unije, W. P. Mahon in James Mitchell, reprenzanta unije United Shoe & Leather Workers. Nobena teh unij ni članjena v Ameriški delavski federaciji.

V čevljarški industriji je u-pošlenih 225,000 delavcev in med temi je le 56,000 organiziranih. Unije, ki so bile reprezentirane na konferenci, imajo 40,000 članov.

Jugoslavanski žid dobil 18 let ječe

Chur, Švica, 15. dec.—David Frankfurter, židovski medicinski dijak iz Jugoslavije, ki je ustrlel Wilhelma Gustloffa, nacijskega agenta v Švici, je bil včeraj obsojen na 18 let zapore. Osem mesecev, ki jih je že prebil v zaporu od atentata, mu je všteti v kazni. Švicarska vlada je po tem atentatu prepovedala vsako nacijsko gibanje v Švici.

NEVARNOST CIVILNE VOJNE NA KITAJSKEM

Konfliktna poročila o usodi ugrabljenega diktatorja

JAPONSKA OBDOLŽENA PROVOKACIJ

Sanghaj, 15. dec.—Kitajska je bila potisnjena na rob civilne vojne, ki lahko zaneti mednarodno vojno. Kakšna usoda je zadelala Čiang Kaišeka, kitajskega diktatorja, ki je bil ugrabljen zadnjo soboto, ni znano in ljudstvo niti ne ve, kjer se nahaja. Nankingška vlada je včeraj poslala večje število vojaških divizij v provinco Senai, da rešijo diktatorja iz rok ugrabiteljev.

Skrivnost, kaj se je prav za prav zgodilo zadnjo soboto v Sianfi, glavnem mestu province Senai, so povečala konfliktna poročila o usodi diktatorja in njegovega ugrabitelja maršala Čanga Haueh-lianga, bivšega guvernerja Mandžurije, ki se je moral umakniti, ko je Japonaka okupirala to deželo.

Mednarodna napetost se je po ostrila sedaj, ko je Japonaka obdržala sovjetsko vlado, da je ona imela svoje prste vmes v vojaški revolvi v provinci Senai in ugrabljenju diktatorja Kaišeka. Moskva zanika vsako odgovornost, obenem pa je obdržala Japonako provokacij, da doseže svoje cilje na Daljnem vzhodu.

Ko so čete maršala Haueh-lianga revoltirale zadnjo soboto in ugrabile diktatorja Kaišeka, je maršal pozval nankingško vlado, naj takoj napove vojno Japonaki, da Kitajska dobi nazaj Mandžurijo in druge kitajske teritorije, katere so zasedli Japonci.

Kaišekova žena, ki je z letalom poletela v Loyang in se potem vrnila v Nanking, je prejela telegram iz Sianfe s podpisom svojega moža, v katerem je bilo rečeno, da je zdrav in da ji ni treba biti v skrbeh. Vseboval je tudi naznanilo, da je prejel njen telegram, katerega mu je poslala prejani dan. Avtoritete v Nankingu, Peipingu in Sanghajju so tudi prejele telegrame od maršala Haueh-lianga, v katerih jih je zagotovilo, da bo on skrbel za Kaišekovo varnost.

Vladni letalci, ki so včeraj krožili nad mestom Sianfu, so informirali nankingški režim o pouličnih bitkah v tem mestu kakor tudi o spopadu med vladnimi četami in rebeli v Sianyangju, ki je petnajst milj oddaljen od glavnega mesta province Senai.

Roosevelt oficijelno izvoljen za predsednika

Washington, D. C., 15. dec.—Včeraj so bile elektronalne volitve predsednika in podpredsednika Združenih držav. Elektorji ali volilni možje, ki so bili izvoljeni 3. novembra, so se sešli v glavnem mestu svojih držav in oddali 523 glasov za Roosevelta in osem glasov za Landona. Noben zakon ne veže elektorjev, kako naj volijo in lahko bi spremenili svoje glasove, toda čez sto let stara tradicija je, da noben predsednik ne sme biti izvoljen soglasno, edino prvemu, Washingtonu, gre ta čast.

Evropski dolžniki spet defaltirali plačilo

Washington, D. C., 15. dec.—Danes je bil spet "plačilni dan" za evropske dolžnike, ki dolgujejo Združenim državam čez 12 milijard dolarjev od svetovne vojne, toda edina Finska je plačala svoj obrok v vsoti \$213,315. Trinajst drugih dolžnih držav je ostalo na dolgu a skupnimi plačili \$155,093,973, dočim znašajo zgostala plačila skozi štiri leta in pol vsoto \$1,159,958,451.



Joseph E. Davies, novi ameriški poslanik v Moskvi.

Malo pojasnila in nekaj sugestij

nostjo vršijo propagandno delo za SNPJ. Veže nas dolžnost, da se zavedamo, da nam ni treba

Milwaukee, Wis. — Kot je bilo že poročano, priredi tukajšnja federacija društev SNPJ božično no prireditve dne 19. dec. v spornih prostorih S. S. Turn dvorane. Vstopnina za osebo 25c, otroci do 16. leta v spremstvu staršev prosti vstopnine. To bo predvsem prireditev v zabavo naše mladine, našega naraščaja in prva prireditev te vrste naše federacije. Torej nekaj novega za naše članstvo.

Nastopila bo naša mladina v raznih točkah, kar bo v zabavo tudi odraslim. Kot se čuje, se mladina nekaterih aglinih društev prav pridno pripravlja za ta nastop, da tem bolj zadovolji občinstvo.

Br. Frank Perko, tajnik društva 16 SNPJ, Milwaukee, WI je bil pred nekaj dnevi petin dvajsetič zaporedoma izvoljen za tajnika, kar pomeni, da Perko letos slavi srebrni jubilej tajniške službe. Čestitke!

J. S., Cleveland, O.:—Prejeto
smo, ko je list bil že v tisku.

Malo pojasnila in nekaj sugestij

Društvene vesti

set centov ni velika. Pomnite pa, dehte pristo večerjo, boljšo za

Ivan Molek,
urednik publikacij SNPJ.

Andy Umetich, tajnik

Mary Peterlin, tajnica

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Matija Peklarj, tajnik.

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FEDERACIJA DRUŠTEV S. N. I. S., ZAVRŠILO JE PRVO LETO
v soboto večer dne 19. decembra 1936 v S. S. Turn dvorani (spodaj) za mladino in tudi za odrasle

FLASHES

CHICAGO.—The most important thing for the Pioneers this week is the annual meeting of Pioneer Lodge Friday night, Dec. 18, at the SNPJ hall. The meeting starts promptly at 8 p. m. and will elect officers for 1937 and transact such other business which rightfully should be decided by the annual meeting. Every member is urgently requested to attend. A good annual meeting shall be a signal for greater progress, for a new spirit and more intimate enthusiasm.

We're ready to record the best, the biggest and finest Juvenile Christmas Party in our existence, Sunday, Dec. 20, at the SNPJ hall. Over 100 people are coming in specially chartered buses from South Chicago's three participating SNPJ lodges. Integrity is coming from the north side and Slavija, Narodni Vitez, Nada and Pioneers from the Lawdale-Crawford district, while Cicero's Neighbors will represent the west section. The work has been assigned and the program finished. Expectations are that the one important remaining factor for a most successful Xmas Party, the audience, will be there prompt and perked for a thriller, for that's what it's going to be.

Pioneers have drawn four assignments. Matt Vidgar Jr. will check the tree lights, ten young ladies will help wait on the youngsters, the wardrobe will be in our care and Frances Rak and Anne Beniger have complete charge of the program. In the evening Anne Golub, Millie Jakse, Ann Groser and Ernestine Jugg will supervise the children's games. Thus the Pioneers will again do their just share. It remains for the rest of you members to participate and thrill with the sight of some four hundred young boys and girls, our future greats, carefree and happy, taking possession of the day, the program, the time and the hall.

Ray Rodman's orchestra will play both in the afternoon and evening. We will have music in the lower hall. Admission tickets have been mailed to all of you. Bring a quarter with the admission ticket and you'll be admitted graciously. Bring your smile and your gay disposition and fall in the spirit of the true season. We preach Christmas not only in December. We preach a gospel which will give us happiness through the year. Take it to!—But until we can convince the masses that our gospel is the right one we must make up artificially each year about this time. (You'll find a full text of the program in another column.)

Our good will squad consisting of

Emil Hrast, Eddie Hudale, Joseph Hudale, Lukas Groser Jr., Frank Lotrich, Gus Kramer, Ann Groser, Millie Jakse, Tille Vidmar and Mary Bovidik paid a flying visit to Mohawkland last Saturday and Sunday. Needless to say they were quite conspicuous in the little town. Curda's Boulevard Florists copped all three from Patracola Beverages last Tuesday while the SNPJ office team suffered two defeats at the hands of Zaveritnik's Medicos. The bowlers decided to enter a full squad in the Windy City Tournament. Mary Matjasec recovered from her appendix operation.

Right after the Juvenile Xmas Party, Dec. 20, we'll start inviting you to attend the annual New Year Eve's festivities at the SNPJ hall. For years and years we've been meeting at this place to usher in the New Year and Branch No. 1, JSP, always saw to it that a good time was assured everyone.

What is the real cause of the Spanish war, we were asked the other night by a person who is trying to understand the worldwide confusion and particularly the European turmoil. Our answer was that the situation in Spain was brought about by rich landowners to forestall the growth of a genuine class-conscious labor group which might take the welfare of the masses seriously and assist the workers to a better existence. Late developments confirm the belief that Hitler and Mussolini have had their hands in the pie also in order to establish another State of Black reaction and weaken world democracies for an eventual clash of brutal force against reason. Yes, the church is playing its part in the struggle. You must know that the church owned up to 25% of Spain. Mind you, nearly a quarter of the whole country including, we understand, some of the most fertile valleys. Do you think they are in this fight then? Of course they are. But what is so bad about that they have aligned themselves with the reaction which is trying to crush the liberties of the great mass of useful workers. Thank goodness, not all the priests nor churchmen went with the reaction. Many saw the injustices and support the duly elected loyalist government.

The last chance to initiate new members in 1936 will be given you at Friday night's Pioneer meeting. We already have four lined up for initiation. We should have at least four more. Will you help?

D. J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

Canonsburg Pioneers

Juvenile Program

STRABANE, PA.—For the past several weeks the Juveniles of SNPJ Lodge 138 have been busily rehearsing a Christmas entertainment for the SNPJ members of Canonsburg vicinity. The directors, Mrs. Joseph Novak, in charge of this year's program and states that a good afternoon program is in store. The program will open with a mass declamation by Joseph Troha, Bertha Koklich, Edin Chesnic, Irene Rozanc, A three-act playlet, "Odmev harmonike," written by Katka Zupanec, will be enacted by the following: John Koklich Sr., Josephine Germovsek, Frank Delost, Frances Zele, Dorothy Zupanec, Henry Mavrich, Frank Tomsic, Veronica Barblish, Bertha Pavic, Christine Lesnicar, Jack Frank, Vincent Bradach and Carl Delost. Between acts, Mildred Glazar will render several songs on the guitar, and Anthony Sedmak on the accordion. Curtain is scheduled for 2 o'clock, December 25. Following this program a party will be held for the children at the lower hall.

Christmas Dance

Joseph Pape and his Canadian Capers will play a return engagement in this community on December 25 at the Pioneer Annual Christmas Dance. Reserve this date for a record-breaking crowd will be there to greet you on this gala evening. Hours for the holiday dance will be from 8 to 7. Dancing will also follow for the older folks in the lower hall.

Executive Board, 1937

At the annual meeting of the Pioneers, the following executive board for the year of 1937 was elected: Chairman, John Podboy; Vice Chairman, William Tomsic; Secretary, Frances Podboy; Treasurer, Agnes Curtis; Recording Secretary, Mary Tamazine. Auditors: Frank Progar, Anthony Progar and Mike Curtis. Sick Committee: Joseph Koklich. Publicity Committee: Frank Podboy. Doctors: Major James Bell and son Dr. James Bell.

Parents' Day

In compliance to the Parents of

PERSONALS.—New members at the December meeting proposed by Max Chesnic, were Mario and Frank De Cio; Janet Feconda proposed in the Juvenile Department. One transfer was made and that was by the ever popular Victoria Krall. Delegate to represent Pioneers at the Saving and Loan Association will be Jacob Chesnic. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Okleson on their recent marriage. Pioneers' next meeting will begin at 2 o'clock. Word has been received of the safe arrival of Jennie Terschel Tomak at Sugarite, New Mexico. Will "Strings" Strimlin participate at the annual Bowling Tournament? Pioneer members received an invitation from the Senior Lodge to attend their annual meeting on December 20. Steffie, Olga and Mary from Barberton promised to be Pennsylvania's visitors over New Year's Day. Here's hoping.

JOSEPHINE AMBROSE,

Lodge 589,

SNPJ Federation Yule Party

CHICAGO.—All of Chicago Juveniles of the SNPJ are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus at the SNPJ hall on Sunday afternoon, December 20, at 3 o'clock. Not only will the youngsters be greeted by good old SNPJ Santa, but there is a fine and entertaining program awaiting them.

Elaborate preparations have been made to give the Chicago SNPJ Federation the best Christmas program possible. Again this year the JSP Red Falcons (Tom Mooney Flight) will head the Xmas program.

Our opening number will be a "Memorial Song," rendered by the entire Falcon chorus, and Tony Podbevek will give a very brief memorial to the children who were killed in the Spanish civil war. Mitze Oven will accompany the chorus at the piano, and Maria Omahen will recite Anna P. Krasna's "Po zraenih volavh."

"Red Falcons on the Air" will be in the nature of a broadcast with Boyan Alesh as the announcer. It consists of the following numbers:

1. Greetings—Jackie Kopack; 2. Duet, "My Pa Says"—Helen Pavelin and Conrad Ladattar; 3. Recitation, "Oeka Miklavh" (Katka Zupanec)—Robert Skavich; 4. Accordion duet, "My Treasure"—Elsie Krek and Josephine Pluth; 5. Tap Dance—Angeline Pluth. (Accompanied accompaniment—Josephine Pluth.) 6. Recitation, "Tega pa ne" (Albin Cebular)—Jennie Simenc; 7. Accordion Solo, "Beautiful Days"—Elsie Krek; 8. Vocal Solo, "The Worried Swain"—Bobby Krek; 9. Girls' Octette: (a) "Zima"; (b) "Lahko Noe"—Helen Drescher, Elsie Krek, Helen Pavelin, Josephine Pluth, Frances Saitz, Irene Svetlik, Elvira Skavich, and Elaine Turpin; 10. Piano duet, Comedy Overture, "Lustpiel"—Mitze Oven; 11. Mexican Dance—Dorothy Sumalan; 12. Vocal Solo, "Ciribiribin"—Irene Svetlik; 13. Recitation, "Silente" (Albin Cebular), Adeline Fiater, Leroy LaFlamme, John Macek, and Frank Oblak; 14. Song, "Deck the Hall"—Ensemble.

The last and concluding number will be a one-act Slovene play, written by Katka Zupanec, noted Slovene writer. "Brothers Santa Claus" is a nice little play; we know you will like it very much. Those taking parts in the playlet are: Ernest Drescher, Elsie Krek, Ivan Ladattar, Tony Podbevek, Sophie Smagaj, Elaine Turpin, and Charles Pogorelec.

We wish to mention also that Mr. and Mrs. Muha have graciously given our girls' octette Slovene songs with music, and Mrs. Muha has rehearsed the group. Our thanks to both. The Slovene play is in charge of Anne and Louis Beniger.

This is our last call. Everybody is invited to come to this grand Christmas Party. Not one will be turned away in disgust. Everything is being handled by the committee in charge to show you a swell time. A Merry Christmas to all.

FRANCES L. RAK, Lodge 559.

New Era News

CLEVELAND.—Our yearly meeting was held Dec. 11, and most of the members were present; all but four. Three more new members were initiated. Let's keep up the good work for the year of 1937.

The following officers were elected: Joe Sanker, Pres.; Joe Bizjak, Vice Pres. and Rec. Sec'y; Michael P. Danculovic, Sec'y-Treas. Here's wishing them a very successful year.

New Era's Anniversary Dance

Jan 16 will be a very big day for the New Era Lodge, for we are celebrating our 11th anniversary by having a big dance. We would like to see all of the other English speaking lodges attend this dance. It will take their co-operation to make this anniversary dance a success. So let's see you here and have a good time. The place is the JDN hall, W. 130th and

Remit December Assessment Promptly!

We appeal to the entire membership to pay their assessment for the month of December promptly as required by the by-laws, to enable the local secretary to send the lodge's assessment to the Main Office before the close of the year. Please do not depend upon the lodge secretaries to advance your assessment, as working men and women they themselves are constantly confronted with financial difficulties. We anticipate that the members will understand the situation as explained and pay their assessment on time.

The secretaries are also requested to send the assessment for this month early enough to be in our office at least in the afternoon of Dec. 30. Furthermore, if the lodges have any debts to pay we recommend that they reimburse the Society at this time. Thank you!

Comments on This and That

MANY PROBLEMS WILL BESET OUR NEXT CONVENTION

By Ivan Molek, Editor

The eleventh regular convention of our Society is almost "around the corner", about six months ahead of us. It is our old, democratic habit during the winter months preceding it to discuss pro and con, more or less agree or disagree on, and sometimes rage about (which we shouldn't), questions and issues bound to come before the convention.

It was so in the past, and there is no earthly reason why it should not be so on every such occasion with the only difference that, as we grow older, we know better. All such pre-convention discussions in the Prosveta and at the lodge meetings are intended to improve the Society, but if we then and now miss the point and go astray it is an individual shortsightedness rather than the general intent that is to blame. The fact is that our Society is constantly improving, from convention to convention, so we may conclude that these pre-convention discussions are helpful to our progress.

Some suggestions to that effect were made in this column of the last week's Prosveta, namely in regard to our educational policy. However, there are many other vital problems that will surely crop up at the next convention. To mention only a few: passivity, aid to the depression victims, home for the aged (perhaps), Society investments, Sick Benefit fund, etc. These are items which concern our older folks mostly, but they involve the interest of all the members.

The younger folks gathered in the English Speaking Lodges are more or less concerned with athletics, and this problem should also be recognized by all members regardless how anyone feels about sports personally. We all recognize sports as a part and parcel of young America in general, and that it cannot be separated from the SNPJ American-born membership.

This phase of the SNPJ activities has suffered much in the past years due to depression. A certain sum of money, by no means a generous one, has been allotted by the last convention to be handed out to keep the spirit of athletics alive in our Society. True, these hand-outs were very meager—mere pittance; the allotted sum was exhausted and nobody was satisfied.

The approaching convention, we hope, will establish some better system of financing the athletic endeavors and put our boys and girls in a better position to demonstrate their athletic abilities.

However, one vital point should be remembered in regard to athletics in the SNPJ. The athletics should serve the Slovene National Benefit Society, and not vice-versa! The Society's duty is not to maintain sports in its ranks just for the sake of sports, but as a means to further its aims! This should be the underlying principle in regard to the athletic activity in our Society.

(Any member wishing to discuss this and other problems bearing on the next convention in Prosveta should stick to the point and be as brief as possible. There are many of us, and the space is limited.)

Keystonian News

HERMINIE, PA.—The meeting attendance last Sunday was one of the largest for the year of 1936. Let's hope all of the meetings for the coming year are the same or better. Let's break all records and put our hearts in all the future meetings.

BANG! And the new membership campaign is in full swing. Prizes will be awarded to each person introducing a new member and an extra award will be given to the one introducing the most new members. Let's make the Keystonian Lodge one of the most outstanding lodges of the SNPJ and let's also make sure our membership is among the highest.

The new officers are: Frank Gradisek, President; Rudolph Zornik, Vice President; Pete Vujuk, Recording Secretary; Joseph Batis, Secretary; Anthony Bregar, Treasurer.

Well, it looks like the Keystonians loosened up a little bit. A dance will be held on Dec. 25, Xmas eve. Martin Serro and his Trio, the Rhythm King and his Slovene Swingers will furnish the music for the young and old (heard over Radio Station WH-

McGowan ave. Tickets to be bought in advance. Admission by tickets only, 30c. Tickets will be handled by Joe Sanker and Micky Dan.

Our first 1937 meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 8. We extend an invitation to other lodge members to attend this meeting. Refreshments after the meeting.

JB every Monday and Wednesday evenings). Everybody is welcome and invited. Neighboring and distant lodges including Flood City from whom we haven't heard from for a long time. We sure would like to see a busload from some distant lodge come to our dance. The Keystonians assure you a good time and everything that goes with it. Dancing will start at 8 p. m. sharp and will stop sometime next morning.

Once Rudy oils the barroom quartet, songs will come and go sung in the old-fashioned Slovene way which of course is the way we like to hear them. This is only part of the entertainment you will have at the dance. Come one and all and share the fun with the old friends and new ones.

About two months ago Anna Goli-an received a baby girl and Sunday she received the award of five dollars.

KEYSTONIAN QUACKS

Tinsy and Joe Drop seem to be spending most of their Sunday nights in Pittsburgh. Pleasant Valley must have lost its appeal to Joseph B. Hattie likes to be called Teeney Weeney. Where's Rudy keeping himself lately? Looks like Tony B. is watching himself lately.

"CHIC."

Young Americans

DETROIT, MICH.—Election results, Young American Lodge, No. 564, SNPJ: Raymond Travnik, President; Fred Baloh, Vice President; Robert Travnik, Secretary; Thomas Hostnik, Treasurer; Albin Mezger, Recording Secretary. Auditors: Joseph Mihelich, Chairman; Valeria Jacklich, William Travnik, committee.

Chiseler: "You oughtn't to charge me but half price for cutting my hair when I'm half bald."

Barber: "Sorry, sir. We don't charge for cutting your hair—we charge for the time we spend hunting for it."

"How would you like your egg served, sir?"

"Is there any difference in price?"

"None whatever, sir."

"Then serve it on a thick slice of ham."

SNPJ Bowling Tournament, Jan. 1

UNIVERSAL, PA.—The fact that athletics in the SNPJ has become an issue in recent years should indicate that there is sufficient interest in that branch of activity to produce considerable response to the Fourth Annual Bowling Tournament of the English Speaking Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania. And this particular occasion should, in my opinion, receive the wholehearted attention and cooperation of all those elements who might have extreme conflicting opinions on the subject of athletics in the SNPJ.

January 1, 1937, is a significant date. It marks, first of all, the Fourth Annual Bowling Tournament, sponsored by our Federation; furthermore, since it falls this year on a Friday, we can depend on the support of not only those members in and around Western Pennsylvania, but we can also expect to meet again many of our brothers and sisters whom we had the great privilege of meeting in the past summer. Of still greater significance is the occasion of hundreds of SNPJ members from as many localities banding together on this first day of a new year, and determining to carry on work in the SNPJ in the new year of 1937 as well or better than during the old year of 1936.

Many members outside of Pennsylvania who visited with us this past summer expressed a desire of returning here some time again when convenient. We believe that the week-end, beginning January 1, is an appropriate and convenient time to have these brothers and sisters with us again. Those who failed to visit us during the summer should also appreciate the opportunity to visit with Western Pennsylvania SNPJ members. Remember, all SNPJ lodges are eligible to participate in the bowling, and share in the prizes.

If unofficial reports were to be accepted as a barometer with which to gauge the number of teams, lodges, and members that will be entered in this Fourth Annual Bowling Tournament, it is safe to say at this early date that we will have our hands full. Such reports have come to me from various sources, and it seems that many of the lodges within the Federation will have two and three times as many bowlers entered as they did last year. Those who recall last year's Tournament will agree with us that the number of entrants was anything but a disappointment. However, this year's Tournament will embrace all SNPJ lodges and members, and will, in all probability, be a record-breaking Tournament. Accordingly, it will be necessary for all lodges and members to respond to our communication EARLY in order that we may satisfactorily oblige every lodge and member. Likewise, it is important that all bowlers be at the bowling alleys at 12 o'clock (noon). We do not want to disappoint anyone; neither do we want the operation of the Tournament to get beyond our control. We must, there-

fore, ask for the cooperation of every lodge and member interested in the Tournament, so that we may re- one more bowling tournament among those past successes.

The bowling will take place at the Club alleys, Fourth and Maplewood avenues, Ambridge, Pennsylvania. Entry blanks for registration will be sent to SNPJ members and lodges upon request. Federation lodges have already received these registration forms, and they should be filled out and returned to me immediately after their teams have been decided upon. They should also keep in mind that they are entitled to one representation in the five person "teams" events for both men and women without entrance fee. Other five person teams will be assessed fifty cents per person. Single and double events will be open to all entrants for a fifty cents per person fee. Only members from the same lodge may constitute a team.

This year's prizes offered to winners in the various events promoted are more attractive than any distributed in the past. They are as follows: Men's Division—five person team, \$15; doubles, \$10; singles, \$7. Women's Division—five person team, \$10; doubles, \$6; singles, \$4. In addition to the foregoing prizes, \$15 will be distributed as follows: All events score (men) \$5; (women) \$5. High score in a single game (men) \$3; (women) \$2.

After the Bowling Tournament, a hot luncheon will be served in one of Ambridge's eating houses. Dancing will follow the luncheon at the Croatian hall in Ambridge, a distance of two blocks from the bowling alleys. The distribution of prizes to the winners in the Bowling Tournament will be made at the dance. Be there to receive your share.

Tickets for the luncheon and dance are sold for sixty cents, and are now in the hands of all lodge secretaries affiliated with the Federation. Tickets to the dance only are sold for thirty-five cents, and they are also in the hands of these same secretaries. Other SNPJ members and SNPJ friends wishing to secure tickets for either the dance or the luncheon and dance should get in touch with me at their earliest convenience.

Thus, from the foregoing, one can get an idea of what will be going on in the Penna SNPJ on New Year's day, under the guidance of the SNPJ Federation of English Speaking Lodges of Western Pennsylvania. We have secured the best facilities possible to promote an affair of this kind. The nearness of the restaurant and dance hall to the bowling alleys is indeed an advantage. Get behind this event, the first major SNPJ event in 1937, and make it a success. The occasion is ours; whatever we may make of it, it will still be ours. Get behind it and be with us.

FOURTH ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE.
MICHAEL R. KUMER, Sec'y.

Universal Comets

Universal, Pa. — My article of last week stated that our Christmas Juvenile Program would be held on Dec. 20. As it was impossible to procure the Slovene Home on this afternoon, a new date has been set. Instead, this program will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 23. All members, parents, sisters and brothers are invited to attend. In addition to the play, Santa will be here in person to hand gifts to each and every juvenile. So, if you want to hear the Comets theme song; if you want to witness juvenile talent; if you want to see Santa in person—come to Universal on December 23.

In answering the last round-up of the campaign call our lodge responded with a proposal of 12 juvenile members. To initiate the new applicants a special meeting will be held on Sunday, Dec. 27, at 11 a. m.

L. Kumer, the assumed chairman of our Athletic Committee, is also in charge of chartering a bus for Ambridge for Jan. 1. All members wishing to go to Ambridge to attend the Bowling Tournament, and bowlers particularly, should get in touch and leave their names with L. Kumer not later than Dec. 24.

A Merry Christmas to you, you and you.

Joseph Caesar, Sec'y Lodge 715.

Calumet Sentinels

CHICAGO, ILL.—All members are requested to attend the Dec. 21 meeting. Being the yearly one, everyone should be aware of the fact that the election of officers for the ensuing year will be the main issue. Please cooperate also with the committee and be prompt in returning unfolded tickets and money of our recent social affair.

A fine time was reported by the "Calumet Sentinel" gang at the Pioneer Dec. 5 dance.

Don't forget, the meeting is on Monday evening, Dec. 21!

JENNIE KUEHL, Lodge 618.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Sec'y.

The Revelers' Column

AMBRIDGE, PA.—Annual meeting is here. The past year's accomplishments are reviewed. Old officers of 1936 are on the 'spot'. There is the chance to 'shoot out' those officials who did not measure to requirements or expectations. The 'ax' can be easily used. Then again, there is the chance to 'shoot' upward, the efficient, the capable lodge leaders. Replacements of the inefficient with others from the ranks can be had. The December meeting provides a convenient time and place to rearrange the lodge's official family. This once-a-year opportunity should be used to its limit.

Particularly to the Revelers this column reminds them of their annual meeting. It will be held on Sunday evening, Dec. 20, starting promptly at 7:30 p. m.

Every individual Reveler should make it a personal matter to attend the meeting. And to set the lodge on its tracks for 1937. I make public, also, a personal plea. Since 1931, when other Revelers were lodge leaders and active members, I have given them personal ready assistance. In 1936 most of the past active members fell by the wayside into lodge inactivity. Only a small minority carried on with your president of this year. I invite those former leaders to come to the meeting on Dec. 20 and give again their attention to affairs of the lodge.

After seven weeks of Revelers' duck-pin league bowling the Burkaes are in first place by the slimmest of margins. The Poseys are close behind in second place. Kuhel, Malitch and Burka are bowling above the 150 average mark. Bowling better than 140 averages are Svegel, F. Rosenberger, Petis, R. and L. Kosela. The ladies, bowling better than 100 averages, are Gertrude Uhernik, Anne Obed, Jennie Ragky, Margaret Petrella and Betty McCarthy. There are 32 players in the league.

The five leading bowlers of each sex will represent the Revelers' varsity in the Jan. 1 tournament. Other five persons' teams can be organized to also compete. The entries for the tournament doubles' and single's events must be arranged by the individuals interested. Revelers must enter their names for various events by Dec. 24. The Dec. 20 meeting will be open to discuss all bowling items that interest the members. Names can be turned in at the meeting. It will be necessary to make early decisions if any one is interested in competing in the tournament.

Plans are rapidly shaping to accommodate the largest turnout of all past Federation tournaments for New Year's Day. Lodges interested in participating should organize their teams and send in the necessary entries to Mike Kumer at Universal.

Likewise all reservations for the luncheon must be sent in early to Mike Kumer or Louis Kosela (131 Merchant st., Ambridge). Sufficient dinners will be ready for the members reserving same. Price of meal is 25c, plus an additional 35c for admission to the dance. Members of Federation lodges can make reservations through their local secretary; others must communicate with above mentioned persons. It is advisable to make early reservations; it will prove more convenient and more satisfactory to all parties concerned.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. Dec. 17 will be the last matches in the Revelers' league until Jan. 1. There will be no bowling on Christmas and New Year's eves. . . The past Nov. 26 dance turned out to be another Rev success. Thanks are due to the faithful workers and committee members. Likewise is appreciated the attendance of 45 Revelers and their many out-of-town friends from Allquippa, Pittsburgh, Canonsburg, Barberton, Verona, Imperial, Midway, Moon Run and Clairton. . . The Rev committee in charge of distributing Christmas gifts to lodge juveniles had better get busy. . . Lodges should become interested in the necessity of forming mergers in order to gain SNPJ convention representation. . . Bros. Calmar's and Molek's articles should gain attention and results. . . Gazella Murshetz is well after an appendix operation. . . Mrs. Louis Uhernik Sr. is recuperating from a major operation at the Sewickley hospital. . . Three Koselas have been, or are, quite ill. . . It was regrettable to hear of Frank Oswald's automobile accident as he was en route to the Rev dance. . . First I heard that Tommy Ganter had recovered from an illness last Nov. 7. Later I heard he again became ill and now is recuperating at home. Though most of his friends knew not of the extent of his illness, I feel certain all wish him a complete recovery. . . R. Kosela rolled the best 3 games last week with scores of 162, 223 and 189. F. Rosenberger rolled a 223 game. F. Smolinsky hit a 203 mark and Svegel got a 193. For the ladies Rachel Dimacio rolled a 138 game and Nellie Senik a 132 game. . . Ludvik Zupancic has contributed the outstanding articles of the year in the Prosveta with his European reminiscences. . . Freda (nee Kervan) Te-roakey, former Rev, is the mother of a baby girl. . . John Lovrensky, former Rev, is the father of a boy. . . Each Leap Year starts with the 'chitter-chatter' of lady proposals; it ends without a whisper of the publicity that ushered the year in. . . This fall and winter may find a number of your acquaintances and friends ill (it's a feeling), so be nice to all of them before as well as during. . . So long, until again. . .

LOUIS KOSELA, Lodge 699.

Strugglers

CLEVELAND.—With the Strugglers' elections over, another new year is awaiting us around the corner. Just what is ahead of the Strugglers for 1937? First of all they plan to attend in a body and help the Slovene Workmen's Home celebrate their 10th anniversary on Jan. 1. Immediately the new entertainment committee will meet and continue its plans for Strugglers' 10th anniversary celebration to take place on Sat. and Sunday, April 3 and 4. The committee of '36 has arranged some definite plans.

On April 3, a huge SNPJ parade will get under way covering the Slovene community for many miles around. The evening of April 3 will be "Guests' Night," and on Sunday, April 4, one of the greatest, if not the best—Vaudeville Shows will be staged. (It's very probable that if we can come to an agreement, part, if not all of the show, will be broadcast.) A lot of time and effort is being exerted to give the public "the best of the best." Just a word to Strugglers' out-of-town friends: We extend to you our sincere welcome. Start the new year right, "save a nickel a day," and be with us on April 3 and 4.

1937 Model De Lux

The program souvenir book committee composed of Bros. Rupnik, Laurie and the writer, is planning to issue a souvenir book that you will be proud to own. Complete with "Strugglers' progress" both in pictures and in print. Yes, folks, it will be something different. If you wish to have your name placed on its "Honor Roll," you may do so by sending your name and \$1 to the writer at 1097 E. 169th st., Cleveland, Ohio, and be among the first to respond. Special price for SNPJ lodges wishing to be represented in this book is \$2 and up. Lodges sending in "ads" are requested to send Lodge name and full list of officers. The question is, "Who will be first to respond?"

The SNPJ convention is coming closer and in a few short weeks your lodge will elect its delegate, providing your membership is 100 or more (adults) on Jan. 1, 1937. Lodges having less than 100 members may merge with some other lodge on or before Feb. 1, and must notify the Supreme President of the merger on

or before Feb. 15. (Issue of Prosveta of Nov. 25 published a list of lodges whose membership is under a 100. Note—It would be of great value if this same list were published on the English pages of Prosveta to give them the opportunity to merge. The reason for this is that a lot of the English speaking members never saw the list in the Nov. 25 Prosveta, because it appeared on page 3 of the Slovene section.)

Repeating!

As your writer stated some time ago—SNPJ progress can only be as great as are its policies. Not that I mean to say the policies in existence today are of no value, they are, but if one should try to go out and sell the present-day policy to the young generation it's a problem in itself. Some say, how is it that the insurance co.'s are getting so many of our people into their ranks? The answer is simple, just as simple as why do people buy new automobiles.

The younger generation wants an **endowment policy**. Regardless of what you try to tell them, they want this policy. Just got through reading "Life Insurance—A Legalized Racket," which in its statements presents worthwhile facts. But this same book has failed to convince the writer, and others, that endowment policies will be harmful to the SNPJ. If it is called a legal racket, and they get hundreds of our Slovenes into their companies, then it is high time that we, too, adopt this so-called "legal racket," and bring those members that are led astray by the insurance companies, into our Society. Our Society has lost some very good members because of its failure to have policies to compete with insurance companies.

This endowment policy problem is serious, regardless how much you argue against it. What have local insurance companies done? They have grabbed off from us some of our most active members, placed them as agents in our lodge communities—and what is happening then? They are reaping a harvest of new members, while we just sit and wait. I am afraid if we keep waiting it may be too late. Our young leaders should express their views now and not just let the other person do it. What is your opinion?

It May Work?

It has been suggested that the English speaking lodges and their membership should have an English speaking magazine or a paper of their own, for instance, like the other organizations have. Why couldn't we, a society of our size, issue once a month an SNPJ English magazine? This could be done by making the present Mladinski list larger, have one section devoted to the juveniles and the other to our English speaking lodges. We could still have our English pages in the Prosveta, but instead of three full pages, just two, the other could be added to the Slovene section. This would bring our juvenile members in closer contact with the English speaking lodges. Increase the weekly Prosveta on additional page in Slovene and give the English speaking lodges and members something they have been waiting for. Now is the time to offer your suggestions. Let's hear from you.

Jan. 6, 1937

The Strugglers' next meeting falls on Jan. 6, and all members are urged to attend. The main attraction is \$11 Bank Nite drawing and other prizes. Dancing and refreshments to follow meeting.

New Year's Party

Singing Society Jadran will sponsor their annual New Year Eve's party at the Slovene Home on Waterloo rd. So if you are planning to have a real evening of enjoyment, we suggest you pay Jadran a visit. 35c is all they ask. Good music and plenty of eats will be on the menu. The old year is slowly coming to an end. Christmas is just around the week-end, everybody seems to be in happier spirits than they were a year or so ago, and to all of you that I have burdened with these lengthy articles, have my sympathies. The editors, I am sure, will see no more of me this year, and are they happy. So in closing—the curtain for 1936 draws to a close—I want to wish all of the readers and members of the SNPJ a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

JOHN "LINDY" LOKAR, Lodge 614.

Musketeers' Musings

MOON RUN, PA.—The topic of conversation was the king's abdication, but that's the thing of the past, and "Gone with the wind." But now in the headlines appears something that completely overshadows that incident, the ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT. For the benefit of those who do not know that it is to take place in Ambridge on the first of January, 1937, take our word—it will. And just in case you do not know, a luncheon and dance will follow the bowling—keep in close contact with the Prosveta for further highlights concerning this affair.

If sufficient passengers are obtainable the Musketeers will contract the services of a local bus. Those desiring to make the trip kindly get in touch immediately with Christine Kraly or yours truly.

The yearly meeting was fairly well attended, but there is still room for a larger and better attendance.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the officers of 1936 who so willingly fulfilled their duties due to their untiring efforts to promote the ranks of the Musketeers. We sincerely trust that the newly-elected officers of 1937 will be as capable as our former officers.

With the juvenile campaign drawing to an immediate close, our latest applicant is Margaret Lesko, a fair lassie.

In scanning a recent issue of the Prosveta my attention was attracted to the column of "Buckeye Bits" wherein appeared the word Musketeers. Could the remark that Stephanie and Mary wrote have been prompted by the fact that the Clairtonians chose Moon Run instead of Barberton? It was deeply resented by the Musketeers.

The Musketeers are endeavoring to attend the Canonsburg Pioneers' Christmas Dance in a large number. We wish to extend Yuletide Greetings to all SNPJers.

ELIZABETH M. AMBROZIC, Lodge 706.

Veronians' Views

VERONA, PA.—The general meeting of the Veronians Lodge 680, SNPJ, will be held Sun. Dec. 20, at 6:30 p. m., at the National Home hall, Arch st., Verona. Election of officers will take place, also discussion of E. S. L. Federation Bowling Tournament. Members absent without reasonable excuse will be assessed for non-attendance. This being the final and most important meeting, it is every member's duty to attend. We have decided to hold a Social following the meeting, for which a small charge will be made. The neighboring Lodges and friends are welcome. Our best wishes to Tom Grzich, who is ill. May he have a speedy recovery. In conclusion I wish to extend the Veronians' Greetings to all.

J. STEFANCIC, Sec'y.

LODGE NO. 447

NANTICOKE, PA.—Members of Lodge 447, SNPJ, are requested to remit their current assessment no later than Jan. 20 to enable your secretary to send it to the Main Office earlier, as asked by the Supreme Secretary, in order to close books on time. MICHAEL FERLIN, Sec'y.

J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—You are on a fast ocean steamer, sitting on your favorite deck chair reading your favorite deck chair reading your favorite when out of the clear blue skies and rolling waves you feel a strange presence about you. Although you see no one, you know someone or something supernatural is about you. Suddenly, you glance down and now you know. It is the "Phantom Scribbler" back to haunt you again.

The J. Z. Jrs. express their sincere appreciation for the huge success of their seventh anniversary. We thank the Pioneers for their huge crowd, the Morning Stars, the Musketeers, Colonials, Revelers, Broughton, Clairtonians, The Buckeyes of Barberton, represented by Stephanie and Mary themselves and, last but not least, John Fradel and his gang from Latrobe. The J. Z. Jrs. promise to return your visits if possible. We sincerely hope you all had a good time and that you will all come to see us again sometime. Probably the most important affair in the future will be the Bowling Tournament at Ambridge on New Year's day. We will be represented by a strong team and we want the others to look out. All lodges should be represented at this affair in order to make it even greater than before. Even if you don't bowl, you can always dance and still do your part toward the success of this affair. On to Ambridge on Jan. 1. Also on the holiday card is the Anniversary Dance of the Pioneers at Canonsburg. Let all be there. What do you say?

These and Those: Stephanie and Mary, as usual, surrounded by admirers at J. Z. Jrs. dance. The Clairton Kid (Charles Strimlan) actually blushed when he was introduced to Stephanie. She should be nicknamed Smiles since a smile seems to be a part of her makeup. Thanks to Stephanie for letter. Julia Bogatay still making her rounds of affairs and doing a good job. Sorry to hear she is leaving us. Kosela visited the bar first. He explains that the crowd pushed him there. Oh yeah! The J. Z. Jrs. ought to be proud to have such workers as Frank Ambrozic, Charles Stimlan, and Adolph Slapnik who handled the affair almost single handed. They were aided by girls not even in the lodge which is a fine example for a lodge. Art Poternak made quite an accomplished villain in the play. The others in the cast were also good. We are sorry more people did not see it. Many of the dancers had their shins kicked in the dance, because of the crowd. Lamuth's football team closed a successful season with 5 wins, 2 ties and one loss.

Here's a Thought

When you're feeling sort of low,
And just won't be gay,
Why not let a smile blow
All of your cares away.
And now I'll fade away.
THE PHANTOM SCRIBBLER.

Spirit-o-Grains

ST. LOUIS, MO.—All members of Lodge 659, SNPJ, are invited to attend the special annual meeting, which will be held Thursday, December 17, at 8 p. m., at the Sokol hall, 1439 Chouteau avenue. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect officers for the ensuing year. A special assessment will be levied on those failing to attend.

IDA J. MAURICH, Sec'y.

Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—With plans for the Pennys Pioneers' Parent Day Banquet completed, an affair, which probably has been unequalled in the past by the Pioneers, will be held Sunday night, December 20, at 6:30 p. m., at the SNPJ hall, Strabane.

Ludvik Zupancic, prominent Slovene lawyer, will deliver the main address. Music for the occasion will be furnished by John Boles and his orchestra. Those of you Pioneer members, who have not as yet made arrangements to attend this affair, can do so by calling Canonsburg 1179.

The Pioneers will stage their TENTH ANNUAL YULE DANCE on Xmas night, December 25, at the SNPJ hall in Strabane. Dancing will be in order in both the upper and lower halls. Joe Pape and his Canadian Capers will furnish the music for dancing of the modern style, in the upper ballroom, while John Boles and his orchestra, those genial purveyors of music in the Slovene style, will be heard in the lower hall. For a good time, come to Canonsburg on Christmas night.

The attendance at the last meeting of the Pioneers was certainly amazing. Anyone not familiar with the membership of the Pioneers would have wondered where all of you members have been hiding. How about seeing some of you "strangers" at our January meeting? The meeting, itself, with election of officers, discussions on various affairs, etc., was interesting. Here's hoping we have more meetings like it during the coming year.

With both the boys' and girls' bowling teams bowling regularly, they are looking forward to the Bowling Tournament to be staged in Ambridge on New Year's Day. A large delegation of Pioneers have signified their intention of attending the af-

fair. As in the past, a bus will be chartered. Anyone desiring to go to Ambridge on New Year's Day by bus can make reservations with either of the following: Frank Tomisic, Frank Podboy, or August Riaks.

In closing, I wish you all a Merry Christmas (especially if you attend our Xmas Dance) and a Happy New Year.

JOHN PODBOY JR., Lodge 689.

Jolly Allis Lodge

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Howdy, folks! Well, here they are—the following will guide our destinies for the next year: Pres., Tony Kostanjevec; V. P., Rudolph Teshner; Sec'y, Phil Yersin; Treas., George Goronja; Rec. Sec'y, Angela Dergants; Serg'-at-Arms, John Gole. Federation delegates: Bart Yammik, Rudolph Teshner and Adolph Yersin. Auditing committee: Josephine Gole, Albina Smith, Bart Yammik and Adolph Yersin. They are elected now, and we elected them, so let's all cooperate with them. The attendance was great and I think almost everyone there ate the last winner, at least that's what the girls told them.

We also owe these girls a vote of thanks for donating the eats, and next time Sophie Podlogar, Rose Musich, Emma Dergants, or Ann Yersin, say they can cook we'll take their word for it. While voting thanks also remember those masters of the accordion, Frank Medle and John Terakan.

Welcome to Gretchen Musich, who was initiated, and Mary Denking, who is a transfer member. We hope to see you at our next meeting. With three members proposed we are sure of a good start on the next year. Let's keep it up.

This Saturday is the day and be sure to get all the juveniles there. Where? At the South Side Turn hall and there is plenty of reason, the biggest for them is the fact that Santa Claus will be there and give them a present. Starting at 7:30 the children will present a program ranging from the flying fingers of a future Paderewski to the flashy left jab of a coming Dempsey. After the program they will get their presents and then they will play games. In the hall after the program there will be dancing by Matt Pink and his music. Don't disappoint the children; bring them here; they will have a good time—and so will you.

Congratulations to the Reuters Earl and Matilda who are the proud parents of a baby boy.

THE OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAIN.

Milwaukee News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The day of our annual meeting will be here on Friday eve at the usual place. It is your duty as a member to attend this meeting and help elect capable officers for the year 1937.

The special entertainment committee promises lunch, beer, and Santa Claus will be there in person, and then dancing as long as you like. Bring your children along for Santa will have presents for them also.

Federation Dance

will be held on Sat. eve, Dec. 19, at the lower S. S. Turner hall. This is especially for the juveniles. Santa will also be there to pass out presents to the kiddies. So all you members who have children please attend and bring them along. Admission to children is free; adults pay only 25c. There will also be a program presented by the children—singing, recitations, etc.

Don't forget the meeting tomorrow and the Federation dance Sat., Dec. 19. LEO SCHWEIGER, Sec'y, Lodge 684.

Lodge Planinski Raj

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The year is coming to an end, and we will have to take stock of the year's work. As working people, our figures will not run high. But there is the social side of it. Under that comes our Benefit Society.

On December 20, 1936, Planinski Raj Lodge, No. 107, SNPJ, will have its annual meeting. How many of us will be there, and how many will have excuses? Brothers and Sisters, I'm speaking to you younger ones, those who usually have no time for these meetings. Can't we all be there once? Set aside everything else and come to the Slovene hall at 2 o'clock, and we will see how much of the old Spirit that overcomes all obstacles, we younger ones possess.

So far, most of us have depended on our parents to do this work for us, but it is time that we wake up and do some of that work ourselves. Are we going to sleep and let the work, that of our elders, go to naught? Not at all—as in our veins still flows the blood of our forefathers, who fought for every inch, with every ounce of strength for every particular cause they ever had.

After the meeting there will be lunch and dancing—free. As we have something for the children, bring your brothers and sisters. An attendance prize of \$5 will be given away at the meeting. The last party called was Mr. Paul Ben Sr., but as he was not present, he did not get the money. Let's make this a memorable day by all being there. After the regular meeting, next year's sports will be discussed.

All on deck for a Bigger and Better SNPJ. LOUIS SPECK, Lodge 107.

Ramblers' Spotlight

SPRINGDALE, PA.—After a very lengthy absence this Spotlight returns to deliver a message to all the Ramblers. A message that we hope will arouse a spark of enthusiasm and some degree of initiative from just those members who have the organization at heart; who would have this branch what it can and should be and who, if they take stock of our by-laws, would recognize the fact that the monthly meeting, especially the December convales, is the place to commence and complete any and all actions that lead to a sound and strong organization. Practically all locals are laimed with one or more members who are prone to indulge in "out-of-meetings," criticism, hence, "if the shoe fits, put it on," pass sentence on yourself and make arrangements to serve your time at your local's regular meeting to recompense the officers and organization to whom injustice has been done.

I Appeal To You!

Members, I am speaking to those who fall in the above category, to whatever local branch you belong, you are still an SNPJers. To speak destructively of your lodge is to slander the SNPJ. You showed your faith in this organization by applying for membership. Then why tear down what belongs to you? There is little difference in this than to speak ill of the home in which you live. If some thing has been done contrary to established rule, if some officer has violated his oath of office, why then in the name of decency don't you appear at your monthly meeting to lodge your complaints; if you are in attendance then why don't you speak your mind. The majority rules and the majority will see that Justice is done. The by-laws grant you that right. There is no such thing as a Dictator. No officer of any local has such extraordinary powers. At any annual election (Ramblers' is this Fri. the 18th) in December such officer can be ripped out of office as well as re-elected. Say it at the meeting! What more can I say?

FRANK J. PROGAR, Lodge 713.

Election Nite—Friday Nite

The regular monthly gathering of the Ramblers has been delayed a day to Friday evening at 7 p. m. at usual place. This change has been made due to the fact that few, if any, work Saturdays and those present at our last assemblage were unanimous for such a change. Approved also was a motion to have a Pre-Christmas Party following the conclusion of our December meeting. All members are served notice that attendance to this Party is without any charge whatsoever. Each member is permitted to bring one friend. Your favorite luncheon and drink will be served. All this to commence at conclusion of meeting, so be on deck EARLY for the important meeting of the year and the grand climax of the Pre-Yule Party. Let's see a 100% attendance.

Say It—At the Meeting

Earlier in this column your writer voiced the opinion that few if any lodges are minus the usual out-of-meeting harper. That something should be done about it is the lodge's

usual concern. Perhaps the greatest good might be done if the harper were to take stock of him or herself and appear at a meeting; there at the proper time and order to deliver his sentiments. Actually no good is accomplished and much harm done by harping to outsiders or even members OUT-SIDE-OF-MEETING. "This or that action on the part of active members and officers is wrong; that President or Secretary is a Dictator; why wasn't this or that brought up and acted upon at last meeting?" Oh, their accusations and insinuations are too numerous to mention. Their lot is annoying and destructive, but what is to be done about them? What has any lodge done about them? Forget about 'em and let them grow? No, that is the wrong antidote.

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FRANK J. PROGAR, Lodge 713.

Mohawks

LA SALLE, ILL.—The year of 1936 has slowly come to an end. The Mohawks have elected their new officers for the coming year. Jud Vogrich, Pres.; Frank Z. Mahnic, Vice Pres.; Anton Mahnic, Sec.; Aug. Streil, Rec. Sec.; Frank Streil, Treas.; Tom. Golob, Chairman of auditing com. with Agnes Dulac and Anton Udovic. We wish all of the officers for the coming year a lot of success. With the hearty cooperation of all of the members I am quite sure the Mohawks shall be upon top.

The last year has indeed been a successful one for the Mohawks. The depression must be over with all the trips the boys and girls are taking. It hasn't been done for a long time. In the last couple of months our membership has taken a nice increase. We are setting our mark for 100 members when we close the year of '36. Are there any prospects that you have in mind? If you have just turn them over to one of the officers, they will go out and get them. There isn't a doubt on my mind that at one time or another you have given it a serious thought. So please go out and get 'em. There was a great interest in our yearly meeting and a surprise for the great attendance. If such attendances will be had at every meeting, a great time will be had.

Sisters Agnes Dular, Millie Vogrich and Mary Predonic are going to throw the party after our next meeting. The girls are all celebrating their birthdays. Very nice of you girls. That is a true Mohawk spirit and I am sure the boys and girls will enjoy themselves. So bring in any prospective members to our next meeting and make it a success. The convention is to be held next year and we want to send a delegate without merging, so help us, won't you?

At this time I want to say that the Mohawks enjoyed a great time at the Pioneer Winter dance. We wish to thank the entire Pioneer lodge, especially the Golob and Molek families for the kind hospitality they have shown us. It was enjoyed immensely and it was all swell. Although the boys had a tough time of it, returning home they said there would be more of it. It is indeed a happy feeling to meet all of the old friends at these get-togethers.

A group of the Pioneers come to La-Salle, Saturday, Dec. 12, to help Joe Jakse celebrate his birthday. It was a great surprise on Junior. A great time was enjoyed. The Great Lefty, Emen Ed, Luke and Joe came in with a lot of pipes and smoking tobacco; I believe I saw these same pipes somewhere in Romanok. Gus was very late. His voice really put in the finishing touches to the mixed quartet.

At this time of the year when all the large corporations are paying their bonuses don't be misled by their generosity. This is only a mask to keep the organized labor and trades out of their respective plants. They are willing to do this and much more

to keep the much dreaded closed shop agreements out of their eyes. Although La Salle county is very well organized it is still not thoroughly organized. Right now there are a few strikes still going on. The Libby Owens Ford glass workers are still at their sit-down strike. These fellows are organized but they refuse to work on a certain Chrysler order. They were also offered a nice fat Xmas bonus and a vacation with pay but thanks to organized labor they would not take bread away from their brothers in Toledo and other glass works which are also on strike for that sole reason.

There also is a strike on in our little haven for scab labor, Bureau county where the Wisconsin Bridge and Iron Construction Co. is building a bridge from Bureau to Hennepin, Ill., across the Ill. river, a government project. There are scab workers on the job protected by barbed wire fences and deputies from two counties. The poor workers on strike are the goats having to pay the taxes to pay the wages of these thugs called deputies to protect scab labor. I thought Bureau county learned a lesson a few years ago when they were fleeced by a "dress factory," which would not operate under union contract in Chicago or Ogishby, after being forced out of both of these towns they moved to Princeton. Here they received police protection and not being able to sell their garments without a union label, they pulled out in the dark "and they ain't no more." So to protect yourself and your friends learn to buy the things that bear the Union Label.

"THE PHANTOM."

Buffalo Big Four

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Buffalo Big Four Lodge 710, SNPJ, and Senior Lodge 405, SNPJ, will hold an after-Xmas Dance Saturday, December 26, at the Riverside hotel.

Admission 25c if you secure your ticket from a member, and 50c at the door. A door prize will be given away.

Mary Yammik Grze is a co-chairman, and everyone should give her hearty support. She has only been with us for several months and is one of the most active members. Let's show Mary we are backing her up 100%.

We are all looking forward to the Gowanda Boosters' Anniversary Dance and have circled the date on our calendars. We are also hoping the weather will be a lot better than last year. May we see you at our Dance on the 26th?

Election of officers and other matters of importance will take place at our next regular meeting Monday, December 21, at 7:30 o'clock at 1187 Tonawanda street. Let's have the last meeting of 1936 the best attended. Buffalo Big Four wish all their SNPJ friends a very sincere and happy holiday season.

JENNIE KOSMERL, Lodge 710.

Lodge Letters

BOWLING NEWS

CHICAGO.—On Tuesday, December 8, the Blvd Florals, captained by George Curda, won three games from Dr. Zaverzniks, captained by Fred Imperl, and increased their lead to six games. Ed Hudale, anchor man of the Blvd Florals, shot a nice 637 series for second high series of the season. The SNPJ Office, captained by Stanley Zele, won two games from the Pat-Ra-Colas, captained by Jerry Kreigsels. Stanley Zele and Fred Imperl were the winners of the fifty cent prize for high game on their set of alleys.

December 22 will be Turkey Nite. There will be two turkeys, one for each set of alleys, and in addition George Curda, our Treasurer, has secured 4 quarts of selected wine for this night, two quarts for each set of alleys.

Understand that the "Midnite Bowlers," or shall I say "The Bowlers of the wee-hours of the morning," lost two members due to a \$5 bet. Well, they missed a good time as Brother Arbanas served us with coffee and cake and promises the same procedure every bowling night hereafter. JASPER.

MUSKETEERS' MUSINGS

MOON RUN, PA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Musketeers was held Thurs. eve, Dec. 3. The following members have been elected to serve as officers for the ensuing year: President, Eliz. Ambrozic; Vice Pres., Christine Kraly; Sec'y, Frances A. Arch; Recorder, Mary Kraly; Treasurer, Robert Drnach; Sergeant-at-arms, Samuel Marcus. We are looking forward to a very bright future for the Musketeers in 1937. The newly elected officers are willing to do their part if all of the members will do theirs. Our next meeting will be held Thurs., Jan. 7, at 8 p. m. All members are kindly requested to attend.

Side Glances.—I was very provoked when I read an article written by Stephanie and Mary of Barbertino stating they were sorry to hear that the Clairtonians were in a blue and pensive mood at the Moon Run Dance. I also am sorry if these people didn't enjoy themselves, but I certainly was surprised that S. and M. should write about it. I suggest that in the future if they don't have anything nice to say about lodges that they not make any statements to hurt the reputation of the lodge. I suggest that they apologize to the Musketeers and make amends. This write-up was not intended to arouse any hard feelings, but we do not want anyone to knock our lodge.

We extend holiday greetings to the SNPJ lodges and friends.

FRANCES A. ARCH,
Sec'y, Musketeers.

BADGERLAND BUZZ

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Badgers Lodge, No. 584, SNPJ, will soon be in session. Question:—Where will you be on the night of December 18? The answer of course is that you'll be at the Badgers meeting of the year.

A lot of important business is going to be taken up at this time, such as, the election of officers and completion of 1936 accounts. But it is not for this alone that we write you especially to attend. We feel that we have come to the close of a very fruitful year and as a reward to those who have served so faithfully in the past and an incentive to those whom we are sure will take a more active part in the Badgers in the future we have arranged an entertainment program to satisfy everyone. Refreshments! Music! Surprises! Fun galore! Really Badgers, it's something you can't afford to miss.

Frances Z. missed one meeting in seven years.—Dorothy T. is going home for Xmas. The Badgers had a publicity Committee. We wish you all a very merry Xmas and a very prosperous New Year.

THE COMMITTEE.

LODGE NO. 746

LISBON, OHIO.—We are very proud members of this great organization, the SNPJ. There are seven in our family and we all belong to it. Every member should be proud that he or she belongs to this Society. We not only receive a wonderful sick and death benefit, but receive a splendid education through our wonderful paper, the Prosveta.



BERGANT SISTERS

Every lodge has or will sometime sponsor dances or different affairs at which friends enjoy wholesome entertainment. You meet your old friends whom you may have not seen

for years, and make new friends. We know when we five sisters play for these wonderful SNPJ dances, where people enjoy dancing to good old Slovene waltzes and fast polkas and the swing in the fox-trots, we can just see the happy faces in the crowd. We very much enjoy meeting our good SNPJ friends.

On November 14, 1936, we played at Bishop, Pa., where we met many kind-hearted people. On November 28, we also played for a dance sponsored by the Universal SNPJ Lodges 141 and 715, and there we met a lot of wonderful people.

We want to say that if you or any member of your family does not belong to this Society, you better join immediately. The Juvenile Campaign is still open for this month. Friends, there is no better organization than this to protect you and your loved ones. Now is your opportunity—do not hesitate to join.

BERGANT SISTERS,

Lodge 746.

GOWANDA BOOSTERS

GOWANDA, N. Y.—The Gowanda Boosters Lodge of SNPJ has every year attempted and also always succeeded in sponsoring the best lodge dances of the neighborhood. On Jan. 23, 1937, they are going to give the public a treat of their life. It will be our Sixth Anniversary with appropriate decorations for the surroundings which will be well remembered.

The committee is hard at work arranging for the affair which is to be held in the Slovene Home, Palmer st. Bro. Ernest Miller is trying to secure one of the best colored orchestras from Buffalo, to furnish music in the upper hall while in the lower hall we will endeavor to engage a music which will be well enjoyed by the elder members and others who still prefer the Slovene hop or polka. We will also show SNPJ films, first time in the state of New York; some of the members could hardly wait to see them. With such a music and films we believe that our hall will be packed to its capacity.

Therefore, Boosters! On with our preparedness for our Sixth Anniversary! January 23 is but five weeks hence. We will need the wholehearted support of every member from now until dance time. The committee met only once up to this time, but we must speed up our actions. Yes, speed up with advertising and admission tickets selling. Each member will receive two (only two), and then it will be up to you members either to sell them or buy them. I believe, and know it, that it could be done as easy as throw a snow ball today (Dec. 9), that every loyal member will sell two and then buy one for him or herself. And when you are approached to give a hand, please do not argue or refuse to serve your lodge at its affairs, for at least a short period, so that all will be given a chance to participate in our affair and in the fun; that will make the work less monotonous. I know that Boosters' members are loyal to their lodge and do hope that they also remain and give a supporting hand to lodge officers and other committees when they need it. And we surely need your helping hand now. Every member, let's work as hard as possible for the benefit of our Sixth Birthday celebration.

Christmas is coming on, and the SNPJ Lodge Dawn of Liberty with the SNPJ Boosters are making arrangements for a JUVENILE AMATEUR Contest and Xmas Party. Yes, sir, old man Santa will be here to give our children free gifts also. Juvenile members of SNPJ lodges and children whose parents belong to our lodges, will get free prizes. After the program we will have something to eat, what was never yet served in our Hall. It will be roasted pig, and drinks. For dance lovers we will have our Bro. Louis Klancer to play. We ask you members from both lodges to bring your children to the Hall on Dec. 19 at 7 o'clock, so that they may take their prizes home. It is hard for the Sec'y to deliver them to your home. Free admission to all. Come and enjoy yourself along with your children!

Eleven years ago our Society had entered into a new field, that of organizing the E. S. lodges for our young people who are now conducting their own branches in the language which they understand best. Since then, nearly a 100 local E. S. lodges have been organized and our youth has thereby been given a chance to come to the front and show its vigor and earnest desire of asserting its organization ability. In many instances the work of the youth, during this period has been remarkable and every indication shows that the work of the younger set within the Society in the future will spread among our people in larger proportions. Many past successful enterprises are indicative of their future willingness to work for the SNPJ even with greater spirit of youthful energy, for the advancement of their respective lodges of the Slovene National-Benefit Society.

Christmas is here and plenty of money will be spent. Therefore I urge you Boosters to patronize the following members: John Kroll and Sam Gendone, barbers; Angeline and Sarah Rizzo, beauty specialists; Rizzo, Samson and Jennie Welgus, grocers; Carl Witt, auto dealer; Carl Nagel, clothing; Frank's Lunch; John

Hocevar's and Anthony Gella's restaurants; and do not forget the Slovene Home either. Let's be real Boosters by patronizing our members.

Bro. Frank Klancer at 117 Beech st. is on the sick list. Members, please pay him a visit at his home. Sister Margaret Oman has been married recently. Boosters wish her much happiness, and that she brings him to our lodge soon.—The stork has paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. John Vehar, who are now the proud parents of a baby boy, born Nov. 29. Congratulations.

To sick SNPJ members: speedy recovery; to members celebrating birthdays: many happy returns; to the entire SNPJ membership: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! JOHN MATEKOVICH, Lodge 728.

KEYSTONIAN CHRISTMAS DAY DANCE

HERMINIE, PA.—When this article goes into print the Westmoreland Co. SNPJ Federation's Celebration will be just another one of those pleasant memories. The Keystoneans are preparing for the Christmas Day Dance and are hereby giving you the opportunity of adding another pleasant memory to your list of good times. As has been the policy in the past the Christmas Day Dance must be another successful affair.

Music will be furnished by Martin Serro's Radio Artists. We have been fortunate to secure his services for this day as his band has many engagements booked for weeks and even months ahead. You may dance from 8 to 7— for the small admission of 25c per head. And don't forget that a large delicious cake will be given to some lucky couple that evening. Decide right now and make preparations to spend Christmas night with the Keystoneans of Herminie.

Those out-of-town lodges that are planning to attend, let us know by writing an article in the coming issues of the Prosveta. "What do you say?"—Latrobe, Flood City, Yough Valley Knights, Silver Stars, Clairtonians, Excelsiors, Pioneers, Comets, Morning Stars, Ramblers—may we expect you? We will be looking for your attendance. Attention to all you who attend! Please tell the committee in charge what lodge you represent, when you enter the hall. This is important as you will discover when you will have introduced yourself. So again in behalf of the Keystoneans you are invited to spend Christmas night (Dec. 25) with us. A KEYSTONIAN.

SILVER STARS

YUKON, PA.—Our annual meeting was attended by a nice group of members, although it wasn't a perfect attendance. There were some members that were not able to attend while others who were, will have to pay one dollar each member. Election of officers took place for the coming year. They are as follows: Frank Podbesek, President; Mary De Nardo, Vice President; William Masterly, Sec'y; William Marvich, Treasurer; Mike Presherin, Rec. Sec'y.

Plans are being made for the Silver Stars' 6th Anniversary—Dance Celebration, which is being held Jan. 16. We're hoping all you friends of the neighboring lodges, far and near, will keep this date open for the gala affair. More details concerning the dance will be given in the near future. So read your paper and keep in step with the SNPJ.

THE SILENT STAR, Lodge 729.

PIONEER ATHLETICS

CHICAGO.—The Pioneer Athletic Committee will have an important meeting Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Slovene Labor Center, 2301 So. Lawndale ave., at 8 p. m. Important business is to be transacted. Election of officers for next year, election of two representatives to the Mid-West League, and plans for our Spring Athletic Dance. Also all basketball players are urged to be present as final plans for the teams will be announced. Please attend.

FRANK GROSER, Lodge 559.

The Upper Crust



Just think what we're giving civilization—a bomb that can blow up a city in six seconds.

About This and That

XMAS DANCE

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—On Xmas day, December 25, Local 49, S. P. will hold its 4th annual dance at the Slovene Home, 15335 Waterloo road. Admission for the dance is 25 cents. As in the past four dances, a large gathering of young folks is predicted, so the young folks will have the upper hand to themselves. Dancing will be to the tunes of Frank Barbic's orchestra and will start promptly at 7:30 p. m. For the older folks, music will be furnished in the lower hall by "Sam" the old accordion man. After you have all looked over your Xmas presents and decided that you want to spend the night making merry, come to the Slovene Home on Waterloo road and frolic and dance to a real merry Xmas. COMMITTEE.

FRATERNALS AND LABOR

CLEVELAND, O.—The comments on labor politics and the SNPJ in the Prosveta elicit three cheers, at least from this writer. Even before the events cited in the organ took place there have been efforts made to enlist the support of fraternal groups on the side of labor organizations. Commendable as may be the desire to emancipate the workingman from the too often prevalent industrial tyranny there is no justification for fraternal organizations to participate actively in the struggle of labor and industry, or the more recent internecine warfare within the labor organizations themselves. There can be no quarrel with fraternal groups who use their influence to educate members, whether it concerns labor problems or other social aspects of our modern life. Whatever may be the problem dealt with it takes a considerable amount of intelligent leadership to direct this education, or even propaganda, along lines conducive to a wholesome understanding of the fundamental issues involved.

For some unaccountable reason most foreign language fraternalists have a penchant for involving themselves in questions precipitating an endless stream of controversy most of which leads only to hard feeling and breaking up of lifelong friend-

ships. Happily enough such a state of affairs exists to hardly any extent among the younger lodges, although with increasing age even this group may follow in the footsteps of their fathers, because as the saying goes, age breeds conservatism.

With the mistakes of our elders before us we of the second generation need to develop and foster a lasting spirit of tolerance. Despite their bickering our elders have managed to hand down to us these institutions of mutual aid, the fraternal organizations, of which the SNPJ is one of the finest manifestations. It devolves upon us, therefore, to furnish an increasing amount of leadership, leadership that will once and for all demonstrate the futility of becoming enmeshed in problems having no direct bearing on the subject of fraternalism. Better to direct our efforts, and expend our energies in strengthening the organization so that it may not die because of internal weakness.

FRANK A. TRUDEN,
Lodge Comrades 566.

PIONEER HEADLIGHTS

CHICAGO.—The Pioneer monthly meeting will be held Friday, Dec. 18. Do not fail to attend, for the election of officers will take place.

The Blvd Florists took three games from Zaverznik's Medicos last Tuesday, to increase their lead to six games in the Pioneer and SNPJ bowling league. Rolling 637 with the handicap Ed Hudale took second high series for the season so far. The SNPJ team seems to have finally hit their stride and took two games from Pat-Ra-Colas. With Zele and Darovec rolling good games they pulled the games out of the fire. Joe Zupancic holds high series with 652 including the handicap. Joe Kosnik and Kriegsies is second with 255. Pat-Ra-Cola and SNPJ are tied for high series with 2487. Pat-Ra-Cola holds high single game with 921 and the Blvd Florists are second with 883. The race seems to get more interesting as the season goes on.

Here and there: The Pioneer Roamers journeyed to La Salle for a sur-

Women's Round Table

By Mary Jugg

Two hundred workers are led to a cemetery where they are forced to dig a great pit and then they are shot. Their relatives are summoned to the wholesale murder, told that they have two hours to recover some of their personal belongings, and when they are all upon the scene, they are also fired upon en masse. Evidently this is nothing worthwhile writing about, as the American press is much more concerned over the question of whether Wally calls Edward "His Majesty" or just "boysy."

Workers are locked up in a hut, soaked with gasoline and set on fire to roast alive, and all the news fit to print is whether Wally would look good with a crown or whether she is the queenly type at all.

1,500 workers are driven into the center of the bull-ring. From the seats of the stadium, machine guns are turned upon them, leaving them to die in the middle of the ring, disregarding the pleas of those still alive. But the greatest item of interest is how many dresses Wally will have in her new wardrobe and just what type of styles she selected.

Moorish troops marched up and down the streets, throwing hand grenades into windows, tearing innocent women and children to bits, but the only pictures that got full-page space in our newspapers were those comparing the eyes of Wally with those of David Windsor's former loves.

This is the story of Spain and England—Spain, where the people are dying to protect a government lawfully placed in office, and England, where a symbol of outdated, superficial aristocracy is trying to breathe. It is also a story of reaction the world over—suppressing what the public should know and whipping up artificial interest in what is nobody's business at all.

prise party held in behalf of Joe Jakse. A merry time was had until the wee hours of the morning. Two of the Pioneers seemed to have a little difficulty in locating their pantaloons the following morning. After borrowing some clothes they finally caught up with their wandering pants. The Roamers have decided to recuperate during the holidays and will resume their activities in February in Waukegan.

We'll be seeing you.

EMANED.

NEW YEAR'S DANCE

DETROIT, MICH.—Again, New Year's Eve is rolling around and we hear the same old cry, "Where shall we go to greet the New Year?" The Ladies' SDD Club has solved that big problem for everyone, both young and old, by sponsoring a dance Thursday evening, Dec. 31, at 437 So. Livernois ave., at 7 p. m. Everyone is invited to come and bring their friends. The Silver Crescents and Werholtz's Trio will provide entertainment which everyone will enjoy. Plenty of refreshments and delicious food will be served and free noise-makers will be provided in addition to three grand door prizes. Admission is 40c in advance or 50c at the door. Tickets may be secured from club members. E. DOLENTZ.

CO-OP NEWS

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The Waukegan and North Chicago Cooperative Assn. Educational Committee will hold its third annual Christmas Night on December 24, 1936. The program will consist of juvenile numbers. This will be one time for our young people to show their talents, and from reports a well arranged program is already prepared. Santa Claus will make his appearance and distribute gifts to all boys and girls. The committee this year

There are stories of other countries—countries where a continuous struggle is going on between the privileged and the oppressed, but until the people learn to evaluate their own sacrifices on the road to progress the Ginger Rogerses will continue to be more popular than the Pasteurs.

—Production for Use—

Answer this one if you can: Before he became king, Prince Edward could travel all over continents with a married woman, amuse himself with scores of other married women and chorines and still remain debonaire prince. But when he decided to become "proper" by marrying the woman who had made herself "proper" by obtaining a divorce, the lion roared from hemisphere to hemisphere.

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Why didn't he be as hypocritical as the law of England required him to? Oh, well, at least all of this blurb will (or should) choke forever that other stale, Polyanna expression, to wit:

"This world is so full of a number of things,
I'm sure we should all be as happy as kings."

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Anna P. Krassna, of New York, sends a number of interesting clippings for the Round Table and says she will comment when her "typer" gets fixed. The most unusual of the clippings was the news that of 340 geisha girls winning their first strike in Tokyo. It was in regard to geisha entertainment in restaurants. The geisha paraded and plastered their headquarters with campaign signs, and the restaurant men gave in.

will let Santa give away fine toys instead of the bags of candy and fruit. Also each one gets a small package of candy along with his or her present. A three piece orchestra has been engaged for the older folks. This should be more than worth for all to attend. Every child will receive a ticket as he enters and will have to have one to get his present. Be sure to get the tickets, and please hold on to them.

MARY XMAS.

HOLD DANCE FOR FASCIST VICTIMS

DETROIT, MICH.—Branch 115, JSF, will hold a Xmas Eve Frolic and Dance at the SWH, 437 So. Livernois ave., the proceeds of which will go to the victims of fascist brutality in Spain. Therefore it is the duty of every individual and every workers' organization to help by attending. Every individual who has real democracy and true freedom at his heart should be ready to help. The committee is urging everyone to attend this Frolic and Dance and help a really noble cause. We shall have good music, games and refreshments, also drinks. The admission is only 25c per person. Come and spend a happy Xmas Eve with us and make this timely and worthy cause a big success.

Branch Committee:
FRANK BALOH,
FRANK CESEN.

Time Marches On

"Rugged individualism will return to America when the steel trust dissolves itself into a swarming multitude of little blacksmith shops, and the power trust declares dividends in candle molds—which will be about the time when scrambled eggs shake themselves together and hatch chicks."—Lester Union Advocate.

The John Smiths

OUR STORY THUS FAR:

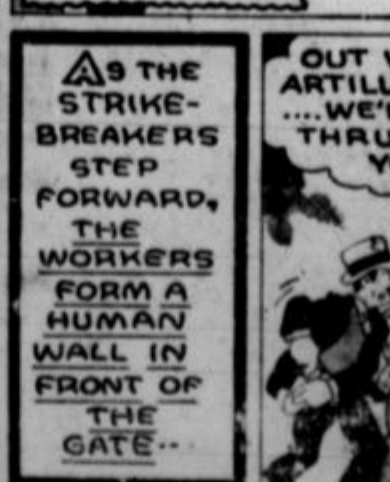
THE WORKERS OF THE E. Z. UPSTART MFG. ARE OUT ON STRIKE IN PROTEST AGAINST A WAGE CUT AND THE DISCHARGE OF JOHN SMITH AND SEVERAL EMPLOYEES. ALL OF WHOM ARE ACTIVE UNION MEMBERS.

E. Z. UPSTART, MILLIONAIRE PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY, REFUSES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE WORKERS. INSTEAD, HE SUMMONS ELIAS SNOOP, A STOOL-PIGEON IN THE PLANT, AND INSTRUCTS HIM TO JOIN THE UNION AND DISRUPT THE STRIKE BY BREAKING THE MORALE OF THE WORKERS.

SNOOP, HOWEVER, IS UNSUCCESSFUL IN CURBING THE WORKERS' DETERMINATION TO STAND UP FOR THEIR RIGHTS.

PINK FULLER, AN AGENT FOR GERBHOFF, THE STRIKEBREAKER KING, MEETS WITH E. Z. UPSTART. UPSTART ACCEPTS FULLER'S TERMS AND A BRIGADE OF GERBHOFF'S STRIKEBREAKERS IS SHIPPED OUT TO SQUELCH THE STRIKE.

PINK FULLER LEADS THE GERBHOFF MOBSTERS TO THE E. Z. UPSTART MFG. CO. WHERE HE GIVES THE WORKERS TWO MINUTES TO SCATTER THE PICKET LINE.



By Harold Magin