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Current Thought.

A SPLENDID IDEA

Still jubilant over the success of the first "SSCU Pep Night" held last June, George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, of Cleveland, O., will repeat with another pep meeting to be held next Friday, Sept. 2, in the Slovene National Home on St. Clair Ave.

The memory of 500 members and guests in attendance lingers in which both Slovene and English-conducted lodges of Cleveland and vicinity participated. A few short but interesting talks urging for a greater English-speaking movement in our SSCU; letters and telegrams of congratulations; and, to complete the evening, a program of dancing. Such was the first pep meeting.

In anticipation of even a larger crowd, G. W. Lodge has made extensive preparations to accommodate out-of-town visitors, as Lorain, Barberton, Euclid and other settlements will be represented.

At a time when fraternal lodges all over the country complain of poor attendance at regular monthly meetings, especially the English-speaking groups, the Cleveland SSCU unit undertakes and succeeds in bringing together the largest crowd in the history of the lodge.

Which goes to show what pluck, determination and willingness to create interest in a lodge will accomplish with the proper human force behind it.

English-speaking groups of our Union who fail to have large attendance at the monthly meetings should try out the plan promoted by George Washington Lodge. It is worth an experiment. Results may surprise even the gloomiest pessimist. Economic conditions as they are should prove to be an opportunity for English-conducted lodges to hold extraordinary monthly meetings. With plenty of time on their hands, many members will welcome a chance to attend a meeting that is different from the routine schedule.

Start the ball rolling. A snowball may be small at the top of the hill, but let it roll downhill and it will increase in size and velocity. The same analogy can be applied to lodge activities. Once the president, vice president, secretary, recording secretary and treasurer take the preliminary steps, work up a program and present it to the members, success of the venture can be reasonably assured. Try it.

Collinwood Boosters

Cleveland, O. — Collinwood Boosters Lodge, No. 188, SSCU, held its annual outing Sunday, Aug. 21, at Perko's farm at Madison. And what an outing turned out to be.

To start the never-to-be-forgotten day, eight machines left Lorain Rd. at 9:30 a. m., arriving at their destination about 11 a. m.

Excitement lurked before the machines were well on their way, and the result was a series of flat tires, in which Tony Lauch took the prize, having three to his credit.

John Pintar and Peggy Yarns proved to be the master mechanics. After jacking up the car about two feet, Peggy tried to repair a four-inch blow-out with one inch of patch.

On arriving at the farm, John Agnich was the first to take a nap.

Tony Klun and Frankie Smith played their melodious "squeeze box" for the dance lovers. Baseball, pitching of horseshoes were other forms of entertainment indulged in by many.

Klunnie and Smitty went swimming in a Boy Scout pool. They were disappointed when someone told them to "scram," because of their daring bathing suits.

Lunch was served in the middle of the afternoon by Misses Alice Struna, Mary Laurich, Albina Baraga and Mrs. Alice Lauch.

Mike Krall and Tony Lauch went snake hunting, both coming back about an hour later with their game. Mike had a three-foot garter, while Tony came through with a four-foot black snake, both of which were dead. Whereupon Peggy took it upon herself to do some detective work, and after a half hour of investigation came to the conclusion that the snakes were in the process of being dried for at least two weeks. Therefore our

would-be heroes turned out to be "flops."

Beanie Baraga wore a pair of pajamas so wide she had to take three steps before a pant would move.

Frances Srakar came home limping on one leg, having danced all day and wearing out her heels.

Nevertheless, a good time was had by all, and we hope that our next event will be just as successful. We wish to thank Bro. Kapel, secretary of Lodge No. 71, JSKJ, for his kind donation. Here's hoping that we may all meet again.

John Laurich, Pres.

Anne Govednik's Record in the Breast Stroke

April 8, 1932: Broke the national high school record by winning first place in the state meet preliminaries at Virginia 25-yard pool with time of 1:18 for the 100 yard.

April 22, 1932: Broke A. A. U. world's record for 100 yards in Virginia 25-yard pool with time 1:18.9.

May 21, 1932: Unofficially broke American A. A. U. record for 220 yards with time of 3:15.1 in exhibition at Chisholm 20-yard pool.

July 7, 1932: Broke world's A. A. U. record for 50 yards with time of 0:37 in exhibition at Rye, N. Y., 50-yard pool.

July 15, 1932: Won first in American Olympic team in preliminaries with time of 3:15.8 for 200 meters at New York City 50-meter pool.

July 15, 1932: Won second in American Olympic team in finals, with time of 3:13.5 for 200 meters at New York City 50-meter pool.

Aug. 6, 1932: Won second in Olympic preliminary heat with time of 3:15 for 200 meters at Los Angeles 50-meter pool.

Aug. 9, 1932: Won sixth in

Mammoth Picnic Planned for Sunday, Sept. 4

Fitzpatrick's Woods Scene of Outing

Joliet, Ill.—A grand outing is to be held next Sunday, Sept. 4, at Fitzpatrick's Woods, in which all of the Slovene settlement is expected to participate, for SS. Peter and Paul lodge, No. 66, SSCU, will hold its annual picnic.

Fitzpatrick's Woods is located on Broadway Road, State Route 4; it is full of beautiful trees and ideal location for picnic grounds. Grove, as it is sometimes called is located five miles north of Joliet, one mile north of Illinois State Penitentiary, one-half mile north of Community farm worked by 2,500 unemployed people of Will County, and is directly across the street from Holy Name Technical School of which Fitzpatrick's donated 300 acres to the institution.

Motorists may take the 40-foot paved road from Joliet on the South and Chicago on the north.

A feature of the outing is that sandwiches, refreshments, etc. will sell for only 5 cents, or 20 treats for a dollar.

Here is the complete program:

9 a. m.—Old-fashioned Hay Rack will pick up picnickers at Broadway and Russel St. Those with automobiles will join.

10 a. m.—Men's indoor baseball game: JSKJ vs. Joliet Ramblers. Hamilton, twirler for the Moran A. C., champions of City League, will be on the mound for the Ramblers.

11:30 a. m.—Dinner, including wiener roast and steak fry.

1 p. m.—Ladies indoor game: JSKJ Fairies vs. Joliet High Jackers.

2:30 p. m.—Boxing exhibition by two known fighters.

3 p. m.—Tug-O'-War with 20 heaviest men participating.

3:30 p. m.—Foot races.

4:30 p. m.—Pushball contest. Ball will be 18 inches in diameter, weighing 25 pounds.

Three horseshoe pitching courts will be available for play.

And the band? Something great in music.

Members of Civic Leaders have promised donations for the outing.

This picnic was originally scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 28, but since this date would conflict with the School Band Concert held at Waukegan, it was decided to postpone the outing for Sunday, Sept. 4.

The picnic is expected to be the greatest in the history of Joliet, Ill. Here's hoping the weather man will be kind to us next Sunday and give us plenty of sunshine.

Frank Ramutta, Chairman, Louis Joliet Social and SSports Auxiliary of No. 66, SSCU.

G. W.'s In Second Place

In the Inter-Lodge League of Cleveland, O., George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, is holding second place and Betsy Ross, No. 186, SSCU, fifth. Championship series will soon be played. G. W. team is scheduled for the semi-finals to decide who is to play the first place team for the league championship.

Olympic finals with time of 3:16 for 200 meters at Los Angeles 50-meter pool.

The Tribune-Herald.

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BRIEFS

Miss Vida Kumse of Lorain, O., has been appointed to the Lorain Junior High School faculty and will assume her duties when school opens in September. She is the first Slovene to be honored on the Lorain Junior High teaching staff. This column wishes to extend her congratulations and best wishes for the future. Miss Kumse is the daughter of Mr. John Kumse, second supreme trustee and newly elected chairman of Supreme Board of Trustees, at the SSCU 14th regular convention held at Indianapolis, Ind.

Running under the banner of JSKJ No. 66 (SS. Peter and Paul Lodge), Paul Golle, member of Lockport, Ill., placed third in the three-mile cross-country race sponsored by the Lockport Community Band Sunday, Aug. 21, and was awarded a bronze medal for his efforts.

"The greatest demonstration in the state of Minnesota since Nov. 11, 1918," is the way Tribune-Herald of Chisholm, Minn., expressed the homecoming celebration of Anne Govednik, Slovene, who won honors at the Olympics held last month at Los Angeles as a breast stroke swimmer. Thousands of people turned out to greet the swimming marvel, who has no equal in the 50 and 100-yard breast stroke distance. Five thousand people packed the Community Building to attend welcome exercises, as hundreds were turned away because every inch of available space was taken. The Community Building ceremony had the largest gathering under one roof ever assembled in the history of Chisholm. Miss Govednik is a member of St. Joseph's Lodge, No. 30, SSCU.

When Ralph Lovshin leaves for University of Wisconsin in September, it will be with double honors. A regular end on the varsity football team, and captain of the track team, he will be the first Slovene to enjoy that post at the University of Wisconsin, and also the first man in the history of the Range to captain a university track team.

Miss Rose Ivancic of Cleveland, O., underwent an appendicectomy operation this week. Her sister, Julia Ivancic, well known throughout the Slovene colony for her lodge activities, has just recovered from a similar operation.

Two visitors in the persons of Mr. Ivan Molek, editor of Prosveta, and Mr. Peter Bernik, clerk in the office of supreme secretary of SNPJ, both of Chicago, Ill., stopped in the Nova Doba office this week during their stay in Cleveland, where they are spending their

Western Stars Sparkle

Members Must Attend All Monthly Meetings

Rock Springs, Wyo.—At the regular meeting of Western Stars Lodge, No. 202, SSCU, held Aug. 16, it was decided to hold a wiener roast on the evening of Sept. 7. A committee of three members was elected to handle the necessary details, and make sure that all guests present will receive their quota of wieners and buns.

Members and their friends are invited to attend the wiener roast. All who care to join us should come to the Slovenski Dom on Aug. 16 at 6:30 p. m., and also bring along a cup and a spoon, as the committee will not supply these utensils. Those who have cars are urgently requested to bring them along.

Another night of festivity will be Sept. 20, following the regular monthly meeting of Western Stars Lodge. Serving of refreshments and dancing will be provided; however, it has been so arranged that refreshments will be served immediately after the lodge order of business has been disposed of. This is an unusual procedure, but our purpose in providing entertainment is to induce greater attendance at the meetings.

We also want to show our appreciation of the support the ladies of Lodge No. 134, SSCU, gave to the Western Stars, and for this reason we extend a special invitation to these members to attend the festivities.

Let us see every Western Star member present on the evenings of Sept. 7 and 20, and put into it as much pep as possible. We should strive to have 100 per cent attendance at every meeting night, which falls on the third Tuesday of each month. Incidentally, meetings commence at 7:30 p. m. sharp.

John Yenke Jr., President No. 202, SSCU.

Attends L. O. O. M. Convention

Among the delegates attending the 44th annual convention of the Loyal Order of Moose, held at Cleveland, O., is Matt Karcich, member of Lodge No. 84, SSCU, of Trinidad, Colo. During the course of the convention, Bro. Karcich found enough time to drop in the Nova Doba office to say Hello. Undoubtedly Bro. Karcich is quite popular in Trinidad, for he also attended our SSCU 14th quadrennial convention held at Indianapolis last month.

vacations.

Commensurate with the 10th Olympiad will be the S. D. Z. Olympic Day, in which members of that organization will compete in various athletic events, and the lodge placing the most winners in the contests will be declared the most athletic. The scene of activities will be Pintar's farm next Sunday, Sept. 4. Officers of all English-conducted lodges of S. D. Z. form the central committee in charge of the Olympic Day.

Come to the George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, Second Pep Night meeting to be held Friday, Sept. 2, in the lower hall of Slovene National Home of Cleveland, O. All SSCU members and friends are invited to attend.

TO THE MEMBERS OF S. S. C. UNION:

George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, of Cleveland, O., cordially invites all SSCU members to its SECOND ALL-SSCU PEP NIGHT, to take place next Friday, Sept. 2, commencing at 8 p. m., in the lower hall of Slovene National Home on St. Clair Ave.

Purpose of the pep night is to bring together again SSCU members, their friends, and our many prominent Slovenes.

Kindly convey this invitation to your family and friends. Admission is free.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all SSCU members for their co-operation in the past, and can assure you of ours at all times.

Fraternalty yours,
H. Martin Antoncic,
Chairman G. W. Pep Night Committee.

WHO ARE YOU?

Cleveland, O.—Did a lodge acquaintance of yours ever ask you the question, "Who are you?" What was your answer? What would it be? No doubt, your answer would be just this, "My name is So and So, I'm the son or daughter of So and So," or it may be that you're an officer of the lodge. Does this answer mean anything to him or her? Not in the least.

Your name or title mean very little, but "Who are you?" in the fraternal circle has a different meaning. It means whether or not you're an active member, in the good you have done for the lodge and organization and community. How many members could step forward and answer, "I'm a member of the George Washington Lodge. I'm an active member and always do my bit for the lodge and Union." There wouldn't be very many who could answer like that, and it makes no difference what lodge and organization one belongs to, such answers would be scarce.

Of all the English-conducted lodges in our locality, we find very few young people who are active in the fraternal circle; they may be active off and on, but when the time comes to take a blow they can't do it. They weaken and fall down on the job, but the few who can take it on the chin and keep on fighting in the fraternal circle are real humans, but they are not known. They keep it under cover and just keep on striving for what they're after, and when they find if you very seldom hear about it.

What does wealth, position and title mean if you're a coward? Nothing at all. In the fraternal circle we are all equal, no one is any better than the other, we're after one goal and with one spirit. That goal is SUCCESS, and the spirit is to help the unfortunate member or neighbor; that's fraternalism and not buying a name for yourself. The man or woman when asked in the fraternal circle, "Who are you?" must be able to answer, "I'm a fraternalist, I'm a member of Lodge So and So, and I do all in my power to help my fellow member or neighbor." Many of our young people can answer, "I'm a member of this and this lodge," and that's about all, but to find either of the two other answers from them is impossible.

If you're out job-hunting, the employer does not pay much attention to your name or to who your relatives are, but he asks, "What did you do in this line of work?" The employer wants to know of your experience and activity during the years that you have worked, outside of that you're only another human living on the face of this earth. If your qualifications are good, you're employed, if not, he tells you to go. To the employer, your name means nothing, your relatives less, even though they're well known and wealthy.

At times of city elections parties enter men who have done some good for the people and people elect the man with the best record. They do not elect a rich man, one who controls the capital of the world, but a man who is constantly on the alert to do some good for the people. A man is not elected because of his fancy name or title; it's for the good done in the past and for the good that the electors expect from him in the future.

How can the George Washington members be known otherwise than their names? Easy. Just get active, do your bit for the lodge and Union and be a real fraternalist. That's not so hard, is it? You can start now by boosting your lodge, by boosting the Second All-SSCU Pep Night and the G. W.'s fall dance, Sept. 10, at the Slovene National Home.

Attend the Pep Night, that's a good start to become a true fraternalist and an active member of the George Washington Lodge, which will hold its second Pep Night Sept. 2 at the Slovene National Home in the lower hall.

Start now, and let the people and your lodge acquaintances know you in a different way other than by your name. Have them say, "There's an active member of the George Washington Lodge."

Joseph Jaklich Jr., Pres., No. 180, SSCU.

Win Garden Contest Awards

In the Cleveland Press Garden Contest held recently, two prizes and two honorable mentions were awarded Slovenes in their respective districts. Second prize went to Joseph Zele of 6502 St. Clair Ave., who, incidentally, is backer of George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, baseball team. Mr. Zele turned his vacant lot in rear of his funeral parlors into a flower garden that is the envy of many in the neighborhood.

Third prize went to Carl Mramor, grocer, of 1140 E. 67th St. Honorable mention was given John Jaksic, 1045 E. 67th St., and John Lokar of 695 E. 162d St.

The city of Cleveland was divided into 11 districts during this contest. Second district included the Slovene, Polish and German settlements, and of three prizes awarded in this district two of them were taken by Slovenes.

Until we catch the spirit of our English-speaking lodges and lift such units out of speculation in the eyes of youth we are not going to induce outsiders to join in.

