

VSAK PO SVOJE

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VEČ ZAUPANJA

Američani in Angleži na konferencah v Moskvi in v Rusi na drugi strani pa na konferencah v Moskvi mnogo več medsebojnega zaupanja kot ga je bilo med Američani in britiškimi častniki v rusko fronto in med angleškimi častniki so bili nezaupljivi in so opazovali vse vaje ameriških vojakov in celo "invadirali" angleške vojaške vaje. Take vaje se vršijo v obsegu in v različnih oblikah (glej na 2. strani)

Tretja važna ugotovitev je, da je nemška tajna državna policija, znana pod imenom Gestapo, gospodar položaja v Nemčiji. Število te policije se čenja na 600.000 mož, ki so perfektno izvežbani v svojem poslu, njen je načelnik je Heinrich Himmler. Vsak upor med skupinami vojaštva ali pa civilnega prebivalstva more ta elita gvarda terorista Himmlerja tlekoj v krvi zadušiti. To potrjuje

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Zelenjave, ki uspevajo skoro na vsakem domačem vrtu, so: solata, redkvice, korenje, peterilj, repa, pesa, koleraba, zelje, grah, fižol in paradižnik (tomatoes). Semena naj se nabavijo od zanesljivih tvrdk. Po (Dalje na 2. strani)

V Pittsburghu, Pa., je dne 29. februarja umrla Mary Arch, članica društva št. 12 ABZ, stara 58 let. Za njo žalujejo soproga Vincent Arch, sin Cpl. William Arch nekje v Angliji ter štirje otroci.
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Po poročilih United Pressa iz Londona so jugoslovanski partizani osvojili večino strateško važnih otokov ob dalmatinski obali. Ameriške letalske enote bombardirale letališče, železniško postajo in drugo tovarno v Zagrebu, medtem ko ameriški bombniki pa so istočasno bombardirali Šibenik in Zadar v Dalmaciji.

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Roberto Farinacci, državni
minister "Mussolinijeve faš-
istične republike," v delu Ital
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HIGHLIGHTS OF AFU ANNUAL MEETING

We present a brief review of the AFU Annual Supreme Board meeting report for the benefit of those who possibly did not have time to read the complete report which appeared in the Nova Doba last week. The following facts will help you to understand just what our Union has done during the past year and its report can be presented as proof of the sound financial condition of our Union to prospective new members.

The total assets of the AFU as of Dec. 31, 1943 were \$3,336,437.54. From Dec. 31, 1942 to Dec. 31, 1943, an increase of \$209,265.31 in assets is reported.

The Union has 16,412 adult members and 9,262 juvenile members as of Dec. 31, 1943. This makes a total of 25,674 members in both departments.

The present number of AFU members serving in the U. S. Armed Forces is 2,028. Nine AFU members have thus far given their lives for our country.

The AFU Supreme Board authorized the Supreme Secretary and Supreme Treasurer to invest \$300,000.00 in U. S. War Bonds during the Fourth War Loan drive.

We quote some interesting and enlightening paragraphs from the report of the AFU Supreme Medical Examiner, Dr. F. J. Arch:

"The claims for operation and indemnity benefits presented was 187 or practically the same number as in 1942. Sick benefit and disability claims were 1,682, again less than ever before for any six-month period in the history of our sick and accident experience during the past fifteen years.

"When a study of our sick and accident claims is made it is noted that there has been a steady but factual decrease in the number presented. Last year, as an example, there was an average of thirty claims less each month while the year before there was an average decrease of fifty per month. This shows that although the average age of the members who are protected by this type of coverage has increased, their health over the last few years has been better and sickness and accidents have decreased.

"Our membership as a whole is to be congratulated on the fact that their health in general is above the average, which in times such as we are experiencing at the present, is an essential and a definite aid in the successful termination of our war effort."

The Supreme Board approves of a \$100 allotment to the AFU Federations for it realizes that this being the convention year the federations will hold many meetings and have greater expense. The AFU Federations are in Minnesota, Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Colorado and Illinois.

It was decided that the American Fraternal Union donate \$300 to the American Red Cross and \$200 to the U. S. O.

The 17th regular convention will be held at Rock Springs, Wyo., as decided by the last convention. It will convene on Thursday, Aug. 17, 1944. The convention is to begin on Thursday for the reason that transportation facilities are not so crowded during mid-week as over the week end. The delegation will have better service and accommodations if they travel when the transportation lines are not too overburdened. The Supreme Board is of the opinion that if possible the convention should meet for four days (excluding Sunday) so the delegates could leave the convention city on Aug. 22. The Supreme Board is not empowered to make this decision itself so it was decided that the Supreme Office write to all lodges asking if they approve of the afore-mentioned suggestion. Only in this way will it be possible to secure advance reservations on trains for the delegates' return trips.

The AFU will hold a Pre-Convention Membership campaign to run from March 1st through July 25, 1944. The competitors in this campaign will be the Supreme Board and Supreme Judiciary Committee members and the convention delegates. The quota is set at 5 new adult members or 10 new juvenile members; one point credit is given for a new juvenile member, two points for a new adult member and one point for a member who transfers from the juvenile to the adult department. Therefore, 10 points is the necessary quota to be regarded as a winner. The three members enrolling the highest number of new members will receive cash awards of \$25, \$15, and \$10, respectively. The individual cash awards paid to members who enroll new members will remain the same. The award list may be found elsewhere in the Nova Doba. These awards are paid after a new member has paid at least six months dues to the treasury.

A special badge of merit will be presented to the members in this membership campaign who attain the required quota of new members. This badge will be in addition to the regular convention badge.

AFU Member, John Sintich, Dies in the Service of Country

Uniontown, Pa. — Today we live in such times that there is usually more sorrowful than good news. Today I sadly report the death of John Sintich, a member of our Lodge No. 55, AFU who passed away at the age of only 17½ years. The deceased was the nephew of the undersigned. He voluntarily enlisted in the U. S. Navy. He was then stationed at an airfield in North Carolina. He was a good student and had the responsible job of signaling bombers to and from their landings. One day when he signaled a bomber to leave another bomber came up behind his back and the propeller blade cut him badly. This happened Jan. 23rd. The body of the deceased was brought to Uniontown from North Carolina and on Jan. 28, 1944 he was laid to rest after receiving the last rites of a Catholic funeral. He was buried in St. Mary's Cemetery at Uniontown. Lodge No. 55, AFU sent a wreath as a last farewell to this young brother-member who faithfully served the Spangland Banner and gave his life for his country.

The lodge members attended his funeral in a large number. The members of Post 51, American Legion also paid him a last tribute by firing a salvo of shots over his open grave. The president of this branch of the American Legion spoke the last farewell and presented the boy's mother with a large American flag.

His survivors are his parents; a brother, Joseph Jr. who is in the service in Mississippi; and two sisters, Anne and Mary Sintich. May he rest in peace in the country for which he gave his young life. To his survivors we extend our sincere sympathy, in the name of our lodge.

Joseph Prah, Sec'y
Lodge No. 55, AFU
Uniontown, Pa.

Lodge 190, AFU Celebrates Its 16th Anniversary

Butte, Mont. — At the February meeting of Lodge No. 190, AFU the members celebrated its 16th anniversary. After the meeting a social was held. Sister Mary Stanich donated a cake for the affair. There were quite a number of members present.

I would like to ask all members who have not, as yet, paid their 50 cents special assessments to do so immediately. I would like to receive all these special assessments as soon as possible.

Our lodge bought a \$100 War Bond during the Fourth War Loan drive.

I would like to see the members attend the next regular lodge meeting on March 16th at the regular place. This is our AFU convention year and the changes in the by-laws will be discussed. Members can bring up various subjects which may be of interest and benefit to everyone.

Fraternal regards,
Mary Predovich, Sec'y
Lodge No. 190, AFU
Butte, Mont.

American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



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Briefs

"There has been a change of personnel directors in United Nation's Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in Washington which is organizing relief groups for various countries including Yugoslavia. The new personnel director requests that all those interested in seeking positions with the Yugoslav Relief Organization should write directly to his office and not to me.

"His address is Personnel Director, United Nation's Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, 734 New York Ave. N. W., Washington, D. C.

"All letters which I have received so far on this matter have been forwarded to him."

Louis Adamic

Visitors to the Nova Doba office last week were Mrs. Mary Kirm and daughter Josephine of Verona, Pa. They are members of Lodge No. 175, AFU. They visited Mrs. Alice Novak of Cleveland, Ohio.

Cleveland, O. — The Betsy Ross Lodge No. 186, AFU will hold its monthly meeting Sunday, March 12, 1944 at 2:00 p. m. at the Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd.

There will be a social, following the meeting.

Members are urged to attend and a good time is assured to all who attend.

Dorothy Zele, Rec. Sec'y

Lodge 55, AFU Loses Faithful Member

Uniontown, Pa. — On Dec. 20, 1943 after a two-month illness, Mary Golcer, member of Lodge No. 55, AFU, passed away. The funeral services were held Dec. 23 and she was laid to rest in St. Mary's Cemetery in Uniontown. Our lodge sent a wreath as a last farewell to our sister-member and many members attended her funeral.

The deceased was born in Skocijan at Dolenjsko, Slovenia. She leaves her husband, Frank Golcer; sons, Andy and Frank Jr., both serving in the U. S. Armed Forces; a son, George; and daughters, Margaret, Louise, Angeline, Jennie and Stephanie.

May the memory of the deceased sister long remain with us and to the bereaved family we offer our sincere sympathy in the name of our lodge.

Joseph Prah, Sec'y
Lodge No. 55, AFU
Uniontown, Pa.

A BIT O' THIS 'N THAT—

By Tommy Turk

Howdy, Folks!

How are you all? Fine and dandy I hope! Here it is the last day of February and it seems like yesterday that we were observing New Year's Day. The days are flying by much too fast for me! That old adage "Time and tide wait for no man" is all too true; uncomfortably so at times! Speaking of men reminds me that, officially, I am now an adult. I have become a member of the Adult Dept. of the AFU. I'm very proud of the fact that I am one. I have a pal who became a member at the same time; his name is Tommy Birk. We both have the 20-yr. endowment plan policy.

The Reaper with his scythe has once again appeared in our midst. Mr. Martin Birk, aged 67—Tommy's grandfather—died on Feb. 10, 1944. He was a coal miner for many years. Remember the poem "The Miner" in my last article? Well, that certainly helps to describe Mr. Birk. I've known him all my life and I know that he was a very hard worker.

"Never, too eagerly, seeking pleasures,
He enjoyed Life's few treasures.
When at last,
Weary, toil-worn and spent,
For a well-earned rest he went."

Mr. Victor Rovanssek, who underwent an appendectomy at the Memorial Hospital a few weeks ago, is recuperating at his home.

Sgt. Otto Kaushep, a star performer on our softball team of a few years ago, is somewhere out on the Pacific. While he was at an airbase in New Mexico, he made the acquaintance of a fellow from Pennsylvania and upon questioning him further, he discovered that he was from Conemaugh, Pa., and that he was one of our neighbors! This war certainly has made the sphere shrink!

Sgts. William and Kenneth Stermec, first cousins, are somewhere in England. They both played on our softball team. Bill's father is a World War I veteran. He is a patient in the Veteran's Hospital at Coatesville, Pa.

My brother, Rob, who had a ten-day furlough, went back last week. We were all very glad to see him; even Roly, our dog, who at that time was thump, thumping around with his broken leg in a cast. He certainly looked very funny! He is alright now.

We often read of people who have remarkable memories for figures, places and things, but very seldom do we have the honor of knowing them personally. Here at Conemaugh, Pa., within our own membership, we have a lady whose memory for dates is really amazing! She is Mrs. Mary Krable. She can without hesitation, recall the month, day and year that any Slovene came here; when they married, died and various other things. I know that when some people want data for such things as citizenship papers, they can always rely upon Mrs. Krable for important dates.

To Pay Tribute To Slav Women



Committee members (seated, left to right): Rakila Kachansky, Rose Polovina, Mary Jurca, Katarina Payor; (standing): Sally Kolcheff, Tsveta Kolchagoff, Venet Letteroff, Mary Kachmarchik, Anna Zidovchic, Marian Vishin, Helen Vishin, Anne Markoff and Mary T. Ivan.

Detroit, Feb. 15 — Special tribute to American Slav women and their fighting sisters in the Slav lands of Europe for unselfish contribution to the war effort of the United Nations will be one of the highlights of the Third Annual Conference of Michigan Slav Congress, to be held on March 12 in the Grand Ballroom of Book-Cadillac Hotel.

Nila Magidoff, wife of Robert Magidoff, American commentator in Moscow, and herself an outstanding women's leader, will be the principal speaker on the subject.

A women's committee of 15, headed by Mrs. Rose Polovina, leader of the Serbian group, was organized to prepare the tribute, which will consist of the subject, greetings to American Slav women and their sisters in Europe, and an exhibit of pictures illustrating the contribution of Slav women to the war of freedom-loving man kind against Axis enslavers.

"The fact that one fourth of Tito's Partisans in Yugoslavia are women is a clear illustration of the role Slav women in Europe are playing in winning the war, not to speak of the great role of Soviet women, one of whom Ludmyla Pavlichenko,

that, somehow, they themselves have long forgotten. That is truly a remarkable gift, I think. I wish I had that knowledge in school when we have history and such!

So long now!

visited America last year," stated Mrs. Polovina in urging women's organizations in Detroit and Michigan to elect delegates for the Conference on March 12, which will be held under the slogan: "Rally to the Commander-in-Chief! Back the Attack!"

Chicago AFU Liberty Bell Bowling League

The bowling session last Friday turned out with the following results: Spolar's Fox River Hotel team won two games and the Hujan Tavern team won one; Gottlieb's Florists won all three games from the Golenko Maryton Cafe team. The highest in individual games were Max Bruckman with 186, John Gottlieb, 169 and Louis Dolmovich, 168. Three-game high were Max Bruckman with 510, Louis Dolmovich, 482 and John Gottlieb, 469.

Next Friday we will bowl according to the following schedule: Maryton Cafe against the Fox River Hotel team and the Hujan Tavern team against the Gottlieb Florists.

Standings March 3, 1944:

	W	L
Gottlieb Florists	43	23
Maryton Cafe	32	34
Hujan Tavern	30	36
Fox River Hotel	28	38

Fraternal regards,
John Gottlieb, Sec'y
Chicago AFU Liberty Bell
Bowling League

Salute To Kovitch Brothers



Pfc. Henry F. Kovitch



George R. Kovitch

Two brothers, both members of the Betsy Ross Lodge No. 186, AFU of Cleveland, Ohio are introduced to our readers this week.

George R. Kovitch Jr., Cadet Midshipman of the U. S. Merchant Marine, finished his basic school and at present is on the high seas where he expects to be for the next six months. Upon his return to the states he will resume his studies at the Academy at Kings Point, N. Y. for training as engineer and receive his commission.

We join with his many friends in wishing him much success in the future.

His brother, Pfc. Henry F.

Kovitch, a Marine paratrooper, is now on a 30-day furlough after having seen active duty in Bougainville. He will return to Camp Pendleton, Calif. on Mar. 22nd.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. George Kovitch Sr., 19621 Shelton Dr. Mr. Kovitch Sr. is a very active AFU member and was one of the organizers of the Betsy Ross Lodge and served as its president for nine years. The entire Kovitch family are 100% AFU members.

We salute George Jr. and Henry for their contribution to American victory.

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WASHINGTON NEWS FLASHES

By Florence D. Startz

The month of March entered our Nation's Capital with the proverbial lion. The high winds are being put to advantageous use by the children here for almost every child seems to own a kite.

And "covering the capital" this week we find: "income tax" heads the vocabulary list of Washingtonians this week; Red Cross flags flutter in the wind every where you look; and last but not least, the weather is as topsy-turvy as everything else in this city.

Your reporter comes from a small town where everything is within walking distance. Now, alas, since I've come to Washington, I have to cope with streetcars. I, for one, think you can observe the most interesting characters on these cars. For instance: there are people who almost strain their necks to read your newspaper and actually seem insulted if you turn the page; there are people who just won't move to the back to make room for others—as one driver told this type, "the back

end of this car gets there the same time as the front end," and last of all, those people who find a streetcar an ideal place in which to sleep. Just recently when in one of these cars, I felt something hit my shoulder and discovered it was the girl next to me—fast asleep. I imagine that all three of these types are quite familiar to you!

If "government girls" here in Washington could have some of their wartime wishful thinking come true, each would have nylon hose and more nylon hose, a taxi to take them to work each morning and a maid for their apartment—to mention a few wishes. I can imagine the expression on your face as you read this, but we can dream, can't we?!

The Last Word: After a long absence Justine Korent pleasantly surprised us with an article recently. It was very commendable. Justine, I want to say that I, along with many others, enjoyed it no end!

Congratulatory Message of United Committee of South-Slavic Americans To Red Army Anniversary Rally

The United Committee of South-Slavic Americans, representing the majority of over a million Americans of Croatian, Serbian, Slovenian, Bulgarian and Macedonian descent, is happy to participate in this great celebration of the 26th Anniversary of the Red Army.

Freedom-loving mankind owes a deep debt of gratitude to the Red Army whose valiant struggle has saved it from the worst scourge of history. The Red Army has been the rock on which have foundered all attempts of Hitler at world domination. Stalingrad and Leningrad will forever remain an in-

spiration to future generations. We are proud of the Yugoslav units which are part of the Red Army, as we are of course of the Liberation Army and Partisan detachments in Yugoslavia under the brilliant leadership of Marshal Tito.

The 26th Anniversary of the Red Army is an anniversary of victory! The eyes of all the world are following with admiration its victorious advance.

Long live the mighty coalition of the United States, the Soviet Union and Great Britain!

—Louis Adamic, President,
United Committee of South Slavic Americans.

Cash Awards

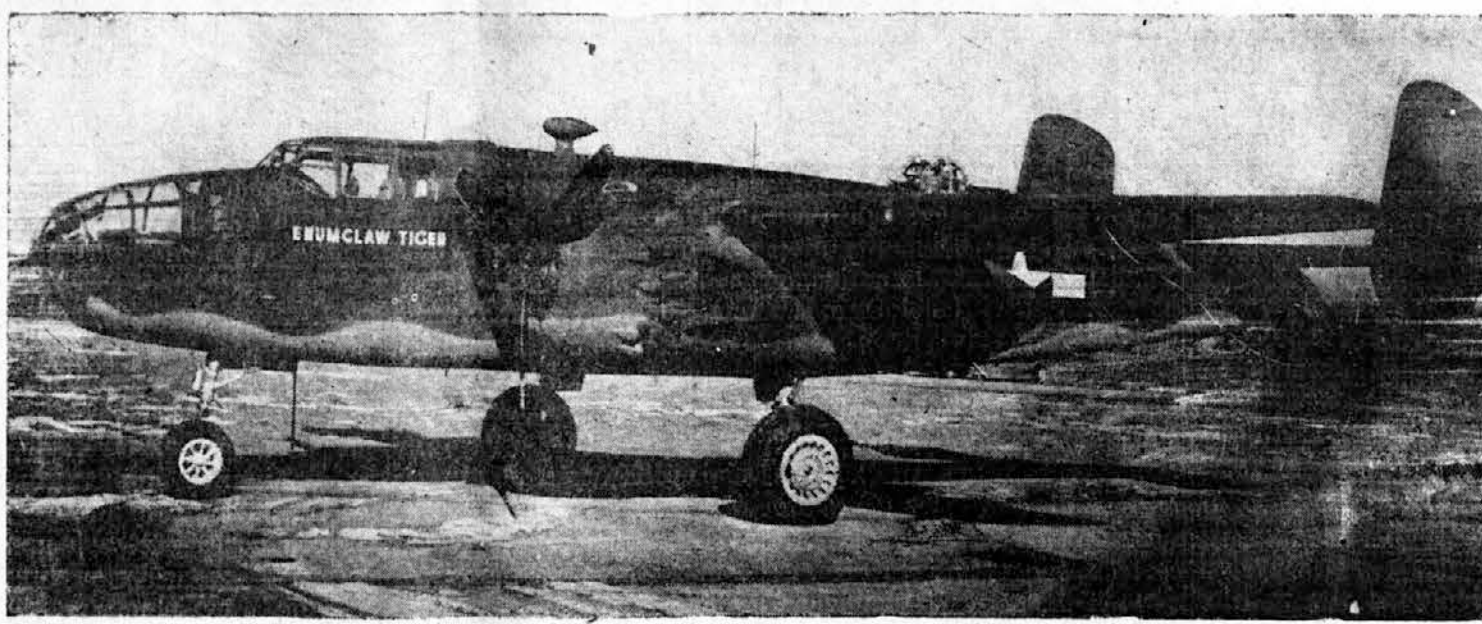
The American Fraternal Union pays awards for newly-enrolled members in both departments. They are as follows:

The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:

For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 2.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 6.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$10.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$18.00 award.

Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:
For Plan "JA" \$1.00 award; for Plan "JB" \$3.00 award; for Plan "JC" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JD" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award; for Plan "JE" for \$250 insurance, \$1.50 award; for Plan "JF" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JD" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award.

All members who enroll new members in the adult or juvenile departments of the American Fraternal Union are entitled to these awards. The awards will be paid when the new members have paid six months dues.



Those of you who follow this column closely will remember that Enumclaw was promised they could name a bomber if enough War Bonds were sold to pay for it. That was last September, during the Third War Loan drive. Two weeks ago, a picture of the bomber which the Bonds bought appeared in the Enumclaw Courier-Herald. Since so many of our servicemen continually write back and plead with us to keep on buying War Bonds, your scribe thought it would be of special interest to the boys that read Nova Doba, to know what one small community back home is doing. So through the courtesy of the Courier-Herald, the Nova Doba is now able to bring

you a reproduction of the picture which appeared in the local paper. As you can see from the picture, the name Enumclaw Tiger is firmly imprinted on the bomber. The bomber is a twin-motored Mitchell model. Beside the bomber enough Bonds were sold to buy a fighter plane.

As the current drive went into the home stretch, Enumclaw doubled its efforts to double their quota in the Fourth War Loan Drive. This time their quota is \$100,000.00 in Series E Bonds and \$100,000.00 of all other types. With five days left to go when the latest figures were obtained, the grand total of \$335,481.25 had been reached. The support being received has

far surpassed the fondest hopes of the Bond Drive Committee and there is every indication that the grand amount of \$500,000.00 may be reached. The figures subscribed to are actual dollars and cents paid in and are not the maturity value of the Bonds which would be twenty-five per cent higher.

In addition to the above totals the Enumclaw Bank purchased \$185,000.00 worth of Bonds for their investment account. These are not to be counted in the community totals.

During the drive, Fisher Brothers Hardware Co. has been featuring a "Buddy Bond" window plaque. Every service man which was backed up with a Bond received a gold star af-

ter his name. Already the "Buddy Bond" rally has been completed one-hundred per cent.

If every community has answered the call in this Fourth War Loan Drive with such overwhelming response as our fair city, I'm sure that every boy that is in there fighting will feel pride and joy in the knowledge that his home town is so fully behind him. This has been our way of telling them that we want our darling buddies home just as soon as it is possible.

Today's column will have to be cut short as our editors are pleading with us to get our articles in early. So look for me again two weeks from now...

By Mary G. Balint

CHURCHILL ON YUGOSLAVIA

A considerable portion of Prime Minister Winston Churchill's great speech in Parliament on Feb. 22, 1944 was devoted to Yugoslavia. The British statesman spoke in the most glowing terms of Marshal Tito and his valiant Partisans to whom he promised maximum help. At the same time Churchill underscored the treachery of Mihailovich's men.

Following is the part of his speech dealing with Yugoslavia:

Situation in Yugoslavia

In Yugoslavia, in spite of the most ferocious and murderous cruelties and reprisals perpetrated by the Germans both against hostages and village populations, including women and children, the Partisan forces have the upper hand. The Germans hold the principal towns and try to keep the railways working. Then can march their columns hither and thither about the country, they own the ground they stand on but nothing else; all the rest belongs to the valiant Partisans.

German losses have been very heavy, and as far as actual fighting is concerned, have greatly exceeded the losses of the Partisans. But the killing of hostages and civilians in cold blood adds to the Germans' score; and it adds to our score against the Germans.

In Yugoslavia two main forces are in the field. First there are guerrilla bands under General Mihailovich. These are the first to take the field, and represent to a certain extent the forces of old Serbia. For some time after the defeat of Yugoslavia armies these forces maintained guerrilla warfare. We were not able to send any aid or supplies except a few dropings from airplanes. The Germans retaliated for any guerrilla activity by shooting batches of 400 and 500 people together in Belgrade.

General Mihailovich, I much regret to say, drifted gradually into a position where some of his commanders made accommodations with Italian and German troops, which resulted in their being left alone in certain mountain areas and in return doing nothing or very little against the enemy.

However, a new and far more formidable champion appeared on the scene. In the autumn of

1941 Marshal Tito's Partisans began a wild and furious war for existence against the Germans, and they wrested weapons from German hands. They grew in numbers rapidly. No reprisals, however bloody, whether of hostages or villages, deterred them. For them it was death or freedom. Soon they began to inflict heavy injuries on the Germans and became masters of wide regions. Led with great skill and organized on the guerrilla principles, they were at once illusive and deadly. They were here, they were there, they were everywhere.

Large-scale offensives have been launched against them by the Germans, but in every case the Partisans, even when surrounded, escaped after inflicting great loss and toil upon the enemy.

Tito's Movement Grew

The Partisan movement soon outstripped in numbers the forces of General Mihailovich. Not only Croats and Slovenes but large numbers of Serbians joined with Marshal Tito, and he has at this moment more than a quarter of a million men with him and large quantities of arms taken from the enemy or from the Italians. These men are organized without losing their guerrilla quantities into a considerable number of divisions and corps. The whole movement has taken shape and form without losing its guerrilla qualities, without which it could not possibly succeed. These forces are at this moment holding in check no fewer than fourteen out of twenty German divisions in the Balkan Peninsula.

Around and within these heroic forces a national and unifying movement has developed. Communist elements had the honor of being the beginners, but as the movement has increased in strength and numbers a modifying and unifying process has taken place and national conceptions have supplanted.

In Marshal Tito the Partisans have found an outstanding leader, glorious in the fight for freedom. Unhappily, perhaps inevitably, these new forces came into collision with those under General Mihailovich. Their activities upset his commanders' accommodations with the enemy. He endeavored to suppress them.

Many tragic fights took place and bitter feuds sprang up between men of the same race and country, whose misfortunes were due only to common foe. At the present time the followers of Marshal Tito outnumber many-fold those of General Mihailovich, who acts under the name of the Royal Yugoslav government. Of course, the Partisans of Marshal Tito are the only people who are doing any effective fighting against the Germans now. For a long time past I have taken particular interest in Marshal Tito's movement and have tried and am trying by every means to bring him help. A young friend of mine, an Oxford don, Captain Deakin, now Lieutenant Colonel Deakin, D. S. O., entered Yugoslavia by parachute nearly a year ago and was for eight months at Marshal Tito's headquarters.

Hurt by Same Bomb

On one occasion they were both wounded by the same bomb and became friends. From Colonel Deakin we derived a lively picture of the whole struggle and its personnel. Last autumn we sent a large mission under Brigadier MacLean, member for Lancaster, he having joined the Foreign Secretary and me at Cairo to report. He has now entered Yugoslavia by parachute. I can assure the House that every effort in our power will be made to aid and sustain Marshal Tito and his gallant bands. The marshal sent me a message during my illness and I have since been in constant and agreeable correspondence with him. We intend to back him with all the strength we can draw, having regard to our other main obligations.

What then is the position of King Peter and the Royal Yugoslav government in Cairo? King Peter as a boy of seventeen escaped from the clutches of the regent and with a new Royal Yugoslav government found shelter in this country. We cannot disassociate ourselves in any way from him. He has undoubtedly suffered in the eyes of the Partisans by the association of his government with General Mihailovich and his subordinate commanders. Here in this island we are attached to the monarchical principle and we have experienced

Inside the Axis

Report From Belgrade

A Rumanian journalist, George Sbarcea, filed this description of conditions in Belgrade to the Bucharest newspaper, Tribuna:

The "streets are full of soldiers and civilians dressed in multi-colored clothes. Poverty, plenty of poverty everywhere. It is a long time since men ceased to wear ties, and in the wind their necks have a bluish color reflecting death and cold. The majority wear shoes with wooden soles. In the absence of stockings, women wrap some kind of bandage around their legs. In front of the Majestic Cafe, street peddlers sell shoes made of felt. You would think these slippers were for use in your home or in the bathroom. But if you take a good look, you discover many well-dressed gentlemen are wearing these slippers."

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many blessings of constitutional monarchy. We have no wish or intention of intruding our own ideas upon any particular country. Greece, Yugoslavia and Italy all will be perfectly free to settle the forms which their governments shall take so far as we are concerned once the will of the people can be obtained under conditions of tranquility. In the mean time, the position is a somewhat complicated one and I hope to have the confidence of the House in working with the Foreign Secretary to unravel it as far as we can in concert with our Russian and United States allies, who are, I am glad to say, sending missions to Marshal Tito.

Our feelings here and elsewhere follow the principle of keeping good faith with those who have kept good faith with us and of striving without prejudice or regard for political affections to aid those who strike for freedom against the Nazi rule and inflict the greatest injury upon the enemy.

I have now given the House the fullest account of this difficult and somewhat delicate situation in Yugoslavia and I do not desire to add to it in any way at the present time. I have to pick my words with great care because the situation is complicated.

Five Farm Implements Released:

Five farm implements been freed from government control of distribution. Foods Administration announces that distribution moldboard plows, one-way plows or tillers, cultivators, stationary threshers and stationary pea and bean threshers have been handed back to manufacturers. Other farm equipment probably will be added but so far have been designated.

Dependency Checks:

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Of the 5,000,000 accounts Brigadier General H. N. bert, director, says approximately 3,000,000 are family allowances paid directly to children and other dependents of enlisted personnel. Nearly half the money disbursed in family allowances payments is deducted from soldiers' pay. The remainder contributed by the Government.

More Irons Due:

Civilians that have been put in the WPB when the next put of electric irons will have been told that two million irons will be released early summer. Although new irons will ease the situation somewhat, there will be enough to meet the demand.

Red Cross: The Helping Hand:

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