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THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

Members of Branch No. 103 are eagerly awaiting the Slovenian Women's Union Convention to be held in our capital city, Washington, D. C., in May of 1967. We are certain that delegates and visitors alike will respond enthusiastically to the impressive Capitol, White House, public buildings, inspiring landmarks and scenic loveliness which are a part of the historical heritage of all Americans. After seeing our nation's capital one can only feel more confident and proud of her beloved nation.

In preparation for the coming convention a series of

monthly articles will feature prominent places of historical interest and significance; those sites which will most likely be included on the touring agenda. We hope that these presentations will enable our visitors to appreciate and enjoy more fully the actual tours when they arrive in Washington. To some readers the articles may renew old memories; for others, perhaps, provide encouragement to some day spend a vacation in D. C. Whatever the case may be, we hope you will find them informative and interesting.

Irene K. Planinsek

I

One of the most beautiful and impressive centers of government in the world is Washington, D. C.—the capital of the United States. Its importance is unquestionable as policies made in Washington influence the daily lives not only of Americans, but also of peoples in every other part of the world.

Washington is in the District of Columbia, an area administered by Congress. The 69-square-mile district is on the eastern bank of the Potomac River about a hundred miles from the point where it empties into the Chesapeake Bay.

From the air, Washington consists mainly of parklike areas, dazzling white government building and residential districts with hardly any industrial area. Most of the city lies on a fairly level plain with a line of low hills rising in the northwestern section and circling into the Maryland countryside, almost surrounding the city. Rock Creek flows into Washington from the hills to the north and the Anacostia River enters from the northeast. Suburbs of Maryland and Virginia lie on every side of the city.

Washington and the District of Columbia were built in an area that was once a swamp with a few scattered villages of Powhatan Indians. During the early 1700's, Scottish and Irish trappers and farmers built homes in clearings on the east side of the Potomac River. Plantations developed across the river in Virginia, one of which was Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington.

As early as 1783, the Continental Congress decided to set up a federal city as a permanent site for its meetings. Even then, the issue of slavery made it difficult to choose a location. Slave-owning Southerners opposed Philadelphia as the site of the capital, because Quakers of that city favored abolition. People in the North did not want Congress to meet in a slave-holding area, because they felt it might seem that the United States approved slavery.

In 1790, Alexander Hamilton skillfully worked out a compromise between the two sections, and a bill was passed to locate the federal city on the Potomac River. President George Washington knew the Potomac area intimately from his years at home on the Mount Vernon plantation, and Congress asked him to select the exact location for the District of Columbia. Washington named his choice of a location for the capital in 1791, and the city itself was then named in honor of George Washington.

The French engineer, Major Pierre Charles L'Enfant was then asked by President Washington to survey the land and lay out the city. L'Enfant planned and designed with great foresight the city that was destined to become the greatest Capital in the world—a city that would grow with the new nation. He selected a flat topped hill, 83 feet



above the Potomac River now known as Capitol Hill, for the focal point, because it was high enough to lift the Capitol above any other future building. Unlike most of the other American cities Washington, D. C., was designed and laid out before the first buildings were erected. L'Enfant chose a plan where streets would cross each other to form squares as regular as a checkerboard. Only a few broad principal avenues broke this pattern by radiating from the capitol like spokes of a wheel.

The Mall, a long stretch of green parkway extends west from the capitol to Washington Monument. Three important streets also originate at Capitol Hill and divide the city into four sections. The streets are North Capitol, East Capitol and South Capitol. These three streets and the Mall divide Washington into four sections called Northeast, Southeast, Northwest and Southwest. (The names are usually abbreviated: N.E., S.E., N.W., S.W.)

The streets running north and south in these districts have numbers for names and the streets running east and west have letters for names. The avenues are represented by the various states of the Union. The exact location of a street number in Washington is indicated by the section abbreviation, such as D street, N.W.

The Washington of today, with its beautiful buildings and wide, crowded streets and avenues, is quite different from the Washington of 1800. The nation's capital was little more than a village when Thomas Jefferson rode horseback to his inauguration as President. In that year, Jefferson rode down muddy lanes and tied his horse outside the uncompleted Capitol. Today when a new President rides down Pennsylvania Avenue, one of the most famous streets in the world, flags fly, bands play and crowds cheer.

(To be continued)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

February 28, March 1, 1966 at the Home Office, Chicago, Ill.

The first 1966 semi-annual meeting of the Slovenian Women's Union Board of Directors was held Monday and Tuesday, February 28, March 1, 1966 at the S.W.U. Home Office in Chicago, Ill. Present were the following officers: President, Antonia Turek; Honorary President, Marie Prisland; Secretary, Albina Novak; Treasurer, Josephine Zeleznikar; Auditor, Vicki Faletic; Editor, Corinne Leskovar, Elizabeth Zefran, director women's activities.

The meeting was preceded by the examination of ledgers and documents kept for the operation of S.W.U. business by the Secretary in the Home Office and subsequently, a visit to the Metropolitan State Bank for the examination of the safety deposit box. The Auditing Committee, in the report, found all investments in excellent order.

The meeting opened with prayer led by the president at the Home Office at 2 P.M. Reports of officers were the first order of business.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

Greetings directors and welcome to our first meeting in this new year of 1966. We will have to work very hard these two days to get our business done; then, to get the ball rolling in preparations for the 14th National Convention which will be held next year.

This year we are celebrating the 40th anniversary of our Slovenian Women's Union. Congratulations to the Founder, Marie Prisland, Officers, Organizers and Members who have so faithfully put their efforts into building, guiding and protecting our Zveza to reach the heights it enjoys today.

We shall convene at this meeting to deliberate what is the best for the progress of the S. W. U., regardless of the fact that we have two auditors absent, both unable to be with us because of ill health. They are Ann Podgorsek and Frances Gaspich. Mrs. Prisland will represent them at the audits. To Ann Podgorsek and Frances Gaspich, I wish to extend wishes for a speedy recovery.

A new branch has been cuddled into our fold at the close of the year of 1965. Miss Irene Planinsek of Joliet, Ill., is the young lady who has put her untiring efforts into this new group. Welcome to Br. 103 in the city of Washington, D. C.! The Nation's Capital, is the site of the 14th National Convention in 1967.

The "Ruby" Campaign had a slow start with only 109 members enrolled by Dec. 31st. We hope it will reach the quota by April 1st. I am very happy to report that my branch, No. 50, is leading with the greatest number of new members.

Fine reports have been received from the states where they have held State Conventions. All the State Presidents are to be congratulated on their fine work. I attended the conventions of Ohio at Cleveland, Illinois at Joliet, and Pennsylvania at Strabane. Representing Zveza at the Minnesota State Convention held at Aurora was Supreme Vice-President, Marie A. Floryan. At Milwaukee for the Wisconsin State Convention was Supreme Treasurer, Josephine Zeleznikar.

State Conventions are very important as many topics pertaining to past and future business are discussed. This is for the progress and betterment of the Zveza.

Slovenian Day held Oct. 17, 1965 by the Combined Branches of Cleveland and the first one ever held by us was a great success. Over 600 people attended. The program was well arranged and enjoyed by all, especially the comical act, The Beatles. Guest for this magnificent affair and representing the S.W.U. was Marie Prisland. State President, Mary Bostian and all the entertainers and co-workers are to be complimented on their fine services performed at this affair.

Reporting on the Scholarship Benefit Concert I must say that we are all looking forward to a large attendance. We are having great publicity on the concert from Zarja and local papers. Letters with tickets were sent to branches in Ohio, Michigan and Penna. Now, we are keeping our fingers crossed with hopes that our auditorium will be filled to capacity.

The columnist for "Pots and Pans," Hermine Dicke has been doing a marvelous job. Reports have been coming to me from members what they are looking forward to Zarja each month and all the fine new recipes. The Junior pages have really been full of pictures, and reports on the fine affairs in which our Juniors have taken part. These pages are interesting to all. Compliments to the Cleveland baton twirlers who have taken part in many doings in Cleveland and Euclid and we know their instructor, Mrs. Ann Cooke and supervisor, Mrs. Mary Bostian are proud when they bring out their beautiful baton twirlers for a performance.

Taking care of a group of youngsters is work of many hours. Training them is a difficult task. Zveza is proud and fortunate to have these two women who are sacrificing their time and efforts. Ann has her two daughters help instruct the youngsters while Mary is their organizer and has enrolled 28 new juniors.

In the January issue, we saw the art work of Kathy Dicke, outlining the progress of Zveza in its 40 years. Fine work, Kathy.

I have attended all the Combined Branch meetings in Cleveland held every month. I also attended a number of meetings in December including those at Branches 25 and 101.

The continued good sale of S.W.U. cookbooks gives us hope that the present stock received just a little more than a year ago will be sold out soon.

My monthly columns in Zarja tell of current activities which also shows how busy we have been in Cleveland and throughout Ohio and Penna.

My wishes for a pleasant session.

Antonia Turek

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE COMMITTEE & PRESIDENT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Warm Greetings to all of you. I am sorry that sisters Ann Pogorsek and Frances Gaspich, are not as yet well and not able to attend this conference. We wish them both a speedy return to good health.

It was a privilege and a pleasure to attend the Slovenian Day, sponsored in Cleveland by the Ohio branches last October. It was a delightful affair! I was most happy to meet so many old and new friends, co-workers for Zveza's progress.

The State President of Ohio, Mrs. Mary Bostian, deserves much credit and our gratitude for putting on this affair with the help of Supreme President Antonia Turek. Mrs. Frances Seitz, our new Commander for Junior affairs, Mrs. Rose Zelodec, Princess of the last Membership Campaign, Mrs. Carole Traven, a ready helper with Needle and Thread, and Mrs. Frances Nemanich, wife of the Supreme President of K.S.K.J., was especially active, and also the other diligent workers who are always willing to make sacrifices for the benefit of the organization.

The Scholarship Fund Drive is in full swing. Several past and present Supreme Officers, Branches and friends have so far made generous contributions. To date the sum of \$589.00 has been realized.

This will enable the Scholarship Committee to grant

four scholarships this year — to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Slovenian Women's Union.

Sometime ago a suggestion was made to our fine Editor to publish the meeting dates of all branches for each month. This would be a great convenience for the members. It would also be useful for visiting members who may wish to attend when in that area. To compose this special monthly column was extra work. Therefore, we are grateful to our Editor, Corinne, for her efforts in this respect.

Financial Report

Two Catholic bonds were called for payment: \$5,000.00, 5½% bond of Missionary Sisters, Techny, Ill., was called Sept. 1st, due May 1968.

\$5,000.00, 5½% bond of Sisters of Divine Saviour, Milwaukee, was called Dec. 1, 1965. Due Dec. 1977.

\$5,000.00 was withdrawn from the Lawn Savings and Loan, Chicago, Illinois.

New Investments

\$10,000.00 was invested in the Metropolitan Bank, Chicago, in Saving Certificate of Deposit at 4½% interest. The deposit was made for Class A.

A A—\$10,000.00 was invested into the Virginia Electric Power, to yield 4.74% interest, maturing March 1, 1975. It was purchased at \$86.00 per share.

Total Investments at the end of the Year

U. S. Government bonds	\$84,854.72
State bonds	38,558.00
Catholic Institutional bonds	101,174.00
Mutual Funds	4,320.00
Savings and Loan Deposits	215,000.00
Public Utility debentures	23,562.00
Central National Bank in Cleveland	5,000.00
Metropolitan State Bank	15,000.00
South West State Bank, Sheboygan, Wis.	5,000.00
Real Estate fully depreciated (339.27 in 1965)	10,969.68
Total Investments December 31, 1965	\$503,438.40
Checking Account December 31, 1965	\$ 6,320.83
Total Assets December 31, 1965	\$509,759.23

Standing of Funds

Class A	\$297,008.64
Class B	159,230.62
Junior Dept.	53,519.97
Total	\$509,759.23

Hoping for a successful conference,

Sincerely yours,

Marie Prislant

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Dear Board Members of the S. W. U.

Greetings and my best wishes to all of you at this all important mid-winter board meeting when you will be developing great plans for our 40th anniversary year.

As secretary to the Scholarship Committee, the official report is enclosed, but in adding a personal note, may I congratulate you for your dedication, efforts, enthusiasm and accomplishments. Specifically, I feel you are doing a great service in promoting this scholarship fund for the young people who, regardless of some adverse public opinion do appreciate the opportunity to compete and certainly welcome the financial assistance gained. You have given your young members another means to further realize their goal and this in itself is what gives real meaning to your efforts.

I've enjoyed using your recipes at home and in the column. I do think you are the best cooks ever.

Have a wonderful meeting.

Cordially,

Hermine Dicke

SCHOLARSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 1965 to Jan. 1, 1966

Income:

Balance on hand	\$7,959.69	
Received from Mrs. Marie Prislant		
the following contributions:		
Anna Pacak, Pueblo, Colo., in		
memory of her daughter	\$ 25.00	
S.W.U., one scholarship grant	200.00	
Corinne Leskovar	10.00	
Combined branches in Ohio	50.00	
Antonia Turek, Cleveland	25.00	
Marie Prislant	10.00	
Mary Otonicar, Cleveland	5.00	
Branch 73, Waresville, Ohio	32.00	
Branch 25, Cleveland, Ohio	25.00	
S. W. U. in memory of Mrs.		
Mary Gaspich, Joliet	10.00	
Dr. Edi Gobec, Cleveland	10.00	
Albina Novak, Chicago	5.00	
Tivoli Imports, Cleveland	5.00	
Branch 47, Cleveland	5.00	
Jennie Pugely, Branch 17	5.00	
Antonia Turek, Cleveland	10.00	
Mary Otonicar, Cleveland	5.00	
Helen Corel, Brooklyn, N. Y.	50.00	
Mary Tomsic, Strabane, Penna.	5.00	
Mary Bostjancic, Strabane, Pa.	5.00	
Branch 1, Sheboygan, Wis.	30.00	
Community Federal Savings, St. Louis,		
Mo. (6 mo. interest)	112.50	
Sheboygan Savings and Loan,		
Sheboygan, Wis.,		
(6 mo. interest)	40.92	680.42 \$8,640.11

Disbursements

Miss Diane Schriver	\$100.00	
Mr. John M. Novak	100.00	
Mr. Michael S. Francis	100.00	300.00
Miss Mary Therese Statkus		\$8,340.11
(Her verification arrived too late for payment in 1965)		

Investments

Community Federal Savings and	
Loan, St. Louis, Mo.	\$5,000.00
Sheboygan Savings and Loan	
Sheboygan, Wis.	2,087.21
Cash on hand, (Checking Account	
First National Bank,	
Madison, Wis.)	1,152.90

Balance on hand

January 1, 1966 \$8,340.11

Respectfully submitted

Hermine M. Dicke, Sec'y

REPORT OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY

To Directors gathered at this meeting, sincere greetings.

No doubt we will miss our two faithful auditors, who are confined to their sick beds. Frances J. Gaspich is in a Joliet hospital and Mrs. Podgorsek on the west coast where the climate is more appealing. We wish them a speedy recovery with hope that they'll be with us at the next meeting.

In the past six months, death was a frequent visitor among our members. We lost 97 loyal members, that is 92 in Class A, 4 in Class B and 1 juvenile member. A sum of \$10,375.00 was paid in claims to the beneficiaries. I'm certain you all join me in the hope that the branches will work hard to get new members and replace the losses by death. As usual we had a few hundred drop outs. Our secretaries try very hard to collect the monthly dues but when the delinquent assessment gets rather high, they cannot be expected to pay with their own money and very

few branches have a treasury which would enable the secretaries to draw from their general fund, because it would soon be depleted.

Branch 48 in Buhl, Minnesota, was one of our small ones so the members decided to merge with branch 38 in Chisholm, Minnesota in the best of hopes that they would be able to participate in some social activities. We hate to see a branch dissolve but at the same time we realize that it's for the best interest of the membership. Branch 38 has a very congenial membership and we are certain that the Buhl ladies will be most welcome.

The Ruby Campaign is moving very slowly but we are keeping our hopes high that the last month will be a very good one.

We have noticed that many of our branches are taking a big interest in the campaign for the Scholarship Fund to bring it up to \$10,000.00. The Benefit Concert held in Cleveland on March 13 was one of the most complimentary events in the history of SWU and we are very grateful to Mrs. Marija Fischinger for her noble deed and we are looking forward for a very successful venture, culturally and financially.

At this meeting we all have to make a very important decision for the coming National Convention. We are certain that many of our members will join in making the trip because it'll be educational and enjoyable. Our Editor has made the trip to the Capital to see what facilities are open for us. We will have to deliberate on the report she has and come to some wholesome conclusion.

We are very happy to welcome the lovely ladies of Washington, D. C., into our midst. It seems like we have turned on a gleaming light on the organization through the untiring efforts of the ladies in Washington. To Miss Irene Planinsek we extend a heartfelt appreciation for her initial work which is truthfully the best achievement of the past year. What a wonderful gift she is given to us.

Albina Novak

REPORT OF THE SUPREME TREASURER

Esteemed Supreme Officers gathered at this first meeting of the year 1966. This is an important year for our organization as we will be celebrating the 40th anniversary since the founding. It would be so wonderful if we would all exert a little more effort in the present campaign so that we would increase our membership. As you see by every report, we are losing the older members by death in great numbers.

The six month report is as follows:

Income	\$37,982.15
Expenses	33,918.03

Balance for last six months in 1965 \$ 4,064.12

You have heard the report of the Supreme Secretary showing that we have made financial progress regardless of the increased death claims. My thanks to her for all her cooperation; also, to Mrs. Prislund for her conscientious handling of investments so we have nice dividends and in this way, we are able to cover many expenses. Since there was not too much activity in this past 6 months, this concludes my report. Accept my best wishes.

Josephine Zeleznikar

REPORT OF THE SECOND SUPREME AUDITOR

Welcome fellow officers and supreme board members! It is with pleasure and anticipation that I look forward to these business meetings. Many interesting suggestions are brought forth to make our organization more appealing to all branches and members.

In checking over the financial standings, business enterprises and investments, everything was in fine order.

Branch No. 25 always keeps active, whether it's a birthday party celebration, attending banquets or participating in some sort of a doing given by one of our branches. "Slovenian Day" which was a tremendous success was well represented by Br. 25.

"Mother of the Year" and our "Queen Crowning" in

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS

July 1, 1965—Dec. 31, 1965

Income:		
Assessment Class A	\$	13,727.22
Assessment Class B		9,972.10
Juvenile Department		1,444.70
Social Members		75.75
Miscellaneous		1,125.97
Interest on Bonds		5,326.08
Interest from Banks, Bldg and Loan		4,880.23
Rental income from property		930.00
Proceeds on cookbook sales	500.00	\$ 37,982.15

DISBURSEMENTS:

Death Claims:		
92 Class A — 4 Class B —		
1 Juvenile	\$	10,375.00
Zarja — The Dawn, printing, postage		9,321.53
Salaries and administration		6,465.00
Fuel, electricity, water		117.85
Campaign Awards		196.25
Office Supplies and Printing		482.35
Actuarial Service		120.00
Telephone, postage, telegrams		424.64
Director of Internal Revenue		1,221.65
Junior Activities and Sundries		500.00
Home Office monthly rental (6 mos.)		450.00
Traveling and per diem (meetings)		1,495.88
Printing Song Books, Let's Sing		1,200.00
Miscellaneous Awards and sundries		268.55
Office fixtures (Directors' table and chairs, electric adding machine and electric typewriter for Editor)		979.33
Writers' Fund Awards (annual)		200.00
Total disbursements		\$ 33,918.03
Income in six months	\$	37,982.15
Disbursements six months		33,918.03
Total gain in six months		4,064.12
Balance July 1, 1965		506,034.38
Property depreciation		339.27
Ledger balance Dec. 31, 1965		\$509,759.23

Financial statement presented at the Board of Directors meeting, Feb. 28, 1966, Antonia Turek, President; Albina Novak, Secretary; Josephine Zeleznikar, Treasurer.

Ledgers and financial reports of Supreme Secretary and Supreme Treasurer examined and found in complete order: Vickie Faletic, Auditor; Antonia Turek, Supreme President; Marie Prislund, Hon. President.

Chicago, Illinois, February, 28, 1966.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 28th day of Feb., 1966.

Louis R. Zefran, Notary Public
Albina Novak

May are two big events which we elaborate on. Meetings are well-attended regardless the weather, rain or shine. These are the things that are the making of the go-go of Branch 25.

Sorry to hear Ann Podgorsek and Frances Gaspich, our auditors, are ill. They were unable to attend this meeting.

Missed you very much Ann and Frances, we especially miss your engaging and happy smiles. Vicki

EDITOR'S REPORT

Dear Officers,

The term from July until December, 1965 was a very busy one for us. Zarja continued in its role as voice of the membership, a network, as it were, of communication among members and the branches. Many fine events were promoted, all for the greater progress and success of the Union.

In retrospect, I must report on the fine cooperation of our reporters who are loyally writing each month. In the recent branch-level elections, many new reporters were named, so we have a constant flow of news as written by some of our veterans as well as some new officers with new ideas. In particular, we are pleased to find so much interest among the younger, English speaking branches who are anxious to report on activities through Zarja. Our members in Washington, altho only a few months since they have been together, have had a news report in each issue, in both languages. This is a fine start. It points up the fact that life can be pumped into an organization through its members and their willingness to share ideas and thoughts to make the SWU greater and stronger.

We hope, also, that many new members are going to enhance our number of readers, as that's always a new potential for ideas and news. Campaigns for these new members were successfully promoted in Zarja, particularly the Founder's Campaign which ended in July and the current 40th Anniversary Campaign which began in August — actually September issue. We know the branches look to Zarja to learn of activities and to tell of their own events. In Ohio, their Combined Branches Slovenian Day in October was well-publicized mainly due to the efforts of their Supreme Officers in Ohio and their many local reporters. It was a very gratifying event for all.

Other events such as Lemont Zveza Day in July, State President's reports on their State Conventions in Illinois, Ohio, Minnesota and Wisconsin, all came into this term. We paid special tribute to Rev. George Trunk, who celebrated a most unusual and admirable anniversary, his 70th as a priest and remembered with sadness the passing of a great friend of SWU, Anton Schubel.

The President's Travelogue made interesting reading for two issues and several reports featured the careers of our students and scholars. Our writer of the Home-making column, "Pots, Pans and Pastimes", Mrs. Dicke, gave a wealth of material on this subject to the delight of our readers who find a common interest in cooking special foods for their families. For December, she made a special effort to obtain the favorite recipes of Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson and it was a nice feature for the Christmas issue. Our faithful advertisement solicitors deserved much praise and gratitude for having so much loyalty, that they find some willing advertisers even in this highly competitive market. My Christmas advertisements totalled only \$167.00, however, there were only a few working, therefore, the ratio is that much greater. Our special thanks go to Mrs. Anna Pachak, Mrs. Mary Tomsic, Mrs. Mary Lenich, Mrs. Louise Epley, Mrs. Marie Prislant and Mrs. Ella Starin.

Youth activities have been of great concern and whenever possible, two pages of Zarja have been devoted monthly to the Juniors and our columnist, Regina, has been most discriminate in the choice of material, giving our young readers much food for thought and enjoyment. Many photos of our young members were also included in this period, to encourage others to follow suit in sending in their photos and those of their activities. We can be proud of all the Junior activities in Cleveland and their diligent instructors.

Trips to Europe are increasingly popular and our own SWU excursions have been well-handled and well-advertised. Nothing replaces personal contact and a "good word," however, through Zarja, our members have learned of the fabulous offers in group travel given to our organization and they have benefitted from the knowledge and experience of both the Kollander Travel Agency and our own Supreme Officers. Undoubtedly, the chief expert in European travel is our own Supreme Secretary, Mrs. Novak, who has made many people happy with her excellent handling of their tours to and through Slovenia. We are in the midst of another travel advertisement feature in anticipation of the trips this June and July.

Zveza celebrated her 39th birthday this past December and Zarja was pleased to record this anniversary of so many branches in the monthly columns of our regular writers, Mrs. Prislant, and Mrs. Turek. Both these officers give interesting reading matter to our members in their monthly reports and feature writing.

We certainly feel honored to have the fine and inspirational reports of our Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Okorn in each issue as they are very valuable reading matter and stress the importance of religion in everyday life.

Upon the authorization of this Board of Directors at the last meeting, I arranged a trip to Washington DC in early December to meet with several persons who may be able to help us conduct a truly fine National Convention in 1967. I have a complete report on my findings at several hotels to present later in this meeting, but I wish to report here that my meeting the members of Br. 102 was most delightful and pleasant experience. Headed by Miss Irene Planinsek, their president, they are not only most capable, but most willing to make the arrangements which a national convention such as ours would need. We can rely on them completely to carry out the finest plans and ideas to make it a truly memorable time for the delegates and guests who will make the trip to Washington, DC., perhaps for the first time in their lives. It is too important a city to go over lightly — therefore, the plans must be made carefully and very soon, to insure a successful convention.

I have a recommendation to make at this time concerning increasing Junior activity among our branches. I have taken the liberty of preparing a folder of **Mother's Day** material that includes all sorts of poems, songs, play-lets, and other things which could be taught to the juniors at each branch in time for their Mother's Day doings. A letter of instruction would be sent along with each folder, to each branch, asking that an officer take over the responsibility of teaching their juniors from this folder and having them perform for their mothers and grandmothers. My thanks to Miss Planinsek who as a teacher, supplied us with interesting material and to Mrs. Louise Epley, Juvenile Director, for her help.

I wish to thank all our fine readers who have expressed their compliments to our Zarja, referring to it as the best in its field. Also, from other sources, we have heard pleasing remarks. This certainly is gratifying and encouraging as it shows us the reaction of the general public.

As you may know, I am very much interested in supporting the Cause of Bishop Baraga, in honor of our Slovenian missionary priest who brought religion to the pagan Indians in the early days of American history. The value of knowing Baraga is greatest among our youth and I propose that we do something in this way, to tell our junior members about Baraga and what he has meant to his nationality, his religion and this country. I propose, therefore, that we obtain literature to be sent to all our branches, intended for their junior members. I have also asked Mr. Joseph Gregorich, historian and Baraga Scholar, to write of Baraga for our Zarja in some future issue.

It has been my pleasure to work with the Supreme Secretary in many phases of work, including questions which come up constantly for the betterment of the Union. In regard to the upcoming SWU Scholarship Concert which is being planned for March in Cleveland, Ohio, we have worked diligently to make all the preparations needed here to bring our localite, Marija Kranjc Fischinger to Cleveland for this concert. This has involved writing and preparing the program and advance publicity of all kinds. With you all, I heartily hope for great success in this project, from the standpoint of its cultural advancement and the financial support it will give our Scholarship Fund. In conclusion, I ask for your continued fine cooperation and even greater interest in our organization in its 40th year.

RECAPITULATION:

Balance		\$47.97
Income in 6 months:		
Subscriptions	14.50	
Cuts	11.00	
Advertising	166.00	
Christmas Ads	159.50	
Memorial Adv.	30.00	
Miscellaneous	2.50	\$383.50
Total expenses in 6 months:		\$431.47
Cuts	178.81	
Subscriptions	22.00	
Photos	37.50	
Bowling shirts	29.34	
Postage and Miscellaneous	60.00	\$327.65
Balance, Dec. 31, 1965		\$103.82

Respectfully submitted,
Corinne Leskovar

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

Welcome and sincere greetings to the Supreme Board assembled here today for the semi-annual meeting. May you have a successful meeting, beneficial to all branches and members.

I am happy to be at this meeting and to join in the examination of ledgers and discussions of our Union's business.

Our group in Chicago has been very active in different projects in promoting activities for our branch.

November was game party night, which was very successful in help to defray the expenses for the Christmas Party. 87 gifts were distributed to the boys and girls from Santa Claus. Refreshments were served to the children and the parents.

Anne Vucko, chairlady for the Kathryn Beich Candy sales, with the cooperation of the Br. 2 Sport Club members was very successful this year. The leaders in the sales were Barbara Zurek's husband and Elsie Melissa. Vanilla and pepper are also sold by our group. The Christmas Party for the Sports Club was held at Febo's Restaurant, with a wonderful meal and Grab Bag. The Sports Club held a Stanley Party in February with Mrs. Elsie Melissa leading in sales. The branch held a Valentines Party for the February Meeting and we had a very good turnout even though the weather has been cold.

The Pilgrimage to the Shrines of the Province of Quebec, Canada, will take place from July 16 to the 24th of July 1966. The shrines to be visited are: St. Ann De Beaupre, Quebec and this includes a walking tour of the area; also Trois Riviers for a visit to Cap-de-la-Madeleine which is known also as the Shrine of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, continuing to Montreal for a stop at the St. Joseph's Oratory, the Notre Dame Church of Mary Queen of the World, a Basilica Cathedral, a half-size copy of the Basilica of St. Peter's in Rome. There are many other stops and points of interest and we know our members will find this to be a never-to-be-forgotten trip. The charges for the trip are \$125.00 for the week. The meals will be extra according to your choice; however, the prices are very reasonable in all these places. Departure is from Chicago and reservations must be in by July 1st.

Elizabeth Zefran

The following written reports were received, and accepted as read.

Report of the First Supreme Auditor

Best wishes for a most successful meeting. Since the convention is nearing again there will be much to discuss and many decisions to make which I am sure will be beneficial to all the members.

I am sorry I am unable to attend the board meeting at this time due to illness.

Our branch meetings are always very well attended. We have quite a change in the officers this year. All young and active members. Mrs. Shubitz was the Secretary for 25 years and asked to be replaced. She was replaced by a very capable, energetic and efficient young

lady, Liz Misciewicz. Am confident that the branch and organization will be proud of her work.

A juvenile Christmas Party was held for our youth members. The children enjoyed themselves very much.

In the Ruby Membership campaign our branch enrolled a few members. Some are to my credit.

A donation of \$25.00 to the scholarship fund was made by the Br. 33 membership.

The bowling teams are again active but are unable to attend the tournament in Joliet.

Zveza Day will be held in Crosby, Minnesota this year and we are all looking forward to attending.

This concludes my report. My warmest greetings to you all.

Ann Podgorsek

Report of the Supreme Vice-President

Esteemed Supreme Officers of the Slovenian Womens Union: My sincerest greetings to each and everyone of you!

Congratulations on S.W.U. 40th. Anniversary and to our Founder, Marie Prislant who thru hard work, courage, and faith has opened a new way of life for many women. Thru this fine organization, today we are proud members of the S.W.U. May it prosper thru the years to come.

S.W.U. is very proud that Miss Irene Planinsek had organized a branch in Washington, D.C., where our next National Convention will be held. The Metropolitan Washington Branch had the honor of having the 1st. Slovenian Art Exhibit which was held on October 17-30, at the Washington Hilton Hotel. Congratulations and best wishes for a very successful future.

On August 29, 1965, I attended the Minnesota State Day at Aurora, Minn., which was very well-organized and turned out to be a great success. It was an honor to be one of their guests and it was wonderful to see such cooperation among the members and the branches. I was indeed happy that I had the occasion to meet so many members and friends which are dearly treasured. May God bless you with abundance of health.

Our Christmas party combined with the presentation of the Christmas gifts among the Juveniles was very successful, which also brings a greater attendance of members to the meeting.

The progress of the Ruby Membership Campaign had gotten off to a good start and am hoping that all the branches will participate in getting new members.

Sincere thanks to all of the Supreme Officers for their hard work and in performing their duties well throughout the year.

Compliments to our Supreme President, A. Turek, for her monthly message, Rev. Father Okorn, Editor, C. Leskovar and other columnists including the Junior Page for their interesting material in making the Dawn magazine such enjoyable reading.

In conclusion, best wishes for a most successful session which will mean greater progress for the S.W.U.

May all of you continue in the best of health.

God Bless You!

Marie A. Floryan

REPORTS OF STATE PRESIDENTS:

Colorado-Kansas-Missouri:

Dear Sister Officers. Sincere wishes to you for great success in all your discussions at this meeting, for the progress of our organization. It is my constant effort to work for the good of the membership. I wish to suggest that in Zarja, the Slovenian section carry all the official notices as well as in English.

I was happy to solicit \$50.00 for the Scholarship Fund on the suggestion of Mrs. Marie Prislant. My wishes for success.

God's blessing on the membership campaign so that we have a fine celebration of our 40th Anniversary.

The date of the Colorado State Convention has not been decided as yet, but the site is Denver, Colo., with Br. 63 as hostesses.

Anna Pachak

Ohio-Michigan:

Sincere greetings and best wishes and good health to all our Supreme Officers. Thanks to all for your cooperation.

During the past six months, I was very active, as I had been before in the early part of 1965.

Early in July, plans began for the Slovenian Day in October. In August, I gathered a few members together in their Slovenian costumes for a picture that was then printed in Zarja. August 9th was the first meeting of a group of junior baton twirlers. This was their first practice session and held at the Rechar Ave. Hall. It was difficult to organize this new group and it took a lot of time and effort to call, visit and write to the prospective junior members. The instructors are Mrs. Ann Cooke and her two daughters, Carol and Kathy. I attend each meeting and see that everything goes along well — and if I cannot attend, I call Mrs. Cook to hear how the practice went. We started with 12 children and nine of these I enrolled myself. We have been campaigning for new members and a great help was their successful appearance at the Christmas Parade — since then, the group has grown to 40 juniors! I am really thrilled with this group and the 29 new members enrolled in Euclid. It was such a thrill that I took them out for a treat to show them how pleased I am.

On Oct. 17th we had our big day, though there was a lot of work involved. It was a great success and our program was a big hit. We had a special guest, our Founder, Mrs. Marie Prisland whom we were very happy to see. I am sure she observed the wonderful cooperation of our members and the grand turnout. I am proud that I was able to handle such a big affair and I thank all the officers and members for their cooperation. Never has any large affair been a success without team-work and we have it, I can say, in Cleveland.

For Hallowe'en, we had a party for the St. Clair Baton Twirlers and I was proud to be a judge for their prizes given. In November, I arranged a group of 11 members to attend the dinner sponsored by Br. 68 at Fairport Harbor. In December, I attended a meeting of Br. 101 along with the Supreme President and was happy to meet all their officers and many members. The Christmas Parade was Dec. 12th at which time both groups of Baton Twirlers performed and the Euclid group wore their new outfits for the first time. The following day, I attended the party of the Euclid group and presented them each with a small gift and made a small donation toward the expense of their outfits. The children were all happy and I was amazed by their enjoyment that day.

I am kept busy all year long and am always looking for new ideas. In this report are only some of the activities, but I try to utilize all possibilities for progress. I hope you will give me any further instructions on what could be done and for this I will be grateful.

Mary Bostian

California-Washington-Oregon:

My best wishes to the Supreme Officers at this Board meeting.

I wish to report that we will continue to have meetings each month for the time being. With the cooperation and support of our good members of Br. 13 we will endeavor to have more interesting affairs this year.

To our beloved Founder, Mrs. Marie Prisland, we wish her continued good health. We are sending a check for the Scholarship Fund. For the "Ruby Campaign," we will try and get some new members.

I want to thank the Editor, Corinne Leskovar for the fine publicity and front cover in the Zarja of our beloved Father Trunk.

God bless you all,

Sincerely,

Rose Scoff

Pennsylvania:

Esteemed Supreme Officers: Warmest greetings to you at the first meeting of 1966. Fond greetings to Hon-

orary President, Mrs. Prisland, and our thanks to her and Rev. Claude Okorn for their writing in Zarja. I wish to extend congratulations to all workers in the membership campaign and hope that this one on the S.W.U.s 40th Anniversary will be successful.

The 30th anniversary of our branch, that is, Br. No. 71, will be held in conjunction with the State Convention on May 22, 1966 at Strabane. We still have with us four of the charter members.

We have had the promise of our Supreme Secretary that she will visit us some day and we hope that on this occasion she will be able to attend and also the Supreme President and Ohio State President.

Our congratulations to the editor for the well-edited Zarja and in particular for the publicity we have had for our conventions in Penna.

At this meeting, I wish you great success and good decisions made for the further progress of our Zveza and the branches.

Mary Tomsic

Minnesota:

Sincere greetings to the Supreme Officers and best wishes for a prosperous new year.

We held our annual Minnesota Zveza Day in Aurora on Aug. 29th, 1965. Our Supreme Vice-President Marie A. Floryan attended on this occasion as the honored guest. The Ely branch chartered a bus for the day and about 300 members in all attended. I presided at a short meeting and afterward attended the banquet and program. All in all, it was a day well-spent.

To the present time, I have enrolled at least 19 new members. It is the new members that count and make our Zveza go ahead. I'm asking that each member in Minnesota enroll a few new members for this campaign.

On the day my grandson was born, January 2, 1966, I signed him up as a new member. He is Timothy John Peichowski of Raymond, Minn., son of my daughter and son-in-law.

On Dec. 9th our branch had a Christmas turkey dinner for the members. The following committees were in charge: cooking, B. Rosandich, M. Jamnik, M. Zagore, and Mrs. M. Shikonja; table decoration, Margaret Shuster and Theresa Koschak; entertainment, (Santa Claus), Rose Novak. Mary Shikonja was in charge of the games party. Fr. Mihelcic and Fr. Spore were our honored guests.

During the Christmas season we wanted to remember our sick members since there are 12 of them. We distributed fruit and candy baskets. We all wished them a speedy recovery.

The past year, four of our members passed away: Mary Adas, Mary Zbasnik, Frances Colorich and Ann Grahek. We offer our prayers for the repose of their souls. Wishing all the members a very good year of 1966.

Barbara Rosandich

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The Directors were grateful for the good wishes sent to them by two secretaries of long-standing, Mary Lenich of Br. 19, Eveleth, Minn., and Mary Otonicar of Br. 25, Cleveland, Ohio.

The President began the general discussions of the meeting with a report on the sales of S.W.U. Cookbooks, "Woman's Glory—The Kitchen." In the second printing there were 4,935 books received of which 2,000 have been sold to date and most of the remaining are distributed among the branches. The total balance is currently \$2,317.25. An itemized financial report was given on the cookbooks and the songbooks, "Let's Sing" which are also being distributed through the President's office. There is a current balance of \$464.60 in the songbook fund. The Directors are very grateful to Mrs. Turek for her conscientious handling of both book funds and the prompt mailing of books. She was also asked to forward thanks to her husband, Frank Turek, for his immense help in the mailing procedure. Due to the President's own optimism in this regard, the Directors felt the sales will

soon be completed and a nice profit remain for the Union's general fund.

The Scholarship Benefit Concert anticipated at this meeting for the month of March, came under discussion with the presence of the guest soloist, Marija Krajnc-Fischinger. The Board heard her program and gave further suggestions as to how to make the concert better. The Supreme President was in charge of ticket sales in Cleveland and reported a fine and active sales promotion among members. Publicity prepared by the Editor was also commended and it was hoped that the local Cleveland newspapers would co-operate as the date of the concert drew nearer. The Board expected great success in this concert from the cultural standpoint and as a great aid to the dwindling Scholarship Fund. At the last Directors' meeting it was approved that four scholarships be granted this year in honor of the 40th anniversary of Zveza. This could only be accomplished with support from the branches and additional funds. The concert was to be sponsored by the Combined Cleveland Branches on the recommendation of the Board of Directors since the last semi-annual meeting.

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The meeting re-convened Tuesday morning, March 1st, 1966 at 9:30 a. m. with prayer led by the President. The Minutes of the meeting on Monday were approved as read. The discussion was opened on the forthcoming Bowling Tournaments in the east and midwest. In Cleveland, (Euclid), the Get-together tournament was March 20, 1966 in Joliet, Ill., on March 26-27, 1966, bowlers from the midwest met for the 30th annual tournament.

Br. 2, Chicago has a champion bowler, Carol Waitkus who has reached the finals of the "Beat the Champ" tourney in Illinois. She is to be congratulated. It is hoped by the Directors that at future tournaments more emphasis would be placed on showing hospitality to visiting teams. A welcoming committee was suggested at each tournament. The Directors congratulate the midwest bowlers on reaching the 30th anniversary and wish much success in this year's classic as well as all in the future. The Midwest Bowling Association officers were commended for their fine work.

A question was raised on the S.W.U. By-law that provides for a \$50 rider on the policy of each junior member with 10 years of membership. Article 126 were quoted as giving the Directors the authority to change any By-law for the betterment of the membership. On the recommendation of Mrs. Prislant, two alternative rules were presented concerning the Junior Rider. 1. If a Junior joins at birth or before his or her first birthday, a \$50 Rider is attached to the policy at the time of transfer to the adult class. 2. If a Junior has 10 years of membership, at the time of transfer to the adult class, one year free adult assessment is given.

The Directors deliberated on this question until the decision was reached that the first proposal would be accepted. Therefore, the change will be made in Article 121.

The possibility of changing the transfer age of juniors was discussed but not approved.

The above approved change for Junior Riders will be in effect immediately.

The Secretary, Mrs. Novak brought to light certain figures regarding the standing of Juvenile membership in connection with the issuance of Riders. A small death rate among children is always expected, therefore, the Union feels free to offer an incentive to new juvenile memberships such as the Rider. The Editor will prepare a list of facts to be remembered concerning juvenile membership which will be printed in Zarja and will be of help to the secretaries and all campaign workers especially.

Discussion of Youth continued with the report of the President on the new group organized in Euclid, Ohio by State President, Mary Bostian with Mrs. Ann Cooke of Br. 32 as the instructor. New uniforms were made for this group, the cost of which they have covered for the most part through candy sales, etc. The Secretary recommended an amount of \$25.00 be sent from the general fund to help defray the uniform costs, and this was approved.

Further recommendations for By-law changes to be made at the forthcoming Convention in 1967 were proposed by Mrs. Prislant. Article 125 should also include boys in adult classes. To Article 28 should be added: Every Convention shall elect two (2) alternate Auditors to take the place of auditors incapacitated or for some reason unable to fulfill their duties. To Article 147 should be added: At Branch elections, a nominating committee of not less than three persons shall be appointed by the president to present a slate of officers for election.

The importance of State Conventions was the next item on the agenda for discussion. In order to assure a smooth running and efficient National Convention in 1967, it is the recommendation of the Board that future State Conventions be utilized as the sounding boards for all matters of general interest. On the motion of the Supreme Treasurer, Mrs. Zeleznikar, the Board approved the decision that reports passed by the majority of members at the State Conventions will be accepted at the convention with the State Presidents as the spokesmen.

Branches who have suggestions and questions to be explained are instructed to bring them up for discussion at the 1966 State Conventions in order to have sufficient time for preparation of the reports in time for the general session of 1967.

A reading of a paper on American Youth Week proposed by Dr. Edi Gobec of Cleveland, Ohio was made by Director Prislant. The Directors, following this, recommended that branches be asked to write to their legislators supporting the idea of American Youth Week. They also extended compliments to Dr. Gobec for his work in this connection and wished him continued success also in his study of Slovenian people living in the U. S.

In memory of Rev. Alexander Urankar, O.F.M., who was Spiritual Advisor of the S.W.U. a decade ago, a donation of \$25.00 was approved to be given to the Church at Nazarje in Savinjska dolina in Slovenia to aid in their rebuilding of the old church. The present pastor is his brother, Rev. Konstantine Urankar, and Father Alexander himself spent some of his early years there. This donation will also be given in lieu of a floral tribute at his grave in Lemont.

A list of S.W.U. anniversaries in the coming months was announced by the President. On April 24, 1966, Ohio will observe their State Convention and 35th Anniversary of Br. 47, Garfield Hgts., O., May 1st, 1966 is the 30th Anniversary of Br. 73, Warrensville Hgts., Ohio and May 22, 1966 is the Pennsylvania State Convention at Strabane, Pa. to be held in conjunction with their 20th Anniversary. Sept. 11, 1966 is the 40th Anniversary celebration of Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. and Oct. 30, the 40th of Br. 2, Chicago, Ill. Representatives will be appointed to each of these functions according to the distance and proximity of the nearest Supreme Officers.

The Board of Directors extended best wishes to Br. 103 in Washington, D. C. for their good work and inspired leadership. They are providing added encouragement to other branches. Their officers are devoted to similar aims and with this in mind, have increased their membership by providing activities of interest to their members. The president, Irene Planinsek and vice-president, Nika B. Kovacic have been writing in newspapers and Zarja to promote the branch and they have gained the support of the entire Washington Slovenian Community. The Directors were hopeful that this fine spirit will grow and grow.

On the suggestion of Auditor, Vicki Faletic, the Board discussed the possibilities of youth group circles to be organized within the framework of the branches. The junior members would be able to have their own officers and activities under the supervision of the adult members. This proposal will be discussed among the branches.

A report on the current standing of the Scholarship Fund was made by Mrs. Prislant. She stated that many branches have promised to do their part and that to this date approximately \$600 has been collected through the generosity of some branches and many officers and in-

EASTER-REVOLUTION

The word "revolution" is used quite frequently in today's newspaper and magazines. The revolutions we read about, are directed against something outside man — his government, his parliaments and his religion. The revolution in which we are interested on Easter morning is a revolution against something inside man — his selfishness, his egotism, his pride and his avarice.

Easter day is proclamation of a revolution. He who rose from the dead on Easter Sunday never said anything against Roman imperialism, nor against slavery, nor capitalism, nor even against armaments. But He said everything against the man who draws his sword in hate and who lays up treasures which rust consumes, moths eat, and thieves break through and steal. His revolution was not against institutions but against selfishness. That is why He left Pilate on his judgment seat, Herod with his court, Roman soldiers in their streets, Caesar's money

on the counting tables, and chose twelve men whom He remade in His spirit and sent them out to conquer the world.

Easter day became then what it must become now: the revolution of man rather than that of institutions. In order to reform the world we must reform man.

On Easter Day we must decide whether we shall have the spirit of revolution or the revolution of the spirit; whether we shall use violence against our neighbor, or violence against hatred of our neighbor.

The revolutions of which we read daily in our papers are easy. It is easy to topple thrones, upset palaces and dethrone rulers; but to bomb our selfishness, to upset our pride, and to dethrone our egotism — that takes the courage of a man modeled upon Him who rose from the dead by the power of God. There should be just one resolution for Easter through spiritual revolution to improve ourselves for better. By doing so we will help to change the world for better.

Happy Easter to you all.

dividuals. The Benefit Concert in Cleveland is slated to bring in a good amount into this fund and it is further hoped that other branches will conduct similar programs and parties to gain funds for future S.W.U. scholarships.

The conclusion of the Ruby Campaign only one month away, the Directors approved the institution of a new campaign to begin immediately after, on April 1, 1966, to be named the Pre-Convention Campaign, ending Dec. 31, 1966. The awards will again be cash awards.

The carrying the name "Pre-Convention" this campaign will be in honor of the S.W.U.'s diligent secretaries and it was suggested that each branch work for the benefit of their secretary. The "Top Secretary" of S.W.U. will be honored with a special gift at the conclusion of the Campaign. A point system will be used again with one addition, that is, points will also be awarded for transfers to Classes of greater insurance. The following points will be given:

1 point for a Class B new member or transfer member (from Juvenile or Class A Dept.)

½ point for a Class A new member or transfer member (from Juvenile Dept.)

½ point for Juvenile Member.

The Editor was asked to give her report on the situation in Washington, D. C. as it will exist during the 1967 National Convention. Her report consisted of a detailed study of four major hotels, giving a variety of services and at various prices. The proposed dates were also given and a series of 3 to 5 day schedules for delegates and guests. The site of the Convention was decided as the Washington Hilton Hotel by unanimous choice and the dates will be May 24-28, 1967. The details on the schedule, tho discussed, were not finalized. The activities of the convention will center on convention meetings, however, it was hoped that time could be found for sight-seeing and visits to the important places of historical interest. It was also stated that many guests will be joining the official party and that for the guests there must be special activities arranged. Much of this will be in the hands of the capable hostesses, members of No. 103, Washington, D. C. The Editor reported on her pleasant meeting with them and especially, the fine interest of their president, Miss Irene Planinsek. Modes of transportation to and from Washington from such locations as Minnesota, Illinois and Ohio were also discussed and will be further investigated. The details of the Convention week program will be published in future issues of Zarja, but, it is hoped that the branches will start early to get their families, and others interested in making the trip as guests.

The semi-annual meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p. m. with a wish for safe return home from the president and a concluding prayer.

Antonia Turek, Supreme President
Corinne Leskovar, Rec. Sec'y

Campaign Notes

The Pre-Convention Membership Campaign is in effect as of April 1, 1966! See Minutes of the Semi-Annual Directors' Meeting for details!

Attention, Campaign workers and Secretaries!

As of March 1, 1966, all children enrolled at birth to age of one year, will be entitled to a \$50.00 Rider to their adult policy, either Class A or Class B, issued at the time of transfer.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- April 1—Communion and Breakfast, Br. 46, St. Louis, Mo., 8:30 a. m., St. Joseph's Church
- April 28—Misc. Card Party, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis., 8 p. m.
- May 1—Corporate Communion, Br. 101, Bedford Hgts, O.
- May 1—Mother's Day Party, Br. 46, St. Louis, 12:30 at Lemon's Rest
- May 2—Mother's Day Party, Br. 101, Bedford Hgts, O., City Hall
- May 4—Mother's Day Party, Br. 95, S. Chicago, Ill.
- May 4—Mother's Day Dinner, Br. 21, Cleveland, 6:30 p. m.
- May 8—Corporate Communion, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis., 7:30 a. m.
- May 9, 10, 11—Rummage Sale, Br. 100, Fontana, Cal.
- May 12—Mother's Day Party, Br. 2, Chicago, Ill.
- May 17—Luncheon Party, Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1:45 p. m.
- May 18—Mother-Daughter Dinner, Br. 54, Warren, Ohio, 6 p. m., Town and Country Motel
- May 22—PENNA STATE CONVENTION—30th Anniv. Br. 71, Strabane, Pa.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN APRIL!

Branch Presidents:

- April 1—Frances Korosec, Br. 59, Burgettstown, Pa.
- April 2—Emma Planinsek, Br. 20, Joliet, Ill.
- April 10—Jeanette Killoran, Br. 6, Barbarton, Ohio
- April 10—Ann Pelcic, Br. 21, Cleveland, Ohio
- April 10—Viola Pisoni, Br. 46, St. Louis, Mo.
- April 11—Johanna Chesnik, Br. 61, Braddock, Pa.
- April 15—Antonia Nemgar, Br. 19, Eveleth, Minn.
- April 15—Josephine Kolar, Br. 43, Milwaukee, Wis.
- April 15—Jennie Zoker, Br. 51, Akron, Ohio
- April 26—Mary Debevec, Br. 41, Cleveland, Ohio

OUR SECRETARIES' BIRTHDAYS

- April 2—Frances Novak, Br. 15, Cleveland, Ohio
 - April 7—Stella Dancull, Br. 21, Cleveland, Ohio
 - April 8—Angela Kozjan, Br. 40, Lorain, Ohio
 - April 8—Lucille Smith, Br. 71, Strabane, Pa.
 - April 10—Antoinette Lucich, Br. 31, Gilbert, Minn.
 - April 16—Anna Frankovic, Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY!

ACTIVITIES

No. 2, Chicago, Ill. We remember with sorrow the passing of our good member, Theresa Balazic, whose funeral March 1st was well-attended by our members as pallbearers. Deepest sympathy to grandson Karl and his wife, Barbara and her many friends and neighbors.

We are happy to hear that our sick members are all doing well. Mrs. Clara Foy and Mrs. Frances Kozelj are back home from the hospital and Amelia Russel is fine again, too. Millie Paisoli extends her thanks to all for remembering her at the time of her illness and confinement in the hospital.

At the meeting, our member, Mrs. Frances Jasbec, surprised us by coming in with two large bundles and in them were six beautiful decorator pillows in hues of the rainbow. She is donating them, having made them herself, and also an electric can-opener, for prizes at Lemont Zveza Day. We extend heartiest thanks to Mrs. Jasbec for this wonderful show of loyalty. She, on the other hand, is so grateful to our many members who supported the cause of her poor parish in Slovenia last November and she can't forget the generosity of the members. A letter from the pastor of that parish was received and will be printed in the Slovenian section.

Our energetic president, Mrs. J-Z, enrolled nine new members so far in the campaign and urged us to all get in the swing of things so that our branch would make a good showing. She made us all want to go right out and start talking "Zveza"!

The next big thing on our calendar is the Mother's Day meeting and party in May. That's a perfect time to bring in those new members!

The members are invited to a dance sponsored by S.A.V.A. on April 23rd at St. Stephen's Gym Hall. Music will be by Johnny Arko (son of our member, Mrs. Paula Arko) and his "Tivoli Orchestra."

See you in April for our first meeting in the spring!

Corinne Leskovar

No. 3, Pueblo, Colo. Now that it is spring, we can enjoy the great weather outdoors and maybe see more of you at our meetings.

We also hope the better weather will be fine for our sick members to whom we extend wishes for speedy recovery. Sister, Katherine Kralich is very ill. At home recuperating are sisters, Katherine Zabukovec and Anna Grahek, of Orman St. Frances Mikatic, Johanna Paucek, Elsie Mramor, Mary Okey, and Mary Papish are hospitalized. To each of these members, a remembrance was sent from the branch. Wishes also to Br. 92 secretary, Josephine Somrak, confined at St. Mary-Corwin Hospital, whom I visited.

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Supreme President's Message

Dear Members:

At the Board meeting held Feb. 28, March 1, 1966 we were minus two auditors who are on the sick list the past two months, Ann Podgorssek of Duluth, Minn., and Frances Gaspich of Joliet, Ill. We hear that since then our Supreme Secretary was taken ill and our wishes to all of them for good health.

We took care of all the business, checked all records and found everything to be kept in the best order. Mrs. Prislant represented the two auditors at the examination of books.

At this meeting a change was made in the juvenile class. All secretaries should read and check thoroughly the Minutes of the Semi-annual Meeting so if any member inquires she will be able to explain.

Editor, Corinne Leskovar, gave a fine report on the Convention accommodations to be arranged in Washington, D. C., for 1967. The main decision was on the choice of a hotel. After a lengthy discussion, all the officers unanimously agreed on the Washington Hilton. This is a brand new hotel, built in 1965. Prices are reasonable and we do want everyone to be satisfied and enjoy their stay there. All details will be in Zarja each month as the arrangements are being made.

A new campaign is in the offing. It is our Pre-Convention Campaign which begins this month, April 1, 1966 and runs through to Dec., 1966. Details on this campaign also will be found in this issue. Appealing to all members to get on the band-wagon and enroll at least one new member. It can be done if you want to.

The Ruby Campaign started slowly, but, in the March issue I see where we gained 60 new members in one month. Congratulations to all hard-working officers and branches. I am sure the winners will be happy to receive the cash awards and branch awards. Also, the individual 1st place award, the beautiful Zveza emblem charm will be worn proudly.

Congratulations to the following branches celebrating their 30th Anniversaries:

Br. 73, Warrensville Hgts., Ohio, organized April 5, 1936 by Mary Miklaucic.

Br. 74, Ambridge, Pa. organized April 17, 1936 by Anna Petrich

OHIO STATE CONVENTION

The Ohio State Convention will be held on April 24th at the SDD Hall on Prince Ave., in Cleveland, Ohio. Meeting will commence at 2 p. m. and following the meeting, we all will join Br. 47 in celebration of their 35th anniversary. All branches of Ohio should have representatives, especially the officers, who should plan on attending so they can take back reports to the members. The discussions are interesting and for the good of the Zveza.

March was a very busy month for me. The Scholarship Benefit Concert of March 13th and the Bowling Tournament a week later, were very important events. In the next issue, we hope to have full reports on both.

It certainly is a small world! Going home from the semi-annual meeting in Chicago, Supreme Auditor Vicki Faletic and I usually take the night train. This time it was March 1st when we departed for Cleveland. Vicki and I began talking in Slovenian about all we had talked about at the meeting and lo, and behold, a lady behind us started saying: "That is my language!" After a jolly laugh, she told us she was Slovenian and from Kansas City, Kans. She was going to Rochester, N. Y., to baby sit for her daughter who had a new baby. I then asked her if she knew Antonia Kastelic and she said: "Oh, yes, I belong to Br. 64!" You can imagine how surprised and happy we were. Mary also told us that she plays the organ at the Holy Family church. So, we found a new friend and I'm sure Mary will have to smile each time she remembers this meeting.

Wishes to all for a very Happy Easter, Happy Birthday to all born in April and especially to my mother, Mrs. Antonia Gornick who will be celebrating her 79th on April 5th. A speedy recovery to all ailing.

Toni Turek

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL from the Supreme Officers of S. W. U.!

No. 3, Pueblo, Colo. Cont'd:

Deepest sympathy to the family of sister, Angela Grebenc, our member for many years. Also my Cleveland friend, Mary Otonicar lost her husband and to her sincere condolences.

Best to Mrs. Emma Planinsek whose wonderful daughter, Irene is so interested in Zveza in Washington D.C. We appreciate all her work with the branch.

My wishes to all for a successful 40th anniversary so that we may make our Zveza strong and important and I hope to see you all at the next meeting. We must be proud of our organization and our nationality. Never let it be heard that we are called anything except Slovenians. We are not B.J.'s (You know what it means) - but proud Slovenians!

In May we will celebrate Mother's Day with a fine meeting and party in honor of our distinguished Mother of the Year, Mrs. Mary Mishmash, only 90 years young! Special invitation to Mary Papish and Frances Golob who will be welcome guests along with Dorothy Zakrajsek, Juniors, too should come.

In conclusion, a happy Easter wish to all. May you all have an enjoyable holiday.

Anna Pachak

No. 7, Forest City, Pa. My heartfelt thanks to the members for the nice Surprise Birthday Party they gave me. It was a belated one, but I enjoyed it very much. My birthday was Jan. 1st, New Year's Day. Thanks to our president, Mrs. Anna Kameen, and to Mary J. Kameen for the lovely, big cake and all they did for me. And, thanks to all the members who brought refreshments and to those who made donations to the treasury: Mary Zagar, Jennie Matjan, Jennie Kolcic, Jennie Terchek, Mary Kotar, Mary Kosher, Margaret Kuser, Mary Miklaucic. Thank you very much.

Our sympathy goes out to the Medved family. Their mother, Frances Medved, passed away. She was a good member. May she rest in peace.

We all wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Jennie Shermo and Mrs. Leopold Tusar.

My best wishes to all the Zveza members from far and near and to the supreme officers.

Josephine Gostisha, Sec'y

No. 14, Euclid, Ohio Bad weather and the prediction of more heavy snow fall didn't hinder twenty-two members attending our February meeting. Our door prize was won by Rose Mickovic.

Before our March 1st meeting began the health movie, "Da Ne Bo Prepozno" was shown; it was narrated in Slovenian.

This meeting being our "Three Month Birthday Party", refreshments were served, some of which were donated by our members, and everyone sang Happy Birthday to the celebrants.

This month's door prize winner was Frances Kovac. The following members made donations to our treasury: Margaret Baron, Angela Kern, Frances Plevnik, Antonia Trebec, Frances Poje, Mary Kircher, Mary Walters, Jennie Stopar, Mary Grill, Rose Maurich, Frances Kog, Jennie Krajacic, Antonia Kausek, Katherine Tomazin, Mary Bubnic, Jennie Erzen, Antonia Sustar, Mary Leksan. An apron was donated by Margaret Tomazin.

We wish a speedy recovery to Mitzi Globokar and Olga Klanchar who recently returned home from the hospital.

Antoinette Zabukovec

THANK YOU

No. 17, West Allis, Wisc. Dear officers and members. Thanks a million for the wonderful surprise birthday party held Sunday, Feb. 20, 1966. It was great, being that 75 years is really an occasion to celebrate; and being remembered with the beautiful corsage, printed stationery and all the good food. Nothing like good Slovenian bakery and the hot beef sandwiches, plus a beautiful birthday cake.

It was grand to see so many ladies at the meeting; also, good to see the interest of our young ladies. Zveza goes on in flying colors! Thanks to all and God bless you!

Sincerely, **Mrs. Josephine Schlosar**
Honorary President

No. 17, West Allis, Wisc. Happy Birthday greetings were extended to our organizer and Honorary President, Josephine Schlosar at the February meeting with a great attendance of members. After the business was attended to, the President, Marion Marolt, on behalf of the branches, presented her with a lovely corsage and a small gift. May God give her continued health for many years.

A reminder: On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8, 1966 at 7:30 a.m. Holy Mass, we will receive Holy Communion in a body at St. Mary's.

Our Miscellaneous Card Parties for the coming year are: 1. For St. Mary's Church Fund on Thursday, April 28, 1966; and 2. For our own treasury on Thursday, October 27, 1966. Both Card Parties will be held at St. Mary's Auditorium, So. 60th and W. Madison St. at 8 p.m. Neighboring branches are cordially invited to the affairs. Bring your friends and husbands along and enjoy an evening in the relaxing atmosphere. Prizes and donations will be very welcome.

The girls at this writing are all looking forward to the trip to Joliet in March for the Midwest Bowling Tournament. A bus was chartered for our group and we expect a fine time.

A trip to the beautiful shrine of "Lady of the Snows" at St. Louis, Mo. is being planned for May 21-22, 1966. This is being sponsored by our sister member, Mary Petrich, who is

handling all the reservations and she will be very glad to give you all the details needed for this particular trip.

Wishes to all our shut-ins and we hope you are soon on the road to recovery. Best to you and God bless you all. **Marie A. Floryan, Sec'y.**

No. 19, Eveleth, Minn. All members of Branch 19 are kindly requested to attend an important meeting on April 9th at 1:30 p. m. at my home. We have many matters to talk over.

In behalf of the branch I wish all the officers and members from far and near a Happy Easter. To all who are not feeling well, a speedy recovery and to all celebrants of birthdays and anniversaries, many happy returns and God's blessings to everyone!

Mary Lenich, secretary

No. 20, Joliet, Ill. Congratulations to our president, Mrs. Emma Planinsek who is celebrating her birthday on April 4th, with many wishes for more birthdays!

Congratulations also to Mr. & Mrs. Marko Pasich who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary and also to Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Mutz of Cora St., who had their 41st. They all had mass offerings with members of their families and many relatives present, followed by dinner at home.

Our sargent-at-arms, Mrs. Theresa Muhich and husband, John celebrated their 40th anniversary with their family, too. Best to them.

We hear that Lt. James J. Zelko, a physician stationed in Viet Nam has received a bronze medal for his outstanding work among the peasants and with the soldiers. He also founded a dispensary for those unfortunates and has taken care of thousands of stricken people. He is the son of our member, Mrs. Josephine Zelko of N. Broadway. We are all proud of this young doctor who is really doing his share and more for our country.

Congratulations also to St. Francis Sal. Society, No. 29, KSKJ which celebrated its 70th anniversary with a high mass offered by Msgr. M.J. Butala and subdeacons, the Rev. George Kuzma and Rev. Edm. Gregorich, all members of St. Francis Society.

Our condolences to the Julia Janes family. She died Feb. 9th at the age of 77 years and is survived by two daughters, seven sons, 23 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren. She was buried from St. Mary's and interred at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Also, to the family of Johanna Zugel, age 80 years, who passed away on Feb. 13th, our sympathy. She is survived by four daughters and three sons. Preceded in death was her husband, daughter and three sons. One was Sgt. Frank Zugel, killed in World War II. Her daughter, Margaret Breise, is our member. Both families

are well-known in the community. Our members came to pray at both funerals and attend the last rites. So far, we have had four members pass away in two months.

Condolences to the family Sporar whose father and husband, Math., age 75, passed away. Surviving are Mrs. Katrina Sporar, and four daughters two of them are our members, Mary Gaspich and Victoria Bernikas and three sons.

May all our deceased rest in peace and be remembered in our prayers.

At this time I have one great wish. Members, please come to the meeting and pay up your dues. Just take a look at your dues books and you will see how you are in arrears. It is a hard business to keep paying for you, if you do not do your share as a member. The secretary, Frances, cannot continually beg you for the dues as it is the duty of each individual to have a good standing in the branch. Members pass away suddenly and a claim cannot be paid if they are not in good standing. If you do not wish to stay a member, please notify the secretary at once and she will not be paying for you indefinitely. Our secretary, Frances Gaspich, is still confined at the hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Convalescing at home from the hospital are: Mrs. Johanna Krall, Mrs. Mary Vlasich and Mrs. Annette Petek. Wishes to all named here and others sick at home for good health.

With best wishes for a happy and blessed Easter to all.

Josephine Erjavec

No 21, Cleveland, Ohio. — Our sincere congratulations to Ann and Tony Vuk on their Silver Wedding Anniversary held January 11, 1966. They celebrated with a Mass of Thanksgiving arranged by their daughter and son, Kathleen and Bill. It was at Annunciation Catholic Church where they were married in 1941.

A reception in their honor was held at the West Park Slovenian National Home and it was a gala affair, attended by relatives and friends.

Ann is a member of Br. 21; her late mother, Mary Cimperman was a member of long standing as are Ann's sisters, Mary Vehar, Jean Bohar, Bertha Glau and Mary Cimperman. May they celebrate many more years together. Ann Jesenko

No. 21, Cleveland, Ohio. — Just a reminder — our annual Mother's Day Covered Dish dinner and social games party will be on the regular meeting day, May 4th at 6:30 p. m. at the usual meeting place. This year, the honor goes to Mrs. Josephine Zupan and she is well worthy of the title, Mother-of-the-Year of Br. 21. In order to make the party a success, let's all try to bring a choice dish, including bakery.

A beautiful bride of October 30, 1965 was Miss LaVerne Hosta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hosta to Donald Chesnik. The groom is the son of Mrs. Julia Chesnik. The wedding of Laverne and Donald took place at Annunciation church. The couple was then honored at an evening reception and following this, honeymooned at Phoenix, Arizona. They are making their home in Euclid, O.

An abundance of happiness to the newlyweds! Mrs. Marie Hosta, Mrs. Julia Chesnik and Laverne are all members of Br. 21.

The members send their best wishes to our ill members, Irene Hosta and Josephine Intihar who were recently hospitalized and Frances Blatnik under observation at St. John's Hospital.

Our member, Anna Widmar and her husband have made Florida their home. Lots of good luck in your new location, Anna.

A vacation trip to Florida for two months was made by Nell Strodtbeck. A happy and safe journey. to her.

Congratulations to Anthony and Ann Vuk, celebrants of their 25th Wedding with a nice surprise party given by the family and an evening reception in their honor at West Park Slovenian Nat'l Home with a Holy Mass that morning. The best of everything to both of you.

May you all have a Happy Easter.
Stella Dancull, Sec'y

No. 22, Bradley, Ill. Mesdames Anna Jamnik and Anne Richards were the charming hostesses at our meeting Thursday evening, Feb. 24. Thanks to them and a much over-due "thank you" to our Christmas party entertainers, Mrs. Margaret Hassett and daughter Corrine, mesdames Agnes Zajc, Anna Lamontagne and Mollie Metschuleit for the very enjoyable social hours of games, fine prizes and many goodies to eat.

Prayer led by president Anne Richards opened the meeting. A letter of thanks was read for our recent donation to the cause of the canonization of Father Slomsek; also a letter from Father Lenc stating that Masses requested for our deceased members and their families would be offered in February.

We extend our sincere wishes for success to Tony Jamnik, son of Mrs. Anna Jamnik, who has accepted a new position with the Masonite Corporation in Towanda, Pennsylvania.

Good news to hear that Bernard Lamontagne, husband of Anna and Joe Sebastiani, husband of Helen are recuperating well after their illness in the past few months. Also on the mend is Jim Richards, son of our president; he had the misfortune of breaking a leg while at home on time off from his studies at Illinois State University at Normal. Prayerful wish-

BOWLING NEWS

No. 2, Chicago, Ill. The Chicago S.W.U. bowling league rolled into March with a new leader, St. Paul Federal, with a record of 47 wins and 31 losses. As of February 22 they held a slim edge of one game over Marquette Service Station and Reliance Federal, who were tied for second with 46 wins and 32 losses. Zarja ran a close fourth with a 45-33 record.

St. Paul also took over the lead in the high team game standing with an impressive 1027.

Chicagoland's Beat the Champs tournament is now history. with Carol Waitkus, placing 17th among the 32 finalists who bowled February 27. Carol, who bowls for Barbara's Beauty Shop, rolled 139, 136, 162 and 171 and added a 153-pin handicap for a 4-game total of 761. Her efforts won a bowling ball and bag. Our league is proud that she advanced so far—the only member to do so in the history of the tournament.

Railroad pick-ups for February were L. Hasek, G. Schiffler and E. Kroschek, 3-10; M. Zefran, 5-7-9; A. Hozzian, 6-7-10; A. Post, 2-6-7-10 L. Putzell, 5-10 and 4-5-7; C. Gospo, 4-5-7; B. Zurek 5-10 and 5-7; F. Smulski 6-7-9-10 and 3-10; M. Kos, 2-7-8 and 5-8-10.

Barbara Zurek

No. 20, Joliet, Ill. Bowling News — As of this writing, we are just getting set for the bowling tournament March 26-27 and these are the team standings:

1. Merichka's Rest. 48 games; 2. Northwest Club, 44 games; 3. American Slovenian Home, 44 games; 4. Ellena Builders, 40 games; Kraus Radio & TV, 38 games; Bluth's Sausage, 36½ games; Sheps D.X. 32½ games; Dames Funeral Home 29 games.

High Singles Series: M. Gasparich, 543; M. Wajchert, 532; M. Nemanich, 527; A. Stefanich, 525; V. Bernikas, 519; H. Golobic, 501.

Split Pickers: B. Bluth, 4-7-10 twice, M. Rudman, 4-7-10, 5-10 and 5-7; J. Yuvan, 5-7; A. Kobe, 5-10.

High Single Games: V. Bernikas, 240; M. Nemanich, 211; J. Mlakar, 211; A. Starnisha, 201; T. Pavnica, 201; B. Lakotich, M. Mrozek, 203, B. Terlep, 200.

High Averages: M. Nemanich, 156; M. Wajchert, 155 and M. Gasparich, 151.

And, that's all for now. Until next time, your reporter. Mary Rudman

es to them and to all our sick.

We will meet again Thursday April 28 at the home of Anna Lamontagne with her dear sister, Mollie Metschuleit assisting.

May everyone have a Joyous Easter, full of it's blessings!

Gabrielle Lustig, Reporter

POTS & PANS and **PASTIME**

More on Washington, D.C., and Cherry Blossom Time from Miss Irene Planinshek of Branch #103:

"The cherry trees were given to the United States as a gesture of friendship by the Japanese government and are planted around the Tidal Basin in front of the Jefferson Memorial. The scenic wonder created by these blossoming trees is breathtaking and draws thousands upon thousands of visitors from all parts of the United States."

Members of Branch #102 have sent in more exciting recipes which Irene says are very likely to be served during this time of gay festivities to the many out-of-town guests.

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Have you ever served cherries with chicken? Well — here is a recipe and as partyish as you could ask for. Mrs. Harold Fleming, another Washingtonian, tempts her guests with Cherry Chicken.

CHERRY CHICKEN

3 pound fryer
¾ cup flour
1-2 teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon pepper
Dash of Thyme
4 tablespoons cooking oil
½ cup chicken broth
Jar of dark sweet cherries (17 oz. size)
1 tablespoon cornstarch

Dust the three pound fryer pieces with flour seasoned with salt, pepper and dash of thyme. Brown in 4 tablespoons oil; remove to a baking dish. Pour oil from frypan; heat ½ cup chicken broth in frypan, stirring. Pour over chicken; bake uncovered at 350° for about 20 minutes or until tender. Into saucepan pour syrup from the dark sweet cherries. Pit cherries. Stir 1 tablespoon cornstarch into the syrup; cook and stir until it boils, clears and thickens. Add cherries, pour over chicken; bake 5 minutes more or until cherries are hot. Can be served in chafing dish. Garnish with orange rind, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

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Mrs. Nika B. Kovacic, also a member of Branch #103, gives us a surprisingly new way to serve potatoes in her recipe, "Potato Goulash" with a pleasant tangy flavor which is bound to make a hit.

"POTATO GOULASH"

5 tablespoons of cooking oil
2 medium sized chopped fine onions (¾ cup)
1 teaspoon celery flakes
1¾ - 2 teaspoons red paprika
3 tablespoons flour
2½ cups water
1 cube beef bouillon
1 tablespoon cucumber water (squeeze from ½ to ½ cucumber)
8-10 drops Worcestershire Sauce
2 bay leaves
Small piece of lemon peel
3 cloves garlic, chopped
4 middle sized potatoes
¼ to ½ teaspoon salt

In a large sized saucepan warm up the 5 tablespoons of oil, add ¾ cup of the chopped onion, golden brown them, and add 1 teaspoon of celery flakes, 1¾ to 2 teaspoons of red paprika, 3 tablespoons of flour. Mix well and add 2½ cups of boiling water with 1 cube of beef bouillon, 1 spoon of cucumber water, 8-10 drops of Worcestershire sauce, 2 bay leaves, 1 small piece of skin of a dry or fresh lemon, 3 chopped cloves of garlic and mix well. Bring to a slow boil, and now add ¼ to ½ teaspoon of salt and 4 middle sized peeled potatoes each cut into medium sized pieces. Let it slowly boil for 45 minutes. Serves four people.

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These Pizza Roll-Ups are most delicious as prepared and submitted by Maria Mejac. All your guests will want the recipe for these hors d'oeuvres.

PIZZA ROLL-UPS

1 cup grated cheddar cheese
½ cup tomato sauce
½ cup chopped ripe olives
½ teaspoon oregano
18 slices fresh soft thin bread
4 tablespoons melted butter
Blend all the ingredients except bread and butter.

Trim crusts from bread, roll lightly with rolling pin to flatten. Spread each slice with cheese mixture, roll, fasten with toothpick and cut in half. Brush with melted butter, lay on baking sheet and refrigerate.

30 minutes before serving pre-heat oven to 400°F. and bake 15 minutes or until brown. Serve hot.

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When I made these Pecan Tarts for my family, you should have heard the remarks, "Oh Mom, are they ever good" and "Are they ever darling." For something special as a "finger" dessert these can't be beat. We are indeed grateful to Mary Mejac for her Pecan Tarts.

PECAN TARTS

Crust:
¼ pound margarine
3 oz. package cream cheese
1 cup flour
pinch of salt

Filling:

¾ cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons melted butter
1 egg
¾ cup chopped nuts
1 teaspoon vanilla

Blend margarine, cream cheese, flour and salt with fork or fingers until thoroughly blended. Divide into 24 parts and shape into small muffin pans.

Mix ingredients for filling and fill tarts. Bake at 350° for about 15 minutes.

Thank you so very much Mrs. Harold Fleming, Mrs. Nika B. Kovacic, Mrs. Maria Mejac and Mrs. Mary Mejac for these terrific recipes.



May all of you have a joyous Easter with your family. A festive meal can be a simple one too. Plan your menu ahead and add a few touches like a special garnish or a lovely centerpiece.

Hermine

No. 23, Ely, Minn. Dawn Club. — Our meeting was held at the Community Center on Feb. 16th. President, Rose Novak opened the meeting with prayer and after a short business session, a Valentine Card Party was held. Various games of cards were played with over 100 ladies taking part. The lucky players were: Mmes. Margie Gornick, Frances Mehle, Mary Vidmar, Margie Preshiren, Christine Grahek, Theresa Koschak, Mary Pahula and Mrs. Stefanich. Miss Katherine Buccaurich took home the door prize. A delicious lunch was served by the ladies in charge, Mrs. Margaret Shuster being the chairman. The lunch committee for March were: Mmes. Mary Petritz, Caroline Deyak, Mary Jannick, Frances Mehle, Margie Skutitz, Margie Preshiren, Frances James, Jennie Deyak, Theresa Koschak and Frances Grahek. Our meetings will be held at the church hall from now on.

Considering the low temperatures in weather (40 below zero), the attendance has been good this winter.

Mrs. Margaret Deyak was welcomed as a new member. We wish a speedy recovery to all members who are ill. Mrs. Stephanie Vranesich is a patient in the Ely Hospital and we hope to see her at the meetings very soon. Till next time.

Anne Rowe, Reporter

ZARJA — THE DAWN

No. 33, Duluth, Minnesota — Greetings from "Sunny" California. Since I am unable to write to each one, I want you to know I am thinking of you and miss you all. God willing will be back with you at a later date.

A big thank you for your many prayers, flowers, gifts, cards and the many who visited me in the hospital or home. I shall forever be grateful to you all.

Keep up the good work. Attend all the meetings as you have in the past. Only by good attendance can there be progress of a branch.

God keep you in his love and care.

Ann Podgorsek

No. 34, Soudan, Minn. There was no regular meeting of Branch 34 on the regular meeting night, Wed., Feb. 16th. Instead, the members drove to Ely where they were guests of the Dawn Club, Branch 23 of the SWU, at a valentine Card Party at the Community Center cafeteria. Over 100 members, including both Ely and Tower-Soudan members and guests attended the party where "500" Bunco, and Pinocle were enjoyed by the ladies. Among local ladies, from Branch 34, Mmes. John Pahula and Joseph Stefanich were winners at "500".

Following the playing of cards the Dawn Club members served a delicious luncheon served at the tables decorated in a Valentine motif.

It was pleasant meeting with our friends there, and we all agreed it was gatherings such as this that promote the true Fraternal spirit which our Union stands for. Our sincere thanks to all the Ely women for a most pleasant evening.

Branch 34 will not meet during Lent, our next meeting will be in April at the usual time and place,—members may pay their dues directly to Mrs. Mary Pahula until then.

I'm sure by the time this appears in print, we should be getting Spring weather, although today, Feb. 18th, our temperature was 35 degrees below zero. All members extend sincere Easter greetings to all SWU members—may the Risen Saviour bless you and your families.

Mrs. Anthony F. (Barbara) Yapel
Reporter

No. 37, Greaney, Minn. I would like to thank the members of Branch 37 for making it possible to have another copy of the cookbook "Women's Glory — The Kitchen" which they presented me.

I bought a copy last year when Mrs. Antonia Turek was at our meeting in Minnesota last spring. About two weeks later, I lost the book in a fire that burned down our home. So, the cookbook came as a very welcomed gift. Many thanks for your thoughtfulness, very greatly appreciated and may God bless you good members.

Easter will always bring sad mem-

APRIL IS THE MONTH OF OHIO STATE CONVENTION

We look forward to your attendance at the Ohio State Convention and 35th Anniversary of Br. 47, Garfield Hgts., Ohio on Sunday, April 24th at the SDD Hall on Prince Ave. The committee will see to it that it will be a very pleasant day. Everybody likes the Beatles... come and see them again at this affair.

The convention meeting will start at 2 p. m. Dinner will be served at 5 p. m. and the program will start at once.

A very Happy Birthday to all April birthdays and get-well wishes to all who are ill. May God bless you all.

Mary Bostian, State President, Ohio-Mich.

ories to me now, as it was on Holy Saturday that our home burned. But, may the good Lord shower His blessings on you and hope that you all have a blessed and Happy Easter. Time will erase the terrible memory of my saddest Easter last year.

Again, best to you all, the members, my friends, living in Minnesota.

Irene Skraba

Cook, Minn. 55723

No. 43, Milwaukee, Wis. Our February and March meetings were very interesting. We were amazed at the sweet new faces which we missed at several meetings. Here's hoping we have another such surprise at our April meeting.

Our date for the Rummage Sale hasn't been set as yet, but, hold on to your articles as it will be scheduled in the near future. Please, notify me, if you have anything and I'll pick it up.

Our branch isn't doing too well on the membership drive. Check your family tree for someone who isn't a member of S.W.U. Just one new member per person will make a marvelous increase in our branch. Be on the lookout for the announcement of a new campaign so we can get to work.

Anyone who is in arrears with their dues is reminded to please take care of their dues payments at once.

To all sick members and those shut-in, a speedy recovery. Anne Hren and Josephine Kramer are still hospitalized. Jennie Prah is convalescing at home. Hoping, thinking and wishing in the warmest way, and we're all praying that God will brighten your day.

To all April birthdays and anniversaries, a bouquet of good wishes and congratulations.

Remember the next meeting date, April 17. Anyone wishing to contact me for dues or application blanks, call HU. 1-7357 after 6 p. m. A Happy Easter to all.

Rose Kraemer, Sec'y

No. 45, Portland, Ore. Feb. meeting opened with prayer. Attendance was 11 members, which isn't very good. In March we had important discussions as plans were very made for the annual Palm Sunday Breakfast and Mass.

We were happy to have a guest at the Feb. meeting, Mrs. Lesandra Joyner, daughter of Mrs. Javorcich, one of our oldest members.

Acknowledgement of Christmas gifts were made by Matilda Leovich, Mrs. Struznik and Mrs. Matulac and a thank you note from the bereaved family of member, Olga Mircovich who was one of our first presidents. She passed away recently and all our sympathy goes to her family and many relatives.

Ann Carlisle Rec. Sec'y

No. 46, St. Louis, Mo. — The February meeting was held at home of our new President, Viola Pisoni. Our Past President, Jo Prebil installed the new officers, namely, Viola Pisoni, President, Helen Skoff, Treasurer and Financial Secretary, and Theresa Gabrian, Recording Secretary and Reporter. The Vice-President, Margaret Dolenz, was not at the meeting. We heartily congratulate our new officers, and express our sincerest thanks to the past officers, for a job well done.

We are happy to hear that Mrs. Zvanut, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Golobic and Mrs. Franko have all recovered from their recent illnesses.

Mrs. Mary Gregory was nominated as our candidate for Mother of the Year. Our Mother's Day Party will be held at Lemmon's Restaurant, with Marie Thompson in charge of all the arrangements. The party will be held on May 1st at 12:30 P.M. The members present agreed to cancel the April meeting, and a small business meeting will be held at the Mother's Day celebration.

Theresa Gabrian, Reporter

No. 50, Cleveland, Ohio. Due to the illness of our president, Frances Seitz, our Vice-President, Toni Turek called the meeting to order. All other officers were present. Plans for our concert of March 13th were discussed and the purpose of the concert, to raise money for the scholarship fund. We hope to have good reports after it is over. I'm sure the ladies will do all they can to make this a great event.

Branch 50 will be celebrating their 35th anniversary this year, sometime in October, at the Rehar Hall in Euclid, Ohio. Keep the month of October open, as we have loads of plans

in store. Let's make it a gala event, ladies!

Mamie Marin was appointed ticket chairman, as she always does an excellent job in anything she tackles. Thank you, Mamie. So, members, see Mamie for your tickets and she'll be glad to oblige you.

Frances Milavec and Helen Finley are our hostesses for the evening in February, decorated the clubhouse with a George Washington atmosphere. Our lovely member, Carole Traven, helped them. What would we do without Carole?

One of the ladies donated a delicious apple strudel decorated with cherry centers, my oh my, was it delicious! Our hostess warmed the members up with Russian Pungent Tea — that was brewed by Carole. Almost everyone went back for seconds, believe me.

We welcomed into our midst, Emily Unik, a transferred member. With new members, come new ideas!

The meeting came to an end with a "penny social" and golly, what fun! I believe most of the women went home with gifts of all kinds, at only a cost of a few pennies! We intend to hold this social more often, so, come on ladies, you contribute the gifts and we'll have loads of fun.

Our pres., Frances, will be convalescing at home after surgery in February, at the time you read this, so let's remember her with cards and prayers. She never seems to forget anyone else's illness, so let's all remember her. Get well, Fran, we all miss you! Get well wishes are also sent to Robert Lube, son of yours truly, and also a member, as he has had surgery on his knees and is convalescing at home. Till the next meeting, then, adieu.

Angie Lube, Reporter

No. 52, Kitzville, Minn. Dear sisters! The months have rolled by and spring is upon us. And, I believe we are all prepared to parade out in our Easter Bonnets. With the lenten season here I wish to extend to you all a very Happy Easter. Our meeting was held at the Little Grove and the turn-out was wonderful in spite of the snow storm. But, we would like very much to have a few new faces and a few more new members. Let's all try hard to bring in a new member.

There were a few sick members in the hospital. Sisters Frances Oswald and Ann Shuster are wished Gods speed to a rapid recovery. Also, to anyone else who is ill, our fond wishes. Please get well soon and come to see us at the meetings. We'll be praying for you.

We also congratulate sister Dorothy Russo on her 25th Wedding Anniversary, which was in February. Mr. &

Mrs. John Russo struggled through the impossible and I'm sure they will have a very happy and blissful 25 more years. We'll all be looking forward to their 50th. Congratulations, again.

Sister Josephine Oswald then led us in prayer and concluded the business session.

The social of the evening took place with cards being played. Honors went to sisters: Rose Chiodi, Josephine Palitano, Josephine Oswald, Ivana Prelesnik, Gertrude Kochevar, Mary Musech, Margaret Kochevar and Carmella Bonazza. Door prize was won by sister Alice Baratto. Hostesses of the affair were sisters: Mary Techar, Celia Palitano, Margaret Andrican and Alice Baratto. Thus, a delightful evening came to a close.

May God bless you all and keep you in the best of health until we meet again.

Our next meeting will be held on April 6th at the Little Grove. Hope to see you all there. Yours truly,

Gertrude Kochevar, Reporter.

No. 54, Warren, Ohio. Our final plans were made for our annual Mother-Daughter Dinner and the date is May 18, 1966, a Wednesday evening, at 6 p. m. at the Town and Country Motel on Youngstown Rd. S. E.

Josephine Kasson is in charge of reservations. On this occasion we will honor our Mother of the Year, Mrs. Victoria Zuga.

Our last meeting was held at the home of Mary Waltko and we enjoyed ourselves very much. Mary is always a "Swell Hostess". Frank Laurich, son of member, Mary Tom-sich, is convalescing at the hospital after a fall on his way to the mailbox when he fractured both arms. Get well soon, Frank.

Happy 25th Anniversary to Rose Yurtin and husband and to Valentina Gladd and husband. Congratulations to Joe and Carolyn Persin; their daughter-in-law had twins and named them after grandma and grandpa.

The weather today as I write is lovely. Maybe spring is finally on its way.

Our next meeting will be April 19th at the home of Betty Vadas, Brier S. E. Try to come. Happy Easter to all and a speedy recovery to all our members who are ailing.

Joanne Ponikvar, Sec'y.

No. 55, Girard, Ohio. February meeting opened with a prayer led by the president, Mrs. Barbara Umeck. After a brief meeting, a Valentine Party was enjoyed by a large attendance. A Handkerchief Gift Exchange highlighted the evening and Games were played with prizes going to Mrs. Margaret Umeck, Mrs. Ann

Umeck and Mrs. Matilda Cigolle. All present signed a birthday card for our oldest member, Mrs. Mary Cekuta who celebrated her 85th birthday on March 4th.

HAPPY 85th BIRTHDAY



Mrs. Cekuta with daughter, Mary Kristen

A party was held for her birthday on Sunday, March 9th. Most of her children, her sister Mrs. S. Godec and relatives helped celebrate the event. She received many gifts and floral pieces. Having attended Mrs. Cekuta's party myself, I can tell you first hand, that it was a lovely party planned by her children. After an enjoyable supper, Mrs. Cekuta's children presented her with a beautiful white birthday cake decorated with pink roses. We all sang Happy Birthday and the celebrant blew out the candles, making a wish naturally, for many more years with her family. We all had a lovely time and it was just wonderful to see a lady of 85 years with such good spirits and health.

So, to you, Mrs. Cekuta, Branch 55 sends their very best regards and may God bless you with many more Happy Birthdays!

A get-well card was sent to Mrs. Jennie Selak who fell on her basement steps and broke her ankle. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to you, Mrs. Selak, and to all our members on the sick list, tho we haven't heard from you. We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Helen Krizancic on the loss of her beloved son, Charles, who had passed away.

The February committee consisted of Mmes: Fanny Serca, Mary Nigut, Helen Brdek, Frances Wodagaza and Miss Virginia Rostan.

Until next month, may you all be blessed with health and happiness.

Mary Ann Mehalco

ZARJA — THE DAWN

SADNESS VISITS BRANCH 63

No. 59, Burgettstown, Pa. Our January meeting was well-attended. Election of officers was held. We also elected Mary Dvorsak as our Mother-of-the-Year. Congratulations, Mary. The year of 1965 was a sorrowful one for many of our members. Our condolences to the following: Mrs. Fannie Segal, whose husband passed away in January; Mrs. Josephine Ferbezar, whose stepfather died in February; Mrs. Margaret Yenke, whose husband passed away in May and to the Vajentic family who lost their father in August.

The Yanek family grieves the loss of their father in October and Margaret Latella's mother passed away in October. Ann Secen whose husband died in November and the Laurich family whose mother, Johanna, a member of our branch, passed away in November. A Holy Mass was offered for each of these from the branch. May God grant them eternal rest.

The February meeting was cancelled due to heavy snow. A speedy recovery is extended to Margaret Yenke and also Walter Bendick, husband of secretary. They are in Washington Hospital.

Our meetings are well attended. Those who come enjoy themselves and afterward we play games and nice prizes are given and a nice time is had. Lunch is also served by the committee. The remainder of the evening is spent in conversation and now that we have our song books, we even try to sing together. Don't forget to bring your books with you to the next meeting. Hope to see you all then and bring a new member too.

Ann Lounder, Reporter

No. 66, Canon City, Colo. Wishing everyone a very Happy Easter! We are very sorry that our pastor, Father Bonaventure Bandi at St. Michaels was transferred to Boulder. We certainly will all miss him. Father Jerome will take his place.

We are extending our sympathy to Mary Chesnick who recently lost a son-in-law.

Best wishes to all our members on the sick list.

Cecile Adamic

No. 73, Warrensville Hgts., Ohio — In early March we heard from our Louise Epley in Florida saying Hi! and Having a wonderful time! But, now she's already home.

Mrs. Lubanovich is grandma again. Congratulations to all.

We all want to extend our deepest sympathy to Stella Knezeak on the loss of her husband. May he rest in peace. Also, thanks to the members who came to pray the rosary at his bier: K. Yuratovic, J. Turk, A. Modic, H. Kunka, A. Yoger, B. Bayus, J. Braham and many others ladies.

I am wishing all the members a

No. 63, Denver, Colorado — We had a loan from God, memories today are happy, yet sad. Perhaps you will think this odd, but baby years have fled all too fast. The happiness was ours, loaned briefly by God; we can't recapture those precious years, but memories shall never depart. They are ours to keep for as long as we live. Loretto is locked deep in our hearts.

Loretto Ann Virant was born July 30, 1957 and died January 27, 1966. She had been a member of our Union since birth. She had attended our annual get-together the Sunday before with her grandmother, Mrs. Anna Virant, who, in spite of failing health, still enjoys these days, as she is one of the oldest remaining members. To all the Virant family, they know how all our Parish feels.

Our Union is looking forward to having the State Convention this summer. Time and date will be decided at our next meeting, February 27.

The ladies are selling tickets on an electric skillet and radio. This will defray some of the costs of entertainment and such. We are looking for a

very happy and blessed Easter! Don't forget our Communion Mass on April 17th at St. Jude's Church. Also, to all our sick members, a speedy recovery. Spring will soon be here and we can all go outside again to enjoy the sunshine.

Betty Bayus, Reporter

No. 71, Strabane, Pa. — Reserve the date of May 22, 1966 for our State Convention and 30th anniversary of the branch! A most cordial invitation is extended to you to attend, especially our neighboring towns in Penna and Ohio. Please let us know by May 15th if you have a group coming to this event.

We have had the pleasure of the company of our Cleveland members, arranged by the Supreme President and State President and we hope to see them again this year. Maybe Mrs. Bostian will bring along her octet who sing so well. Francka Rosenberger and Stella Peltz also promised to come.

The program of the day includes the meeting at 1:00 p. m. followed by the banquet at the KSKJ Hall.

So, please remember the date, May 22nd and the place, Strabane, Pa., for the Penna. State Convention.

Mary Tomsic, State Pres.

No. 85, DePue, Ill. It was decided by the members present at the February meeting that we meet at 1:30 p. m. every third Sunday instead of 2 p. m. The SNPJ lodge meets at 3p. m., so our social hour would have to be cancelled if we continued to meet at 2 p. m.

Get well wishes are sent to all who



LORETTO

good turnout and hope to give everybody an enjoyable weekend.

Our campaign is on for new members. Hope everybody remembers someone in their family. We would love to have them.

Also, don't forget our cookbooks!

Let's pray harder, during Lent, for Peace overseas.

Ellen Nortnik, Secretary

are ailing. February Birthday greetings, tho belated, go to sisters Mary Zabavnik and Mary Machek; also, anniversary greetings to sister Mary Machek.

To any other members of Br. 85 who had February and March birthdays we send best wishes. (I haven't all the members' birthdays, on file as yet!)

May we see a few more members at the April meeting. In the Feb. issue, we had my mother's address as Evansville, whereas we all know it's Granville, Ill. where she resides.

Frances Machek

No. 86, Nashwauk, Minn. There isn't much news since our last meeting held on the anniversary of our first President. We conducted the usual business activities among which was the decision that our group donate ten dollars towards the bell tower for our new church. We hope the church will be ready for use very soon.

Our hostesses, Mrs. Bernard Forss and Mrs. Joe Gange served us a very delicious lunch. Cards were played during the social hour and Mrs. Rose Papatola won the canasta prize while Mrs. Mary Gram took the bridge prize. Our guest, Mrs. Caroline Crema took the cut prize.

Our weather is improving and we can start looking forward to spring and more of our members attending the meetings. Altho, I must say, they have been braving the severe winter elements and coming in good numbers to the meetings of the winter. We're very grateful.

Anne Mazar, Reporter

APRIL MEETING DATES

1st SAT. APRIL 2

Br. 62, Conneaut, O.

1st SUN. APRIL 3

Br. 6, Barberton, O.; 23, Ely, Minn.; 24, LaSalle, Ill.; 27, N. Braddock, Pa.; 51, Akron, O.; 92, Crested Butte, Colo.; 99, Elmhurst, Ill.

1st MON. APRIL 4

Br. 29, Broudale, Pa.; 73, Warrensville, O.; 83, Crosby, Minn.; 101, Bedford Hgts., O.

1st TUES. APRIL 5

Br. 14, Euclid, O.; 32, Euclid, O.; 41, Cleveland, O.; 59, Burgettstown, Pa.; 91, Oakmont, Pa.

1st WED. APRIL 6

Br. 3, Pueblo, Colo.; 21, Cleveland, O.; 33, Duluth, Minn.; 35, Aurora, Minn.; 38, Chisholm, Minn.; 52, Kitzville, Minn.; 95, S. Chicago, Ill.

1st THURS. APRIL 7

Br. 13, San Francisco, Cal.; 45, Portland, Ore.; 80, Moon Run, Pa.; 100, Fontana, Cal.

2nd SUN. APRIL 10

Br. 37, Greaney, Minn.; 43, Milwaukee, Wis.; 46, St. Louis, Mo.; 49, Noble, O.; 61, Braddock, Pa.; 66, Canon City, Colo.; 67, Bessemer, Pa.; 74, Ambridge, Pa.; 97, Carinbrook, Pa.; 96, Universal, Pa.; 47, Garfield Heights, O.; 7, Forest City, Pa.; 72, Pullman, Ill.; 103, Washington, D. C.; 79, Enumclaw, Wash.;

2nd MON. APRIL 11

Br. 25, Cleveland, O.; 89, Oglesby, Ill.

2nd TUES. APRIL 12

Br. 10, Collinwood, O.; 30, Aurora, Ill.; 56, Hibbing, Minn.; 57, Niles, O.; 70, W. Allquippa, Pa.; 4, Oregon City, Ore.

2nd WED. APRIL 13

Br. 15, Cleveland, O.; 28, Calumet, Mich.; 31, Gilbert, Minn.; 40, Lorain, O.; 71, Strabane, Pa.; 88, Johnstown, Pa.

2nd THURS. APRIL 14

Br. 2, Chicago, Ill.; 16, S. Chicago, Ill.; 19, Eveleth, Minn.; 55, Girard, O.; 77, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.; 81, Keewatin, Minn.; 39, Biwabik, Minn.

3rd SUN. APRIL 17

Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis.; 17, West Allis, Wis.; 20, Joliet, Ill.; 64, Kansas City, Kans.; 68, Fairport Hbr., O.; 85, DePue, Ill.; 90, Presto, Pa.; 102, Willard, Wis.; 104, Johnstown, Pa.; 105, Detroit, Mich.

3rd MON. APRIL 18

Br. 50, Cleveland, O.

3rd TUES. APRIL 19

Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.; 54, Warren, O.; 84, New York, N.Y.; 93, Brooklyn, N.Y.

3rd WED. APRIL 20

Br. 34, Soudan, Minn.; 65, Virginia, Minn.; 23, Ely, Minn. (Dawn Club)

3rd THURS. APRIL 21

Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wis.; 106, Meadowlands, Pa.

4th SUN. APRIL 24

Br. 5, Indianapolis, Ind.; 94, Canton, O.

4th TUES. APRIL 26

Br. 22, Bradley, Ill.; 86, Nashwauk, Minn.

4th WED. APRIL 27

Br. 42, Maple Heights, O.

4th THURS. APRIL 28

Br. 78, Leadville, Colo.

LAST SUN. APRIL 24

Br. 8, Steelton, Pa.; 63, Denver, Colo.

No Specified Date

Br. 9, Detroit, Mich. each 3rd. Mo.

No. 95, So. Chicago, Ill. — We are always surprised and pleased with the changes in our group at each meeting. We have some new members and every so often we see some of our favorites from days past. This makes for a feeling of continuity in these days of concern for our belief in the Christian concept. After the business session at our March meeting we had on our program a special guest and speaker, Mr. Robert Testore, field representative for the "Mental Health Association Of Greater Chicago". He spoke on the subject of which he is capable and qualified, and his topic was "The Layman's Role In Helping The Mentally Ill", which is spearheading the five point program to help the mentally ill, that is, Service, Planning, Education, Action and Research. He also distributed a sufficient quantity of literature to everybody. There was a one hour of presentation and questions. His talk was excellent and he delivered it in a sincere way which made a deep impression upon our members.

Finally, to round out the evening, refreshments were served by the following: Ann Pave, Ann Pearson and Rose Boerner, cakes donated by Manda Dosen, Ann Pearson, Ann Pave, Viola Spitz, and Dragica Vukovich; cash donated by Kate Musa, Lucille Sarich and Marge Innis. Many thanks to all of you. Thanks to Amelia Cuzella, substitute for Helen Golich, who always does an admirable job whenever anyone is absent.

Many happy returns to the following who are celebrating their birthdays in April: Andrijana Bandera, Carol Dean, Frances Hlaner, Cecilia Kolavo, Rose Kovacevich, Rose Krneta, Martha Ladisich, Ann Mravacich, Mary Nicksic, Mary Pavelich, Barbara Sambol, Marge Innis, Helen Willis Jr., Matilda Quinn and Margaret Udovich.

A snappy salute to Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Perkovich (Mary), 9625 Muskegon Ave., celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary via a swinger dinner at Rupcich's Restaurant.

Our condolences to Ljuba Trgovac on the loss of her beloved daughter, Mrs. Fanny Zanini, whose untimely death came as a grievous shock to family and friends. She will be sadly missed by this writer who had the pleasure of being thoroughly acquainted with her practically all of our lives, which gave me the insight into the joys and woes that we shared together. Fanny died at 48, after a short illness that stripped her of everything except courage, honesty, humor, and all the other things that made her the woman she was. The example of her courage will remain as a source of continued inspiration to me. To the family and many friends we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

In conclusion, may I remind everyone to return your booklets as soon as possible. Don't forget to attend our

IN SYMPATHY

Death has again removed from our midst a beloved member, Katherine Bandla, the mother of Ann (Edward) Kompore, Mrs. Margaret (John) Pavletic, of Brookfield, Illinois, dear grandmother of Dr. Edward A. and Bernard J. Kompore and one great-grandchild. The character of her life she lived might be summed up in a few words.

For more than two decades she had lived in seclusion, a victim of chronic physical ailments that left her emotionally distressed. The shock of her death is visibly and profoundly felt only by her two loving daughters, with whom she had daily contact. The years have been full and difficult for them, busy with their own burdens, but I know of no one who could have been more loyal, devoted and concerned at a personal sacrifice for their act of kindness given to their beloved mother such as Margaret and Ann. Nevertheless, sorrow fills their hearts which is deep and personal.

I would like to thank each and every one for praying with me at the bier and my sincere thanks to the following members who served as honorary pallbearers: Amelia Cuzella, Mildred Poropat, Ann Pave, Polonia Ashenbrenner, Evelyn Driscoll, and Yours Truly; to Edward Kompore for his kindness and courtesy extended to our members.

We the members of our branch share this grief with them. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace that He grant her eternal rest and peace. M. J.

May 4th celebration, when we honor our Mother-of-the-Year, Rose Boerner. There will be a special program so plan on joining us for a evening of fun.

Mildred James

No. 101, Bedford Hts., Ohio — The hostesses for March meeting: Stella Hajek, Pat Grau and Anna Gyurcik. There were no refreshments due to Lent, but everyone enjoyed the evening with "B". On the business agenda was the discussion of our Mother's Day Dinner. Hope to see all members and adjoining branches at the affair. It will be held the first Monday of May at the City Hall. More details will follow. For further information, please call Pauline Svette at 232-0654.

Congratulations to the Fabjancic's on the birth of their first child. Michael Joseph weighed in at 6 pounds, 1 ounce on February 25. Mother, Joyce and baby, Mike are doing fine.

Sorry to hear that Pat Grau is hobbling around. She has a fractured toe. Pat said she stumbled over her husband's feet. (How about that, Pat?)

ZARJA — THE DAWN

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Sorry to hear that Anna Mae Nichols was recently hospitalized for over 2 weeks. She is now recuperating at home. Get well soon, Anna Mae.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Semich family on the loss of John's father and uncle. They traveled to West Virginia to attend the funeral of John's father, returned to Bedford, and were called back a few days later due to the death of the uncle. May they rest in peace.

A reminder, gals! Our annual Communion Sunday will be held May 1 at St. Pius Church at 9 o'clock Mass.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting!

Betty Matjasic

No. 103, Washington, D.C. — The February meeting of our branch was held at the home of Elaine Fleming in Springfield, Virginia. Elaine (nee Troppe) was formerly of Branch #20 in Joliet, Illinois and belonged to both Junior and Senior Cadets preceding her marriage to Major Harold Fleming.

Guest speaker for the gathering was Dr. Mario Mollari, a consultant on Tropical Medicine for Georgetown University and the United States Army and Navy. Dr. Mollari spent many years in the tropical lands of South America and Africa, even working for some time in the Congo with Dr. Albert Schweitzer. The members found his lecture and film especially

interesting and Dr. Mollari has agreed to present part two of his lecture and film for our April meeting.

We missed having our recording secretary, Matilda Ausich, with us. She is presently recuperating from a recent operation. Our best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery, Tillie.

After the business meeting our hostess served a lovely and delicious assortment of salads along with tasty sandwich squares, dessert and coffee in an early American atmosphere. Two lucky ladies, Agna Javornik and Maria Mejac were then presented with Valentine boxes of chocolates by our hostess. Despite the heavy rainstorm there was a goodly number of members and a fine afternoon was had by all.

Our branch sponsored its first Candy and Bakery Sale, March 5 at the Montgomery Wards Store, Wheaton Plaza, Maryland. We're happy to report a complete and speedy sell-out of all items from Potica, Tortes, Coffee Cakes and Brownies to Tarts and Cookies. The rapid sales were indeed an indication that our ladies produce fine bakery products.

May your Easter season be a Joyous one...

Irene M. Planinsek

No. 105, Detroit, Mich. This article will be published in the month of April and we have three birthdays

that month. Alice Kocjan, Fulvia Rosa and Ann Plazar celebrate then. Many more happy birthdays in the years to come, ladies.

A lovely card was received from Mary Zimmerman telling how well they are enjoying their vacation in sunny California. Seems to me that they will be somewhat reluctant to return to Michigan. Well, Mary, it really has not been bad here in Detroit this winter, no complaints! A lot of other states have had it much worse than we. So, we hope to see you in a couple of months, Mary. Also received a card from Rose Jamnik who is in Cleveland. Her sister passed away and she has been there since Feb. 5th taking care of her sister, Frances Potocar while she was ill. Our deepest sympathies to Rose and may her sister's soul rest in peace. Rose does not know when she will be returning home. I do hope she is back soon and will attend our next meeting. The next few months many of us will be busy house cleaning, gardening, painting; but, let us take that one Sunday off each month to attend the meetings. Not too much can be accomplished with a handful of members. So, until next time, take care and God bless you all.

Stephanie Hometz, Reporter



Marie Prislant:

OH, TA SVET...

V ZARJI je bil že parkrat omenjen slavni slovenski umetnik-slikar Maksim Gaspari. Od njegovega prijatelja dr. Staneta Verhovca iz Celja sem prejela Gasparijevo fotografijo, katero objavljam.

Ko je Zveza pred leti izdala lične voščilne kartice, smo za okrasek ponatisnile Gasparijevo sliko, z verzami—

NA VRTU

Pušlec ti že naredila bom,
z zlato ga žido povila bom,
da ga boš nosil ti za spomin
in se boš troštal z njim.

Gospa Marie Skull Beck, tajnica pod. št. 50 v Clevelandu, je umetnika Gasparija osebno spoznala, ko je prišel nadzorovati njih maturo v dekliški šoli "Marijin Dom" v Kočevju. Gospa Beck piše:

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Prišel je zvlakom v nedeljo popoldne. Vsaka učenka je bila po svoje v skrbeh, kako bo izpadlo in kakšen vtis bo napravila na učenega profesorja. Vse smo se od-dahnile, ko smo zagledale prijaznega gospoda, vitkega, visokega, prijaznih oči in lepih svetlih las.

V ponedeljek smo pričeli s pisanjem slovenščine. Naslov moji nalogi je bil "Gradove zidam v oblake." Ali je bilo možno, da sem stavke pravilno pisala, ali se mi je vsebina dopadla. Vem pa, da je moja slovenščina posebno pohvalil, kar mi je silno laskalo.

Po izpitih sem hotela iti na učiteljske v Maribor. Namesto tja, me je usoda zanesla v Ameriko.

O g. Gaspariju nisem več slišala, dokler nisem po nekaj letih šla na obisk v domovino. Moja sošolka, Tonči Novak, ki se sedaj nahaja z družino v New Yorku, mi je podarila nekaj njegovih slik in rekla: To je tisti profesor Gaspari, ki je bil na naši maturi.

Na vse to sem pozabila, a prišlo mi je spet v živ spomin, ko sem v ZARJI brala, da je naš nekdanji profesor Gaspari še živ in zdrav in priznan umetnik. Želim mu vse najboljše!"

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naravo je globoka miselnost, ljubezen do človeka in njegova enakovrednost.

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KAJ RAZDIRA DOM

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Ker je dom postal kot kaka gasolinska postaja. Napojimo avto, vzamemo hrano, cigarete in se peljemo nekam;

Ker ni borbe v mladini, ker je ni treba. Vse, kar želijo, dobijo brez težave in napora.

Pijača v domeh, je razdira že veliko družin in je kriva mnogih razporok.

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Avtomacija bo v desetih letih producirala toliko v enem dnevu kot zdaj v treh. Kaj bodo ljudje počeli s časom? Človek ni ustvarjen za lenobo, temveč za delo!

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Znanega slovenskega pisatelja dr. Ivana Tavčarja je v gostilni za vbojajne prosil star berač, znan po svojem dobrem teku. Pisatelj je bil ravno dobre volje, pa mu je rekel: —"Veš, kaj. Za goldinar žemelj ti kupim, če jih poješ."

Takrat se je za goldinar dobilo 60 žemelj, ki so bile res prave žemlje, da je bilo kaj v usta djati.

Berač je v ponudbo takoj privolil in natakarcica mu je prinesla 60 žemelj. Mož jih je pospravil do zadnje drob-tince, nato pa zahteval: "Micka, prinesi mi še za en groš kruha, da ne bo ta škric mislil, da sem se njegovih žemelj do sitega najedel."

ZAPISNIK POL-LETNE SEJE GL. ODBORNIC

v gl. uradu, Chicago, Illinois, 28. februarja—1. marca 1966

Pol-letna seja Odbora Direktorice S. Ž. Zveze se je pričela v ponedeljek, 28. februarja ob 9:30 dop. v Glavnem uradu v Chicagu. Naslednje odbornice so bile navzoče: Ustanoviteljica Marie Prislant; preds. Antonia Turek; tajnica, Albina Novak; blagajničarka, Josephine Zelezničar; nadzornica, Vicki Faletic in urednica Corinne Leskovar. Navzoča je bila tudi Elizabeth Zefran, direktorica ženskih aktivnosti.

Prva točka dnevnega reda je bila pregled poslovnih knjig. Po pregledu so vse direktorice obiskale Metropolitan banko, kjer so overovile in pregledale vrednostne papirje, ki so shranjeni v varnostnem predalu. Vsi dokumenti so bili v poročilu tajnice. Direktorice izrazijo svoje odobravanje, ker so vsi dokumenti in računi najdeni v najlepšem redu. Direktorice nato nadaljujejo sejo v gl. uradu s čitanjem poročil, ki so bila sprejeta, kakor čitana. Vsa poročila odbornic in finančno poročilo najdete v angleški sekciji Zarje.

Direktorice so hvaležne za pozdrave, katere sta poslali dve dolgoletni tajnici, Mary Lenich od št. 19, Eveleth, Minn. in Mary Otoničar od št. 25, Cleveland, Ohio.

Predsednica prične splošno razpravljanje s poročilom o prodaji Kuharske knjige. Od drugega tiskanja je prejela 4,935 knjig od katerih je 2000 bilo prodanih in ostale so večinoma vse na razpolago pri podružnicah. Sedanja balanca znaša \$2,317.25. Podrobno poročilo je bilo podano o razprodaji kuharskih knjig, kakor tudi pesmarice, katere razpečevanje je tudi v oskrbi predsednice. Pesmarica ima sedanjo balanco \$464.60. Direktorice izrazijo hvala za ses. Turek za vestno upravo in točno razpošiljanje naročenih knjig. Direktorice so ji tudi naročile, da izroči njihovo iskreno zahvalo njenemu soprogu, g. Frank Turek za veliko pomoč pri odpečevanju knjig. Predsednica je izrazila upanje, da bo razprodala v kratkem uspešno zavrnjena in bo Zvezi ostal lep prebitek.

Dobrodelni koncert v prid šolnine je prišel v razpravo. Navzoča je bila tudi solistka, Marija Kranjc-Fišinger, ki je poročala in odbornice so imele nekaj dobrih predlogov za izboljšanje koncerta. Gl. preds. je na čelu razprodaje vstopnice za Cleveland in je izjavila, da vstopnice gredo dobro v promet. Urednica je pohvaljena zaradi dobrih priporočil koncerta v Zarji. Enako se pričakuje sodelovanje cleveandskih listov. Direktorice pričakujejo vsestranski uspeh, tako finančni, kakor tudi za dvig slovenskega kulturnega prizadevanja. Na zadnji seji je bilo sklenjeno, da bo letošnje leto Zveza poklonila 4 šolnine v proslavo Zvezine 40 letnice, zaradi tega so dodatni fundi potrebni. Koncert sponzorirajo združene cleveandske podružnice na priporočilo zadnje pol-letne seje direktorice.

Seja 1. marca se je pričela ob 9:30 zjutraj z molitvijo katero je vodila predsednica. Zapisnik zadnje seje je bil sprejet. Razprava se je pričela o kegljaški tekmi. Vzhodna tekma bo v Clevelandu (Euclid) 20. marca in Srednje-zapadna bo v Jolietu 26 in 27. marca. Podr. št. 2 ima zmagovalko med svojimi kegljačicami, Carol Waitkus, ki je bila med finalistki tekme "Beat the Champ" za državo Illinois. Čestitke!

Direktorice priporočajo, da se pri bodočih tekmovanjih nudi več gostoljubnosti zunanji skupinam. Želeli je, da bi v ta namen imele posebni "Dobrodošli odbor." Srednje-zapadna liga slavi 30 letnice tekmovanja in odbornice izražajo svoje čestitke.

Vprašanje pravil je sproženo. V skladu z Zvezinimi pravili dobi vsak mladinski član z 10 leti članstva dodatek k polici za \$50. Člen 126 Zvezinih pravil pooblašča, direktorice, da spremenijo pravila v korist članstva, zato se na priporočilo Mrs. Prislant sklene naslednja sprememba: "Če mladinski član pristopi ob rojstvu ali pred prvim rojstnim dnevom, \$50 dolarski dodatek se priključi polici v času prestopa v odrasli oddelk. Če je mladinski član včlanjen 10 let v času prestopa v odrasli oddelk, potem dobi enoletno brezplačno članarino."

Gornja sprememba pravil stopi takoj v veljavo.

Tajnica, Mrs. Novak predloži statistike, ki kažejo na malenkostno umrljivost v mladinskem oddelku, zato je

dobro, da se jim nudi posebna ugodnost \$50 dodatka. Urednica bo pripravila za Zarjo listo ugodnosti, katere uživajo Mladinski člani, kar bo služilo tajnicam pri njihovem delu.

Razprava glede Zvezine mladine se nadaljuje s poročilom o novi skupini, katero je organizirala ohijski preds. Mary Bostian z Mrs. Ann Cooke od št. 32 in njene hčerke kot voditeljice. Nove uniforme so bile izgotovljene, stroški za nje so bili kriti s sladkorno prodajo itd. Tudi skupne elev. podr. so obljubile podporo. Tajnica priporoča \$25 iz splošnega stroškovnega sklada v ta namen, kar se odobri.

Nadaljna priporočila glede spremembe pravil na prihodnji konvenciji so bila predložena po Mrs. Prislant. Člen 125 bi moral vključiti tudi fante v odrasli oddelk. K členu 28 bi se moralo dodati: "Vsaka konvencija voli dve (2) namestne nadzornice, ki nastopijo kadar redne nadzornice ne morejo iz katerikoli razloga izvršiti svoje naloge. K členu 147 bi se naj dodalo: Pri podružničnih volitvah naj predsednica imenuje volilni odbor vsaj treh članic, ki predložijo imenik odbornic za volitve."

Važnost državnih konvencij je bila poudarjena v razpravljanju. Da se pospeši delo narodne konvencije prihodnje leto, se sprejme predlog blagajničarke, Mrs. Zelezničar, da se sklepi drž. konvencij predložijo vse-narodni konvenciji in da drž. predsednice zastopajo take predloge. Podr., ki imajo razne predloge, naj jih najprej stavijo drž. konvencijam, da bo vse pripravljeno za glavno konvencijo razpravo.

Direktorice, Mrs. Prislant čita predlog Dr. Edi Gobec iz Clevelanda glede Ameriškega Mladinskega Tedna. Direktorice se izjavijo naklonjene tej ideji in priporočajo, da se piše kongresnikom v tem pogledu. Istočasno izražajo čestitke k delu doktorja Gobec v zvezi z njegovimi študijami o zgodovini Ameriških Slovencev. Želijo mu vsestranski uspeh.

V spomin pok. duh. svetovalec Fr. Aleksandra Urankarja, se sklene, da se pošlje dar \$25 za cerkev v Nazarje v Savinjski dolini v Slovenija, da se pomaga tej zgodovinski cerkvi pri obnovi. Tam sedaj župnikuje brat p. Aleksandra, Rev. Konstantin Urankar. To je mesto venca na grob pokojnika.

Lista Zveznih obletnic za prihodnje mesece je razglašena po predsednici: 24. aprila bo Ohijska konvencija in 35 letnica podr. št. 47 v Garfield Hts., O.; 1. maja bo 30 letnica v Warrensville, Hts., O. in 22. maja bo Penna. drž. konvencija v Strabane združeno s 30 letnico. 11. sept. bo 40 letnica podr. št. 1 v Sheboygan, Wis. in 30. okt. proslava 40 letnica št. 2 v Chicagu. Zastopnice bodo imenovane za te slavnosti.

Direktorice pohvalijo delo nove podr. št. 103 v Washingtonu, D. C. Imajo odlične voditeljice, ki morejo biti za vzgled ostalim podr. Posebno predsednica, Irene Planinšek in podpreds., Nika B. Kovačič prispevata lepe članke v Zarjo in ostale slov. liste o njihovem delu na slovenskem kulturnem polju in za Zvezo.

Nadzornica, Vicki Faletič predlaga, da bi podr. organizirale mladinske krožke. Svetuje se podružnicam, da poskušajo po možnosti to upoštevati.

Mrs. Prislant poroča o šolninskem skladu. Mnogo podr. je obljubilo pomoč in doslej je že bilo darovanih okoli \$600. Dobrodelni koncert v Clevelandu obeta dodati nekaj temu skladu in v želi se, da sodelujejo podružnice, kakor tudi posamezniki.

Ruby kampanja bo zaključena 1. aprila in sklene se, da se takoj zatem razpiše pred-konvenčna kampanja, ki bo zaključena 31. dec. 1966. Zmagovalke bodo prejele denarne nagrade in odlične tajnice bodo odlikovane s posebnim darilom.

Oddane bodo naslednje točke: 1 točka za novo čl. razreda B ali za prestop mladinske članice; pol točke za novo čl. razreda A ali za prestop iz mlad. oddelka v ta razred in pol točke za novega mladinskega člana.

Urednica poroča o predlogih glede kraja narodne konvencije prih. leto in o situaciji raznih hotelov, kakor cene

in ugodnosti, nakar je bilo soglasno sklenjeno, da se bo konvencija vršila v Washington-Hilton hotelu v dnevih od 24 do 28. maja 1967. Podrobnosti se bodo določile pozneje. Vsekakor se pričakuje mnogo gostov in prijateljev Zveze za te dneve v naši prestolnici, kjer si bodo lahko ogledali zgodovinske zanimivosti in obiskali važne institucije. Mnogo priprav bo v rokah sposobnih gostiteljic podr. št. 103. Urednica poroča o prijetnih srečanjih z washingtonskimi članicami, in odbornicami z gđ. Irene Planinšek na čelu. Pričakuje se, da bodo razne države organizirale posebne buse za obisk Washingtona ob tej priliki. Podrobnosti bodo objavljene v Zarji.

Pol-letna seja je bila zaključena ob 6 uri zvečer z željo za srečno potovanje na domove in predsednica opravi zaključno molitev.

Antonia Turek, glavna predsednica
Corinne Leskovar, zapisničarica

Doneski za šolninski sklad

Zadnji izkaz	\$589.00
Novi doneski:	
Družina Marie Beck, tajnice podr. št. 50 Cleveland, Ohio	10.00
Podružnica št. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.	10.00
Gizella Hozian, znana društvena delavka v Skokie, Ill.	10.00
Marko Šubitz, Chicago, Ill.	10.00
Antonia Turek in Louise Krizman, Cleveland — v spomin Frances Mihelich	6.00
Podružnica št. 39, Biwabik, Minn.	5.00
Podružnica št. 28, Calumet, Mich.	5.00
Podružnica št. 66, Canon City, Colo.	5.00
Josephine Zeleznikar, gl. blagajničarka SZZ, Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Anna Podgorsek, Duluth, Minn., gl. odbornica SZZ	5.00
Skupno do 10. marca 1966	\$660.00
Vsem darovalkam se prijazno zahvaljuje,	
Šolninski odbor Slovenske ženske Zveze.	

POZOR TAJNICE IN DELAVKE V KAMPANJI!

S prvim marcem bodo vsi otroci, ki so vpisani v Zvezi ob rojstvu ali pred prvim rojstnim dnevom, upravičeni do \$50 dodatka k njihovem odraslem zavarovanju, bodisi v razredu A ali B v času njihovega prestopa.

PRED-KONVENČA KAMPANJA se prične 1. aprila 1966! Za podrobnosti čitajte zapisnik direktorice!

"CERKEV SE PODIRA"

Tako je Rev. Odilo Hajnšek zapisal v listu *Ameriška Domovina*. Cerkev, ki se ruši, je Nazarska cerkev v Savjinski dolini.

Mi, ki smo bili tam rojeni, smo mnjenja, da je treba nekaj storiti za to cerkev, ki nam je iz naše mladosti in prijetnem spominu.

Kolikokrat smo kot otroci romali na prijazen Marijin hribček, kjer so se ob praznikih vršile lepe cerkvene slavnosti. Ko smo odhajali v tujino, smo se Nazarski Mariji priporočili za srečno pot. Florarji so v cerkvi imeli poseben prostor, kjer so se priporočali za srečno potovanje po vodi.

Nazarska cerkev je torej potrebna popravila, denarja pa ni. Nekaj sem že med prijatelji v ta namen nabrala, a veliko premalo za izdatno pomoč. Obračam se torej na vse rojake po širni Ameriki, posebno na one katerim je zibelka tekla v lepi Savjinski dolini, da pridejo zbirki na pomoč. Denar večkrat imamo za nepotrebne stvari; izdajmo nekaj dolarjev za potrebno in koristno stvar! Prepričana sem, da vam bo Nazarska Marija z zdravjem povrnila vašo dobro srčnost.

Doneski bodo objavljeni v Zarji.

Pošljite na naslov:

Marie Prislend,
1034 Dillingham Ave.,
Sheboygan, Wis. 53081

DOPISI

Št. 3, Pueblo, Colo. — Veselo se nam smehljala zelena pomlad ter nam ponuja šopke cvetja. — Žal moram poročati, da je bela smrt posegla v vrste naše podr. in nam vzela soses. Angelo Grebenc. Pokojna je bila naša dolgoletna članica in smo jo pospremili s svečami do groba. V zadnji spomin smo ji položile bele cvetke na njeno krsto. Rada je hodila na seje in bila je zelo dobro srčna za podr. Prijateljski pogled in beseda, sta ji bili vedno v največje veselje, zato je rada omenila, da je na naših sejah preživela najlepše ure. — Njena dobra sosedica Mary Porder ji je bila v veliko pomoč ko ji je pričelo pešati zdravje in posebno še vid in posluh. Težko nam je ob izgubi dobre prijateljice. Ohranimo jo v blagem spominu. Družini iskren izraz sožalja.

Na jan. seji je bilo prečitano pismo urednice, da si izberemo zaslužno mater. podr. za leto 1966. Izvoljena je bila Mary Mismash iz Santa Fe Ave. Vedno je bila zelo aktivna v mlajših letih, nešteto ročnega dela je darovala za našo podr. Njene sosedice Fran-

ces Golob in Mary Papish so redno skupno prihajale na seje, toda sedaj jim je pa bolezen prekrizala račune življenja. Vse postajamo starejše in bolehn, mnogo smo storile za svoje družine in društvene zadeve. Bog nas bo bogato nagradil za naša dobra dela.

V mesecu maju bomo počastile našo 90 letno častno mater, zato vas že sedaj vse vabim, da pridete na to sejo, ker bomo imele lep party, serviralo se bo razne dobrote za prigrizek. Posebno vabilo velja Mary Papish in Frances Golob, da se boste zopet skupno povesele in še kakšno zapele v družbi Dorothy Zakrajsek. Tudi Juniors ste lepo vabljeni.

Kruta bolezen zelo muči našo čla. Katherine Kralich, ki trpi na sladkornih. Sedaj je skoro izgubila vid. Vse iskreno sočustvujemo z njo. — Na potu okrevanja na domu so Katherine Zabukovec in Anna Grahek, Corman St. Frances Mikatich, Johana Pauček, Elsie Mramor, Mary Okey, Mary Papish so v bolnišnici ko to pišem. Vse omenjene bolne sestre, so bile deležne naše pozornosti in krasnih cvetlic.

Obiskala sem bolno ses. Josephine Somrak, taj. št. 92, v Crested Butte,

Colo., ki je žedalje časa v bolnišnici, St. Mary-Corwin.

(Žal smo izvedili, da je Mrs. Somrak zadnji mesec umrla. Ured.)

Vsem bolnim ses. želimo, da jim Bog da bogastvo zdravja. Vabim, da obiskujete bolne sestre kar jim bo v prijazno razvedrilo.

Moj poklon prijateljici Emmi Planinšek iz Joliet, ker ji je v čast, da je njena hčerka Irene ustanovila novo podr. št. 103 v Washingtonu, D.C. Pravilno je, da mlade pokažejo zanimanje za Zvezo. To bo veselje, ko se bomo prihodnje leto na konvenciji srečale.

Še vedno imam v zalogi kuharske knjige, ki je zelo poučna knjiga in primerna za darilo ob vsaki priliki. Tudi pesmarice še imam na rokah. Ker smo ravno v velikonočnem času, ko se bodo pekle potice in cvrli krofi, mi spomin uhaja v Ljubljano, kjer sem videla imajo krofe tako velike, kakor moški klobuki, ki so sedaj v modi.

Moje sožalje Mary Otoničar ob izgubi soproga Rudolfa. Naj počiva v miru.

Vabim vse članice, da pridobite nove članice ob priliki 40 letnice ustanovitve Zveze. Hudo mi je pri srcu, da

Velikonoč spodbuda za dobro

Za letošnjo velikonoč bi kot vodilo za duhovno življenje rad navedel besede Tomaža Kempčana. Sedaj ko toliko govorimo o duhovni obnovi, so njegove besede kakor nalašč za ta čas. Takole pravi: "Dragi moj, ne obupuj, da ne bi mogel napredovati v duhovnem življenju; še imaš priložnost in čas.

Zakaj bi na jutri odlagal svoj sklep? Dvigni se in precej začni. Reci: sedaj je čas, da delam, sedaj čas, da se vojskujem, sedaj je pravi čas, da se poboljšam.

Kadar se ti hudo godi in si v stiskah, tedaj je čas, si kaj zaslužiti.

Skozi ogenj in vodo treba, da greš, preden prideš do počitka. Če ne boš sam sebi delal sile, greha, tudi ne živi brez zopernosti in bolečine.

Radi bi brez vseh nadlog, pa ker smo z grehom izgubili nedolžnost, smo napravili tudi pravo srečo.

Zato nam je ohraniti potrpežljivost in pričakovati božjega usmiljenja, dokler ne prejde hudobija in ne bo življenje použilo, kar je umrljivega.

Kaj pomaga dolgo živeti, ako se pa tako malo poboljšamo? Dolgo življenje nas ne poboljša vselej, pogosto nas se bolj zadolži. Da smo vsaj en dan prav preživeli na tem svetu. Marsikdo šteje leta spreobrnjenja, toda neredko je sad poboljšanja le majhen. Ako je strašno umreti, jo morda še nevarneje dolgo živeti.

Kako srečen in pameten je, kdor se sedaj v življenju prizadeva biti tak, kakršen bi bil rad ob smrtni uri.

Zakaj veliko upanje ima, da bo srečno umrl, kdor zaničuje svet, goreče hrepeni napredovati v krepostih, ljubi ostro, dela pokoro, rad posluša, sam sebe zatajuje in vse zoprosti prenaša iz ljubezni do Kristusa.

Veliko dobrega lahko storiš, dokler si zdrav; bolan, ne vem, kaj boš mogel. Zdaj je čas zelo drag: zdaj je čas milosti, zdaj je dan rešitve.

Če smo s Kristusom trpeli bomo s Kristusom tudi vstali.

Veselo velikonoč vsem,

moram opomniti matere, da naj po-
duče svoje hčere in vnuke, da so slo-
venske narodnosti (Slovenian) ne pa
B.J., že veste kaj to pomeni! Pa brez
zamere!

Ob sklepu vas vse pozdravljam in
želim, da bi po domače obhajale ve-
likonočne praznike s polnimi jerbasi
kolačev in potic ter košarico pisanih
pirhov; kdo bi jih ne bil vesel, ker
pirhi pomenijo kaplje božje krvi, a
hren in korenine so bridki žebli Kristu-
sove smrti na križu.

Vaša **Anna Pachak**

Št. 6, Barberton, Ohio. Vsi želimo,
da bi se vreme kmalu obrnilo na top-
plejšo stran, ker se bomo vsi boljše
počutili.

Sporočam, da smo v kratkem izgu-
bile dve članici, Jennie Casserman in
Mary Zagar. Naše globoko sožalje pre-
ostalim sorodnikom od obeh družin.
Pokojnima sestrama pa večni mir in
pokoj!

V bolnišnici se nahaja naša zapis-
nikarica Margaret Stubly. Njej in
vsem bolnim želimo hitro okrevanje.

Vesele praznike vsem članicam po
širni Ameriki- **Mary Kovacic**

Št. 14, Euclid, O. — Naše marčeve
seje se je udeležilo nepričakovano ve-
liko število članic, kar je gotovo zna-
menje, da se nam bliža pomlad. Hva-

la, da ste tako pridne in priporočam
še za naprej, da bi vedno prihajale v
tako lepem številu na seje. — Ta ve-
čer nam je Mr. Zabukovec, mož naše
tajnice kazal slike o bolezni raka. Bi-
lo je zanimivo in poučno, samo Bog
nas varuj te krute bolezni. Film je
tudi pokazal kako se je treba varova-
ti pred to boleznijo. Res hvala Mr. in
Mrs. Zabukovec za trud.

Za okrepitev društvene blagajne je
bilo sklenjeno, da bomo v jeseni prire-
dile card party.

Bolanih je še dosti članic, med nji-
mi je težko bolana Mrs. Troha. Moli-
mo za vse bolne sestre, da bi čimprej
ozdravele.

Ta večer smo tudi imele mesečno
godovanje članic. Mnogo dobrot so
prinesle v jestvinah: Kuhar, Spehar in
Hornung. V denarju so darovale: Plev-
nik, Trebek in v good time: Mavrič,
Kog, Krajačič, Kaušek, Tomažin, Ki-
cher, Valtar, Grill, Stopar, Erzen, Ko-
vač, Lekšan, Bobnič in neimenova-
na. V imenu podr. se vsem daroval-
kam najlepše zahvalim. Naj vam Bog
povrne z dobrim zdravjem, vaša do-
bra srca. — Prosim vse, ki ste v za-
ostanku s članarino, da bi redno pla-
čevale in s tem pomagale tajnici pri
njenem delu, ker ona je precej od od-
daljena od tukaj.

Vse iskreno pozdravljam,
vaša poročevalka, **Antonija Sustar**



Lastovica vrh grmička
in vodica sred gozdička
beli cvet v zeleni trati
in z neba vsi žarki zlati,
so zbudili srce moje.
Moje drobno srce poje,
Krist je vstal!

Radostne velikonočne praznike iskreno želimo vsem
članicam, krajevnim odbornicam in prijateljem! Da bi
velikonočno Jagnje obdarilo vaše domove z vso družin-
sko srečo in blagostanjem in žarki pomladnega sonca
ogreli vaše zanimanje za dobrobit SŽZ! Vas vse skupaj
lepo pozdravljamo—

Direktorice in glavni odbor



Št. 15, Cleveland, O. — Iskreno so-
žalje članici Mrs. Grass, ki žaluje za
umrlim soprogom Antonom. Preminil
je zadnji mesec. Zapustil je še hčer,
sinove, vnuke in ostale sorodnike. Naj
počiva v miru.

Zopet smo izgubile dobro članico,
Jennie Tekavčič, ki je vedno rada pri-
hajala na seje in pomagala, kjerkoli
je bilo potrebno. Za njo žalujejo hčer,
sinovi in ostalo sorodstvo, katerim iz-
rekamo naše sožalje, a blaga pokojni-
ca naj počiva v miru.

Pred enim mesecem je umrl sin čla-
nice Mrs. Ozimek, a danes pa leži na
mrtvaškem odru njen mož Jožef Ozi-
mek, oče dveh hčera in sina-duhovni-
ka ter več sinov in ostalega sorodstva.
Naj mu sveti nebeška luč, žalujočim
naše sožalje.

Vsem bolnim sestram želim ljubega
zdravja, ki je največje bogastvo na
svetu.

Voščim vsem članicam po širni A-
meriki, srečne in zdrave Velikonočne
praznike, da bi vsi veselo prepevali A-
lelujo, posebno še naše sestre od podr.
15, katerim kličem na svidenje na seji.

Najlepši pozdrav duhovnim vodjem
in vsem glavnim odbornicam ter zdra-
vo Veliko noč.

Frances Lindich, poročevalka

St. 19, Eveleth, Minn. — Prihodnja seja se vrši 9. aprila ob pol dveh popoldne, na domu tajnice. Prosim vas, drage sestre, da pridete, ker imamo važne stvari za razmotrivati. Voščim vsem odbornicam in članicam vesele velikonočne praznike; vsem bolnim želim, da bi skoraj okrevale ter vsem, ki slavite rojstni dan ali važno obletnico pa mnogo veselja in še mnogo let sreče in zdravja. Bog vas blagoslov vse skupaj in vse povsod! Mary Lenich, tajnica

Št. 20, Joliet, Ill. — Naše čestitke Mrs. Theresa Pasich in soprogu, Mar-ko katera sta praznovala 40 letnico poroke v cerkvi sv. Jožefa z mašo v krogu svoje družine in prijateljev. Dalje Mrs. Mary Mutz in soprog, Jerry, iz Cora St., katera sta praznovala 41 letnico poroke v sredi družine in sorodnikov. Nato se je razvila domača slavnost na domovih obeh obhajancev. Mrs. Pasich in sestre in isto Mrs. Mutz in sorodnice so naše članice dolgo let. Naj bi oba para slavljencev Bog blagoslovil z zdravjem še mnogo let.

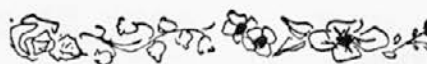
Čestitke Lt. James J. Zelko, kateri je bil odlikovan z bronasto medaljo za njegove posebne zasluge v drugem batalionu pri Marines v Viet Nam. Poleg navadne službe kot zdravnik v Viet Nam ima zaslugo, da je ustanovil posebno postajo za bolne Viet Namce, kjer je on zdravil na stotine bolnikov. Lt. Zelko je sin naše članice iz N. Broadway. Slovenci smo ponosni na tega mladega zdravnika, kateri ima toliko zaslug.

Čestitke tudi društvu Sv. Frančiška Sal. KSKJ. ki je proslavilo 70 letnico z veliko mašo in slavnostnim banketom. Posebno je značilno, da so župnik Msgr. Butala, Edmund Gregorich in Rev. George Kuzma vsi člani tega društva in vsi trije so tudi darovali sv. maše istočasno. Ustanovitelj fare Sv. Jožefa, Rev. Franc Šušteršič, je bil član tega društva. Mnogo članic dr. Sv. Frančiška so tudi naše članice.

Naše sožalje družinam pok. Julie Janes, katera je umrla Feb. 9. Zapuščča dve hčerke in sedem sinov, ter 23 vnukov in 21 prav vnukov in drugih sorodnikov. Pokopana je bila iz fare Matere Božje na hrvaško pokopališče.

13. feb. je umrla Johanna Zugel, stara 80 let. Zapuščča štiri sinove in štiri hčerke. Pred njo so šli v večnost njen soprog, hčerka in tri sinovi. Eden sin, Sgt. Frank Zugel je padel v drugi svetovni vojni. Njena hčerka, Marge Breise, je naša članica. Obe pokojne so bile tu dobro poznane. Naj v miru počivata in večna luč naj jima sveti. Naše članice so se zbrale k skupni molitvi ob rakvi pokojnih in jih spremile na zadnji poti.

Umrl je Math Sporar, v starosti 75 let, soprog naše članice Katherine. Zapuščča štiri hčerke in tri sinove. Dve hčerke so naše članice: Mary Gas-pich in Victorija Bernikas. Pokopan



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Gregor Mali



je bil na hrvaškem pokopališču iz hrvaške cerkve Matere Božje. Naj v miru počiva, sorodnikom pa naše sožalje.

Vsem članicam naše podružnice polagam eno prošnjo, pridite na sejo in poravnajte Vaše prispevke za Zvezo. Ni lepo ko od mesca in leta odlašate. Težko je tajnici zalagati za Vas. Storitve svojo dolžnost in plačajte kar dolgujete. Lahko tudi pridete na dom odbor-nice poravnati.

Naša tajnica, Frances, je še vedno v bolnišnici. Želimo, da se kmalu vrne na dom in na naše seje. Iz bolnišnice se na domu sedaj zdravijo Mrs. Mary Vlasich in Johanna Krall, kakor tudi Annette Petek. Tem in vsem bolnim želimo, da se kmalu pozdravijo.

Velikonoč je tu. Želim vsem članicam in družinam vesele in blagoslovljene Velikonočne praznike, da bi jih vsi v zdravju obhajali.

Lepe pozdrave,

Josephine Erjavec

Št. 21, Cleveland, O. — Članice se opozarja, da bodo od aprila naprej naše seje prvo sredo ob 6:30 zvečer. — Na febr. seji je bilo klicano ime Antonia Lazar za durno nagrado, žal ni bila navzoča. Vse ste vabljeni, da pridete na sejo, ker sreča vas čaka. —

Glede materinske proslave je važno, da pridete, ker bomo imele okrepčila in pot luck, da bo prav za vse. Počastile bomo tudi zaslužno mater, ki je bila botra naše zastave.

Dne 11. jan. sta obhajala 25 letnico poroke Ann in Tony Vuk. Zahvalna sv. maša je bila v isti cerkvi, kakor poroka na W. 130 St. — Čestitke nji-

ma in tudi Mr. in Mrs. Lovrence Ko-žuh, ki sta obhajala 46 l. in v prvič sta grandma in grandpa.

Dne 16. aprila je rojstni dan naše aktivne Ančke Palčič, sedanje predsednice. Vse ji želimo najboljše in čestitke na vse strani.

Članice pridite na seje in prireditve, ker se s tem spoznate z drugimi in preživite nekaj ur v lepi družbi. Za vzgled nam je lahko Mrs. Cecilija Brodnik; ni čudno, da zgleda še tako mlada, čeprav je že v letih. Le tako naprej, smo res ponosne na tako članico.

Dne 16. aprila bo 50 letnica Društva Delavec, ker so članice tudi pri naši podružnici, zato je prav, da se jim ta večer pridružimo in počastimo še par živih članov, ki so bili med ustanoviteljji, med njimi tudi naša Mrs. Brodnik. Moj poklon! Nastopi zbor Tri-glav, ravno tako članice št. 21, bomo vesele, če pridete in se skupno pozdravimo. Mnenja sem, da se počasti delavne osebe dokler so med nami, ne pa po smrti. Tako je pri društvih in posameznikih.

Po sejah nam je že večkrat postregla z dobrim pecivom Mrs. Nosan, ki je dobro poznana lastnica na E. 65 St. Lepa hvala! Pozdrav vsem.

Anna Jesenko

Št. 24, La Salle, Ill. — Žal da moram poročati, da so naše seje bolj slabo obiskane. Seveda če se članice ne udeležijo v večjem številu, tudi me odbor-nice ne moremo nič ukreniti v korist naše podružnice. Res smo imele precej hudo zimo, nekaj tednov, toda sedaj smo že v lepi pomladi in upam, da se boste ogrele in prišle na sejo. Res je tudi precej članic bolnih, da ne morejo priti med nas. — V bolnišnici se je nahajala Ana Dular in težko operacijo je prestala ses. Mary Šetinc. Ker se sedaj že obe zdravita na domu, njima vsem bolnim članicam želimo ljubelega zdravlja. — Upam, da se boste vse hitro pozdravile in prišle na prihodnjo sejo.

Vsem voščim vesele Veliko noč in lepih prirhov. — Pozdrav vsem članicam po širni Ameriki in glavnim uradnicam. Angela Strukel, tajnica

Št. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa. — Kako lepa je pomlad, ko se narava prebujala in začne vse zeleneti. Vse to nas spominja na prejšnja mlada leta, ali kakor poje pesem "Mladost se več ne vrne . . ." Vseeno se radi razveselimo, ko si kaj zanimivega priredimo. In tako bo zopet naša podružnica priredila luncheon party v korist naše blagajne, ki se tako hitro črpa, če se kaj vedno ne primeče. Ta prireditve bo 17. maja ob 1:45 popoldne v Slovenskem Domu na 57 cesti. Pa tudi asesment bomo pobirale, ako pridete dosti zgodaj pred začetkom. Tiketi bodo v prodaji že poprej po ceni \$1.25 in upamo, da bo vsaka prinesla dar v vrednosti enega dolarja ali več, kakor je ka-

teri mogoče in upamo, da nam boste pomagale tudi z delom, kakor ste vedno poprej in se vam že v naprej najlepše zahvaljujemo za vašo postrežbo vsem.

Dne 22. maja smo pa namenjene obiskati našo sosednjo podružnico št. 71 v Strabane, Pa., ki bodo tega dne imele Pensilvanija Day z banketom in upamo, da nas bo dovolj za celi bus, ker tako je lažje potovati, kakor če bi šla vsaka posebej. Tudi je bolj veselo, če nas je dosti skupaj.

Naše čestitke dolgoletni dobri članici, ki je dosegla častitljivo starost in smo jo tudi izvolile za častno mater 1. 1966 in upamo, da bo še dolgo let uživala med nami. Ona je vedno redno prihajala na mesečne seje, zato jo včasih zelo pogrešamo.

Vsem članicam želimo veselo Veliko noč in bolnim sestram pa kar najhitrejšega okrevanja. Najlepše pozdrave. **Mary Bahor, blag.**

Št. 32, Euclid, O. — Pomlad je tu, narava se prebuja in upam, da bo tudi nas in našo podružnico poživila. Že sedaj ste vabljeni, da pride te na majsko sejo, prvi torek v dvorano St. Christine, ker bomo po seji počastile naše matere in pa rojstne dneve. Lepo bi bilo, če bi pripeljale nove članice na to sejo. Naj tu omenim, da je članarina za razred B 75 centov ter je posmrtnine \$300 in za razred A 50c na mesec ter je posmrtnine \$100. V to je vključeno 5c na mesec za tekoče stroške pri podr. ter dobimo Zarjo v kateri je mnogo zanimivega branja. Mladoletni pa plačajo le 10c mesečno. Po 75 letu starosti pa plačajo članice samo 25c članarine.

Za naš birthday sklad so še darovale po \$1: Caroline Peck, in Frances Perme. V ročno blagajno po \$2 pa Mary Hočevar. Hvala!

Sin Anne Chinchin, Joseph, ki služi pri mornarici, se bo poročil v marcu na Škotskem. Da bi bil srečen v zakonu.

Čestitke Mr. in Mrs. Steve Skrobot, ki sta v jan. obhajala zlato poroko. Ona je naša dobra dolgoletna članica. Članice se pridružujemo 5tim otrokom in 14 vnučkom z željami, da bi v zdravju dočkala še biserno poroko.

Sožalje Mary Bukovec, kateri je umrla hčerka Rose E. Moro dne 31. jan. Enako sožalje Josephine Stwan, ki ji je umrla sestra Mary Lindlich. Naj v miru počivajo.

Ko to pišem se nahaja Jennie Gustinčič v bolnici, pa upam, ko bo brala te vrstice, da bo že zdrava, kakor želimo vsem našim bolnim.

Na svidenje na seji. **F. Perme**

Št. 38, Chisholm, Minn. V starem letu smo izgubile pet članic in tudi novo leto nam ne prizanaša, ker je smrt posegla med nas. Umrla so sledeče sestre: Mary Zalokar, Frances Lesnak, Mary Susnik, Alojzija Vesel,

Št. 47, Garfield Hts., O. — Proslava ustanovitve naše podružnice se bo vršila v nedeljo dne 24. aprila. Zgodovinski dan ustanovitve je prav za prav bil dne 17. junija 1931. Ustanoviteljica in organizatorica naše podr. je bila ses. Helen Tomažič in pri tem delu sta ji pridno pomagale ses. Antonia Dolinar in ses. Alojzija Zidanič. Vse članice smo ponosne na nje, ko so se med nami. Žrtvovala so mnogo časa, saj so pridobile 104 članic ob ustanovitvi. V uradu sta še danes Tomažič in Dolinar z majhno izjemo vseh 35 let. Ses. A. Zidanič je morala opustiti urad zaradi rahlega zdravja. Zgodovina in delovanje podružnice je bilo opisano za 25 letnico in za 30 letnico, zato se bom omejila le na važne spremembe. Izmed ustanovnih članic jih je živih še 28, a 22 ustanovnih članic je že umrlo in poleg teh še 25 članic. Do danes jih počiva sladki sen 47 članic katerim smo ohranile lep spomin in vsako leto se jih spominjamo v molitvah ter letno je darovana sv. maša za vse, ki so odšle v večno domovino.

Naslednje so še živeče ustanovne članice: Mary Barbič, Jennie Bizjak, Terezija Bizjak, Frances Bricel, Helen Cergol, Antoinette Davies, Antonia Dolinar, Danica Dučič, Mary Frank, Louise Kastelec, Theresa Kocivar, Jennie Konestabo, Mary Ločnikar, Josephine Ludvik, Carolina Mauser, Josephine Meserko, Agnes Miller, Valentina Mervar, Margaret Mulh, Mary Peternel, Jennie Pugley, Mary Rickard, Roselyn Shuster, Mary Steigerwald, Jennie Stemberger, Helen Tomažič, Mary Železnik, in Louise Zidanič.

To je dokaz, da nas bo še lepo število od prve prireditve do 35 letnice, ki so pridno delovale pri vseh. Sedaj imamo skupno po razredih 145 članic in 6 družabnih članic. Skušale smo nadomestiti vrzeli, da lahko trdim, da nismo nazadovale.

Našim prvim delavkam naj veljajo naslednje besede v hvaležni poklon: Sestre, kvišku glave, ko ledino ste orale. Danes še klije seme, ki ste ga vsejale. Da lahko vabimo v svate, za 35-ti jubilej!

Program imamo že izbran, ali danes ko to pišem še ni dokončan. Naša slavnost

Mary Separovich in letos Mary Vodovnik. Naj blage pokojne počivajo v miru v hladni ameriški zemlji. Pogrešane so med sorodniki in tudi med nami. Smrt pobira mlade in stare, ker neizogibna usoda kosí svojo pot.

Pokojna Mary Vodovnik, deliško ime First, je bila rojena v Gornjem Gradu na Štajerskem. Rada je pomagala dokler ji je zdravje dopuščalo. Prosim vas, drage sestre, da bi nadomestile izgubo z novimi članicami, da ne bo število preveč občutno.

nost bo povezana z letno državno konvencijo za Ohio, Mich. Prosim podružnice, ki so izven Clevelanda, če se nameravate udeležiti, da nam naznate vaš poset do 17. aprila, da vam bo zagotovljena dobra postrežba.

Na veselo svidenje Vam kliče in Vas vabi odbor!

Čestitke čla. Carolin Susteršič, ki se je poročila z Frankom Stare. Želimo jima mnogo sreče v zakonu in obilo veselja v novem domu na Maple Hts.

12. marca je bila 82 let mlada Jennie Begovič in Mary Hočevar je istega dne dopolnila 75 letnico rojstva. Carolina Mauser bo v marcu tudi dopolnila 65 let in s tem si zaslužila penzijo. Zaposlena je bila kot predelavka v May Co. mnogo let. Josephine Meserko pa je že 80 križev zaznamovala v svojo knjigo življenja. Pred leti je bila aktivna in je vpisala veliko novih članic v podr., da je imela častno mesto kot princezinja, istega leta ko je bila izvoljena kot Zvezina kraljica A. Mahovic. Mary Mafko je tudi bila 87 let mlada dne 25. marca. Nahaja se v Nursing Home v Millersburgu. — Naša lanska predsednica Roselyn Shuster je praznovala 17. marca svoj rojstni dan ter ji vse članice želimo še mnogo veselih rojstnih obletnic.

Oddelek naših družabnih članic se je povečal za dve novi članici: Josephine Grlica in Angela Mogavec. Vpisala jih je ses. Jennie Gerk. Dobro došle med nami!

Lepa hvala za pozdrave ses. Josephine Ludvik z Covina, Cal., in Mary Jelarčič iz Phoenix, Arizona.

Končno opozarjam vse članice, da za večerjo bo priliki 35 letnice je prispevek \$2 za osebo in za otroke pod 12 leti starosti polovično \$1. Imele bomo tudi pet dobikov na knjižnici. Naj si jih vsaka preskrbi, da jih bo deležna.

Ses. Antonia Brne se je podala 1. marca v Cleveland Clinic bolnico v svrhu operacije. Želimo ji, da bi se pozdravila do dneva naše proslave.

Želim vsem bolnim sestram ljube ga zdravja, saj zopet prihaja lepa zelena pomlad. Pozdrav vsem.

Jennie Pugely, tajnica

Pri naši podružnici imamo vsako leto splošno prireditev za Materni dan in to bo letos na drugo nedeljo v maju. Vabi se vse na udeležbo. Važno je, da si preskrbite tiket, potem se bo vedlo za koliko pripraviti.

Dobrodošle kličemo članicam od podružnice št. 48 v Buhl, ki so prestopile k naši podružnici. S tem se je naše število pomnožilo in tudi finančno pomagalo ročni blagajni. Prestopile so: Olga Ambrozich, Rose Malek, Mary Rabuzey, Mary Kutclar, Frances Ambrozich, Mary Miklaucich,

DRŽAVNA KONVENCIJA IN 30 LETNICA — 22. MAJA

Št. 71, Strabane, Pa. Dne 22. maja bomo praznovali državno konvencijo in 30 letnico obstoja naše podružnice.

Lepo ste vabljeni vse podružnice iz Penna. in prosim, da nam sporočite do 15. maja koliko se vas bo udeležilo.

Naša glavna predsednica in državna preds. in mnogo članic iz Clevelanda se je že večkrat udeležila naših konvencij v Penna. in upam, da se bodo tudi letos. Mogoče bo Mrs. Bostjan pripeljala njen očet, ki prav lepo zapojejo. Obljubile so tudi Francka Rosenbergar in Stella Peltz da prideta.

Eva Maras, Anne Stepan, Mary Glavan, Mary Arko in Anne Ozanich; Roberta Vesel v mladinski oddelku ter Katie Mustar, družabna članica.

Ako ni še doslej prišla v veljavo pesmica: Nesrečna zima mrazi me in dolgo proč ne spravi se . . . je gotovo letos. Ko pišem te vrstice imamo še dosti snega in nov naletava.

Vsem bolnim članicam želimo hitrega okrevanja ter vas vse skupaj iskreno pozdravljamo in želimo vesele praznike! Anna Trdan, tajnica

Št. 41, Cleveland, O. — Prav vse se smo bile lepe udeležbe na zadnji seji, želimo, da se bo tako nadaljevalo skozi vse leto.

Resno je bolana ses. Francka Meše, to je naša večletna bivša podpredsednica, ki je tekom let veliko pripomogla k uspehu podružnice. Vse ji želimo čimprejšnjega okrevanja in najboljšega zdravlja v bodočnosti. Enako želimo tudi vsem drugim sestram, katere se ne počutijo dobro.

(Tik pred tiskem smo izvedili, da je Mrs. Meše med tem umrla. C.)

Po daljšem bivanju v bolnici sta tekom enega meseca preminuli sestr: Theresa Strauss in Rose Glavic. Sorodnikom in prijateljem pokojnih izrekamo naše iskreno sožalje. Pokojni sestr pa naj počivata v miru in Bog jima bodi dober plačnik.

V blagajno so darovale sestre M. Zdešar, R. Kovačič, M. Franz, M. Bebec, R. Šabec, E. Bratina, U. Ule in A. Mršnik. Vsaki posebej prav prisrčna hvala. Vse katere še dolgujete na asessmentu ste prošene, da istega poravnate čimprej mogoče.

Prisrčna hvala ses. Angeli Maček, Mary Debevec, Ančki Rebolj in Mary Cerjak za imenitno pecivo in čaj v počastitev rojstnih obletnic ses. A. Maček in podpisane. Bog vam povrni.

Pridite vse na prihodnjo sejo in pripeljite tudi vaše prijateljice.

Blagoslovljene Velikonočne prazni-

Pričetek konvenčne seje bo ob 1 uri pop. in banket se bo vršil ob dveh popoldne v KSKJ dvorani.

13. febr. smo tukaj imeli veliko dežja in veliko poplavo. Voda je vdrila v več hiš in prodajalne. Tudi mojemu sinu je zalila garažo in vse prostore v garaži do 3 čevljev visoko. Načrtovano je bilo veliko škode.

Naša blagajničarka je šla v Phoenix, Ariz., piše, da je podnebje suho in gorko in da ji pomaga proti artritis. Mary želimo, da se zdrava vrne domov in Mr. in Mrs. Božič, ki se tudi tam nahajata.

Lep pozdrav in na svidenje 22. maja v Strabani. Mary Tomsic, preds.

ke želim našemu duhovnemu vodju, glavnim odbornicam in vsem članicam Zveze. Ella Starin, taj.

Št. 68, Fairport, Ohio. — Pozdravljene vse v glavnem uradu in članice širom Amerike. Sitno zimo že puščamo za nami in že kukajo cvetlice iz zemlje. Zvončki in podleski lepo cvete in oznanja tople dneve.

Prav lepo se zahvalim gospej Prislant za čestitke k naši 30 letnici. Zaradi zimskega vremena te obletnice nismo proslavili v febr., ampak smo se odločili za 26. junij, ko bomo počastili naše ustanoviteljice. Vabimo vas že v naprej, da nas obiščete in se poveselite z nami. Imele bomo vrtno veselico v Ameriškem Slovenskem Domu v Fairportu, saj je tako lepo pri nas v letnem času blizu jezera v prijetni senci in tudi za balinjanje je pripravno. Torej le pridite od blizu in daleč, vas bomo zelo vesele.

V nov. smo imele zelo lepo udeležbo, ko smo imele večerjo riževih klobas in napravile smo prav dobro, tako, da smo si uredile kuhinjo, kakor smo želele, ne veliko, toda za nas bo odgovarjala. Saj sem se že zadnjič zahvalila vsem. Seveda gre lepa zahvala tudi Progresivnim Slovenkam iz Euclida, ki so organizirale lepo število. Prišle so z busom in nekaj članic Slov. Ženske Zveze se jim je pridružilo, kar se jim ni peljalo s privatnimi avtomobili. Torej bomo vse rade vrtele.

Želim št. 47 veliko uspeha ob 35 letnici, katero bodo obhajali v aprilu in upam, da jih tudi me obiščemo, kar bo mogoče.

Moje in sožalje nas vseh sestri Škrabec ob izgubi moža in Frances Ule očeta. Bil je dober mož in oče, zapušča 3 hčere in več vnukov. Pokojna je tudi bila ustanoviteljica naše podr.

Kličem vsem sestram SZZ mnogo sreče in zdravlja!

Jennie Mohorcic, preds.

Št. 89, Oglesby, Ill. — Namenila sem se napisati par vrstic v našo priljubljeno Zarjo. Vsaka rada bere, toda za pisanje se je bolj težko pripraviti. Naša febr. seja je bila precej povoljno obiskana. Le tako naprej članice, ker je bilo veselje videti toliko sester navzočih. Še jaz sem se skobacala na sejo, bila prej sem bila dva meseca doma na počitnicah kot ground hog. Bila sem tudi v bolnišnici, tako da tudi za božičnico nisem nikamor mogla. Članice so se res lepo postavile za bolne sestre so darovale srebrna darila. Bolniku zelo dobro dene, da se ga sestre spominjo in bilo je lepo darilo za Miklavževo in voščilne karte, katerih sem bila prav vesela, pomagajo kot zdravilo. Hvala lepa članicam in prijateljicam. Mesto mene je Mary Kernz uredila tajništvo, dokler nisem prišla k sebi. Hvala lepa, Mary!

Sedaj se bliža pomlad, katero ne strpno pričakujemo. Topli sonček in toplo vreme, to me veseli.

Pozdravljam vse članice in prijatelje in vam želim ljubelega zdravlja vse leto 1966 in bodoča leta.

Anna Vogrich

Št. 100, Fontana, Cal. — Naše letne seje so vedno številno obiskane, to tudi zato, ker po seji imamo lepo zabavo s pokrivanjem števil ter okrepčili, zraven pa še lepo zapojemo. Ses. Sušel pripelje precej prijateljic in gostov, da je bolj lušno.

Kot nova social member je pristopila Mary Kurelich. Kličemo ji dobrodošlico med nami!

Prečitano je bilo pismo Mrs. Prislant, ki prosi, da bi kaj darovale za šolnino mladine, ali je žalostno ker je naša blagajna tako nizka, bomo videli, če si bo kaj opomogla.

Prečitane so bile zahvalne karte od ses. Rupert ob priliki izgube soproga in od ses. Antonije Kovach in njene mame Mrs. Kadunc o izgubi očeta in soproga. Naše globoko sožalje vsem; naj vas ljubi Bog tolaži in pomaga v vaših težkočah. Pokojnim pa naj sve-ti večna luč počitka in miru.

Bolne so ses. Mary Avcin, Mary Strnart in mama od Tončke Kovach, Mrs. Kadunc. Sestre ste prošene, da jih obiščete. Njim pa želim, da jim ljubi Bog in Marija pomaga in vrne ljubo zdravlje.

Rummage sale smo preložile od marca na maj, to je 9., 10. in 11. maja. Prošene ste, da prinesete kar ne rabite, vse je dobrodošlo. Ako ne morete prinesiti, pa pokličite uradnico. — Imamo obisk iz N. Y., Mrs. A. Voje od št. 84. Dobrošla in vesele smo, da ostane tukaj do pomladi.

Želim vse uradnicam in članicam zdravlje in božji blagoslov.

Kristina Filip, poročevalka

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HI, BOYS AND GIRLS!

The second Tuesday of April is the official opening day of the professional baseball season, which lasts until early in October.

Baseball has been the national game of the United States for many years. It is now widely played in almost every country in the world. American soldiers and sailors in World War II helped spread the game. It was one of their favorite recreations whenever they could find time to play.

From the World Book Encyclopedia we read: "Abner Doubleday, who later became a general in the Union Army during the War between the States, is said have begun the sport. He drew up the playing rules and laid out the first real playing field at Cooperstown, N.Y. in 1839. Games similar to baseball had been played in America much earlier than that year. But Doubleday's work is generally considered as the beginning of the present-day game. The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum was erected at Cooperstown in his honor."

"The popularity of baseball spread very rapidly. It is now the most highly organized professional sport in America. But it is also a popular amateur sport. On vacant lots every-



where are seen teams and players. Colleges, highschools, clubs, and many community and neighborhood organizations have amateur teams that play the game well. Many of the ablest players in the country get their start toward professional careers in baseball with such teams."

Baseball enthusiasts, like our family, know that there are two major leagues, made up of ten teams each. The National League was founded in 1876, while the American League was founded in 1900.

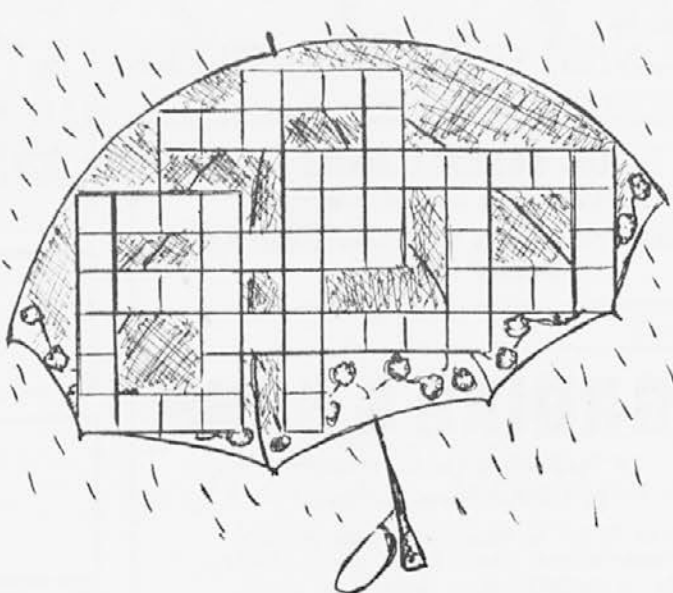
Today hundreds of experts roam the country to look over young ball-players.

Do you know what the big baseball league scouts are looking for? They look for catchers who can hit and throw, a shortstop with quick reflexes, real speed in the outfield, a pretty good-sized pitcher who throws hard and a batter with a smooth swing.

But the most important part of any future player is his disposition. Can he take bad breaks, be able to relax and take a beating without losing his temper? His scholastic standing is

From Junior Messenger:

APRIL SHOWERS PUZZLE



Words Across

1. If you like someone, you're _____ of them.
3. A man wears this on his head.
4. A coat you wear in the rain.
7. You can buy food fresh, frozen, or in _____.
9. A magician's magic is only a _____.
10. A shorter way to write "automobile."
11. These like to chase cats.
12. You wear these over your shoes.
13. The opposite of "hard."

Words Down

1. Twelve inches equal one _____ (abbreviation).
2. What you do when you are thirsty.
3. The opposite of "rooster."
4. You sometimes see this in the sky after an April shower.
5. Wet feet sometimes give people _____.
6. Labels.
7. When you come home with wet socks on, you should _____ them right away.
8. When the weather is violent, we say that it is _____.

important, including college and above all and finally a burning desire and determination to play baseball.

Winning or losing our family staunchly supports the Chicago Cubs in all its watchings and discussions.

Watching, listening or actively participating, be a baseball fan—a fan of the popular and national game of the United States.

The word "Easter" probably comes from an old pagan festival called Eostur. This word means "the season of the rising sun"—the season of spring when new life begins. After Our Lord's Resurrection, this idea of a new life was given a religious meaning—the new life of the Risen Savior.

Here's an Easter wish from Pope John XXIII's Easter Message: "Grant us Your blessing... as You did when You appeared again for the first time to Your closest friends on the morning of Easter Day..."

Your friend,
REGINA

Tourist: "The sky seems so much clearer here in New York City than it does at home."

New Yorker (Proudly): "Of course the sky is clearer here. We have skyscrapers."

The Daffodils

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high e'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Then thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company:
I gazed — and gazed — but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought;

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

William Wordsworth

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