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ŠODOBNI PROBLEMI

Mesec marec je bil po predsedniku Rooseveltu proklamiran za mesec Rdečega križa. V tem mesecu se bo vršila kampanja, da ta humanitarna organizacija zbere fond 200 milijonov dolarjev. Vsak, kdor more, naj prispeva v to plemenito svrhu. Rdeči križ je kakor angel, ki je povsod, kjer je pomoč potrebna: pri naših vojakih tuk za fronto, v zaščitu ter v taboriščih doma in v inozemstvu, pri vojnih ujetnikih, v bolnišnicah ter na krajih večjih katastrof, kot so kolizije vlakov, požari, poplave, potresi itd. Rdeči križ je najbolj humanitarna organizacija v časih in dežehaj vojne in miru. Razume se, da je delo te organizacije silno povečano v teh vojnih časih, zato potrebuje tudi večjih finančnih sredstev. Glavni odbor Ameriške bratske zveze, ki je že večkrat prez nakazal primerne prispevke iz zvezine blagajne Ameriškemu rdečemu križu, je tudi pri zadnjem zasedanju dovolil v to svrhu \$300.00. Naši člani, kot posamezniki se bodo gotovo tudi radodarno odzvali klicu Rdečega križa v njihovih naselbinah. Vsak naj se zaveda, da njegovega prispevka ne more darovati v nobeno bolj plemenito svrhu.

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Vsi vemo, da vojne razmere povzročajo težkoče in zamude v transportaciji. Za to sta v glavnem odgovorna dva vzroka: preobloženost železnic in drugih prevoznih sredstev in pomanjkanje uslužbencev oziroma nezadostna izvežbanost istih. Iz navedenih vzrokov tudi naš postni sistem ne posluje tako točno kot v normalnih časih. Pisma večkrat zaostajajo in listi se včasih izgubijo na pošti. Dopisniki naj bi torej, če le mogoče, dovolili svojim pismom nekaj dni več casa za "pot". Tako bo več sigurnosti, da bodo dopisi priobčeni pravočasno. Ako je kakemu članu ustavljeno glosilo, ki ga želi prejemati, naj nas obvesti. Morda nas je pošta pomotoma obvestila, da naj list ustavimo; morda smo v upravnosti napravili napako. Oboje se pripeti. V takih primerih bomo napake seveda nemudoma popravili. Ako je v upravnosti tozadne vse v redu, pa član klijub temu lista ne prejema ali ga prejema neredit, je dokaz, da je neredit na pošti, in sicer največkrat na pošti prejemnika. Takih slučajev smo imeli zadnje čase znatno število. V vsakem takem primeru, ako smo opozorjeni, priporočimo naslovniku, da vpraša za pojasnilo na svoji lokalni pošti. To navadno pomaga. Člani in članice naj bodo zagotovljeni, da jim je uredništvo-upravnštvo Nove Dobe tozadne vselej drage volje na uslužbo.

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Iz pisem, ki jih uredništvo Nove Dobe prejema od članov-vojakov, katerim se list pošilja, je razvidno, da jih prejem vsake številke razveseli. Menda največ zato, ker jim je kot nekak odmre domačnosti v tujini. List se posilja vsakemu članu-vojaku, katerega naslov nam je sporočen, bodisi, da je nasloviljene v ameriškem taborišču ali pa kje v inozemstvu. Res je, da list vojakov v nekaterih krajinah inozemstva ne doseže, toda večinoma ga dobivajo, dasi bolj ali manj neredit. Zato pozivamo starše, brate in sestre, ki imajo v vojaški službi sinove oziroma brate ter so slednji naši člani in bi žeeli Novo Dobo prejemati, naj nam sporočijo njihove naslove, ako jih še niso. Navedejo naj tudi številko društva, h kateremu dotedi član-vojak spada. Vse drugo bo urejeno v upravnosti. Znano je, da vojaki, posebno tisti, ki so nameščeni kje v inozemstvu, najbolj nestрпно čakajo pošte. Časopis iz domačega kraja jim sicer ne pomeni toliko kot pisma od sorodnikov ali prijateljev, vendar je gotovo, da jim je vsaj delno v nadomestilo.

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Simon Gregorčič:

ZIVLJENJE NI PRAZNIK

Ni praznik, predragi mi, naše življenje, življenje naj bode ti delaven dan! Od zore do mraka rosan in potan ti lajšaj in slajšaj človeško trpljenja! Na plaši se znoja, ne straši se boja, saj moško dejanje krepičuje moža, a pokoj mu zdrave moči ponokona, dejanje ti ljubi, a boj se pokoja! Dolžan ni samo, kar veleva mu stan, kar more, to mož je storiti dolžan! Na delo tedaj, ker resnobni so dni, a delo in trud ti nebo blagoslov!

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

taknil. Iz tega se vidi, kaj imašti. Poštni departmément ima pravo vrednost v današnjih časih.

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Nemški radio je bil dne 25. aprila 1943 z glasnimi fanfarami naznani, da je nemška podmornica potopila ameriški parnik, in sicer nosilca letal "Ranger." Poveljnik dotične podmornice je dobiti od Hitlerja visoko odlikovanje za ta čin. Ranger pa še vedno pri dobrem zdravju kroži po visokem morju in nosi letala, v katerih kredit je do bil do 10. februarja letos zapisane 40 tisoč ton potopljenje nemške plovbe. Za parnik, ki je bil že lansko pomlad po nezmotljivih Nemcih zapisan za mrtvega, to ni mala reč.

Razvoji na ruski fronti dokazujojo nad vsak dvom, da je ruski "generalni štab" s svojo strategijo daleč nadkril najboljše nemške generale, s katerimi Hitlerjem vred. Pa so nam vsa zadnja desetletja pravili, kako zabiti so Rusi!

Pravijo, da Bog ne plačuje vsake sobote. Isto velja tudi za Strica Sama. Za Pearl Harbor je plačal Japoncem šele po dveh letih z bombami, ki jih je nasipal na japonsko bazo Truk. To je bil prvi obrok plačila. Nadaljni obroki in obresti sledijo.

Nemški listi poročajo, da so bili pozvani pod orožje letniki 1844 do 1893, to je od 51 do 60 let starci. Zdi se, da nemške vojaške oblasti strjejo iz kotla rezerv zadnje skorje.

V angleškem parlamentu je bila nedavno debata o bombardiranju Rima in o možnosti, da bi se papežu pripeta kaka nešreča. Pa se je k debati oglašil viscount FitzAlan, ki je katalic: "Jaz imam največje spoštovanje do sedanjega nosilca papeške časti in bi zelo obžaloval vsako osebno neprijenosnost, ki bi se mu mogla pripeti. Istočasno pa ne smemo biti slepi napram dejstvu, da kar koli bi se moglo zgoditi sedanemu okupantu svete stolice, mi vedno dobimo drugega. To dejstvo se ne more ignorirati."

V Italiji nameščeni ameriški inteligenčni častnik O. L. McDonald je nekoga dne močno želen dospel v vojaško kuhinjo in si naglo privočil dober požredek iz vrha za kavo. Pozneje je priznal, da mu je pijača povzročila precejšnega mačka. V vrhu za kavo je bil namreč gasolin. K sreči mož ni kadilec.

V Hollywoodu je 28-letni Edward M. Sheridan na registracijski listini za vojaško službo označil kot odvisno osebo Mary Ann Sheridan. Ko se je pronašlo, da mož nima hčerke in je bil poklican na odgovor, je protestiral, češ, da je vsa vprašanja na poli pravilno in resnično izpolnil: Zapisal je polno ime, spol in rojstni dan Mary Ann, kakor tudi, da je od njega odvisna. Nikjer pa ni bilo takega vprašanja, da bi bil odgovoril, da je odvisna "oseba" njegova dve leti stara kobilka, ki je za dnevne porcijske ovsu povsem odvisna od njega.

Nemški nacijski, italijanski fašisti in španski falangisti, katerim slednjim načeluje diktator Franco, so vsi enega gnezda ptiči, ki so vsi sovražni demokraciji, kakršno razumemo in ljubimo Američani. Tako je bilo uročno povedano iz Washingtona in povedal je generalni pravdnik Biddle. Smo radovedni, kaj bodo na to reklisti naši separatisti, ki se navdušujejo za rebela Franca vse od časa, ko je s pomočjo Hitlerja in Mussoliničem zadavil demokratično špansko republiko.

Literaturo nemoralne vsebine trgali orožje iz nemških rok. Njihovo število je naglo nara-

ščalo. Nobena maščevanja Nemcev tudi najbolj krvava, bodisi napram talcem ali vasem, jih niso odvrnila. **Zanje je bila smrt ali svoboda.** Kmalu so pričeli povzročati težke izgube Nemcem in so postali gospodarji obširnih okrožij. Organizirani na gerilskih principih in pod izvrstnim vodstvom so bili smrtonosni in obenem spretno se izogibajoči.

"Nemci so proti njim izvajali velikopotezne ofenzive, toda v vseh primerih, celo če so bili obkroženi, so se partizani izmuzli, ko so prej zadali sovražniki težke izgube.

"Partizansko gibanje je kmalu po številu svojih sil prekosiло sile generala Mihajlovića. Ne samo Hrvati in Sloveni, ampak tudi Srbi so se v velikem številu pridružili maršalu Titu, in on ima ob tem času več kot četrto milijono mož ter mnogo orožja vzetega sovražniku ali Italijanom. Ti borce so organizirani v znatno število divizij in korov, ne da bi izgubili svoj gerilski značaj. Ves pokret je zavzel tako obliko, da ni izgubil gerilskega značaja, brez katerega ne bi mogel uspeti. Te čete zadržujejo v tem trenotku na balkanskem polotoku najmanj 14 izmed 20 nemških divizij.

"Okrog teh junaških čet in med njimi se je razvilo združeno gibanje. Komunistični elementi pripade čast, da so bili začetniki, toda, ko je gibanje pridobilo na moči in številu, se je pričel proces modifikacije in združevanja v narodnem smislu. V maršalu Titu so partizani našli izrazitega voditelja, slavnega v boju za svobodo. Na nesrečo, pa morda neizogibno, so te sile prišle v kolizijo s četami generala Mihajlovića. Njihove aktivnosti so prevrnilo Mihajlovićev prilagoditev sovražniku. On jih je skušal zatrepit (partizane).

"Vršilo se je mnogo tragičnih bojev in ostri sporov, se pojavili med moži iste rase in iste deželi, katere nesrečo je povzročil skupen sovražnik. V tem času je število pristašev maršala Tita mnogo večje od števila pristašev generala Mihajlovića, ki posluje v imenu kraljeve jugoslovanske vlade. Za razred "JA" \$1.00 nagrade za člane mladinskega oddelka:

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AFU Opens Pre-Convention Membership Campaign Today!

The Supreme Board of the American Fraternal Union has designated March 1, 1944 as the opening date of the membership campaign this year to be called the "AFU Pre-Convention Campaign." The campaign will be in effect from Mar. 1st to July 25, 1944 and all applications must be in the home office not later than July 31, 1944 in order to be credited.

This year in the membership campaign the competitors will be convention delegates and Supreme Board and Supreme Judiciary members. Each delegate to the 17th regular AFU convention and each Supreme Board and Supreme Judiciary member who will enroll five adult or ten juvenile members during this campaign will be considered having reached his or her quota.

Each member attaining the required quota of new members will receive a special badge, in addition to the regular convention badge, to show he has qualified in the Pre-Convention Campaign. The three members to enroll the highest number of new members will receive cash awards of \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00, respectively.

The smallest number to be considered will be five adult or ten juvenile members. One point will be credited for each new juvenile enrolled and two points for each new adult member enrolled; one point will be credited for each transfer of a juvenile to the adult department. Ten points are considered the qualifying number but more may be enrolled to obtain one of the three cash awards.

Every member enrolling a new member receives a cash award as shown elsewhere in the Nova Doba. This award is paid after the new member has paid at least six months dues into the treasury.

Prospective delegates may begin enrolling new members immediately after March 1st. During this campaign it will not be necessary to present applications for new juvenile members at the lodge meetings but they must be approved by the lodge president, secretary and treasurer.

Think it over, members! Do your share to make this Pre-Convention Membership Campaign a success! Enroll those new members and help increase the membership of our Union!

RED CROSS — THE WAR "MOTHER"

Confronted with responsibilities of vast proportions as the war enters its most crucial stage, the American Red Cross opens today its 1944 War Fund appeal. The goal of \$200,000,000 is badly needed for the vital part the Red Cross must play the next twelve months.

The American Red Cross goes to every front and its long arm of mercy extends throughout the world. With it go affection, sympathy and the help of the American people to all those in the Armed Forces of America who are bearing for us the real burden of this war.

The American Red Cross is the mother of mercy to all who need her help. The duties of the Red Cross are manifold. Our daily newspapers tell of the many acts of mercy and kindness performed by this humanitarian branch of service.

It is up to every American to do what he can to help out their 1944 War Fund appeal over the top. Contribute generously to this worthy cause. You will be helping our servicemen and women by your contribution.

The American Fraternal Union has contributed generously in the past to this worthy cause and this year has designated \$300 as its donation to the 1944 American Red Cross War Fund appeal.

Our American Fraternal Union lodges participate in this drive every year as can be seen by reports of lodge notices published in our official organ. This year, when the major attack is on, we know they shall also answer the call to help this deserving organization. It is one of the things that we should do to alleviate the suffering of our fighters.

Lodges which contribute to this cause are practicing true fraternalism by showing their love for their fellow men. Let's show our men overseas that we know there is war on and that we are standing steadfastly behind you by backing up the Red Cross drive. Support this campaign with every dollar you can spare. You will have satisfaction of knowing that you have helped when help is needed most by your contribution!

Thought For The Day

"The Red Cross Spirit Speaks"—
The cross which on my arm I wear,
The flag which o'er my breast I bear,
is but the sign
Of what you'd sacrifice for him
Who suffers on the hellish rim
Of war's red line.

—John Finley.

Important Notice to Members of Lodge No. 28, AFU

Kemmerer, Wyo. — The members of Lodge No. 28, AFU are hereby reminded that our regular monthly meetings are held every third Sunday of the month at 10 a. m. The next meeting will be held Sunday, Mary 19th and members should attend this meeting in as large a number as possible. Up until now there have not been very many members attending our meetings regularly. Let us remember that this year is our AFU convention year and it would be well to discuss our by-laws and plan to better them if possible. Only in this way can the delegates to the convention know what the wishes of the members are. Of course everyone cannot be gratified, however, if the delegates know the wishes of the membership they can decide about changing the by-laws to the satisfaction of the majority and there won't be so much reason for criticism.

The members of the AFU will be considered having reached his or her quota.

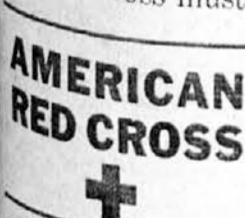
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Chicago AFU Liberty Bell Bowling League

A surprise last Friday was sprung when the Hujan Tavern team took all three games from the Golenko Maryton Cafe team. Spolar's Fox River Hotel team won one game from the Gottlieb Florists by a margin of one pin!

High men were Louis Andreasic with 199 for the single games, and 517 in three-game high; Max Bruckman with 183 and 514, and Louis Dolmovich with 181 and 479.

Louis Dolmovich Sr. was also present last Friday. He watched his two sons, William and Louis, bowl against one another.

Next Friday we look forward to a real battle. Teams will play according to the following schedule: Spolar's Fox River Hotel team against the Hujan Tavern team and Golenko's Maryton Cafe team against the Gottlieb Florists. Too bad they all can't be winners.

Standings Feb. 25, 1944:

W	L	
Gottlieb Florists	40	23
Maryton Cafe	32	31
Hujan Tavern	29	34
Fox River Hotel	26	37

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

Sergeant: Pardon me, Miss, haven't we met before?

Sweet Young Thing: Well, I can't remember the face but the stripes look familiar.



Briefs

Branch No. 48 of the Slovenian American National Council will sponsor a mass meeting Sunday, March 5th at 2 p. m. at the Slovenian Workingmen's Home on Waterloo Rd., Cleveland, Ohio. Several prominent Slovene, Croatian and Serbian speakers are scheduled to speak. The program also includes a musical entertainment. The public is cordially invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

Mayor Frank J. Lausche of Cleveland this week announced that he would be candidate for governor of the State of Ohio. Mayor Lausche is a member of many Slovene organizations, among them the American Fraternal Union.

Congratulations to "Little Stan" Pechaver and Mrs. Pechaver on the arrival of a new AFU juvenile member, Diane Marie, who arrived on Feb. 17th at Ely, Minn. Corporal Stan is stationed at Fort Crockett, Texas and hopes to get home on furlough soon to see the little Miss.

"The Little Corporal" is well known to readers of the Nova Doba having been English Editor up to the time of his induction into the Army. Until recently he wrote amusing and interesting articles on army life for this paper. We hope now that he is over being a nervous, "expectant" papa he will again continue to delight us with his newsy articles.

Important Notice. The office for reconstruction and rehabilitation of Jugoslavia (U.N.R.A.) is in need of qualified persons who would be willing to accept positions and employment in the field. There is a great need of teachers, professors, educators, technicians, engineers, doctors, dentists, executives, social workers, nurses and numerous other professionals of Jugoslav background. This means either American born or naturalized Jugoslavs having the qualifications and ability for reconstruction and relief work. All those interested in this work and service should address their communications to LOUIS ADAMIC, President of U.C.S.S.A., 1010 Park Avenue, New York 28, N. Y.

Mirko G. Kuhel,
Acting Secretary SANC.

Buy, Buy Bonds — Bye, Bye Axis.

News of Lodge No. 11, AFU

Omaha, Neb. — Our Lodge No. 11, AFU held its last meeting on Feb. 20th but we could not discuss much of anything for there weren't very many members present. I would like to recommend to our members to attend the regular lodge meetings more regularly in the future. Since this is the AFU convention year it is very important to attend meetings and discuss problems which will be of benefit to the members themselves and to the lodge and our Union.

We read various articles in the Nova Doba from our soldier-members and from those overseas. We are glad to hear from you fellows and hope you shall write often to the Nova Doba. We also hope you receive our paper regularly.

In conclusion I would like to send greetings to all the boys in the service, wherever you may be. We wish you luck and a safe return home. Fraternal regards to all.

Peter Broderick
Lodge No. 11, AFU
Omaha, Neb.

News of AFU Yanks

Miss Mamie Bokal writes to us that her brother, Pvt. Henry Bokal, wrote that he is recuperating in a hospital in England and that he would like to hear from his friends back home. Pvt. Stanley Kozar, his friend who is also stationed in England, paid him a visit there. His new address is:

Pvt. Henry L. Bokal,
38048272
Detachment of Patients
A.P.O. 518
c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

His brother Armin who was to be commissioned and receive his wings in the Army Air Corps at Santa Ana, Calif., was medically discharged last month because of rheumatic fever which he contacted there. He is now visiting his other brother, Anton Bokal, a Staff Sergeant at Camp Shelby, Miss. Sgt. Bokal has been in the service for 3 years and is now Superintendent of the Camp Shelby Electrical Ordnance Shop.

S/Sgt. Tony Malavasic, former leader of the Blue Jackets Orchestra, who was reported missing last month, has now been reported a German prisoner. Henry Bokal was the last one to have seen him before Tony's last mission which proved to be such an unfortunate one. They met at a Red Cross Canteen in England during the Christmas season.

Miss Bokal adds that she hopes they all arrive home soon, safe and healthy.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

The approved breeds for dogs acceptable for service in the Army K-9 Corps include the Airedale terrier, Alaskan malamute, Belgian and German shepherd, boxer, bull mastiff, farm-type collie, Dalmatian, Doberman Pinscher, Eskimo and Siberian huskies, giant Schnauzer, Irish water spaniel, mastiff and the curly-coated Chesapeake Bay, flat-coated and Labrador retriever.

MINUTES

OF THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SUPREME BOARD OF THE AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION HELD IN THE HOME OFFICE AT ELY, MINNESOTA, FROM FEB. 14th TO FEB. 16th 1944.

Supreme President, Janko N. Rogelj, opened the first meeting of the annual session Monday, Feb. 14th at 9 a. m. with an appropriate address of welcome. Present are the following supreme board members: Janko N. Rogelj, Supreme President; Frank Okoren, First Supreme Vice-President; Joseph Kovach, Third Supreme Vice-President; Anton Krapene, Fourth Supreme Vice-President; Joseph Sneler, Fifth Supreme Vice-President; Mary Predovich, Sixth Supreme Vice-President; Anton Zbasnik, Supreme Secretary, Frank Tomsich Jr., Assistant Supreme Secretary; Louis Champa, Supreme Treasurer; Dr. F. J. Arch, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner; Anton J. Terbovec, Editor-Manager of Nova Doba; John Kumse, Chairman Supreme Board of Trustees; Frank E. Vranichar, First Trustee; Matt Anzele, Second Trustee; Andrew Milavec, Third Trustee and Frank J. Kress, Fourth Trustee. Paul J. Oblock, Second Supreme Vice-President, could not attend this session and stated in a communication his reasons for not being present, which are considered satisfactory.

Anton J. Terbovec is named recorder with the usual compensation.

Adopted that meetings be held from 9 a. m. to 12 noon, and from 1:30 p. m. to 5:30 p. m. with a ten minute recess during the morning and afternoon sessions.

The minutes of the sessions held during Aug. 1943 are read and approved.

The secretary of the finance committee states that their committee has decided certain bonds should be sold at this time. The market value of these bonds being much greater than the purchase price, which means that if they are sold, a substantial profit would be realized for the organization. The entire proceeds of this sale would then be used to purchase federal bonds during the Fourth War Loan drive now in progress. This transaction will be made only if approval is given by the supreme board. The matter is discussed at great length, and eventually a unanimous motion was adopted that these certain bonds be sold to the highest bidder and the entire proceeds invested in Treasury Bonds of the Fourth War Loan drive. The following bonds were selected to be sold:

\$20,000 Roane County, Tenn. 3 3/4% General Refunding Bonds.

\$10,000 Westchester County, N. Y. 6% Saw Mill River Valley Sanitary Sewer Bonds.

\$20,000 Westchester County, N. Y. 4 1/2% Park Bonds.

\$10,000 East Chicago, Ind. 6% Water Works Bonds.

\$15,000 East Chicago, Ind. 6% Water Works Bonds.

\$20,000 Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District.

\$10,000 City of Newark, N. J. 4 1/2% City Railway Construction Bonds.

\$20,000 New York, N. Y. 4 1/4% Refunding Bonds.

\$10,000 West Park, Ohio, 6% General Sewer Bonds.

\$10,000 Hudson County, N. J. 4 1/2% Park Bonds.

\$10,000 Camden, N. J. 4 1/4% School Bonds.

\$5,000 Camden, N. J. 4 1/2% Improvement Bonds.

\$5,000 Camden, N. J. 4 1/2% School Bonds.

\$5,000 Jersey City, N. J. 4 1/4% Harbor Bonds.

\$5,000 Jersey City, N. J. 4 1/2% Water Bonds.

\$20,000 Lubbock, Texas, 5% School District Bonds.

\$10,000 Lubbock, Texas, 5% School District Bonds.

\$4,000 Mercedes, Tex., Ind. School Dist. 3-5% Bonds.

\$1,000 Mercedes, Tex., Ind. School Dist. 3-5% Bonds.

\$15,000 Macomb County, Mich., Center Line Relief Drain Dist. 5 1/4% Bonds.

\$10,000 Macomb County, Mich., Mound Park & Branches Drain Dist. 6% Bonds.

The par value of these bonds is \$235,000.00, and the purchase price was \$233,016.51.

Bids were received from the following six firms: Perko and Zink offered \$266,398.50; Northern National Bank, \$265,180.25; Stranahan Harris and Company, \$264,175.00; Channer Securities Company, \$263,728.50; C. W. McNear and Company, \$261,547.00; M. B. Vick and Company, \$260,525.00.

The highest bid was obtained from Perko and Zink, with their offer of \$266,398.50; so they are awarded the transaction. The total profit realized by this transaction will amount to over \$33,000.00 for the American Fraternal Union.

Adopted that \$300,000.00 be invested in War Bonds of the Fourth War Loan, \$50,000.00 having already been purchased, therefore, an additional \$250,000.00 is to be invested. In connection with the purchase of these bonds, communications from various sources are received recommending that allocations be given to certain communities in which our subordinate lodges are located, for by doing so, publicity would be given them. After a lengthy discussion, a motion is adopted that allocations would not be made to the various communities. One reason why such allocations cannot be approved is because of lack of time as the drive will soon be over, and also if some of the communities in which our lodges are situated would not receive any credits, ill feeling would develop because they would feel slighted, for allocations could not be made to all the communities. If the subordinate lodges care to gain some publicity, they may use various methods to advertise our organization by mentioning that the American Fraternal Union has purchased \$300,000.00 in war bonds, and mentioning that they are a branch of the large national organization, and can thus receive recognition. In this way no individual lodge would be favored nor slighted.</

AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

Founded July 18, 1898
HOME OFFICE: ELY, MINNESOTA

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SUPREME BOARD OF AFU

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Second Session

Supreme President, Janko N. Rogelj, opened the second meeting of the annual session Monday, Feb. 14 at 1:30 p. m. Present are all supreme board members who attended the first meeting.

The surety bonds of the supreme board members, local lodge officers and the establishment that prints our official organ are submitted for examination and verification and found in order.

The assistant supreme secretary reads the minutes of the sub-committee of the executive committee sessions held Aug. 23rd, Oct. 18th and Dec. 20th, 1943, which are approved as read.

Follow reports of the supreme board members.

After reading and acceptance of all reports of the supreme officers, a special letter from Paul J. Oblock, second supreme vice-president, is read and to which is attached \$5.00 for a worthy cause. The money is given to Louis Champa, supreme treasurer, who is also the treasurer of JPOSS in this locality.

Matters are now considered which are presented by the supreme secretary.

Mary Rusold, member of Lodge No. 18, requests some special operation benefits for an operation which the by-laws state explicitly benefits cannot be paid. The supreme board cannot alter the provisions of the by-laws so the request cannot be approved.

Helen Marn, member of Lodge No. 20, was seriously injured in a fall and petitions for some special benefits. The member is not insured for sick and operation benefits, and does not contribute into said funds. The supreme board cannot approve payment of benefits for there is no fund for this purpose.

The supreme secretary states that the case of Robert Mahne, deceased, formerly in the juvenile department of Lodge No. 30, who was killed in a car accident prior to the completion of an application into the adult department after he was 18 years of age, and as a result no longer a member of the juvenile department, is now closed. The supreme board denied liability and refused payment of the claim submitted, and the 16th regular convention like wise refused to allow the claim, so the father of the deceased brought the case into the courts and they also denied payment. The supreme court of the State of Minnesota also reviewed the case and sustained the previous decision in favor of our organization. The report of the supreme secretary is recorded.

In the matter of Anton Simonich, member of Lodge No. 49, who was operated for cancer, payment of \$75.00 is approved after recommendation is given by the supreme medical examiner for payment of same.

Anthony Zagar, member of Lodge No. 44, was operated during 1942 and operation benefits were denied at that time because the member was not in the adult department a sufficient length of time as provided in the by-laws. He now again requests payment, however, after due consideration a motion is adopted that the previous decision be upheld.

Bro. Kayton Erznožnik, secretary of Lodge No. 58, suggests that the supreme board change certain provisions relating to the committee on credentials at the convention, which would, in his opinion, save considerable time. The supreme board recognizes the matter shown by Bro. Erznožnik, however, the recommendation cannot be considered in this matter, for same is contrary to the provisions of the by-laws, and the supreme board has no authority to change them.

In the matter relative to William Fatur, member of Lodge No. 58, the case is referred back to the home office and the supreme medical examiner for additional action.

The matter of Mike Kokot, member of Lodge No. 82, is discussed and after due consideration is referred back to the home office for additional action.

Lodge No. 89, makes a certain suggestion regarding the completion of sick benefit claims. The supreme board cannot make the changes requested for the provisions of the by-laws cannot be violated, as such changes can only be made by the convention.

Frank Kikel, member of Lodge No. 108, has been sick and unable to work for many years, and has no one to pay his assessments. The lodge would like to know who will pay them. From the documents submitted by the home office it is disclosed the member is insured for \$1000 under the old plan and the beneficiaries named in the certificate are his wife and four children. The supreme board is of the opinion that the beneficiaries

should pay the assessments as the member is confined in a hospital and since he is considered incurable, they will benefit by so doing.

Louis Markovich, member of Lodge No. 114, who has exhausted all his benefits, requests some special allowance. After certain information is submitted, a motion is adopted his request be denied.

Ignac Benkse, secretary of Lodge No. 130, extends greetings to the supreme board members and hopes for a successful conclusion of this session. The letter is acknowledged and recorded in the same fraternal spirit.

Frank Rudolf, member of Lodge No. 136, requests some benefits for an operation in the removal of a sty. The by-laws do not provide benefits for such operations, and the operation was not performed in a hospital, so the request is denied.

The supreme secretary states he has received requests for financial assistance from our federations. As our federations will have more sessions this year due to the convention taking place, a motion is adopted that \$100 be allowed the following federations of the American Fraternal Union: composed of lodges in Minnesota, Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Colorado and Illinois.

The Colorado Federation of the American Fraternal Union requests that a supreme board member attend their session which will be held in May or June. Frank Okoren who resides in Denver, Colorado is selected to attend the session.

The second meeting adjourned at 6 p. m.

Third Session

The supreme president opened the third meeting Tuesday, Feb. 15th at 9 a. m. Present are all supreme board members who attended the two previous sessions.

Read are the minutes of the first session and approved. The minutes of the second session are likewise read and approved.

The supreme secretary submits the matter relative to Frank Jasper, Jr., member of Lodge No. 2, who requests some operation benefits to cover the cost of an operation to which he was subjected. After examining the papers submitted, it is disclosed that the operation performed was such that benefits cannot be paid under the provisions of the By-laws, therefore, the request is denied.

The monthly salaries of the clerks in the home office are considered and will be as follows: Katherine Peshel, \$150.00; Elizabeth Sever, \$100.00; Antoinette Novak, \$90.00, and Ann Grahek, \$90.00; said salaries to be in effect from Feb. 1st, hence.

Anton Krapenc is named delegate to the National Fraternal Congress and Frank E. Vranichar, alternate.

Delegates to the State Fraternal Congresses are as follows: for Minnesota, Matt Anzelc, delegate, Frank Tomsich Jr., alternate; for Pennsylvania, Dr. F. J. Arch, delegate, Frank J. Kress, alternate; for Ohio, John Kumse, delegate, Janko N. Rogelj, alternate; for Illinois, Frank E. Vranichar, delegate, Anton Krapenc, alternate; for Colorado, Frank Okoren, delegate, Steve Mauser, alternate; for Montana, Mary Predovich, delegate; for Washington, Mary Balint, delegate.

The supreme secretary and the supreme medical examiner report that they have experienced delays in conducting the business with the secretary of Lodge No. 30. The supreme medical examiner states he has on numerous occasions received sick benefit claims three weeks after the lodge meeting, and are sent to the home office many times instead of being sent to his office, and as a result, the payments are usually late, so the home office and the supreme medical examiner will not be blamed in the future, they are now stating the conditions as they actually exist.

A letter from Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 2717, of Ely, Minnesota, is read in which they request funds to be used in sending the local publication to the soldiers from Ely, of which several hundred are members of the American Fraternal Union. Adopted \$25.00 be donated.

Adopted a one-page advertisement for \$45.00 in the American Family calendar for 1945, be approved.

The Third Supreme Vice-President, Joseph Kovach, gives a detailed account of difficulties involved in connection with his business and explains why he was frequently absent from supreme board sessions because of these circumstances. He also mentions that as a result he may also be unable to attend the coming American Fraternal Union convention. The supreme board is of the opinion that his explanation is satisfactory.

The Supreme President, Janko N. Rogelj, gives a detailed account of his work in connection with the JPOSS, SANC, and with the United Committee of South-Slavic Americans. The report is recorded.

Read is a letter from the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, which suggests that our organization adopt a resolution in behalf of Harry Bridges, a union organizer, and send same to the President of the United States, appealing to him to use his authority to stop the deportation order.

The following resolution was adopted for this purpose:

RESOLUTION

The President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D. C.

WHEREAS, The order of Attorney-General Biddle to deport Harry Bridges was not only a blow to all concepts of American justice but even more seriously a blow at national unity, necessary for total war and victory.

The evidence on which Biddle chose to rely had already been found unworthy of belief by two Government inquiries, one of which was conducted by the Board of Appeals of the Department of Justice.

Under the leadership of Harry Bridges, the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union has earned repeated praise from high government officials, including ranking officers of the Army and Navy, for its achievements in speeding shipment of war supplies to the fighting fronts.

Labor has consistently defended the right of Harry Bridges to be free of the seven-year persecution he has undergone and has urged that he be given his full rights to remain and to work in the country that has been his home for 20 years, to whose cause in this war he is giving leadership and practical aid of the highest order.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this organization urges President Franklin D. Roosevelt to recognize the fact that the deportation of Harry Bridges would be a blow to morale, to national unity and to war production. We further urge that he take action to set aside the deportation order signed by Attorney-General Francis Biddle, dismiss all charges against Harry

Bridges and afford him full opportunity to become a citizen of the United States.

The third meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Fourth Session

The supreme president opened the fourth meeting of the annual session Tuesday, Feb. 15th at 1:30 p. m. Present are all supreme officers who attended the three previous sessions.

A discussion regarding some method whereby our American Fraternal Union could show the fraternal spirit in behalf of our soldier-members now takes place. As our forthcoming convention will consider such problems, being the supreme power, and which is due to convene in a period of six months, the matter is postponed until the convention.

The supreme board has authorized the Editor-Manager of the Nova Doba to publish the pictures of soldier-members who gave their lives for our country, and may have cuts made for same, at the expense of our Union. Such expenses to be paid from the Sports Fund.

Adopted the American Fraternal Union donate \$300.00 to the American Red Cross and \$200.00 to the United Service Organization. These amounts are to be taken from the Sports Fund.

Follows a discussion regarding the 17th regular convention of the American Fraternal Union, which is to convene in the month of August 1944 at Rock Springs, Wyoming as directed by the last convention. As provided in the by-laws, the supreme president and supreme secretary decide that the convention open Thursday, August 17th, 1944 at 9:00 a. m. Thursday is elected as the opening of the convention because it will be more convenient for the delegates to travel, for week-end travel is always the heaviest on the public transportation systems.

The pre-convention session of the supreme board will take place in Rock Springs, Wyo. on Wednesday, August 16th, and the supreme board members should plan to be in the convention city on August 15th.

Adopted that the books and accounts in the home office be closed as of May 31st. The examination of our securities will commence in Duluth, Minnesota, August 7th, and the books and accounts of the supreme secretary, supreme treasurer and the editor-manager of Nova Doba will begin August 8th in the home office at Ely, Minnesota.

Adopted the reports of the supreme board and supreme judiciary members be published in booklet form and distributed to the delegates at the convention. The type set for this purpose will later also be used to publish the minutes of the convention in the official organ. The reports of the supreme board and supreme judiciary members must be at the Nova Doba office not later than July 1, 1944.

The supreme president is authorized to make reservations for the convention hall.

The delegates are to be paid by check and the supreme treasurer is instructed to make the proper arrangements for cashing same in the convention city.

Frank E. Vranichar is authorized to select the convention badges.

The supreme board is of the opinion that the convention could perhaps be concluded in four days (not including Sunday) and the delegates could leave the convention city August 22nd. The supreme board knows that they cannot themselves designate the length of time the convention should convene, therefore, a motion is adopted the home office direct a letter to all the lodges, regarding the suggestion of the supreme board. Only in this manner can reservations be made for the return trip. The supreme board considers this matter as very important, for in these times the transportation facilities are heavily overburdened.

The fourth meeting adjourned at 6 p. m.

Fifth Session

The supreme president opened the fifth meeting of the annual session Wednesday, February 16th at 9:30 a. m. Present are all supreme board members who attended the previous four sessions. The minutes of the third meeting are read and approved, likewise the minutes of the fourth meeting.

The supreme president now states that the only unfinished business is the pre-convention campaign plan for the enrollment of new members. The American Fraternal Union has the highest number of members in the history of the organization, and it is very important that we not only retain the present membership, but that the membership should be increased. The subject is discussed by all the board members present, and the following plan was evolved and adopted:

The campaign will be named the "Pre-Convention Campaign," and will be officially opened Mar. 1st and will close July 25, 1944. All the applications of new members must be in the home office not later than July 31, 1944 in order to be credited.

We have had campaigns in the past in which all the adult members could compete, and others which only juvenile members competed, last year's campaign was for the local lodge secretaries, in this year's pre-convention campaign the delegates and the supreme board and supreme judiciary members will be the competitors.

Each delegate to the 17th regular convention and each supreme board and supreme judiciary member who will enroll five adult or ten juvenile members during this campaign will be considered having reached his quota, and will receive a special badge in addition to the regular convention badge to show he has qualified in this pre-convention campaign.

The three who will enroll the highest number of members will receive in addition to the special badges, three prizes of \$25.00, \$15.00, and \$10.00 respectively.

The smallest number that will be considered will be five adult or ten juvenile members. It must be understood that members may be enrolled into the adult or juvenile departments, and credits will be allowed accordingly, that is, one point for each juvenile enrolled and two points for each adult, while one point will be allowed for members who will transfer to the adult department. Ten points are considered the qualifying number, but more may be enrolled in order to obtain one of the three prizes.

Special awards for individual enrollments will not be paid, however, the present awards will remain in force for enrolling new members.

Prospective delegates can start enrolling immediately after March first, or they can wait until they have been elected by their respective lodge. During this campaign, it will not be

WASHINGTON NEWS FLASHES

By Florence D. Startz

"My, you're always in a hurry!" said an elderly Southern woman to your reporter one day. If that statement was ever true it certainly was last week. I actually dashed from one place to another in order to keep up with all the events. I guess some weeks are just naturally more exciting than others.

I started out right on Monday by visiting the Marine base and FBI Academy at Quantico, Va. with a group. The shooting I heard that day will last me the rest of my life; in fact, my souvenirs from the trip consisted of some empty shells. While having dinner at Quantico the feminine part of our group registered many "ahs and ohs" for Capt. Michael Bartlett of the Metropolitan Opera who was introduced to us. Well, he was quite a day and I'm still singing "Carry Me Back to Old Virginny."

Another day had its choice events. First, I had the pleasure of personally meeting J. E. Hoover. Then came a phone call from my cousin, John Golobich saying he and his wife had just arrived in Washington and would I like to have dinner with them. John, a technician sergeant, is stationed at Camp Butner, N. C. Mrs. Golobich was my favorite teacher back in high school. I can't think of two more grand people and was thrilled to see them.

The next morning when I met my fellow "government girls" workers not one could have been called "Mary Sunshine." They soon explained their long faces. One of our co-workers had developed scarletina and that meant —. In a few minutes I found myself in a nurse's office with the girls, a thermometer in my mouth. I looked at my friend sitting next to me. She could have easily been called a "pessemistic character" with a "crab-apple face." "Oh, I can see myself in an infirmary already," she moaned. Along came a nurse who looked at my thermometer. She said my temperature was normal

Katherine Penica Reports On News From Montana

Klein, Mont. — I read in the newspapers how Slovene lodges in various communities have organized local branches of the Jugoslav Relief Committee, Slovene Section and of the Slovenian American National Council. In our community we have Slovene and Croatian lodges but no local branches of JPOSS nor SANC. That is why Mrs. Matt Panian and I decided to collect some voluntary contributions for these organizations which will help our unfortunate brothers and sisters in Yugoslavia. We went from house to house regardless of their nationality. And I can joyfully say that the people everywhere were very kind and we were very welcome.

Some wanted to know if the money would truthfully be used for the purpose it was intended, that is, that those who are really in need will receive help. To these people we explained that the relief action is in the hands of well-known and trustworthy persons and under trustworthy control. The Jugoslav Relief Committee must regularly send a report to our State Department in Washington. We also informed these people that we would not be collecting contributions if we were not certain that it would come into the right hands and for the right purpose. We became acquainted with many people of various nationalities and we were happy to make their acquaintance.

The weather was very nice during the time we were collecting. The mornings in December and January were rather cool but the sun came through and the days warmed up like an "Indian Summer." We felt that the weather helped us to be more successful in our campaign. We are now having true winter weather in Montana but not too cold for this time of the year. A few times the weather was 15 or 18 degrees below zero in the mornings and we have about 10 inches of snow in some places. Many people wished for snow so the drought would end, and they also judged that various illnesses were the result of the unusually mild weather.

Mrs. Matt Panian and I collected \$250.00 for the above-mentioned relief actions, which is quite a nice sum for this community. It might have been more if there were not so many other contribution campaigns in

There is no special news here. The coal mines are work-

Juvenile Voices

Ely, Minn. — Today is Feb. 22nd and George Washington's birthday. Since there is no school today the first thing I thought of was a chance to write a letter to our paper.

First I would like to tell you that when I was on my vacation at Superior, Wis., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coombs and family, I wrote a nice long letter from there to the Nova Doba. Now I happened to learn that it never arrived there so it must have been lost in the Christmas mail date. There isn't much use, at this late date, to repeat the whole letter but I want to tell you that those two weeks of vacation were very enjoyable ones. While on my way to Superior, a girl got on the bus at Eveleth and sat next to me. We started to talk to one another and she told me her name was Joy Homes and that she was on her way back to Washington, D. C. where she works for the F.B.I. I told her I have a sister working there too. She said she would look her up when she got back. Joy Homes was very nice to me and I shall always remember her. While waiting for my bus for Superior at Duluth, she spent all her time with me and I was her guest at dinner at a very nice hotel there.

We had record-breaking nice weather this winter and it is fun listening to the older folks talking about how many years it is since we had this kind of weather during winter time. Today it is just like Spring outside, yes, it gives you that feeling of "spring fever." It makes me feel like doing something worthwhile. With the sunshine and peaceful surroundings today it makes us and is still giving to us. Therefore we should contribute to all welfare purposes and not forget to invest as much as we can of our savings in U. S. War Bonds. Our republic needs this money for the upkeep of our Armed Forces, who with our Allies, will defeat nazism, fascism and Japanese imperialism and again assure us of peace. With the investment of our savings in War Bonds we help our servicemen to return home sooner and at the same time save our money, with interest, for future needs.

Although I have some things to be sad about I don't let them haunt me. My father has been dead for the past three years but I say to myself, I must just make the best of everything and look only at the bright side of things. I feel that my dad is in heaven for a better man never lived. When we get sickness I think of the boys on the battlefield who are suffering and dying and I feel that we are very well off indeed in comparison. So let's all be content and not think only of ourselves.

On March 1st I will be 15 years old but the way I feel now if I were old enough I would like to get in there and pitch the ball and make the home run which would save some man from dying and ease a little of the sorrow in this world.

Regina and Emma Pavlich of Soudan, Minn. were our week-end guests last week. The girls came here to take in the ball game between the Tower-Soudan and Ely teams. Ely won. Regina is the cheerleader of the Soudan team. We lost two friends lately in Ely.

I sent the afore-mentioned amount of money with the donor's names to J. N. Rogelj of Cleveland, Ohio so he may turn over the money to the proper authorities, that is, \$125.00 to the Jugoslav Relief Committee, Slovene Section and \$125.00 to the Slovenian American National Council. The amount is not very large but every bit helps. The Slovene and Croatian community here is not very large that is why we also collected contributions from other nationalities in Klein, Roundup and other localities. Sincere thanks to all for their contributions and help. The undersigned and Mrs. Matt Panian will never forget the hospitality we were accorded by everyone. Sincere thanks again to each and everyone.

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Mrs. Frances Kalan, a very well-known lady, 67 years old, passed away. Surviving her are two daughters and three sons. Mrs. Edith Chinn, 49 years old, passed away. She was a long time resident of Ely and was liked by all who knew her.

Note to Tommy Turk: I read all of your articles and find them very interesting. Keep it up, Tommy!

Margaret M. Startz (Age: 14)
Lodge No. 1, AFU
Ely, Minn.

Pvt. Pinky: I'm wrapping myself up in four blankets tonight.

Pvt. Dinky: But it isn't cold.

Pvt. Pinky: I know, but the Sarge told me to sleep tight.

DOPISI

Barberton, O. — Seja ohijske federacije društva Američke bratske zveze, dne 6. februarja 1944, v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Avenue, v Clevelandu, Ohio.—Ker je pred kratkim umrl dosedanji predsednik federacije, brat John Ujčič, prevzame na prošnjo načrto v čiž začasno predsedništvo brat J. N. Rogelj, kateri otvori sejo ob pol enajstih dopoldne, ter imenuje začasnim zapisnikarjem brata Antonia Okolish.

Na poziv predsednika vstanejo navzoči v znak sožalja za umrlega Johnom Ujčičem. Predsednik poroča, da je pismeno povabil na sejo vsa ohijska društva naše Zvezze, da naj pošljejo svoje zastopnike.

Zastopana na seji po svojih zastopnikih so bila sledenje društva: št. 6: John Tomazic in Hermina Zorec; št. 44: John Yentz in Alice Zalar; št. 103: Anna Walter; št. 108: Frank Prevec; št. 132: John Cecelic in Anna Slapko; št. 137: Mary Bradach; št. 173: John Hrvatin; št. 186: John Lunka in Mike Krall; št. 229: Jennie Mikolich.

Od gl. odbornikov sta bila načrta brat J. N. Rogelj in Anton Terbovec; od gl. porotnikov pa Anton Okolich.

Predsednik priporoča, da se najprvo izvoli odbor federacije za leto 1944, kateri naj potem prevzame svoja mesta takoj po izvolitvi. Navzoči se strinjajo s priporočilom in izvolijo sledenje: John Tomazic, predsednik; John Hrvatin, prvi podpredsednik; Jennie Mikolich, druga podpredsednica; John Lunka, tajnik, (17219 Waterloo Rd. Cleveland, 19, Ohio); Anna Walter, zapisnikarica; Alice Zalar, blagajnica; Frank Prevec, Mary Bradach in John Yentz, nadzorniki.

Po volitvah prevzamejo takoj svoja mesta novo izvoljeni, izvršni zapisnikarice, češ, da naj

zapisnik seje dokonča začasni zapisnikar.

Cita se zapisnik zadnje seje federacije, katera se je

vrnila dne 1. avgusta 1943, kateri se sprejme kot čitan.

Predsednik se finančno poročilo federacije, katero sicer izkazuje ne-

kaj denarja v blagajni, katera

vsota pa ne zadostuje, da bi

plačali vti stroški federacije

in je vsled tega primanjkljaj v

blagajni. Poroča se o težkočah,

katere ima federacija s svojimi

prošnjami na glavnem odboru za

finančno pomoč, katere vključuje

opetovanje prošnjam še nismo

prejeli. Apelira se na navzoča

glavna odbornika, da naj po-

novo apelirata za tako pomoč

na seji gl. odbora ta mesec, kar

objubita storiti.

Omenja se, da vsled bližajo-

če se konvencije naše Zvezze, so

seje federacije zelo važne in po-

trebne. Predsednik apelira na

navzoče, da naj prineso na pri-

hodno sejo priporočila njihovih

društev za izboljšanje pravil in

drugega pri naši Zvezzi.

Poroča se o dolgu federacije

društvu št. 6. Nekateri zastop-

niki poročajo o slabih udelež-

bah članstva na društvenih sej-

ih. Zastopnik društva št. 108

poroča o članu njih društva;

kateri je že dalj časa v bolniš-

nici in za katerega plačuje a-

ssessment Zvezza, da pa so preje-

li premalo vsoto za kritje iste

ga iz gl. urada. Zastopnika dru-

štva 132 poročata, da je druš-
na akcija v rokah znanih in za-
nesljivih oseb ter pod zanesljivo
kontrolo, da je vsaka neopravi-
čena poraba zbranih prispevkov
izključena. Jugoslovanski po-
možni odbor mora redno poši-
ljati poročila našemu državne-
mu departmantu v Washington.
Povedali sva jim, da ne bi zbi-
rali prispevkov, če ne bi bili si-
gurni, da pridejo v prave roke
in za pravi namen. Spoznali sva-
se z mnogimi ljudmi različnih
narodnosti in bili sva veseli teh
sposnanj.

Končno se sklene in apelira na navzoča gl. odbornika, da glede tega naredita svojo priporočila na seji gl. odbora ta mesec, katera naj ukrene potrebitno
za taka priporočila. Razmotriva se glede pošiljanja Nove Dobe našim članom-vojakom. Navzoči urednik pojasnjuje stvar in priporoča, da naj mu vsa društva pošljejo naslove vojakov-članov, da se jim more pošiljati naše glasilo, kamorkoli se isto lahko dostavlja.

Zastopnik društva št. 108 priporoča, da naj bi gl. urad pošiljal društvo le po en iztis izkaz mesečnih asementov, ne pa dva, in da se bi tako prihralnilo na papirju, katerega sedaj primanjkuje. Razmotriva se glede primernosti imeti pri naši federaciji odbor za pravila.

Ponovno se omeni prejšnje priporočilo, da naj društva po svojih zastopnikih pošljejo svoje priporočila na prihodnjo sejo federacije, katera bo ista potem predložila za sprejem konvenciji. Omenja se, da pravila ni naredila še nobena konven-

cija tako, da jih ne bi bilo treba ponovno popravljati, in da bo to potrebitno tudi na bližajoči se konvenciji.

Posebno se omenja nekatere točke v naših pravilih, katere da so nezadostno jasne in so v preteklosti potrebovale tolmačenja. Nekateri navzoči priporočajo, da naj bi naša Zvezza tudi sedaj podpira športno aktivnost pri društvinah, češ, da kljub temu, da je dosti naših mladih članov v vojni, je lahko v isti aktivno starejše članstvo in pa naše mlade članice, posebno v zimskem času na keglej-
ščih; kar da je ena najboljših reklam za Zvezzo.

Priporoča se, da naj bi bila prihodnja seja v kaki drugi načini kot naselbini. Opozarja se na dejstvo, da najbolj primerno mesto za seje je Cleveland, kjer je največ naših društev in da bi seja v kaki oddaljeni naselbini povzročila težkoče z vožnjo, in to vsled omjetitve mere gasolin. Pove se tudi, da je že ena prejšnjih sej federacije sklenila, da se seje federacije vrše le v Clevelandu. Sklene se, da prihodnja seja federacije bo zadnjeno nedeljo v mesecu aprilu v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. v Clevelandu; začetek ob deseti uri zjutraj. Predsednik zaključi sejo ob pol eni uri popoldne. — Za federacijo društva Američke bratske zvezze v državi Ohio:

Anton Okolish,
začasni zapisnikar.

Klein, Mont. — V listih čitalnikov se omenja, kako so slovenska društva v raznih kraji organizirana v krajevne postojanke JPOSS in SANS. V tej okolici imamo slovenska in hrvatska društva, toda krajevne postojanke JPOSS in SANS nimamo. Zato sva se dogovorili z Mrs. Matt Panian, da se potrudita in skuša zbrati nekaj prostovoljnih prispevkov za omenjeni odpomožni organizaciji v pomoč našim ne-

sistematičnim, fašizem in japonskem imperializem in nam spet zasigurate zaželenjeni mir. Z investiranjem naših prihankov v vojne bonde bomo ne-

lahko do komolca hvaležni usodi-

ti, da nas je pivedla v Zednjene države, kjer smo našli svoj dom, kruh, varnost in slobodo. Vse, kar žrtvujemo za to božansko deželo, je malenkost; med dolžnostmi spada tudi, da vsak prispevajmo nekaj k rasti in napredku organizacije. Američka bratska zvezda steje sedaj najvišje število članov v svoji zgodovini. Poskrbimo, da se to število ne bo zmajšalo, ampak povečalo.

Sestrski pozdrav vsem!

Novic posebnih tukaj ni. Pre-
mogovi rovi obratujejo vsak dan. Na letni seji društva št. 88 ABZ ni bilo nobenih spre-
memb. Društveni odbor je ostal kar po starem. Napredek z ozi-
rom na nove člane je bolj po-
časen; vsekakor upam, da do-
bim nekaj novih v letu 1944. Vsem, ki so mi poslali božične
kartice, se lepo Zahvalim. Žal, da nisem mogla vsem odgovoriti; kakih 40 jih dolgujem. To iz vzroka, ker so bile tukajšnje prodajalne razprodale vse sez-
onske kartice in jih nisem mo-
gla več kupiti. Tudi to spada v vojna pomanjkanja. Prizadeti
am mi proti: nisem jih po-
zabilna. Iz Ely sem 11. februarja prejela kartico s pozdravi. Hvala vsem, ki so podpisani. Vi-
dim, da se me še kdaj spominja. Upam, da se spet vidimo to leto.

Naše društvo št. 88 ABZ je v

preteklem letu izgubilo 6 čla-
nov odraslega oddelka. To vzel-
bo treba napolnit z novimi čla-
ni in se kaj dodati, da bo dru-
štvo izkazovalo napredek. Vsak
član naj bi se potrudil, da vpi-
še kakega novega člana. Ako se
sestanete z vašim prijateljem,
ga lahko mimogrede vprašate,
če spada v kaki podporni orga-
nizaciji. Če pove, da ne, mu lahko priporočite organizacijo, h
kateri spadate vi, to je Ameri-
ško bratsko zvezdo, ki je trdn-
solvenčna organizacija, po-
stena in točna v izplacilih. Z
lepo, prijateljsko besedo se vča-
sih dosti doseže. Pri društvu
imamo vse enake pravice, pa tu-
di enake dolžnosti; med dolž-
nostmi spada tudi, da vsak prispev
nekaj k rasti in napredku
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Katherine Penica,
tajnica društva št. 88 ABZ,
Box 168, Klein, Mont.

DOPISI

(Nadaljevanje s 5. strani)

Ijenja. Storimo in prispevajmo v to svrhu, kar nam je mogoče. Ne zatujmo naše lastne krvi. Ako smo vredni svojega imena, nam ne more biti vseeno, kaj se zgodi z našimi brati in sestrami v starem kraju.

Torej, v nedeljo 5. marca ob 2. uri popoldne na svidenje v avditoriju Slovenskega delavskoga doma na Waterloo Road! — Za podružnico št. 48 SANS:

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V teh kritičnih časih prihaja spet na površje zdrava zavest. Naša društva so se začela družiti v osrednjem odboru. Želja za skupno delo in splošno narodno dobro dobiva vedno jače temelje. Odbori, društva in vsi naprednejši elementi spoznavajo potrebo demokratičnega in nedivisnega Doma, v katerem bi se svobodno razvijalo in aše družstveno življenje na prosvetno kulturnem, političnem in ekonomskem polju. V lastni zgradbi se vsak poedinec počuti svobodnejšega.

Zadeva za nabavo lastnega Doma je v toliko napredovala, da je že imenovan širši odbor, sestavljen iz posameznikov in iz družvenih zastopnikov. Dotični odbor se zanima za zgradbo, ki bi bila povsem pripravna za Dom. Poslopje je bilo zgrajeno pred šestnajstimi leti za ceno \$140,000. Zdaj jo je mogoče kupiti zaeno s krasnim in bogatim pohištvo za \$35,000. Poslopje je videti novo, zunaj in znotraj. Odgovarjalo bi vsem našim družstvenim potrebam. Stoji na mirnem in lepem prostoru, na Potomac ulici, en blok zapadno od Grand Ave. S. E. Corner. Naš narod bi lahko dosegel ta kraj iz vsakega dela mesta.

Z eno besedo, na tako zgradbo bi bil lahko ponosen vsak Jugoslovan, bodisi Hrvat, Srbi ali Slovenec. Drugi Slovani, ki živijo v našem mestu, nem obehajo, da nas bodo podpirali. Zato pozabimo na stare razprtje, če jih je še kaj med nami, ker le sloga in edinstvo nas more privesti do cilja.

Glede zgradbe in namena iste so razna mnenja. Ena teh je, da naj bi bil Dom nekak spomenik borcem jugoslovanskega pohodenja v ameriških vojnih silah.

Ko bo dosežena zmaga, naj se slike v okvirjih vseh naših borcev namestijo na vidnem prostoru v avditoriju. V našem Domu bi mogli organizirati in stalno vzdrževati tudi veteransko organizacijo veteranov drugo svetovne vojne, namreč ameriško - jugoslovanski oddelek. Dom bi bil zbirališče naše mladine, da se nam ne odstoji, in seveda tudi logični prostor za sezstanjanja nas starejših. Zdaj je čas za nakup Domu. V kratkem bo prej omenjeni širši odbor sklical shod v poslopju, katerega ima v vidiku za nakup, da se vsak lahko na licu mesta prepiča o lepoti in pripravnosti prostorov za Dom. Sigurni smo, da kdor bo videl dotično poslopje in prostore istega, ne bo okleval s svojimi prispevki za nakup istega za naš Dom. — Za pripravljalni odbor za nabavo Jugoslovanskega doma:

George Točič, tajnik.

Kemmerer, Wyo. — Člane društva Marija Danica, št. 28, ABZ, opozarjam, da se naše redne mesečne seje še vedno vršijo vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu in se pričenja ob 10. uru dopoldne. Prihodnja seja se bo vršila v nedeljo 19. marca in člani in članice naj bi se iste zgodili z našimi brati in sestrami v starem kraju.

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John Gottlieb, tajnik.

Chicago, Ill. — Slovenskim društvom in klubom v Chicagu in okolici: Cenjeni bratje in sestre:

V nedeljo, 19 marca 1944, točno ob 2. uri popoldne, se bo po pozorjaj imenovanem odboru vršil veliki narodni shod v s. e. Južno-Slovenskih Amerikanec v New Yorku, ki zahteva, da ameriške oblasti posvetijo v to zadevo.

Poleg glasbenega programa in lokalnih govornikov, bodo na tem shodu navzoči kot glavni govorniki in predstavniki Združenega Odbora Jugoslovenskih Amerikanec v New Yorku: — Louis Adamič, Zlatko Balokovič, Zarka Bunčić, Sava Kosanović, Rev. Strahinja Maletić in Etbin Kristan, kateri bodo raztolmačili hrabro borbo naših bratov in sester Jugoslovanov v stari domovini pod vodstvom Ivana Ribarja in maršala Brozović-Tita.

Chicaški odbor Južnih Slovancev poziva Vašo bratsko organizacijo, da se priključi delu tega odbora in obenem, da se Vaše članstvo v velikem številu udeleži tega naravnega shoda v nedeljo 19. marca 1944.

Vstop je vsakemu prost. Naprej, bratje in sestre, na delo za ameriški osvoboden potkreit in za popolno svobo, pravobratstvo in ujedinjenje vseh Južnih Slovancev v starem kraju.

S spoštovanjem in bratskim pozdravom do svidenja na našem shodu:

Josip N. Bazdiaric, predstavnik Frank Zornjak, tajnik, John Gottlieb, pomož. taj.

Conemaugh, Pa. — Spet mi je poročati žalostno novico, namreč, da je smrt pobrala iz naše sredine dobrega člena društva Sv. Alojzija, št. 36 ABZ, sobrata Martina Birk. Pokojni je bil rojen v Moravčah na Gorjanskem leta 1877. V Ameriko je prišel leta 1908 in k našemu društvu je pristopil leta 1920. Tu zapušča žaluočo soprog, dve hčeri, Angeline in Josefine, obe omoženi, in John Birk, Anthony Birk in Mrs. Mary Brezovec, pastorki.

Pokojni je v svojih mladih letih delal nekaj let v Nemčiji kot premogar, nato je prišel v Ameriko in do leta 1939 vedno opravljal to naporno delo, ki mu je nakopal "majnarsko" bolezne, bolezne, ki ji je že marsikateremu izmed vas ni znano, da bo letos meseca junija pošteko 20 let, odkar so naši alegimi člani ustanovili društvo Triglav, št. 144 JSKJ, danes ABZ. Na prihodnji seji bomo

veliko premogorov, da sprejme delo kot čuvaj. Pokojni se je poslužil te prilike, akoravno mu je bilo kako uro in pol hodja do dela in ravno tako iz dela. Opravljal je to delo, dokler mu smrt ni zatisnila oči dne 9. februarja t. l. Pogreb se je vršil dne 14. februarja na Headrick's pokopališču v Coneau.

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razpravljali, kako bomo proslavili to društveno 20-letnico. Zavedamo se, da je vojna in da v vojnem času ne moremo napraviti take proslave, kakor bi razvidno, vendar v zdrženimi močmi in dobro voljo lahko napravimo lepo skupno zabavo, ki nam bo ostala v prijetnem spominu leta.

Dvajset let društvenega poslovanja je že lepa doba in jo je vredno proslaviti. Torej, bratje in sestre, pridevsi vsi na prihodnjo sejo z dobrimi idejami, in tako bomo pripravljeni vsak nekaj delati, bomo priredili nekaj lepega in bomo užili nekaj prijetnih ur, da vsaj za malčka pozabimo vojne grozote.

Letos se bo tudi vršila konvercija naše Zvezze, torej je priporočljivo, da tudi o tem nekaj razgovarjamo, namreč, kje in kako bi jih bilo mogoče izboljšati. Le tako bodo mogli delegati prihodnje konvercije vedeti, kakšne so želje članstva. Vsem sicer nikoli ni mogoče ustreči, toda, če bodo delegati vedeli za želje članstva, bodo prikrovili pravila, da bodo v zadovoljstvu večini in da ne bo vzroka za kritiko. Torej, člani in članice, udeležujte se teh sej pred konvercijo kar mogoče polnoštevilo udeležite.

Joseph Turk, tajnik društva št. 36 ABZ.

Chicago, Ill. — Presenečenje zadnji petek na kegljišču je bilo, da je skupina Hujanove gostilne vse tri igre do skupine Golenkov Maryton Cafe. Skupina Spolarjev Fox River Hotel pa eno igro do Gottliebove cvetličarje v večino enega keglja. Najboljši so bili: Louis Andreasch 199 v posamezni igri in 517 v skupini treh iger, Max Bruckman 183 in 514, ter Louis Dolovich 181 in 479.

Louis Dolovich Sr., je bil zopet navzoč, da je opazoval, kako sta se njegova dva sina, Louis in William, borila drug proti drugemu.

Prihodnji petek bo hud boj in sicer: Spolarjev Fox River Hotel proti Hujanovi gostilni in Golenkov Maryton Cafe proti Gottliebovi cvetličarni. Škoda, da vsi ne morejo biti zmagovalci. — Bratje in sestre:

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razpravljali, kako bomo proslavili to društveno 20-letnico. Zavedamo se, da je vojna in da v vojnem času ne moremo napraviti take proslave, kakor bi razvidno, vendar v zdrženimi močmi in dobro voljo lahko napravimo lepo skupno zabavo, ki nam bo ostala v prijetnem spominu leta.

Dvajset let društvenega poslovanja je že lepa doba in jo je vredno proslaviti. Torej, bratje in sestre, pridevsi vsi na prihodnjo sejo z dobrimi idejami, in tako bomo pripravljeni vsak nekaj delati, bomo priredili nekaj lepega in bomo užili nekaj prijetnih ur, da vsaj za malčka pozabimo vojne grozote.

Letos se bo tudi vršila konvercija naše Zvezze, torej je priporočljivo, da tudi o tem nekaj razgovarjamo, namreč, kje in kako bi jih bilo mogoče izboljšati. Le tako bodo mogli delegati prihodnje konvercije vedeti, kakšne so želje članstva. Vsem sicer nikoli ni mogoče ustreči, toda, če bodo delegati vedeli za želje članstva, bodo prikrovili pravila, da bodo v zadovoljstvu večini in da ne bo vzroka za kritiko. Torej, člani in članice, udeležujte se teh sej pred konvercijo kar mogoče polnoštevilo udeležite.

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