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V pravilih Ameriške bratske zveze, v točki 4, je navedeno med drugim, da je eden izmed namenov naše organizacije tudi: "Združevati in praktično izobraževati svoje člane v duhu demokratičnih principov in gojiti med njimi ljubezen in lojalnost do naše domovine — Zedinjenih držav." Tej točki skušajo zadostiti urednik in drugi člani glavnega odbora potom priporočil in navodil v našem glasilu. O lojalnosti naših članov do naše republike sploh ni dvoma in je tozadevna propaganda nepotrebna. Pravilo pa je, da so člani od časa do časa opozorjeni, kaj spada v praktične izraze lojalnosti napram naši republiki, ker pozabljivosti smo vsi podvrženi.

V tem času je v teku kampanja za prodajo vojnih bondov četrtega vojnega posojila. Kampanja bo trajala do 14. februarja in v tem času želi zakladniški department federalne vlade prodati za štirinajst tisoč milijonov dolarjev vojnih bondov. Da so ti bondi najboljše in najvarnejša investicija sedanjih časov, je bilo že večkrat pojasnjeno. Zdaj se gre za to, da člani Ameriške bratske zveze nakupijo kar največ teh bondov. Finančni odsek glavnega odbora Ameriške bratske zveze je že sklenil investirati \$50,000 zvezne imovine v vojne bonde v tej kampanji. To pa ne zadostuje. Vsa naša krajevna društva, ki imajo odvečno gotovino v svojih blagajnah, naj bi jo na sličen način investirala. In vsak posamezni član naj bi v vojne bonde Zedinjenih držav investiral toliko svojih financ, kolikor mu njegove razmere dopuščajo.

Zdaj je v teku tudi kampanja zbiranja fondov za zatiranje nevarne bolezni otroške paralize. Vsak je proš, da v to humanitarno vrho prispeva vsaj eno desetico. Ako more prispevati več, je seveda toliko boljše. Zbiranje teh fondov je na različne načine organizirano po vseh Zedinjenih državah. Žrtvovanje ene desetice se v teh časih ne pozna nikomur, niti otroku, zato naj bi se s tem malenkostnim prispevkom odzval vsak. Saj se gre za pomoč trpečim sodržavljanom in za možnosti zanesljive preprečitve te hude bolezni v bodočnosti. Tozadevna kampanja bo zaključena 30. januarja.

Vsi, ki bivamo v Zedinjenih državah, smo dolžni z davčnimi prispevki vzdrževati upravo dežele in protekcijo iste. Med najvažnejše federalne davke spadajo dohodninski davki, ki morajo biti od dohodkov lanskega leta plačani oziroma prijavljeni do 15. marca 1944. Priporočljivo pa je, da se to izviši že zdaj, brez odlašanja, da ne bo prevelikega nalaga na davčne urade zadnje dni pred zaključkom roka. Svoje dohodke v letu 1943 mora v omenjenem roku prijaviti vsaka samska oseba, katere kosmatni dohodki so lansko leto znašali \$500.00 ali več; isto velja za vsako poročeno osebo, katere dohodki so znašali lansko leto \$624.00 ali več, ali če je skupni zaslužek obeh zakoncev znašal \$1,200.00 ali več.

Prijave za plačanje dohodninskega davka morajo napraviti vsi, katerih lanski zaslužki so znašali kot gori omenjeno, brez ozira na to, da se je mnogim od 1. julija 1943 naprej dohodninski davek odtrgoval direktno od njihovih plač. Nekateri so v letu 1943 plačali ves dohodninski davek od dohodkov prejšnjega leta, in tisti imajo nekaj "kredita" pri federalni vladi. Toda tudi tisti morajo napraviti davčne prijave do 15. marca. Kar imajo preveč vplačanega, jim bo davčna uprava vrnila ali pa kreditirala za davke naprej, kakor bodo želeli. Davčne prijave pa morajo napraviti.

Davke plačati je neizogibna dolžnost in Stric Sam se ne šali s tistimi, ki se skušajo taki dolžnosti odtegniti. Glede tega ni treba izgubljati besed. Priporočljivo pa je, da vsi tisti, katere doseže dolžnost plačila federalnega dohodninskega davka, ne odlašajo s tozadevnimi vplačili ali prijavami. Z ozirom na lastno udobnost in z ozirom na olajšanje dela uslužbencev v davčnih uradih naj zadostijo svojim davčnim obveznostim, kakor hitro jim je mogoče.

Oton Zupancič:

STOJ BREZ ZAVETJA

Kličee, drevo, mladotletja?
Cvetja, petja z drhtečimi
prsti, v mrazove prosečimi
kličee, drevo?Hočee, srce, razodetja.
Hočee razvnetja ponosnega?
Dvoma dovolj neizprosna
ti je, srce.Stoj ko drevo brez zavetja!
Višji si, bolj te pretresa vihar,
višji si, bližji nebeski ti žar,
dalj gre oko.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Zavezniški letalci so nedavno razbili tudi Hitlerjevo palačo v Berlinu. Žal, da se je dih pravčasno umaknil na varno.

V Los Angelesu je bil priveden na policijsko postajo Harvey J. Bomar, močno natrkan in krvavec iz ran na rokah. Policisti so povedali, da je Bomar skušal preteptati moža, ki ga je videl v velikem zrcalu. Californijsko vino je močno.

V Ameriki imajo ljudje najrazličnejša imena. Happy New-year, ki živi v Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, Merry Christmas, ki biva v Janesvillu, Wisconsin, in Santa Claus, ki stanuje v Marshallu, Missouri, se osebno ne poznajo med seboj, toda si dopisujejo.

V Buffalu je nedavno James Meyers na slepo srečo kupil zvitek filma, da bi s premičnimi slikami nekoliko zabaval sestaneke njegovih stanovskih tovarišev. Ko so na platnu oživele slike, so gledalci videli skupino ameriških vojakov v Salernu v Italiji in med njimi je bil tudi Meyersov sin.

Iz Rusije, kjer se pretirano navijanje cen strogo kaznuje, smo izvedeli sledečo anekdoto: Učiteljica vpraša učenca: Ako kupiš bušel jabolk za 30 rubljev in jih prodaš za 60 rubljev, koliko dobička imaš? Odgovor: Tri leta zapora.

Slovenci vehementno zahtevamo, da pridejo v meje bodoče Jugoslavije vsi Slovenci in Hrvat, ki so bili po zadnji vojni krivično pridržani v Italiji, Nemčiji in Madžarski. Njihovo število se čeni nekaj nad pol milijona. Ta zahteva se nam zdi popolnoma upravičena in prepričani smo, da jo bodo zavezniški upoštevali. Vpričo tega pa ne moremo razumeti, zakaj je zadnje čase izvestno ameriško časopisje vprižarjalo tako gonjo proti Rusiji, ki zahteva, da je pridruženo Rusiji tistih osem ali devet milijonov Belorusov in Ukrajincev, ki so po zadnji vojni prišli pod poljsko oblast, kjer so se zelo mizerno počutili. Kakor Italijani, Nemci in Madžari nimajo nikake pravice vladati Slovincem in Hrvatom, tako nimajo Poljaki pravice vladati Ukrajincem in Belorusom. Poljaki se sklicujejo na zgodovinske pravice, toda, če bi to držalo, bi morala tudi naša republika priti pod vladno Anglije, Francije in Španije.

V zalivu Maple Bay v British Columbij je neki Victor Scholley spet videl morskó kačo, dolgo kakih 30 čevljev. Tam se je morská kača že večkrat prej prikazala in je najbrž kje v bližini doma. Vojne razmere imajo velike oči. Včasih so ljudje videli morskó kače samo v hudi poletni vročini.

Po pripovedovanju starega priseljenca se je v neki stari slovenski naselbini v Ameriki pred leti pripetilo sledeče: Rokajka, ki je za vedno zastopil posvetno nečimernost, so prijatelji spremljali k pogrebu. Kot je bilo takrat v navadi, je na čelu pogrebne sprejeda korakala "banda" domačih muzikantov in sviralav primerne melodije. Muzikant, ki je imel največjo trobento, je bil tako zaverovan v svoj instrument, da je korakal "plozal" kar naprej, ko so ostali muzikanti, s sprejedom vred, zavili na stran, kamor jih je klicala žalostna dolžnost. Kako daleč je osamljeni muzikant hodil in plozal svojo pot, zgodovina ne pove. Ko je prijatelj Cahej slišal to resnično storijo, se je nasmejaj in dejal, da imamo tudi dandanes posameznike, ki nečejo videti, kako se obrača svet, ampak trmasto hodijo in plozajo svojo pot; čeprav niso muzikanti.

V Chicagu so nedavno igrali "Kisle gobe." Kako je predstava izpadla, ne vem, vem pa, kje so si igralci lahko nabavili vsakršno količino jesiha, če so ga potrebovali.

Iz Kaira v Egiptu poročajo, da je jugoslovanski kralj Peter napravil letalsko izkušnjo in dobil letalsko diplomó ali licenco. To je vse hvale vredno in priporočljivo za vsakega mladega človeka, posebno pa za kralje. Se nič ne ve brez ciganke, če ne bodo po tej vojni nekateri kralji frčali.

A. J. T.

SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

sevelta. Ves čisti dobiček pridelitve bo izročeno fondu za zatiranje otroške paralize, katere bolezen je pred leti mučila tudi sedanjega predsednika naše republike. Pričetek veselice je določen za 8. uro zvečer.

Louis Adamič, avtor zanimive knjige "My Native Land," je bil sprejet kot član v Society of American Historians. To je vsekar visoko odlikovanje za sina naše male Slovenije.

V Rock Springsu, Wyo., je umrl Frank Pivk, star 54 let, član društva št. 18 ABZ. Pokojnik zapušča soprogo, dva sina in dva brata. Doma je bil v Rottah pri Logatcu in je bil v Ameriki 38 let.

V južnem Pacifiku je dal življenje za domovino ameriški mornar Edward Turk, star 25 let, rojen v Calumetu, Mich., in član tamkajšnjega društva št. 9 ABZ. V Calumetu zapušča več bratov in sester, v Dodgeville, Mich., pa mater Ano Majnarič.

V Calumetu, Mich., je umrl Joseph Stukel, star 81 let, član in soustanovitelj društva št. 9 ABZ in član HBZ. Pokojnik je svoječasnó vodil gostilno ter se je bavil tudi s prodajo parobrodskih listov in s pošiljanjem denarja v stari kraj in je sploh spadal med najpodjetnejše Slovence v Calumetu in okolici. Tu zapušča soprogo, sina, pet vnukov in dva pravnuka, v starem kraju pa dve sestri. Rojen je bil na Trebnjem vrhu pri Semiču v Beli Krajini.

V Barbertonu, Ohio, je nena doma umrl John Ujčić, član društva št. 44 ABZ, in bivši večkratni predsednik federacije društev ABZ v državi Ohio. Prejšnji večer je še delal, v jutru 25. januarja pa ga je žena našla mrtvega v postelji. Pokojni je bil doma iz Velikih brd pri Jelšanah na Primorskem.

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI
PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

pritožb. Sedanji železni centi bodo ostali v prometu, dokler bo zaradi pomanjkanja drobiža potrebno, toda novih ne bodo več izdelovali iz železa. Ko železni centi ne bodo več potrebni v prometu, bodo vrnjeni rezervnim bankam, kjer bodo v rezervi za kako morebitno poznejšo potrebo.

GOST IZ VENEZUELE

V Washington je pretekli teden dospel general Isaias Medina, predsednik srednjeameriške republike Venezuele. Odlični gost je bil v našem glavnem mestu sprejet z vso častjo, na kar je bil gost predsednika Roosevelta v Beli hiši. Po odhodu iz Washingtona je predsednik Medina obiskal New York, Philadelphijo in nekatera druga ameriška mesta.

DOSTI SI UPA!

Neka Vivien Kellems v državi Connecticut, katere tovarne imajo velika vojna naročila, je nedavno pozvala druge industrialce, da naj sledijo njenemu vzgledu in odklonijo plačati dohodninske davke. Ko je zakladniški tajnik Henry Morgenthau o tem slišal, je dejal, "da je ne vredno od oseb, ki delajo dobičke pri vojnih naročilih, pozivati sodržavljane, da odklonijo plačevanje davkov; v vojnem času posebno diši tako postopanje po nelojalnosti". Morgenthau sicer rebelne ženske ni omenil po imenu, pa je vsak razumel, koga je imel v mislih. Ta bi bila lepa, da bi delavci plačevali davke od svojih zaslužkov, dobički tovarnarjev pa bi bili davkov prosti! Vivien bo seveda plačala davke kot drugi, ker Stric Sam ve, kako se taka reč izterja.

NACIJSKO GNEZDO

Najbolj nevarno nacijsko gnezdo na ameriškem kontinentu je v južnoameriški republiki Argentini, katere edina izmed ameriških republik še vzdržuje diplomatske stike z Nemčijo. Vplivni progresivni krogi v Zedinjenih državah priporočajo državnemu departmentu, da ukine vsoto trgovino z Argentino in si potreščine, katere do sedaj od tam dobiva, preskrbi kje drugje; dalje, da naj zamrzne argentinske kredite in ukine druge gospodarske ugodnosti. Gospodarski pritisk od Zedinjenih držav in Anglije bi kmalu zrušil sedanjo nacijsko prijazno vlado v Argentini.

VETERAN KANDIDAT

V prvem kongresnem distriktu države Colorado kandidira na demokratskem tiketu za zveznega kongresnika prvi veteran sečanje vojne, bivši letalski pilot, major Carl E. Wuertele, ki je bil zaradi v vojni dobljenih poškodb častno odpuščen iz armade. Pilot Wuertele je bil večkrat ranjen v bojih nad Pacifikom in je bil devetkrat odlikovan. Prvi distrikt države Colorado bo pri izrednih volitvah izvolil novega kongresnika na mesto nedavno umrlega Lawrence Lewisa.

ITALIJANSKA LEMONA

Zavezniške vojaške oblasti v južni Italiji so zadnje čase dovolile shode in druge aktivnosti političnih strank. Edini pogoj je, da take aktivnosti ne ovirajo vojaških aktivnosti. Liberalni elementi v Italiji vztrajajo pri svoji zahtevi, da mora kralj Viktor Emanuel odstopiti. Zavezniškim oblastim povzroča uprava južne Italije občuten glavobol.

SVARILO SPANLJI

Britiški zunanji minister Anthony Eden je pretekli teden izjavil v parlamentu, da je bilo britiškemu poslaniku v Madridu naročeno, naj opozori špansko vlado, da je Anglija nevoljna zaradi pomoči, ki jo Španija še vedno daje Nemčiji. Posebno ne soglašajo s proglaševanjem španske nevtralnosti do dejstva, da se španski "prostovoljci" še vedno borijo na strani Nemcev na ruski fronti. Taka španska smernica ne more ugodno vplivati na angleško - španske odnose niti za sedaj niti za bodočnost.

V PETDESETIH LETIH

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Za fiskalno leto 1894 so znašali skupni dohodki federalne vlade 372 milijonov dolarjev, izdatki pa 442 milijonov dolarjev; torej je bilo 70 milijonov dolarjev primanjkljaja. V letu 1943 pa so znašali federalni dohodki 22,000 milijonov dolarjev in za leto 1944 se računajo na 33,000 milijonov dolarjev. Izdatki v letu 1943 so bili 82,000 milijonov in za leto 1944 se računajo na 107,000 milijonov do-

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Do navedenih nagrad so upravičeni tisti člani in članice, ki prispevajo ali članice v odrasli ali mladinski oddelki Ameriške bratske zveze so izplačljive, ko so novi člani vplačili vsaj po šest mesečnih prispevkov.

larjev. Javni dolg je leta 1894 Pressa, datirano 24. januarja, znašal nekaj nad en tisoč milijonov dolarjev, za leto 1944 pa se računa, da bo znašal 206 tisoč milijonov dolarjev. Na vsako osebo v Zedinjenih državah je leta 1894 prišlo \$15.04 dolga, sedaj pa pride na vsako osebo \$1,560.00 dolga, če bi se narodni dolg enakomerno razdelil na vse prebivalce Zedinjenih držav. Leta 1930 je znašal naš narodni dolg malo nad 16 tisoč milijonov dolarjev, do leta 1935 se je vsled depresije dvignil na nekaj več kot 28 tisoč milijonov, leta 1940 zaradi izdatkov za obrambo dežele na skoro 43 tisoč milijonov in do leta 1944 na 206 tisoč milijonov dolarjev. To nam je prinesla vojna v finančnem oziru.

IZ JUGOSLAVIJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Po poročilih iz Algira zavezniški letalci vedno pogosteje napadajo razne nemške postojanke na Balkanu. Nedavno so bombardirali albanske pristanišče Drač in razne kraje v Bosni. Britiški rušilci so obstrleljivali Rovinj v Istri ter otoka Drenik in Korčulo.

Sir Jamez Grigg, britiški vojni minister, je pretekli teden izjavil v angleškem parlamentu, da se "vse od začetka decembra naprej vršijo skoro neprestani boji preko vse Jugoslavije, z izjemo vzhodne Srbije. Partizani zadržujejo v Jugoslaviji najmanj 125,000 nemških vojakov". Dejal je tudi, da zavezniški zakladajo jugoslovanske partizane s takimi količinami vojnih potrebščin kot jim vojna situacija dopušča, da imajo med njimi svoje posredovalne častnike in da zavezniški letalci pomagajo partizanom kar največ morejo. Britiški vojni tajnik je tudi dejal, da velika ofenziva, katero so Nemci zapričeli v Hrvaški proti koncu decembra, se je izjalovila.

Londonsko poročilo United

NAŠI PROSTOVOLJCI
V RUSIJ

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

cakajo, da se med njimi, ki so izpraznili v grobiših, poročilo, da bodo v udarokom, da bodo v sovjetske armade, ločno likvidirajo na domov, hovi bratje, ki se osvobodijo.



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AFU INSURANCE — A BASIC NEED FOR A SOUND FUTURE

This is the time of year when many various diseases endanger the health of the people. America today must be on guard on the home front against man's most dreaded enemy of health, the common cold. You are needed, and needed badly, on the home front production line. The wisest thing to do when you have a lingering cold is to consult your physician at once. Although he is one of the most occupied persons during war time, he knows best and will gladly advise you what to do to cure your illness.

If you are one of the unfortunates who will have to pay doctor and hospital bills, your worry in this respect will be greatly lessened if you are a member of the American Fraternal Union. Our sick benefits help pay those doctor bills. The AFU has time and again proved to be a great benefactor in time of illness. Members should inform their friends of the splendid benefits the AFU has to offer to all who are its members.

Our life insurance plans are numerous enough to fit every individual's need. If there were no life insurance the average man would be handicapped because of constant worry. If there were no life insurance the average man would have to save every available dollar in order to accumulate as much as possible, as soon as possible, to replace his earning power in event of his death. This means that he would have to deprive himself of comforts, entertainments, luxuries and educational advantages for his children.

If, however, he provides for an insured future in a sound fraternal organization, such as the American Fraternal Union, he knows his family will be well taken care of in event of his death. He has one big worry off his mind, he is free to invest his earnings in business opportunities, has funds to provide for his children's education, and, to sum it all up, is free to enjoy all the comforts and luxuries which are a great part of our American way of living.

No other institutions can compare with our fraternal organizations in their power to encourage thrift, protect savings and provide guaranteed returns. Our government has time and again stressed the fact that by putting your money into life insurance dollars, you help prevent inflation.

Why not join the AFU now and be assured of financial aid in time of illness or in case of death? If you and your family are already members, tell your friends and neighbors about the many benefits the AFU has to offer to its members. By belonging to the American Fraternal Union you are a member of an organization which has a long record of 45 years of giving humanitarian service to its members.

Enroll now! Belong to the largest family in the world — the fraternal benefit organization family!

Thought For The Day

Somebody did a golden deed,
Somebody proved a friend in need,
Somebody sang a beautiful song,
Somebody smiled the whole day long,
Somebody thought "Tis sweet to live,"
Somebody fought a valiant fight,
Somebody lived to shield the right,
Was that somebody you?

—Pilot

New Officers of Lodge 144, AFU

Detroit, Mich. — The members of Lodge No. 144, AFU are hereby notified that the following members were elected officers of the lodge for 1944: Joseph Ozanich, president; John Klobuchar, vice-president; Mike Bahor, secretary; Mary Bishop, treasurer; John Krainz, recording secretary; Joseph Vidmar, John Krainz and John Debenc, auditors. Frank Pavlich and Albert Naprudnik were elected representatives to the National Home and Anton M. Meyers and John Krainz representatives to SANC. The lodge physician is Dr. McKinnon. Fraternal regards to all.

Mike Bahor, Sec'y
Lodge No. 144, AFU
Detroit, Mich.

The Slovene Committee of the Intercultural Library invites you to attend an informal program on Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 8 p. m. at the Intercultural Library, East 55th St. and St. Clair Ave. Featured on the program will be travel films by Dr. Frank J. Kern, music and singing by Miss Caroline Budan and Mrs. V. D. Cahill, and Slovene folk dances by the children of the Slovene National Home School under the direction of their teacher. Refreshments will be served.

CARDINAL HIGHLIGHTS

Hello members: Now that the holiday rush is over I thought I'd settle down and write again.

Home on a surprise Christmas furlough was Sgt. Steve Millosin. After not having a leave for over ten months he was enjoying himself visiting with friends and relations.

Three other Cardinals home for the holidays were Sgt. J. Mikolich, Cpl. Pete DeLost and Stan Pogacnik of the Navy.

We want to congratulate Howard Slabe on his graduation from Struthers High School on Jan. 13th. As we understand it, he will be leaving for the Navy sometime soon. Lots of success in the future, Howard.

On our sick list we have Sister Julia Vlosich. We wish her a speedy recovery from her illness. We're glad to hear Bro. Louis Pogacnik is feeling better.

It has been sometime since I have written. I received an air-mail letter from Steve Pogacnik who is somewhere in the South Pacific. He sends a poem which he requests be published.

CHRISTMAS IN THE PACIFIC

Here in the tropics, the bright sun beams
And a lovely white Christmas, comes only in dreams,
But the spirit of Christmas, both jolly and sweet
Will be in our hearts where Americans shall meet.
We are fighting this Christmas on land, air and sea,
That America may forever and ever be free,
So we pledge tonight with courage anew
To strive all the harder, to see this thing through.
To you back home who in silence pause,
And honor those who have died for the cause,
That died so the world in harmony might live
And that all men might have peace, their lives did give.
If in the struggle, I shall be slain,
My only wish is that I died not in vain,
That an end will come to all suffering and pain,
And throughout the world peace forever may reign.

—Stephen Pogacnik, S 1/C

Home on furlough for 10 days and looking handsome indeed, is Cpl. Emil Mikolich. Bro. Louis Pogacnik is convalescing and we all wish him a speedy recovery. Fraternally yours,
Mary M. Zlogar, Lodge No. 229, AFU,
Struthers, Ohio

BRIEFS

John Ujcic, 63 years old, of Barberton, Ohio passed away Tuesday, Jan. 25. He was an active member of Lodge No. 44, AFU and served various times as president of the Ohio AFU Federation. He is survived by his widow. We extend her our sincere sympathy.

Just a reminder to all Cleveland Slovenes that on January 30, 1944 the fifth Slovene-sponsored "President's Birthday Ball" will be held at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. The proceeds will go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. This worthy cause deserves everyone's support. Won't you dance so that others may walk?

On January 17, 1944, Louis Adamic, author of "My Native Land," was elected a member of the Society of American Historians.

TOTAL ARMY CASUALTIES

American Army casualties since we entered the war up to and including Dec. 23, 1943 total 105,229. In announcing the figures Jan. 13 the Secretary of War stated that of this total 16,831 are listed as killed in action, 38,916 wounded in action, 24,067 missing in action and 25,415 prisoners of war.

—Army and Navy Journal

Received a letter from Pvt. Frank Vlosich from somewhere in Alaska. He isn't receiving the Nova Doba and would like to get it. His address is: Pvt. Frank Vlosich, ASN 35310512, 1st Plat. 118th Q. M., Btry Co. S. C. U. 2407, APO 476, c/o Postmaster, Seattle, Wash. (Editor's note: Pvt. Vlosich will be put on the N. D. mailing list at once.)

Sgt. George DeLost is on leave from Tennessee visiting with friends and relatives. You will remember him as the catcher for the Cardinal ball team.

That will be all for now. Just a reminder, don't forget our monthly meetings. Attend them every second Sunday of the month at 2 p. m.

Jennie Millosin, Sec'y
Lodge No. 229, AFU
Struthers, Ohio

Lodge 2, AFU Installs New Officers

Ely, Minn. — At the January meeting of Lodge No. 2, AFU, the installation of officers was held. The following members were elected: Joseph L. Champa, president; (re-elected unanimously and serving our lodge as chairman for nineteen years). Keep it up Joe! Matt Stariha, vice-president; Anton Knapp, secretary; Joseph Pechaver, treasurer; (also an old faithful), John Mehle, recording secretary; (has served the lodge for twelve years), Dan Bohinc, president of the board of trustees; and Anton Pirsh and Stanley Urbas, trustees. Louis Champa and Joseph Pechaver are representatives to the Yugoslav National Home and Dr. J. P. Grahek is the lodge medical adviser.

The January meeting was well attended and I hope it remains that way for future meetings. Florian Belhar won an award.

Just a few remarks about our progress for the year of 1943. Our lodge attained 66 points in the AFU membership campaign. It invested \$200 in U. S. War Bonds. The members also donated \$33 to SANC. We regret to report that we lost eight adult members: Marie Ahachevich, Margaret Papesch, Theodore Vesel, Edward Prijatelj, Joseph Spahn, John Perushek and two soldier members who were killed in action while serving our country; Albin Rozman and William Vidmar. I have also been informed that John Prijatelj and his brother, Albert, also soldier members, were wounded in action.

In conclusion I wish all the members the best of luck for 1944 and many years to come. I hope to see a large attendance at our meetings which are held every second Sunday of the month in the basement of the Yugoslav National Home. Fraternal regards.

Anton Knapp, Sec'y
Lodge No. 2, AFU
Ely, Minn.

DEFERMENT OF FATHERS

The President has signed the Selective Service Law Amendment, 5,763, providing that married men with children shall be the last to be inducted into the service. All single men are to be drafted first, and married men without children will be the next to be inducted.

A second basic part of the new law is the drafting shall be on a national as well as a State basis. When a State has drafted all of its single men, the quotas of other States will be increased until all unmarried men in the nation are drafted. Until this becomes a fact, no State will draft childless married men, and not until all such men in all the States have been drafted will married men with children be drafted.

—Army and Navy Journal

DANCING GIRL WARRIORS

An INS dispatch from Algiers, December 18th:

A dance at which pretty Yugoslav girls danced with hand-grenades in their belts. That's something a Kentucky fighter-pilot who bailed out over the Adriatic and was rescued by daring Yugoslav Partisans will long remember.

But Lt. Louis Frank, of Louisville, now back with his P-40 Warhawk fighter outfit also will remember the audacity and courage of the Partisan fighters.

U. S. Battleship Named After American-Slovene Hero, Milton Pavlic



Lt. Commander Mirko Pavlic

When the history of American Slovenes and their sacrifices for American victory in this war will be written, the name of Lt. Commander Mirko (Milton) Pavlic will hold a prominent place. He gave his life for his country, at the age of 31 years, in a sea battle with the Japs at Guadalcanal on Nov. 15, 1942.

The deceased was born in Trieste while his parents were visiting the old country. He received his education at Barberton, Ohio. Commander Pavlic was a graduate of Annapolis Academy, class of 1932. He was the commander of a battleship, the name of which was kept secret for some time and was known as Battleship X until recently, when the War Department revealed it to be the U. S. S. South Dakota. M. Pavlic was one of the youngest commanders of our battleships. His wife received the following notice with the news of his death:

"His reputation in the Navy was such that you and your children can be proud of him. He distinguished himself in all his duties and looked, unafraid, into the face of death. His contribution to the defeat of the enemy was not small. Do not think for a minute that his death was in vain. When heroes and their glories will be spoken of, remember that he is one of them. We owe him much."

It has been reported that his ship had sunk at least three enemy battleships and its cannons shot 32 enemy planes down into the sea.

He is survived by his wife, two children, his parents (Mr. and Mrs. Tomaz Pavlic), and six sisters.

Lt. Comm. Pavlic was a conscientious Slovene and proud of his mother tongue, and as such was a good example to our American-born youth. He often stated that he was "living on borrowed time."

The body of Lt. Comm. Pavlic was buried in a watery grave on the day of his death but America, to show its gratitude and to keep his memory alive, last December named a newly-built battleship after him, the U. S. S. Pavlic! It was christened by his widow.

Today our U. S. Navy has a battleship bearing the name of a faithful son of our Slovene nationality. May it carry on Lt. Commander Pavlic's work until freedom and victory for the whole world is achieved.

Anton Okolish
Barberton, Ohio

News of AFU Yanks

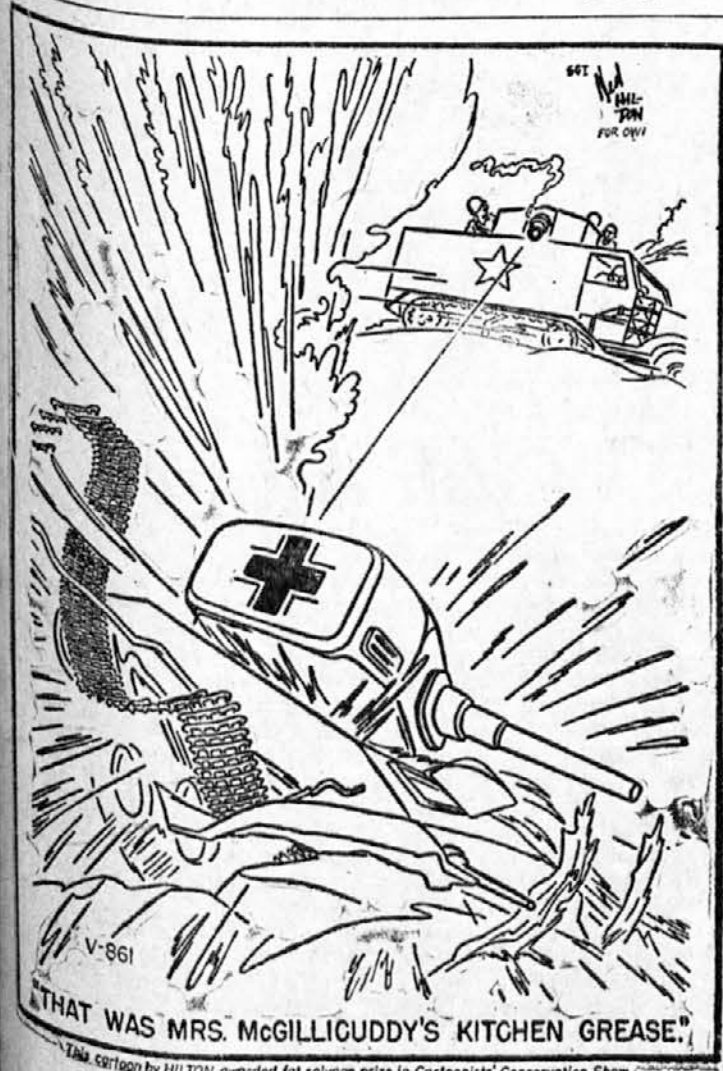
T/Sgt. Laddie Debevec of Cleveland, now stationed in England, sends us an interesting letter. He writes: "Christmas here was swell. We had a delicious dinner and all. Today (Dec. 27) is 'Boxing Day' in England. On this day all people like milkmen, tailors, butlers, and others who serve the household go around and collect gifts, or what we call hand-outs. It is a big day for them." (For your information, Laddie, this is an old Slovenian custom too. It is called "tepežni dan" I still remember when I was a youngster, on Dec. 27th we would go forth with baskets and sticks to collect goodies. So you tell your British buddies that this is an old Slovenian custom, too.)

Laddie tells us he now weighs 11 stones and 5 pounds; or 159 pounds to you. (One stone equals 14 pounds.) He adds: "I haven't received the Nova Doba lately. They usually come in twos or fours."

Laddie has a new APO number so his pen-pals are asked to take note of his change of address:

T/Sgt. Ladislav Debevec,
35304063
UPS 291st Engrs. C. Bn.
APO 230 c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

This week we were pleasantly surprised by T/Cpl. Edison Terbovec who paid the Nova Doba a visit. He is a member of Lodge No. 141, AFU of San Francisco, Cal. and is here on official business. He is the son of Anton J. Terbovec, editor-manager of Nova Doba.



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Private Joseph Banich Writes From Somewhere In England

Hello everybody:

This is your old friend and member, Pvt. Joseph Banich reporting again, from somewhere in England. I hope that everyone is healthy and happy. I want all of you to know that the boys and I are as good as we can be.

I received letters from some of the members, and I want to thank them for them. I want all of you to know that I appreciate receiving letters from anyone, and you can count on a quick reply. Thanks again.

I am typing this letter in our Orderly Room: I am supposed to be the typist here. There isn't much to write about England, because I haven't gone out on pass for a long time. I am planning to go on a furlough, and I'll probably go to Scotland. According to the talk of some of the boys that have been there, it must be a pretty good place to spend a furlough.

I would like to let you know a few good things about some of the boys in our hut, and how we keep our moral at a high standard. We have boys from about every state in the Union. Some are from Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, and a lot of other states. We have a lot of different nationalities also. Some are Irish, English, Polish, Croatian, Italian, and a lot others.

I would like to tell you a little about one of our morale builders. His name is Joseph Wesolowski, and he comes from Pennsylvania. He can read, write, and speak in Polish. All of the fellows like him a lot. He is always talking about the women or complaining about the Army. Every night at 9:30, when the lights go off, Joe starts in talking about his "Life in the Army." He plays the harmonica, and pretty well too. He has been sporting a mustache around for the last couple of months, but something must have happened, because he shaved it off the other day.

Any way, it will save the boys the trouble of taking it off. I wish that all of you could meet Joe, because he is the best friend a fellow can have.

I would like to mention some of the nick-names that some of the fellows have around here. The fellows call me "Sad Sack," and I still can't find the reason for them calling me that. We have a fellow in our hut, that they call "Goo Goo" or "Snuffy Smith." He lives most on Mail Pouch and cigars.

We also have our collection of "Pin-Up Girls." I guess about every soldier in the Army has his collection, too. Every once in a while, when we don't feel so good, we just take a good look at some of the girls, and we feel like new men.

We spend most of our time writing letters, looking for some good Pin-Ups in the magazines, listening to some good music on the wireless (radio), or playing cards. Once in a while, we go to the Post Exchange to indulge in a few glasses of bitters (beer).

Today was a pretty good day. Some of the fellows got some packages from home, and we had some pretty good eats. We get a lot of sweets from home, and we also get some good old home-made cake or some other kind of food also. What we wouldn't do, to get back home again, and eat some of mom's cooking.

Most of the letters that I get from my friends ask me about the women situation here. Well I'll tell you. They sure go for the American boys, and some of them are pretty nice, but I still say that they aren't as good as the girls that we have back in the states. I learned this statement from some of the boys that go out with them. I haven't gone out with any of them yet, and I don't think I ever will.

Well this is all until my next letter. I hope that I will have more to write the next time. I'll say so long, keep on buying all the War Bonds and Stamps that you can to help end this war very soon. May God bless all of you and keep all of you in the best of health. Remember, if any of you want to write, I'll appreciate it very much.

Yours sincerely,

Pvt. Joseph Banich, 35091171
Hq. Co. Sup. Bn. 3rd Armd.
Div.
APO 253 c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Daughter: "Mother, what is alimony?"

Mother: "It's a married man's cash surrender value."

Income Tax Returns

Collector Thos. Carey today explained that under the pay-as-you-go system all current tax payments through withholding from wages or by means of payments "on Declaration of Estimated Tax" are only approximate.

It is necessary Collector Carey stated to file a return to disclose the exact amount of each person's tax liability and to determine whether or not he has underpaid or overpaid his taxes. In instances where the current tax payments were less than the tax payable for 1943, remittances of the difference will be necessary at the time of filing the return as this amount cannot be paid in installments.

Numerous taxpayers are of the opinion that through payment of withholding tax and two payments of 1942 tax made in March and June of 1943, they are not required to file a report. This statement is erroneous as under the law all taxpayers who paid or owed a tax for 1942 are required to file for 1943.

Another item to be considered Collector Carey stated is that through the withholding tax and other payments taxpayers have overpaid their liability for 1943. To secure a refund it is necessary these taxpayers also file returns, and he suggested that when they receive from their employers Forms W-2 and Forms 1125 from the local office, they file their returns at once, thereby allowing the office sufficient time to segregate returns of this nature.

Taxpayers having refunds must understand that no refund can be made until the comparison of the 1942 with the 1943 return has been made by the Bureau.

This applies to all tax offices throughout the country.



BUY WAR BONDS
and give the change to fight
INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Did You Know That

One reason why mechanics are scarce—and worth their weight in gold: For every heavy bomber in service, the Army's Air Service Command must provide 10 maintenance men in a main repair depot; and five in a subdepot. For medium bombers, maintenance personnel averages six and four respectively; for single-engine fighters, three and three; for gliders, 0.5 and one.

A heavy bomber, cruising at 250 miles an hour, burns three and one-third gallons of gasoline every minute.



WHERE THE FUEL GOES
ONE STEEL MILL on the East Coast burned 105,227,000 gallons of fuel oil during the first three months of this year.

Now for the KNOCKOUT!



Have you done your part in the

4th WAR LOAN?
Your gallant fighting men are giving all they've got to put over the knockout blow. But you must do your share to back them up. Your share in this all-out drive means investing in War Bonds until it hurts. The very least you can do is invest in at least one extra hundred dollar Bond (costs \$75.) . . . and as many more as possible. Help your company meet its quota. Display the 4th War Loan emblem at home. Do this and you'll help your country . . . help yourself.

Let's All BACK THE ATTACK!

This space is a contribution to our country by

Nova Doba

Chicago AFU Liberty Bell Bowling League

Chicago, Ill. — At the bowling session last Friday, Jan. 21st, again found the teams winning two to one games. The Hujan Taverns won over the Spolar Fox River Hotel team and Golenko's Maryton Cafe beat the Gottlieb Florists. Individual high bowlers were Jos. Gomilar, 176-168, Bill Dolmovich, 166, Louis Dolmovich, 160, and Louis Andreasich, 160. Three-game high were Joseph Gomilar, 498, Louis Dolmovich, 440, and Andrew Stopar, 438. You can see that somehow everybody wasn't up to par last week. Probably the "flu" had a lot to do with it for lately almost everyone had it more or less. I hope that next week the scores will be better.

Standings, Jan. 21, 1944

	W	L
Gottlieb Florists	29	19
Maryton Cafe	28	20
Hujan Tavern	22	26
Fox River Hotel	18	30

John Gottlieb, Sec'y

Chicago AFU Liberty Bell Bowling League

"SPARS" BILL SIGNED

The President has signed H. R. 1616, legislation which removes the limits on the number of SPAR officers possible in the various grades and allows Lt. Comdr. Dorothy Stratton, director of the Women's Reserve of the Coast Guard, to be promoted to the grade of captain. The legislation will give the SPARS and their dependents the benefits provided for male members of the Coast Guard Reserve. Duty beyond the limits of the United States is prohibited by the law.

Less than half of the American people own War Bonds. Supposing only half of our army decided to fight? Let's all back the attack with extra War Bonds.

WASHINGTON NEWS FLASHES

By Florence D. Startz

One of the things I like about Washington, D. C. is its many parks—they beautify the city to a great extent. Tonight as I was going home from work with a friend, we passed one of these parks. "Look at those two soldiers sitting on that park bench—they don't seem to have a care in the world, I could change places with them. I have a thousand things to do." It was my friend doing a little bit of wishful thinking out loud. It was true! The two soldiers seemed as carefree as the birds in the park. I nudged my friend, "Yes, it isn't often you see such a serene scene in busy Washington, but let's not dilly dally because I've many things to do too!" And one of the many things was to get this column written.

There is a lot of activity buzzing in our Nation's Capital these days, for looming just above the horizon is the President's Birthday Ball. That reminds me. I hope you readers will join in the "March of Dimes" and send your dime to the White House. It is surely for a worthy cause. We all want to help in the fight against infantile paralysis. In downtown Washington there is a large stand. On it are 48 bottles, each representing one of the 48 states. Passerby's drop contributions for the fund into the bottle that represents their home state.

I wonder if any of you have been hearing the word "picayune" often on the radio lately. There isn't a dictionary in sight of yours truly but I think the correct meaning of it would be "unimportant," or "of little value." At any rate, the poor word has been used to no end here in Washington ever since the President used it in a press conference about a month ago. Ah me, you can't open a paper in the capital without seeing the word pop out at you from all directions. Just listen closely to radio commentators from now on and you'll notice they've got the "picayune" bug too.

Recently in a bus, a couple near me were talking quite loudly in a foreign tongue. A lady next to me asked if I knew what language it was. We tried to figure it out together but to no avail. There are people of every nationality here in the capital (I do mean every) so it could have been practically anything. But that's one of the exciting things about living in our capital. Talking about nationalities, almost everyone here takes your reporter to be of Swedish descent or at least a member of the Scandinavian race. Then, when they learn I'm from Minnesota, they're convinced. I quickly correct them and say I am Slovenian and "darn" proud of it too! One day after I had finally convinced a soldier that I was Slovenian and not Scandinavian, he said, "They're a very happy people, aren't they?" And he was right, wasn't he?

Cash Awards

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

The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:	
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;	
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;	
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;	
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;	
For Plan "D" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;	
For Plan "D" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 8.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$10.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;	
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$18.00 award.	

Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:
For Plan "JA" \$1.00 award; for Plan "JB" \$3.00 award; for Plan "JC" \$5.00 award; for Plan "JD" \$10.00 award; for Plan "JE" \$15.00 award; for Plan "JF" \$20.00 award.
All members who enroll new members in the adult or juvenile departments of the American Fraternal Union are entitled to these awards. Awards will be paid when the new members have paid six months dues.

Uncle Sam's Corner

Corner

25 Types of Gloves Meet Army's Demand:

Some 25 types of gloves—running the gamut from cotton-flannel hand coverings for thwarting the malarial mosquito to in the Southwest Pacific to heavily reinforced gauntlets for coping with barbed wire in Italy—have been adapted or perfected by the Quartermaster Corps to meet the widely varying demands of global war. The War Department disclosed recently. The gloves are issued in various parts of the world in accordance with the requirements of American fighting men, depending upon the particular climate, terrain or duties involved.

Sights More Rum, Fewer Cigaretts:

The government expects more rum, whisky and brandy but less beer and fewer cigarettes to be available to the American people in the coming months.

4th WAR LOAN
Let's All Back The Attack

Need A New Car?

There'll be no new (1944) automobile for you, says OPA unless your old car shows mileage of at least 60,000 miles. And whatever the mileage may be, salesmen are no longer eligible for new cars.

Warning:

A timely warning from the Department of Agriculture: you received a gift from a serviceman abroad—Christmas or any other kind—you should have burned all the packing material immediately. War springs from overseas insects easily contain insects or insects that can cause a flare-up of pests costing millions of dollars to wipe out. Since pest offices, customs and plant quarantine organizations are everywhere and unable to examine every incoming package, these pests, the only sure way to get rid of them is for every one to burn the packing once!

More Screens to Be Had:

If your house screens are worn out, here is good news: WPB is releasing for restricted use any screening material the Copper Recovery Corporation has rejected, as well as old stock made before 1942 and used and secondhand screening. It all adds up to a fairly sizeable amount.

AVERAGE MONTHLY AIRFRAME WEIGHT OUTPUT PER EMPLOYEE



The Battle for the Balkans

A ROUND TABLE

Louis Adamic — Louis Dolivet — Josef Kane — Sava N. Kosanovich
Bogdan Raditsa — Gaetano Salvemini — Victor Sharenkoff
Rustem Vambéry — Basil Vlavianos — J. Alvarez Del Vayo

(Continuation)

Adamic— I should like to add a little to the definition of the Balkan spirit. I believe that the Balkan spirit is now coming to a head and that it is much more concrete than it used to be. Formerly there was a great deal of nebulous thinking about liberty and so forth. Now, I believe, that idea is becoming concrete in that the Balkan nations want to withdraw the peoples and the lands of the Balkans from the grasp and from the interplay of the imperialistic powers, whether they are Axis or not.

Dolivet—May I ask Mr. Salvemini's opinion on this subject? Gaetano Salvemini—The Balkan peoples have, no doubt, fought for liberty if by liberty one means national independence from the Turks. In their national revolts against the Turks they set a marvelous example to all of Europe. But within each Balkan country, just as in all the other countries of Europe, there were dynasties—and around them groups of military men, politicians and business men.

Adamic—Gangsters. Salvemini—All right: gangsters, who never cared about liberty. The local population, among whom the peasantry is most decent and worthy of respect, have been the victims of such minorities. Even when they were fighting the Turks (because they wanted to monopolize the exploitation of their own peoples) those minorities were still fighting against their own peoples. From this point of view there was never any difference between the Kings of Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece.

Vlavianos—That is true of all nations. It is not a fact peculiar to the Balkans. Salvemini—Agreed. But the Balkan countries have been the victims of a particular misfortune. Too often the so-called great powers, in playing the game of the balance of power, have set up the peoples and rulers of the different Balkan countries one against the other. Thus the Balkan peoples have been the victims of two evils: the evil done by their own politicians and the evil done by the diplomatists of the great powers.

Adamic—I should like to

make it concrete. The Balkan peoples have produced men who were their leaders, people's leaders, but as soon as they appeared they were "bumped off," to use the gangsters' language. That happened to Stamboliiski in Bulgaria in 1923 and to Raditch in Yugoslavia in 1928. Whenever these peoples manage to work up leaders who are going to lead them the gangsters, who are hired by the big powers, bump them off.

Kosanovich—Unfortunately the dictatorial regimes in the Balkans always used democratic language to conceal their real methods of governing. For example, while the democrats of Yugoslavia fought the dictatorship and went to prison, France and Great Britain supported the regime. It is true that the reactionary governments or the dictatorships in Yugoslavia were—on the whole—opposed to Hitler but they were also opposed to democracy at home. The suppression of any development of democracy paved the road for official collapse.

Dolivet—Mr. Sharenkoff, did you see the reactionary regimes in Bulgaria receiving the same support from the great powers?

Victor Sharenkoff—The history of Bulgaria shows, if you start with the year 1912; that this Balkan country was at that time under the protection of an imperial power, Czarist Russia. Later on Austria-Hungary intervened and, still later, England. Stamboliiski's fall was accomplished with English approval. England, seeing that French influence was becoming stronger in Bulgaria and that Stamboliiski was work toward understanding with Yugoslavia, found some tools in Bulgaria—unfortunately among some of the professors in the university—and they finished off Stamboliiski. So the policy of England triumphed over the policy of France. Then, of course, Germany used business and commercial interests with financial investments to penetrate Bulgaria.

(To be continued)

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FROM LATIN TO PISTOLS



Ensign Helen Etter of the U. S. Coast Guard Reserve taught high school Latin in Rushville, Ind., before she enlisted. Part of her training with small arms was given her by John Sandy, Chief Gunner's Mate in the Coast Guard. He used to train the White House police and Secret Service men to be expert marksmen.

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NIKOLA TESLA

Great Yugoslav-American Scientist

What would happen if Tesla's work was eliminated from the industrial world is best explained in a book on induction motor by Tesla's fellow scientist Dr. B. A. Behrend: "Were we to eliminate from our industrial world the results of Tesla's work, the wheel of industry would cease to turn, our electric trains and cars would stop, our towns would be dark, our mills and factories dead and idle. So far-reaching is his work that it has become the warp and woof of industry. Should Tesla's work be suddenly withdrawn, darkness would prevail and we would slump into barbarism."

What more can one say of Tesla? Just by taking short excerpts written by some of our most famous people, by people who knew Tesla, by people who understood his work and his amazing ability one could go on for columns and columns, for issues and issues but let me just quote from a message he wrote in April 1942 to his "brothers in America": "President Roosevelt and war-production chief Donald Nelson have again directed an appeal to the American people—to workers and employers—to fulfill as much as possible the projected plan of production of war materials. On that depend the success and resistance and millions of lives in conquered nations. It is the duty of every honest man to respond to the call of the great American President, one of the greatest geniuses in hundreds of years. But in order to answer that call there must be complete unity among us. Any conflict among those who are called upon to contribute their utmost, destroys our common war effort and gives assistance to the forces of evil.

"Therefore, brothers and sisters, as the oldest Serb, Yugoslav and American of our blood in the United States, I am sending this letter to you urging you to answer the call of President Roosevelt. The deeds of our brothers in the old country are worthy of the spirit which permeates our folk-lore. What spiritual strength, unbreakable determination, fearlessness, and heroism belong to our still undeveloped boys who joyously shouted, while facing German guns: 'We are Serbian children. Shoot!'... The glorious martyrs will live for centuries in our memories inspiring us to immortal deeds.

"Let us not allow that greatness to be minimized through the spreading of hatred—not against the forces of evil—but against our own brothers. The destiny of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes in the old country is indivisible no matter what

the enemy might attempt to do. United we appear more powerful and more noble. United we can fulfill our duty toward the martyrdom of our people, toward America, toward humanity. Whoever works differently is not on the right road."

One of my favorite Tesla quotations is:

"Behold the dark threat veiled in words of flame One child in misery is a nation's shame!"

Yes, Tesla was a great Yugoslav-American scientist and it was most gratifying to learn that the Maritime Commission of the United States had decided to name a liberty ship "Nikola Tesla" in his honor. When Admiral Land notified Tesla's nephew, Dr. Sava N. Kosanovich of the ship launching and requested him to invite a number of people he wished to be present at the launching. I certainly considered myself most fortunate to be among those invited. Dr. Sava N. Kosanovich selected Mrs. Vlasta Subasic, wife of the governor general of Croatia as sponsor of the liberty ship. Among other distinguished guests were: Dr. Ivan Subasic, governor of Croatia; author, Louis Adamic, Zauko Buncick, chairman of the Serbian Congress, Zlatko Balokovich, famous violin artist and chairman of the Croatian Congress, Etbin Kristan, chairman of the Slovenian National American Council, the prominent ship-owner, Mr. Petrino-vich, representative of the Yugoslav Merchant Marine, Captain Antunovich and Mr. Babin, the director of the Yugoslav Information Center, Dr. S. Gavrilovich, chief of the Press Bureau of the JIC, Bogdan Radica, Dr. Nicholas Mirkovich, Mrs. Boris Furlan, Misses Charlotte Muzar, Mary Kraljich. To describe the launching and my feelings would take columns. September 25th, 1943, witnessing the launching of the liberty ship "Nikola Tesla" at the Bethlehem Fairfield Shipyards in Baltimore, Md. will always remain in my memory as one of the most exciting and happiest days of my life.

Having seen the "Nikola Tesla" ship leave the slip and splash into the water I naturally thought this was most certainly the first and last time I would see this great ship. However I did later have the opportunity and good fortune to secure a series of pictures of this ship and the entire launching ceremony which are my cherished possession and which greatly fascinated my friends in Cleveland when I so proudly displayed my (yet incomplete) Tesla "scrapbook" which contains them during my recent stay at home... It is difficult

to relate the thrill and anxiety of the possibility of again seeing the "Tesla" liberty ship after it has served for three months. And a coincidence to say the least. On January 7th, the first anniversary of the death of Nikola Tesla I had the opportunity to see the "Nikola Tesla" liberty ship docked in the waters of the Hudson River. Although now only "Nikol" remains of the freshly white painted "Nikola Tesla" inscription which stood out so clearly Sept. 25th, 1943 and service and travel are written all over it.

I am sure that just as Tesla's work shall live and serve eternally, the "Nikola Tesla" liberty ship will sail and serve and its end will be an honorable as was that of the great Yugoslav-American scientist, Nikola Tesla whose name it carries.

Anne Traven

Your son, brother, husband in uniform is standing at the side of every canvasser in the 4th War Loan, watching, waiting, wishing. Let's all back the attack.

KID SALVAGE



Jedro osvobodilnega pokreta v Evropi

V svoji nespametni kampanji mazanja in črnenja narodnega osvobodilnega gibanja v Jugoslaviji, se je vlada kralja Petra in njen diplomatski aparat posluževal v glavnem starega in že obrabljenega orožja "boljševskega strahu." Kraljevska jugoslovanska vlada dobro ve, da je to priljubljeni "argument" reakcije v vseh deželah in posebno še v tej, ter da bi se moglo s te vrste propagando najprej doseči njen destruktivni cilj. Dejstvo, da brez sijajne borbe boljševske Rusije, bi vprašanje svobodne ali kakršne-koli Jugoslavije sploh ne obstajalo, seveda ne prija gospodom v Kairu. Iz tega je pač dovolj jasno, da se vlada kralja Petra niti najmanj ne briga za bodočnost jugoslovanskega ljudstva, ampak predvsem zato, da se povrne na svoja prejšnja mesta in k svojim privilegijem.

Ameriško ljudstvo danes dobro razumeva ogromno vlogo, ki jo igra Rusija v tej borbi proti nacifazizmu in pozdravlja z navdušenjem uspehe rdeče armade, kateri zagotavljajo svetu končno zmago nad fašistično koalicijo. Ali večina Američanov pa še ne razume, da je jedro današnjih osvobodilnih pokretov v Evropi sodelovanje liberalnih in kmečkih elementov s komunisti. V vseh narodnih gibanjih, pa bilo to v Jugoslaviji, Franciji, Italiji ali drugje, se komunisti udeležujejo v teh gibanjih, kot enakovredni partnerji. Ostali člani narodnega osvobodilnega gibanja nimajo nobenega strahu pred njimi, ker vedo, da veže vse skupni cilj in ideal, ki je: osvobodjenje dežele izpod fašističnega sovražnika ter vzpostavljene prave ljudske demokracije, kakršne večji del Evrope ni poznal pred to vojno.

Politika "boljševskega strahu" je doživela svoj končni poraz v Monakovem ter je v glavnem dovela do današnjega svetovnega klanja, a narodi Evrope so uvideli in spoznali čla-

men, ki se je skrival za razvpi-to "boljševiško nevarnostjo" in so odvrgli vsak strah pred sodelovanjem s komunisti.

Najboljši dokaz v tem nudi v svoji zadnji izdaji ameriški magazin "Life," v katerem je objavljen članek, ki opisuje borbo osvobodilne borbe na Danskem. Ta dežela je po vsem svetu priznana za demokratsko državo, a kaj se tam dogaja? Podtalni pokret, voden po konservativcu John Moellerju, sodeluje s komunisti, kateri niso imeli doslej takorekoč nobene važnosti v tej državi in posebno niso igrali nobene politične vloge. Zdaj pa konservativni elementi skupno z njimi vodijo borbo odpora proti skupnemu sovražniku potom podtalnega gibanja.

V današnji anti-fašistični borbi proti Hitlerju se ne vpraša kako je kdo politično opredeljen, ampak samo ako je voljan, da bide borbo proti skupnemu sovragu. Vsak iskren in pravi rodoljub, kateri se hoče boriti za osvobodjenje svoje rodne dežele in za vzpostavljene ljudske demokracije, je dobrodošel. Beneš, Moeller, De Gaulle in drugi voditelji nove demokratske Evrope sodelujejo z vsemi anti-fašisti, brez ozira na politično prepričanje ali opredeljenje. Eđini saboterji tega sodelovanja so pro-fašistični in reakcionarni elementi, kakor so člani ubežne jugoslovanske vlade, toda ljudstvo je te že odvrlo na stran.

Jugoslovansko ljudstvo, ki v pretežni večini ni komunistično, danes ne vprašuje, ali je Tito komunist ali ni, pač pa le to, če se bori za osvobodjenje Jugoslavije izpod Hitlerja in za vzpostavbo ljudske demokracije po končani vojni. Ta narod je to potrdil s svojo dveletno borbo proti okrutnemu osvajaocu. Za njega je Tito postal slavni simbol osvobodilne borbe, simbol najsvetlejših narodnih in političnih idealov.

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DOPISI

Ely, Minn. — Na januarski seji društva št. 2 ABZ so bili instalirani uradniki za leto 1944. Ti so: Joseph L. Champa, predsednik, ki je bil izvoljen soglasno za ta urad, in sicer že devetnajstič; Matt Stariha, podpredsednik; Anton Knapp, tajnik; Joseph Pechaver, blagajnik; John Mehle, zapisnikar (že 12 let); Dan Bohine, predsednik nadzornega odbora; Anton Pirsh in Stanley Urbas, nadzornika. Louis Champa in Joseph Pechaver sta društvena zastopnika za J. N. Dom. Društveni zdravnik je dr. J. P. Grachek.

Prva seja v tem letu je bila dobro obiskana. Upam, da bodo tudi nadaljne seje tako dobro obiskane. Florijanu Beleharju je pri zadnji seji sreča pomežnikla. Kako bo na prihodnji seji, bomo videli.

Nekoliko podatkov iz zgodovine našega društva za preteklo leto: V kampanji vpisovanja novih članov v proslavo zvezi-ne 45-letnice je naše društvo doseglo 66 točk. Kupilo je dva vojna bonda po sto dolarjev. Društveni člani so prispevali 33 dolarjev za Slovenski ameriški narodni svet. Smrt nam je v preteklem letu pobrala osem odraslih članov; imena teh so: Marie Ahacevich, Margaret Papesh, Theodor Vesel, Edward Pryatel, Joseph Spahn, John Perushek in dva člana-vojaka. In sicer sta padla v vojni službi Zedinjenih držav brata Albin Rozman in William Vidmar. Obveščen sem bil dalje, da sta bila v akciji ranjena dva člana-vojaka, in sicer John Pryatel in njegov brat Albert. Upajmo, da kmalu, in popolnoma okrevata. Upajmo tudi, da nam tekoče leto prinese zaželjeno zmago nad sovražniki in zaželjeni mir.

K sklepu želim opozoriti čla-

ne našega društva, da se redne društvene seje vršijo vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu v spodnjih prostorih J. N. Doma. Na svidenje na seji 13. februarja! — Za društvo št. 2 ABZ:

Anton Knapp, tajnik.

Strabane, Pa. — Pri društvu Bratska sloga, št. 149 ABZ, je bil za leto 1944 izvoljen sledeči odbor: Frank Mikec, predsednik; John Koklich, podpredsednik; Mary Tomsic, Box 202 Chartiers St., Strabane, Pa. (Phone: 350), tajnica; John Albenini, blagajnik; Frank Zele, zapisnikar; John Bobnar, predsednik nadzornega odbora; Anton Tomsic in Frances Sabec, nadzornika. Društvena zdravni-ka sta dr. James Wilson in dr. Major Bell.

Vse tiste člane, ki mi kaj dolgujejo na asesmentu, prosim, da poravnajo ta mesec, da bom lahko izročil novo izvoljeni-tajnici knjige v redu in brez dolga. Ob zaključku mojega taji-ništva se želim lepo zahvaliti za sodelovanje in naklonjenost vsem, s katerimi sem imel opraviti; to je glavnemu uradu in drugim glavnim odborni-kom ter souradnikom in članom in članicam našega društva. Upam, da bodo vsi prav tako bratsko sodelovali tudi z novo tajnico. Pozdrav vsem!

John Boles,
dosedanji tajnik.

Imperial, Pa. — Slovenska društva v Imperialu so sklenila prirediti skupno veselico na večer 29. januarja. Veselica se bo vršila v Slovenski dvorani in čisti preostanek iste je namenjen skladoma JPO,SS in SANS. Društva, ki priredijo to skupno veselico, so: Društvo št. 29 ABZ; št. 106 SNPJ; št. 716 SNPJ; Gospodinjski klub, odsek št. 106. Vsi člani in članice omenjenih društev in vsi posamezni rojaki in rojakinje iz te in okoliških naselbin so vabljeni, da posetijo te veselice in s tem pripomorejo do boljšega uspeha. Pozdrav in na svidenje!

John Godisha.

Waukegan - North Chicago, Ill. — Letna seja lokalne podružnice št. 36 SANS se bo vršila v soboto 29. januarja ob 8. uri zvečer v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Na to tejo so vabljeni vsi uradniki, društveni zastopniki in zastopnice in na splošno vsi Slovenci in Slovenke v naselbini, ki so člani te podružnice. Na programu seje bodo volitve uradnikov in druge zadeve. Za odbor podružnice št. 36 SANS:

Joseph Zorc.

Waukegan - North Chicago, Ill. — Na vprašanje, če je naša podružnica št. 9 JPO,SS prejela vso obljubljeno vsoto od Waukegan-North Chicago Community Chest, naj bo na tem mestu pojasnjeno sledeče: Glavni blagajnik je mesečno potrdil prejem vsot, ki jih je dobil od časa do časa od Waukegan-North Chicago Community War Chest. In sicer je bila prva poslana vsota \$800.00; druga \$400.00; tretja \$270.00; četrta \$30.00. Skupaj \$1,500.00.

Aktivnost v tem oziru je zadnje čase nekoliko odnehala, ker je zaradi vojne prišlo na površje toliko drugih važnih zadev. Vendar pa ljudje niso pozabili na to zadevo in ob priliki bomo spet s primerno prireditvijo skušali kaj zbrati za fond Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora, slovenska sekcija. — Za podružnico št. 9 JPO,SS:

Anton Kobal, predsednik; Joseph Zorc, tajnik; Frank Nagode, blagajnik.

Calumet, Mich. — Bedkokdaj se kaj sliši iz naše naselbine, in tudi sedaj imamo poročati žalostno vest, namreč da je naše društvo izgubilo dolgoletnega člana oziroma soustanovitelja našega društva št. 9 ABZ. Preminil je 24. decembra, v starosti 81 let, Joseph Stukel. Ro-
(dalje na 8. strani)

