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ATTEND OUR DEC. 13  
REGULAR MEETING

ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS

# JUNIOR ECHO

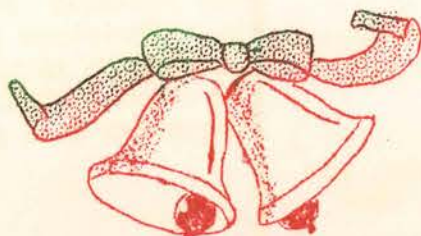
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AND  
PROSPEROUS  
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# CHRISTMAS IS HERE AGAIN --



# EDITORIAL PAGE

## ELECTION of OFFICERS

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For the success of our paper, we owe you, the Advertisers, a debt of gratitude, - without you the Echo would not be.

Thank you very kindly!

THE ECHO STAFF

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### THE PRESIDENT SAYS:

We have come to the end of the year.

I wish to express my appreciation to everyone who had worked so faithfully and sacrificed so much this past year.

I leave the presidency with many pleasant memories, - the most valuable of all - the memory of loyal friends.

I ask that all of you give the same co-operation to the next president, that you have given to me.

Leo B. Sedlacek

We of the nominating committee respectfully submit the names of the following candidates to fill the offices of the Junior - American Czech Lodge No. 386 C.S.A.

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Please note: Candidates not listed above can be nominated for the various offices from the floor at our December 13th meeting.

Respectfully

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Reuben C. Stepan, Ch.  
Irene Poula  
Anna Zvacek  
Jerry Fottrai

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The December 13th meeting will be followed by a Christmas party. Members may come in costume if they desire. Each member is asked to bring a ten cent gift for the Christmas tree grab bag.

### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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What is it you cannot get when you need it?  
Answer: Insurance.



# SOCIETY NEWS

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

and  
A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

HYLITES

FROM

THE

LAST

MEETING!!!!

Last month's meeting was a honey, short and snappy. (that is, the business end of it)

After the meeting we went down stairs and the first thing - yes, "THING" we met, was a mess of rags, otherwise known as Frank Stanek.

Altho' it was a week after Hallowe'en, we all got back into the old spirit when we saw the way Sis. Seabrooke had the hall decorated.

Who made that crack "Beau Brummel Horsky" (He had just come from a Grapefruit dinner with those wipers on his specs)

Mrs. Geo. Hajny says she does not mind dancing with F. Stanek as it saves a lot of energy (also shoe leather, says Geo.)

We don't know whose idea it was to have Charley Novotny bring his picture taking box, but we are surely glad he did. (That's an idea for all future parties.

Rudy Sulcik playing in the orchestra. (He would sound better if there were no instruments)

Who did Sis. Heabel mean when she hollered "Sissypants"?

Lo! & Behold, The love birds finally show up after a long absence. (Louie Picek and Alma Janko, of course)

If Fr. Sysel's appetite was as big as the platter he was carrying, he surely must have been hungry. (Alma is beginning to think he'll never fill up.)

Did anyone notice that contented look on Godfrey Suchan's face? (Our guess is that Elsie B-----'s presence had something to do with it.

Lil. Heral & Jen. Stepanek were discussing the events of the evening and here is what we overheard, "Gee its nice to spend a quiet evening like this up here." The other answered "Yeah! I'll say, just so they don't start getting noisy."

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AND THE ARMISTICE DANCE!!!

Evidently, the dance was a social success because practically everyone stayed till the end and consequently overslept the following day.

Chuck Leksa & Hubert Kaplan, just a couple of he-men who handed out paper hats while their wives lugged the overcoats to the hangers.

Pep. Stepanek says "I may have missed a few men with those passout checks but I'll bet I didn't miss any women." (Oh y eah! well we didn't see his wife wearing one till she went after it herself.)

Lou. Jiricek had such a good time that he almost forgot to look for new prospects.

When one of the musicians came upon the two ducks in a sack backstage, they raised such a squawk that he was scared out of a weeks appetite (he must have thought it was another orchestra.)

And that brings us back to the old reliable Frank Stanek, what an entertainer, no Circle-two-step would be complete without him.

If anybody got his balloon untied and deflated before somebody else broke it, he is to be congratulated, (if not, get after Ed. Zvacek, he tied'em)

One of the Committee arriving at the kitchen too late spied a lonesome weiner that apparently had been overlooked, he straightway made a grab for said morsel. P.S. He almost lost a finger and DIDN'T get the weiner.

Rudy Felter drinking coffee out of a big pitcher (We wonder - was it coffee?)

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ECHO PANTRY

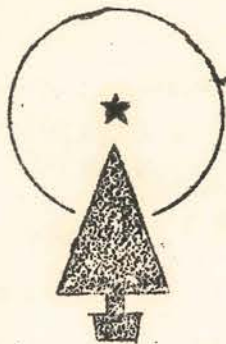
Cranberry Dessert

- 1 Lb. crumbled Graham Crackers
- 1 C Chopped dates
- 1 C Chopped Cranberries
- 1 C Nuts
- 1 C Cut up marshmallows
- 1 C Sweet cream

Mix together well, form into roll, wrap in waxed paper & leave set in cold place for 12 hrs. Serve topped with whipped Cr.

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# JUNIOR ECHO

## CURRENT NEWS

By---

Lillian Heral

CONGRATULATIONS to Brother Frank Brejcha whose marriage to Miss Georgiana Hach took place on the afternoon of November 27th at the Peoples Church. Best wishes for a long life of happiness and contentment. Bring the new wife to meeting some time, Frank -- she may want to join us and we will be very happy to have her.

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Among the BLESSED EVENTS this month we have a baby son born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sanborn on November 5th.

A baby son, Donald Bob, born to Mr. & Mrs. Frank Novotny on November 15th.

We wish to congratulate the parents on their blessings from above, For there's not a dearer treasure than the gift of Baby-love.

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God in his Infinite Wisdom has called to their Eternal Home the fathers of Theo. B. Hlubucek, Mrs. Leo. B. Sedlacek and George J. Simitz; also, the grandmother of Leonard Vokolek. We extend our sincerest sympathy in their bereavement.

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At the present writing Alma Stanek is confined in her home with pleurisy. We wish her a speedy recovery. Too much Bingo or too much twin brother?

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## LENGTHY EXPLANATION

"Oh, what a strange looking cow!" exclaimed a sweet young "Get Together Delegate" at Hugo Sindelar's farm. "But why hasn't she any horns?"

Hugo Sindelar; "Well, you see, some cows are born without horns and never had any, and others shed their's and some we de-horn, and some breeds ain't supposed to have horns at all. There's a lot of reasons why some cows ain't got horns, but the reason why that cow ain't got horns is because she ain't a cow - she's a horse.

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Elmer Stanek: I don't like the idea of buses replacing our street cars.

Bill Lana: Why? I think they're fine.

Elmer Stanek: You see I walk to work, and now I will save only a nickel instead of a dime.

## - CANDID CAMERA -

Twenty eight years ago this coming Feb. 3rd, at the small mining settlement of Hawkins, Iowa, a little French-Irish "ray of Sunshine" came to brighten the home of John & Ida Fottrel. It was christened Gerald (Jerry to us).

At present, Jerry's parents live in Cedar Rapids, where Mr. Fottrel senior is foreman for the Sanitary Construction Company.

Jerry attended grade school at Wheat Cheer for 6 years and completed his elementary schooling at Thornburg, Ia.

He graduated from the Thornburg High School at the age of 15 with a four year scholastic average of 97%. In addition to his academic work, he also excelled in all High School sports: Basket Ball, Football, Track, Baseball, and boxing. In boxing, he reached the finals in the National High School Boxing meet in the City of New York (in the 145 lb. class). In his Senior Year he was chosen as a guard on the Mythical All-State Basket Ball team.

Immediately after graduating from High School, Jerry came to Cedar Rapids, and obtained employment at the C. R. Grain Co. He worked here for four years as buyer and seller of grains (a very responsible job, Young Man! or were you on the check writing end of it, hmm?)

Following this experience, he worked five years, for the Underwood Typewriter Co. He had charge of all repair work for the State Board of Education. This entailed much travel between State Schools.



For the last four years, Jerry has been employed as head caretaker and ground manager for Van Vechten Schaeffer.

Romance entered into Jerry's life when he was INTRODUCED to Dorothy Dobrovsky at a football game. After four years of ROMANCING they were married, simply and without a lot of fuss, at Rock Island, Ill. on September 16th, 1933. From all appearances they are among the happy few, who still ROMANCE after marriage.

Jerry's hobbies, aside from sports - baseball in summer and bowling in winter are many and varied. He loves flowers and enjoys, more than anything else, to supervise the planting of them on the Schaffer grounds. Each year he plants approximately 8000 tulips (his favorite flower) bulbs that are imported directly



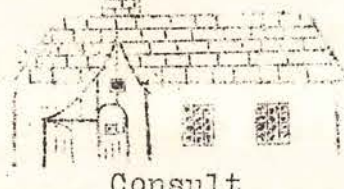
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# SPORT CHATTER

## SCHEDULE

CSA Bowling League, Dec. & Jan.

Week of	Mon.	Tues.	Thur.
Dec. 6	1 vs 3	5 vs 4	2 vs 6
" 13	2 vs 5	3 vs 6	1 vs 4
" 20	1 vs 2	3 vs 4	5 vs 6
" 27	3 vs 5	1 vs 6	2 vs 4
Jan. 3	4 vs 6	2 vs 3	1 vs 5
" 10	1 vs 3	5 vs 4	2 vs 6
" 17	2 vs 5	3 vs 6	1 vs 4
" 24	1 vs 2	3 vs 4	5 vs 6
" 31	3 vs 5	1 vs 6	2 vs 4

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Standings Mon. Dec. 6, 1937

Team	Won	Lost	Pct
1. Prokop #1	7	2	.778
2. Prokop #2	7	2	.778
3. JAC #2	5	4	.556
4. JAC #1	4	5	.444
5. Progressive	3	6	.333
6. JAC #3	1	8	.111

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Individual Standings  
First 15 High

Name	Games	Total	Average
1. Polansky	7	1088	155
2. Lebeda	6	909	152
3. Stroleny	3	456	152
4. Novotny	3	444	148
5. Sysel	9	1315	146
6. Sulcik, G.	9	1313	146
7. Dvorak	3	439	146
8. Vomacka	6	848	141
9. Lana	9	1262	140
10. Chalupnik	6	842	140
11. Blahnik, C.	9	1254	139
12. VanCura	9	1252	139
13. Shulista	9	1251	139
14. Hach	3	406	135
15. Kroulik	9	1159	129
16. Chyba	6	774	129

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1st. High Ind. 1 Game	Polansky	193
2nd. " " " "	Stroleny	184
3rd. " " " "	Lana	181

1st. High Ind. 3 games	Polansky	507
2nd. " " " "	VanCura	478
3rd. " " " "	Shulista	473

1st. High Team 1 Game	J.A.C. #1	745
2nd. " " " "	Prokop #2	737
3rd. " " " "	" #1	724

1st. High Team 3 games	Prokop #2	2128
2nd. " " " "	J.A.C. #1	2117
3rd. " " " "	Prokop #1	2102

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Chas. Polansky Elected President  
of CSA Athletic Club

At the regular meeting of the CSA Athletic Club held Thur. Dec. 2nd., Chas. Polansky was elected President, Joe Stroleny, Sec'y. and Lad Hamous was re-elected Treasurer.

With a man like Brother Polansky at the wheel the CSA Athletic Club should accomplish many things during the coming year.

Meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at the CSPA Hall. All CSA members are invited and urged to attend the meetings.

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Telegraphic Bowling Meet

Plans are now underway to hold a Telegraphic Bowling Meet between Teams from Chicago, Cleveland and Cedar Rapids. If plans materialize, one of the three Cities will be designated as the Key City, two teams from each City will roll at their respective alleys and then wire the results to the Key City. The Key City will then tabulate the scores and wire back the final result. It is hoped that one meet a month can be held, thus taking in each of the three Cities.

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Ladies Night

Bro. Chas. Polansky, Sec'y. of the CSA Bowling League reports that Friday night has been set aside for the Ladies to try their skill.

A good many of the ladies have availed themselves of the opportunity and are getting to be good bowlers. You know Sisters that whenever you feel that you are pretty good, the girls of Lodge Edison are ready to roll you.

Sister Dorothy Fottrall rolled a game of 173. A score like this would even make some of the Brothers sit up and take Notice. Keep it up Dorothy. More power to you.

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TROPHIES AWARDED

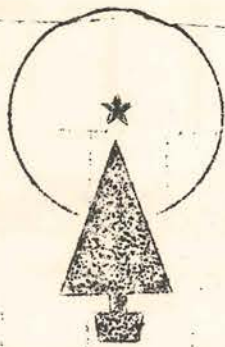
At a special meeting of the CSA Athletic Club held Friday November 12th, trophies were awarded to Bros. Hamous, Polansky, and Schultschik, who earned them in the summer activities of the CSA.

Bro. Hamous was awarded a trophy for winning the individual batting honors among the CSA Diamond Ball Players.

Bro. Polansky was awarded the trophy for the most valuable player, being voted the most valuable by his teammates, receiving

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7 votes out of 10. Bros Teply, Stepanek and Hamous receiving one each. Bro. Schultschik was presented with the golf trophy emblematic of the championship of the first annual CSA Golf Tournament. The presentation of the trophies closed the summer activities of the CSA Athletic Club.

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Tra la la la la la

A Hunting We Will Go-----

Winter is here at last with its beautiful blanket of snow. Nearly every hunter's delight is to get out and track down the little cotton-tailed rabbit after a fresh snow fall, but there is still a greater sport or thrill for the hunter who loves to chase fox - the most cunning of all animals. It is mere luck or sheer skill to kill one of these.

There are several ways to hunt the sly fox. First, there is the still hunting. By this method you take a pair of field glasses and rifle of the higher power type. Fox will always lay on the top of a knoll or in a stubble field so that he can see any approaching danger. This is where the still hunter looks for them with field glasses. Once he spots the animal he goes against the wind so that the fox will not scent him and when in range of the fox, the hunter takes advantage of the kill.

Second, there is the method of hunting with some thirty or fifty men. The hunt is so arranged that before the hunters make their drive they place men in well situated places where a fox is most apt to run through and be shot. This hunt is, also, pulled against the wind to avoid scenting the hunters.

Third, and most successful fox hunting is done with a pack of dogs. In this method the hunters place themselves where the fox are most likely to run when chased by the dogs. After every one is stationed, they turn the dogs loose and boy! if you think there isn't a kick in it to listen to the hounds howl in close pursuit - just try it some time.

The fox is a killer and should be exterminated. The main diet of the fox is rabbit and he will average one a night. He will, also, clean out a farmer's chicken coop over night. Fox are fond of tame ducks, quail, pheasant, and field mice. Besides the price of the pelt, there is a \$2.00 bounty. Last year there were over five hundred bounties paid out in Linn County on foxes. So get busy, Brothers, there are a lot of them and they are killing more and more game every day.

Yours, Milo Heral.

## PICTURES

A backwoods mountaineer one day found a mirror which a tourist had lost. "Well, if it ain't my old dad", he said, as he looked into the mirror. "I never knowd he had his picture took". He took the mirror home, and stole into the attic to hide it. But his actions didn't escape his suspicious wife. That night, while he slept, she slipped up to the attic and found the mirror. "Mum'um," she said, looking into it; "so that's, the old hag he's been chasin."

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Bob Smith: "What's the matter? Ain't the razor takin' holt?"

Don Hinshaw: "Yeah, it's takin' holt all right, but it ain't lettin' go agin."

Louie Jiricek: What! You been drinking again. Look at your eyes!

Joe Klinger: No Sir! No Sir! My Dad told me to quit, and said, "Look what it done to Louie Jiricek."

Hotel Clerk: (to Get-together guest) Of course, you'll want running water in your room?

Rudy Ruzicka: Why? Do I look like a trout?

Alma Stanek: Got any cheese, mister?

Frank Sysel: We keep a high class cheese, made right here in our dairy under my personal direction. It is of a most excellent flavor. How much do you require? Alma Stanek: Oh, about enough to bait a mouse trap.

## During Honeymoon trip

Dorothy Dvorak: Is it really healthy out here?

Cowboy: Say, they had to shoot a couple of fellows to start a cemetery.

## DAFFYNITIONS

Gadget: Anything that is not a whoosit.

Porcupine: The skin you do not love to touch.

Paradox: Two ducks.

Polyclinic: Sanatorium for parrots.

Dachhund: A Doctor's pup.

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## CAN YOU ANSWER?

(Answers on back page)

1. Which two states in America are bounded by the greatest number of other states?
2. Explain the difference between American and European plan hotels.
3. What is the name of the non-inflammable gas used in airships?
4. Who said, "I would rather be right than president?"



## (Candid Camera Cont.)

from Holland. He enjoys the movies, especially musical comedies, and his favorite artists are Ed. Robinson, Wm. Powell and Myrna Loy. Jerry has not a little acting talent of his own. He was the villain in "The Man from Nowhere" doing himself proud. Remember?

Jerry also loves to dance and never needs a second invitation to "sit in" on a card game (cvik or pinochle).

He limits his reading to periodicals such as the Readers Digest, which is the best known short cut to good, comprehensive reading. According to Dorothy, Jerry loves dog stories, because he loves dogs, because he loves to train them.

His favorite color is blue - why, we don't know but we know he enjoys a healthy appetite and that special teasers of it are steak and game fowl.

Right now he is nursing a particularly painful pet peeve - his wives' green hat that reminds him of an inverted ice cream cone, (why not use it as a target Jerry, and annihilate the thing?)

His ambition is simply to have fun and to be happy. There is never a dull moment in any gathering where Jerry happens to be and that, after all, is one of the finest philosophies of life for joy is contagious and even reflected happiness reaps its reward in health and prosperity.

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## BARTOS-MEJDRICH NUPTIALS

Saturday October 30th, at 4:00 o'clock Miss Lydia Bartos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bartos of Cicero, became the bride of Mr. Lad Mejdrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mejdrich of Berwyn, Ill. Dr. J. E. Vojan read the ceremony at the beautifully decorated Jan Hus Memorial Hall.

The bride wore an attractive two piece gown of white satin and carried a sheaf of orchids. She was given in marriage by her father.

Her sister, Mrs. James Seftl, as matron of honor, wore a gown of blue moire taffeta, a coronet of roses in her hair, and carried a bouquet of talisman roses. The brides maid, a cousin of the bridegroom wore a gown similar to that of the maid of honor, and also carried a bouquet of roses.

Mr. Jerome Bartos, brother of the bride attended Lad as best man.

After the wedding a reception was held at Klass' followed, later in the evening, by an open house at the Bartos home for the well wishes of the young couple. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Griffin of Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. James Seftl of Kansas City, Mo. and Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Stepanek of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Mejdrich left for a weeks honey moon in the South.

## CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Christmas time is here again,  
With all its tinselled splendor,  
And once again those carols old,  
Bring memories so tender.

Recollections of childhood days,  
Come flooding back once more,  
When dad chucked us into the kitchen,  
And bolted up the door.

We could hear the rustle of paper,  
And the tinkling of a bell,  
And now & then a low faint whisper,  
Would penetrate that kitchen cell.

It seemed like ages before they came,  
To open up that door,  
But when they did, our little hearts  
Nearly fell right thru the floor.

Such lovely tranquil beauty,  
Was surely grand to see,  
But what impressed me mostly,  
Were the candles on the tree.

How soft their tiny little lights!  
How pungent was the odor -  
When a little tallow fell,  
And the pine began to smolder.

We would watch them carefully,  
And replace them one by one,  
And that to me was honestly,  
The thing I called great fun.

These modern lights are very nice,  
So "safe and sure" to handle,  
But just the same I kinda miss,  
Those good old-fashioned candles.

- By Martha Felter.

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## DID YOU ANSWER?

(Questions on the back of Sport page)

1. Tennessee and Missouri are each bounded by eight other states.
2. American plan hotels include lodgings and meals in their rate. European plan hotels charge for lodging only.
3. Helium.
4. Henry Clay.

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Frank Stanek complaining of having so much hair to comb.  
Doc. Sedlacek: Whats the difference; if you had less hair to comb you'd have more face to wash.

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