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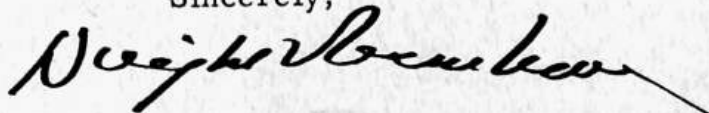
Dear Mr. Prchal:

I am more than grateful to you, to Charles T. Kropik, to Blanche J. Cihak, and to the delegates to the recent American Sokol Organization Convention for your greetings and good wishes. The members of your organization play an important part in helping promote the physical fitness of all our people. I appreciate all that you have done in that important area as do I your keen interest and cooperation in working toward the achievement of understanding between the peoples of the world.

Quite naturally, I am also deeply pleased by your generous personal references.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Mr. Charles M. Prchal
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IX. SJEZD AMERICKÉ OBCE SOKOLSKÉ.

Zahajovací projev starosty, br. Karla M. Prchala.



Charles M. Prchal

Naše Americké Sokolstvo je jedním z nejkrásnějších květů, vykvetlých v celých Spojených státech. Není snad počtem silné, ale svým učením: odchovávat lidstvu člověka celého, svým úkolem: sloužit ideálům, sloužit vlasti, svou nezlomenou snahou: budoucím generacím předat svobodnou zem a dát mravní sílu a oprávněnost k dalšímu životu, je jistě složkou velikého významu a vysoké hodnoty.

Kořeny Amerického Sokolstva, věrné, houževnaté, jsou pevně zapuštěny v zemi našich předků, v půdě, do které byly před 95 lety zasazeny v St. Louis, Missouri.

Amerika by užasla, kdyby poznala, kolik desíti-tisíců žactva, dorostu a členstva prošlo sokolskými školami dobrovolné kázně, kolika desíti tisícům lidských mozků bylo naočkováno bratrství, volnost, rovnost, láska k bližnímu, národu a státu, kolik slabých těl bylo zde přetvořeno na statné, svalnaté muže a zdatné ženy. Kolik odchováno jednotlivců, silných svým přesvědčením a nezlomných charakterem národním, ostře vyhraněných a sledujících neochvějně svoje ideály.

Kolik borců objímalo žerdi hrazd v těžkých veleteočích, kolik slavných závodníků si připravovalo vlastní sestavy na vysokých kruzích a těžkých bradlech! Kolik těžkých pádů snesly žíněnky, kolik něžných dlaní cvičilo s kuželi. Kolik bouřlivých schůzí o společné zájmy se odehrálo, kolik vítězství se oslavovalo.

Kolik dětských srdíček zachráněno od škodlivého vlivu ulice, pookřálo hřejivým porozuměním. Kolik odchovanců vyrostlých v desítkách našich sokoloven v statisíci cvičebních hodinách, dorůstalo v myšlence Tyršově, kráčelo v duchu Fügnerově!

Sjezd náš at' je radostným, rozvázným vykřičníkem našeho odhodlání vytrvat v boji za demokracii. At' ukáže znovu naši skálopevnou vůli jít za všech dob a za všech okolností nesmlouvavě proti komunismu a každému pokusu o znásilňování těl i duchů.

Myšlenky zalétají v místa, kde stála kolébka sokolství. At' ohlas našeho rokování rozletí se do všech krajů československé země, okovy semknuté. Sokolské hnutí bylo komunismem krutě zasaženo, protože po celém světě je známo, co znamená Sokol pro mravní odolnost československého lidu. Má mnoho obětí, ale slavné Tyršovo sokolské hnutí neskončilo! At' náš postoj podepře malomyslná srdce, zahřmí do srdcí kamenných. At' je jím posílena naděje, že přijde jejich den, kdy se přihlásí o svá práva a zúčtují s těmi, jejichž ruka se zdvihla proti vlastním bratrům a sestrám. Jako na podzim opadá listí a odletí ptáci, jarem vrátí se zeleň do korun stromů, vrátí se písně ptáků, tak stejně se vrátí volný život do krásné, milované země!

Při zahájení vzpomínám sester a bratrů, kteří odešli, ale zanechali nám dílo, kterým Sokolstvo žije. Mnozí dali sebe celého; bez výjimky vše. Zhasli, ale jsou živí v našich srdcích, naší láskou, v našich činech.

Vzpomeňme jich srdcem čistým, oddaným, prosti všech denních malicherných svízelností, dívající se do věčnosti. Pokloňme se těm, kteří i pro nás žili a pracovali, pokloňme se světlé památce a dílu jejich.

Posílám pozdravy, které nesou se ku všem známým i neznámým sokolským pracovníkům v celé naší Obci, ba v celém světě. K neohroženým vojákům sokolské myšlenky, kteří svůj život podřizují ideálům. Oheň nadšení jejich neuhasíná, pramen lásky nevysychá. Třeba nás dělí tisíce mil, srdcem, duchem a pokud možno i činy jsme si blízcí. Projev díky posíláme do všech míst, kde je vaše práce. K díkům našim se připojuje,

aspoň v duchu celá veliká naše sokolská rodina od oceánu k oceánu.

Devadesát pět let rostly naše sokolské jednoty pod hvězdnatým praporem Ameriky. Jako světla v temné noci bezstarosti a pohodlnosti vychovávaly k zdraví a k síle. Braly na sebe větší odpovědnost, než jakou jim ukládá sokolská kázeň.

Sešli jsme se, abychom ve dny IX. našeho sjezdu zjistili postup a výsledky dosaďadní práce, jakož i stanovili pro ni další směrnice a cesty.

Sjezd je jedním důležitým článkem naší soustavě práce. Budoucnost a rozkvět sokolského hnutí, trvání našich tradic a našeho poslání si žádají, aby sjezd, tento zdroj energie, nesl se v jediném duchu: v duchu služby Sokolstvu, lidu a národu. Ve svornosti pro drahou věc, v podřízení celku dle pravidel, stanov a zákonů, které si sami dáváme.

Naše bratrství, rovnost a volnost, opravdově myšlené a žité, mohou sloučit to, co snad bylo uměle rozbíjeno. Co nám může bránit v jednotném úsilí o lepší bytí 95 let starého našeho Sokolstva? Nic! Nic, zachováme-li stále živý svůj program. Nic, zůstaneme-li věrni svému poslání a své práci. Nic, budeme-li umět zapomenout na maličerné a osobní různice a zájmy. Nic, budeme-li chtít opravdu tvořit a budovat lepší budoucnost. Nic, když své touhy přizpůsobíme zájmům celku. Nic, budeme-li umět místo osob ctít jejich práci. Nic, budeme-li umět spravedlivě soudit a rozhodovat podle svého svědomí a zájmu celku.

Vždy měli jsme určitý směr, určitý cíl. Dále za ním půjdeme. Cesta vedla vždycky kupředu. Neopustíme ji! Bouřné a věčně omlazující bylo naše snažení. Nebude ani v budoucnu jinak. Celou rozhodností svého charakteru, pevně, neúchylně a nezištně budeme se tak snažit i dále.

Všechny naděje jsou v nás. Nemůžeme očekávat, že za nás vykoná dílo někdo jiný. A může vůbec pomoci někdo? Nemůže, sestry, nemůže, bratři, pomoci si musíme sami.

Naše budoucnost není psána ve hvězdách, ale je v našich hrudích. Zásadami jsme si blízcí, touhami příbuzní. Nosme tedy do jednání radost, která je teplem života, osobní ukázněnost, sebezapření, velký smysl pro povinnost, skromnost, osobní důstojnost a neomezené sesterství a bratrství.

Kéž vzácné chvíle našeho rokování pozvednou umdlévající srdce a přinesou Sokolstvu hojně zdaru! Vykonejme dílo, aby jméno a činy Americké Obce Sokolské byly i nadále dobré!

Minulost 95 let je za námi. Ale síla, která vedla k činům, láska, která vedla k věrnosti, práce, která vedla k vítězstvím, ta žije, neboť je nesmrtelná. Společně tedy — sestry a bratři — pro dobro Sokolstva dál a výše!

Zdar Americké Obci Sokolské! Zdar Sokolstvu věčně mladému, věčně živému a krásnému i našim podílem! Zdar našim Spojeným státům. Naše práce po všechna léta bude zpevňování věrnosti k nim.

Prohlašuji nyní náš sjezd za zahájený a volám,

ZDAR SJEZDOVÉMU JEDNÁNÍ!

MINUTES OF THE IX GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Held in Roosevelt Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

I SESSION

Monday morning, June 20th, 1960

The Convention was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by bro. Charles M. Prchal, President of the American Sokol Organization. His greetings in Czech are a part of these minutes. They were both reminiscent and repledging of our beliefs in the Sokol ideals. He remembered the passing of many of our Sokol workers and tribute was made to the departed members. He mentioned our brothers and sisters in Czechoslovakia where the Sokol organization has become extinct due to communist aggression.

Both the American and Czechoslovak anthems were sung and pledge of allegiance to the flag was given.

Bro. Prevratil, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, called the roll. Delegation from the Eastern District announced a change from bro. Lago of Sokol Belcamp to bro. Stetka. Report was accepted.

The adjournment of the convention was discussed and what delegates are eligible for transportation expense. It was moved and accepted that the convention adjourn Wednesday afternoon, June 22nd, and that delegates who will attend all of the sessions shall be eligible for transportation expense.

The order of the day was read by sis. Cihak and bro. Prchal and was accepted.

Bro. Prchal brought up the question regarding the approval of the minutes of the convention and it was moved and accepted that the deliberations of the preceding session be read at the opening of the following session.

Nominations were opened for Convention Chairman. Nominated were: brothers Prchal, Tichy, sis. Cihak, bros. Reiner, Prevratil. Bros. Tichy and Reiner accepted. Election by roll call followed.

Tabulating Committee was named by bro. Prchal. Bros. Vrba, Neumann, Chab, Pokorny and sis. Buzicky.

Personal greetings of welcome were extended by sis. Barbara Nemecek, President of Sokolice Renata Tyrs in Cedar Rapids and bro. Jos. Chmelicek, Vice President of Sokol Cedar Rapids. Representing the Western Bohemian Fraternal Association, bro. M. L. Hromadka, Secretary, extended greetings and invited the delegates for a visit to their new offices in Cedar Rapids, Tuesday afternoon, which was accepted with pleasure. Bro. Frank Vodrazka, President of the Czechoslovak Society of America, Cicero, Illinois, extended greetings.

Greetings were read as received from: Southern District, Unity of Czech Ladies and Men, bro. Oldrich Kudrnovsky, bro. Frank Prasek of Crete, Nebraska, bro. Jarka Jelinek, Sokol Zizka, Dallas, Masaryk Post of Czechoslovak Legionnaires.

The Czechoslovak National Council of America in a letter send greetings, best wishes for a successful convention, their request for sincere co-operation, and an invitation to join in the work of the Czechoslovak National Council of America. With the approval of the convention bro. Prchal submits the request to the resolutions committee. Bro. Zahradnick read the resolution accepted by Sokol Tyrs of Cleveland and appeals for membership in the Czechoslovak National Council of America. This resolution was also referred to the Resolutions Committee.

Bro. Tichy received 397 votes, bro. Reiner 252. Bro. Tichy was elected Chairman of the Convention.

Nominated for Vice President were: bros. Reiner, Vanek, Prevratil, Suster, Benesh, Neumann and sisters Vitek and Welcl. Bros. Vanek, Prevratil, Suster and Neumann accepted and on motion duly made and seconded the number of vice presidents was increased from three to four.

Bro. Simaner made inquiry regarding the use of the tape recorder while session was in progress. Bro. Prevratil, Chairman of By-laws Committee, presented a motion recommended by his Committee that recording machine be used for all sessions to register accurately the proceedings of this convention. Motion was passed.

Nominated for English Secretaries were: Sisters Cihak, Prener, Pribyl, Welcl, bro. DeConti and sis. Nemecek. Sis. Welcl and sis. Nemecek accepted. Nominated and elected as Czech secretaries were: bros. Benesh and Spanek.

Nominated and elected for Sergeant at Arms were: bro. Vodrazka and sis. Falta.

Bro. Prchal installed the officers of the Convention and turned over the gavel to bro. Tichy with an appeal to work in unity in all matters. Bro.

Tichy accepted the chair and pledged his cooperation.

The Chairman recommended appointment of Committee on Committees and appointed bros. Tichy, Prevratil, Zraly, Simaner, Kohoutek and Kopecky to meet at 1:15 P.M.

Sis. Blanche J. Cihak, Secretary and Financial Secretary of the ASO., read her report for the period of her office from the last convention and following her appointment after the death of bro. Joseph Falta. Bro. Zraly moved a rising vote of thanks be given sis. Cihak for her untiring efforts on behalf of the Sokol organization.

Bro. Vanek moved that sis. Cihak's recommendation to separate the office of Secretary and Financial Secretary be approved and referred to the By-laws Committee. Bro. Jirsa, Cleveland, moved that the report be accepted in English and translation into Czech is unnecessary. Bro. Prevratil moved that the By-laws Committee act on compensating extra help needed at times in office.

The morning session adjourned at 12 noon.

Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek,
Secretaries

II SESSION

Monday afternoon, June 20, 1960

Bro. Tichy, Chairman, called the second session to order at 2:10 P.M. and requested that guests use seats in rear of hall.

Bro. Prchal moved that honorary member of ASO. bro. Simon Rokusek occupy a chair at officer's table. Motion passed.

Bro. Tichy announced that the Board of Instructors will hold its meeting immediately after the banquet tonight.

Bro. John Babuska, Secretary of the Slovak Gymnastic Union Sokol was introduced and spoke regarding cooperation of our two organizations.

Sis. Cihak introduced Mrs. Josephine Drnec and Mrs. Marie Miller, President and Secretary of the Unity of Czech Ladies and Men of Chicago, who greeted the convention.

The Chairman requested the report of the Auditing Committee. Sis. Cihak announced that she has in her keeping the financial reports of the ASO. Auditor and is prepared to turn them over to the Committee at any time. Bro. Simaner moved that the report of the Auditor be submitted to the Financial Committee. Accepted.

Sis. Welcl read the English minutes of the morning session. Several additions and corrections were made and minutes were accepted. Sis. Welcl reported that secretaries were elected after the first session had been convened for some time and no record is available because tape recorder was not in order.

Bro. E. Halik read a detailed report of his activities as Director of Men of ASO., with recommendations on present and future problems. Report is part of these minutes. Bro. Vanek moved that the first part containing activities be accepted. The balance to be acted on by organization committee.

Bro. Hladik moved that all Slet sheet music and orchestrations be made property of ASO. and made available to all units. Passed on to Technical committee. The Chairman thanked bro. Halik for presented report.

Sis. Mildred Prchal submitted her report on tape and each delegate received a neat copy, as was the case with bro. Halik's report also. Bro. Spanek attended the tape recorder. Sis. Prchal then thanked all who cooperated with her office. Bro. Tichy thanked sis. Prchal for her fine report and for her service to the ASO. Bro. Kropik moved that the report be accepted with a rising vote of thanks, which was unanimously passed.

Bro. Prevratil presided over the next period and representing the Committee on Committees announced the following appointed to various committees:

EDUCATIONAL: Bros. Stetka, Suster, Spanek, Nekuda, Kucera, Zahradnick and sis. Nemecek.

ORGANIZATION: Bros. DeConte, Vanek, Zahradnick, sis. Pfeifer, Prener, Sima, Dusek and McDonald.

FINANCE: Bros. Jirsa, Friedrich, Laznovsky, Simaner, Kucera, sis. Nekuda and Vitek.

RESOLUTIONS: Bros. Kropik, Libor, DeLancey, Burian, Hilsky, Krenek, Zahradnick.

BY-LAWS: Bros. Prevratil, Zraly, Tichy, Kohoutek, sis. Falta and Horejsi.

NOMINATING: Bros. Tichy, Prevratil, Simaner, Kohoutek, Zraly, Kopecky and Kropik.

TABULATING COMMITTEE: Bros. Pokorny, Hladik, Neumann and sis. Elkins.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: bro. Vodrazka and sis. Falta.

Bro. Vanek called attention to procedure in regard to electing members of Nominating Committee and that this cannot be completed before the location of the ASO. office for the next period is announced. Three delegates from this location than can be elected to Nominating Committee.

Bro. Zraly announced that the Nominating Committee refrained from naming members to a Grievance Committee.

Bro. Reiner called attention to the fact that in naming members to various committees the City of St. Louis, site of our oldest unit, was omitted. Bro. Simaner and bro. Prevratil apologized stating that bro. Reiner is named to Resolutions Committee and that his name was omitted during reading, in error. Bro. Prevratil further announced that in naming members of Finance Committee he omitted the name of sis. Welcl.

Bro. Prchal moved that the Convention accept naming of committees as presented. Bro. Vanek again called attention to the fact that the Nominating Committee cannot be approved as yet and bro. Prchal corrected his motion to read that the committees be approved, except the Nominating Committee. Sis. Vitek called attention to the fact that in some instances a delegate is named to three committees whereas other delegates are not named to any committee. Bro. Neumann explained that the selection was made through the District Chairman and that the Districts named delegates who should serve on committees. If there is a change to be made it will be necessary to contact the District Chairman. A lengthy discussion followed and bro. Zahradnick announced that he will not accept the membership in the Educational and Organization Committees and will remain only in the Resolutions Committee. Bro. Kunasek was then named to the Organization Committee and sis.

Skoda to Educational Committee. Bro. Simaner and bro. Kropik did not accept in Nominating Committee, bro. V. Kucera did not accept in Educational and his place was filled by bro. Kos.

Bro. Prevratil then asked for a second to bro. Prchal's motion and the motion was passed.

The location of the Sokol office was then discussed. Bro. Vanek moved that the office be in the metropolitan area of Chicago. Motion was passed.

Discussion followed regarding the election of three additional delegates to the Nominating Committee. This was referred to the Central District delegation. Attention was called to the fact that no one was named from the Northern District and motion made to elect bro. Andrie to Nominating Committee. Motion passed.

Bro. Hladik inquired why the delegates thus far did not receive a list of delegates to the Convention. Sis. Cihak explained that the list had to be revised several times, and is being printed and will be distributed tomorrow.

Bro. Cihak presented his report on Educational activities and then a report regarding the "Future Sokol Leaders Fund." He also exhibited three booklets published by the ASO. and publicity pamphlet containing membership application blank. He also read a letter from bro. Janik of Omaha who contributed the sum of \$100.00 toward the "Future Sokol Leaders Fund." Bro. Vanek moved that bro. Cihak's report be given a rising vote of thanks.

Bro. Tichy presided over the next period. Bro. Simaner asked that bro. Jarka Jelinek's absence be excused. He read his report of activities up to his becoming ill and resigning as editor of Sokol Americky. The report is a part of these minutes. Report was accepted with thanks and the Resolutions Committee was requested to send bro. Jelinek greetings of the Convention delegates. Sis. Prener moved that the report be given a rising vote of thanks.

Bro. Reiner moved that bro. Halik's report be also given a rising vote of thanks which was unanimously passed.

Bro. Zraly suggested that bro. Stetka be named Convention pianist.

Bro. Kropik presented a plan for roll call by Districts which will be faster than individual calling.

The session adjourned at 5 p.m. with the singing of "Spějme dál."

Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek,
Secretaries

At 7 p.m. in the banquet room of Hotel Roosevelt a large group of delegates and friends attended a dinner and program in honor of the 60th anniversary of Sokolice Renata Tyrš of Cedar Rapids.

III SESSION

Tuesday morning, June 21st, 1960

President bro. Tichy opened the session at 9:15 o'clock and requested complete attention so that proceedings could be conducted in a business like manner. He announced that bro. Kopecky of Omaha returned home because of illness and bro. Rokusek is taking his place. At this point he turned the meeting over to bro. Vanek.

Bro. Benesh read the minutes of Monday afternoon's session in Czech and they were accepted.

Bro. Halik announced that the Convention Technical Committee will have to conduct a meeting before noon and bro. Barcal requested that the members be excused. Taking part in the discussion were bros. Barcal, Pokorny and sisters Sima and Prchal. Moved and accepted.

Sis. Nemecek read letters and telegrams: Hugo Sevcak, Sokol Zizka, Dallas, and Kate Danko, honorary Director of ASO., Franta Jirasek, Detroit, Frank Svoboda, Secretary of Sokol Chicago, and bro. Martin, Sokol Portland.

Bro. Jirsa, Chairman of the Financial Committee, reported that the Financial Report from 1955 to 1960 was examined and found to be correct.

Sis. Prener reported for the Auditing Committee and stated that all bank books, bonds and reports were found in order with the exception of the T. G. Masaryk stamp report that has not yet been audited. The report was accepted. Bro. Brouk announced that his report is identical with the report of the Financial Secretary, and his report was approved and accepted. Bro. Vanek thanked sis. Cihak and bro. Brouk for their excellent work in handling all the financial details.

Sis. Prener submitted a report of the Uniform Committee for Women and sis. Nekuda moved that it be accepted and that the uniform be used for the coming period. She stated that they had 9 women in Los Angeles proudly wearing the uniform.

Sis. Prener presented bro. Vydra's report on the men's uniform. Bro. Prevratil moved that all brothers in the ASO. purchase these uniforms and wear them.

Sis. Prener submitted a report for the Flag Committee and also gave instructions as to the proper placement and use of the flag. Bro. Prevratil moved that instructions as to the proper use of the flag be included in the American Sokol magazine. Bro. Hilsky suggested that mimeographed copies be sent to all units.

Bro. Prchal stated that deliberations of the convention will be published in Sokol Americky as well as the proper use of the flag and the order in which the hymns should be sung. Report of the Flag Committee was accepted.

Resolutions Committee with bro. Kropik as Chairman recommended that the following procedure be used. A greetings and letter of condolence committee be handled by a Courtesy Committee to be named.

Point 2 of the Resolutions Committee "To Our Youth" be referred to the Educational Committee.

Point 3. Resolution of Sokol Tyrs concerning the affiliation with the Czechoslovak National Council of America. Committee recommends that all those who wish to speak in favor or against will be heard in meeting of Resolutions Committee and reports brought in to convention.

Bro. Hilsky suggested that Point 3 be explained to our young people. Bro. Kropik's report was accepted.

Roll call was taken by bro. Benesh.

Bro. Prchal submitted a report of his duties and activities from the VIII to the IX Convention. He thanked sis. Cihak and bro. Cihak for all the help. At the conclusion of his report he was given a

standing ovation by the entire delegation. Bro. Simaner testified to the untiring efforts of bro. Prchal in carrying out his duties in the true Sokol traditions.

Bro. Tichy asked for a report of the By-laws Committee. Bro. Prevratil announced, that the By-laws Committee prepared and worked out all changes received and that he will read only those changes accepted by the committee. The changes in the By-laws are a part of these minutes and will be printed at the end of them, in the manner in which they were accepted.

Bro. Prchal introduced bro. J. V. Rompotl, President of the Western Bohemian Fraternal Association, who greeted the convention most cordially and best wishes for successful deliberations.

At 12:05 bro. Tichy adjourned the III session.

Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek,
Secretaries

IV SESSION

Tuesday afternoon, June 21, 1960

Chairman bro. Tichy called the Convention to order at 2 P.M. and made several announcements regarding the program of the day, including visit to Western Bohemian Fraternal office at 5 P.M. Bro. Dohnal, head organizer of the Association, was introduced.

Bro. Tichy appointed members to the Courtesy Committee as follows: Bros. Cihak, Reiner, Suster.

Bro. Simaner, President of the Central District, announced the election of three members of that District to the Nominating Committee: bros. Simaner, Prchal and Vanek.

Secretary bro. Benesh presented the plans of Sokol San Francisco to erect a monument of Thomas G. Masaryk in Golden Gate Park in their city; request for financial support was made.

He also read announcement of sis. E. Welcl regarding Soldier Field in Chicago being made available to nationalistic groups through cooperation of Chicago's Mayor.

Committee on By-laws resumed proceedings and bros. Prevratil and Zraly presented articles for correction. Many of the corrections concerned the grammar in either the Czech or English versions and these were agreed upon in order that both are uniform.

By-laws of Board of Instructors were then discussed. Bros. Halik, Zraly, Capek, Kropik, Reiner, Simaner and sisters Prener and Prchal took part in the discussion. It was agreed that bro. Halik and sis. Prener attend the meetings of the By-laws committee when the By-laws of the Board of Instructors will be taken up. Further that all directors agreed to the By-laws as presented and recommended that they be accepted.

It was moved and seconded that the matter be again referred to the By-laws committee which will meet with representatives of the Board of Instructors.

Moved and seconded that new units will pay \$10.00 upon application for membership. Motion that the Convention Fund be increased by payments of 25c per member instead of the 15c payment existing now, was postponed until after the Finance Committee presents its report. Sis. Welcl and bro. Simaner brought out the financial difficulties of

their units and requested that we tax the units less and try to raise funds otherwise.

The Board of Instructors were excused to leave session for a meeting. They returned with recommendation that Convention accept By-laws changes as presented and it was unanimously agreed that the By-laws sections concerning Board of Instructors be accepted.

Special attention was called to section concerning injury to gymnasts. All accidents must be recorded with the manager of the building and officers of the unit.

Bro. Kropik read several resolutions.

1. Thanks to local units and Western Bohemian Fraternal Association for their cooperation and work in preparing the Convention. Accepted.

2. To bro. Charles M. Prchal, accepted with standing vote of applause.

3. To sis. Blanche J. Cihak, accepted with standing vote of applause.

4. To bro. Edwin Halik, Director of Men.

5. To sis. Mildred Prchal, Director of Women, both accepted with standing vote of applause.

Sis. Prchal announced that the gratitude expressed to her she will divide among the 11 members in her Board without whom she could not perform her duties.

6. Resolution to the Executive Board to conduct a wide membership drive and secure funds, accepted and referred to the Resolutions Committee. Bro. Reiner translated the presented resolutions into the Czech language and the delegates expressed their gratitude with applause.

At 4:05 sis. Nemecek read the English minutes of the morning session, and were accepted with bro. Hilsky's motion that the Czech minutes be translated into English.

The Oath of Membership was read in Czech and English by bro. Prevratil, and unanimously accepted, to be included in the By-laws when next printed.

Announcement was made that all committees will convene this evening.

Before bro. Tichy adjourned the session, delegates sang "Včera neděle byla."

Session adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek,
Secretaries

At 5 P.M. the Western Bohemian Fraternal Association chartered buses which were waiting in front of the Roosevelt Hotel to transfer the delegates to their offices for a tour of the beautiful new modern building. After viewing the fine offices and the new modern equipment, refreshments were served in the recreation room. Everyone agreed, that this visit will be for them a lasting memory of their visit to Cedar Rapids and the IX Convention of ASO. Grateful appreciation for the opportunity was expressed to brothers Rompotl and Hromadka for making this visit possible.

V SESSION

Wednesday morning, June 22nd, 1960

Bro. Tichy called the Convention to order at 9:00 A.M. Roll call by Districts was made by Sec-

retary sis. Nemecek. All present. Bro. Benesh read the Czech minutes of the Tuesday afternoon session. Minutes accepted with one correction.

Bro. Simaner introduced bro. T. B. Hlubucek, Director and Superintendent of Bohemian Home for the Aged in Chicago, who brought greetings and thanks of the Home for past cooperation and mentioned the possibility of opening space in the Home for a museum for Sokol historical objects.

Bro. Tichy requested reports of Committees. The Board of Instructors requested postponement. Bro. Cihak, Courtesy Committee, read a list of members to whom letters of greetings were being mailed: To Sokol Portland on their 50th Anniversary; letters of condolence to bro. Vsetecka, Cleveland, sis. Sazama, New York, sis. Benak, Omaha; get well greetings to bro. Kopecky of Omaha and bro. Prasek, Crete.

Bro. Jirsa, Chairman of Finance Committee, reported on the budget. The report was in two parts and is attached to these minutes as part of the record. Bro. Jirsa and bro. Simaner replied to questions of the delegates concerning various items, also explained the cost of publication of Sokol Americky. The proposed budget showed a deficit and the Finance Committee made two recommendations to decrease the deficit annually, first, if ASO. will increase the cost of travel fund payments 10 cents, or ASO. to conduct ways and means to raise money by conducting tours, etc.

In the debate that followed the following took part: bros. Tichy, Friedrich, Prchal, Andrie, Hilsky, Halik, Prevratil, Hladik, Pokorny, Galik, Zraly.

The report was accepted and discussion ensued regarding the increased payments into travel fund from 15c to 25c per member per year.

It was unanimously agreed that the increase is necessary and this was moved and seconded and motion passed.

Sis. Welcl reported that the Finance Committee discussed and recommends for consideration of all instructor's staffs and officers in units to increase their income from the children's and junior classes, giving as a reason that Sokol education is valuable to children and their parents and giving it too cheaply is not always appreciated. This recommendation was turned over to the ASO. Board of Instructors.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding an increase in membership dues to ASO., and it was ended with the motion that the report of the Finance Committee be accepted. Passed.

Bro. Tichy introduced bro. Ivan Herben, representative of Radio Free Europe, who greeted the Convention and reported that he is sending five minute daily news items into Czechoslovakia and that during the year Sokol news is beamed three times weekly.

At 10:40 bro. Tichy turned the gavel over to Vice President bro. Vanek, who requested a report from the Technical Committee. Sis. L. Zdenek, Secretary of the Staff, read a detailed report and recommendations of the Committee. The report was accepted with applause with some of the items to be discussed. Bro. Barcal explained the conduct-

ing of the Federation Slet in Chicago and its handling, i.e. to retain complete control. Bro. Halik announced that bro. Babuska, Secretary of SGUS., asked for cooperation in conducting the next slet of SGUS. in Chicago. Bro. Barcal spoke for its adoption. Bro. Carr appealed to the Central District to make a stronger appeal to the public. The ASO. Slet to be held in 1961 and the SGUS. Slet in 1962. Moved by bro. Hilsky and seconded, motion passed that the Slets be held as planned. Bro. Benesh moved that the Convention approve the naming of bro. Fina as delegate to AAU. Bro. Capek on point of order stated that the Convention cannot discuss the matter.

Bro. Jirousek moved that the report and recommendations therein be accepted. Motion passed.

Sis. Prchal thanked the delegates for their cooperation with the Board of Instructors in reference to the Slet plans. Bro. Galik requested permission of Board of Instructors to leave the Convention for a special meeting. This was granted.

Bro. Cihak, Educational Director, read a detailed report which is a part of these minutes. In the discussion that followed the following took part: sis. Falta, Skoda, Schnabl, bros. Suster, Kropik, Kos, and on motion of bro. Suster the report was accepted.

Bro. Kropik, Chairman of Resolutions Committee, read resolution

No. 7. Hon. James Meaghan, Mayor, City of Cedar Rapids.

No. 8. Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States.

No. 9. Mr. Christian Herter, Secretary of State. All of the presented resolutions were approved.

Sis. Vitek requests that the Resolutions Committee prepare a greeting to Senator bro. Roman Hruska. It was referred to the Courtesy Committee.

Bro. Kropik recommends that letters of greetings should be referred to the Courtesy Committee.

Bro. Suster questions the payments to the Travel Fund of his unit which numbers 367 members and has 4 delegates to the Convention, but receives travel expense for only 2 delegates. Now that the travel fund payments are increased the payments will be higher and his unit bearing the increase. He moved that all delegates be paid from the Convention fund. After a discussion in which bro. Vanek, Reiner, Benesh, Zraly, sis. Falta and Nemecek took part the motion was withdrawn.

Bro. Cihak presented report of Courtesy Committee with list of names of members to whom letters will be sent.

Bro. Zraly requested permission for 3 delegates to leave before adjournment and that their vote be transferred to remaining delegates in their District. This was declared illegal as far as voting was concerned.

Session was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek,
Secretaries

VI SESSION

Wednesday afternoon, June 22, 1960

The session was called to order by Chairman, bro. Tichy at 1:45 P.M.

Bro. Cihak happily announced that he received for the "Future Sokol Leaders Fund" from bro.

Louis Chvilicek of Racine, Wisconsin, \$1,000. Bro. Anton Hladik, President of Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs of Chicago, announced that he too will donate \$1,000. Sis. Frances Hulac, Director of Women of the Western District, \$500. All the donations were received with enthusiasm and hearty thanks. Sis. Hassel of Racine gave thanks to bro. Chvilicek and remembered his mother, who was an active member of Sokol Racine.

Bro. Prevratil, reporting for Nominating Committee, stated that it did not succeed thus far in securing bro. Prchal's agreement to accept nomination for office of President for another term, and that drafting him will be the only solution. All present in a rising vote, supported by hearty applause, demonstrated their approval of bro. Prchal remaining in office of the President.

Bro. Simaner stated that bro. Prchal should be present during these proceedings. Sergeant at Arms bro. Vodrazka escorted bro. Prchal into the Convention hall.

Bro. Tichy welcomed bro. Prchal as the newly elected President of ASO.

Bro. Prchal said that he had the best of intentions to leave the office of President, but that he was not leaving Sokol work. "Your wish is my command."

Bro. Prchal was given a rising vote of confidence and elected unanimously to the office of President. Bro. Prchal expressed his thanks and appealed to all members to cooperate fully and work for our Sokol organization.

Organization Committee, bro. DeConti, Chairman, presented report which is a part of these minutes. He recommended that for the next Convention, a plan of proceedings be given to the organization committee to be acted on.

Bro. Cihak announced that further donations were made to the "Future Sokol Leaders Fund"—bro. and sis. R. Langer of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, \$1,000, and Blanche and Jim Cihak \$1,000.

Sis. Welcl read the minutes of the morning session which were approved as read.

Bro. Zraly moved that permission be granted to transfer votes to delegates by those who have to leave early. After some discussion motion was passed.

Bro. Suster took over the conducting of the Convention and the Nominating Committee left for a special meeting.

Sis. Zdenek, Secretary of the Technical Committee, presented report and announced for approval the election of Director of Men, bro. Edwin J. Halik, Director of Women, sis. Mildred Prchal. Motion passed.

Bro. Halik and sis. Prchal acknowledged congratulations and made their speech of acceptance.

Sis. Prener expressed personal greetings to the new leaders of Board of Instructors representing bro. Jarka Jelinek.

Bro. Suster then requested reports of committees and each replied that their work was finished, except Resolutions Committee. Bro. Kropik, Chairman, asked for postponement.

Sis. Welcl presented a motion regarding public relations of the American Sokol. Motion part of these minutes. Motion seconded and passed that

the Executive Board take this up in one of its early meetings.

Bro. Kropik presented resolution No. 10 regarding the 100th anniversary of Sokol to which bro. Reiner made a statement. Approved.

No. 11. Regarding cooperation of publications and radio broadcasts approved.

No. 12. Resolution warning our members of communism and our agreement with the U. S. Government in the fight against totalitarian aggression approved.

No. 13. Resolution thanking the four fraternal societies was approved.

Bro. Capek recommended that the attractive Sokol emblems used on the Convention envelopes should be printed and distributed to all units. Sis. Welcl moved that this be taken up in the Executive Board. Motion passed.

No. 14. Resolution giving a vote of thanks to Chairman of the Convention bro. John Tichy approved.

No. 15. Resolution giving thanks to the officers of this convention.

Sis. Nekuda inquired whether bro. Hladik is in order when he is passing out literature during the proceedings prior to discussion on the next resolution. He was requested to stop.

No. 16. A lengthy discussion took place regarding Sokol Tyrs' resolution and our affiliation with the Czechoslovak National Council of America. Bro. Kropik announced, that the committee prepared its resolution which he read and recommended for approval. Motion made and seconded that this resolution be approved. Then he read the resolution of Sokol Tyrs and following a long discussion in which many delegates took part voting by roll was called. Results: Those for affiliation 232, against 454.

Correspondence was read and request of South-east District for bro. Cihak's attendance of their Slet July 2 to 4 was granted.

Greetings were received from bro. Kopecky of Omaha, who had returned home ill, Sokolice Town of Lake, Catholic Sokol St. Vaclav.

Bro. Prevratil reported for Nominating Committee. For Vice Presidents sis. Blanche Cihak and bro. Charles Kropik. For Educational Director bro. James Cihak, treasurer bro. Jos. Brouk.

Auditing Committee sis. Anna Falta, bro. Frank Vodrazka, sis. Emilie Welcl and bro. Stanley Barcal. Alternates bros. Wm. Vrba and Bob Vydra. They further reported that it was not possible to secure anyone for the offices of Secretary, Financial Secretary and Editor. Bro. Simaner recommends that the Executive Board be authorized to fill these posts. Bro. Chmelicek recommends drafting. Sis. Welcl recommends nominations from the floor. Bro. Barcal moves that nominations be closed and empty posts filled by Executive Board. Bro. Hladik requested that the Convention make a plea to sis. Cihak to accept the post of Secretary and bro. Cihak stated that her health is impaired and that she needs a good rest. Bro. Hladik nominated sis. Prener, who declined. Bro. Prevratil moved that if there are no further nominations that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Board obtain a Secretary and Financial Secretary. Motion passed. Bro. Rokusek recommended

that the editorial staff now in charge of Sokol Americky remain in their work.

Sis. Cihak and bro. Kropik accept offices of Vice Presidents. Their acceptance acknowledged with a standing vote of applause. Bro. Cihak accepts nomination for Educational Director and was given a rising vote of confidence. He was unanimously elected.

Bro. Brouk accepted nomination for Treasurer and was unanimously elected.

Auditing Committee: sis. Ann Falta, bro. Frank Vodrazka and bro. Stanley Barcal accepted. Sis. Emilie Welcl requested that her name be placed in bro. Wm. Vrba's place instead of on the Auditing Committee. After some discussion the Auditing Committee was elected to include sis. Falta, bros. Vodrazka, Barcal and Vrba. Election of organizer was left to the Executive Board. Sis. Welcl's name was left on nominating list for Executive Board which will make whatever fill-ins necessary to complete number of members needed and alternates as usual.

Election of By-laws Committee. Motion made by sis. Welcl to re-elect committee was seconded and the following were nominated and elected: Bros. Prevratil, Zraly, Tichy, Kohoutek, sisters Falta and Horejsi. The Northern District will name its delegate to the By-laws Committee and advise the Executive Board.

Location of next convention taken up and bro. Hilsky asked that New York be considered for the next convention. Bro. Vanek moved that the next convention be in Chicago in 1965. Bros. Halik, Barcal, Kropik, spoke in the discussion and a vote was taken. For New York 34, for Chicago 40. The next convention will be held in Chicago.

Bro. Prchal stated that officers of the Executive Board are duty bound to attend the convention but have no vote. He moved that officers of ASO. attend future conventions having one vote each. This includes the President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Educational Director and Organizer if any. Unanimously passed.

Bro. Zraly moved that the President of each District be automatically sent to the Convention as a delegate with one vote at the expense of the District. Motion unanimously passed.

Bro. Prchal made a motion that a plaque should be placed in Oetz, Switzerland, in 1962, where Dr. Miroslav Tyrs spent his last days. This should be done on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Sokol Organization. This will be done in the name of the American Sokol Organization and all Sokols in the free world.

Bro. Prchal presented to the Convention guests who were present during the proceedings and acknowledged their cooperation, in units and districts: Bro. Lesovsky, sisters Barcal, Laznovsky, Prevratil, bro. Dibelka, sis. Pokorny, bros. Pribyl, Chvilicek and Jecmen, sis. Krejci and sis. and bro. Ulrich, and sis. Kveta Smith.

Bro. Tichy again made an appeal to sis. Cihak to remain in office of Secretary. Sis. Cihak sincerely thanked all officers and co-workers and closed with our Sokol Nazdar!

Bro. Prchal stated that the Executive Board could not have functioned without sis. Cihak.

Bro. Rokusek made an appeal that every member of Sokol should put forth every effort to work for the good of the organization. Sis. Udaykee invited all present to the golden anniversary of Sokol Berwyn, Ill., Nov. 4, 1961.

Bro. Prchal moved that all transactions of the Convention be approved by the delegates before adjournment which was done by unanimous vote.

Bro. Chmelicek, representing Cedar Rapids, gave thanks to all for their attendance in his city and wished all a good trip home.

Bro. Prchal led the Convention in singing of the national anthems of the United States and Czechoslovakia and the Convention was formally closed by Chairman bro. Tichý at 5:55 P.M.
Emilie Welcl and Barbara Nemecek, Secretaries

ZÁPISY O JEDNÁNÍ IX. SJEZDU AOS.

I. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Pondělí ráno, 20. června 1960

IX. sjezd Americké Obce Sokolské byl zahájen ve sjezdové místnosti hotelu Roosevelt v 9:30 hod. dopoledne, starostou AOS. br. Karlem Prchalem, proslovem, hodnotícím význam letošního sjezdu a vítajícím všechny zástupce a zástupkyně ku zdárnému jednání pro dobro naší sokolské Obce. Povstáním všech přítomných vzdána pocta zemřelým bratrům a sestrám.

Zapěny hymny všemi přítomnými a vzdán slib věrnosti.

Za pověřující odbor, br. Ben Převrátil vyvolává jména všech, kteří byli pověřeni zastoupením svých jednot a župních cvičitelských sborů, s případnými změnami, které byly hlášeny župami a jednotami.

Zástupci župy Východní oznámili, že na místo br. Lago bude zástupcem Sokola Belcamp br. E. Štětka.

Jednáno pak, kdy sjezd má končit a kdy zástupci budou mít nároky na úhradu cestovného a přijato, aby sjezd byl zakončen ve středu 22. června odp. a zástupcům, kteří zúčastní se jednání po všechny 3 dny bude cestovné hrazeno.

Br. Prchal a ses. Čiháková čtou pak pořad jednání sjezdu, který byl přijat.

Br. Prchal vyzvedl otázku čtení zápisů o jednání sjezdu a bylo přijato, by zápis jednání předcházejícího sezení byl čten při zahájení příštího zasedání.

Dle přijatého pořadu nominování úředníci sjezdu. Za předsedu nominování byli br. Prchal, Tichý, ses. Čiháková, bratři Reiner a Převrátil. Br. Prchal po ukončení nominace — nepřijímá, ses. Čiháková nepřijímá, br. Převrátil nepřijímá. Bratři Tichý a Reiner přijali. Br. Převrátil čtením jmen jednot a náčelnictva získává hlasy pro tyto dva. Br. Prchal pak jmenuje na sčítací odbor bratry Vrba, Neumann, Chab, Pokorný a ses. Buzickou, kteří se odebrali ku sečení hlasů.

Zatím pak byli představeni: Za Sokolice Renata Tyršová, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, ses. Němečková, která pozvala všechny přítomné na banket ku oslavě 60 let činnosti jednoty dnes večer. Br. Chmelíček, za Sokol Cedar Rapids, vítá sjezdové delegáty. Za Západní Česko Bratrskou Jednotu, br. M. L. Hromádka omlouvá předsedu br. Rompotla. Pozdravuje sjezd, vítá delegáty a přeje zdar jednání. Dále zve všechny ku návštěvě nového domova ZČBJ. v úterý ve 3 hod. odp. Bude připraveno občerstvení. Busy odvezou a přivezou návštěvníky. Hlasováním bylo milé toto pozvání přijato. Za Jednotu Československých Spolků v Americe srdečně oslovil sjezd předseda ČSA. br. Frank Vodrážka, přál zdar sjezdu a apeloval o úzkou spolupráci.

Br. Prchal čte došlé zdravice.

Župa Jižní, přání zdaru. Br. Jarka Jelínek, po zdraví a přání zdaru. Ses. Schnabl předkládá zdravici od br. O. Kudrnovského, kterou br. Prchal též přečetl. Sokol Žižka, Dallas, Texas, zdravici. Z Crete, Nebraska, nemocný br. Prášek přeje zdar, Ústřední Výbor Jednoty Českých Dam a Pánů zdravici, Masarykova Družina Čsl. Legionářů, Chicago, zdravici a jmenuje svého reprezentanta, čestného člena br. Karla Prchala. Československá Národní Rada Americká přeje zdar, vyslovuje pozdravy a žádost o tu nejlepší spolupráci, přičleněním se do práce ČNRA. Br. Prchal, se svolením přítomných, předává tuto žádost resolučním odboru a na jeho žádost br. Zahradníček čte resoluci, přijatou Sokolem Tyrš v Clevelandu, apelující o přičlenění se do ČNRA. I tato resoluce odkázána resolučnímu odboru.

Sčítací odbor pak oznámil výsledek hlasování na úřad předsedy. Br. Tichý obdržel 397 hlasů, br. Reiner 252. Br. Prchal zdraví br. Tichého co předsedu, který se hned odebral ku předsednickému stolu.

Za místopředsedy sjezdu nominování byli bratři: Reiner, Vaněk, Převrátil, ses. Welclová, bratři Benesh, Šuster, Neumann a ses. Vitková. Nominaci nepřijali br. Reiner, br. Benesh, sestry Welclová a Vitková.

Na návrh br. Beneshe byli čtyři zbývající bratři — Vaněk, Převrátil, Šuster a Neumann — zvoleni místopředsedy.

Br. Šimaner se táže ohledně rekordování jednání sjezdu strojem a bylo objasněno, že na návrh stanovního odboru, všechny pořad jednání je brán na pás. Pásky jsou majetkem AOS. a budou velikou pomocí při zapisování sjezdu. Hlasováním schváleno toto rekordování. Za zapisovatele sjezdu v anglické řeči nominování: sestry Čiháková, Welclová, Prenerová, Příbylová a Němečková a br. DeConti. Nominaci nepřijali ses. Čiháková, Prenerová, Příbylová a br. DeConti. Hlasováním pak zvoleny sestry Welclová a Němečková. Za zapisovatele v české řeči navrzeni bratři Benesh a Špánek, kteří přijali a zvolení. Strážci dveří nominování a zvolení br. Vodrážka a ses. Faltová. Všichni pak uvedeni starostou br. Prchalem do jejich úřadů v 11:25. Br. Tichý proslovem ujmá se vedení sjezdu, zdraví všechny delegáty a zvolené úředníky sjezdu, apeluje o soulad v řešení všeho jednání.

Jmenuje pak, co zvláštní odbor, bratry: Tichý, Převrátil, Zralý, Šimaner, Kohoutek a Kopecký, aby během polední přestávky připravili jména členů do různých odborů.

Potom se přešlo k dennímu pořádku a ses. Čiháková, jednatelka a účetnice AOS., čte v angličtině celkovou zprávu o své činnosti od posledního sjezdu.

Zpráva přijata s velkým potleskem a návrhem br. Zralýho všichni přítomní povstáním a potleskem vzdali svoje ocenění oběť své sestře a přijali její důležitou zprávu. Br. Vaněk pak předkládá jedno doporučení ze zprávy ses. Čihákové k jednání sjezdu a to rozdělení úřadu jednatele a účetního. Doporučení změněno v návrh a přiděleno stanovnímu odboru. Další doporučení ses. jednatelky, přeložiti její zprávu do češtiny, nebylo na návrh br. Jirsy přijato. Zpráva zůstane jen v angličtině. Br. Převrátíl vyzvedl pak další bod zprávy sestry Čihákové, ohledně získání větší pomoci v úřadovně a navrhl předati toto stanovnímu odboru. Bez námitek přijato.

Ve 12 hod. v poledne br. Tichý odrokuje zasedání sjezdu do dvou hod. odp.

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

II. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Pondělí odpol., 20. června 1960.

Br. Tichý, předseda sjezdu, zahájil druhé zasedání ve 2:10 hod. odp. s upozorněním, že řádní zástupci mají zaujmout místa ve předu, náhradníci a hosté pak v pozadí.

Br. Prchal podal návrh, aby br. Šimon Rokůsek, čestný člen Obce, zaujal místo u předsednického stolu, což se stalo.

Br. Tichý oznámil, že Technický odbor bude konat schůzi večer, po banketu.

Br. Tichý představil br. Jana Babušku, jednatele Slovenské Tělocvičné Jednoty Sokol, který pronesl zdraví a přání zdu sjezdu.

Ses. Čiháková představila sjezdu ses. Josephine Drncovou a Marii Millerovou, hlavní úřednice Jednoty Českých Dam a Pánů, které přednesly zprávy. Přivítala také br. Drnce.

Sestra Čiháková hlásí, že veřejným počtářem ověřenou zprávu o vyúčtování finančních položek Obce má připravenou. Zpráva bude předána sjezdovému finančnímu odboru k projednání.

Br. Tichý omlouvá, že zápis z ranního zasedání nebyl hned čten a ses. Welclová čte zápis v anglické řeči. Rozhodnuto číst vždy anglickou zprávu z dopoledního zasedání, českou ze zasedání odpoledního. Kde snad bude toho potřeba, opraví se nesohody. Zápis přijat.

Dalším bodem byla delší zpráva náčelnictva AOS., kterou podal br. Edwin Halík a připojil pak delší rozbor problémů a návrhů k řešení těchto. Zpráva je částí zápisu. V jednání o zprávě náčelnictva na návrh br. Vaňka, zpráva o činnosti náčelníka přijata. Návrh o zaopatření hudby (podal br. Hladík) ku sletovým cvičením pro všechny jednoty, která by byla majetkem AOS., odkázán náčelnictvu. Druhá část, rozbor problémů a návrhy ku řešení, byly předány organizačnímu odboru ku projednání.

Br. Tichý děkuje br. Halíkovi za zprávu.

Další byla zpráva náčelnice, ses. Milady Prchalové, která svoji zprávu za posledních pět roků měla natištěnou v úhledných knížkách, které tak,

jako i mimeografované zprávy br. Halíka, byly rozdány delegátům a celá zpráva náčelnice, natočena na pásech rekordovacího stroje, byla pak v celku promítána. Ses. Prchalová osobně děkovala všem za pomoc v činnosti náčelnice a delegátům za trpělivě vyslechnutí zprávy.

Br. Tichý děkuje ses. Prchalové za zprávu a za její velikou činnost.

Br. Kropík navrhl přijetí zprávy povstáním a potleskem zástupců, což se stalo.

Stroj za odp. zasedání obsluhuje český zapisovatel br. Jiří Špánek.

Br. Převrátíl přejímá vedení sjezdu a za odbor na odbory oznamuje členy do těchto:

VZDĚLÁVACÍ: bři. Štětka, Šuster, Špánek, Nekuda, Kučera, Zahradníček a ses. Němečková.

ORGANISACNÍ: bři. DeConte, Vaněk, Zahradníček, sestry Pfeifer, Prener, Šíma, Dušek a McDonald.

RESOLUČNÍ: bři. Kropík, Libor, DeLancey, Burian, Hilský, Křenek, Zahradníček.

ODBOR NA STANOVY: bři. Převrátíl, Zralý, Tichý, Kohoutek, ses. Faltová a Hořejší.

NOMINAČNÍ: bři. J. Tichý, Převrátíl, Šímaner, Kohoutek, Zralý, Kopecký a Kropík.

Sčítací odbor při hlasování sjezdu: bři. Pokorný, Hladík, Neumann a ses. Elkins.

Za strážce dveří potvrzení br. Vodrážka a ses. Faltová.

Br. Vaněk upozorňuje, že volba do nominačního odboru nemůže být dokončena, až kdy bude ustanoveno příští sídlo Obce. Tři členové musí býti ze sídla AOS. Br. Zralý upozorňuje, že bylo upuštěno od jmenování stížního odboru. Usneseno, bude-li toho třeba, sjezd bude odbor jmenovat.

Br. Reiner upozorňuje, že při jmenování členů do odborů byl opomenut St. Louis, sídlo nejstarší jednoty AOS. Br. Šímaner i br. Převrátíl se omlouvají z této chyby; br. Reiner měl býti členem resolučního odboru, což se nyní opravuje. Dále br. Převrátíl oznamuje opomenutí jmenování ses. Welclové na finanční odbor, což dodatečně opraveno.

Br. Prchal doporučuje přijetí odborů tak jak byly jmenované. Br. Vaněk znovu upozorňuje, že nominační odbor nemůže být potvrzen a br. Prchal upravuje návrh, by se tento vynechal ve přijetí odborů.

Ses. Vítková upozorňuje, že některý bratr byl jmenován do tří odborů, zatím co někteří nejsou v žádném. Br. Neumann vysvětluje, že vybíráno bylo dle klíče žup. Župy si určily jmenované bratry. V případě změny nutno se obrátit na župního vedoucího a další jména mohou být přibírána. Nastalo delší jednání, jak urovnati tyto nesrovnalosti a br. Zahradníček prohlašuje, že ustupuje z odboru vzdělávacího a organizačního. Zůstane na odboru resolučním. Br. Kunášek pak jmenován byl do odboru organizačního a ses. Anna Škoda do odboru vzdělávacího.

Br. Šímaner a br. Kropík ustupují z odboru nominačního. Br. V. Kučera ustupuje z odboru vzdělávacího a na jeho místo jmenován br. Kos. Po tomto br. Převrátíl dal podporovaný návrh br. Prchala odhlasovat, a návrh byl přijat.

Další bod bylo usnesení o sídle Obce. Br. Vaněk navrhuje za příští sídlo metropolitní Chicago, což

hlasováním bylo přijato většinou zástupců. Jednáno pak o zvolení tří zástupců ze sídla Obce. Přenecháno župě Střední. Bylo upozorněno, že do nominačního odboru nebyl jmenován nikdo ze župy Severní a návrhem bylo přijato jmenování br. Andrla.

Br. Hladík se táže, proč nedostali zástupci seznam jmen všech zástupců a zástupkyň. Ses. Čiháková vysvětluje, že bylo mnoho změn v zástupcích a seznam musel být přepracován. Zítra bude rozdan.

Další jednání bylo podání zprávy vzdělavatele, bratra Čiháka, který přečetl nejdříve svoji zprávu a dodatečně návrh, ohledně sebrání fondů pro podpoření získání vedoucích sokolství v budoucnu. Též předkládá zástupcům tři knížky vydané Obcí a leták obsahující přihlašující blanket ku členství a do tělocvičny. Dále, br. Čihák čte dopis od br. Janíka z Omahy, který zasilá \$100 na fond pro příští vedoucí. Na návrh br. Vaněka zpráva br. vzdělavatele přijata povstáním a potleskem.

Br. Tichý přejímá vedení sjezdu a br. Šimaner čte zprávu br. Jarky Jelínka, redaktora Sokola Amerického, do doby jeho onemocnění a resignace. Zpráva je částí tohoto zápisu po přijetí sjezdem a po usnesení, aby resoluční odbor zaslal br. Jelínkovi pozdrav ze sjezdu. Na návrh ses. Prenerové zpráva br. redaktora přijata povstáním a potleskem díky.

Na návrh br. Reinera povstáním a potleskem sjezd projevuje díky náčelníku br. Halíkovi za jeho činnost a zprávu.

Ježto se blížilo ukončení zasedání v 5 hod., v rychlosti bylo usneseno, kde se odbory mají sejít; dále při ztřešším čtení jmen zástupců, župní vedoucí oznámí přítomné zástupce a zástupkyň ze župy; dále, aby br. Štětka doprovázel na piano zpěvy při sjezdu.

II. zasedání po nadšeném zapění "Spějme dál", bylo v 5 hodin odpoledne br. Tichým ukončeno.

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

Večer, od 7. hod., konán byl v prostorné místnosti hotelu Roosevelt banket a program ku oslavě 60. výročí trvání sboru Sokolic Renata Tyršová v Cedar Rapids. Podnik byl navštíven všemi delegáty a delegátkami a program večera, kde ceremoniářem byl br. Ted Hlubuček, byl veliký a zdařilý.

III. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Úterý ráno, 21. června 1960.

Br. Tichý v 9:15 zahájil ranní zasedání a oznámil, že zápis ze zasedání včera odpoledne bude čten česky.

Zájezd k budově ZČBJ. bude až v 5 hod. odp. Br. Kopecký z Omahy musel jet domů; onemocněl a na jeho místo určen co zástupce Sokola Omaha br. Šimon Rokůšek. Schváleno.

Br. Vaněk přejímá vedení sjezdu a br. Prchal oznamuje, že čtení jmen bude až později. Listina zástupců musí být opravena.

Český zapisovatel, br. A. Benesh, přečetl český zápis z odp. zasedání prvního dne. Na návrh br. Kohoutka zápis přijat. Br. Halík oznamuje, že technický sjezdový odbor musí mít schůzi dopoledne a br. Barcal žádá o povolení omluvit tyto

zástupce. Hlasováním přijato, aby se vzdálili. V případě volení budou povoláni do sjezdu.

Zdravice ku sjezdu čte ses. Němečková a to od Sokola Žižka, Dallas, od br. Jiráka z Detroit, od Sokola Chicago, od Sokola Portland, kam delegáti jsou pozváni na oslavu 50. výročí jednoty, a od bývalé náčelnice AOS. ses. K. Danko.

Včera odložená zpráva finančního odboru Obce byla projednána.

Odbor přehlédl zprávu od r. 1955 do 31. března 1960 a shledal ji v pořádku.

Br. Jirsa hlásí, že sjezdový finanční odbor nemůže podat svoji zprávu, dokud nebude zde zpráva stanovního odboru.

Za dozorců odbor AOS. ses. Prenerová hlásí, že účetní i pokladní knihy byly vždy shledány v pořádku. Také zprávy z podniků a zájezdů Obce, mimo poslední akce známek T.G.M., která dosud nevyúčtována. Na odboru byli bratři Švambera, Vydra a sestry Faltová, Tintěrová a Prenerová.

Na návrh br. Šimanera zprávy byly přijaty. Pokladník br. Brouk hlásí, že jeho zpráva je stejná, jako účetní a návrhem br. Šimanera i jeho zpráva přijata.

Br. Vaněk děkuje sestře Čihákové a bratru Broukovi za správné vedení fondů Obce a dozorcům odboru za jeho práci.

Zprávu krojového odboru pro ženy čte ses. Prenerová. Na návrh ses. Nekudové zpráva byla přijata a kroj schválen pro příští období AOS.

Zprávu krojového odboru pro muže, napsanou br. H. Vydrou, čte ses. Prenerová. Návrhem zpráva byla přijata a kroj schválen pro příští období AOS. Bratru Vydrou bude poděkováno.

Za odbor na nové prapory čte zprávu ses. Prenerová, spolu s pravidly jak zacházeti s praporem a vlajkou USA. Sestra Tintěrová a br. Šimaner byli dále na praporovém odboru. Zpráva přijata a br. Vaněk děkuje ses. Prenerové a odboru za práci. V dalším jednání navrženo, aby pravidlo pro prapory byla mimeografováno a zasláno jednotám. Br. Prchal oznamuje, že celý zápis sjezdu bude též v Sokole Americkém.

Br. Špánek se táže, co dělali se starými historickými prapory jednot, které nyní nejsou v souhlase s pravidly pro prapory. Br. Šimaner zpravuje, že pravidla pro zacházení s vlajkou USA. určuje kongres a staré historické prapory mají býti uchovány v archivu a museu.

Ses. Prenerová předkládá umělecký "Pledge of Allegiance" spolu s dějinami tohoto slibu a předává výboru ku rekordování. Jednáno pak o vyvěšování praporu a návrh br. Hilského, rozmnožit tyto zprávy, byl přijat.

Hlasováním pak přijata byla i zpráva ses. Prenerové, odboru na prapory.

Bro. Kropík za resoluční odbor navrhuje ustanovení odboru zdravic, soustrasti a ocenění zasloužilým bratřím a sestrám. Na návrh br. Prchala, návrh ten přijat hlasováním a na návrh br. Šimanera, žádání byli dobrovolníci na tento tříčlenný odbor. Přihlásil se br. Čihák a předseda br. Tichý má jmenovat další. Další návrh resolučního odboru, předání návrh vzdělavatele br. Čiháka, o utvoření fondu pro sokolské vedoucí v budoucnu vzdělávacímu sboru AOS. a tímto rozmnožen a zaslán jednotám, též přijat.

Resoluce mládeže, připravená br. Čihákem, předána vzdělávacímu sboru AOS. Má být rozmnožena, poslána jednotám a uveřejněna v Sokole Americkém.

Dále resoluční odbor žádá, aby do schůze odboru přišli ti, kteří jsou pro i proti resoluci Sokola Tyrš v Clevelandu o členství AOS. v ČNRA. V jednání, kterého se zúčastnili br. Hilský, Šuster a Kropík, bylo rozhodnuto, aby návrh br. Kropíka byl přijat a resoluce nejdříve prodebatována v odboru samém. Kdo může, nechť se dorozumí s br. Kropíkem o návštěvu schůze odboru. V 10:30 zapisovatel A. Benesh čte jména zástupců. Všichni zástupci jednot přítomni a zástupci Technického odboru jsou ve své zvláštní schůzi.

Starosta AOS. br. K. Prchal čte pak zprávu o jeho činnosti od posledního sjezdu. Zpráva je připojena k zápisu. Význačná zpráva hlavního činovníka AOS. byla oceněna všemi povstáním a potleskem. Br. Šimaner vřelým proslovem oceňuje činnost br. starosty, navrhuje přijetí zprávy aklačnické. Zpráva přijata hlasováním, aklačnické s oceněním sjezdu. Br. Prchal pak dojemně děkuje.

Ve 4 hodiny br. Tichý přejímá vedení a na řadě je stanovní odbor. Br. Převrátíl, předseda odboru, oznamuje, že odbor připravil a propracoval veškeré návrhy na změnu stanov a budou čteny jen změny přijaté odborem. Jsou uveřejněny ku konci zápisu tak, jak byly sjezdem schváleny.

Na návrh br. DeLancey, náčelnictvo bylo strážcem br. Vodrážkou zavoláno do sjezdu.

Rozhodnuto, aby Výkonný Výbor určil platy a odměny.

Br. Prchal představuje sjezdu pak hlavního předsedu ZČBJ. bratra Rompotla, který sjezd vřele pozdravil a přál nejlepší výsledky všemu jednání.

Ve 12:05 odp. br. Tichý končí ranní zasedání.

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

IV. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Úterý odpol., 21. června 1960.

Br. Tichý zahájil IV. zasedání ve 2 hod. odp. a oznamuje, že zájezd k budově ZČBJ. bude v 5 hod. odp. Představuje pak hlavního organizátora ZČBJ. bratra Dohnala.

Br. Tichý jmenuje na odbor zdravotní členům bratry Čiháka, Reinera a Šustra. Dále br. Šimaner hlásí 3 členy župy Střední do nominačního odboru: bratři Vaněk, Prchal a Šimaner.

Zapisovatel, A. Benesh, předkládá sjezdu podrobnosti akce Sokola San Francisco, pro postavení pomníku prezidentu Osvoboditeli Čsl. republiky T. G. Masarykovi v San Francisco Golden Gate Parku a žádost o finanční podporu.

Dále čte oznámení ses. Welclové, ohledně použití Soldier's Field v Chicagu pro slety AOS. Mayor Chicaga, pan Daley, slíbil určité ulevění vysokého nájmu. Na návrh br. Převrátíla dopis bude předán Výkonnému Výboru AOS.

Br. Převrátíl a Zralý, za stanovní odbor, zaujali místa u mikrofonu a pokračováno ve zprávě odboru na stanovy.

Mnoho změn bylo jen opravv mluvnické nebo slohové tak, aby český i anglický text byl stejného znění.

Změny, které byly všechny přijaty, budou zana-

menány ve zprávě stanovního odboru, která bude pak částí tohoto zápisu.

Odboru vrácena ku dalšímu propracování, se zástupci technického odboru, všechna doporučení, týkající se technického sboru.

Ses. Prchalová doporučuje za zástupce náčelnictva do těchto porad br. Halíka a ses. Prenerovou. Bylo tak po delším jednání pak sjezdem usneseno.

Návrh, aby nové jednoty platily \$10.00 zápisného místo \$5.00 přijat. Návrh zvýšiti poplatek člena na sjezdový fond z 15c na 25c odkázán ku jednání, až po zprávě finančního odboru, po náhledech br. Šimanera a ses. Welclové, nepřetěžovat jednoty.

Zástupci do náčelnictva AOS. vzdálili se ku schůzi.

Ve 3:45 za resoluční odbor br. Kropík čte dosud připravené resoluce a to:

1. Poděkování místním jednotám a organizaci ZČBJ. za připravení sjezdu. Přijato návrhem br. Vaňka.

2. Poděkování br. Prchalovi přijato povstáním a potleskem.

3. Poděkování ses. Čihákové přijato též povstáním a s potleskem.

4. Poděkování náčelníku br. Edwin Halíkovi přijato též tak a

5. Poděkování ses. Prchalové, náčelnici Obce, též přijato povstáním a potleskem zastupitelstva.

Ses. Prchalová děkuje sjezdu. Tato počest bude rozdělena i mezi 11 členky náčelnictva, bez jejichž pomoci nebylo by možno vykonati to, co vykonáno bylo.

6. Delší resoluce ku Výkonnému Výboru AOS., zahájití širší kampaň ku získání členů a ku získání fondů, přijata hlasováním a doporučena stanovnímu odboru. Br. Reiner přeložil běžné resoluce do češtiny a byl odměněn potleskem.

Ve 4:05 ses. Němečková čte anglický zápis z ranního zasedání, který byl přijat spolu s návrhem br. Hilského, by české zápisy byly přeloženy do angličtiny.

Ses. Prenerová upozorňuje, že ses. Kata Danková je doživotní čestnou náčelnicí AOS.

Předsedy odborů oznámena místa, kde budou večer konány schůze a čas jejich konání.

Ses. Němečková oznamuje, že v Sokolovně dnes večer nebudou podávána jídla.

Ve 4:20 Stanovní odbor pokračuje v podávání změn.

Br. Převrátíl česky, br. Zralý anglicky.

Probrány byly a dokončeny doporučení všech změn ve stanovách pro župy a jednoty.

Navrhované změny byly opět podobné, změnám ve stanovách pro Obec a byly vesměs přijaty souhlasem přítomných. Nový je dodatek, že úrazy v tělocvičně musí být ihned hlášeny správci budovy a jednotě.

Dále navržen text slibu věrnosti při přijímání nových členů, který česky i anglicky četl br. Převrátíl. Přijato toto zahrnouti do stanov AOS., jakož i text slibu "Pledge of Allegiance" pro schůze.

Všechny sjezdové odbory mají večer schůze.

Ve 4:45 br. Tichý končí čtvrté zasedání sjezdu a všichni zapěli píseň "Včera neděle byla".

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

V 5 hod. odp. hlavní úřadovna ZČBJ. měla před hotelem připravené autobusy, které odvezly delegáty ku prohlídce v loni postavené moderní budovy a úřadovny mohutné Západní Česko-Bratrské Jednoty. Po prohlídce zajímavé budovy a zařízení moderních úřadoven, návštěva byla pohoštěna v pohodlné rekreační místnosti kávou a chutnými koláčky. Všichni se shodovali, že prohlídka krásné budovy ZČBJ. zůstane trvalou vzpomínkou účasti na IX. sjezdu AOS. a br. Rompotlovi a Hromád-kovi vysloveny díky za příjemnou tuto návštěvu.

V. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Středa ráno, 22. června 1960.

Br. Tichý zahájil V. zasedání ve středu 22. června v 9 hod. ráno.

Čtení jmen zástupců ses. Němečkovou. Župní vedoucí oznámili, že všichni jsou přítomni.

Český zápis včerejšího odp. zasedání četl A. Benesh. Zápis přijat s opravou ses. Němečkové.

Br. Šimaner představil br. Ted. Hlubučka, který za Český Domov a Útulnu v Chicagu přináší pozdravy a přání zdaru.

Zprávy odborů:

Br. Čihák za "Courtesy Committee" čte návrh některých dopisů starším členům, Sokolu Portland ku 50tiletí, ses. Szamové a Benákové a br. Vše-tekovi projev soustrasti.

Br. Rokůsek připomíná zaslání pozdravů br. Kopeckému v Omaze a br. F. J. Práškoví, v Crete, Nebr.

Dále br. Čihák čte text dopisu nemocným členům. Všechny přijaty souhlasem.

Br. Jirsa, za finanční odbor, podává zprávu ve 2 částech. Zpráva přiložena; obsahuje dosavadní finanční číslce AOS. a navrhovaný rozbor na příští období. Bylo delší jednání, mnozí bratři a sestry kladli otázky a br. Jirsa i br. Šimaner na ně odpovídali. Jednání se účastnili br. Tichý, Friedrich, Prchal, Andrlé, Hilský, Halík, Převrátil, Hladík, Pokorný, Galík, Zralý. Zpráva finančního odboru, pokud příjmů a vydání se týče bez zvláštního zvýšení poplatků, hlasováním přijata.

Další bod, zvýšení poplatků do sjezdového fondu z 15c na 25c byl projednán a skončen přijetím návrhu pro 25c.

Ses. Welclová předkládá možnost získati finanční podporu v tělocvičnách, kde mládež i rodiče používají zdarma pohostinství tělocvičny a jednoty. Tento náhled finančního odboru předán náčelnictvu AOS.

V 10:23 finanční odbor byl hotov se zprávou.

Jednáno pak o zvýšení členských poplatků Obci a skončeno přijetím návrhu ku celkovému přijetí zprávy finančního odboru, hlasováním většiny.

Br. Tichý představuje br. Ivana Herbena, zástupce Radio Free Europe, který přináší zprávy a přání zdaru a krátce nastínil velikou práci, kterou radiová tato velká stanice koná.

V 10:40 hod. br. Vaněk přejímá vedení sjezdu a ses. Lorraine Zdeněk, za Technický odbor, čte delší zprávu ze schůzi a doporučení technického odboru, učiněné během sjezdu. Zpráva odměněna potleskem a po kratším jednání přijat byl návrh podaný ses. Schnablovou, aby zpráva všeobecně byla přijata a některé body pak projednány. Hlasováním zpráva přijata.

Jednáno o konání samostatného sletu AOS. v 1961 a v r. 1962 sletu STJS. v rámci Svazu Amerického Sokolstva. Účastní v jednání bratři Barcal, Halík, Vodrážka, Carr, Zralý a Hilský. Na návrh br. Hilského usneseno hlasováním schváliti konání těchto sletů. Návrh br. Beneshe, aby sjezd potvrdil jmenování br. Finy zástupcem AOS. do AAU. byl návrhem br. Čapka zamítnut ku projednání sjezdem. Na návrh br. Jirouška zpráva Technického odboru byla přijata hlasováním.

Ses. Prchalová děkuje sjezdu za projev důvěry ve věci sletů. Br. Galík pak žádá o svolení, aby náčelnictvo se mohlo vzdálit do schůze. Vyhověno.

V 11:12 vzdělávatel br. Čihák čte delší zprávu, návrhy vzdělávacího odboru, ve kterém je poradcem. Zpráva připojena. Po jednání, v němž účastní byli ses. Faltová, Škodová, Schnablová, bratři Šuster, Kropík, Kos, hlasováním přijat byl návrh br. Šustra, aby sjezd přijal zprávu vzdělávacího odboru.

Za resoluční odbor br. Kropík čte resoluce, které všechny byly hlasováním přijaty.

7. Pozdrav starostovi města Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

8. Pozdrav prezidentu Dwight D. Eisenhowerovi.

9. Pozdrav sekretáři Christian Herterovi (State Department).

V 11:40 ses. Vítková žádá, aby resoluční odbor zaslal pozdravnou resoluci senátoru br. Roman Hruškovi. Bylo odkázáno "Courtesy odboru".

Br. Kropík doporučuje, aby žádosti o zaslání pozdravů byly předány přímo "Courtesy odboru".

Br. Šuster vyzvedl otázku placení do cestovního fondu velkými jednotami, které pak obdrží jen část odevzdaných příspěvků, placením cestovního jejich zástupcům a udává číslce odvedených příspěvků i placení cestovního zástupcům Sokola Tyrš. Dal návrh, aby všem delegátům cestovné bylo hrazeno. Návrh později odvolal. Jednání účastnili se br. Andrlé, Šuster, Reiner, ses. Faltová, Němečková, Benesh, Zralý. Článek ve stanovách zůstává v platnosti.

Br. Čihák žádá o povolení pro "Courtesy odbor" ku zaslání zdravic jednotlivcům, jichž jména četl. Sjezd autorisoval odbor v tom směru a br. Kropík žádá, by dopis bratrským jednotám byl ponechán resolučnímu odboru, což se stalo.

Br. Zralý žádá svolení k odjezdu pro tři zástupce, kteří musí ve 4 hod. odjetí zpět do New Yorku. Povolení dáno, avšak za tyto zástupce při roll call nemůže nikdo volit. Po upomenutí schůzi odborů v poledne a započítí odpol. zasedání v 1:30 br. Tichý končí toto zasedání ve 12:15 hod. v poledne.

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

VI. ZASEDÁNÍ.

Středa odpol., 22. června 1960.

Br. Tichý zahájil VI. zasedání v 1:45 odpol.

Br. Čihák oznamuje radostnou zprávu, že přítomný br. Louis Chvilíček daruje \$1,000 na fond pro budoucí sokolské vedoucí, s dodáním, že daruje i více když bude větší počet takových darů. Br. Ant. Hladík se hlásí, že daruje také \$1,000 a ses. Hulačová hlásí, že daruje \$500.00.

Za nominační odbor br. Převrátil hlásí, že odbor nemohl dostati souhlas od br. K. Prchala, na přijmutí nominace za příštího starostu AOS. Přítomní

zástupci povstáním a potleskem projevují vděčnost nepřítomnému br. Prchalovi a projevují přání, by význačný úřad přijal.

Br. Šímaner navrhuje, aby br. Prchal byl do úřadu odveden a povolán do místnosti. Br. Prchal, doprovázen br. Vodrážkou, pak přišel, byl bouřlivě vítán všemi povstáním a potleskem a po kratším jednání br. Prchal přijímá znovu nejvyšší úřad v AOS. a je aklamačně sjezdem zvolen. Br. Prchal děkuje a vyzývá všechny o tu nejužší pomoc v práci a nejvěrnější bratrství v životě.

Br. DeConti žádá, aby organizační odbor byl volán nejdříve k podání zprávy, ježto jeho návrhy týkají se i stanov. Br. DeConti pak za výbor podává zprávu. Zpráva připojena. Br. DeConti též žádá, aby v příštích sjezdech připraven byl program a směrnice pro organizační odbor, aby práce byla urychlena.

Zpráva organizačního odboru pak přijata.

Za stanovní odbor br. Převrtil oznamuje pak další změny. Také tyto jsou zahrnuty v celkové zprávě odboru.

Nakonec celá zpráva stanovního odboru byla přijata hlasováním.

Br. Čihák opět přináší radostné zprávy a sice, že br. a ses. Langrovi, ze Cedar Rapids, darují \$1,000 pro fond vedoucích a k tomu dodává, že br. a ses. Čihákoví darují též \$1,000. V pokračování sjezdu ses. E. Welclová čte anglický zápis dnešního dopoledního zasedání. Zápis přijat.

Br. Zralý žádá o dovolení sjezdu, by tři zástupci, kteří musí ze sjezdu odejít ve 4 hod. odp., předali své hlasy zástupcům Východní župy. Po jednání bylo povoleno hlasováním. Ve 2:50 nominační odbor se vzdalil a br. Šuster přejímá vedení sjezdu.

Ses. Zdeňková, za náčelnictvo, podává zprávu z posledního sedmého shromáždění odboru, kde jednáním zvoleni byli br. E. Halík náčelníkem a ses. M. Prchalová náčelnicí AOS. Celá zpráva přijata hlasováním a volba náčelníka a náčelnice AOS. na příštích 5 roků potvrzena sjezdem aklamačně.

Br. Šuster přeje všeho zduchu br. Halíkovi a ses. Prchalové a vítá je co nové náčelnictvo. Oba měli kratší radostné proslovy a byli odměněni oceněním všech přítomných. Ses. Přerová hlásí, že přináší osobní pozdravy od br. Jelínka novému náčelnictvu.

Za vzdělávací odbor, br. Čihák oznamuje, že odbor bude pokračovat v jednání po sjezdu.

Finanční odbor — br. Jirsa hlásí, že není více zpráv.

Resoluční odbor — br. Kropík podá zprávu později.

Organizační odbor — br. DeConti hlásí, že není více zpráv.

"Courtesy odbor" — br. Čihák oznamuje, že odbor bude pokračovat, dle autorisace sjezdu, ve vysílání pozdravů.

Ses. Welclová připomíná v zájmu "Public Relations", abychom neprodávali sokolství zkrátka. Je zde úbytek těch, kteří jsou schopni psát a apelovat na veřejnost a podává náhled dostati tyto bratry a sestry k užší spolupráci, i kdyby s tím bylo spojeno vydání. Hlasováním usneseno předati tento náhled Vzdělávacímu odboru.

Za resoluční odbor čte br. Kropík další resoluce.

10. Resoluce nabádající společnou pout' všeho So-

kolstva do St. Louis, Missouri, v r. 1965 při 100letém založení Amerického Sokolstva. Přijata hlasováním.

11. Br. Zahradníček čte česky resoluci díky a ocenění česko-americkému tisku a rozhlasu. Přijato hlasováním.

12. Br. Kropík čte anglickou resoluci odhodlání Amerického Sokolstva brániti naši svobodu proti rakovině komunismu. Resoluce přijata hlasováním.

13. Resoluce díky a ocenění bratrským a sesterským jednotám za podporu a spolupráci a to ZČBJ, ČSA, JČDaP a SPJST. Resoluce přijata hlasováním.

Br. Čapek se táže, zda možno dostati ve větším počtu barevné emblemy AOS., jak jsou použity na velkých obálkách při sjezdu. Tyto mohly by býti používány v župách a v jednotách. Na návrh ses. Welclové bylo hlasováním přijato předati tuto žádost V.V. Obce.

Resoluční odbor pokračuje:

14. Br. Kropík čte resoluci vděku a uznání předsedovi sjezdu, br. F. Tichýmu.

15. Br. Kropík čte resoluci díky a ocenění úředníkům sjezdu — místopředsedům, bratřím B. Vaněk, B. Převrtil, M. Neumann, A. Šuster, zapisovatelům J. Špánek, A. Benesh, E. Welclové, B. Němečkové, strážcům br. F. Vodrážkovi a ses. A. Faltové.

Resoluce 14. a 15. přijaty aklamačně, povstáním a potleskem.

16. Br. Kropík přečetl resoluci stran spolupráce AOS. s Čs. Nár. Radou Americkou s doporučením výboru ku schválení. Návrh podporován. Četl dále ještě jednou resoluci Sokola Tyrš napsané ve stejném smyslu. Rozpředla se pak delší debata, již se účastnila řada delegátů pro i proti, a po vyčerpání argumentů bylo hlasováním rozhodnuto, aby se AOS. do práce ČsNRA nezapojila. Výsledek hlasování pro zapojení AOS. do ČsNRA 232 — proti 454.

Pokračováno pak v dalším jednání. Zapisovatel A. Benesh čte došlé zdravotní a to od br. Kopeckého, starosty Sokola Omaha a župy Západní, od Sokolic Town of Lake, katolického Sokola sv. Václava a od župy Jižní, která též zve na župní slet 2. a 3. července do Dallas, Texas. Hlasováním všech žádosti župy Jižní o vyslání br. Čiháka k sletu, na návrh br. Prchala, vyhověno.

Za nominační odbor br. Převrtil čte nominace na úřady na příštích 5 roků. Navrženi jsou první místopředseda ses. B. Čiháková, druhý místopředseda br. Charles Kropík, vzdělávatel br. James Čihák, pokladník br. Brouk. Dozorčí odbor ses. Faltová, br. Vodrážka, ses. Emily Welcl a br. Barcal. Náhradníci br. Wm. Vrba a Bob Vydra. Nebylo možno získati nikoho na úřady jednatele, účetního, redaktora.

Br. Šímaner žádá ponechatí doplnění členů Výkonného Výboru. Br. Chmelíček navrhuje kooptování, ses. Welclová navrhuje nominace z plenu, br. Barcal žádá o ukončení nominace, a ponechatí volby ostatních Výkonnému Výboru.

Bro. Hladík žádá povstáním všech požádati ses. Čihákovou, aby úřad jednatele-účetního přijala. Br. Čihák zpravuje sjezd, že zdraví ses. Čihákové vyžaduje delší odpočinek.

Br. Hladík navrhuje co členku V.V. ses. Prenero-
vou, která s díky odmítá. Br. Převrátíl dává návrh,
když není více nominací, uložit V.V., by získal
vhodné pracovníky pro úřady. Návrh byl podporován
a hlasováním přijat. Br. Rokúsek činí žádost,
aby nynější redakční kroužek S.A. zůstal.

Ses. Čiháková a br. Kropík přijmuli úřad místo-
starostů, jejich rozhodnutí přijato povstáním a po-
tleskem. Br. Čihák přijímá úřad vzdělavatele, a na
návrh ses. Němečkové nominace ukončena a br. Či-
hák zvolen hlasováním.

Na úřad pokladníka br. Brouk přijímá a byl
aklamačně zvolen.

Na dozorčí odbor zvolení byli po kratším jed-
nání, ses. Faltová, bratři F. Vodrážka, Stanley
Barcal, Wm. Vrba, a co náhradnice ses. Welclová.

Zvolení organisátora ponecháno V.V. až se ujme
úřadu při první své schůzi v Chicagu.

Jednáno pak o místě příštího sjezdu. Navrženy
byly New York a Chicago. Voleo povstáním zástup-
ců, pro New York napočteno bylo 34 zástup-
ců, pro Chicago 40 zástupců. Tedy příští sjezd bude
konán v Chicagu.

Br. Prchal navrhuje, aby činovníci Výkonného
Výboru, kteří se povinně účastní sjezdu, měli v
příštích sjezdech hlasovací právo s jedním hlasem.
Jsou to starosta, místostarostové, jednatel, poklad-
ník, vzdělavatel, redaktor Sokola Amerického, or-
ganisátor. Návrh podporován a hlasováním přijat.

Dále br. Prchal navrhuje umístění pamětní des-
ky na místo, kde Dr. Miroslav Tyrš v Oetzu ve
Švýcařích trávil své poslední dny. Návrh přijat a
hlasováním byl V.V. pověřen učiniti tak v r. 1962
při století Sokolstva. Učiní tak jménem Americké-
ho Sokolstva a všeho Sokolstva ve svobodném
světě.

Br. Převrátíl hlásí, že usnesení ohledně činov-
níků na sjezdech bude vtěleno do stanov. Br. Zra-
lý žádá o udělení hlasovacího práva (jeden hlas)
pro zástupce žup v příštích sjezdech, kteří se sjez-
du účastní na vydání župy. Návrh přijat.

Br. Prchal představuje sjezdu hosty, kteří byli
přítomni všemu jednání sjezdovému: br. A. Lešov-

ského z Los Angeles, Calif., br. Dibelka ze San
Franciska, ses. Barcal, Chicago, ses. Převrátilová,
Texas, br. Přibyl, New York, ses. Pokorná, Cali-
fornia, br. Louis Chvilíček, Racine, br. Ječmen, St.
Louis, ses. Krejčí, Berwyn, manž. Ulrichovi, St.
Louis, ses. Květa Smith, Cedar Rapids, ses. Laž-
novská, Texas. Všem vzdána hlučná ovace.

Br. Tichý žádá, aby povstáním všech vzdáno by-
lo ocenění a uznání ses. Čihákové, což všichni činí
a potleskem vyjadřují přání, by zůstala tato činná
sestra v úřadě.

Ses. Čiháková srdečně děkuje a přeje zdar So-
kolstvu. Br. Prchal připojuje, že bez ní mnohé by
se neuskutečnilo.

Br. Šimon Rokúsek byl představen sjezdu co
nejstarší zástupce. Byl účasten všech sjezdů od r.
1912. Br. Rokúsek přeje zdar, apeluje o svornou
práci všech.

Před tímto bylo jednáno bez zvláštního usnesení
sjezdu o problémech jednot vlastních budovy, kde
přetěžovány jsou daněmi. Raděno jim upozorňovat
na naše školy, na školní místnost a žádati neustále
místní autority o úlevu v daních.

Sjezd slyšel 3 pozvání a sice na světovou výstavu
v New Yorku v r. 1965, na oslavy ve státu Wash-
ington v r. 1962, Sokol Berwyn 50 let trvání v r.
1961. Ku konci sjezdu zvolen byl do stanovního od-
boru na příštích 5 roků stávající odbor: bratři Pře-
vrátíl, Zralý, Tichý, ses. A. Faltová, Marie Hořejší
a br. Anton Kohoutek. Župa Severní si dodatečně
zvolí zástupce a oznámí ku schválení Výkonného
Výboru AOS.

Na návrh br. Prchala všechno jednání bylo jed-
nomyslně schváleno.

K ukončení sjezdu br. Jos. Chmelíček ze Sokola
Cedar Rapids děkuje všem za účast na sjezdu, za
úspěšnou práci a přeje všem šťastný návrat domů.

Na návrh br. Prchala zapěny byly pod jeho ve-
dením hymny. Sjezd byl ukončen br. Tichým v
5:55 odpoledne.

Zapisovatel A. Benesh.

AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION CHANGES IN BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1

Name, Location, and Official Language

1. The name of this organization is American
Sokol Educational and Physical Culture Organiza-
tion.

III. The language is Czech and English.

ČLÁNEK 1.

Jméno, sídlo a jednací řeč organisace.

1. Jméno organisace jest American Sokol Educa-
tional and Physical Culture Organization (Ameri-
ká Obec Sokolská).

III. Jednací řeč jest česká a anglická.

ARTICLE 2

Purpose

f) To fight against communism and every sub-
versive movement.

ČLÁNEK 2.

Účel.

f) boj proti komunismu a každému podvrtné-
mu hnutí.

ARTICLE 4

Structure

Omit paragraph—Whenever possible, independent
Women's Units shall be formed in the American
Sokol Organization and its member groups shall
provide all possible aid and support similarly the
union of Men's and Women's groups shall be re-
commended wherever such a union shall serve to
advance the Unit and the Sokol cause.

SOKOL AMERICKÝ
IX Convention Officers

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Anthony J. Suster,
III Vice Chairman



Anton Benesh, tajemník



Mathew Neumann,
IV Vice Chairman



Jiří Špánek, tajemník



Barbara Nemecek, Secretary



Emilie Welcl, Secretary



Ann Falta, Sergeant at Arms



Simon Rokusek,
Honorary Member ASO.



Frank Vodrazka,
Sergeant at Arms

ČLÁNEK 4.**Složení.**

Vynechat odstavec—Tak jako se doporučuje zakládání samostatných ženských jednot v AOS. a jednoty v ní sdružené k tomu všemožně pomáhají, stejně se doporučuje sloučení mužské jednoty s ženskou jednotou, slouží-li to či ono k prospěchu jednoty a Sokolstva.

ARTICLE 9**Financial Obligations of Units and Members**

Each newly accepted Unit shall pay a registration fee of \$10.00.

d) . . . secretary and . . .

ČLÁNEK 9.**Platební povinnosti jednot a členstva.**

Každá nově přijatá sokolská jednota platí zápisné \$10.00.

ČLÁNEK 5.

d) . . . jednatele a . . .

ARTICLE 10**Convention****II. Delegates to the Convention:**

d) it is obligatory for the following officers of the American Sokol Organization Executive Board to attend the Convention: the President and Vice Presidents, Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Editor of the official monthly publication, Educational Director and the Organizer. These officers have one vote each, with all privileges of delegates. The District presidents attend the convention with same privileges at the expense of the Districts.

f) traveling expense shall be understood to mean that part of the expense which covers railroad—coach fare—from the seat of the unit, or from the nearest railroad station to the Convention City and return trip. If the distance exceeds five hundred miles, air coach fare. Only those delegates attending all of the sessions of the convention will be eligible to receive traveling expense from the convention fund.

ČLÁNEK 10.**Sjezd.****II. Sjezdová zástupci:**

d) sjezdu se povinně účastní činovníci AOS.: starosta, místostarostové, jednatel, účetní, pokladník, redaktor úředního časopisu, vzdělavatel a organizátor, se všemi právy zástupců; každý má jeden hlas. Sjezdu účastní se povinně starostové žup se stejnými právy; cestovné starostů žup hradí župy.

f) cestovním vydaním se rozumí částka za jízdné vlakem—coach fare—z místa jednoty nebo z nejbližší železniční stanice do místa sjezdu a zpět. Při vzdálenosti větší než pět set mil, air coach fare. Jenom zástupcům, kteří se účastní všeho sjezdového jednání jest hrazeno cestovné ze sjezdového fondu.

ARTICLE 11**The Executive Board**

paragraph n) replace the words per year with the words every two years.

remove the words in the same year

ČLÁNEK 11.**Výkonný Výbor.**

paragraph n) vynechat slovo ročně — nahradit slovy jednou za dva roky.

v stejném odstavci vynechat slova: v témže roce

ARTICLE 11**The Executive Board**

paragraph b) add: On recommendation of secretary hires additional office help as needed.

ČLÁNEK 11.**Výkonný Výbor.**

paragraph b) přidat: Přijednává výpomocné síly v úřadovně dle potřeby na doporučení jednatele.

ARTICLE 12**Committees of Executive Board**

Add: Educational Committee

ČLÁNEK 12.**Pracovní odbory.**

Vsunut: Vzdělávací sbor

ARTICLE 13**Rights and Duties of Officers**

Add words when necessary after the duties of Vice President

Remove the hyphen from Secretary Financial Secretary

The Treasurer shall accept all moneys from the Financial Secretary, make payment on vouchers.

Remove the words in paragraph pertaining to the duties of the Treasurer: make all cash disbursements

Page 21. remove the words: make a surety bond to the extent provided by the Executive Board in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws.

Page 22. remove the same words

ČLÁNEK 13.**Práva a povinnosti činovníků.**

Místostarostové zastupují starostu v jeho nepřítomnosti dle potřeby

Pokladník přijímá veškeré peníze od účetního, vyplácí veškeré peněžní poukazy (vynechat slovo podepsané) a nahradit slovo se

Str. 18. konec prvního odstavce—vynechat: je povinen složit stanovenou záruku.

V dalším odstavci stejná slova vynechat: jest povinen složit stanovenou záruku.

ARTICLE 15**ASO. Board of Instructors**

The ASO. Board of Instructors is composed of: the Director of Men, Director of Women, and in each case—men and women—two Assistant Directors, Secretary and at least 6 additional members.

The Director of Men and the Director of Women are elected to office by the respective District Directors (men or women), and election confirmed by the Convention of the ASO. The Director of Men and the Director of Women are valid members of the Executive Board of the ASO.

Members. The Director of Men and the Director of Women, shall each appoint the 9 members to comprise his or her Board of Instructors, and the appointment of the members is to be submitted to the Executive Board of ASO. for approval.

Term. All members of the Board of Instructors, with the exception of the Directors of Men and Women, are appointed for one year. All members

of the Board of Instructors (men and women) should be chosen from the immediate vicinity of the headquarters of the ASO.

Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without submitting a reasonable excuse, shall forfeit membership on the Board of Instructors.

A vacancy on the Board of Instructors shall be filled by appointment.

Meetings. Separate meetings shall be held by each Board of Instructors (Men and Women), but all decisions, motions and recommendations must be submitted for the approval of the combined meeting of the ASO. Board of Instructors.

Combined meetings shall be held once a month, or in accordance with necessity. Decisions are valid if more than two-thirds the members are present. Meetings are announced three days in advance.

All motions must be submitted for the approval of the Executive Board of ASO.

Conference. The ASO. Board of Instructors will call a conference (general meeting) biennially, of all District Directors.

Purpose. The ASO. Board of Instructors and the District Directors shall meet together for the creation of plans, projects, and determining the tendency of gymnastic activity. The execution and performance rests mainly upon the individual District Directors, aided by the ASO. Board of Instructors. The ASO. Director of Men presides at this Conference; ASO. Director of Women as co-presiding officer.

Expenses. The traveling expenses are defrayed by the Executive Board of ASO.

ARTICLE 16

Duties of the ASO. Directors of Men and Women

a) The Director of Men, accepts and submits suggestions for work in the ASO. Board of Instructors, as well as at the Conference of the District Directors.

b) He submits the reports of these meetings to the Executive Board of ASO.

c) He prepares a monthly report for the Executive Board based on reports submitted by the District Directors. He is the leader of all ASO. gymnastic activities. He shall be held responsible for the execution of all decisions of the ASO. Board of Instructors. In cases of necessity, he shall be represented by the ASO. Director of Women, or their Assistant Directors with the full powers of the ASO. Director of Men.

d) The duties of the ASO. Director of Women shall be the same toward the activities and guidance of the Women's Department.

e) It is recommended the ASO. Director have charge of senior activities; the I. Assistant Director junior activities; and the II. Assistant Director all children's activities.

ARTICLE 17

Activity and Jurisdiction of the ASO. Board of Instructors

a) It shall suggest and determine the tendency and scope of gymnastic activities of the ASO.; shall recommend for employment competent Traveling Instructors, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the ASO.

b) It shall elect, from among its members, all needed officers for specific duties.

c) It shall prepare and recommend a course of study for the Schools, Clinics and Work Shops of the ASO.; shall conduct examinations for physical instructors as deemed necessary.

d) It shall recommend additions to, and modifications of, the existing gymnastic program.

e) It shall be in charge of the American Sokol Gymnast, technical section of Sokol Americký, shall recommend a competent Editor for this section, and shall recommend the publication of necessary gymnastic materials.

f) It shall exercise supervision over the gymnastic activity of each District.

g) It shall invite competent men and/or women, with specialized skills, to participate in its meetings in an advisory capacity.

h) It may recommend the sending of delegates and/or representatives to Sokol and other gymnastic events and organizations.

Note: The District Technical Committee shall be referred to as the District Board of Instructors in the By-laws.

ČLÁNEK 19.

Vzdělávací sbor Americké Obce Sokolské.

A) Vzdělávací sbor pečuje o výchovu členstva, dorostu a žactva jednot a žup v AOS. sdružených, po stránce sokolsky ideové.

B) První místostarosta AOS. jest dozorcím nad vykonáváním usnesení vzdělávacího sboru.

C) Vzdělávací sbor skládá se ze vzdělavatele AOS. a osmi dalších členů, schválených V. V. na doporučení vzdělavatele. Náčelnictvo žen a mužů vysílá do vzdělávacího sboru po jednom zástupci. Předsedou jest vzdělavatel.

D) Ze svého středu sbor volí dva náměstky vzdělavatele, zapisovatele a ostatní potřebné činovníky.

Pravomoc a povinnosti vzdělávacího sboru:

1. Schází se k pravidelným měsíčním schůzím.
2. Určuje směr vzdělávací činnosti sokolské a posuzuje činnost vlastních činovníků.
3. Rozhoduje o návrzích jednot a žup a upraví tyto ke schválení.
4. Navrhuje sjezdu vzdělavatele. Za vzdělavatele AOS. může býti navržen pouze ten, který jest aneb byl cvičencem. Vzdělavatel budiž v nejužším styku s náčelnictvem AOS.
5. Spolupracuje s náčelnictvem AOS. v agitaci týkající se dorostenecké činnosti a vypracovává vzdělávací programy v zájmech dorostu a žactva.
6. Uděluje župám rady a pokyny k činnosti vzdělávací, a přiděluje jim důvěrníky. Župní vzdělávací sbory jsou povinny podávat vzdělávacímu sboru pololetní zprávy o činnosti v jejich obvodu.
7. Pořádá školy pro sokolské vzdělavatele. Shromažďuje látku vzdělávací činnosti a sestavuje učební osnovy pro vzdělávací školy AOS., vzdělávací školy župní, pro vzdělavatele jednot.
8. Doporučuje učitele do škol AOS., po případě žup.
9. Podává Výkonnému Výboru AOS. zprávy o své činnosti a o vzdělávací činnosti v župách.
10. Vydává pomůcky a příručky vzdělávací a formuláře pro výkazy vzdělávací činnosti v jednotě

a v župě. Vydává zpravodaje vzdělávacího sboru k zasilání župním vzdělávacím sborům. Vydává sokolské zpěvníky.

11. Navrhuje způsob, rozsah i látku pro ideové závody a soutěže a obstarává soudce k těmto. Vypisuje soutěž literárních děl a uděluje odměny za nejlepší, dle dobrozdání V. V. AOS.

12. Vydržuje vzdělávací knihovnu a knihovnu filmů, půjčovnu výchovných filmů, seznam časových filmů, vhodných pro vzdělávací činnost, které možno jinde vypůjčiti.

13. Sestavuje roční výkazy vzdělávací činnosti dle zpráv zaslaných župními vzdělavateli.

14. Řídí pravidelnou hlídku vzdělávací činnosti v "S.A." pod názvem "Hlídku vzdělavatelů", s obsahem v řeči anglické i české, s účelem rozšiřovat a propagovat sokolské zásady.

15. Sestavuje a určuje rozvrh vzdělávací činnosti konané společnými cvičiteli AOS. a přijímá zprávu o této činnosti.

16. Všechny knihy a brožurky vydané Americkou Obcí Sokolskou buďtež podány vzdělávacímu sboru pro přehled a doporučení obsahu.

17. Kdo vynechá tři schůze do roka bez řádné omluvy, budiž nahrazen jiným zástupcem do vzdělávacího sboru.

18. Všechna činnost vzdělávacího sboru podléhá schválení V.V. AOS.

Župní vzdělávací sbor. Župní vzdělávací sbor řídí se stejnými pravidly jako vzdělávací sbor Obce se vztahem pro oblast své župy.

Vzdělávací sbor jednoty. Vzdělávací sbor jednoty řídí se stejnými pravidly jako vzdělávací sbor Obce a žup v rámci možností své jednoty.

ARTICLE 20

Committee for Constitution and By-Laws

paragraph e) remove the words: with a complete text in the Czech language.

ČLÁNEK 20.

Stanovní odbor.

paragraph e) vynechat slova: s úplným textem v řeči české.

ARTICLE 22

Official Publication

b) minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board which shall be published in the issue immediately following each meeting: remove: and a condensed version of the minutes in English;

b) zápis o schůzi Výkonného Výboru otiskovaný v nejbližším čísle časopisu po každé schůzi — vynechat: a stručný výťah zápisu anglicky;

ARTICLE 22

Official Publication

f) include the Educational Director

g) přidat jméno vzdělavatele

h) in the Czech: informační původní či převzaté články (change the word a to) o Sokolstvu a důležitých výňatky ze zpráv žup.

ARTICLE 23

Traveling Instructors

The Executive Board of ASO. shall pay the salaries of Traveling Instructors and their traveling expense to the District.

Traveling instructors are employees of the ASO.

ČLÁNEK 23.

Společní cvičitelé.

Výkonný Výbor hradí služné společného cvičitele a cestovné do župy.

ARTICLE 24

Official Forms and Blanks

Remove the paragraph g) honorary diplomas of ASO. membership. Replace by insignia of long term membership.

ČLÁNEK 24.

Úřední tiskopisy.

Vynechat paragraph g) diplomy čestného členství. Nahradit odznaky záslužného členství.

ARTICLE 30

Salary of Officers and Other Compensation

Every member who, on orders of the Executive Board of ASO. shall travel in the interest of ASO., shall be entitled to compensation of ten dollars a day in addition to traveling expense.

Člen, který na příkaz Výkonného Výboru AOS. zastupuje AOS., má nárok na náhradu deseti dolarů denně, kromě úhrady cestovného.

Sokol Districts and Circuits

ARTICLE 33

Name, Seat and Official Language

II. The seat of the District shall be designated by the Annual Meeting of the District.

ARTICLE 34

Purpose

f) to fight against communism and every other subversive movement.

ČLÁNEK 34.

Účel.

f) boj proti komunismu a každému podvrtnému směru.

ARTICLE 39

District Annual Meeting

paragraph 3) remove Educational Director

paragraph f) Add. The District Educational Committee shall be represented at the Annual Meeting by the Educational Director with the same rights and privileges.

ČLÁNEK 39.

Valná Hromada.

paragraf 3) vynechat slovo vzdělavatel

paragraf f) Župní vzdělávací sbor vysílá vzdělavatele se stejnými právy.

District Annual Meeting

I. e) remove the words Educational Director

II. c) remove the words Educational Director

d) The President will represent the District in the meeting with the Executive Board of ASO.

I. e) vynechat slovo vzdělavatel

II. c) vynechat slovo vzdělavatel

d) starosta zastoupí župu ve schůzi s Výkonným Výborem AOS.

e) přidat: schvaluje volbu vzdělavatele na doporučení vzdělávacího sboru.

Mimořádná valná hromada.

Mimořádná valná hromada má být svolána v naléhavém případě starostou, je-li návrh na svolání mimořádné valné hromady přijat dvoutřetinovou většinou členů ve schůzi Župního výboru.

Special District Meeting

A special district meeting shall be called in an emergency by the District President, providing that the motion for such a meeting shall be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at the meeting of the District Executive Committee.

District Executive Committee

- d) remove the words: and sub-committees
- h) remove the words: and sub-committees

An officer or a member who, on orders of the District Annual Meeting or the Executive Committee shall represent the District shall be entitled to compensation of ten dollars a day in addition to traveling expense.

Remove the words: shall be entitled to compensation equal to his actual expense; every member who shall travel in the interest of the District

Župní Výbor.

- d) vynechat slovo podvýboru
- h) vynechat slovo podvýboru

Oprava: Činovník a člen, který na příkaz župní valné hromady nebo Župního Výboru zastupuje župu, má nárok na náhradu \$10.00 denně.

ARTICLE 42**District Board of Instructors: Men's—Women's**

The District Board of Instructors consists of a Director, two Assistant Directors, Secretary, and at least six members. (Unit representation suggested.)

The District BOI. shall hold regular monthly meetings. Special meetings shall be called by the Director as the need arises.

The Rights and Duties of the District Board of Instructors shall be:

- a) To elect two Assistant Directors, a Secretary, and other necessary officers.
- b) To conduct District Schools, Clinics, and Work Shops in agreement with and according to the program of the ASO. Board of Instructors. As occasion demands, to present demonstrations of exercises.
- c) To appoint a District Traveling Instructor whenever necessary, with the approval of the District Executive Committee.
- d) To prepare mass calisthenics and competitive exercises for the Slets and District competitions, and to sponsor contests for the creation of mass calisthenic exercises for District exhibitions.
- e) To be represented at the biennial conference called by the ASO. Board of Instructors by the District Director.
- f) To recommend the attendance and participation of gymnasts at the competitions, exercises and programs of other organizations within the limits of the District and to appoint a reporter who shall present a detailed report.
- g) To call meetings of the members of the Unit Boards of Instructors of the District at least twice a year, (if need be quarterly). To discuss with them at such meetings the progress of the gymnastic work in the Units, and to offer necessary advice to the instructors.
- h) To elect from the members present at the annual meeting of the Unit Boards of Instructors of the District, a District Director, two Assistant Directors, a Secretary, and at least six other members. The election of the District BOI. shall be submitted to the District Executive Committee for approval.
- i) To train and select judges for District competitions; to recommend judges for competitions of the ASO. from members nominated by the Unit Board of Instructors.

j) To report to the ASO. Board of Instructors all its activities quarterly.

k) On presentation of their credentials, members of the District BOI. shall have free admittance to all gymnastic activities of the Units.

The following cease to be members of the District BOI.:

- a) A member who fails to attend three meetings without a valid reason;
- b) who does not perform the duties assigned;
- c) who does not observe the rules and regulations of the District BOI.;
- d) who has violated Sokol discipline in any way.

A vacancy on the District BOI. shall be filled by a nominee in the next called meeting of the Unit Boards of Instructors of the District.

Duties of Officers

a) The District Director, with the assistance of the District BOI. directs the gymnastic activity of the District. He shall be the leader in all gymnastic activities of the District. He shall compile an annual report of the gymnastic activities in the District, from the monthly reports which are sent to him by the Units, and he shall then present the report to the ASO. Board of Instructors.

b) The Assistant Directors aid the Director, and represent him whenever necessary.

c) The Secretary keeps the minutes of all meetings; transacts all correspondence of the District BOI.; together with the Director signs all important documents; has charge of the archives and the property of the District BOI., calls all regular meetings, and, together with the Director, calls all special meetings.

Explanation of terminology:

Schools—Courses (several subjects).

Clinics—One subject course.

Work Shop—Practice hours or training sessions.

American Sokol Bd. of Instructors—ASO. BOI.

District Board of Instructors—District BOI.

Unit Board of Instructors—Unit BOI.

Units**ARTICLE 47**

Name, Seat and Official Language of the Unit

Example: Sokol (Chicago), Chicago, Illinois, or Sokolice (Chicago), Chicago, Illinois.

Jednoty.**ČLÁNEK 47.**

Jméno jednoty jest (jméno), (sídlo), (stát). Vzor: Sokol (Chicago), Chicago, Ill. — neb Sokolice (Chicago), Chicago, Ill.

ARTICLE 48**Purpose**

f) to fight against communism and every subversive movement.

ČLÁNEK 48.

f) boj proti komunismu a každému podvratnému hnutí.

ČLÁNEK 49.

b) pravidelné pěstování tělovýchovy dle Tyršovy soustavy.

ARTICLE 54

Financial Obligations of Units and Members

a) change from \$5.00 to \$10.00

d) change from 15 cents to 25 cents, from fifty to thirty members.

ČLÁNEK 54.

- a) změna z \$5.00 na \$10.00.
- d) změna z 15ti na 25 centů, z padesáti na 30 členů.

ARTICLE 55

I. As is.

II. Eligible for membership shall be:

- a) A member of the junior class who shall have attained the required age.
- b) Parents of those children who are actively participating in our gymnastic program, and who themselves show an active interest in our organization, and are recommended by the Board of Instructors.

c) Also eligible for membership shall be men or women who have a record of gymnastic attendance of at least 50% for two years, immediately before application for membership and who are recommended by Board of Instructors.

d) Also eligible for membership shall be men or women of good character, who shall be recommended by the Educational Director, and who shall have given evidence of at least two years of educational activity in the unit immediately before application for membership.

ČLÁNEK 55.

II. Členem jednoty může se stát:

a) Dorostenec neb dorostenka dosáhnoucí náležitosti stáří.

b) Rodiče těch dětí, které se činně podílejí na tělocvičném programu Sokola a kteří sami jeví zájem o sokolství, a jsou doporučeni Náčelnictvem jednoty.

c) Muž neb žena, kteří se mohou prokázatí nejméně 50% návštěvou tělocvičných hodin po dva roky, těsně před žádostí o členství. Musí býti doporučeni náčelnictvem jednoty.

d) Též může získati členství muž neb žena dobrého charakteru, který se může prokázatí dvouletou činností vzdělávací v jednotě, těsně před podáním žádosti o členství. Musí býti doporučeni Vzdělávacím sborem.

ARTICLE 58**Rights and Duties of Members**

g) The Unit shall have the right to exempt a needy member from all payment of unit dues for reasons of inability to earn a living, injury, permanent illness, advanced age, and the like.

h) A member of one Unit shall not hold membership simultaneously in another Unit of the ASO. Exceptions to this rule shall be honorary members. page 62, remove paragraph III

ČLÁNEK 58.

g) jednota může zprostit nemajetného člena placení členských příspěvků jednotě z důvodů: výšelečné neschopnosti, úrazu, trvalého onemocnění, vysokého stáří atd.

h) Člen jedné jednoty nemůže být současně členem jiné jednoty AOS., výjimku činí čestní členové. Pragraf III. vynechat.

ARTICLE 63**Administration of Unit**

- b) educational committee
- c) property committee
- d) auditing (examining) committee
- e) entertainment committee
- f) organization-publicity committee

ČLÁNEK 63.

- b) vzdělávací sbor
- c) výbor majetku
- d) účetní (dozorčí) odbor
- e) zábavní
- f) organizační

ARTICLE 64**Annual Meeting of Unit**

paragraph c) add Educational Director

ČLÁNEK 64.

paragraph c) přidat vzdělavatele

paragraph m) udílí čestné členství v jednotě

ČLÁNEK 67.

vynechá slovo technickému sboru jednoty a nahradit vzdělávacímu sboru. (Archiv)

ARTICLE 68**Unit Board of Instructors**

Members of the Unit Board of Instructors are: Unit Director, two Assistant Directors, Secretary and Instructors.

Members of the Unit BOI. must be gymnastically active members of the Unit.

They elect the Director, Assistant Directors, Secretary, Librarian, Custodian of apparatus and dressing rooms. The election shall be submitted to the Unit Administrative Committee meeting for approval. Further, they—

- a) elect and expel members from the BOI;
- b) recommend an Instructor;
- c) grant leave of absence to members of the BOI;
- d) classify gymnasts into squads and designate squad leaders in monthly meetings;
- e) in the absence of the Director and Assistant Directors, elect a leader with all the rights of the Director;
- f) supervise all technical matters of the Unit.
- g) Reports of all activities are submitted to the Unit Administrative Committee meeting for approval.

Duties of Unit BOI. To arrange or approve gymnastic schedules for all classes, and institute necessary improvements, amendments, and variations, further:

- a) employ all means toward the propagation of physical education in general;
- b) to enforce the strict observance of regulations governing the gymnasium, excursions, and other enterprises;
- c) to maintain order and sanitary conditions in the gymnasium, dressing rooms, and showers;
- d) to establish, augment, and control a technical library of gymnastics;
- e) send qualified gymnasts to all technical schools, clinics and work shops arranged by the District BOI. or the ASO. BOI;
- f) conduct regular classes of instruction for all members of the Unit BOI;
- g) notify the District of all gymnastic enterprises;
- h) attend meetings of the District BOI.

Membership on the Unit BOI. is rescinded for those:

- a) who fail to attend the class or squad entrusted to them three times in a month, without reasonable explanation;

b) who fail to attend an instructors' class three times a month without reasonable explanation;

c) who neglect to attend the meetings of the BOI. more than three successive times without a reasonable explanation;

d) who neglect to attend and participate in public gymnastic exhibitions, contests, or other gymnastic enterprises of the Unit;

e) who grossly violate Sokol discipline.

Duties of Officers of the Unit BOI.

a) **Director:** As the leader and chairman of the BOI. supervises the instructions and exercises in the Unit; conducts all public gymnastic programs; calls the BOI. to conferences; grants temporary leave of absence; submits a monthly attendance record and a report of activities in duplicate to the Unit, one copy of which, when accepted, shall be sent to the District Director; the other copy is placed on file in the Unit.

b) Sees to it that the rules and regulations are followed;

c) sees to it that the prescribed uniforms are used in the gymnasium;

d) sees to it that regular gymnasium classes are held (by all classes);

e) sees to it that the first aid kit is in order, and that first aid is given immediately in an accident, either by himself or an entrusted individual;

Reports all accidents to the Building Manager and to the President of the unit.

Oprava: změnit slovo vůdcovým na vedoucím

f) calls or names members for specific functions such as: educational activity, games, special drilling on apparatus;

g) attends to everything that the District or ASO. requests; questionnaires, applications, ASO. undertakings, tests in physical fitness, Sokol quiz, competence on apparatus, etc.;

h) keeps an accurate record of all gymnasts and their attendance in a squad book and a record of the Units enterprises.

Assistant Directors: Assist the Director, and perform his duties in the latter's absence.

Secretary: Keeps a record of all minutes of the meetings. Answers all correspondence and calls meetings at the direction of the Director.

Librarian: Keeps a correct account of all technical literature, which he lends to members of the BOI. upon request.

Custodian of the gymnasium sees to it that apparatus, equipment, and dressing rooms are kept in order and in a sanitary condition. Reports at BOI. meetings any damaged apparatus, and has it repaired with the consent of the BOI.

Member of the BOI.—leads the team entrusted to him during class hours, according to the schedule prescribed. Otherwise, he is governed by orders of the Director and the BOI.

It is the duty of the members of the BOI. to regularly attend instructors' classes to study the various exercises and, at the request of the Director or Instructor to perform them. It is their duty to assume leadership of a squad or class when the Director of the BOI. finds it feasible; to appear at classes on time; observe order and proper conduct of his squad; follow his allotment of time and

schedule of classes as prescribed; attend all public gymnastic programs, contests, and various enterprises of the Unit as well as the preparation for them—absence being allowable only by specific permission. At the instructors' course he must obey all orders and prepare all exercises assigned to him. At the public programs of the Unit he shall assist in preserving order, and obey all instructions of the leader without objection.

Candidates are designated to fill vacancies on the BOI. and their duties are to attend regularly the class exercises and the instructors' courses; to assist the instructors in leading squads, and before admission to the BOI. to pass a prescribed examination. Independent leadership of squads is to be entrusted to them only in cases of necessity.

Salaried Instructor must teach according to the Tyrs System of Gymnastics and also be observant of all rules and the By-Laws of the BOI.

Meetings: Regular meetings are held once a month. Special meetings may be called whenever the Director deems it necessary. Meetings are called by written notice at least three days in advance.

Special Meetings: Called at the discretion of the Director. Notice of this meeting must stipulate purpose for which meeting is called. The presence of two-thirds of the members of the BOI. shall constitute a quorum, but not including those members having a leave of absence. Voting—a simple majority decides. The Director or his alternate vote only in the case of a tie vote.

Elections: The Director of the Unit is elected by the BOI. and the election approved at the next meeting of the Unit. Other officers are elected for the ensuing year by the BOI. members. All elections must be presented to the Unit for approval.

The BOI. is supplemented and augmented by candidates whom the BOI. selected from competent gymnasts. If the Unit has no BOI. the Director suggests one, composed of competent gymnasts, and presents its establishment to the Unit for approval.

The Women's BOI. is governed by the above By-Laws.



Joseph Brouk, Treasurer, ASO.

Sokolský slib věrnosti.

Já _____
Jméno

skládám tento slib věrnosti Sokolu

_____ Jméno jednoty

v _____
Město Stát

Budu se řídit stanovami Americké Obce Sokol-
ské, v župě _____ a
této jednoty, Sokol _____

Budu vždy věrným své vlasti, Spojeným Státům
Severoamerickým. Dále slibuji, že ve všem svém
jednání, mluvě a životě se budu snažit přinést
čest Sokolstvu a jeho poslání.

Vykonám všechno dle svých sil, k sesílení sokol-
ské organizace, braním účasti na všech jeho
podnicích.

Skládám tento slib dobrovolně, v přítomnosti
všech účastníků na této schůzi, beze všech
výhrad.

Report of the Organization Committee IX ASO. Convention

This committee had as its members brothers Fer-
ruccio De Conti, Frank Kunasek and Bretislav
Vanek, and sisters Betty Prener, Marie Sima,
Helen Dusek, Josephine McDonnell, Sylvia Peifer.

Brother De Conti was elected president and sister
Peifer secretary.

We were fortunate in getting the additional serv-
ices and wisdom of sisters Mildred Udaykee and
EllenJeanne Schnabl.

The committee took into consideration bro. Ha-
lik's recommendations. His suggestion to correlate
our Sokol program into the American scene is defi-
nitely on the right track but if we want to sell the
Sokol idea, the problem must be approached from
all levels.

The Sokol idea is to be propagated by securing
increased membership, creating new units in areas
where today's moving scene proves this to be neces-
sary. Sincere efforts to be made to reactivate units
who are no longer functioning as such. Sponsor
drives for new members.

Various situations on the unit level were brought
to the attention of this committee. Some of the
units have children who are not of Slav origin.
The parents of these children have shown a marked
willingness to sustain the organization. They have
been helpful in functions of these units. This help,
both material and financial is sorely needed by the
organization.

It is therefore recommended that Article 55—
Membership—of the By-Laws be changed as fol-
lows:

Sokol Pledge of Allegiance

I _____
State Name
take this oath of allegian to Sokol

_____ Unit Name
of _____ City State

I shall abide by the By-Laws of the American
Sokol Organization, the _____
_____ District, and this unit Sokol

_____ Unit Name
I shall always be faithful to my country the
United States of America. I further promise that
I shall in all my actions, speech and life strive
to bring honor to the Sokols and their cause.

I shall do everything within my power to
strengthen the Sokol Organization by participat-
ing in all of its activities.

I take this oath voluntarily, in the presence of
those assembled with no mental reservations.

PAR. II. Eligible for membership shall be
A—A member of the Junior Class.
B—Men or Women.
C—Parents of children.

Who shall not be of Slavic origin but who shall
be recommended by the Technical Director or the
Instructor and who shall give evidence of at least
two years educational activity immediately before
the application for membership or who shall have
a gymnastic attendance record of at least fifty
percent for the same time period.

It is also the recommendation of this committee
that the Executive Board of the ASO. make every
effort to obtain the services of a man or woman
to serve as an organizer and work under the juris-
diction of that body. Organizers should also be
elected in units and districts and submit reports to
him. These reports to be correlated chiefly to pro-
mote an exchange of ideas and suggestions. The or-
ganizers elected in the District would attend meet-
ings every two years.

This committee also suggests that the Educa-
tional Directors work out program of selling our-
selves to the various American newspapers in a
sincere effort to make the public conscious of the
Sokol movement in its entirety.

It is the understanding of this committee some
funds are available to carry out these recommenda-
tions, however if these are not sufficient, the fi-
nancial committee should be asked to seek a means
of raising additional funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Peifer, Secretary



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ZDENKA TINTERA

Water Safety

The keyword for the thousands who indulge in swimming, water skiing, boating, diving or skin diving is "Water Safety."

Water Safety begins with learning how to swim. No one, as far as the records show, ever walked directly into the water and swam away without previous knowledge of or practice in some form of swimming.

The knowledge necessary for safety in swimming consists largely in knowing when, where and how much to swim. Skill for safety is made up of abilities to meet hazardous conditions which beset the swimmer from time to time. This is the sum and substance of personal safety in the water.

It is very important to know your limitations. Showoffs usually end up in trouble.

It is interesting to note the narrow temperature limits within which most persons find it comfortable to swim. When the water ranges from seventy to seventy-eight degrees, it is, apparently most inviting to swimmers. When the temperature of the water is in the sixties, there is great exhilaration in a plunge, but the output of energy to counter loss of body heat may bring about a state of exhaustion very rapidly.

On very hot days when the sunlight is very strong, swimming should be foregone during the middle of the day. Not that the water is bad for you at that time, but because exposure of the uncovered head, the direct rays of the sun and the

glare of light upon the water may induce headache if nothing worse.

Some of the water safety rules are "as old as the hills"; you see them quoted everywhere and if you abide by them you should never encounter any trouble.

The basic rules are:

DON'T allow temptation to lead you beyond your depth with artificial support (tubes, boards or rafts).

DON'T swim immediately after eating.

DON'T stay in the water if a storm threatens.

DON'T stay in the water if you are cold and your lips are blue.

DON'T dive into unknown waters.

DON'T duck another swimmer, he may swallow water and become panicky.

DON'T call for help unless you actually are in trouble.

DON'T go water skiing without a life preserver. Same rule applies to boating.

DON'T swim in swift currents. Rivers are deceiving.

All non-swimmers should learn to swim this summer. You are never too young and never too old to learn. You don't realize what fun you are missing. This is one sport that everybody can and should learn.

So go to it and have fun!

MILDRED PRCHAL

Women Waltz Combination

(Picture on next page)

I.—1.-3. Dip to toestand — trunk turn 45° right following with swing of both arms to right, left elbow slightly bent, look to right, palms down.

II.—1.-3. Sole stand dip to toestand — trunk turn 45° to left (face front) — swing arms downward to uparm, palms forward (swing with soft wrist movement), palms down — look at hands.

III.—1.-3. Trunk turn 45° to left, following with swing of arms backward, semi-squat right, left foretouch and

IV.—1.-3. left arm remains rear, palm down — front bow (horizontal) — right arm develops through bent arm forward above left leg to

straight uparm, palm down — head in line with body.

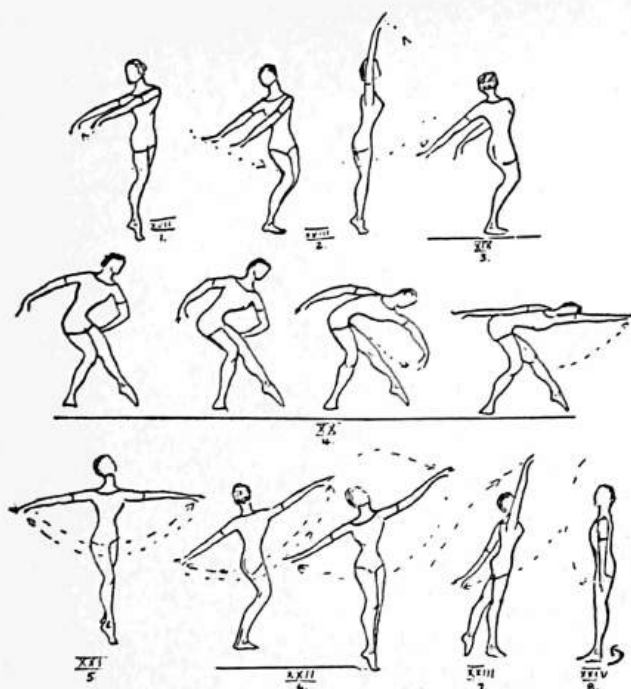
V.—1.-3. Upright — straighten — close left to right — flank swing left downward to frontarm, right downward to reararm, palms down.

VI.—1.-3. Flank circles down, left backward, right forward and continue to turn trunk left, then right, with arm circles.

VII.—1.-3. Forestep right — arms terminate second swing to right uparm, left reararm.

VIII.—1.-3. Dip ½ turn (180°) left, transfer weight to left, close right — closearm after turn, right through frontarm.

IX.-XVI.—Repeat I.-VIII.



Illustrated by M. Prchal

MODERN GYMNAST

After a difficult period, Mr. Glen Sundby is continuing with the publication of this interesting magazine just loaded with gymnastic gimmicks, teaching aids and materials, and information on gymnastics around the world. He needs many more subscribers to make it pay off, so instead of passing around that one copy, let's all be subscribers. All Board of Instructors members of Unit, District and ASO. levels, as well as our gymnasts should be receiving their own copies. Do it now! Three dollars will bring you nine issues per year.

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MARY ALICE KURTZ:

Bro. Halik is holding a 2nd place diving medal for this young lady who competed at the Mid-Slet Competitions at Los Angeles last summer, her unit was not listed. If she is a member of your unit please notify bro. Halik.

Central District Sokol Bowling League

The 1959-1960 bowling season ended May 22, 1960. Sweepstakes were bowled on that day also. To top it all off, we had a successful bowling banquet on June 4, 1960. Many bowlers, Sokolites and guests were present, dancing to the music of the Sensational Polka Boys. The evening ended with bro. and sis. Barcal of Sokol Chicago teaching us the good old Hoosier Hop.

TEAM STANDINGS

Team	Captain	Average
1. Sokol Chicago II—J. Cerny		754
2. Sokol Berwyn—E. Schnabl		739
3. Sokol Tabor IV—H. Banfi		743
4. Sokol Tabor I—R. Idol		780
5. Sokol Tabor II—G. Slovacek		765
6. Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs II—L. Cipra		735
7. Sokol Slavsky—J. Satek		735
8. Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs I—J. Rus		704
9. Sokol Chicago I—C. Hlinka		708
10. Leftovers—J. Stachniak		733

Sokol Chicago II received the traveling trophy donated by bro. Jarka Jelinek.

MEN

High Individual 3 Game Series

B. Sloup—Sokol Chicago II	659
L. Pesek—Sokol Tabor I	617
K. Boggs—Leftovers	598

High Individual Game

J. Cerny—Sokol Chicago II	254
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J. Bakker—Sokol Tabor I	244
J. Rus—Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs I	238

WOMEN

High Individual 3 Game Series

A. Banfi—Sokol Tabor IV	548
H. Sevcu—Sokol Slavsky	537
G. Pakosta—Sokol Tabor I	527

High Individual Game

H. Cipra—Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs II	236
C. Pesek—Sokol Tabor I	204
Annette Banfi—Sokol Tabor IV	197

Men — Highest Average

L. Pesek—Sokol Tabor I	174
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Women — Highest Average

A. Banfi—Sokol Tabor IV	157
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(These scores are without handicap.)

Trophies and awards were presented and Ed. Cihak received a triplicate patch for bowling 3 alike games on Valentine Day.

Tony Navratil of Sokol Berwyn is our best improved bowler of the year. His average increased by 14 pins.

Anyone that would like to bowl with our Sokol League is asked to contact bro. Jim Kriz, HI. 7-9532, or bro. Joe Rus, LA. 1-3523.

See you all next season at the new remodeled Palace Bowl, 5240 W. 25th Place, Cicero, Illinois.

Nazdar!

Anne Banfi

1960 WESTERN DISTRICT AND SOKOL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

JUNIOR GIRLS — HIGH

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
*1.		Gail Konvalinka—Tabor	143.1
2.		Julie Reznicek—Tabor	142.9
3.		Anne Cermak—Tabor	142.2
4.		Carol Barcal—Slavsky	141.3
5.	1.	Shirley Newcomer—Omaha	139.2
6.		Fran Nedvedik—Tabor	138.4
7.	2.	C. Mach—Cedar Rapids	136.1
8.		Jeannette Votava—Tabor	135.9
9.	3.	Pat McGuire—Omaha	135.1
10.	4.	Linda Burghardt—Omaha	134.8
11.		Mary Eck—Tabor	133.7
12.	5.	Jacque Newcomer—Omaha	130.8
13.	6.	G. Webster—Cedar Rapids	129.5
13.		Julie Halik—Slavsky	129.5
14.	7.	Donna Baumwart—Omaha	129.2
15.	8.	M. Webster—Cedar Rapids	122.5
16.		Charlene Krause—Tabor	116.5
17.		Ann Nedvedik—Tabor	74.7
			(Incomplete)

TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.		TABOR	428.2
2.	1.	OMAHA	405.1
3.		TABOR	388.6
4.	2.	CEDAR RAPIDS	388.1

* indicates gymnast in High Division has competed and placed in the Championship Division and therefore becomes ineligible for High Division Awards.

JUNIOR GIRLS — CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Gail Konvalinka—Tabor	278.3
2.		Anne Cermak—Tabor	277.1
3.		Carole Barcal—Slavsky	275.8
4.		Jeannette Votava—Tabor	266.9

JUNIOR GIRLS — INTERMEDIATE

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Janis Eyth—Tabor	143.1
2.		Denise Simon—Detroit	142.9
3.		Dorothy Turek—Slavsky	142.5
4.		Jarka Reznicek—Tabor	141.9
5.		Rosemarie Fiala—Tabor	141.4
6.		Roberta Paganelli—Tabor	140.9
7.		Sylvia Svoboda—Detroit	140.7
8.		Susan Lutkus—Tabor	140.3
9.	1.	C. Charipar—Cedar Rapids	139.9
10.		Lois Blecha—Slavsky	139.8
11.		Dorothy Sula—Slavsky	139.6
12.		Lucille Belcha—Slavsky	139.4
13.		Alma Svoboda—Detroit	139.0
14.	2.	R. Vanous—Cedar Rapids	137.9
15.	3.	T. Mineck—Cedar Rapids	137.8

16.	4.	Betty Miller—Cedar Rapids	137.6
17.	5.	Lynn Mineck—Cedar Rapids	136.8
18.	6.	N. Svoboda—Cedar Rapids	136.2
19.		Ruth Styskal—Slavsky	135.9
20.		Marie Fiema—Detroit	123.7

TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.		TABOR	707.6
2.		SLAVSKY	697.2
3.	1.	CEDAR RAPIDS	690.0

JUNIOR GIRLS — LOW DIVISION (68 competed)

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.	1.	Lois Chab—Wilber	144.6
2.	2.	Susie Sasek—Wilber	143.9
3.	3.	Sandy Houska—Wilber	143.6
4.	4.	Sandy Wielage—Wilber	143.5
5.	5.	Lucille Daniel—Wilber	142.2
6.	6.	Cynthia Schleis—Wilber	142.0
7.	7.	Kathy Walker—So. Omaha	141.2
8.	8.	Patty Butler—Wilber	141.0
9.	9.	Karen Ripa—Wilber	140.4
9.	9.	Joann Henning—Crete	140.4
10.	10.	Judy Daniel—Crete	140.1
11.	11.	Judy Calta—Omaha	139.9
12.	12.	Connie Houska—Wilber	139.6
13.		Kathy Zahalka—Berwyn	139.4
14.		Jannette Burda—Slavsky	138.9
15.	13.	Kathy Olsen—So. Omaha	138.5
16.		Janice Semetko—Detroit	138.2

TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.	1.	WILBER	714.5
2.	2.	CRETE	703.4
3.	3.	OMAHA	684.9
4.	4.	WILBER	684.6
5.	5.	SO. OMAHA	679.2
6.		DETROIT	677.1
7.		SLAVSKY	666.5
8.	6.	SO. OMAHA	615.3

WOMEN — HIGH DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
*1.		Janice Polacek—Tabor	143.7
2.		Nancy Tomecek—Tabor	142.3
3.		Larry Schweitzer—Tabor	141.0
4.		S. Laznovsky—Ennis, Tex.	139.2
4.		Annette Banfi—Tabor	139.2
5.	1.	B. Pulkrab—Cedar Rapids	138.6
6.	2.	D. Layer—Cedar Rapids	137.8
7.		Ellen J. Schnabl—Berwyn	134.5
8.	3.	Jan Dyson—Cedar Rapids	133.5
9.		R. Svoboda—Cedar Rapids	128.8
10.		Helen Pesout—St. Louis	119.9
11.		V. Laznovsky—Ennis, Tex.	117.3

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MEN — HIGH DIVISION

TEAM PLACE			
National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.		TABOR	427.0
2.		CEDAR RAPIDS	409.9

WOMEN — CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Janice Polacek—Tabor	271.8
2.		Annette Banfi—Tabor	269.9

WOMEN — LOW

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.	1.	Norma Henning—Crete	144.1
2.	2.	Anne Kalkwarf—Crete	142.5
3.		Joan Wimmer—Detroit	141.3
4.	3.	R. Chlupacek—So. Omaha	140.1
5.	4.	Marilyn Olsen—So. Omaha	139.8
6.	5.	Marie Strnad—So. Omaha	139.6
7.	6.	Frances Jirka—So. Omaha	138.7
8.		Carol Turchan—Detroit	137.3
9.		Carolyn Weiss—Detroit	136.2
10.		Joyce Janca—Brookfield	135.4
11.	7.	JoAnn Vala—So. Omaha	127.7
12.		Lita Cantera—Detroit	127.4

WOMEN — INTERMEDIATE

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Mildred Krejci—Berwyn	142.0
2.		Jarmila Kalivoda—Detroit	141.7
3.	1.	Alma Matusa—Omaha	141.2

MEN — LOW DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		G. Zenisek—Havlicek-Tyrs	163.7
2.	1.	Larry Miller—Cedar Rapids	158.9
3.		Vaclav Kalivoda—Detroit	157.7
4.		Douglas Valek—Detroit	157.2
5.		P. Zenisek—Havlicek-Tyrs	149.2
6.		S. Stolarik—Havlicek-Tyrs	148.6
7.		Harry Valek—Detroit	145.3
8.		Ronald Luce—Detroit	113.8

MEN — INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.	1.	J. Gallagher—Cedar Rapids	165.0
2.	2.	D. Pulkrab—Cedar Rapids	163.3
3.		Martin Lukes—Tabor	157.0
4.	3.	L. Webster—Cedar Rapids	155.7
5.		George Dvorak—Slavsky	154.1
6.		Len Mikas—Chicago	149.4
7.		Jos. Killian—Havlicek-Tyrs	149.3
8.		Joe Votava—Tabor	145.2

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
*1.		Milan Trnka—SGUS.	171.5
*2.		Ed Gombos—SGUS.	169.4
3.		P. Dusek—Tyrs, Cleveland	166.3
4.		Tony Kirch—Havlicek-Tyrs	161.2
5.		F. Michalek—Havlicek-Tyrs	158.5
6.		Ray Kradec—Havlicek-Tyrs	157.2
7.		D. Michalek—Havlicek-Tyrs	154.5
8.		Murdock Hertzog—Detroit	154.1
9.		J. Milan—Ft. Worth, Tex.	148.4
10.		Leo Slovacek—Tabor	145.8
11.		Geo. Basta—Havlicek-Tyrs	143.5
12.		Jack Carr—Slavsky	136.3
13.		Paul Fina—Chicago	135.9
14.		Roy Husa—Havlicek-Tyrs	127.3

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TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.		HAVLICEK-TYRS I	474.2
2.		HAVLICEK-TYRS II	428.0

JUNIOR BOYS — INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Roy Votava—Tabor	187.4
2.		William Karben—Tabor	177.9
3.	1.	Jerry Hunacek—Omaha	176.6
4.		Ken Simone—Slavsky	174.7
5.	2.	R. Webster—Cedar Rapids	167.7

JUNIOR BOYS — HIGH DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Jerry Polacek—Tabor	196.0
2.		David Cermak—Tabor	193.4
3.	1.	Bud Benak—So. Omaha	189.8
4.	2.	Richard Beran—Omaha	186.6
5.	3.	J. Melichar—Cedar Rapids	184.8
6.		Paul Drnec—Slavsky	182.9
6.		John Thompson—Ft. Worth	182.9
7.		Ronald Smetana—Tabor	179.5
8.	4.	Ted Smith—Cedar Rapids	178.0
9.	5.	D. Netolicky—Cedar Rapids	176.8
10.		Keith Heidler—Tabor	174.8
11.	6.	Art Tuma—Omaha	168.9
12.		Charles Kalat—Slavsky	157.4
13.		Jerald Jurgorski—Slavsky	149.8

TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.		TABOR	568.9
2.		CEDAR RAPIDS	539.6
3.		SLAVSKY	490.1

JUNIOR BOYS — CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Jerry Polacek—Tabor	294.5
2.		Dave Cermak—Tabor	285.9
3.	1.	Bud Benak—So. Omaha	274.8
4.	2.	Joe Melichar—Cedar Rapids	274.0
5.	3.	Richard Beran—Omaha	264.1
6.	4.	Ted Smith—Cedar Rapids	255.8
7.	5.	Art Tuma—Omaha	252.2

MEN — CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.		Milan Trnka—SGUS.	273.0
2.		Ed Gombos—SGUS.	272.9
3.		P. Dusek—Tyrs, Cleveland	271.0
4.		Leo Slovacek—Tabor	202.7

JUNIOR BOYS — LOW DIVISION
(39 competed)

National Place	Western Place	Name & Unit	Points
1.	*1.	Marvin Vala—So. Omaha	191.0
2.		R. Korda—Brookfield	186.3
3.	*3.	Joe Vonasek—So. Omaha	185.4
4.		Mirko Vyleko—Detroit	185.3
5.	*3.	B. Jadrnicek—Cedar Rapids	182.8
6.	4.	R. Bartunek—Cedar Rapids	182.4
7.	5.	Joe Berka—So. Omaha	181.7
8.	6.	R. Prasil—Cedar Rapids	181.6
9.		John Vrablik—Brookfield	181.0
10.	7.	Steve Hofsheim—So. Omaha	180.1
11.		David Nesuda—Ennis, Tex.	179.1
12.	8.	Robert Foucek—Omaha	179.0

TEAM PLACE

National Place	Western Place	Unit	Points
1.	1.	SOUTH OMAHA	910.8
2.	2.	CEDAR RAPIDS	889.0
3.		HAVLICEK-TYRS	818.4
4.	3.	WILBER	791.9
5.		DETROIT	758.5

1961 SLET CALISTHENICS FOR WOMEN

Composed by M. Prchal — Music Prof. F. Kubina

SECTION I

8 ms. introduction — Columns of 3s — Trios numbered "1st" and "2nd"

SECTION I IN OPEN RANK

Part A — 2/4

I.

1. Sidearm thru reararm—beginning small (12") straightarm flank circle forward, knuckles up.
2. Finish circle, raise to uparm outward, knuckles up.

II.

1. Small (12") straightarm flank circle forward, knuckles up, to uparm, thumbs back.
2. Knee dip to toestand—front full arm swing inward crossing right over left to sidearm, knuckles up.

III.

1. Knee dip to toestand—front downward swing to low frontarm crossing right over left, knuckles front (soft).
2. Knee dip to solestand—wrist turn to palms front reararm.

IV.

1. Solestand—wrist turn to knuckles up frontarm (soft).
2. Knee flex—bent sidearm, forearm inward, knuckles up, hands before shoulders.

V.

1. Straighten—90° torso turn left—left uparm outward, (arm and fingers stretched) palm inward, head turn left, look into palm.
2. Hold.

VI.

1. Knee flex—90° torso turn right (face front)—left bent sidearm, forearm inward, knuckles up, hand before shoulder.
2. Hold.

VII. - VIII.

Repeat V. - VI. Opposite.

IX.

1. Straighten—deep relaxed front bend—uparm (relaxed) knuckles front—head down.
2. Front bend dip.

X.

1. Upright—toestand—reararm, palms front.
2. Solestand—frontarm, knuckles up.

XI.

1. Knee dip—45° torso turn left—both arms flank swing downward on left side, head turn left.
2. 45° torso turn right—toestand—uparm, palms front.

XII.

1. Knee dip—45° torso turn right—both arms flank circle frontward on right side, head right.
2. Finish circle to uparm, palms front, 45° torso turn left.

XIII.

1. Left high frontleg—slight front bend, frontarm inward touching front of left ankle, knuckles up (do not hunch).

2. Upright—left closeleg—uparm, palms front.

XIV.

1. Front circle outward to uparm (crossing right over left) palms front.
2. Hold.

XV.

1. Right high frontleg—slight front bend—frontarm inward touching front of right ankle, knuckles up (do not hunch).
2. Upright—right closeleg—uparm, palms front.

XVI.

1. Front swing outward, thru closearm frontarm, knuckles up.

Part B — 2/4

I.

1. Lunge forward left—(both soles on ground) sidearm, palms up (l. foreleg vertical).
2. Hold.

II.

- 1.-2. With strong lift and push off left leg closing to right—closearm softly to frontarm, knuckles up.

III. - IV.

Repeat I. - II. Opposite (arm movements in I.-IV. should be continuous).

V.

- 1.-2. $\frac{1}{2}$ turn (90°) left—dip step left sideward—deep left side bend—both arms front swing downward to left sidearm, knuckles up, right arm circle to uparm outward, forearm bent inward, knuckles up and

VI.

- 1.-2. Dip step right sideward—deep right side bend—right downward swing to sidearm, knuckles up, left arm front downward swing to uparm outward, forearm bent inward, knuckles up.

VII.

- 1.-2. $\frac{1}{2}$ turn (90°) left (facing back) flexing right knee, and with strong push from right, step left forward in toestand, right high rearleg—shoulder back bend—flank downward swing to uparm outward, palms forward—chest and head high, head slightly back (draw high from diaphragm, both knees locked).

VIII.

- 1.-2. Closeleg right to left—closearm.

IX. - XVI.

Repeat I. - VIII. (Finish on marker facing front.)

Repeat A.

Repeat B I. - XV.

XVI.

- 1.-2. Closearm sideway.

SECTION II

Part A — $\frac{3}{4}$

8 meas. introduction—in open rank

I.

- 1.-3. Dip step left sideward—deep side bend left—retarded swing to left, uparm (knuckles up on swing) eyes follow arm movement.

II.

- 1.-3. Upright—dip cross step right rear of left—turn in wrist to right swing downward to right, knuckles up, low frontarm outward, bend forearms inward, palms in—head down on right.

III.

- 1.-3. Dip step left sideward—deep side bend left—front swing left, left sidearm right frontarm inward, knuckles up—head left (r. sidetouch, stretch arch and point).

IV.

- 1.-3. Upright—dip step right (change weight)—right side bend—front downward swing right sidearm, palm up—head bent back and turned to right (body drawn high—arms strongly stretched sideway).

V.

- 1.-3. Upright—dip step left (change weight) (r. sidetouch)—deep left side bend—front downward swing, crossing right over left, uparm outward, forearm bent inward, palms in—look in to palm.

VI.

- 1.-3. Hold.

VII.

1. Dip step right sideward—right side bend—uparm outward, palms in.
2. Step left crossing rear of right, semi-squat—sidearm,
3. Step right sideward to toestand on marker—soft wrist turn low sidearm, knuckles up (these 3 steps are combined).

VIII.

- 1.-3. Closeleg left—soft closearm.

IX. - XVI.

Repeat I. - VIII. Opposite.

XVII.

- 1.-3. Dip to toestand—torso turn 45° right—retarded swing to sidearm right, knuckles up, frontarm left inward, forearm flexed inward, knuckles up—eyes follow arm movement.

XVIII.

- 1.-3. Dip to toestand—torso turn 45° left—flank swing downward uparm, palms front—look upward.

XIX.

- 1.-3. Semi-squat left foretouch—torso turn 45° left flank swing backward to left.

XX.

- 1.-3. Straight front bend—left arm remains rear, knuckles up, right softly continues downward swing to uparm, knuckles up—(trunk, arms, head horizontal).

XXI.

- 1.-3. Upright—straighten—closeleg left—left flank swing down to frontarm, right flank swing down to reararm, knuckles up.

XXII.

- 1., 2., 3. 3 steps, left, right, left, forward, flank swing (starting circles) left downward rearway, right downward frontway (turn torso first to left, then right) and

XXIII.

- 1.-3. dip step right forward to front marker—right finishes circle to uparm (one and one-half circles), palm front, left continues to reararm only (one complete circle) palm front, and

XXIV.

- 1.-3. 1/1 turn (180°) left on right in toestand, closeleg left—closearm, right frontway after turn, left shortest way.

XXV. - XXXII.

Repeat XVII. - XXIV.

Part B

Marker of CENTER girl of 1st trio designates center of circle

I.

- 1., 2., 3. Right and Left in 1st and 2nd trios: 3 small steps front, left, right, left.
Center of 1st trio: 3 bigger steps forward, left, right, left.
Center of 2nd trio: 3 steps in place, left, right, left.
ALL: Softly low frontarm, knuckles front.

II.

- 1.-3. Right and Left: Dip step right with turn in direction of circle center.
Center of 1st trio: 1/1 (180°) turn right, dip step right forward in direction of circle center.
Center of 2nd trio: Dip step right forward.
ALL: Reararm, palms front.

III.

- 1.-3. ALL: Dip, forestep, left, close right to toestand—flank swing frontway uparm, palms front.

IV.

- 1.-3. Dip forestep left—flank swings backward to frontarm outward, join hands (III.-IV. arms mark whole circles) (forward steps in III.-IV. must be big).

(To be continued)

Southern District Competition

July 2, 1960

WOMEN'S HIGH DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Henrietta Milan | Ft. Worth—140.1 |
| 2. Sylvia Laznovsky | Ennis—137.7 |
| 3. Vlasta Laznovsky | Ennis—121.0 |
| 4. Gladys Houdek | Ennis—119.2 |

JUNIOR GIRLS—HIGH DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Mary Jean Renfro | Ft. Worth—136.9 |
| 2. Donna Rose Steinman | Ft. Worth—109.7 |
| 3. Priscilla Watson | Ft. Worth—105.5 |

JUNIOR GIRLS—INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Janice Skrivanek | Ennis—134.5 |
| 2. Carol Mason | Ft. Worth—133.4 |
| 3. Carolyn Milan | Ft. Worth—124.6 |

JUNIOR GIRLS—LOW DIVISION

(9 competed)

Unit

- | | |
|----------------|--------------|
| 1. Cathy Smith | Dallas—139.3 |
|----------------|--------------|

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| 2. Shirley Svec | Houston—138.7 |
| 3. Ann Lyday | Dallas—138.6 |
| 4. Bessie Caladek | Houston—138.0 |
| 5. Martha Busch | Houston—132.2 |

GIRLS—GROUP A DIVISION

(19 competed)

Unit

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Betty Houdek | Ennis—161.4 |
| 2. Linda Prevratil | Dallas—158.5 |
| 3. Janet Smith | Dallas—158.4 |
| 4. Wesley Herzan | Dallas—156.3 |
| 5. Barbara Svec | Houston—153.6 |

TEAMS

- | | |
|--------------|-------|
| 1. DALLAS I | 626.7 |
| 2. FT. WORTH | 585.5 |
| 3. DALLAS II | 534.7 |

GIRLS—GROUP B DIVISION

(14 competed)

Unit

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------|
| 1. Linda Janousek | Dallas—139.5 |
| 2. Cindy Kalmus | Dallas—136.7 |
| 3. Daniele Kartous | Dallas—133.6 |
| 4. Denise Skrivanek | Ennis—128.4 |
| 5. Teresa Vrla | Dallas—126.0 |

TEAMS

- | | |
|--------------|-------|
| 1. DALLAS | 535.8 |
| 2. FT. WORTH | 412.8 |

MEN'S HIGH DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Joe Ehrenberger | Dallas—156.7 |
| 2. Jerry Milan | Ft. Worth—154.6 |
| 3. Joe Pokladnik | Dallas—145.3 |

MEN'S LOW DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. John Thompson | Ft. Worth—154.0 |
| 2. Stanley Krenek | Ft. Worth—126.9 |

JUNIOR BOYS LOW DIVISION

Unit

- | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Larry Laznovsky | Ennis—180.5 |
| 2. George Hallford | Ft. Worth—174.3 |
| 3. David Nesuda | Ennis—172.5 |
| 4. Allen Nesbitt | Dallas—165.5 |
| 5. Henry Ondrusek | Dallas—165.2 |
| 6. Donald Steinman | Ft. Worth—133.5 |

BOYS—GROUP A DIVISION

(19 competed)

Unit

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Jimmy Henry | Dallas—167.5 |
| 2. Frankie Prochaska | Ft. Worth—162.0 |
| 3. David Smith | Dallas—161.0 |
| 4. Tony Alholm | Ft. Worth—160.6 |
| 5. Joe Jurcak | Dallas—159.5 |

TEAMS

- | | |
|----------------|-------|
| 1. DALLAS I | 643.2 |
| 2. FT. WORTH I | 623.2 |
| 3. DALLAS II | 603.8 |

BOYS—GROUP B DIVISION

	Unit
1. Ken Vrla	Dallas—153.1
2. Joe Ehrenberger	Dallas—150.7
3. Tommy Hicks	Ft. Worth—146.7
4. David Melville	Ft. Worth—140.1
5. Kenneth Boenish	Ft. Worth—132.2
6. Frankie Prevratil	Dallas—126.1

TEAMS

1. DALLAS	429.9
2. FT. WORTH	419.0

SPECIAL EXHIBITION NUMBERS

Unit	Total Judges Scores
1. Houston	574.0
2. Ft. Worth	572.0
3. Ennis	560.5

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT WINNER
SOKOL HOUSTON

Congratulations, Wilber!

This is only one of the clippings taken from the Wilber, Nebraska, newspaper, and sent by sis. Lulu Kohel.

SOKOL GROUPS HONORED

An unusual colorful parade which passed through the streets of Wilber Saturday, June 25, at 3:30 P.M., culminated the Sokol activities for the season of 1960.

The parade was led by the Sokol boys who carried the American colors.

The line of procession continued with the Wilber Band under the direction of Norman L. Cizek, all members of Sokol Gym classes, convertible with the team of the girls who won the National Trophy and the District traveling trophy in Cedar Rapids with their instructor Mrs. Lula Kohel, second team of girls on decorated bicycles, five youngsters attired in Czech outfits, nine adults in selka and sedlak outfits with Mrs. Joe Menza wearing a beautiful costume recently brought from Prague, Czechoslovakia, by her husband, and Sokol president Ella Houser, vice president Vaclav Novak and Mrs. Novak. All assembled in the Sokol Hall.

The program was short but demonstrated very well the ability of the youngsters.

In presenting the groups it was pointed out that even though the boys and rest of the girls were placed they won no medals or trophies.

The second team girls were placed in the national and the district and the boys fourth in the national and third in the district.

President Glenn Zajicek of the Chamber of Commerce, presented each of the boys and girls who demonstrated in calisthenics and gymnastics and their instructors with a silver dollar. The adults who marched were treated to kolacky and coffee by the Sokol Organization.

Thank You!

Dear Sister Prchal:

I want you to give my personal thanks to all of the sisters in the ASO. Board of Directors that helped in our Western District competitions and Slet.

They came to me voluntarily and asked if I needed any help and were willing to do anything I asked. Truthfully, I was very grateful.

When a person gets back home and keeps reminiscing about all that went on during those few days at the Slet and Convention, it makes one feel real good inside to think he is a Sokol.

Thank you and Nazdar!

FRANCES HULAC,

Director of Women, Western District

"Akademie"

From the Book "Educational Directors!"

By Karel M. Prchal

An "Akademie" is a formal stage presentation in which we endeavor to display a variety of selected numbers comprising all phases of Sokol work. The participants as well as the numbers must be interesting and pleasing. Singing and musical instrument numbers must be in accord with the capabilities of the participants. Teach such songs as are suitable to the voices of the singers, in short, instrumental numbers not too difficult. Be very sure that all selections are well taught and well arranged.

The program may consist of physical culture exhibition numbers, music, singing, allegorical and historical tableaux, with or without prologue or musical accompaniment.

Celebrations commemorating famous men and important anniversaries of our country, the Sokol Organization, or the individual unit are all occasions for conducting an Akademie.

The program must be arranged in the spirit of the original theme for which the project was arranged. Addresses, songs, music, recitations, and gymnastics comprise the program which we strictly adhere to.

An opening address should be followed by a number selected especially to create the desired atmosphere. The finale must be impressive. An appropriate tableau is especially fitting for a successful conclusion.

Do not hold a lengthy program. One and one-half hours at the least and not longer than two hours at the most make an ideal and interesting program.

DELEGATES IX GENERAL CONVENTION AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION Cedar Rapids, Iowa – June, 1960

Delegates

EASTERN DISTRICT, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Sokol Blesk, Baltimore, Maryland	Edward Stetka
Sokolice Baltimore, Maryland	Sylvia Peifer
Sokol Belcamp, Maryland	Edward Stetka
Sokol Curtis Bay, Maryland	Edward Stetka
Sokol Fuegner, L. I. C., N. Y.	Charles Zraly
Sokol Little Ferry, New Jersey	Robert Hilsky
Sokolice Little Ferry, New Jersey	Augusta Svec
Sokol Newark, New Jersey	Ludmila Elkins
Sokol New York, N. Y.	Charles Friedrich
Sokolice New York, N. Y.	Lillian Pribyl
Sokol Philadelphia, Pa.	Blanche Zraly
Sokol Schenectady, New York	Alois Burian
Sokolice Schenectady, New York	Marie Kozak
Sokol Washington, D. C.	Matthew Neumann

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT, CLEVELAND, OHIO

Sokol Cleveland-Cech Havlicek, Ohio	Fred Jirsa
	Ann Skoda
Sokol Detroit, Michigan	Anton Benesh
	Ferruccio DeConti
Sokolice Detroit, Michigan	Suzanne Wimmer
Sokol Moravan, Toledo, Ohio	John Tichy
Sokol Nova Vlast, Cleveland, O.	Frank Kunasek
	John Tichy
Sokol Rip, Pittsburgh, Pa.	John Tichy
Sokol Tyrs, Cleveland, Ohio	Edwin Jirousek
	Anthony Sustar
	Karel Zahradnicek
	Mana Sima

CENTRAL DISTRICT, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Sokol Americky, Chicago Illinois	James Simaner
Sokol Berwyn, Illinois	EllenJeanne Schnabl
	Mildred Udajkee
Sokol Brookfield, Illinois	EllenJeanne Schnabl
Sokol Cechie, Chicago, Illinois	Frank Metz
Sokol Chicago, Illinois	Stanley Barcal
Sokolice Chicago, Illinois	Emilie Welcl
Sokol Fuegner, Chicago, Illinois	
Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs, Chicago, Ill.	James Simaner
	Anton Hladik
Sokolice Havlicek-Tyrs, Chicago, Ill.	Zdenka Tintera
Sokol Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Charles Richter
Sokolice Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Jarča Richter
Sokol Mladoczech, Racine, Wisconsin	Joseph P. Kucera
Sokolice Mladoczech, Racine, Wis.	Irene K. P. Hassel
Plzensky Sokol of Chicago, Illinois	Charles Kropik
	Alois Pohajda
Sokol Rozvoj, Chicago, Illinois	Rose Masek
Sokol Slavsky, Cicero, Illinois	George Spanek
Sokolice Slavske, Cicero, Illinois	Betty Prener
Sokol St. Louis, Missouri	John Reiner
	William Shana
Sokol Stickney, Illinois	William Vrba
Sokol Tabor, Berwyn, Illinois	Karel M. Prchal
Sokolice Tabor, Berwyn, Illinois	Mildred Prchal
Sokol Town of Lake, Chicago, Ill.	Bretislav Vanek
Sokolice Town of Lake, Chicago, Ill.	Blanche J. Cihak

SOKOL AMERICKÝ

WESTERN DISTRICT, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Sokol Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Joseph Chmelicek
	Karel Jares
Sokolice Renata Tyrsova,	Barbara Nemecek
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Marie Vitek
Sokol Crete, Nebraska	
Sokolice Libuse, Crete, Nebr.	Stepanka K. Novak
Sokol Fugner-Tyrs, S. Omaha, Nebr.	Vaclav Kulhanek
Sokolice Libuse, So. Omaha, Nebr.	Barbara Homie
Sokol Omaha, Nebraska	Joseph Libor
	Simon Rokusek
Sokolice Omaha, Nebraska	Helen Dusek
	Marie Horejsi
Sokol Schuyler, Nebraska	
Sokol Wilber, Nebraska	Ella Houser

UNITS OUTSIDE OF WESTERN DISTRICT

Sokol Caldwell, Kansas	
Sokol Karel Jonas, Wilson, Kans.	Alice Sula

NORTHERN DISTRICT, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Sokol Hopkins, Minnesota	
Sokol Minneapolis, Minnesota	Edward Andrie
Sokol Pine City, Minnesota	
Sokol St. Paul, Minnesota	Shirley Verner

SOUTHERN DISTRICT, DALLAS, TEXAS

Sokol Corpus Christi, Texas	James F. Kucera
Sokol Fort Worth, Texas	Stanley Krenek, Jr.
Sokol Galveston, Texas	Ben Prevratil
Sokol Houston, Texas	Joseph Kos
Sokol Karel Havlicek Borovsky	
Ennis, Texas	W. F. Laznovsky
Sokol Karel Havlicek, Yukon, Okla.	
Sokol Praha, Prague, Okla.	W. F. Bartodej
Sokol Zizka, Dallas, Texas	Ben Prevratil

PACIFIC DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Sokol Fresno, California	William DeLancey
Sokol Los Angeles, California	Emil A. Nekuda
Sokolice Los Angeles, Calif.	Louise Nekuda
Sokol Portland, Oregon	
Sokol San Francisco, Calif.	Anthony Kohoutek
Sokolice San Francisco, Calif.	Blanche Dibelka
Sokol Scio, Oregon	
Sokol Seattle, Washington	Josephine McDonald

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Frances Hulac, Omaha, Nebraska	Western District
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Florence Palas, Los Angeles, California	Pacific District

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-FINANCIAL SECRETARY ASO.



Blanche J. Cihak

After our return from the VIII General Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, the old Executive Board was dissolved and the newly elected officers and members installed on July 27, 1955. The Convention had made specific recommendations and given orders that were immediately worked upon. We were happy to welcome bro. Jos. Falta and sis. Ann Falta, hoping that his illness was only a temporary setback. It soon became apparent that his illness was serious.

He served faithfully until the end. His death occurred on October 29, 1955. He set a precedent of long hours, working even weekends just as he had always done. His dedication to the Sokol ideals permeated every fiber of his body, mind and soul. At the request of bro. and sis. Falta I helped them in their work, familiarizing myself with every detail of the office and routine. When he passed away I carried on his work and later was appointed Secretary and Financial Secretary.

Every secretary is faced with a perplexing problem in making a report such as this. To mention things in chronological order or to devise some method of showing what had been done in a manner where specific information can be readily available is the choice. The latter method was selected for this presentation.

A few general remarks are now in order to give you a general outline of the period since the last convention (1955-1960). The changing circumstances, the prevalence of those who did not have a command of the Czech language in all phases of our work required everything to be translated from Czech to English or vice-versa. This applied to minutes of the meetings, announcements, proclamations, general instructions, reports, appeals, in fact everything that left the office. Though it might have been felt that this was a loss, actually it showed that more and more of the younger members were deeply and seriously interested in the fate of our Sokol.

Very heartening too have been the visual signs of vitality as exemplified by Sokol Baltimore's new home, the remodeling of Sokol Tyrns, the new home of Sokol Zizka, Dallas, expansion of Sokol Los Angeles, the re-instatement of Sokol Fuegner in So. Chicago, Ill., the initiation of Sokol West Suburban in Downers Grove, Ill., the reactivation of Sokol Schenectady. All due credit must be given to our units for their increased activity. They are not just holding the line, but probing in all directions to see where and how they should advance.

The general concern throughout the country for the physical, moral and spiritual development of the entire nation is giving us an incentive to work harder. This had been lacking for decades. This concern should make it a lot easier to build up our ranks so that they will even surpass the heights we once occupied. Thousands of letters and hundreds of packages were dispatched from the office. The inquiries and requests for material, administrative or educational, were gladly filled as they were the signs of life and activity that were our life blood.

We participated in the Federation of American Sokols, the World Federation of Free Sokols, American Museum of Immigration, the T. G. Masaryk Stamp Committee, as well as many local undertakings. In all of these the Sokols played a leading role. Detailed information is given you in the specific categories. Various Districts and Units have done outstanding work in their spheres of influence.

The equipment in our office has been modernized. New equipment has facilitated an enormous amount of work that could not have been done otherwise. A new ledger has been set up. We have a CPA., Mr. Adolph Humlicek, who has done an exceptional amount of work, fully understanding our purpose and goal. New publications have been sent to you. Others have been revised and brought up to date. A new publicity leaflet is ready for your use. New insignia as a recognition of long term membership have been made available. Their acceptance far exceeded our expectations. New flags have been designed, new uniforms adopted.

All of this is only a partial coverage of what had been accomplished in the last five years. Through your decision the Educational Committee was re-activated as an independent committee.

VIII GENERAL CONVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS

Refugee Relief Act finished.

Had "Resolution to Our Youth" prepared and framed. Copies were sent to all units. President and Vice President of the United States, Senator Roman L. Hruska as well as Sen. Frank Lausche of Ohio were presented with copies.

All accepted resolutions were sent to all newspapers as well as places designated.

New by-laws were translated by bro. Cihak and printed in two languages, in addition to work on Czech By-laws.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Prepared 60 minutes in Czech and translated excerpts for publication in English of the Executive Board meetings.

The same was done with 14 proclamations to State Department, United Nations, President of the United States etc.

Unemployment compensation legal action was taken to secure exemption accomplished; saving ASO. large sums of money.

Motion for meetings of District Delegates with Executive Board to take place once every two years sent to units. Approved.

Completed new addressograph system of members of units, Secretaries, Technical Directors and Educational Directors.

Also held office of Secretary in American Sokol Federation and World Federation of Free Sokols.

Prepared everything for our new CPA. Mr. A. Humlicek.

Prepared new roster of unit officers for March issue of Sokol Americky every year.

Prepared forms for election of new members, expanded Executive Committee.

Prepared resolution forms for elections for reactivation of Educational Committee.

Compensated any extra help needed in the office from my own salary.

RADIO — VISITS TO UNITS — ARTICLES "S.A."

Spoke on Radio Broadcasts of all types including "Voice of America," 35 times.

Prepared 39 articles for Sokol Americky.

Wrote articles for Units, Districts and general publicity, total 21.

Notices to units, announcements and directives, total 49.

Proclamations and manifestos to newspapers etc., total 12.

Prepared with bro. Prchal By-laws for Educational Committee.

MIMEOGRAPH WORK

The new electric mimeograph has more than paid for itself. Thousands of copies of Technical material have been printed for the Board of Instructors of ASO., the District, Educational Directors, Sokol Gymnast, for Organization and Publicity Committee, and last but not least for Units in the Central District.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Administrative work with Museum of Immigration. Eastern District Committee presented check for \$2,000.00.

Visited a total of 42 units and other Sokol organizations at their request, helping them with their work or speaking on special occasions. Many of these were at the Secretary's own expense. Visited and spoke at 12 other organization events.

Showed films of IX Slet and Vienna tour and spoke at many units.

Shared with other officers of the Executive Board in the installation of Unit officers.

Hundreds of letters were sent to secure issuance of T. G. Masaryk stamp in September and October of 1958. Announcement of issuance of stamp on October 28, 1959, began the most intensive campaign we ever had to secure the greatest first day purchase in stamp history and largest attendance at such a ceremony. Sokols filled honored positions in the National Committee and at the ceremonies. Worked in the capacity of Program and Banquet Chairman. 6,000 letters were sent out to obtain orders. Hundreds of orders were filled after our return from Washington, D. C., in record time.

NEW PUBLICATIONS & REPRINTS

Sokol and the Sokol Idea — revised and reprinted.

Dr. Joseph Scheiner.

"Our Purpose, Aim and Goal."

"These Are the Facts About Czechoslovakia."

New Publicity Leaflets.

All of the above were mailed to all the units in sample copies. Orders were constantly coming in for them. "These Are the Facts About Czechoslovakia" were also mailed to U.S. Senators and Representatives, Governors of States, Libraries, etc. The first printing is out of stock.

COURSES — SCHOOLS

Completed financial and administrative matters of 1955 course in St. Louis, Missouri.

Had complete charge of administrative work with ASO. course held at Potters Lake, July 1957. Largest and most successful.

Mailed material for courses to Districts upon request.

SLETS

In 1957 worked in the capacity of Chairman of the Administrative Committee, and assisted bro. Brouk, the Secretary, in every way possible. Also Chairman of the Banquet held in connection with the Slet. Secured participation of Armed Forces in 1957 Slet Parade, and assisted in every possible way.

A group of volunteers assisted in sending out Slet stamps to 6,000 members.

EXCURSIONS

July, 1955—Mexico.

June-July, 1956—Europe and the Vienna Slet, at which time we visited Oetz where Dr. Miroslav Tyrs spent his vacations. Also presented Vienna Sokols with a fine plaque.

1959—Tour to Pacific District Mid-Slet. Largest and most successful tour on American soil. 161 participants and 24 gymnasts. Net returns \$5,582.81 to ASO.

INVENTORY

A rebuilt, but fine working graphotype was secured. An almost unused addressograph, frames and cabinets were purchased at a terrific saving.

A new electric mimeograph and a Burrough's Electric Adding Machine were purchased.

2 second hand secretarial desks and a chair were secured at a reasonable price.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bro. Fred Marsalek set up a new ledger in 1955-56. Mr. Kriz, C.P.A., could not devote time to our records. Mr. A. Humlicek was secured at the suggestion of Mr. R. Hajicek of the Lawndale National Bank. All of the ASO. records have been audited from 1950 to March 31st, 1960, and the findings are available for any and all delegates of this Convention.

At my request an audit has also been made of the 1959 Excursion and is available.

New quarterly reports were devised and are now in use.

Prepared an annual financial report for the Federal Government.

Set up payroll record. All special funds have been liquidated.

Financial report for the period January 1, 1955, to March 31st, 1960, has been prepared by the Secretary and is available for every delegate. All unit dues are in order.

The ASO. records were examined by the Auditing Committee every three months.

The ASO. Executive Board Meeting Attendance Record may be found on the end of this report.

STATISTICAL REPORT

A Statistical report was compiled by the Secretary and is a part of this report.

In spite of the great increase in the children's classes, and the exceptional efforts of a few units the overall picture shows that we have lost 397 men and 120 women, total 517 members, since the last convention. This is a trend that must be reversed immediately if we are to fulfill our obligations. An intensive campaign must be initiated to secure new members. This can be accomplished in a national atmosphere that recognizes our work and is receptive to our appeal.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that the offices of Secretary and Financial Secretary be held by two separate individuals. The work load is so heavy that it cannot be done in an eight hour working day. Most of the time it requires night work and homework for the weekend.

THANK YOU

To bro. Fred Marsalek for preparing the new ledger sheets.

To the members of the Auditing Committee for their work.

To bro. Jarka Jelinek for help and advice in 1955-56.

To sis. Ann Falta for taking over while in Vienna in 1956, for all her assistance with the T.G.M. stamp and for all her help during the past five years.

Thanks to those helping with the 1959 Tour to California. To bro. Fred Holub, and bro. J. Supik for exemplary cooperation. To members of my own Unit Sokolice Town of Lake for long hours of work with preparing the Tour.

Thanks to those who helped expedite the T.G.M. Stamps: Sis. J. Berquist, Ann Falta, Ann Klaus, Bess Vorel, Vlasta Matuna, John Jansto, for the long hours and many days of hard work.

Thanks to bro. James Cihak for all his assistance. He worked in his own quiet way in all of the projects of ASO.

I want to thank all the members of the Executive Board of ASO. for all their help and co-operation for the past five years.

I also want to thank all the Unit and District officers for their understanding and readiness to offer any assistance.

I want especially to thank the president bro. Charles M. Prchal for his great assistance during the entire five year period. This was not occasional help, but a steady day to day answer to every type of work and problem. His cooperation is deeply appreciated. The individual tasks that he performed would fill a volume. He participated in everything that came up. Thank you again, bro. President.

Nazdar!

Blanche J. Cihak
Secretary

EXECUTIVE BOARD AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD

	Present	Absent	Excused
Charles M. Prchal	61		
Blanche J. Cihak	59		2
Joseph Brouk	57		2
Betty Prener	53		8
Henry Vydra	51	8	4
Anna Falta	51		10
Edwin Halik	48	4	9
Frank Svamera	47	5	9
James Simaner	37	3	21
Mildred Prchal	37	2	22
Jarka Jelinek (Resigned) ..	30		14
Fred Vodak	23	5	12
James L. Cihak	15		1
Lada Stulik	12	1	3
Zdenka Tintera	11		5
(Previous attendance) ...	7		
Charles Kropik	8	2	6
Frank Vodrazka	8	7	1
Bohumil Marek	6	4	6
William Vrba	6	10	
Joseph Falta (Deceased 10-29-55) ...	3		1
O. Kudrnovsky (Resigned)	25	3	5

The ASO. Executive Board held 52 regular meetings — 2 Conferences with District Delegates and 7 Special meetings.

The Executive Board was expanded and new members attended the first meeting January 28th, 1959.

ACTIVITY REPORT – ASO. DIRECTOR OF MEN



Edwin Halik, Director of Men

You have before you a District average attendance report for the years 1957-58-59. Also average attendance figures for Units for 1959. Records for the Men's Department were destroyed in a basement flood at bro. Kudrnovsky's (where they were stored) during some heavy rains in the summer of 1957.

In the fall of 1957, bro. Kudrnovsky resigned. After an exchange of letters in which he was asked to reconsider, and after visits by bro. Barcal, his resignation was accepted and bro. Barcal, 1st Assistant Director, became Acting Director. He stated then that he would not be able to continue permanently as Director because of many business and family obligations as well as his many responsibilities as President of Sokol Chicago and that the board would have to eventually select another as Acting Director.

Under bro. Barcal's leadership, the board continued to function and,

1. Revised the Physical Fitness Booklet.
2. Revised the Attendance Record Books.
3. Decided to try using Bednar's terminology as a base, because it was already printed and try to blend the Bednar-Kudrnovsky translations into one acceptable English version.
4. Asked for bids on the 1959 Mid-Slet.
5. Requested the Executive Committee to separate the Educational Department from ours.

During the Christmas Holidays (1957), I came up with a "do it yourself" accident which combined with some carelessness at the hospital emergency ward, put me into the hospital for a series of operations for gangrene and bone infection. They saved half the right thumb finally.

At the January, 1958 Board of Instructors meeting, bro. Barcal announced that he would not be able to continue and my wife reported the deci-

sion she and I had reached after weighing all angles when it became evident that I might be asked to take over. I was in the hospital at the time. The Board of Instructors accepted and the Executive Committee appointed me Director of Men to finish the two and one half years to the IX Convention.

The first few months were fairly easy catching up on correspondence, getting adjusted to the added duties and responsibilities. I was teaching a full schedule of physical education at school, four children's classes plus junior girls and women at Sokol Slavsky. The biggest adjustment was in our home life. All the repair and maintenance work, plus the "do it yourself" remodeling project bogged down completely but thanks to a father of our Sokol children, we were able to bring things to a stage where the house was livable.

The SGUS. calisthenics and apparatus were distributed to the Districts. Physical Fitness Tests Reports, Attendance Reports, plans for the October Conference, bids on the 1959 Mid-Slet, preparations for SGUS. Slet in Cleveland, Sokol Slavsky Exhibition, Central District Slet, Western District Slet at Omaha, two weeks in a school there helping bro. Dick Molcar and Vojmir Benak, the SGUS. Slet in Cleveland, the Federation meeting there, also visited the SGUS. Technical Committee meeting and their school, new things kept coming up, the pace was quickening.

Sis. Tintera had suggested that bro. Kubina might help with 1959 Slet music, so on July 23, the Board of Instructors auditioned and accepted his music and we started to work on that. In August, sis. Prchal and I helped bro. Regner with a two week Central District school at Crystal Lake. For the conference in October, we had several parts of the drills ready and by Christmas, complete drills in two languages and all apparatus moves were ready. Also music, piano parts, tape and records.

December 26-31, 1958, I attended the Sarasota Clinic and then started stepping up my campaign to awaken our Sokol Organization to the realization that we were going nowhere fast and that something must be done soon to preserve it and to build it.

Re-issued the Physical Fitness Testing Program and started working on revising it.

May, 1959, went to Los Angeles for a weekend meeting with the Slet Committee, Sokol Los Angeles, Pacific District, and Slet Technical Committee, visited site of competition and slet, attended Mother's Day Program at Los Angeles Sokol.

Back home to finish preparations for Mid-Slet programs, competitions and Slet with new forms for competition. It was about this time that I became involved in the program of seeking likely centers for new units in the Western Suburbs of Chicago. The Mid-Slet at Los Angeles was very good. Much better participation than we had anticipated.

We made a few mistakes, but who doesn't? I drove with the family to Los Angeles, stopping and visiting on the way, Sokols at Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston. This has been reported in detail. On the way home, San Francisco and Omaha Units were visited. We had been gone six weeks and haven't yet caught up on our budget.

In August-September, with the Pan-American Games being held in Chicago, and bro. Fina the Organizing Committee Chairman for Gymnastics, we were again busy. Bro. Fina was caught in a squeeze between Mayor Daley's Pan-American Gymnastic Committee and the National AAU-Olympic - International - Pan-American Gymnastic Committee. Several of us participated in various capacities and soon became aware of the terrific pressures being exerted by the various factions present and were quite perturbed by the conduct of some of our top level gymnastic officials. Another thing that we were disturbed about was the confusion about two National Sokol Directors when I appeared on the scene. We finally had to explain that bro. Bachna was representing SGUS, and I the ASO., two distinctly separate bodies.

We met with SGUS. representatives, but could come to no agreement on a Federation Slet or continuance of the Gymnast as a joint publication. We again are printing in (American Sokol) Sokol Americky.

We agreed to use their calisthenics this year and that we would try again to adjust our differences. The calisthenics were printed in English only, and anticipating a demand later for Czech copies, I prepared translations of Men's, Women's, Junior Girls and Junior Boys Calisthenics, revised the Physical Fitness Program and score sheets for Men and Boys, prepared the new score sheets for Girls and Women, — AAU. Novice and Junior Exercises also sent out — the new forms of Judging sheets as prepared for the Mid-Slet were sent out for trial use this year. All this was packaged and delivered to the District Directors for distribution in their Districts.

I again attended the Clinic at Sarasota, Florida, Dec. 26-31, 1959. I am convinced that the gymnastic leaders from around the country have a greater respect for ASO. and its policies and practices now that they know where we stand. I offered them help in their program for next year in practical and basic gymnastic procedures for beginners (novice) and intermediates. I still owe them a letter explaining what we plan to do or what we can do.

I arranged with bro. Kubina to arrange or compose new music for the 1961 Slet. This he has done and I hope that we can find time in our busy schedule of the next few days to hear it.

I gave up my classes at Sokol Slavsky in order to prepare for the convention, but as I mentioned earlier, I got involved in the new Unit program and since I was teaching in Downers Grove, and there was considerable interest there, I was in. It took much of my time to organize, start and teach classes there, but, we were able, with the help of the Chicago area units to put on a good Exhibition Program, at which the Unit was initiated into the ASO. My wife and I were presented Honorary Memberships for our efforts.

I was in Cedar Rapids on Mothers' Day weekend (second year in a row away on that day), there, with sis. Prchal, I helped them make their preparations for the competitions and Slet, visiting the site of the Slet and competitions.

I have worked hard with sis. Prchal and the combined boards of men and women, we feel that we have started the whole organization off on a good start towards a great future. We have made some mistakes, hurt some feelings along the way, for this we are sorry. We fully realize that no one has all the answers. We can arrive at them only by hard work and trying to understand each other. As you study our problems, you will find that there are no magic methods and that each problem must be approached with fresh and open minds.

EDWIN J. HALIK,
Men's Director

REPORT OF THE ASO. DIRECTOR OF WOMEN



Mildred Prchal, Director of Women

My report is for a five year term of office as ASO. Director of Women beginning in July 1955, covering only the activities and progress of girls' and women's classes.

Details of all activities have appeared in the Sokol Americky, and I am recording only results and facts, eliminating all mechanics necessary in fulfilling the various duties of my office; these are the same each of you experience in your Sokol efforts.

During the last day of the 1955 St. Louis Convention, Saturday, June 18, 1955, competitions for Junior Girls and women were held at the Cleveland High School in St. Louis. 101 women and exactly 200 junior girls competed in Championship, High, Intermediate and Low Divisions. Judges' meeting was held in the Sokol St. Louis dining room at 6:30 a.m. Competitions started at 7:30 a.m. and continued until 3:00 p.m. The auditing committee was in the able hands of sis. Betty

Prenner and by 5:00 o'clock all junior girls and women's results were completed. Awards were given that same evening during the banquet held in the Gold Room of the Jefferson Hotel.

Sunday, June 19th, 1955, an exhibition was presented at the Kiel Auditorium. 40 small girls, 233 junior girls, and 274 women participated in calisthenics, hoop drill and calisthenics, respectively. This was one of our best projects; every phase of it smooth and successful. SGUS. was represented by 20 junior girls and 17 women. The hoop drill for junior girls and calisthenics for women were composed by myself.

Monday, June 20th, 42 students were transported from the St. Louis Sokol Hall to the St. Louis Camp for a two-week instructors course. Representation was as follows: Eastern District 8; Western 16; Northeastern 3; Central 11; Southern 4; Northern 1. There were 22 junior girls, 5 junior boys, 8 women and 8 men. The teaching staff consisted of: Bros. Maly, Prihoda, Molcar and myself. Bro. Kudrnovsky, who was to direct the course, did not arrive at the camp and not until then did I find that it was necessary for me to take over his duties. With help from our instructors and sis. Kalkwarf of Crete, Nebraska, and sis. Kveta Smith of Cedar Rapids, the course was conducted to a very successful conclusion.

At the official beginning of my new term in office in August of 1955, I organized a women's committee. In this I was fortunate. The members that I called into this committee were carefully considered and selected on the basis of their past records as gymnasts, instructors, and executive officers in various capacities, but above all only those whose sole interest was in service to the American Sokol cause. Three generations are well represented. The committee was approved by the ASO. Executive Board. Within a short time the women's committee consisted of eleven members: Sis. Z. Tintera, Ass't. Director and Director of Junior Girls, Blanche Kos, 2nd Ass't. Director and Director of Tots, I and II class girls, Ellen Jeanne Schnabl, Secretary, Betty Prenner, Lillian Sramek, Lorraine Zdenek, Ann Halik, Violet McCarthy, Bess Polacek, Sylvia Freiberg and myself.

The program remained the same as during my two year term as Assistant Director preceding the St. Louis Convention, that is, continuing to concentrate on:

1. Strong efforts toward revitalizing and strengthening Junior Girls classes.
2. Recommending the organization of Tots classes.
3. Incorporating the new gymnastics trend in class work for Junior Girls and Women.

Perhaps the most challenging problem was the drastic change in women's gymnastics; this tied in with our efforts to revitalize Junior Girls and Women's classes by giving them more than they could receive in school gymnasiums or elsewhere. This new trend was also apparent in the 1948 Sokol Slet calisthenics for women in Praha. Having had extensive experience in the ballet and acrobatic field I recognized that the foundation for artistic gymnastics is ballet. The trend was not a surprise to me—for 35 years I had included modified ballet whenever and wherever possible in

women's work. This was actually started by the late Joseph Cermak who personally asked me to amplify on his work with the background I had. It was in accord with Dr. M. Tyrs' system of progressive gymnastics. With these goals in mind, I began my work.

In August 1955, I taught for one week for the joint SGUS. and Czech course in Boonton, N. J. Of the 50 students, 16 were from the Eastern District. I composed, stenciled and distributed much of the teaching material to 95 students who attended the St. Louis and Boonton courses. Later in 1955, I taught for two weekends for the SGUS. course at Potters Lake, Wisconsin.

I compiled, stenciled, illustrated and sent Physical Fitness Tests to all units in October.

Bulletins of 4 and some 5 pages consisting of games and material for class hours were compiled, stenciled and sent to all units on six occasions.

A committee was selected to gather all Besedy for me for translation into English. I translated the Czech, Moravian and Silesian Besedy. The Czech and Silesian have not been printed as yet. Bro. Bednar asked my permission to print the English translation of the Moravian Beseda with music in his next "Sokol Instructor"; this I gave him. This Beseda is also on sale at the Executive Office and copies were distributed gratis in some courses.

In the Fall of 1955 I requested and received seven copies of the 1956 Olympic exercises for women from bro. Hardy of New York and Erna Wachtel of Chicago. Erna had charge of the Olympic tryouts. She is an authority on women's gymnastics, an excellent gymnast herself and was of great assistance to us. These exercises I sent, unofficially, to seven Sokol women gymnasts in Baltimore, Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago. Two of these, Gail Stribrny of Sokol Tyrs, Cleveland, and Blanche Kos of Sokol Tabor, Berwyn, participated in the Olympic tryouts in February held in Chicago, for which I judged and they later participated in the Penn State Olympic Trials. Blanche Kos attained the Olympic Finals but had to withdraw because of injury.

1956

I participated in a Sokol broadcast on the Czech Radio Hour with sis. Betty Prenner, bro. O. Kudrnovsky and bro. J. Kriz.

Bro. Kudrnovsky and I attended the Northeastern District Executive Committee and District Instructors committee meetings in January. In the spring of 1956 I taught the Československá Beseda for Sokol Cedar Rapids which they later performed during the Cedar Rapids Centennial.

April 25, 26, and 27, I attended the Penn State Olympic Trials unofficially and wrote a report for the May issue of Sokol Americký.

In May I judged for the National AAU. competitions held in Chicago.

August 25th and 26th, the whole Women's Board attended the Conference of District Directors held at Sokol Slavskv. Business of this conference was chiefly about the 1957 Slet. Minutes are printed in the December 1956 Sokol Americký.

September 28 sis. Kos and I acted as hosts to the Swedish Sofia Girls and their coaches during their stay in Chicago for the presentation of their gymnastic work and folk dances.

The women's calisthenics composed by myself for the 1957 Slet were sent to districts in October. Sis. Z. Tintera composed apparatus exercises and Junior Girl calisthenics. I wrote and cut stencils for the women's calisthenics.

October 21st bro. Joseph Regner, sis. Tintera and I conducted a practice hour in Racine, Wisconsin, for members of Sokol Milwaukee and Racine.

Visited the St. Louis Sokol and later Cedar Rapids with sis. Z. Tintera to teach calisthenics for the 1957 Slet.

Physical Fitness Tests were compiled, stenciled and mailed to all units by myself. Sis. Lil Sramek and Zdenka Tintera computed all scores and awards were later sent to all participating units.

During October, I was very busy also with assisting in preparing Sokol Tabor's 90th Anniversary program.

In December, upon request, I started an artistic gymnastics class for the Central District—this was held each Saturday morning in the Sokol Berwyn gymnasium and continued for four months.

1957

All of our activities and meetings were directed toward this year's Sokol Slet. May 26th attended a meeting of the American Sokol Federation where I was elected Women's Director of the Federation.

June 28th and 29th, 109 women and 263 junior girls competed in Low, Intermediate, High and Championship Divisions at the Sterling Morton High School gymnasium. The type and execution of exercises were already noticeably different. Flowing calisthenics movements, acrobatics and dance were harmoniously combined in calisthenics. Feats of strength were kept at a minimum. Fine discipline and smooth procedure prevailed throughout the competitions. The increase in quality and quantity of junior girls was very obvious. Their number in competitions was exactly double of that in the 1953 slet competitions. Sis. Betty Prener's efficient committee again speedily and precisely tabulated scores and typed results in record time. Several members of the auditing committee also assisted the men in auditing their scores. All typing for men and women was done by sis. Blanche Mrazek. A combined banquet and Victory Dance was held at Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs. This arrangement has never been successful. The two projects are widely divergent and should always be separate.

Sunday a.m. rehearsals were held at the Sterling Morton Stadium. These were smooth and good. All units were especially well prepared and trained. The junior girls calisthenics were well taught considering the intricate patterns and changes of formations. Sis. Tintera worked very hard to make this number successful—it was the first time a mass number was done in groups of 40 and the instructors deserved congratulations for their efforts. Details of the Slet were given in the August 1957 Sokol Americký. 910 little girls, junior girls

and women participated. Altogether there were 1,512 gymnasts including members of SGUS. Generally the slet was a success. However, in my opinion the program was too long and the mass number for men and women should have been last. Surprisingly, there were no heat casualties, although most of the participants were not sheltered from the sun during the entire program.

July 1st, 69 students were transported by bus to Potters Lake, Wisconsin, for the 3-week ASO. course. Attendance: Eastern District 21; Northeastern 5, Central 16; Western 10; Northern 2; Southern 8; Pacific 7; and 2 more students who attended for a few days. 31 of this group were junior girls. Instructors: bros. Jarka Jelinek, Edwin Halik, Jerry Milan and I — ass't. instructors; lecturers: sis. Zdenka Tintera, Tillie Prince, Norma Zabka, bros. James Cihak and C. M. Prchal.

Administrative work was in the hands of sis. Blanche Cihak. It could not have been more efficiently handled. From the huge gathering before Sokol Chicago which we did not expect and necessitated calling extra chartered buses to the end of the course, sis. Cihak did all in her power to help make the course a success. I was notified two weeks before the course that bro. Kudrnovsky could not be present again as director of the course. This information came at a time when competition and slet preparations were at the highest peak. Fortunately, bro. Jelinek, our honorary director, assisted me in planning the whole course program and sis. Jelinek prepared all charts. The success which our IX Slet met with continued throughout the course period. It was one of the biggest and most successful ever conducted by the ASO. The intelligence, enthusiasm and discipline among the students was remarkable. Bro. Cihak in his article said "There seemed to be no limit to what these young minds could hold." Many of these students are instructors or assistants at the present time.

In November of 1957, upon the resignation of bro. Kudrnovsky as Director of Men and Editor of the "Hlidka" in the Sokol Americký, I started editing the technical section.

1958

January 1st and February 1st, I attended meetings of the American Sokol Federation Technical Staff and Executive meetings respectively. April 1st upon invitation from bro. Edwin Halik, I attended the Illinois Physical Education Ass'n. Conferences and demonstrations by grade school, high school and college physical education instructors. April 16th, attended the Midwest Gymnastic Ass'n. meeting for preparations for the April 19th M.G.A. and Central AAU. meet at Loyola Park in Chicago. Sis. J. Krizenecky judged with me for the AAU. meet April 19th. Five Sokol Tabor girls competed — 3 received medals.

May 24th and 25th, I attended the 90th Anniversary celebration of Sokol Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

August 1st and 11th attended special meetings for revision of competition rules.

The third week in August I taught at the Crystal Lake, Illinois, Sokol Camp Central District course.

October 18th and 19th a meeting and conference were held at Sokol Chicago for the ASO. Executive Board, District delegates and district directors.

I composed and cut stencils for the 1959 Los Angeles Mid-Slet calisthenics for women and a demonstration of these was presented before the delegates in this meeting. The junior girls calisthenics composed by sis. Zdenka Tintera were also demonstrated.

In December of 1958 I started editing, stenciling and sending the American Sokol Federation "Sokol Gymnast." The reasons for this separate bulletin was for the purpose of providing material to members of both the SGUS. and ASO. squad leaders and instructors. The expenses were to be divided between both organizations. I received no remuneration for my work and the only expense was for paper, stencils, mimeographing and postage. The SGUS. sent their own copies. A staff was appointed to furnish material about various subjects.

July 3rd and 4th—I attended the SGUS. competitions and slet in Cleveland, Ohio. The ASO. was represented as follows: 76 small boys and girls from Cleveland, 111 junior girls, 46 junior boys, 105 women, 58 men, approximately 400. 5 of our districts participated. I taught for 2 weeks at the SGUS. instructors course in Cleveland, Ohio.

November 1958 — Attended the Sokol Tyrs Dedication Ceremonies and Akademie November 8th. November 9th to 16th inclusive, I taught artistic gymnastics for the Northeastern District for 31 hours. Also calisthenics for the L. A. Mid-Slet. Classes were excellent. I must state here that I could not to this day fulfill my obligations to this class to send all material taught. It is my intention with the cessation of my office to put in book form all material for artistic gymnastics for conducting classes in our Sokol Organization.

1959

Czech versions of Junior Girls and women's calisthenics for the Los Angeles Mid-Slet were sent to all districts. The English version of the women's calisthenics were already given in part to the district directors during the October Conference.

I taught the women's calisthenics in the Central District during their nacvicna.

Sis. J. Krizenecky with me worked out exercises for Intermediate Divisions after receiving requests from districts that these be included in the junior girls and women's competitions. Combinations and vaults on the sidehorse for all divisions were also added and all apparatus exercises were evaluated by sis. J. Krizenecky.

The "Sokol Bulletin" for January was mailed together with apparatus exercises.

Bro. Younger of Philadelphia sent me many pages of valuable material compiled during his years as Prof. of Phys. Educ. at the Pa. University. Much of this was published in Sokol Americky and the Sokol Bulletin. I attended the Central District Board of Instructors meeting January 13; also visited the Central District Men's Board of Instructors meeting January 11. Later by request bro. E. Halik and I flew to Omaha to attend a "nacvicna" of the Western District. We corrected calisthenics for junior girls, women and apparatus

exercises. Members were present from Wilber, Crete, Omaha and Cedar Rapids, Iowa. A short meeting was held with bro. Benak, District Director, and other members of the Board of Instructors concerning the Los Angeles Mid-Slet and problems of the Western District. Regular District Board of Instructors meetings were advised for the good of the Western District. Having arrived in Omaha Saturday evening, we had occasion to witness the Sokol Omaha exhibition. Bro. R. Molcar, former Sokol Chicago instructor for many years, was terminating his duties as instructor for Sokol Omaha also after a long period of teaching. The numbers were for the most part his own good compositions and were excellently presented. He was awarded a plaque by the unit for his services and later a farewell party for him was given.

With the April issue of the "Sokol Gymnast" I sent copies of the men's Olympic exercises to those I thought would be interested. These I cut stencils for and sis. Cihak mimeographed them along with the "Sokol Gymnast."

Part of May I assisted with teaching at Sokol Tabor because of an injury bro. Linhart had sustained.

The Los Angeles Mid-Slet in July was our big undertaking for the year. Participating in the competitions and calisthenics were: 105 women, 108 junior girls (for the first time in Sokol history the junior girls outnumbered the women if only by 3), and small boys and girls of Los Angeles and a few from other parts of the country. The Los Angeles organizing slet committee had done a splendid job considering the distant contact. Bro. Pokorny made every effort to keep the ASO. Board of Instructors informed about preparations and conditions. Housing was excellent and the cooperation was more than we expected. Great credit is deserved by units and districts for their financial aid in sending participants. I was impressed with the consideration given to the participants, particularly the setting and arrangement for the presentation of awards and the Victory Dance which followed. Bro. C. Palas took upon himself a heroic task of mounting trophies on California redwood and these were beautifully displayed upon the platform.

In August I taught artistic gymnastics by request at the National Gymnastic Clinic in Pond's Palaestrum at Elk Lake, Michigan. While there I attended an intensive course in FIG judging and panel discussions on women's gymnastics. 3 classes were constantly in progress from 9 to 5. At least 3 sets of A-1 apparatus were available at all times. I gave one hour of Sokol calisthenics. More than 50 students were present including university coaches and high school and elementary school physical education teachers. My work was well received. Mr. Charles Pond, Coach at the University of Illinois, asked me to assist him for a few days with the women gymnasts at Urbana, Ill. This I will do this summer.

August 31st to September 5th — I accepted duties to officiate during the **Pan American Games** in Chicago and attended the judges' sessions, women's meetings and later judged in all competitions for women. Among other events I attended opening ceremonies at Lincoln Park, the Lincoln Turner Hall, the symposium where nationally known uni-

versity coaches presented their theories and methods of gymnastics coaching. For my work during the Games I received a Certificate of Merit from Chicago's Mayor Daley.

In August I resigned from editorship of the "Sokol Gymnast" because it was becoming evident that I would have to compile all of my own material; enough cooperation was not forthcoming from the editorial staff. I resumed editing for the Sokol Americký Hlídky, now called "American Sokol Gymnast."

In September I gave a 5-evening course in artistic gymnastics for the Central District.

1960

Compiled and cut stencils for Physical Fitness Tests. Bro. Halik translated the SGUS. calisthenics for women and junior girls which had been accepted for the 1960 activities into Czech. Sis. Ann Halik cut stencils for these and sis. Ellen Schnabl cut stencils for the FIG rules for women. All this was mimeographed by sis. Cihak and distributed to districts by sis. A. Halik and myself.

Visited the AAU. Novice Meet sponsored by the Chicago Sun Times in Chicago. 400 young gymnasts participated. Among these were quite a few from Sokol Tabor and Sokol Slavsky, of the Central District. Tabor won a number of medals and their junior boys placed 1, 2, 3.

I composed and taught two numbers, also prepared a Czech article for Sokol Americký beside the material for the Technical section.

Attended two meetings for Revision of Competition Rules.

Five Sokol women of the Central District including myself officiated as judges Saturday, April 23rd, during AAU. competitions held at the Chicago Navy Pier and during ceremonies in the program Col. Riley, representing Mayor Daley, presented commemorative awards to eight members of the Pan American Chicago Organizing Committee for gymnastics of whom I was one.

During April devoted a number of evenings to dance instruction in two gymnasiums.

A few weeks ago, bro. Halik and I attended a meeting at Cedar Rapids regarding the Western District competitions and exhibition.

Over 500 pieces of correspondence requesting information, material, etc., was taken care of to the best of my ability—I composed and sent many numbers upon request.

Attended meetings of the Executive Committee whenever possible. Sis. Zdenka Tintera, Ass't. Director, represented me on several occasions.

During all undertakings such as our Slets and competitions, the district directors of women have cooperated with me in every respect. Special mention should be given to the reports received from the Eastern District. These have always been very prompt, very constructive and beautifully presented. Both sis. Norman Zabka and Irene Suhrada deserve credit.

Following is the average enrollment of tots, small girls, junior girls, and women for the Fiscal Year of 1959 prepared by sis. Blanche Kos and myself:

AVERAGE ENROLLMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1959 — GIRLS AND WOMEN'S CLASSES

CENTRAL DISTRICT	1075.4
EASTERN DISTRICT	391.7
NORTHERN DISTRICT	65.7
NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT	369.7
PACIFIC DISTRICT	108.1
SOUTHERN DISTRICT	124.5
WESTERN DISTRICT	437.3
	2572.4

FISCAL	FISCAL	Reg. at last
1954	1955	Convention
2008.9	2094.6	2162
		FISCAL
1956-1957	1957-1958	1959
2277	2416.2	2572.4

GAIN OF 563.5 IN ALL CLASSES

The largest average unit enrollment for women's classes is as follows:

Sokol Tyrs, Cleveland, Ohio	187.3
Sokol Tabor, Berwyn, Illinois	169.0
Sokol Cedar Rapids, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	164.5

The Central District has made the biggest progress within the last two years. With the new West Suburban Sokol recently installed into the organization, its enrollment should be much higher for the 1960 fiscal year. I want to congratulate sis. Lorraine Zdenek, District Director, and co-workers for their splendid work.

My activities in other organizations have always been for the purpose of gaining as much knowledge for the good of the Sokol as possible. Nowhere have I found a more democratic spirit of dealing with each other than in our organization. There are however outside elements always ready to disrupt or take advantage of situations for their own gains. These are not always easy to detect and these we must guard against.

Whatever constructive service I was able to give to our Sokol Organization was made easier by the staunch support, loyalty and wisdom of the ASO. Women's Board of Instructors. It was a pleasure and privilege to work with all of them and it is my hope that the next director of women will receive equal cooperation.

I want to thank especially sis. Ellen Jeanne Schnabl for her work as Secretary for both Women's meetings and joint meetings of Men and Women, and all her work in technical capacities during my term of office.

Most mimeographing of technical material and bulletins for five years was done by sis. Cihak; also, all requests for information, sometimes requiring time consuming research, were promptly and courteously fulfilled—for this I thank her.

The ASO. Executive Board has always supported any recommendations, suggestions or requests, when they were constructive, and were presented through proper channels and in accord with by-laws constituted by delegates at the convention.

My most sincere thanks and appreciation to bro. Jarka Jelinek, our Honorary Director, for his advice, encouragement and assistance.

Last, but not least, for his patience, and tolerance, I express my gratefulness to bro. Karel Prchal.

To the delegates on this historic occasion, the Women's Board of Instructors extends sisterly greetings.

Let complete success be the result of the IX ASO. Convention deliberations!
Nazdar!

MILADA PRCHAL

James L. Cihak

Educational Director's Report

JANUARY, 1959 — JUNE, 1960



James L. Cihak,
Educational Director

The Educational Committee became an independent body in 1958 after a direct vote by all the Sokol units in ASO. The office of Educational Director for ASO. was entrusted to me.

The first task was the creation of a national Advisory Board to secure the recommendations and experience of individuals who have carried on this work in their units and districts. Many had accepted this office, their advice and comments have been a valuable aid in my work.

A serious attempt has been made throughout the last 18 months to create the National Educational Committee of 8 members as required by the By-laws. Those who had teaching or educational ex-

perience were unable to accept membership for the present. To create a committee by forced means would have been a detriment rather than an asset.

Considerable work has been done by district committees and exceptional work in certain units. Many districts and units have their own publications and are doing fine work in this respect. Even where educators have not been selected as yet, groups are giving lectures, carrying on publicity and re-activating the life of their units.

Patience will have to be the keynote here. To all of you my sincerest thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

The Educational Director's work as an individual includes the following:

1. Publicity Leaflet.
2. 17 Directives to Unit and District Educational Directors.
3. 17 Sets Historical Dates and Commentaries.
4. 40 Articles for Sokol Americký.
5. Edited many smaller articles.
6. Wrote 12 publicity articles for newspapers.
7. Filled many specific requests of individuals, units and districts.
8. Spoke on many occasions at Sokol undertakings and before outside organizations on Sokol, its history and ideals.
9. Aided other officers of the Executive Board to the best of my ability.
10. Participated in T. G. Masaryk, "Champions of Liberty," stamp ceremonies and committee.

I want to most sincerely thank the Secretary, Blanche J. Cihak, who did all the typing, mimeographing and mailing of all the work of the Educational Program.

Nazdar!

James L. Cihak, Educational Director

Zpráva redaktora "Sokola Amerického", br. Jarky Jelínka,

pro IX. sjezd Americké Obce Sokolské.

Bratře předsedo! — Sestry a bratři!

Podávám velmi krátkou zprávu jako redaktor "Sokola Amerického" za období od července 1955 do února 1959, kdy jsem z úřadu odstoupil.

Pokládám si za velikou čest, že jsem byl na posledním sjezdě v St. Louis, Mo. znovuzvolen redaktorem našeho milého časopisu, kterýžto úřad jsem celkem zastával od roku 1950 — tedy celkem 8 a půl roku.

Časopis byl veden, aby prospěl ve všech směrech naší organizaci, aby informoval, poučoval a spájel naše složky i celé bratrstvo.

Náš časopis nikdy nebyl zneužit pro účely, které by poškodily národní nebo sokolské cíle. Neustále byl zvelebován.

Zavedl jsem část česky psanou a část v řeči anglické ve stejném tiskovém rozsahu. Zavedl jsem rubriky a statě časově vhodné.

Před mojim odchodem z redaktorství vydal jsem bohatší první číslo 80. ročníku "Sokola Amerického", v lednu 1959. Uzavřel jsem moji činnost redaktora v únoru téhož roku.

Měl jsem výborné spolupracovníky. Získal jsem zájem autorů a dopisovatelů — sester a bratrů — takže při redigování mnou posledního ročníku v roce 1959 bylo jich již 78, kteří pomáhali budovat náš list. Do části české dopisovalo jich 40 a do části anglické přispívalo 38 bratrů a sester. To byl zájem, který před tím nikdy nebyl dosažen.

Sám, jako redaktor, během tohoto období od posledního sjezdu, napsal jsem sta článků časových, redakčních, povzbuzujících, též v různých staticích, kromě projevů, námětů, výzev a poznámek.

Jaký byl náš časopis "Sokol Americký" a jak byl mnou veden, ponechávám k posouzení Vám všem. Ovšem cítil jsem i nedostatky. To nevzpomínám.

Práci redakční konal jsem rád a s chutí. Snažil jsem se dělat vše, abych prospěl naší věci, naší organizaci a udržoval zájem o Sokol a sokolství u starších i u mladší generace.

V únoru 1959 předal jsem v pořádku a s pokyny k vedení náš časopis redakčnímu kruhu.

Děkuji všem sestrám a bratrům, kteří se mnou jako redaktorem spolupracovali, děkuji všem čtenářům Sokola Amerického a také děkuji Vám mnohým, kteří jste moje snahy podporovali a oceněním mě v práci povzbuzovali.

Našemu časopisu SOKOLU AMERICKÉMU přeji mnoho zdaru!

Všemu SOKOLSTVU pak rozkvět ten největší!

Nazdar!

Jarka Jelínek,

Váš bývalý redaktor Sokola Amerického.

ZPRÁVA STAROSTY AMERICKÉ OBCE SOKOLSKÉ, OD VIII. SJEZDU DO IX. SJEZDU.

Minim, pokud možno stručně osvětlit úřadování starosty AOS. a význačné události. za posledních pět let.

Na všechno, co snad mělo být vykonáno a o co jsem byl žádán, nestačily moje síly. Od jednotlivců i jednot docházely dotazy, pozvání i jiné, jimž jsem hleděl, dle možnosti, vyhovět. Žádné práci jsem se nevyhnul. Nikdy jsem nebyl pouze "čestným" starostou, který by nic nedělal a za něho aby pracovali jiní. Neoddával jsem se také marnému nářku, když něco nešlo, ale zvětšil úsilí a dle možnosti výkonnost. Vždyť dobře vím, že vše, co nám předkové zanechali, čeho jsme dosáhli, získáno bylo prací.

V sobotu, 20. října 1955, dodýchal nadšený pracovník, jednatel naší Obce, bratr Joseph Falta. Rozloučili jsme se s ním tklivě a důstojně v úterý, 1. listopadu. Poslední sjezd zvolil ho znovu do úřadu, i když nebyl přítomen. Ve dny sjezdu byl opeřován a nikdy se již neuzdravil. Před sjezdem v St. Louis, pomáhala mu sestra Bláža Čiháková, jako i jindy, když se navládla práce, kterou se svojí chotí Ančí nezmohl. V jeho nemoci pak Blážu požádal, aby převzala všechny jeho povinnosti a vedla úřadovnu.

Výkonným Výborem byla sestra Čiháková nejprve jmenována co dočasná jednatelka. Nechtěla držet dva úřady, zdráhala se přijmout úřad jednatele. Ale na jednomyslné přání všech členů Výkonného Výboru, vedle úřadu místostarostky, do kterého ji znovu zvolil sjezd, byla také zvolena přes své protesty, jednatelkou-účetní. Jak úřad zastávala ukazuje skutečnost, že když později vzdala se tohoto úřadu, resignace její nepřijata, vřele požádána, aby setrvala a na přímělu všech zůstala. V úřadě nastavovala dny večery, a večery noci. Pomáhala pokud jí síly stačily, všude. Všichni, kdo byli s ní ve styku a kdo sledovali její úřadování ví, že byla jednatelkou pilnou a vzornou. Zdařená práce byla jí radostí. Třeba je z třetí naší generace, je jednou z nejvěrnějších a nejoddanějších

vyznavaček Tyršova učení, prodchnuta pevnou vírou v budoucnost našeho poslání. Za sebe i za všechno bratrstvo nejvřelejší díky. Déle než 26 let jsme spolu ve V.V. a není možno si představit věrnější spolupráci.

Po všechna léta znovu a znovu jsem vyzvedal potřebu výchovy cvičitelů, konáním cvičitelských škol v župách i Obci každým rokem. Nemůžeme si to tajit: nemáme dostatečný počet vychovatelů naší mládeže. Odborné znalosti o zásadách a celkovém cvičebním postupu můžeme poskytnout především v cvičitelských školách. Sokolstvo musí být dobře připraveno odborně, má-li dokonale obstát ve výchově mládeže před druhými, kteří o mládež usilují.

V dětech je naše budoucnost. Ty by měly být naší největší starostí. Kde to pochopili a dle toho napřeli svoje snahy, tam si odchováli větší procento mládeže do členstva. Jen v mládeži je smysl sokolského rozmachu.

Poznal jsem úctyhodné sestry a bratry: lidi čestné, prošlé sokolskou školou, s jemnou rukou pro vedení mladých, bujných duší dorůstajících mládeže, se shovívavou přísností vůči přestupkům a s oteckým porozuměním pro omlouvající okolnosti. Viděl jsem staré harcovníky slzeti a několik stařenek, které se přišly podívat na svá vnoučátka, jak budou cvičit, dojatě pokyvovaly hlavami: Naši vnuci — jen ať se tuží. . . .

Máme dobrou věc, umějme využít doby. Všude se musí zvýšit úsilí o mládež, aby nebylo starostí o budoucnost. Mládež je jádrem, z něhož vyklíčí, věřme, dobrá budoucnost sokolského hnutí.

Nevím, zda jsem vůbec vynechal jedinou schůzi Výkonného Výboru. Dle možnosti navštěvoval jsem i schůze žup a jednot.

Každoročně jsem se účastnil téměř všech veřejných cvičení jednot v Chicagu a předměstích, i v jiných městech. Dále sletu v župě Střední, Západní, Jižní a sletu župy Rakouské ve Vídni. Na mnohých jsem oslovil bratrstvo a jeho hosty.

Účastnil se i jiných podniků: bazary, večírky, večere, divadla, bankety, večery vítězů, absolvoval samostatně přednášky. Přednášel o Sokolstvu pro organizaci Kiwanis, pro legionáře, pro inženýry. Přednášel na dvou školách činovníckých.

Uváděl do úřadu činovníky v jednotách župy Střední a Západní a v župách samotných. Uváděl jsem, co starosta Obce, úředníky i v jiných organizacích.

Uváděl nové členy do sokolských řad v Chicagu i jinde.

Při mnohých příležitostech řídil zpěv.

Jednotám předával jejich prapory.

Pozdravil sjezd ČSA., JČDaP., oba v Chicagu, sjezd ZČBJ. v Detroit, sjezd Polského Sokolstva v Chicagu, sjezd Čsl. Národní Rady Americké v Chicagu a ve Washingtonu, Slet župy Ludevít Štúr STJS.

Ocenil sokolské snahy na oslavách dlouhých let činnosti jednot. 95 let Sokola St. Louis, 90 let Sokola ve Vídni, Sokola Tábor v Berwyn, Ill., Sokola Milwaukee, Wis., Sokola New York, kdy Sokolice New York oslavily svých 75 let. 85 let Plzeňského Sokola v Chicagu a Sokola Omaha. 70 let Sokola Fugner-Tyrš, So. Omaha, Sokola Town of Lake, Sokolic Omaha. 65 let Sokola Chicago, 60 let Sokola Little Ferry a Sokolic Chicago. 50 let Sokola Rozvoj, Chicago, Sokola Ennis, Texas, Sokola Los Angeles a Sokola Moravan, Toledo, Ohio. 45 let Sokola Havlíček-Tyrš, Chicago, a 35 let Sokola Curtis Bay, Md.

V zastoupení Obce účastnil se oslav 100 let města Cedar Rapids, Iowa, osady Cicero a města Berwyn v Illinois, mnohých oslav trvání jiných organizací, kdy a kde toho bylo potřeba a snad ve směr promluvil.

V zájmu Obce vykonal jsem mnohé cesty. Projel, proletěl tisíce a tisíce mil. A na všech místech měl proslovy i přednášky, z nichž mnohé byly otištěny v časopisech.

Učinil jsem více projevů krátkovlnným rozhlasem do Československa, prostřednictvím Voice of America i Radio Free Europe. Některé také sestra Čiháková, některé společně s ní.

Nakreslil jsem plány na přístavbu Sokola Stickney, náčrtky na přístavbu Sokola Tábor, vypracoval návrh na sokolské středisko v Cedar Rapidsích.

Byl jsem přítomen otevření krásné sokolovny Baltimore, Md. a v Dallas, Texas. Předání nové nádherné tělocvičny Sokola Tyrš, v Clevelandu. Při všech učinil projevy. Také byl účasten dedikaci nové budovy ZČBJ. v Cedar Rapidsích.

V Downers Grove, Ill., vytvořena prací organizačního odboru župy Střední nová jednotka Sokol West Suburban. Má všechny podmínky zdárného růstu a uvedl jsem ji do svazku AOS. při její prvním veřejném cvičení, dne 15. května 1960.

Zasluhou bratra Ferdy Vodáka, vrátila se do Obce bývalá jednotka Sokol Fugner v South Chicago, Ill. Uvedli jsme ji společně s oběma místostarosty Obce.

V župě Střední, prací br. Johna Kašpara, vybudována Sokolská kuželkářská liga. Dvakrátě zahájil jsem její sezonu přesným hodem do žlábků. Byl jsem hostem ligy při banketech na uzávěrku sezony.

Se sestrou jednatelkou jsme napsali články, mnohé pozdravy a mnohá prohlášení. Došla velké pozornosti a některá prošla tiskem nejen ve Spojených státech, ale též za hranicemi.

Napsal jsem tolik článků, že sám nemohu udát jejich počet. Pro Sokol Americký, sokolské památníky, časopisy a jiné. Byly doby, kdy jsem si uchoval jejich otisky, ale již dávno ne.

Při III. Pan Amerických hrách, pořádaných v Chicagu, byl jsem členem čestného tělocvičného výboru, přítomen pouze jedné schůzi a přítomen slavnostnímu banketu a oslovil závodníky, členy výboru a hlavního představitele her na rozlučném večírku, konaném 6. září 1959 v Sokole Chicagu.

Náš sokolský rozhlas, reportáž o sokolském našem snažení bratrstvem, i veřejností se vděčně přijímala. Byly žádosti o jeho rozšíření. Za všech pět let bylo velmi málo našich čtvrthodinek, na kterých bych nebyl promluvil. Nejčastěji pak se mnou ředitelka těchto rozhlasů, sestra Čiháková.

Také na televizních programech byli jsme účastní a podávali informace o Sokolstvu.

Staří i mladí nám přišli rychle odcházeti. Zprávy o ukončení jejich života nesou hluboký smutek. Při loučení vzpomínám jejich života, jejich příkladu. Mezi těmi, s kterými jsem se jménem bratrstva loučil, byl mecenáš české Ameriky br. Frank Kubát, nešťastný Jarka Turek, a vynikající sokolský a národní pracovník, čestný člen naší Obce, starý Jarka Košar.

Pravidelně v Den Zdobení hrobů putujeme na Český Národní hřbitov v Chicagu, ku hrobům zesnulých starostů Obce. Odpočívají tam všichni: Jan Šiman, Joseph Plaček, Joseph Čermák. Pokládáme věnce a připomínáme si všechny, kteří v sokolských řadách pracovali, sloužili ideálům, ale již odešli. Od roku 1956 zastavujeme se též u rovu bratra Josepha Falty. A slibujeme, že u věci bratrstva věrně vytrváme. Českými hlavními řečníky v Den Zdobení hrobů za poslední období byli zde sestry Čiháková a Prenerová, br. Prchal, Čihák a Šimaner.

Přijali jsme nový slavnostní kroj pro ženy i muže. Kroj žen byl v rukou komise v čele se sestrou Prenerovou, kroj mužů s br. Šimanerem. Br. Šimaner později resignoval a kroj upravil br. Hank Vydra. Rozhodování trvalo dlouho.

Vím, že se ještě nikdy neukázala životnost sokolské myšlenky krojem a že nejparádnější vojáci nebývají těmi nejlepšími... Sjezd kroje určil. Byly přijaty, nebylo žádných namítek a přece, kolik jich máme? I tuto otázku musí sjezd projednat. Byly doby, kdy nás chodívalo 350, 400 v krojích.

Sokolská župa Rakouská poslala vřelé pozvání na slet svobodného Sokolstva ve Vídni, pořádaný ve dnech 30. června a 1. července 1956. Původně rozhodnuto poslat pozdrav. V následující schůzi bylo pak projednáno pozvání Sokola Paříž na sjezd Svobodného Sokolstva u příležitosti tohoto sletu a připsal, že sjezd, bez účasti AOS., nemůže splnit nádeje v sjezd konané. Tehdy uvážena důležitost obou podniků před veřejností světa i československým lidem v komunismem ujařmené jeho domovině, rozhodnuto vyslat zástupce a řídit zájezd AOS. do Vídne. K tomuto kroku získáno schválení župních starostů a dobrozdání státního departementu Spojených států.

Ve Vídni mimo nás, byli zástupci z Belgie, Švédska, Anglie, Francie, Švýcar, Casablanca v Maroku, sedmi jednot vídeňských, Kanadské Obce Sokolské a Ústřední Čsl. Sokolstva v zahraničí.

AOS. věnovala vídeňským plaketu, kterou jsme jim v neděli, o sletu, se sestrou Čihákovou a br. Frank Kopeckým, starostou župy Západní, slavnostně předali.

Slet byl všestranně zdařilý, o kterém jsem učinil větší projev.

Sjezd, především našim zášahem, vytvořil Svaz Svobodného Sokolstva a AOS. pověřena vedením. Nikdy nezapomenu a nezapomenou druzí chvíli, když oznámil jsem založení Svazu. Všichni přítomní povstali a nekonečným potleskem, se slzami radosti v očích, přijali toto rozhodnutí.

Budiž zde znovu připomenuto: Bez účasti a bez zášahu zástupců AOS., byl by se Svaz neuskutečnil.

Později, na schůzi Svazu v Chicagu byl jsem zvolen starostou, br. Šímaner místostarostou a sestra Čiháková jednatelkou Svazu.

Bez jakýchkoli zájmů hleděli jsme vykonat dílo dobře. Jednáním zástupců Ústřední Československého Sokolstva v zahraničí se nám to nezdařilo; ale nevzdali jsme se naděje.

O cestě do Vídne, spojené s návštěvou Curychu, Oetzu, Mnichova, Frankfurtu, Heidelbergu a Paříže, přednášeli jsme se sestrou Čihákovou ve více jednotách.

Zde v Americe máme být vykladači Tyršova písma, na němž jako na žulovém základu musí být budováno pro šíření a poznání věci sokolské všechno, co může hnutí prohloubit a jemu prospěti. Již před léty založen byl za tím cílem Svaz Amerického Sokolstva, kde jsme na ideovém podkladě spojení se Slovenskou Tělocvičnou Jednotou Sokol. STJS. má svoji úmrtní podporu, ale v sokolství spěje za stejným cílem a je podporou a oporou demokratickému bratrství a poctivému snažení. Svaz zvolil svým starostou starostu AOS., jednatelkou sestru Blážu Čihákovou, náměstkem náčelníka br. Halika, náčelníci sestru Prchalovou. Ani v tomto Svazu nesplněny dané mu úkoly. Nedostává se nám odpovědi na naše dopisy — ale i zde věříme v lepší výsledky.

Již 81. rok dochází Sokol Americký do sokolských domovů. Za ta léta má jiný vzhled, jiný obsah, jiní lidé jsou seskupeni kolem něho — ale stále sleduje stejný cíl: Prospět a sloužit sokolství a národu. Jest nejstarším sokolským časopisem ve světě. Je důkazem a svědectvím poctivé práce.

Na sjezdu v St. Louis jsme znovu zvolili redaktorem bratra Jarku Jelínka. Byl, beze sporu, jedním z nejlepších redaktorů za všechna léta. Když ale jeho zdraví bylo podkopáno, a on z toho důvodu resignoval, převzal jsem redakci s kruhem, ve kterém po třech měsících zůstala se mnou pouze sestra Čiháková. Mnoho pomohl br. Čihák.

Také my snažili jsme se vykládat a šířit ideály bratrství a rovnosti, kterým jsme bližší, než kterákoli sociální organizace, lásky k bližnímu, které jsme bližší, než kterékoli náboženství.

Díky všem, kteří přispívali svými řádky, díky za všechna slova ocenění. Obsah Sokola mluví za něj.

Americké Sokolstvo našlo nového apoštola Tyršova učení mezi americkou mládeží, mezi veřejností. Čtete se zájmem jeho články v Sokole Ame-

rickém, má velikou zásluhu o vydání popisu života dr. Josefa Scheinera, sokolského evangelia "Náš úkol, směr a cíl" a "Základové tělocviku". Víme všichni, že jest jím br. James L. Čihák. Díky jemu. Jsme hrdi na to, že je náš a že s námi v zájmu věci sokolské pracuje.

Jeho prohlášení k mládeži, přijaté na posledním sjezdu, bylo, na naše poměry, nádherným tiskem, ale velmi úsporně, rozmnoženo. Zarámované bylo předáno jednotám. Kopie byla předána také prezidentu a místopresidentu Spojených států a senátorům, bratřím Hruška a Lausche.

Připravil také propagační leták, kterého používají jednoty ve velké míře a nese nejlepší výsledky.

Na počátku roku 1956 připravili bratři a sestry večer na oslavu svých 60 let. Díky za uspořádání, díky za hřejivé projevy. Bylo jich mnoho. Všech si vážím. Odpusťte, že žádnému jsem neděkoval dopisem, ale za všechny jsem, více než slova mohou vyjádřit, vděčen.

V celých dějinách našich lidí ve Spojených státech, největší událostí před světovým forem, bylo vydání známek T. G. Masaryka v rámci "Champions of Liberty," poštovním úřadem Spojených států.

Akt předání známek veřejnosti byl novým vzpružením a posvěcením veškerých našich snah sokolských. Při něm srdce se chvělo, oči slzely, hlavy klonily. Známky mluví k celému světu o oddanosti a věrnosti českých i slovenských lidí ideálům demokracie a svobody. Jenom do země, kterým T. G. M., také s naší pomocí, přinesl touženou svobodu, nesmí.

Ve společném výboru, organizovaném k vydání známek a který byl největším seskupením českých a slovenských sil ve Spojených státech od druhé světové války, byl předsedou zvolen starosta AOS. br. Prchal, náměstkem předsedy sestra Čiháková, která byla pověřena vedením slavnostního banketu ve Washingtonu.

Vím, že jsme vykonali dílo, které je ku cti naší sokolské organizace.

Ku konci děkuji všem, kteří ve V.V. pro dobro AOS. pracovali. A znovu děkuji br. Čihákovi, který mnohokrát pomohl, když byla toho potřeba a znovu a znovu děkuji sestře Bláze Čihákové. Její opravdovost, její oddanost a věrnost ještě po letech ponese výsledky.

Zraky našeho bratrstva, zraky všeho Sokolstva upírají se toužebně k našemu sjezdu. Jeho úkolem je vybudovat citění bratrstva jednotného duchem, spjatého vřelým poutem ideje. Pomozte, aby dny sjezdu přinesly ovoce, z kterého by se radovaly a šťastně žily, celé generace. Aby našim přičiněním vykvetly nové květy, dozrála zlatá žatva.

Sokolstvo zrodilo se z lásky, tuto lásku bude dále šířit, rozsevat z generace na generaci. I dnešní sjezd musí být výrazem mužného přátelství, onoho šlechetného, ba posvátného bratrství, jež v hetairích řeckých vznešeně kvetlo.

Cesta k cíli je jen stálá a vytrvalá práce ustavičně se opravujícího množství pracovníků. Pracovníků, které vede láska k věci. Dejme práci, dejme lásku. Pak ani po 100 letech nepřestane sokolství být tím hnutím, kterým bylo a jakým bylo nám, když jsme ho přijímali s planoucím srdcem.

My odejdeme, to je lidské, ale ideály budou žít dál. Připravme jim nejlepší možnosti, zůstávajíc věrni v práci, věrni v zápase, věrni v utrpení, věrni až do hrobu. . .

Nazdar!

Women's Parade Uniform American Sokol Organization

Having been appointed by the Executive Board of the ASO. in August 1955 to set up a committee for the purpose of designing the Women's Parade Uniform, I promptly proceeded with the formation of this Committee. The members, whom I approached, sis. Kate Danko, Zdenka Tintera, Agnes Trajhan, Hilda Jelinek and Mildred Kuzel, acknowledged their willingness to serve on this committee.

Our first meeting found us unanimously agreed on a one-piece dress as our next uniform, and that the new color of the uniform should be navy blue. We all felt that the style should be youthful and becoming. Here we took into consideration the various age groups who would be ordering the uniform. With the very capable assistance of Kate and Zdenka, we soon had decided on the pattern, and sis. Agnes Trajhan graciously offered to make our first model. This was done.

The uniform, modeled by sis. Anne Halik, was presented to the Executive Board of the ASO., who approved the uniform without change. In order that we have uniformity of color, approval was also given by the Executive Board of the ASO. to purchase one bolt of material, this to be sold to those desiring to order the new uniform. Bro. Jarka Jelinek kindly obtained swatches of material for us. Our selection wool gabardine was made and the order for the bolt of material placed.

As a source of supply to make the uniforms, we secured the services of Mrs. J. Jakl, 2101 S. 49th Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, who is a capable dress-maker.

Our attempts in selecting or designing a hat to be worn with the uniform, were not as successful. We wanted something neat to compliment the costume. Sis. Blanche Cihak suggested the idea of getting something similar to the hats worn by airline hostesses. We succeeded in borrowing several styles and made our selection. After much searching for a source of supply, compatible from a price angle as well, we succeeded in contacting Marcus Rueben, Inc., at 625 S. State Street, Chicago 5, Illinois. This concern was able to duplicate the style of hat we had chosen.

The costume is completed by wearing navy blue shoes and short white cotton gloves.

COST:

UNIFORM—Sewing, furnishing of buttons, buckle, and Sokol monogram is \$12.50. Cost of material \$4.00 per yard 54" width.

HAT—Cost of making the hat is \$6.50 each, plus furnishing of your own material.

The September 1958 issue of Sokol Americký carries a picture as well as a verbal description of the approved Women's Parade Uniform of the ASO. The model in the picture is sis. Blanche Cihak.

At the conference of the ASO. Board of Instructors and District Directors patterns of the uniform were given to each Women's District Director. This was done to enable those women who know how to sew to make their own uniform. We further advised that where weather conditions do not permit of wearing wool comfortable, that cotton or other material be used. The recommendation was also made that each District obtain its own source of supply to fit their immediate circumstances.

As of now we can report that the Central District of the ASO. has 15 women who proudly wear our parade uniform. The uniform, by its simplicity and style creates much attention and admiration whenever worn, and it is our recommendation to this Convention that we retain it for another period.

Further, there is approximately 35½ yards of material, properly wrapped and protected, stored at the Executive Offices of the ASO. This material is there to be purchased by those desiring to make or have made a Women's Parade Uniform.

In closing, my sincere appreciation to those who helped create our Women's Parade Uniform, which I know we all proudly wear.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Prener, Chairman

Report of the Men's Sokol Uniform Committee

To the American Sokol Convention,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Having been elected to the post of chairman of the men's Sokol uniform committee shortly after the 1955 convention at St. Louis, Mo., I had on numerous occasions attempted to set up a uniform committee, but always without success. I, therefore, decided to try to go ahead as a committee of one.

I spent many an hour trying to come up with an idea for a uniform that would be practical, as well as dressy. I also thought of giving the uniform a historical background.

Remembering that the American Sokol was organized while the great Civil War was raging, I had decided to dedicate this uniform to both the "Boys in Blue" of the North and to the "Boys in Gray" of the South.

After numerous sketches and cutting out of paper dolls, I decided on the blue coat and cap and the gray trousers. This idea I submitted to the Executive Committee of the American Sokol, the design and color was unanimously accepted by the ASO. and I was told to go ahead and have a sample uniform made up.

After numerous visits to tailoring shops and uniform companies, I finally contacted bro. Kohout of the Kohout Tailoring Company, who had agreed to make up the sample.

The sample was, more or less, made up in reverse order, for instead of measuring a model for the uniform, bro. Kohout made up a sample and I was compelled to find a model to fit the uniform. I finally located a model at Sokol Slavsky. After modeling the uniform, it was unanimously accepted by the ASO. This, however, did not complete

my work as a cap was still needed, and I was told by bro. Kohout that he does not make them.

After numerous disappointments I contacted the Mid City Uniform Cap Company, who agreed to make up these caps. Five dozen caps were ordered and paid for by the ASO. These caps had to be made from material supplied by Kohout Tailoring Company so as to have the color of the coat and cap, the same. The cap also carries the one remaining item of the old Sokol uniform, the falcon feather, which is supplied by bro. Jarka Jelinek.

This uniform took up a lot of my time, together with a few nights that were spent dreaming of uniforms!

Most of the members of the ASO. have purchased these uniforms, and I sincerely regret that more uniforms are not being purchased by our members. The cost of the complete uniform, including the cap, was approximately \$51.00, at the time. The present cost is unknown to me, but I doubt that any serious increase has taken place since.

My sincere thanks go to sisters Betty Prener, Blanche Cihak and to bro. Charles Prchal, who were always on hand when I needed a little advice or suggestion, without the help of these three members, I may have been compelled to throw in the sponge and call it quits.

My best regards to all sister and brother delegates to the convention!

I regret that my occupation does not permit me, at this time, to be among you. My heart and thoughts are with you.

Nazdar!

Henry Vydra,
Chairman & Committee of one
of the Uniform Committee

Report of the Flag Committee

A committee of three was formed to prepare suggestions so that a standardization would be obtained of the flags used by our entire Sokol organization. This meant preparing suggestions for a Unit, District, American Sokol Organization and Slet flag.

We were successful in getting together several ideas and presented rough sketches on the occasion of our meeting of the Executive Board of the ASO. and the District Presidents held in Chicago in August 1956. At the suggestion of bro. Ben Prevratil, the preliminary sketches presented by the committee for the Unit, District, American Sokol Organization and Slet flags, were taken by him and given to bro. Walter Hosek of Dallas to define the details and to sketch the designs of the flags for further processing. The finished sketches were mailed by bro. Hosek and, upon presentation to the Executive Board of the ASO. were approved in their entirety.

The committee's next step was to find a proper source of supply. Two bids were secured. The bid approved by the Executive Board of the ASO. was that of the Chicago Flag & Decorating Co., 823 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 5, Illinois. All flags were to be double flags, that is two flags sewn back to back, readable correctly on both sides.

The prices submitted were as follows:

Slet Flag	
Size 3' x 5' — made of bunting	\$9.50 ea.
Unit and District Flags	
Size 3' x 5' — made of silk taffeta.....	\$80.00
1 8-foot banner pole, jointed.....	4.90
1 brass spear.....	2.65
Fringe	1.75
Total	\$89.30

American Sokol Organization Flag
Size 3' x 5' — made of silk taffeta.....\$90.00

Lettering appearing thereon:
"Tužme se" — "Pravda Vítězí".

Our official Slet Flag was unfurled for the first time on the occasion of our American Sokol Slet, held in Chicago—June 1957, at the Morton Stadium.

Also, for the first time, the official flag of the American Sokol Organization was carried in the parade which preceded the afternoon performance of the American Sokol Slet. In this same parade, appeared the new flags of our Units and Districts and, in the assembly, presented a beautiful and colorful picture.

As of today, new flags have been purchased by the following:

Units:

Sokol New York, Sokol Belcamp, Sokol Berwyn, Sokol Brookfield, Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs, Sokol Fugner, So. Omaha, Sokol Tabor, Sokol Milwaukee, Sokolice New York, Sokolice Slavske, Sokolice Town of Lake.

Districts:

Central, Eastern, and Southern.

Any unit or district desiring to purchase a new flag may do so by placing their order with our headquarters office.

Our unit and district flags should be used on the following occasions:

1. Unit—district meetings.
2. Annual gymnastic exhibition.
3. American Sokol Slets.
4. Parades.
5. Displayed on special occasions.

We think it proper to include in this report the pertinent do's and don'ts about displaying the Flag of the United States of America with our organization flags. The Flag of the U. S. of America, when carried in a procession with another or other flags, should be either on the marching right (the flag's own right) or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

Displayed with another flag from crossed staffs, U. S. flag should be on its own right with its staff in front of the staff of the other flag.

On a platform, the flag should be at the speaker's right as he faces the audience.

The U. S. flag should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags

of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

Never in any way should any disrespect be shown the flag of the United States of America.

The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are dipped as a mark of honor.

The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it, any mark,

insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture or drawing of any nature.

In conclusion, working on this committee was a pleasure. My sincere thanks to sis. Zdenka Tintera and bro. James Simaner, the other two members of this committee. To the brothers and sisters of our Districts and Units who helped to bring the work on this committee to fruition, my gratitude for their understanding.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Prener, Chairman, Flag Committee

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE IX AMERICAN SOKOL CONVENTION



CHARLES T. KROPEK,
Vice President ASO. and Chairman Resolutions
Committee IX Convention

Hon. Dwight D. Eisenhower
President of the United States
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

The delegates assembled in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, from June 20th to 23rd, 1960, at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention and the thousands of Sokols journeying from all parts of these United States who have presented a manifestation of physical culture and engaged in gymnastic and athletic competitions extend greetings to you.

For the past ninety-five years, the American Sokol Organization has trained the youth of this country to become physically fit and morally sound. You are to be commended for your interest in these activities and for your efforts in informing the people of our nation of the vital importance of physical fitness and moral integrity.

Your constant work to protect our great land, your sincere desire to secure a lasting peace based upon justice and decency, and your unceasing labor to secure mutual understanding and cooperation between the nations of the world, have secured for you, our unqualified admiration and gratitude.

You have had and you shall continue to have our complete support and understanding in the achievement of your goals. Under your leadership the free world has made tremendous strides. His-

tory shall record your efforts and accomplishments. We are happy to inform you that we recognize their great merit now.

May you enjoy the fruits of your labors, for contentment comes to those who know that they have done their best and earned the respect of their fellow man.

Sincerely yours,
IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Mr. Christian A. Herter
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The delegates assembled in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, from June 20, to June 23, 1960, the IX American Sokol Organization Convention, and the thousands of Sokols journeying from all parts of these United States who have presented a manifestation of athletic competition extend greetings to you.

This is the ninety-fifth year of our educational and physical cultural activities on the soil of the United States of America. The Sokol ideals originated in Czechoslovakia in the year of 1862, and subsequently furnished Thomas G. Masaryk with a self disciplined nation, which formed the core of the Czechoslovak Legions which joined and fought with the Allies in World War I to liberate their homeland from the bonds of dictatorship and autocracy.

We now enjoy democracy, breath the air of freedom, and have the opportunity to live a full life. We are aware of the duties and obligations imposed upon us in order to maintain these privileges bequeathed to us. Out of reverence for those who sacrificed so much in the past, and appreciating the efforts of those who are now carrying on the fight to preserve these privileges, we have rededicated ourselves and programmed our Sokol activity in order to preserve these fundamental principles of our American Way of Life.

You have won our admiration for your constant and herculean efforts to safeguard everything that is precious to us. In a critical era, when mankind throughout the world is striving to secure a part of those treasures that we have received in such bounty, you have consistently fought to help achieve these goals.

Sincerely yours,
IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld
Secretary General, United Nations
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The delegates to the IX General Convention of the American Sokol Educational and Physical Culture Organization, the competitors in the gymnastic and athletic competitions that have just been concluded with a mass public demonstration of physical fitness and the thousands of Sokols and their friends who are participating in these events on June 17-23 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, send you their greetings.

We are well aware of the work you are doing. In spite of the setbacks and the critical era through which we are passing it does not require too much imagination to envisage what would have happened in the past 15 years, if the United Nations were non-existent. An impartial history viewing this era in retrospect will certainly designate your work as one of the greatest steps forward in mankind's struggle for a continually better and freer life.

In our Czechoslovak ancestry we had a George of Podebrad, a Jan Amos Comenius and lately a Thomas G. Masaryk; all of whom saw as the only salvation from mankind's bitter wars and misunderstandings, a Federation of Free Nations.

They all specifically stated free nations. For man must be free within his own nation to have a free nation, that in turn can act in unison with others for their future welfare. The glaring events make the news. The battle to fight disease, ignorance, prejudice, intolerance, social and economic injustice day by day, by the brilliant, dedicated people who work under the auspices of the United Nations is little known.

Its affects, however, are becoming visible, and have shown conclusively the road that mankind must travel not only for its mere existence but for the fulfillment of its glorious destiny. You have, Mr. Secretary, our admiration and deepest respect.

Sincerely yours,

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

TO OUR FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

WHEREAS, the American Sokol Organization appreciated the aid and support that it has received from certain Czech Fraternal Benefit Societies, and

WHEREAS, the American Sokol Organization is in need of the continued support of these Fraternal Benefit Societies;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all of the delegates assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on June 22, 1960, by a rising vote of thanks, express their appreciation to WESTERN BOHEMIAN FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION, CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIETY OF AMERICA, SLAVONIC BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF TEXAS, and UNITY OF CZECH LADIES AND

MEN, for their unselfish aid and support given to the American Sokol Organization in its efforts to promulgate the teachings of Fuegner and Tyrs on the American soil.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the above named Fraternal Benefit Societies.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, recent developments, precipitated by the sudden collapse of the Summit Conference in Paris, France, has made it evident that the American democratic Way of Life is in jeopardy; and

WHEREAS, the world situation has become so serious that the free countries of the world have requested the United States of America to play a more active role in safeguarding and continuing the liberty of the free nations; and

WHEREAS, we, as citizens of this great democracy are vitally interested in protecting our freedom and our democratic Way of Life; and

WHEREAS, the only way to protect these precious freedoms, is to strengthen our ties with all other freedom loving people;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all of the delegates assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on June 22, 1960, go on record as being in accord with and approve the United States Government's fight to eradicate the cancer of Communism from the face of the globe.

RESOLUCE O TISKU A ROZHLASU.

Devátý sjezd Americké Obce Sokolské se usnáší na této resoluci:

Americká Obec Sokolská děkuje srdečně a bratrsky všemu krajskému tisku, který podporuje sokolské snahy a pracuje v duchu sokolských ideálů. Krajský tisk stejně jako americké Sokolstvo slouží české věci a otiskováním zpráv o našich slotech, akademiích a veřejných vystoupeních stává se pojítkem mezi všemi jednotami, vzdálenými od sebe na tisíce a tisíce mil. Tisk touto spoluprací s AOS. jen potvrzuje důležitost krajských časopisů a nutnost tento tisk zachovat pro nás i pro budoucí.

Zároveň IX. sjezd AOS. děkuje československému oddělení Radio Free Europe za práci, kterou koná pro Sokolstvo. Jsme si vědomi toho, že prostřednictvím této rozhlasové stanice se sestry a bratři doma ve staré vlasti dovídají o naší práci a jsou tím posilováni ve své věrnosti k sokolské myšlence. Dovídají se pravidelně, že Sokol nezahynul, i když byl ve své mateřské zemi potlačen, ale žije a vrátí se ze svobodných Spojených států zpět do země Tyršovy, Fuegnerovy a Masarykovy, až bude osvobozena od svých utlačovatelů.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Resolution To Our Youth – United States of America

Dear Youth:

Five years have elapsed since we directed our "First Resolution" specifically to you. In your life those five years have brought great changes. Each year in youth is as significant as a decade in maturity. We hope they have been fruitful years, rich in experience, and knowledge gained, producing a firm foundation for an active, useful life.

We value your judgment and feel that the revelations of the past few years will make you realize our motives in insisting upon self-discipline, moral integrity, physical courage and appreciation for spiritual enlightenment. This is a critical period that will test men's souls. Only those will survive it, who are strong in mind and body.

The world is divided roughly into two camps. Those who have no faith in the average individual and feel that his whole life must be dictated, as exemplified by the dictatorships, and those like us, who believe with Lincoln and Masaryk that mankind is perfectly capable of solving its problems as individuals through free discussions and assemblies.

The first require the tacit, unquestioning submission of humanity. We encourage, teach and train each human soul to be aware of its dignity, its rights, its destiny. Slavery of the mind, body and soul must pass out of existence completely before we can expect the next great advance into a more promising future.

This precludes a life of strenuous effort. What has been achieved so far must be jealously but intelligently guarded. The era we are entering will see the eradication of religious and racial bigotry and hatred. We have learned through bitter experience that no man, woman or child can suffer injustice without having it undermine what we consider our sacred rights.

We would be true neither to you nor ourselves if we were to envisage a life of ease, one without effort or stern preparation. You have learned enough through your Sokol training to appreciate the game of life as one of continuous, unyielding effort. You know "It matters not whether you have won or lost, but how you played the game."

We wish you strength, courage and a bountiful life, unmarred by self-recrimination and regrets. That is the Sokol's great legacy to you in a land of liberty and unlimited opportunity.

Nazdar!
AMERICAN SOKOL
ORGANIZATION

Western District Slet Committee
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

WHEREAS, the members of the Western District Slet Committee have expended many hours of tireless efforts in making preparations for our comfort and enjoyment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the delegates assembled at this IX American Sokol Organization Convention express their appreciation for the successful accomplishment of their monumental task of making said preparations for this convention.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of the Committee.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Karel M. Prchal, President
American Sokol Organization

WHEREAS, the American Sokol Organization has been fortunate in having as its president for the past 25 years, Karel M. Prchal, one of the outstanding Sokols of this generation; and

WHEREAS, Karel M. Prchal has conducted the office of president of the American Sokol Organization for the past 25 years in a very efficient manner;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the delegates assembled at this IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising vote of thanks, extend their appreciation to Karel M. Prchal for his excellent conduct of the office of President of the American Sokol Organization for the past 25 years.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Mrs. Blanche J. Cihak, Secretary
American Sokol Organization

WHEREAS, many Sokol members have contributed much of their time and effort in order to have the American Sokol Organization achieve its goals; and

WHEREAS, a few Sokol members have expended much more time and effort than their respective offices and positions called for; and

WHEREAS, one of such few Sokol members may be found in the personage of Blanche J. Cihak, who has undertaken the additional duties of serving on the Thomas G. Masaryk Commemorative Stamp Committee, and of conducting the Sokol excursions to Mexico in the year of 1955, to Vienna, Austria, in the year of 1956 and to Los Angeles, California, in the year of 1959, and of aiding other officers of the Executive Board of the American Sokol Organization when called upon.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in recognition of the time and effort expended by Blanche J. Cihak, above and beyond the call of her duties, the delegates assembled at this IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising vote of thanks, express their appreciation to Blanche J. Cihak for her meritorious service rendered to the American Sokol Organization.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

Hon. James J. Meaghan
Mayor of the City of Cedar Rapids
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The delegates assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, from June 18 to June 23, 1960, and the thousands of Sokols journeying from all parts of these United States to participate in the Western District Festival Gymnastic Exhibition, extend our greetings and best wishes to you.

We take this opportunity of thanking you and the people of this great metropolis, nestled on the banks of the Cedar River, for the many courtesies and kindness extended to us.

We shall take home with us fond memories of our enjoyable stay in your fair city, and it is our sincere hope that you and the people of Cedar Rapids will continue to understand, and render active co-operation in our valuable and worthwhile civic program of Sokol activities in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Sincerely yours,
IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, the main purpose of the American Sokol Organization is to provide for the physical and moral training of its members and their children in accordance with the Sokol principles of Dr. Miroslav Tyrs, and

WHEREAS, Edwin J. Halik, for the past two and one-half years, as Director of Men of the American Sokol Organization Board of Instructors, has conducted a realistic and practical training program for our youth in such activities, and has supplied the American Sokol Organization with leadership in matters of a technical nature, and

WHEREAS, due to Edwin J. Halik's promotion of a physical fitness program in which we have had the benefit of his teaching, we are better able to meet the daily demands of life, and to fulfill our obligations to our community and our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in recognition of Edwin J. Halik's devotion and extra effort, expended in the conduct of his office as Director of Men of the American Sokol Organization Board of Instructors, above and beyond the call of his duties, the delegates, assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising vote of thanks express their appreciation to Edwin J. Halik for his outstanding work.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, the main purpose of the American Sokol Organization is to provide for the physical and moral training of its members and their children in accordance with the Sokol principles of Dr. Miroslav Tyrs, and

WHEREAS, Mildred Prchal, for the past five years, as Director of Women of the American Sokol Organization Board of Instructors, has conducted a realistic and practical training program for our youth in such activities, and has supplied the American Sokol Organization with leadership in matters of a technical nature, and

WHEREAS, due to Mildred Prchal's promotion of a physical fitness program in which we have had the benefit of her teaching, we are better able to meet the daily demands of life, and to fulfill our obligations to our community and our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in recognition of Mildred Prchal's devotion and extra effort, expended in the conduct of her office as Director of Women of the American Sokol Organization Board of Instructors, above and beyond the call of her duties, the delegates assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising vote of thanks express their appreciation to Mildred Prchal for her outstanding work.

IX GENERAL CONVENTION
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WHEREAS, the Executive Board of the American Sokol Organization is of the opinion that it is necessary that our Sokol work be extended to embrace and include Americans of Czech descent who are not now participating in the program of the American Sokol Organization,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the American Sokol Organization initiate an intensive and extensive campaign to secure new members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that new communities or locations be surveyed for the possible formation of new Sokol units.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a national campaign be conducted to secure funds to enable the American Sokol Organization to conduct schools, clinics, and workshops for the training of our future Sokol leaders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that our Sokol work be given more extensive publicity so that the general public may be apprized of our program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the American Sokol Organization is hereby directed to carry out the above program.

WHEREAS, the delegates assembled at this IX American Sokol Organization Convention have been very fortunate in having John Tichy preside as Chairman of this convention, and

WHEREAS, said John Tichy has conducted the sessions of this convention in a proficient and able manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the delegates assembled at the IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising vote of thanks, extend their appreciation to John Tichy for the excellent services he has rendered as Chairman of this Convention.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
TO THE OFFICERS OF THE
IX AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION
CONVENTION**

RESOLVED, that the delegates assembled at this IX American Sokol Organization Convention, by a rising votes of thanks, extend their appreciation of the work performed by the following Convention officers:

Bretislav Vanek	— Vice Chairman
Ben Prevratil	— Vice Chairman
Anthony Suster	— Vice Chairman
Mathew Neumann	— Vice Chairman
Emilie Welcl	— Secretary
Barbara Nemecek	— Secretary
Anton Benesh	— Secretary
George Spanek	— Secretary
Frank J. Vodrazka	— Sergeant-at-arms
Ann Falta	— Sergeant-at-arms

**IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the American Sokol movement was organized in St. Louis, Missouri, on February 14, 1865; and

WHEREAS, the Centennial Anniversary of the American Sokol movement will be observed in the year of 1965; and

WHEREAS, Sokol St. Louis will be celebrating its Centennial Anniversary in the year of 1965 also;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the American Sokol Organization, jointly with Sokol St. Louis, in observance of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Sokol movement in America, and in observance of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Sokol St. Louis, undertake and sponsor a program in St. Louis, Missouri, in the year of 1965 to commemorate this festive occasion, and Sokols from all sections of the United States are urged to take part in a pilgrimage to the birthplace of the American Sokol movement at that time.

**IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION**

ALL RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY:

**IX GENERAL CONVENTION
AMERICAN SOKOL ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Charles T. Kropik

Chairman, Resolutions Committee

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Karel Zahradnicek	John Reiner
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Joseph Libor	Stanley Krenek, Jr.
Omaha, Nebraska	Ft. Worth, Texas

William D. DeLancey, Fresno, Calif.

MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT DIRECTORS MEETING WITH THE ASO. DIRECTORS

FIRST SESSION — June 19, 1960 - 7:20 P.M.

Meeting called to order by bro. Halik. Minutes of the last conference were not read, with the approval of the delegation.

ATTENDANCE: Bro. Halik, sis. Prchal, all directors of the seven districts. Guests: Brothers Prchal, Cihak, Kos, Jirousek, Simaner, sisters Smith and Sima.

The delegation stood in a moment of silence in the memory of brothers V. Benak and Sazama.

Guests brothers Prchal, Cihak and Kos spoke briefly words of greeting to this body.

ACTIVITY REPORTS:

Bro. Halik and sister Prchal asked that the directors read, at their leisure, the prepared reports of the Directors of ASO., which would be read in Monday's General Session.

Activity reports were given by all seven districts. AGENDA:

Bro. Capek made a motion that all points of the agenda be discussed in open sessions eliminating the use of committees. Bro. Pokorny seconded. Unanimously passed.

Bro. Capek made a motion for separate meetings of the men and women be held immediately following the close of this session and that the agenda be started on Monday. Seconded by bro. Milan. Passed.

Bro. Capek recommended that the changes in By-Laws, as made by the ASO. Board of Instructors, be accepted as made. Passed.

TEACHING AIDS:

Bro. Halik distributed portfolios of teaching aids and other pertinent information to the District Directors and members of the ASO. Board of Instructors, with the statement that additional portfolios would be made available on request.

Sis. Buzicky moved to adjourn the session. Seconded by bro. Capek. Passed. Meeting adjourned 9:20 P.M.

SECOND SESSION — June 20, 1960 - 1:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by bro. Halik in the presence of bros. Carr, Capek, Verner, Milan, Chab, Pokorny, Galik; sisters Prchal, Suhrada, Buzicky, Hulac, Laznovsky, Hantl, Palas, Zdenek. Guests: A. Halik, Wimmer, Schnabl, Prener, Smith, Tintera, Jirousek, Dibelka, R. Barcal, S. Barcal, Vrba.

With regard to the recommendation of the Women Directors and ASO. Board of Instructors on the SGUS.-ASO. calisthenics, after a lengthy discussion, bro. Capek made a motion that the ASO. Board of Instructors contact the SGUS. Board of Instructors regarding the standards of work in calisthenics and collaborate with the board to set up a mutual set of standards. In addition, new calisthenics should be made over a longer period of time than annually. Bro. Milan seconded. Passed by vote of 11 pro, 0 con, 3 not voting.

Bro. Carr made a motion that visitors should be allowed to speak upon request. Bro. Chab seconded. Passed.

There was a discussion regarding several other points brought up by the Women's meeting of Sunday night and it was decided to relegate these items to their respective places in the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

THIRD SESSION — June 20, 1960 - 9:55 P.M.

Bro. Halik called the meeting to order in the presence of all directors of the seven districts, sis. Prchal, members of ASO. Board of Instructors and guests.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:

BUDGET: Bro. Halik explained the budget as worked out by the committee. Bro. Capek moved that this conference accept the recommendation of the budget for approval to submit to the Convention Budget Committee. Bro. Verner seconded. Vote: 12 pro, 0 con, 2 absent.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS:

APPARATUS: The Women Directors request, on the recommendation of the ASO. Women's Board of Instructors, that a new piece of equipment be added to our apparatus. This is a beam of medium height, to be made of specifications comparable to high beam, halfway between the floor and the height of the high beam. This was approved and Bro. Halik requested the women to set up a committee to work out in detail the specifications.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS:

BY-LAWS: Pg. 5 under i — strike "and organization."

Pg. 2—Purpose of Conference. 3rd line, to select competent representative to the AAU. and other non-Sokol organizations.

Recommendation of the Men's Board to strike pg. 4 item i and put under Conference pg. 2 "and an alternate be selected from the nearest district to where the AAU. Convention is being held."

Bro. Capek moves that these changes be accepted. Bro. Milan seconds. Vote: 12 pro, 0 con — 1 no vote.

Sister Palas makes a motion to reconsider the action taken on previous motion. Seconded by sis. Hantl. 7 pro — 5 con — 1 no vote.

SALARIED INSTRUCTOR: insert the word "basically" after teach. Bro. Pokorny made a motion to accept. Sis. Hantl seconded. Unanimously passed.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Competition Rules: pg. 2, Rule 18. Change: all protests must be submitted verbally and acted upon and a decision rendered immediately. This must be followed up by the actual protest in writing. Bro. Carr made a motion that this be accepted. Bro. Milan seconded. Unanimous.

Bro. Carr made a motion that the tenure of the Board of Appeals be for the duration of the competition. Sis. Zdenek seconded. Unanimous.

In Green Book: pg. 2, Art. 6, first line "3 points for less than 1/2 of the exercise."

Pg. 1, bro. Milan made a motion to accept the change sent in April, 1959, on white sheet. Sis. Hantl seconded. Unanimous.

A.A.U. DELEGATE:

A lengthy discussion regarding the recent controversy in the appointment of bro. Fina as delegate to the A.A.U. ensued. At the close of this discussion, bro. Carr made a motion that the directors

give a vote of confidence to bro. Fina and ask him to continue. Sis. Hantl seconded. Vote 11 pro — 2 con — 1 absent.

Bro. Carr made a motion that when the conference falls in a convention year, the committee of Directors and ASO. Board of Instructors serve in lieu of the conference. Sis. Hantl seconded. Vote 10 pro — 3 con.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 A.M.

FOURTH SESSION — June 21, 1960 - 9:30 A.M.

Meeting called to order by bro. Halik with all District Directors, members of the ASO. Board of Instructors and guests.

COURSES: Sis. Hantl made a motion that the 1961 course will be an advanced school. Should there be requests from districts not having had a beginners' course, beginners' school will be added, with the thought that the advanced school will assist. Sister Buzicky seconded. Passes unanimously.

Special courses for women: It is recommended that there be special courses for women where there will be emphasis placed on women's work.

Length of course: Sister Suhrada made a motion that the course be of three weeks duration, with a two week maximum for beginners' school, both to start concurrently and that in the advanced, registration be accepted for either one, two or three weeks. Sis. Hantl seconded. Passed.

Recommended that the site of the course be left to the discretion of the ASO. Board of Instructors with the addition that they may look into the possibility of non-Sokol camps.

Session dismissed.

FIFTH SESSION — June 21, 1960 - 3:05 P.M.

Bro. Halik called the meeting with all directors, members of the ASO. Board of Instructors and guests present.

Minutes of the first three sessions read and approved.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

Article 2. Insert note: minimum age for competition for first class boys and girls shall be seven (7) years. Bro. Galik made a motion to accept the proposal. Sis. Hantl seconded. Passed.

Recommendation: even though a junior is allowed to remain in the Junior Class after coming of age, he is expected to become a regular member of the organization, according to the By-Laws, Art. 55, sect. 1. Motion made to accept by sis. Zdenek, seconded by bro. Capek. Passed.

Bro. Verner made a motion that there be a special event in calisthenic competition by units of the Slet prostrna. Seconded by bro. Pokorny, passed.

Recommendation to have another division of competition between the low and intermediate for women and for men at older level. Bro. Barcal suggests that over the next five years, these new concepts be tried to determine success.

Bro. Capek made a motion that the national level try the veterans' division for men and women, insert a division above the caliber of low and below the caliber of intermediate. Sis. Suhrada seconded. Passed.

Entry fees: Bro. Capek made a motion that an entry fee of 50c per person and \$1.00 per team

be made for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of awards. Bro. Carr seconded. Passed.

Bro. Capek made a motion not to add sports to competition for 1961 but to limit these to gymnastics and wherever possible to conduct such sports as show an interest.

All changes of tournament rules accepted.
Adjourned.

SIXTH SESSION — June 21, 1960 - 7:40 P.M.

Meeting opened by bro. Barcal in the absence of bro. Halik who was excused for the meeting of the By-Law Committee.

Request by bro. Pokorny that these minutes be later mailed to each director.

STANDARDIZATION OF TROPHIES: Bro. Capek made a motion that there be medals of the same design for juniors and seniors, with larger size medals for the seniors and trophies for championship of both division. Bro. Pokorny seconded. Passed. The proportion of awards to be left to the discretion of the ASO. Board of Instructors, team trophies to be graduated in size according to the division, three per division. Designs to be submitted.

TESTING PROGRAM:

Physical Fitness: Bro. Capek made a motion to include with those we have, additional exercises from all other departments to enlarge the physical fitness to embrace an entire year's work, showing ability at the first of the season to the improvement at the end of the season. Bro. Milan seconded. Passed.

Results: Sis. Zdenek made a motion that the districts compute their own results and mark places and send to the ASO. Board of Instructors for awarding. Seconded by bro. Milan. Passed unanimously.

Awards: Bro. Milan made a motion to keep the same card which is now the award on a graduated classification of physical fitness. Sis. Hantl seconded. Passed.

SLETS AND EXHIBITIONS:

Bro. Milan made a motion to try once again to run a Svaz Slet, responsibility to fall completely to the ASO. Board of Instructors in 1961, with the probability that in 1962, the SGUS. will also run a Svaz Slet, under the same conditions. Seconded by sis. Suhrada. Passed. Theme of our Slet to be "Salute to the Sokol Centennial."

ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Bro. Capek made a motion to revise the entire system in all levels, including possibilities of sending three month reports. Seconded by bro. Pokorny. Passed.

Bro. Halik reports from the meeting with the By-Law Committee regarding additional changes. All changes discussed and approved, with the request that the change of pg. 6, sect. a, be left as recommended.

TERMINOLOGY: Discussion regarding terminology and points which are on future working schedule. Calisthenics terminology is quite good, is readily worked with; however, apparatus exercise descriptions are too hard to understand.

Marching tactics: Bro. Pokorny made a motion to stay with the Czech and Bednar translations

until such time as revisions are made. Sis. Suhrada seconded. Passed. 12 pro — 2 con.

INSURANCE HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAM: Discussion regarding this program and bro. Capek made a motion to investigate all available plans now in process. Bro. Galik seconded. Passed.

UNIFORMS—Changes:

Girls' uniforms: a change for red shorts instead of the blue, with elastic in the leg.

Women's uniform: long stockings will continue to be omitted from the Obec uniform; however, Units and Districts may use their discretion as to their use in local events.

All high and championship women and girls are instructed to wear acrobatic belts.

Men's uniforms: Gym slippers: black, no specification as to material, rule 13, section d.

Boys' uniforms: jockey shorts dyed navy blue under blue pants, which will be cut on square rather than on the bias.

All changes on uniforms were approved.

Sister Prchal recommends that a letter of thanks for past work be sent to bro. Hardy in the name of the IX Convention Technical Staff. Bro. Verner made this a motion and sis. Hantl seconded. Passed.

Bro. Barcal recommended that teachers and coaches subscribe to any organization which will be helpful in providing teaching aids, etc.

TABULATING: A discussion of the forms and judges slips as devised by bro. Halik. Bro. Capek made a motion to use these with changes discussed. Bro. Pokorny seconded. Passed.

Meeting adjourned 11:40 P.M.

SEVENTH SESSION — June 22, 1960 - 12:00 Noon

Directors of all districts met with bro. Halik and sister Prchal following separate meetings held for reason of elections.

Result of these elections, and recommendation of this Board to the IX ASO. Convention for approval is as follows:

DIRECTOR OF MEN: Bro. Carr nominated for director of men bro. Edwin J. Halik. Bro. Milan seconded the nomination and bro. Halik was unanimously elected.

DIRECTOR OF WOMEN: Sister Mildred Prchal nominated, and on a unanimous decision elected as Director of Women.

FINAL POINT OF BUSINESS:

Disbursement of the proposed budget. After some discussion, bro. Capek made a motion to use the proposal of the ASO. Board of Instructors as a basis and to leave the disbursement of this budget to the ASO. Board of Instructors, which has a full picture of the organization's needs, with a special consideration for the problems of various districts. Bro. Carr seconded. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

This session completes the agenda of the Convention Board of Instructors.

Respectfully submitted,
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The ideal life is in our blood and never will be still. Sad will be the day for any man when he becomes contented with the thoughts he is thinking and the deeds he is doing,—where there is not forever beating at the door of his soul some great desire to do something larger, which he knows that he was meant and made to do.

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WASHINGTON—Tuesday, June 28, 1960—Senator Thomas J. Dodd (D., Conn.) today paid tribute in the Senate to Dr. Milada Horakova, who was executed by the Communists in Czechoslovakia 10 years ago yesterday.

Senator Dodd called Dr. Horakova an "uncompromising idealist." He said that she became a legend to her people and a symbol to free men everywhere.

President of the Women's National Council of Czechoslovakia and a member of the Constitutional Assembly, she resigned all her public offices in protest to the Communists' seizure of Czechoslovakia.

She was arrested for her opposition to the Communist regime and was hanged on June 27, 1950.

In calling Dr. Horakova one of the "noblest women of our time," Senator Dodd also praised her for her heroism in risking her life to aid the underground effort against the Nazis during World

War 2. These activities led to her confinement in Nazi concentration camps for five years.

Senator Dodd said that Dr. Horakova's final words to the Communist court will "live in the minds of free men, forever, together with the words of Nathan Hale and Patrick Henry."

She told the court: "Under the new concept of law we are called traitors. But we still know that if we had freedom of action again we would act no differently than we acted all our lives, truly serving the noble ideals of liberty, democracy, social progress and humanity. That loyalty is now considered treason. We stand here unshaken, while expecting the severest penalty."

"In this most trying moment, it takes strength and the realization that we were not alone in our action, that our cause will not die with our going."

"There are men abroad in the free world who will win our battle and prove that our cause was just. I shall gladly accept this punishment, this sacrifice, knowing that it will strengthen the nation in resisting communism."

It was not possible to publish all the material from the Convention in this issue of Sokol Americký. It will be concluded in the next issue which will reach you early in September.

Nebylo možno umístit v šech sjezdový materiál v tomto dvojčísle Sokola Amerického. Bude uzavřeno v příštím čísle "S.A.", který Vás dojde na počátku měsíce září.

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