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NÁŠ XII. SLET.

Zas přišly naše dny, št'astné dny našeho XII. sletu. Dny, v nichž se tisíce srdcí pojí v bratrské lásce, dny, kdy bezpočtu jednotlivců se rozraduje u veliké události.

V záplavě stranických bojů, v té době, kdy osobní a rasové zášti a nenávisti slaví pravé triumfy — — přichází náš slet, aby ukázal naši mládež, ty zlaté naše děti, které jako jejich otcové a matky jsou vedeny k tomu, aby nezištně a s láskou pracovaly pro svoji vlast. Dá také naději, že mnohé to dítě, které zde bude cvičit, v myšlence sokolské vytrvá, ukáže, že v dětech roste pevný základ těch, kteří ponosou ideály sokolské, obětavost a nadšení dál a dál. Posílí víru v dalším pochodu snah sokolských.

V době, kdy dnes pomalu nikdo zadarmo ve prospěch věci obecné nepřeloží ani stéblo křížem, podá důkaz, že Sokolstvo jest a zůstane stále kádrem lidí, kteří pro svoji vlast, pro úspěch a dobro věci společné obětují svůj volný čas, námahu a píli, a jejichž jedinou odměnou za tuto práci jsou rozradostněné tvářičky dětí, jejich láska a důvěra.

Slet bude na podkladě celé historie amerického Sokolstva projevem touhy po obrození zkázněné síly, zdravoti a mravní ušlechtilosti národa. Vyzdvihne potřebu vytrvalé práce všech, práce po čistém životě veřejném a po vyúčtování s těmi, kdo mravní sílu národa podkopávají a všelidské jeho ideje zeslabují a maří.

Výbor a odbory rozdělily si práci a horlivě dokončují poslední úkoly. V kanceláři je ruch a šum. V tělocvičnách do únavy cvičí členstvo, ženy, dorost i žactvo — nezmarne mládí — aby o závodech, aby o veřejném vystoupení, obstáli. Všechno jest vedeno jedinou vděčnou a čestnou myšlenkou: prospěti sletu, posílit Sokolstvo, posloužit národu.

Zvedáme ušlechtilou myšlenku věčného ruchu a neustávajícího pokroku, k níž sokolství vede. V tom smyslu zdravíme XII. náš slet.

Vítejte nám, drazí, ze všech končin Spojených států a Kanady.

Zdar sokolskému učení! Zdar sokolským ideám! Sletu zdar!

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Calendar of Events

- JULY 4th—SOKOL HAVLICEK-TYRS, Chicago.
Opening of the Camp.
- JULY 4th—SOKOL DETROIT, MICHIGAN.
Cottage Owners Picnic at Sokol Camp.
- JULY 4th—SOKOL NEW YORK, N. Y.
Opening of the Camp.
- JULY 13th—SOKOL DETROIT, MICHIGAN.
Gymnastic Exhibition.
- JULY 13-19—SOKOL ST. PAUL, MINN.
Camp week.
- AUG. 16th—SOKOL DETROIT, MICHIGAN.
Summer Festival.
- AUG. 17th—SOKOL TYRS, CLEVELAND, OHIO.
Picnic — Odd Fellows Farm.
- ANGY 23rd—SOKOL SOUTH OMAHA, NEBR.
Bar-B-Que Beef Dinner. Sokol Park.
- SEPT. 7th—SOKOL BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.
Crab Feast.
- SEPT. 12th—SOKOL SOUTH OMAHA, NEBR.
Chicken/Shrimp Dinner.
- SEPT. 21st—SOKOL SLAVSKY, CICERO, ILL.
Picnic, White Eagle Grove Center, Lyons, Ill.
- OCT. 4th—SOKOL TYRS, CLEVELAND, OHIO.
Celebration of 50th Anniversary. Banquet.
- OCT. 25th—PLZENSKY SOKOL, CHICAGO, ILL.
90th Anniversary at the Midwest Country Club.
- NOV. 8th and 9th—SOKOL DETROIT, MICH.
Bazaar.

THE IMPORTANCE OF FRIENDS

It makes no difference, in looking back five years, how you have dieted or dressed; whether you have been lodged in the first floor or the attic; whether you have had gardens and baths, good cattle and horses, have been carried in a neat equipage, or in a ridiculous truck; these things are forgotten so quickly, and leave no effect. But it counts much whether we have good companions in that time.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Planning A Trip To the Slet? You Should Be!

And you should try to attend or participate in all Slet Activities. This occasion comes only once in four years! Let's make it memorable — for these memories must last for another four years before many of us have a chance to meet old Sokol friends again.

The last of the scheduled Slet Activities is Sokol Berwyn's Bar-B-Q Chicken Dinner and farewell evening at the Sokol Berwyn Hall immediately following the conclusion of the Slet on Sunday afternoon, June 29th.

The menu includes charcoal-broiled chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs. Refreshments and music will round out the evening.

Please make your plans to attend now, and help us plan by letting us know how many will be in your group. Fill in and mail the short questionnaire at the bottom. A minute of your time will help us immensely in planning this event.

Mail the form to:

Bro. Ed Schnabl
2503 S. Harvey Avenue
Berwyn, Illinois 60402

SPECIAL NOTE: Out-of-town Units who are planning to leave for home on Sunday evening will be given prompt service! You will undoubtedly want to stop and eat somewhere. Why not stop at Sokol Berwyn? You will get an excellent meal at reasonable prices and special consideration will be given to feed your group promptly.

Thank you — See you at the Slet!

Nazdar!

George Basta, Chairman June Pros, Secretary

YES, I will attend Sokol Berwyn's
Bar-B-Q Chicken Dinner.

There will be _____ Sokol Members
and Friends in my group.

Signed _____

Sokol _____

Address _____

Address _____

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TO OUR YOUTH — A PHYSICAL FITNESS SALUTE

HOFFMAN STADIUM

2400 So. Home Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 1969 — 2:00 P.M.

PROGRAM

OPENING CEREMONY

Grand Motorcade of the Festival

Fanfare

Grand March of the Sokols and guest organizations

Lighting of the Slet Flame

National Anthems

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome—Bro. George Basta—XII ASO. Slet Chairman

Bro. Joseph Drnec—President, Central District ASO.

Bro. Emil Vacin—Mayor of Berwyn

MANIFESTO

AMERICANA I and II Class Boys and Girls
TOTS CALISTHENICS Central District
GREETINGS Bro. Stanley Barcal — President ASO.
HORSE VAULTING Juniors and Seniors ASO.
CZECHOSLOVAK FOLK DANCES "BESEDA" Sokol, Moravian, Czech
and Slovak Groups

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

GREETINGS Colonel Frank J. Kobes, Jr.
WAMPUS BOARD TUMBLING Central District Children
PENNANTS Central District Juniors Girls and Women
ADDRESS Bro. Roman L. Hruska, U.S. Senator, Nebr.
MASS CALISTHENICS Junior Boys and Girls
APPARATUS — SOKOL GYMNASTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS Juniors and Seniors
GRAND FINALE — ONE FOR ALL—ALL FOR ONE Men and Women

MUSIC ACCOMPANIMENT

Bro. Frank Zakrocky — Conductor

Report on Pacific District Sokol Meeting and 60th and 50th Anniv. Banquet by Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles

The District meeting was called to order by President bro. Salak at 7:30 P.M. on Saturday, April 25th, 1969. Present were bro. Stejskal, Sokol Seattle, bro. John Lorenz, Sokol San Francisco, along with sis. and bro. Spanek, sis. Martha Lysak of Sokol Fresno with bro. Lysak. Bro. Salak and sister Nekuda of Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles, along with other members of Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles.

Reports were given by Unit representatives. Bro. Stejskal reported the purchase of five acres of land by Sokol Seattle. There are no children's classes this year due to the lack of instructors. Also discussed was the one dollar per member Annual Assessment as passed at the last Convention of the ASO.

Bro. John Lorenz reported on the sale of the Sokol building in San Francisco. Sokol classes have been started in San Mateo, a suburb of San Francisco. These classes are now conducted in a rented building which they have an opportunity to buy.

Sis. Lizak reported on the activities of Sokol Fresno and pointed out the difficulties that arise when Sokol classes are conducted in a public school and the lack of control when anyone can come into the class. Also mentioned the possible liability in case of injury to non-Sokol members.

Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles have their own building and conduct classes there. — However, problems arise due to the facilities and layout. On Fridays, groups with different interests all wish to use the building at the same time.

The following were discussed:

1. Future Leaders' Fund and available scholarships.
2. Traveling Instructors' Fund as a result of the one dollar assessments and possible uses.
3. Membership Dues.
4. Necessary additions to By-Laws for the 1970 Convention.
5. Slet in Chicago — June 1969 Efforts will be made by the Units and District to take advantage of the possible use of funds to send students to Instructor Schools and possibly conduct District

schools there to encompass more children.

Sunday, April 26th:

The Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles Anniversary Banquet was held at Sokol Los Angeles with sis. Nekuda and bro. Salak in charge. The attendance was very good — a full house. The food was excellent and the program was appropriate for the occasion. Membership pins and certificates were awarded and a plaque was awarded to sister Nekuda for her many years of devoted effort to the Sokol Organization. Other members on the program were singing and dancing along with two gymnastic numbers. The members and guests were proud of the success of this Anniversary Banquet. Many guest organizations were present.

My most sincere thanks to Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles for being such excellent hosts. May you continue in your fine Sokol work!

On Monday, April 27th, we were greeted at the airport by bro. Spanek and went to the home of bro. and sis. Duffy. In the evening, we attended an informal meeting with some of the officers and members of Sokol San Francisco. The meeting was held in the rented facilities of Sokol San Francisco in the suburb of San Mateo.

It was reported that within the last three months, the classes here have gone to over fifty members taking part. There are enough instructors at the present time and a separate class for children in the Czech language is also being conducted by bro. Spanek.

The building is for sale and Sokol San Francisco has the opportunity to buy. The price is within range. There are two levels with plenty of room to expand. The kitchen bar and hall are modern and clean with many meeting rooms and a good-sized stage.

I believe that Sokol San Francisco will again have their own facilities and continue to fulfill the Sokol obligation.

Thanks again to sis. and bro. Spanek and to sis. and bro. Duffy for being such fine hosts.

Nazdar!

Stanley Barcal,

President, American Sokol Organization

EMILIE WELCL-RUZICKA:

THE MONTH OF THE XII SLET

From 1921 to 1969 which is a span of 48 years, the Greater Chicago Sokols have had the responsibility of conducting the SLET, the highest type of national holiday in the physical fitness movement. Who but the physically fit and morally sound would dare to begin a project involving hundreds of co-workers spread over the United States and Canada.

First, the Board of Instructors starts to plan the program of events and this, at least two years before the actual Slet date is selected. A search is conducted for authors of the mass precision calis-

thenics and hundreds of other tasks await them. Edward Linhart and Lorraine Zdenek, Chief Physical Directors in charge of the Slet this year, are in this month awaiting final registration forms from the many teams and participants and judges. Every member of the Executive Board of American Sokol headed by Stanley Barcal is member of a committee and officers and delegates in the Central District, headed by Joseph Drnec are actively taking part. The Slet committee is directed by the Slet Chairman George Basta and composed of

various working committees each of which has its own chairman, all in all, totalling about 100 members from the units in Greater Chicago. Most of these members are quite active in their own units and gym classes and are also active in the many other clubs and societies organized in the Chicago area. It is said "Give the job to a busy person and it will be done". To go down the line we have as co-chairmen of the Slet Stanley Barcal, James Cihak and Wm Vrba. Betty Prener is recording Secretary. Financial department in the hands of Frank Vodrazka. Publicity: Emily WelclRuzicka and Ann Basta and Jerry Rabas. Housing: Edwin Halik and Bennie Lankas. Management: Joseph Drnec, Banquet: Blanche Cihak, Souvenir Program Book: James Cihak, Sokol Exhibit: Joseph Janecka, all in cooperation with our editor of American Sokol Karel Prchal, co-chairmen of various committees and Board of Instructors. June Pros is in charge of the office and as Slet secretary has been assisted by volunteers in the many tasks and details.

The Slet committee has also, very important members in the District Physical Directors with headquarters in the cities of New York, Cleveland, Los Angeles, Dallas, Omaha, and Minnesota, Kansas circuits. From these areas a great number of gymnasts must be trained, transported, housed and money raised for such a project. The greatest number comes from Chicago area.

All the District and Unit Presidents in above mentioned areas must put forth great effort to cooperate with their physical ed departments months ahead to promote as large a delegation as possible.

As the days before the Slet come closer there is the usual anxiety regarding the weather and last details to attend to. More and more members are drafted into committee jobs of a few hours, orders are placed for food and refreshments, uniforms are put in order, flag bearers are recruited, out-of-town visitors announce their arrival and AWAY WE GO — CHICAGO — and SUBURBS — we are in another SLET and may our gymnastic, physical fitness salute to our youth be the greatest festival we have ever had —

Mother's Day Address by Roderick Gorman for Sokol Tabor

(Continued from last month)

But waving the flags, displaying the flags, bringing gifts to our mothers, these are not enough . . . deep, deep within our hearts we must relive our lives and ask each of himself, "How did I ever repay my mother her love and guidance and understanding? And if the answer is "Yes, I did with love and affection and appreciation and respect," then and only then will Mother's Day have its full beautiful meaning.

In the words of an unknown poem let me conclude:

I have praised many loved ones in my song,
And yet I stand
Before her shrine, to whom all things belong,
With empty hand.

Perhaps the ripening future holds a time
For things unsaid;
Not now; men do not celebrate in rhyme
Their daily bread.

Almost as an afterthought I was asked by brother Prchal to be sure to say at least one or two kind words about fathers and Father's Day . . . and being a father myself and surrounded as I am by a goodly number of fathers and grandfathers I think it best that I do say something good for us forgotten men. We too have our own day . . . Father's Day in June . . . a month after Mother's Day, and James J. O'Reilly, a contemporary essayist, has aptly said:

"Mother's Day is appropriately in May because it is the most beautiful month. Father's Day is appropriately in June because about then he has recovered from April income tax sufficiently to pay for his own gifts that the children charge to him."

Speaking of Fathers and Fatherhood let me recall what one dad said to another:

"I'm no model father. All I'm trying to do is behave so that when people tell my son that he reminds them of me he'll stick out his chest instead of his tongue."

And another writer speaking on the subject of Father-Son said:

"Fathers should not get too discouraged if their sons reject their advice. It will not be wasted; years later the sons will offer it to their sons."

In stressing the role of a mother in the lives of some prominent men I paid due homage to the matriarch of the family. But in passing I would like to point out that many a great man in the annals of history had a humble beginning, a father who was neither wealthy, nor powerful, nor gifted intellectually, yet their sons were able to scale to a high peak of attainment. Thus for instance:

The father of Shakespeare was a wool merchant. — The Emperor Diocletian was the son of a slave. — Abraham Lincoln's father was a poor farmer and laborer. — Cardinal Antonelli's father was an Italian bandit. — The father of Adrian, the ascetic pontiff, was a beggar. — Virgil's father was a porter and for years a slave. — Demosthenes' father was a blacksmith and swordmaker. — Ben Franklin was the son of a soapboiler. — Daniel Webster was the son of a poor farmer. — Christopher Columbus was the son of a weaver. — Sophocles, the Greek poet, was the son of a blacksmith.

So to you fathers gathered here tonight, thinking of the coming Father's Day and the bills you will have to meet then to pay for your children's Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts — don't despair. Though you yourself may not be rolling in affluence, though you yourself have not reached some exalted high position in life, there is a good chance that under your guidance your sons may get there

and when they do let us hope they will remember and acknowledge the role you have played in their growth and reward you with their gratitude and respect and appreciation for all you have done for them . . . and not only on Father's Day but every day of your life and even in their memories when you are gone forever.

EMILIE WELCL-RUZICKA:

THE NEW SOKOL UNIT IN MIAMI A REALITY

The application for a Sokol unit in Miami was presented at the recent meeting of the Executive Board of American Sokol Organization, signed by 87 charter members and including list of temporary officers and instructor's staff. The fee of \$1.00 per signor was paid and the new unit will be placed on the membership roster from July 1, 1969. The officers, pro tem are: George Zednek, President, attorney in Fort Lauderdale. Secretaries, Anežka Jelinek and Dianne Butler; treasurer, Annette Macoun, 436 N. E. 93rd St. Miami, 33138, Fla. — Physical Directors Jan Hartl and Dianne Butler. Several members in instructor's staff for gymnastics, team games, square-dancing, outdoor activities, etc. The question as to which District will receive this unit has not been resolved, as the mileage to New York, Dallas or Chicago is about the same.

The occasion of bringing a new unit into our organization was a stirring one for the Executive Board meeting presided over by Stanley Barcal and especially for sis. Em. Welcl-Ruzicka, Chairman of Organization, who worked from the first days last Winter with Jan and Anna Hertl in

Miami on their idea to have a Sokol unit. Their enthusiasm was contagious and spread quickly throughout the community. In the span of four months the appeal for charter members brought surprising response and a fine instructors' staff was organized, contacts made regarding halls and meeting places, visits to City officials in the field of Physical Education and recreational activities, etc.

In addition to the regular membership there is a Sponsor list composed of members of units in other States who spend the Winter in Miami or are permanent residents in Florida and desire to remain members of their unit. These long-time members, many of whom had been quite active, will bring to the new unit their cooperation and advice, and visit with other Sokols at all occasions.

Plans for a festive installation of the new unit into the Sokol organization are being worked out for late Fall and delegates from all units will be welcome to attend. Further details will be announced later.

To the new Sokol unit — SUCCESS — ZDAR!

ASO. EXECUTIVE BOARD

May 27, 1969

District minutes received and accepted:

Southern District — April 10, 1969

Western District — April 14, 1969

Eastern District — April 18, 1969

Pacific District — April 26, 1969.

Correspondence: Eastern District letter of thanks for visit of sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka, Organization Committee Chairman, to their units. Sokol and Sokolice Los Angeles extend thanks to bro. Stanley and sis. Rose Barcal for their attendance at 50th and 60th anniversary banquet. Southern District invitation to attend Slet in Corpus Christi June 21—22. Sokol Cultural Central Detroit re: reimbursement matter course at Belcamp. Masaryk Mem. Inst. invitation to attend Czechoslovak Day and Slet July 5—6, 1969 at Masaryktown, Toronto. Approved that we be represented. Svaz Sportovců v zahraničí extend invitation to attend their Convention August 30, 31, September 1st, in Masaryktown, Toronto. Bro. J. Rabas will attend and extend our greetings. Invitation to ASO Banquet. Letter of bro. Vincent Kozlik, Sokol Curtis Bay, Md., referred to us by bro. K. Prechal. Situation will be looked into. Letter from Telaviv, Israel — Wyn-gate Physical Fitness Seminar — history of physi-

cal fitness and sports, referred to bro. Cihak and bro. Linhart. Sokol Berwyn information on Bar-B-Q Slet Farewell. Miami, Fla. application of 87 participants to form a new unit — SOKOL MIAMI for membership in ASO, accepted. District pro tem — to be established at later date.

Reports: BOI bro. Ed Linhart reported on request for reimbursement by Sokol Detroit on attendance of 4 Juniors at Sokol School in Belcamp. Expenditure of \$360.00 approved for payment. — Uniform supply matter will be looked into this summer. Bro. E. Milan and sis. M. Prechal are ASO candidates to Olympic Committee. Trophy Committee bro. Kalat, Chairman, has secured for trophies Bee-N-Dee Sports, Inc. Down payment of \$400.00 required—approved. Inventory of men's pants—199 received at ASO office from SMS. Sis. L. Zdenek reported Slet activity — uniform situation. Also filled request for teaching material from San Mateo, Calif.

Editor: bro. Charles Prechal. American Sokol is being printed. Material and articles received late. Good cooperation from printer. Letter from Zdenek Hruban establishment of Czech Chair at University of Chicago postponed until after Slet. Correspondence answered.

Organization Committee: sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka read detailed report of trip through Eastern Dist-

riect. All units are planning for the Slet and attendance of students at the course. Reminder that changes to by-laws must be mailed 90 days prior to Convention. Suggested a 2-hour conference be held Saturday June 28, 1969 for those District and Unit Presidents here attending the Slet. Approved and will hold at Pick-Congress. Vera Hertl of Miami, Fla., approved for attendance at 2-week course — expense of room and board, entry fee, to be borne by the ASO.

Publicity: sis A. Basta. All Slet publicity in full swing.

Financial Secretary: sis. A. Falta read report of receipts and disbursements for April. Special assessment and unit dues unpaid by 2 units in Central District. Units will be contacted by bro. Stanley Barcal. Books ordered from sis. Fattus received. Mrs. Mary Picha donated to us her husband's Sokol uniform which will be put on display at our Sokol Exhibit. Bro. Picha was a member of Sokol Tabor.

Treasurer: bro. F. Vodrazka. Report is identical to that of Financial Secretary. Coupons deposited. Checked certificates of deposit at Savings & Loans. 3-year period is running out, but certificates are self renewable.

Secretary—sis. Agnes Sotka: Chicago Post Office sent check for \$177.62. Berwyn Post Office (second class postage account) advises a sufficient amount to be kept in our account for mailing of our publication. Approved deposit of \$100.00. All requests filled. Sis. A. Falta has helped tremendously. — Ordered Czech Flat for Corpus Christi, per request of sis. Kucera. Sokol Ziska, Dallas ordered 4 plaques. Anne Falta ordered 1,000 Sokol pins. Sis. June Pros, Slet Secretary, mailed Trophy request letters, box seat requests, arranged for typewriters and mimeograph and adding machines. Mailed issue of Bulletin. BOI material completed and committee material completed as requested. Sis. Ellen Jeanne Schnabl: All current work completed. Citation Awards mailed to Omaha. Sis. B. Prener advised bro. F. Vodrazka prepared income tax report, which was typed and mailed. Kept in touch with Office.

Bro. C. Prchal represented the ASO at funeral services for bro. Simon Rokusek. Trip expense approved.

Memorial Day Services at Bohemian National Cemetery will be attended.

President bro S. Barcal reported on trip to Los Angeles — anniversary banquet — also District meeting, unit presidents attended. New Women's Director sis. Marty Lysak. Bro. George Spanek will travel in District for educational purposes. Will conduct own course. Banquet well conducted and attended. San Mateo, Calif. negotiating to purchase new building. Are active gymnastically. Washington, D. C. spent some time with instructors going over calisthenic exercises. Eastern District was happy to have sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka visit them. Sis. Ruzicka, as Chairman of the Organization Committee, thanked bro. Barcal for the work done on the West Coast for this department.

A letter of thanks will be sent to bro. Frank Simpach for the Czech books donated — also mats.

Slet: Chairman bro. George Basta read the minutes of the meeting of the Officers and Committee Chairmen held May 15, 1969. Minutes accepted as read. Little Village had a pet parade. Sokol Havlicek Tyrs participated carrying Slet poster stressing physical fitness. — Admission to Championship competition will be handled by printing 3 x 5 cards (numbered) and which can be mailed. — Czechoslovak Legionnaires, Masarykova Druzina and I. Druzina, will be sent invitations to Slet and assembly. Sis. Ruzicka will write letter. Line-up on Sunday for Parade, try to sell as many tickets as possible. — Mr. and Mrs. Cernan to be invited to the Slet. Sis E. Welcl-Ruzicka will extend invitation. Letter of invitation will be sent by sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka to coaches and physical educ. instructors list as submitted by Paul Fina.

Bro. J. Rabas secured price on 4" ad every Sunday in June and 10 days before the Slet (to run in the Denni Hlasatel) for \$150.00. Weekly Hlasatel should also carry ad. Bro. J. Rabas will arrange. Approved.

To promote sale of tickets letter will be sent to every member of the Central District. — Sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka will attend District meeting and advise them of our decision. Slet Posters are available.

Financial Report ASO. May 1969

INCOME:

Dues	\$1,576.25
Convention Fund	76.00
Special Assessment	429.00
Dividends and interest	724.57
Subscriptions to "American Sokol"	18 00
Resale of jewelry and plaques	129 50
Sokol emblems, belting, decals, postage ...	80.70
Resale of books, manuals	24.50
Refunds	187.12
	\$3,245.64

DISBURSEMENTS:

Administrative Department	
Salaries	\$342.73
F.I.C.A. and F.W.T. for April	133.63
Rental, janitor service, phone, electric	282.81
Maintenance — business machines	50.00
Insurance	90.00
Printing and office supplies	123.71
Travel expense	309.00
	\$1,331 88

Educational Department BOI.

Salaries	\$206.80
F.I.C.A. and F.W.T. for April	55.20
Printing additional copies of "Sokol Gymnast"	27.72
Editor "Sokol Gymnast"	25.00
Office supplies	6.00
Travel expense	50.40
	\$ 371.12

Sokol Publication

Printing "American Sokol" —	
May issue	\$641.77
Editor "American Sokol"	75.00
Deposit in second-class postage	
account	100.00
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	\$ 816.77
Miscellaneous	
XII Slet expense	\$322 91
Special appropriations:	
Northwestern District ASO.	360.00
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	\$ 682.91
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Total Disbursements	\$3,202.68
BALANCE:	
Totals brought forward:	
Western National Bank of Cicero—checking	
account	\$5,575.80
Income — May 1969	3,245.64
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	\$8,821.44
Disbursements — May 1969	3,202.68
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	\$5,618.76

Future Sokol Leaders Fund

Frank Vorel	\$ 25.00
J. J. Novak, in memory of Bro. Simon	
Rokusek	5.00
Joe and Ann Libor, in memory of Bro.	
Simon Rokusek	10.00
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	\$ 40.00
Rebate from Hoyne Savings & Loan Assn....	38.46
Clyde Savings & Loan Assn.—Dividend	120.30
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	\$198.76

(The above contributions are tax exempt.)

Meeting of Slet Officers and Committee Chairmen

May 15, 1969

SCHEDULED PRE-SLET ACTIVITIES REVIEWED

- June 25, 1969** — District Directors meeting — Slet Headquarters 7 p.m. Judges meeting ASO Office 8 p.m. If necessary will separate and hold at Sokol Tabor.
- June 26, 1969** — Junior Competitions. Boys — All divisions. Girls — Low division. Entry fee 50c per person. Volley Ball Tournament. May be a large tournament (15 entries possible). Sock Hop — Sokol Brookfield. Refreshments, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Chips, Pop. Sokol Brookfield will be asked to man stations. BOI decision — Combo or Disc jockey. Price of ticket — \$1.00.
- June 27, 1969** — Senior Competitions. Men's compulsory — decision next BOI meeting. Junior Girls — High Division.

June 28, 1969—Championship Competitions—1 p.m. Admission \$1.00 (Roll tickets will be used) Souvenir stand. Awards and Victory Dance 7:30 p.m. entry. Charge one admission to both: Juniors 75c, Seniors \$1.25. (Main floor set up chairs — instruct competitors to stay on main floor). Musicians will play for dancing after awards are all given. Refreshments light: sandwiches, coffee, bakery.

June 29, 1969 — Advance Ticket Sales Committee. Matter discussed. Sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka volunteer to head and get members; also members of the Slet Committee who are free; and work in cooperation with the Finance Committee.

Decoration: Bunting from CNC and Central District. Management Committee bro. Frank Ruzicka is Co-Chairman, sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka, Secretary. Installation of another phone for 6 weeks approved.

Program vendors — Souvenir vendors. Bro. Vodrazka contacting students of Morton Junior College.

J. A. System will be tested Saturday afternoon.— Speakers permanently set. 2 mikes not enough. 1 mike each needed for Band and podium plus 1 more. Telephone hook-up between podium and Band. Walkie-Talkies to be used for lining up. Bro. Paul Lebloch in charge of entry. Recommendation to BOI to ask bro. George Boucek to assist bro. Lebloch. Recommendation to BOI — bro. Joe Drnec, Pres. of District hosting Slet to welcome all and introduce Mayor of Berwyn. Sportsmen for assembly. Home Avenue will be closed Sunday from 11 a.m. as long as needed. Auxiliary police will be hired to man all of the area and parking facilities. Andy Frain 12 ushers and a captain will be needed.

Banquet: June 27, 1969. Sis. B Cihak reported another article written for American Sokol. 90% of invitations are out. Reservations are coming in. 2 more numbers needed from BOI. Working on obtaining further talent. Invitations sent to units are also for their members. Main table seating 16. Bro. Barcal and Basta will decide seating at main table. While out of town, bro. Madera and Vodrazka will be in charge of Banquet Committee activities.

Secretary: Sis. June Pros. — Typewriters for tabulating requested from Koenig. Will obtain Bulletin typewriter for badges. Burroughs Corp. will lend comptometer and adding machines for both tabulating departments. Mayor of Village of Riverside proclaiming June 29, 1969 as Sokol Day. Senator and Mrs. Roman L. Hruska acknowledge acceptance of invitation to Sokol Day. Otto Vanek sent cost of color film (professional) \$1.180 including all expense of a trip, room and board, film developing and titles and cutting. No artificial lighting for competitions. 1,800' 16mm color. Super 8mm \$780.00 Sokol Plzensky letter of regret re: availability of Camp on Friday. Sokol Beach Motel material will be displayed at Lincoln Federal. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

SOKOL GYMNAST

June 1969

EDITOR—MILDRED PRCHAL

2419 Scoville Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois 60402

A WELCOME AND JOYOUS DEMONSTRATION!

Ours will be a timely and beautiful demonstration!

Hundreds of our Sokol brothers and sisters from the eastern to the western coast, from the Gulf of Mexico to Canada, will join in making this a most profound demonstration of voluntary discipline, physical and moral civilization and national loyalty. A demonstration for the preservation of the best in our way of life and traditions, for the preservation of moral and spiritual leadership so vital for the security of our country during these dangerous times.

A demonstration declaring that the internal unity of the American people remains inviolable. A demonstration for equality, liberty, and justice in the world. A demonstration against the rape of nations and against the motto of the oppressor "Where there is might, there is right!"

In the spirit of Tyrs' idea, "A Healthy Mind in a Healthy Body" we will continue to contribute to the greatness of the United States and its efforts toward the creation of a new and better world!

NAZDAR!

MILDRED PRCHAL

SCHEDULE OF COMPETITIONS AND ACTIVITIES

J. Sterling Morton High School, West Branch
2400 So. Home Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois

Wednesday, June 25, 1969

7:00 p.m.	Meeting of District Directors, Slet Headquarters, 6426 Cermak Rd., Berwyn
	W O M E N
8:00 p.m.	Judges Meeting
	M E N
8:00 p.m.	Judges Meeting

Thursday, June 26, 1969

8:00 a.m.	Low "B" Division Junior Girls	8:00 a.m.	Low Division Junior Boys
10:00 a.m.	Low "A" Division Junior Girls	11:00 a.m.	Intermediate and High Div. Junior Boys

- 1:00 p.m. Intermediate Division
Junior Girls
- 7:00 p.m. Volleyball Tournament
- 7:00 p.m. Volleyball Tournament
- 8:00 p.m. Junior Boys and Girls "SOCK HOP" — Sokol Brookfield
3909 Prairie Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois — \$1.00 admission

Friday, June 27, 1969

- 8:00 a.m. High Division
Junior Girls
- 8:00 a.m. Low Division
Men
- 9:00 a.m. Low Division — Women
- 10:00 a.m. Intermediate and High Div.
Men
- 10:30 a.m. Intermediate Division
Women
- 1:00 p.m. High Division — Women

Morton West Swimming Pool Open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Information for tour, etc. for Juniors available upon request

XII AMERICAN SOKOL SLET BANQUET

6:00 p.m. Cocktails — 7:00 p.m. Dinner — 8:00 p.m. Program
Pick-Congress Hotel — Gold Room — Downtown Chicago

Saturday, June 28, 1969

- 9:00 a.m. Compulsory Championship
Juniors and Seniors
- 9:00 a.m. Compulsory Championship
Seniors
- 2:00 p.m. Optional Championship
Juniors and Seniors
- 2:00 p.m. Optional Championship
Juniors and Seniors

AWARDS AND VICTORY DANCE

7:00 p.m. — Sokol Havlicek-Tyrs — 2619 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago

Sunday, June 29, 1969

XII AMERICAN SOKOL SLET

TO OUR YOUTH — A PHYSICAL FITNESS SALUTE

8:00 a.m. Rehearsal

2:00 p.m. Program

FAREWELL DINNER AND DANCE

Sokol Berwyn — 6445 W. 27th Place, Berwyn, Illinois
Immediately following the Slet Program

WOMEN — MEN AND PHYSICAL DIRECTORS:

On your shoulders falls the burden of the success of our Slet. You must account to your unit for the proper preparation of your classes for the Slet and attendant competitions. Your accountability is to our entire Sokol Organization. See to it, therefore, that all who are capable of exercising will appear in our collective calisthenics, and that this time the largest number will participate — your classes to be present 100%.

If you are a capable Director or Instructor you will achieve this ultimate goal. As the leader in your unit you must be an organizer, technician, and speaker for our Slet so that all members will participate. You must have patience in order to attain the best results. Don't give up at the first set-back.

Your work and your unit will be judged according to the total number of gymnasts present at our Slet. Set as your goal that your unit will be totally represented at the collective calisthenics. See to it that your unit is best. Let that be your aim!

Prepare your contestants well.

Study your Slet instructions thoroughly and follow them.

Contestants and participants should undergo a physical examination.

Practice marching.

See that order and discipline prevail.

Remind your classes to prepare proper uniforms for the competitions and Slet.

Proper care and supervision, particularly to the transportation problem must be given.

JUDGES:

Prepare yourself diligently for the very important office of judge. Realize that your decision appraises several months' training and preparation. Even you, at one time, were competing in these events, therefore, due thought and consideration should be given to the performance before your final conclusion is announced to the contestant. Admit your error and rectify same. Study the Rules of the contest very carefully and learn the exercises which you are to judge. Practice judging of exercises in your own unit. Attend classes which will be held for judges alone.



FRONT ROW:

Bill Kutzstecky, Jerry Schultz.

BACK ROW:

Charles Hlinka, John Cerny,
Charles Schultz, Emil Sipolt,
Jerry Houska.

Central District Volleyball

The 1968 Central District Volleyball Tournament conducted by brother Frank Michalek of Sokol Havlicek Tyrs was held during the month of November. There were two divisions of competition. "A", division with five teams entered representing Sokols Berwyn, Brookfield, Chicago, Havlicek, and Tabor participating in all their games at Sokol Havlicek Tyrs, while "B", division also with five teams entered representing Sokols Brookfield, Havlicek I and Havlicek II, Slavsky, and Stickney played all their games at Sokol Slavsky. The use of only the above mentioned gymnasiums was due to the fact that they were the only two Sokols represented which meet the minimum requirements of having a twenty-six foot ceiling.

Sokol Chicago again after some twenty or more years repeated its performance in winning the Central District "A" division volleyball tournament for 1968. During the many years of their reign other powerful teams such as Berwyn, Havlicek, Slavsky, and Tabor have been in contention, placing a definite threat on the Chicago dynasty but to no avail. For the last three years Sokol Havlicek one of Sokol Chicago's arch rivals in all types of competition for the past half century developed a very strong team that pushed its way into one of the most exciting climactic ends the Chicago team have ever had to face. After losing two out of three games in their first encounter with Sokol Chicago, Sokol Havlicek Tyrs came

back and wiped out Sokol Chicago two games straight (15 to 2 and 15 to 7). In the final nights play of the tournament both Chicago and Havlicek each had one match left. Havlicek almost lost their first game to Brookfield but finally jelled and won two straight. Brookfield surprisingly without their best player made a very good showing. Sokol Tabor lacking one player to make a team of six forfeited their match with Sokol Chicago, but they still played their games out for practice. Surprisingly after losing the first game of the series Sokol Tabor came through and won the last two games. The final championship match between Sokols Chicago and Havlicek lasted approximately one hour and fifteen minutes and was a fight to the finish, the writer can attest to that fact. The

match went the full three games with Chicago taking the first game, Havlicek taking the second which was a deuce game they almost lost. The final game went to the team that seems to thrive on pressure ball games, for it seems under these conditions they play their best. Sokol Chicago emerged victorious.

In the "B", division tournament which consists of newly formed teams and up coming teams it seemed that Sokol Slavsky dominated the tournament. They were undefeated and the only team that threatened them was the Havlicek I team. We salute both the winners and the losers for games well played. The winners can ride on their laurels and the losers must look forward to next year.

Frank H. Michalek

THE SOKOL LEADERSHIP

The development of leadership is one of the most important aims of our Sokol education program. The type of leadership which our program is aiming to produce is based upon unselfish service for the common good rather than the kind which operates at the expense of fellow members. The need for such leadership in and outside of our organization is becoming increasingly high. Let us point out some attributes of the Sokol leadership.

To serve effectively as a leader of children, young people and fellow members the individual must be:

- a) Mature and emotionally adjusted.
- b) He must be a versatile individual with creative interests and resourceful.
- c) He must be well cultivated in the Sokol ideology.
- d) He must have an understanding of the child psychology and group direction.
- e) He must be socially-minded.

Greatness consists not merely in doing the things the world applauds; nor in climbing some starlit height and touching the constellations. Greatness is not in the idle glory of fame, nor in winning elections; and wealth alone cannot make one great.

The truly great lead lonesome lives; they work in the quiet to be true to their ideals, or to their cause. Those who have been through the struggle know what temptations have to be overcome—temptations to shun responsibility, to take one's ease, to follow the broad and easy way of life that leads to self-indulgence—but also to oblivion. The crowd always follows the easy way. The majority, contrary to the common acceptance, is seldom right, and never great.

The truly great are found often in uncon-

It may be said that this is too high standard. The only answer that can be made is that it is a standard which is necessary for the work we want done. What can we hope if our leaders are not capable of judging difficult childhood situations, or if they cannot create new interests in an individual or help those interests grow or broaden, or if they are not capable of imparting the Sokol ideals and principles to their pupils and fellow members?

It is too obvious to need mentioning that successful Sokol work is impossible without competent leadership. We find, nevertheless, that in our organizations there is a great laxity in the choice of Sokol leaders and only limited training. In many of our Sokol units, leaders receive no help whatever, no guidance or supervision by the head officers of the organization.

(From Sokol Americky—June 1947 O.J.K.)

ventional environment, struggling against the inevitable, but true to themselves. Alone, they achieve their purpose. Such are seldom found on the highways of life, but in places, where public acclaim is nil, but where virtue and patience and determination and sacrifice and enthusiasm combine to make life. They are those who in their modest, unostentatious way lead the world in thought and usefulness. They are among the great of the earth. — (Author unknown.)

Sokol Baltimore "Topix"

Anguish of Mind has driven thousands to suicide; Anguish of Body, none. This proves that the Health of the Mind is of far more consequence to our Happiness than the Health of the Body, although both are deserving of much more attention than either of them receives. — Colton.

—tickets at reduced price. Publicity bringing good response.

Souvenir Program Book: Bro J. Cihak. — Material coming in. Following up on advertising; very good results. Material being sent to printer. Advertising going in May 16. Expect to have most in print June 1st. Suggestion — sell Souvenir Program Book at \$1.00. Approved. Will be out for sale on June 15th. All programs must be in by June 10th. \$75.00 ad from N.E. District turned in by Sis. E. Welcl-Ruzicka.

Sokol Exhibit: Bro. Joe Janecka reports — trying to obtain women's Sokol uniform. Requests permission to display busts of Tyrs and Fuegner, also Centennial Stamp picture. Approved. Arranging with Berwyn P. O. special cancellation. Covers and cost split between Sokol and Czech Club. Can be sold at Slet Field. Mr. Faitl will be bro. Janecka's guest at banquet—approved.

Housing Committee: Bro. Ed Halik reported on several hotels. 23 rooms reserved for Omaha at Oak Park Arms. Rooms available Carlton Hotel & Motor Inn (20). Rooms available at Caravan, Plaza, and Shamrock Motels. Eastern, Northeastern and Pacific District staying at the Pick Congress. To date 132 rooms are reserved at Pick Congress. Bulletin going out.

Publicity: English — Sis. Anne Basta. Secured another sign through Mr. Silvers of Cermak Plaza — for weeks ending June 23rd. Letters sent to T.V. stations to use news bit. Sent 2 news items to Back of the Yards Council and Brighton Park News. Asked Mr. Rex Carter about decorating of Cermak Road. Open to suggestions. Recommendations — print up "Welcome Sokols" about 250—300.

Publicity: Czech — Bro. J. Rabas. Reports articles receiving good response. Radio daily announcements by sis. Jaromira Zacek and Karel Vrzal. Article and picture in Berwyn Life sent to Hlasatel. Reported price quoted for advertising in the Cicero, Berwyn, and Stickney Life; also Suburban Life. Approved for 3 issues. Free tickets will be sent to Newspapers. Only official photographers allowed on field. Sun Times, Tribune, Suburban Life letter will be sent offering free passes.

Sis. Welcl-Ruzicka reported interviewed Publicity Editor of the Pick Congress. Also made contact for some T.V. publicity. Texaco Office contacted for free Chicago maps for visitors. Will approach Ceco, Sears, and CTA. Reported on trip and meetings with various units.

Bro. Rabas visited Mr. Goldsborough and thanked him for what he did for us. In discussing the Slet further will talk to Mrs. Schultz and they will have another article about the beginning of June.

Management: Bro. Joe Drnec reports meeting with Morton School Board. Will receive letter from the secretary, Mr. Pecha.

Financial: Bro. Frank Vodrazka. All souvenir items are ordered. The Identification Sets are in. Bumper stickers are in. These will be given away free. These can be sent to the units. Tickets are here. System is set up.

Various stations have been selected, getting tickets out to them. Registration Badge for the Slet will be obtained.

Meeting of the XII ASO. Slet Committee

Held May 29, 1969

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Program Book: Bro James Cihak reported, everything received up to tonight will appear — this includes greetings, articles, ads and programs. The pages will be numbered for easy reference. The book will consist of approximately half written material and half advertising. The Program Book Committee recommends permission be granted to print a supplement which will include any material received after deadline. Permission to print supplement, granted. — I would be very remis as Chairman of this Committee if I failed to again express my thanks to sis. Agnes Sotka, June Pros, Ann Falta, Hattie Vrba, Fonda Gurtler, Irene Ruzicka, Jeanette Berquist, Adeline Lankas, bros. Joe Sotka, Charles Prchal, Jerry Madera and the many members of Sokol Brookfield for their invaluable assistance. The entire project has gone ahead with remarkable elan and a spirit of cooperation rarely experienced.

Financial: Bro. Frank Vodrazka expressed his thanks to sis. Sotka, Pros and Falta for their assistance. The Souvenir items are arriving and order forms have been sent to unit Presidents, Secretaries and Directors. The Money Folds and I—Dent will be imprinted XII ASO. Slet.

Banquet: Bro. Vodrazka reported as sis. Cihak was excused. Trying for 500 people. Request the Units of the Central District be contacted to bring their flags for display. Arranged room for the gymnasts who will be performing. Request a Junior Boy to lead the Pledge. — Sis. Ruzicka suggested busses be chartered to transport people to the banquet, committee felt it was a good idea.

BOI: Bro. Ed Linhart gave a combined report of their meeting; The BOI recommends Mr. Otto Vanek be contacted in regard to the Slet filming, suggest using Super 8mm. Bro. Linhart also suggested taking pictures of the Slet from an airplane. After a long discussion it was decided to use 16mm and to inform Mr. Vanek of this. Bro. Jerry Madera will continue in his capacity as Chairman of Slet filming. Sis. Emilie Ruzicka stated she has obtained information of various tours and this will be published in the next Bulletin. Bro. Smunt suggested public transportation in case the tours do not work out. We would like to stress once more, every unit is to supply adequate chaperones for their juniors. The Optional Championship Competition will be held Saturday afternoon with bro. Paul Fina as Head Judge, bros. Ptacek and Zitny will direct the tournament for men and junior boys — sis. Prchal will be in charge of the competition for championship women and junior girls. The Championship meet will be preceded by fanfare, march, anthems and introduction of gymnasts and judges. All awards will be presented by the ASO Directors.

Publicity: Sis. Ann Basta reported on the various contacts she has made arranging for billboards and continuous contact with the Cermak Road Businessmen's Association, Mr. Rex Carter. Also the contacts made for radio stations.

Bro. Jerry Rabas reported on the Czech publicity: articles have been sent to various news publications. The ad is running in the Hlasatel. Mrs. Baar will give radio time. Bro. Hrebik and sis. Zacek will write articles following the Slet. — Sis. Emily Ruzicka reported on the numerous contacts she has made with various people and organizations. Have attended many meetings and have stressed the importance of their cooperation during the Slet, this includes not only Sokol Units but various Fraternal and Ladies Clubs. Have made contacts for dancers in the Beseda. Made arrangements for maps to be sent to the Sokol Office. Am sending information to various T.V. channels to announce the Slet. Prepared articles for the Sokol American. Suggest publishing request for private rooms which could be rented to visitors from out of town, these would be obtained from people who are willing to rent said rooms.

Management: Bro. Joseph Drnec stated all arrangements will be made at their meeting which will be held Monday, June 2nd.

Housing: Bros. Edwin Halik and Bennie Lankas: All material has been sent out and now it is up to the individual units to make arrangements.

Sokol Exhibit: Bro. Joseph Janecka stated no word has been received from the Post Office re: cancellation. The exhibit will be set up very soon.

Bro. Joseph Drnec invited the visiting Presidents and members of the visiting units to the Central District meeting June 25th.

The Central District is purchasing 2,000 feet of plastic pennants — The BOI was given permission to use the portable rings from the C. D.

Bro. Basta went over the events day by day. Will get in touch with bro. George Boucek re: parade marshal. All committee members are to buy ticket to activities they are not working on.

FROM OUR DISTRICTS

EASTERN DISTRICT

April 18, 1969

Bro. Zraly welcomed Sis. Emily W. Ruzicka, Organization Director of the A.S.O. and Bro. Frank Ruzicka of Sokol Tabor, Berwyn, Illinois and all members and guests.

Correspondence: Minutes of February 25 and March 25 meeting from the ASO. Executive Board.

Minutes of Northeastern and Southern District. Slet Bulletin from the ASO. Executive Board

Invitation to XII American Sokol Slet and Banquet. Newsletters from Units and District.

Report of director of women, Sis. Zabka: Sis. Provoznic conducted a refresher course for instructors. Calendar of events sent to all units. Members interested in dancing the Beseda at Chicago should notify the district. The Eastern District won the trophy at the United Sokols of the East competition. Ginny Belsen won the 2nd prize in the women's low division. Bro. Capek received a few uniforms from the supplier.

Report of director of men, Bro. Capek: Attended March meeting of the United Sokols of the East. Assisted at refresher course on March 23. United Sokols of East competition held at Little Ferry for Sr. men and Jr. boys. Bro. Capek was the only judge from the Eastern District.

Report of educational director, Sis. Misek: Showed slides of Sokol Slet and Exhibitions at Sokol New York's parents night. Sis. Belsen showed slides of the Montreal Slet. Had plates engraved for the volleyball trophy. The Sr. men's trophy was given to Sis. Koval of Sokol New York. The Sr. women's trophy was placed in Sokol Fuegner's cabinet.

Sokolice Little Ferry — A farewell party was given to Bro. and Sis. Kuss who moved to Florida.

Sokol Little Ferry — Three new members installed. Encouraging new members to take part in gym activities. Plan to have a large delegation attended the Chicago Slet in June.

Sokol Washington — Bro. Neumann reported that Sokols Baltimore, Belcamp and Washington are preparing to take part in the Chicago and Boonton Slets. Four men and six women from Sokol Washington will participate in the Chicago Slet.

Sokol Washington has been gaining in membership.

New York Sokol — Bro. Hanak had been elected as President. Undecided on number of participants in the Chicago Slet.

Sokol Fuegner — Were honored to have Sis. and Bro. Ruzicka attend their meeting on April 15th. Have difficulty obtaining instructors.

United Sokols of East report of meeting. — Bro. and Sis. Ruzicka attended the meeting. Posters and tickets had been distributed.

Chicago Slet Report: D. A. Sokol will go along with us if we hire a bus. Little Ferry Sokols will probably go by plane. Students must have the consent of their parents.

Sis. Ruzicka reported on her visit to the Southern Section and the new unit which is being formed in Florida.

Belcamp initiated six new members. Has difficulty obtaining instructors. Were advised to contact Nissen Corporation in Baltimore, where clinics are held, for apparatus.

Suggested units send students to courses so that they may carry on. Stated that district directors should conduct classes or attempt to get an instructor when units are lacking instructors. They should also try to solve problems among units. It is also the duty of the president to attend meetings of units when in need of assistance.

Informed the members that where new halls are erected the membership increases. Suggested we have family club membership. Parents pay dues and children are admitted free to classes. Many parents send children to gym classes but know nothing about Sokol.

Sis. Ruzicka stated that there are 71 Charter Members signed up for the new unit in Miami. Gym classes are being formed. Two instructors have volunteered their services. Senior members will learn square dancing, sit up exercises and play shuffleboard.

Also reported that the Slet committee has been working since last September. Advised units to make their hotel and banquet reservations as soon as possible.

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT

April 10, 1969

Brother Prevratil requests that this monthly meeting be dedicated in the memory of Brother Jim Kucera of Sokol Corpus Christi who passed away, April 1, 1969.

Pledge of allegiance to the Flag was made. Held a standing silence in memory of three deceased members since the last meeting, Bro. Frank Peter of Sokol Ennis, a charter member; Bro. Joe Vrla of Zizka, Dallas, one of the past presidents of the Unit, and Bro. Jim Kucera of Sokol Corpus Christi, for several years secretary and physical instructor of the Unit, served in the capacities of educational director, traveling instructor, organizer and physical director of the Southern District.

CORRESPONDENCE:

ASO — Information pertaining to Slet banquet, Slet bulletin, schedule of activities.

From Corpus Christi — Souvenir book chairman, Brother Stasa, giving plans on souvenir book for the District Slet, requesting material, cuts and ads.

Minutes of ASO Executive Board and Districts.

REPORTS OF UNITS:

Dallas — Gymnasts preparing for Slets in Corpus Christi, Chicago and Polka festival in Ennis. Eight junior girls entered invitational meet in Fort Worth, 12 entered Jr. Olympics meet at L. D. Bell Heigh School, 2 in the 13—14 age group qualified for region No. 9 championship, winning 1st and 2nd all around — one girl in 10—12 age group won 1st all-around.

Fort Worth — Gym classes well attended and in preparation for the Slet in Corpus Christi and Chicago.

Ennis — Activity: 1 dance, plans for Polka festival, 2 gymnasts entered Jr. Olympic meet.

Report of Technical Staff: Director of Women, Sylvia Laznovsky — survey sheets returned in regard to gymnasts' participation in program, competition, special number and volleyball for the District Slet, show good interest. Participants for national course at Potters Lake show 3 students from Fort Worth and 3 from Ennis, rest of Units have not indicated any students as yet. Unit Fort Worth indicates interest in holding the competition in the latter part of the year. Had notified Units that those that have ordered uniforms from the former supply company to write for reimbursement and a copy be sent to ASO office.

Director of Men: Larry Laznovsky — Received junior boys and men exercises and informational letter from bro. Linhart — in regard to course information. Telephonic conversation with director of men of Houston, bro. Soukup, and informed that survey of gymnasts to participate in the District Slet is good. Also conversed with brother Chapman of Corpus Christi in regard to the District Directors planned trip to Corpus.

District Course: The Technical Staff inform that a site for the course has not been found and

due to pressing time, a full schedule because of the District and National Slets and other Units activities recommend that two week course not be held in 1969 but to substitute instead weekend courses after seasonal activity subsides. Approved.

Charter Bus to Chicago: — Brother Smith reported further on the charter bus to Chicago. Made reservations for 20 rooms at the Presidential Inn Motel.

Charter bus to Corpus Christi: Reservation made for 40 people (bus passengers only).

Report of the President: — Brother Prevratil attended the funeral services for Brother Jim Kucera of Sokol Corpus Christi in behalf of the Southern District and deliver a eulogy in English. — Conferred with the Slet Committee. Reports that the Unit preparation for the Slet is rapidly progressing.

Purchased one full page (\$40) by the Southern District in the District Slet souvenir book.

Purchased one-half page (\$40) of the National Slet souvenir book.

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PACIFIC DISTRICT

Special Meeting — April 26, 1969

Honored guest bro. Barcal, President ASO, and all delegates were introduced by Pres. bro. Salak.

Correspondence: Minutes: Executive Board ASO, Eastern District, Northeastern District, Southern District, Sokol Seattle, Sokolice San Francisco.

Letter from bro. Spanek of San Francisco, in answer to our letter, stating he had no further records, correspondence, etc. pertaining to Pacific District in his possession. Letter from sis. Keith, San Francisco, tendering her resignation as Women's Director. Since sis. Keith resigned, sis. Marty Lyzak is now Director of Women.

Re: Records of Pacific District. Bro. Spanek stated he located the papers belonging to the Pacific District and will forward them to Los Angeles.

Bro. Stejskal — Sokol Seattle: Bro. Stejskal gave quite a lengthy report. Gym classes were stopped due to lack of instructors. Sokol Seattle has 50 adult members and 18 children.

Bro. Barcal: Each and every District has the power to hire an instructor, to be paid from Central Fund, compiled from assessments sent by each Unit. If the monies are used by the District, for each \$1.00 contributed by the Units, ASO adds 50c. ASO encourages all Districts to use this money. As of now, the Pacific District has about \$2,000, in this fund. All Units must be treated alike and all Units must pay the assessment. These rules were set up at the last convention and must be adhered to. At the next convention this matter should be discussed thoroughly.

Bro. Salak: Suggested that Seattle pay up their back assessment dues and the Pacific District would be willing to give aid.

Bro. Barcal: ASO Course will be held in Potters Lake, Wis. on June 30th, immediately following Slet and all Units are encouraged to send instructor aspirants. They must have Sokol background and be at least 14 years old, and all Districts have the right to sponsor eligible youngsters. Monies in the Central Fund may be used for this purpose.

Bro. Lorenz, San Francisco: Sokol San Francisco commenced gym classes in San Mateo, which is about 17 miles from San Francisco. About 40 attend.

Bro. Barcal: Stated he would visit San Francisco on Monday, April 28th and he would like to meet with bro. Spanek and bro. Lorenz to discuss the situation there.

Sis. Lysak, Sokol Fresno: Beseda group dances every 2 or 3 months at public gatherings. Sokol Fresno participated in parade with a handsome float on April 26th. Financial difficulties are increasing. Bro. Duzi usually instructs classes. — Questioned AAU insurance.

Bro. Barcal: Believes AAU insurance applies only to individual memberships. Many Units have so-called family dues.

Bro. Pokorny — Sokol Los Angeles: Gymnastic Exhibition will be held at Los Angeles City College with about 110 gymnasts participating. Our insurance coverage premium is \$1.80 per member, and we cover 100 gymnasts. About six gymnasts will participate in Sokol Slet in Chicago. AAU competitions are held in our Sokol Hall once a year.

Bro. Spanek — San Francisco: Sokol By-Laws do not cover the situation we are presently confronted with in San Francisco, i. e. disbursement of monies received from the sale of our Sokol Hall.

Bro. Barcal: This matter must be brought up at the next convention and should be incorporated in the By Laws, since like situations have arisen in many Units. Sokol Detroit built a new Hall, four years ago and today the building is all paid for and this has brought in many new members. Houston have also been successful with their new Sokol Halls.

Sis. Lysak: Stated technical terminology is difficult to understand.

Bro. Barcal: Stated there are many new words and terms. The Central ASO. has text books ex-

plaining the terminology and it can be had for \$5.00 a copy.

Sis. Lysak: Suggested movies showing the various movements be prepared by the ASO for use by Units. Stated visual aids are used widely in all schools.

Bro. Barcal: Central ASO has prepared 8mm films of various apparatus exercises. For men and juniors, now in use.

Bro. Pokorny: Recommends movies be made of calisthenics as they are the foundation of the Slet.

Bro. Stejskal: Sokol Seattle is interested in summer camp for children.

Bro. Barcal: Suggests each Unit should choose a few youngsters and a central location be found where all could attend.

Bro. Lorenz: In seeking new members, quality is more important than quantity. Recommends publication of a pamphlet describing the Sokol Movement. Also recommends printing of formal wording covering initiation of a new member.

Bro. Barcal: A membership packet is now being prepared and will be available to Sokol Units at a cost of 50c each.

Bro. Salak: Quality is definitely more important than quantity. Sokol Los Angeles has a lot of activity in the Sokol Hall on Friday evenings, but the people are not cooperative and refuse to participate in Sokol work or become members.

Bro. Nekuda: Believes when a prospective member is approached he should be questioned as to where his interest lies.

Bro. Barcal: Sokol does not cater to gymnastics alone and the many other activities available like singing, dancing, acting, etc. should be promoted.

Bro. Pokorny: Made motion, seconded by sis. Nekuda, that we extend our sincere thanks to bro. Barcal for his presence and for his very enlightening remarks and answers to our questions. Thank you, bro. Barcal.

FRANK V. JELÍNEK:

"HOŠI OD 3. PLUKU JANA ŽIŽKY".

Běda zbraní vyražené z rukou, třikrát běda, kde zbraň jsme složili, důvěřujce čestnému slovu Sovětů.

Na základě ujednání, složili jsme dobrovolně své zbraně, doufajíc, že smlouva s bolševiky má svůj reálný podklad, neboť byla uzavřena na základě čestné loyality. Podepsán byl Josef Stalin, sovětský komisař. Dle této úmluvy, Čsl. vojsko mělo svobodně projíždět Sibiří do Vladivostoku a odtud do Francie. Čestná loyality Sovětů neměla však větší ceny než cigareta: vykouříš a oharek odhodíš. Věrolovnost Sovětů uvedla nás do nejzátěžkavější zkoušky: jsouce zklamání, cítili jsme, že jsme odkázáni jen sami na sebe. Byli jsme odhodláni hájit existenci celku i za cenu vlastního života. Vázání poutem velikého bratrstva, ovládnání vysokým bojovým duchem a ukázněností, to vše nám nedalo klesnout. Spojení těsně a s heslem "Všichni za jednoho a jeden za všechny" postavili jsme se na odpor proti desateronásobné přesile bolševiků a na celé délce fronty 5,000 mil dlouhé a hrdině

odráželi zuřivé útoky nepřitele. Po dobu 6 měsíců trvajících nepřetržitých bojů, vycházíme jako vítězi, zanechávajíc za sebou řady hrobů padlých bratří, pochovaných v lůně matky země chladné Sibíře. (Poznámka: Tehdy svět nepochopil náš boj proti komunistům. A protože nepochopil, respektive pochopiti nechtěl, za to nyní demokratické národy musí platit krvavou daň.)

Byl krásný srpnový den. Sluníčko se již dávno vyhouplo v modro oblak, mile se usmívá a líbá pobledlé líce našich těžce raněných hochů, jejichž nosítka jsou seřazena v parku města Čeljabinska, kde byla zřízena čsl. nemocnice. Doktoři a ošetřovatelé obcházejí řadou nosítek, úzkostlivě sledují každý pohyb raněných, chvějíc se o jejich životy. Mé zranění, již druhé v legii, byl vstřel do prsou, kde projektil uvázl a při každém pohnutí bodal do srdce. Nepočítal jsem, že z toho vyjdu. Vyžádal jsem si tedy papír a tužku a jal se psát své zážitky.

Dne 28. července 1916, ještě jako rakouský voják, při ústupu zapadl jsem do bažin řeky Stochodu a tím jsem byl pro Rakousko mrtev. V počátcích měsíce srpna jsem procitl v rovenské nemocnici v Rusku. Kdo mne zachránil a jak jsem se dostal do Ruska, jest pro mne záhada dosud. V nemocnici jsem se dověděl o našem vojsku v Rusku. Nehledě na peklo hrůzy války, které jsem prodělal na ruské straně, jsa veden duchem idejí Tyrše a Fuegnera, v záchvěvu vlastenecké citlivosti, hned po svém uzdravení, vstoupil jsem do čsl. vojska. Můj rodný pluk, 3. pluk Jana Žižky z Trocnova byl umístěn v ukrajinské vesničce, Treskyně. Chtěli jsme cvičit. Tamnější obchodník různým zbožím zdarma nám zapůjčil stodolu, kterou jsme opravili a upravili i pro zimní období a pečlivě vyzdobili. Postavili ještě a umístili sokolské nářadí. To byla naše sokolovna. Zařízení bylo chudičké, ale pro nás to byla "Zlatá kaplička"

Poslední neděli v květnu 1917, náš pluk konal sokolské cvičení v zámecké zahradě v Kuráži. O několik dní později, náš pluk se vydal na cestu ke Zborovu, kde nás čekal další, šťastnější úkol, kde se odehrával akt historie pluku Jana Žižky, jenž otřásl celým světem a vzbudil úctu i u nepřítelů. Mé zranění u Zborova vyžádalo si dva měsíce léčení. Po té jsem dostal tříměsíční dovolenou a byl jsem poslán do české kolonie, k panu Ženškovi, v Horní Vysoké, u Žitoměru, kde byla též umístěna posádka našeho Náhradního praporu. V památný den 28. září 1917 konala se v Žitoměru oslava třetího výročí založení České družiny spojené s mohutným sokolským sletem. Prostná cvičilo na 400 bratří sokolů; sokolice z Kieva, Žitoměru a z daleké Moskvy; družstvo na hrazdě i na

bradlech; dále rota vojinů s puškami. O této oslavě se rozepsala "Žitomířská Gazeta"; psala o výspělosti čsl. vojska a stavěla je příkladem všem ruským vojákům.

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Koncem měsíce července 1919, celý pluk Jana Žižky byl převezen do Inokvent'jevskaja, pět verst od Irkutsku a ubytoval se v kasárnách. 27. srpna přijela do Irkutsku delegace z vlasti a 28. srpna konala se přehlídka celé I. Čsl. husitské divize a oficiální přivítání delegace: poslanec Krejčí, redaktor Červinka, novinář Martinek, spisovatel Hiberna a jiní. Americká misse a spojenecká i japonská generalita, ti všichni přihlíželi defilé I. Čsl. husitské divize. Zvláště pak tryskový nástup artilerie na bílých koních, jejich překrásné zátoče překvapily přítomné. Delegace netušila, jak bude překvapena. Všichni se domnívali, že najdou na Sibíři ně vojáky, nýbrž nějaký spolek. Zatím uviděli skutečné vojsko, lepší než měli doma a kdekoliv jinde. Dne 29. srpna v Irkutsku, za Glaskovem, konal se mohutný Sokolský slet, spojený se slavností, největší to v dějinách ruské legie. Můj rodný 3. pluk Jana Žižky na této slavnosti si vydobyl vítězství v několika odvětvích. Vítězná družstva obdržela diplomy a pluku bylo nařizeno, aby v plukovní komisi učinila náležitý záznam, který by připomínal nynějším i budoucím vojinům 3. pluku, kterak jeho první příslušníci v dobách těžkých bojů a utrpení v nehostiných krajích daleké Sibíře s nadšením věnovali se tělesné výchově v duchu idejí sokolských zakladatelů, aby zvýšili a utužili svou vojenskou zdatnost, která je pak dovedla ke konečnému vítězství.

J. RABAS:

Pocta zesnulým činovníkům A.O.S.

V Den zdobení hrobů, 30. května, sklání se celá Amerika před památkou svých zesnulých synů a dcer, kteří se tolik zasloužili o rozvoj a rozmach Spojených států amerických. Uctívá jejich památku a hodnotí jejich životní dílo a zásluhy. Je jisté čeho vzpomínat a hodnotit. Všechny předchozí generace, od pionýrů amerického osídlování až po nedávné dny, přičinily se nebyvalou měrou o výstavbu a vývoj této země až ke skutečnosti dnešních dnů — dnů obrovského pokroku, hospodářského rozmachu a nejširších demokratických svobod, kterým se současná generace těší a kterými plně žije. Nebyly vždy v historii Spojených států dny tak šťastné, oplývající vším co dává dnešek. Byly i těžké dny v životě jednotlivců i celku, za okolností mnohem skromnějších, ba i velice těžkých, které vyžadovaly vypětí nadlidských sil, obrovské vytrvalosti a velikého hrdinství. aby dnešní generace mohla žít v blahobytu, svobodě a demokracii, kteréžto okolnosti nedovede někdy dostatečně ocenit.

Nápisy, které byly na závodních zdech Baťových továren ve Zlíně.

Mysleme — mějme cíl!
Překonávejme překážky!
Práce — mravní nutnost.

Český národní hřbitov pořádá každým rokem v Den zdobení hrobů důstojnou slavnost k uctění památky těch tisíců Čechů a Slováků, kteří tam našli poslední odpočinek a kteří se zasloužili o rozvoj Ameriky a našeho krajanského života. Také naše sokolská organizace zúčastňuje se pravidelně této slavnosti a pak každým rokem zachází k hrobům zesnulých činovníků Americké obce sokolské. Letošního roku opět početná delegace bratří a sester v sokolských krojích i v civilu navštívila hroby, položila květiny a uctila památku těch, kteří tvořili a budovali sokolské hnutí v této zemi v uplynulém století — starostové Šiman, Černák a Plaček, jednatel J. Falta, náčelník Jarka Jelínek, redaktor Welcl atd. Bratři S. Barcal, K. Prchal a ses. B. Prenerová vzpomenuli v krátkých proslovech zásluh našich předchůdců na sokolském díle v kterém my máme dnes tu čest i povinnost houževnatě a nadšeně pokračovat.

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Jednota vítězí!

Boj otcem všeho.

Kde je věrnost, tam je vítězství.

Odvaha ztracena, všechno ztraceno.
Jsme jedna rodina — máme jeden cíl.
Síla roste s prací.
Vytrvalý vítězí.
Mluvme činy.
Nebud' me ze skla, ale z ocele.
Hledejme veliké vzory.
Tam svět se hne, kam se síla napře.
Duch hýbe hmotou.
Den má 86,000 vteřin.
To nejlepší na světě je právě dobré pro nás.

In Memoriam

The death of brother Emil Hrabina ends the career of one of Sokols outstanding leaders whose breath of interest and dedication to high principles and purposes touched the lives of many.

Those of us who knew him well, loved him, those who knew him slightly were enriched by his exemplary service. His distinguished career reflects those qualities of mind and heart which have brought him esteem humility, fidelity, resourcefulness, love of neighbor, love of country.

In behalf of our entire membership, we wish to express our deepest sympathy to his beloved wife, Georgia Hrabina, and his bereaved family.

May we be presumptive, since he departed so young in life, he would have related. — Life can be short and we have not too much time for gladdening the hearts of those who are traveling the way with us.

Oh, be swift to love! Make haste to be kind.
Rest in eternal peace, dear friend.

Brother Walter Hosek

Sokol Wilber, Nebraska

Sokol Wilber regrets to announce the death of one of its old, faithful members, sis. Katie Havel, who passed away April 25, 1969 at Crete Hospital.

She was born in Czechoslovakia, September 8, 1879 to Matej and Katerina Turinsky, and came to this country with her mother, brothers and sister June 17, 1885 at the age of 6 years, to join their father in Wilber.

She attended Wilber Public Schools and on Oct. 29, 1900 was united in marriage with Jacob Havel. They made their home in Wilber where her husband had a furniture store and a funeral home.

She will be remembered by her many friends for her vivid recollections of early Nebraska History and her talent for remembering dates and names.

Sokol Wilber will also remember her as a willing helper where ever needed and one who was anxious to see the organization move forward.

She leaves to mourn her departure, two daughters, Mrs. Mary Deardorf of Lincoln and Mrs. Lillian McDonald of Osceola, Neb., three sons, Frank, Robert and Joseph, all of Wilber; one brother Frank Turinsky, Omaha, eleven grandchildren and twenty nine great grandchildren.

Sokol Wilber extends its deep sympathy to the entire family and wishes eternal peace to its departed sister.

George Ripa, Secretary

J. RABAS:

Odešel kardinál Dr. Josef Beran.

17. května t. r. dotlouklo navždy šlechtné srdce významné osobnosti českého církevního a národního života, pražského arcibiskupa, kardinála Dr. Jos. Berana. Jeho pohnutý život posledních tří desetiletí byl úzce spjat s tragickou historií českého a slovenského národa a byl výrazem jeho utrpení, které národ prožíval pod nacismem i komunismem. Byl vězněn několik let nacisty v koncentračním táboře. Jen díky jeho skromnosti, snášenlivé trpělivosti a houževnaté víře ve vítězství lidství a věci českého národa přežil veliké utrpení koncentráku. Po skončení války byl jmenován arcibiskupem pražským a církevním přímásem českým. Po komunistickém puči v r. 1948 byl zbaven výkonu svých církevních povinností a uvězněn. Teprve v r. 1966 bylo mu dovoleno odejít do exilu. Odchází do Říma, je jmenován kardinálem a ujímá se pastýřské péče o české věci v exilu. Jeho zájezd středisky krajské Ameriky a Kanady je jednou z nejvýznamnějších událostí poslední doby. Soustředil a opravdu povzbudil národní citění mnohých, kteří se dlouhým odloučením od rodné vlasti nechávali ukolébát národní vlažností a lhostejností.

Při svém zájezdu zde se netajil tím, že v mládí prošel sokolskou výchovou ve svém rodišti v Plzni, kde jeho strýc z matčiny strany, Lindauer, byl významným sokolským pracovníkem. Vysoce hodnotil základní postuláty tělesné, mravní a národní výchovy Tyršovy sokolské soustavy, která mu dala mnoho pro jeho život. Odešla významná osobnost, které bude trvale vzpomínáno.

Čest budiž jeho památce.

“Nemohu tak obšírně všechno vypisovati a na svědectví sváděti, co jsem v Rusích o Slovanstvu mluvití slyšel a rozuměl.

Dosvědčiti však mohu, že Rusové s ostatními Slovany nikoli bratry jsou, nikoli bratrsky, nýbrž nepoctivě a sobecky smýšlejí.

Jak směšno, jak neprakticky bylo by tedy s tajným nepřítelem svým, který rouchem bratrským chtivost svou zakrývá, bratrovati se.

Příznávám se, že mně Maďaři, co zjevně nepřátelé Čechů a Slováků, jsou milejší než Rusové, kteří s Jidášským políbením přicházejí nás strčiti do kapsy.

Čechové jsme a Čechové zůstatí hodláme navždy a nechceme se státi ani Němci, ani Maďary, ani Rusy — a proto budeme k Rusům chladní, nechceme-li je dokonce nenáviděti.”

(Sebrané spisy I.)

Karel Havlíček Borovský

Let us, while waiting for new monuments, preserve the ancient monuments. — Victor Hugo.

What wisdom can you find that is greater than kindness? — J. J. Rousseau.

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Z cvičitelské školy — Učitel: Ty
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příkladů ve zkoušce je jen jediný
správný, a ten jsi opsal od Matáska!

Žák: Vždyt' jsi mi říkal, bratře
učiteli, abych si z něho vzal příklad.

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... Jde nám o to, dokázat, že 80 let sokolské práce ve Vídni zapustilo hluboké kořeny a vychovalo generace, které hrdě nesou čistý sokolský štít a drží jej pevně v rukách. Zůstali jsme věrni učení našich velikánů Masaryka a Beneše, jdeme dále cestou Tyršovou a Fuegnerovou. Naše jednoty budou tak jako dosud, sloužit menšině bez ohledu na politické a náboženské přesvědčení a slibujeme, že se budeme snažit i nadále vychovávat především mládež v duchu bratrství, vzájemného soužití, úcty a pochopení. . .

Opozděně, ale z celého srdce zdravíme vroucně tento významný mezník sokolského usilování. Jsme šťastni, můžeme-li říci: Tak jako vy i my jsme se poctivě starali o čistý štít sokolského bratrstva. Představovali jsme před Amerikou nejslavnější ideu naší staré vlasti: její věčnou a nesmrtelnou touhu po svobodě.

Vašich osmdesát let je dokladem velikosti ideje sokolské. Buďte silni vědomím sokolsky vykonané povinnosti. Ved'te dále k bratrství, k mravní velikosti, k pravdě a silnému životu!

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Karel Prchal

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