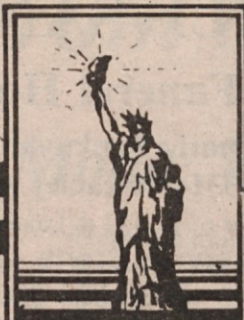


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Easter Message 1991:

Importance of The Family

By Anthony M. Pilla

Bishop of Cleveland

Can we imagine ourselves to be members of the tiny Church of Jerusalem who found themselves on Good Friday without their Lord? Imagine how they might have felt through Saturday - confused, unsure of what would happen next. Yet moved by the faith that Jesus had instilled, they took the initiative to return to the tomb and perform a basic act of charity. They went to anoint the body of Jesus. Their only worry seemed to be how the heavy stone would be removed from the entrance to the tomb.

No one expected what they encountered. To their surprise they found that Jesus was risen from the dead. They had heard Him speak of this. Many would have witnessed the raising of Lazarus and heard Jesus proclaim that He was the resurrection and the life. Now they were to announce that Jesus is risen from the grave and that He truly is the Son of God.

The entire episode of events on that Easter Sunday was for them an invitation to believe His entire message. This paschal mystery, simply put is that if you are willing to undergo a total personal transformation in baptism, you will rise as a new person with a new life.

Today we are heirs of this great faith. Our Church in the modern world faces challenges just as these early believers did. Our concerns are those of war and lasting world peace, issues of racial and social justice, the dream of a universal reconciliation among all the peoples of the world. Society presents us with the challenges of poverty, bigotry, violence, environmental irresponsibility, illiteracy, alienation and despair.

Our Church faces the challenges of evangelization, catechesis, and personal and parish renewal. We are committed to a respect for all human life, an end to abortion, a pledge to care for human beings in all dimensions of their needs. Where can we turn to find the strength and inspiration to meet these and other challenges?

So many people are trying to meet these numerous calls to involvement with a sincere desire to bring about improve-

ment. These are noble efforts and they must be continued and supported. Yet through all of this we must not overlook the one fundamental institution of our society which has the capacity to bring this dream to realization: the family. Could we not also direct our energies to rebuild our marriage and family values, to generate a deeper sense of the intimacy of this small community, to inspire family members to a greater sense of charity and justice which could bring about the cumulative international peace we all desire?

In one of the Easter readings, St. Paul tells us that we should "purge out the old leaven, to make room for the new" (1 Corinthians 5:7). Our task is to study the family to discover the elements which threaten its existence. Certainly there are many social forces at work which weaken the basic fabric of marriage and family life. As we proceed with this task, we are likely to find an interior strength in our families which, if nourished, can enable the family to be the most enduring institution in our Church and civil society. If we can strengthen the family, the family can strengthen the ties that bond the world community in justice and in peace.

Why did that tiny band of early disciples risk their lives to spread the word of Jesus to the rest of the world? Inspired by faith, they believed they had something worthwhile to say, something essential to give, and a vital message for the world to hear. Our challenge this Easter is to act, inspired by a similar faith and confidence. Our Church has something meaningful to say to our world: we have a Savior who delivers us from sin and death and division and He lives!

Easter people are those who walk by the light of faith and have discovered that the glamour of evil is only a superficial attraction. Easter people refuse to be mastered by sin because they have experienced the liberating power of Jesus Christ and the Good News of His peace.

May the power of His resurrection raise our hearts and our spirits, and renew the family of humankind everywhere.



Glasbena Matica Concert

Saturday, April 13 will shower the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue with spring music, because it is Spring Concert time for you and Glasbena Matica singers. A happy, tuneful concert is in the making for your musical pleasure.

The doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., and the concert shall follow dinner. After the concert, dance to the happy melodies of the Ray Polantz

Orchestra.

The Glasbena Matica singers will serenade you during the concert with many marvelously familiar Slovenian melodies as well as some spirited show tunes from "Hello Dolly" and a repeat of the successful rendition of "Singin' in the Rain." Much good music to enthrall you, plus the solos and ensembles that you always look forward to each concert.

Our able director is Marya Ashamalla and Reginald

Resnik assists at the piano.

Please call any Glasbena Matica member for tickets which are only \$16.00 for the whole music-dinner package. Call Bob Hopkins for tickets at 467-7475 and/or leave your message. Bring friends and family to this special event.

We all look forward to seeing you and talking with you at the concert. A grand time is planned for one and all so make your plans now.

Suster attends Washington Briefing

On March 1, Representative Ron Suster (D-19, Euclid) attended a White House meeting arranged by the American Legislative Exchange Council. During the meeting, which included Secretary of Defense Richard B. Cheney, Attorney General Richard Thornburgh, and White House Chief of Staff John H. Sununu, President Bush discussed the war to liberate Kuwait and his proposal to "turn over" the administration of \$20 billion in Federal programs to the states.

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Federal programs to the states, which he announced in his State of the Union address, the President expressed his belief that "the states are what we call the laboratories of democracy — forging ahead at the cutting edge of the world's greatest experiment in freedom and democracy and we are committed to moving power and decision making closer to the people," adding "because at the bottom line, our idea of federalism comes down to four simple words: more flexibility and fewer mandates."

The President thanked ALEC's members for their "strong endorsement, your enthusiastic support for the proposal" expressed in a recent letter, and guaranteed that "we're going to fight for it" on Capitol Hill.

In an extensive discussion of the campaign to liberate Kuwait, Secretary of Defense Richard B. Cheney described the policy the President asked him to develop as the "don't screw around school of military strategy," noting that the number of forces in the Gulf "before the shooting started was equal to the number of American forces at the height of Vietnam." Cheney had "no doubt that the force in the Gulf, both reserves and active duty, was the best America ever fielded — and every one a volunteer."

In his remarks on the Persian Gulf, Attorney General Richard L. Thornburgh said that the "judgment on war crimes will be made by the coalition leaders." In discussing the administration's anti-crime efforts, Thornburgh said that "the first civil right is to be free from fear on our streets, and in our cities and neighborhoods" adding that "our law enforcement efforts extend across the nation and across the world," to fight drug trafficking and organized crime.

At a luncheon speech, legislators heard Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Jack Kemp discuss economic policy and the development of an "empowerment agenda" to revitalize America's urban areas. Alred C. Sikes, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, described how technological innovations in telecommunications will revolutionize both America and the world.

During an afternoon briefing, Secretary of Commerce Robert A. Mosbacher explained the administration's efforts to expand exports.

Briefings were also held at the U.S. Departments of Energy, Interior and Transportation.

"The American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) is the nation's largest bipartisan, voluntary membership group of state legislators, with 2,400 members representing 50 states, Puerto Rico and Guam," said Representative Suster.

"ALEC provides valuable research, educational and public policy development services to its membership." This was ALEC's 11th annual briefing, attended by 185 state legislators and senior corporate executives.

Coming Events...

Sunday, April 7

Sunday Buffet Brunch at W. Park Slovenian Home, featuring old type 1940 movies.

Sunday, April 7

Super Button Box Bash IX at Slovenian Society Home, Euclid from 1 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, April 13

Glasbena Matica Spring Dinner Concert at Slovenian Home on St. Clair Ave. Music Ray Polantz Orchestra.

Saturday, April 13

Collinwood Slovenian Home Spring Dinner-Dance honoring Man of the Year Frank Ferra. Music by Bob Kravos. Dinner 7 p.m., music 8 p.m. Donation \$12.00.

Sunday, April 14

Button Box Jammer, 1 p.m. at West Park Slovenian Home, 4558 W. 130 St.

Saturday, April 20

"Thinking Spring" Dinner-Program - Dance sponsored by Jadran, featuring Fred Kuhar Orchestra at Waterloo Hall.

Sunday, April 21

Indianapolis — Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor performs at Bockhold Hall from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets \$7.50 from Board members of Slovenian Cultural Society.

Saturday, April 27

Zarja Spring Frolic, Vaudeville Show II., at Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid. Dinner 5 to 6:30, program at 7 p.m. Dance to Vadnal orchestra. Donation \$15 from members or Polka Hall of Fame.

Fish Fries

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Club of Associations of the St. Clair Slovenian Home will be serving Fish Fries on Friday, March 29th (Good Friday) from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 28

New York City — St. Cyril's Slovenian Church, 75th anniversary celebration with Mass at 10 a.m. and banquet and program from 2 to 7 p.m. at Plattsdeutch Park restaurant, Franklin Square, Long Island. Music by Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor.

Sunday, May 5

Friends of Slovenian National Home Annual Spring Brunch. Serving 12 to 2 p.m. Good food, good entertainment and good friends.

Sunday, May 12

Upstairs Dance at the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid with Joe Fedorchak from 4 to 8 p.m. on stage and Harry Faint from 7 to 9 p.m. in the bar room. Also featured will be George Staiduhar with special guests Zeke and Charlie. Proceeds to the Youngstown Penn Ohio Polka Pals and Akron, Barberton, Canton (ABC). Sponsor and coordinator is George Knaus. For tickets at \$5 call 481-9300 or 943-0553.

Friday, May 17

Slovene Home for the Aged Annual Meeting at Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd. at 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 19

St. Clair Slovenian National Home dance from 2 to 6 p.m. featuring Mike Wojtila and the Entertainers, and the Eddie Rodick Orchestra. Honored will be George Knaus. For more information call 361-5115.

Sunday, June 2

St. Vitus Alumni Annual Reunion Day, 12 Mass, dinner at 1:30 p.m. in school auditorium. Reservations \$15 to treasurer Joseph Brodnik, 344 Claymore Blvd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143.

Sunday, June 30

St. Vitus Summer Festival.

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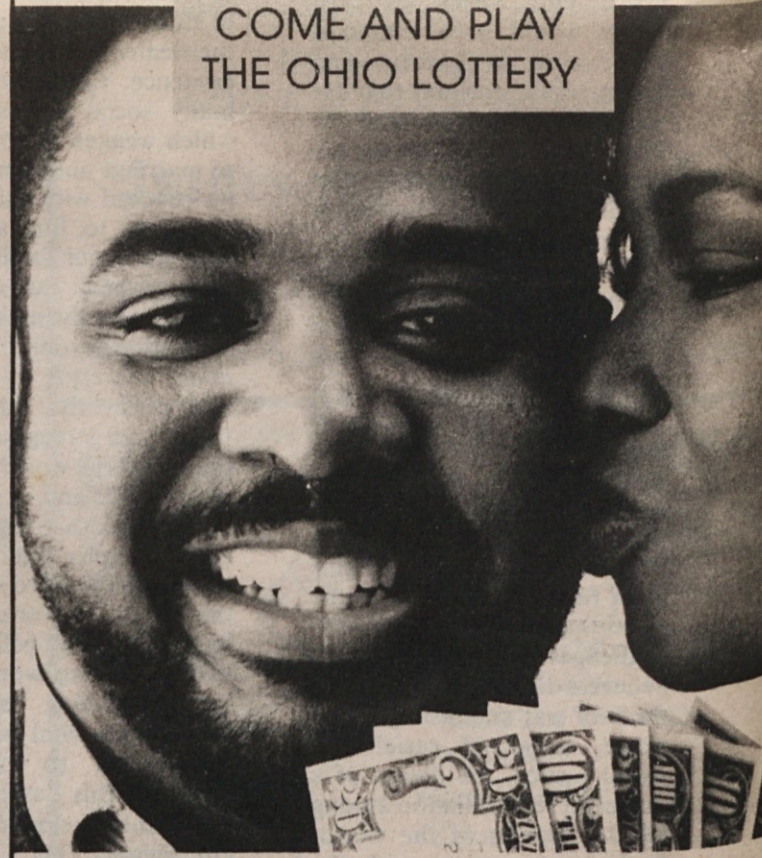
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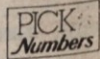
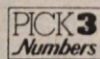


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Memo from Madeline...



Modic Wins ABP Award

terested in management issues. *Industry Week* subsequently became the first magazine to treat management as a profession.

In 1972 Mr. Modic became editor of *Industry Week*. The magazine grew around his global view, becoming one of the first U.S. publications with an editor in China, covering the first U.S. machine tool exhibition in the U.S.S.R., and exploring joint business ventures with both China and Japan. He continued to find enthusiastic audiences among the readers of Huebcore's *Purchasingworld*, which he joined in 1989, and in his present position with Huebcore's *Tooling & Production*.

Modic was also at one time editor of AMLA's fraternal newspaper "Our Voice."

Stan Modic is a staunch defender of the private enterprise system and has urged his readers to speak out in its favor. He launched "Industry Week's" Excellence in Management Award Program to recognize CEOs who are broadly involved in its defense, in the improvement of labor-management relationships, in serving their communities, and in improving rapport between business and government.

He is active in a number of professional organizations and is the recipient of several editorial achievement awards, including the Neal Certificate of Merit.

There will be a Mass in memory of Senator Frank J. Lausche on the first anniversary of his death on Sunday, April 21 at 11:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, 21281 Chardon Rd., Euclid, Ohio.

Following the Mass the annual Spring Roast Beef Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes will be held in St. Ann's Dining Room located on the shrine's lovely grounds. Dinner will be served from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Please contact Tony Brodnik at 289-7680 for tickets or further

information.

Everyone is most cordially welcome.

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Judge Fred Skok was sworn in for a new term this year which figures out to be his eighteenth year as Lake County's Probate Judge.

He was elected to the General Assembly before he became Lake County Prosecutor.

Congratulations to Judge Skok on your many accomplishments. We are all extremely proud of you!

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1986 graduate of Marquette University in Milwaukee. She is in inventory control and data processing for Arhaus Furniture in Cleveland.

Her fiancé is a 1982 graduate of Mentor High School and attends Lake Erie College in Painesville. He is a carpenter for Ornamental Nurseries Inc. in Chardon.

The wedding is Oct. 25 at St. Gabriel Catholic Church in Concord Township.

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Kozusko-Mlakar

Mr. and Mrs. Valent B. Kozusko of Campbell, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, **Marilyn M.**, to **Bruce J. Mlakar**, son of Mrs. Anthony F. Mlakar of Willowick and the late Mr. Mlakar.

dedication of the George V. Voinovich Public Safety Center, St. Clair and E. 152 St. took place. Housed in the new building will be Fire Station No. 31 and Emergency Medical Service Unit No. 12.

Among those attending and speaking at the reception and open house were Cleveland Mayor Michael White, Fire Chief James McNamee, Director of Public Safety Carolyn W. Allen, Councilman Michael D. Polensek, Council President Jay Westbrook, and Councilman Roosevelt Coats.

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Angela Bolha Wins Service Award

Angela Bolha, a volunteer with the Senior Ethnic Find program of the City of Cleveland Department of Ag-

by Madeline D. Debevec

Stanley J. Modic, editor-in-chief of *Tooling & Production*, is the recipient of this year's **ABP Crain Award** for



Stanley J. Modic

a Distinguished Editorial Career in the Business Press. Mr. Modic, who received a crystal trophy and a thousand dollar honorarium, is the twenty-third business press editor to be given this recognition.

The award was established in 1968 by a grant from the G. D. Crain, Jr. Foundation to honor the founder of *Business Marketing, Advertising Age, and Crain Communications*. It is administered by the American Business Press and was presented at that organization's Neal Awards Luncheon at the Sheraton Center in New York City on March 13.

Mr. Modic began his editorial career as cub reporter and then city editor for the *Painesville Telegraph*, his hometown Ohio newspaper. In 1965, he joined Penton's Cleveland-based *Steel*, rising by 1969 to the position of executive editor.

When Penton expanded and transformed *Steel* into *Industry Week*, he was instrumental in broadening its appeal to include those in-



Left to right, Councilman Michael Polensek, Governor George V. Voinovich, Mayor Michael R. White and Councilman Roosevelt Coats attending the George V. Voinovich Public Safety Center dedication.

ENGAGEMENTS

Basford-Krause

Mr. and Mrs. William Basford, Wooster, Ohio announce the engagement of their daughter **Jinni** to **Mr. John Krause**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Krause** of Strongsville, Ohio, and grandson of **Frances Novak** of Cleveland, Ohio.

Jinni graduated from Miami University with a bachelor degree and her master's degree in speech pathology from Cleveland State University. She is a speech pathologist at the Warrensville Rehabilitation Center.

John received his bachelor's degree from Muskingum College in New Concord, Ohio. He earned his MBA from Kent State. He is employed as a CPA at Price Waterhouse.

The wedding date is May 4th at St. Vitus Church.

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Cerne-Sicker

Mr. and Mrs. Roger H. Cerne, 7690 Mountain Ash Drive, Concord Township, announce the engagement of their daughter, **Cheryl A.**, to **David B. Sicker**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Sicker**, 6405 Bryson Drive, Mentor.

The bride-to-be is a 1982 graduate of Notre Dame Academy in Chardon and a

The bride-to-be is a *cum laude* graduate of Youngstown State University and is a records management supervisor in the computer center department at the university. She is also a limited service faculty member in the business education and technology department there.

Her fiancé is a *cum laude* graduate of Cleveland State University and is a regional systems engineer for Amdahl Corp. in Independence.

The wedding is May 25 at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Struthers.

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Reserve This Date:

May 19

On May 19, the Wasmer Gallery Studio Tour of Ursuline College in Pepper Pike, Ohio will be held. Meet Cleveland artists and visit their studios: John and Sara Clague, Norbert and Victoria Koehn, Florian K. Lawton, Michael Moore, Anthony Schepis, and Ralph Woehrman.

More details later.

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George V. Voinovich Public Safety Center dedicated
On Monday, Feb. 25, the

ing, is one of 11 winners honored with the 7th Annual Most Treasured Volunteer (MTV) award of the Federation for Community Planning.

The awards, given to outstanding volunteers of local nonprofit organizations, were presented March 27 at the Federation's annual luncheon meeting at the Cleveland Convention Center.

Bolha, who speaks Slovenian, Croatian, and Serbian, has been a volunteer with Senior Ethnic Find since 1986. The program helps non-English speaking older persons obtain services they need but may have difficulty obtaining because of the language barrier.

Bolha serves as a volunteer liaison — day and night — between Slavic speaking seniors and their English-only speaking doctors, therapists, social workers and other service providers.

"These awards shine a public spotlight on volunteers who help meet the human needs of our community," said Rena Blumberg, chairperson.

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Wishing a Blessed Easter to All!



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— Recent Deaths —

RICHARD J. VIDMAR

Richard J. Vidmar, 58, died suddenly in Mt. Shasta, California. He was the son of prominent tavern owners Joe and Josephine (nee Jurca) Vidmar of the Metropole Cafe.

He moved from Painesville to Whittier, California in the late 1950s. He recently retired from the Mini-Storage business. He spent the summer months in his mobile home at the Euclid Beach Trailer Park. He frequented the Slovenian Homes in Euclid and Fairport Harbor. He golfed in their leagues.

Dick traveled the U.S.A. extensively with his bumper sticker saying "Proud to be Slovenian" which he was.

He is survived by son Joseph, daughters Laura and Victoria, also aunts, uncles and cousins in Cleveland. He was also the cousin of former Cleveland Councilman Bob Novak.

Interment was Tuesday, March 26 at the Rose Hill Memorial Park in Whittier, Calif.

JOSEPH PENKO JR.

Joseph Penko, Jr., 67, of Willoughby, died suddenly Sunday, March 17 in the emergency room of Lake Hospital West. He was born Dec. 19, 1923 in Italy.

He was retired from Addressograph where he was employed as an assembler.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Ellen (nee Menart), daughters Mary Jo Schroeder, Melanie Langenderfer, and Melinda Shimrock, and sons Joseph C. and Jeffrey. He was the grandfather of seven and brother of Emil, Stanley, and Charles.

Friends called at the Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Funeral services were Thursday, March 21 at the Day-spring Fellowship Church in Willoughby Hills, the Pastor Louis Polumbo officiating. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery.

VINCENT J. ZITNIK

Vincent J. Zitnik, 76, was the husband of Anne J. (nee Gregorin), father of Janet Kubinski (husband Richard), Gayle, Wendy, and Vincent Terry, grandfather of Christine and Catherine Kubinski, brother of Vicky Kozel.

He was retired after 38 years with the White Motor Co. He was a member of AMLA Lodge No. 6.

Family and friends met at St. Williams Church for Mass on Saturday, March 23 at 9:30 a.m. Interment in All Souls Cemetery.

The family received friends at Jakubs and Son Funeral Home, 936 E. 185 St.

PAUL BERGANT

Paul Bergant, 77, husband of Antonia (nee Dolinar), father of Mary Ann Durfee, Paul, John, Joe, Julie Christopher, Magdeline, Anthony, David, Tom, Frank, James, Michael, Jeffrey, Harry and Richard, brothers and sisters in Yugoslavia; grandfather of 11.

Family received friends at the Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Ave. Funeral Tuesday with Mass at St. Vitus Church. Interment in Calvary Cemetery.

MARY DEKLEVA

Mary Dekleva (nee Yerak), formerly Gregorin, 88, of 19001 Abbey Avenue in Euclid died March 13 at Meredia Hospital.

She was born in Yugoslavia and had lived in Euclid many years.

Mary was the wife of Carl who died last June, mother of Stanley Gregorian and Anne Zitnik (both of Euclid), grandmother of seven, great-grandmother of ten, sister of Josephine Glavic of Mentor.

She had been a member of the Euclid Pensioners.

Funeral services were held Saturday March 16 at the Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. with burial in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon.

MIRKO KALAC

Mirko (Mike) Kalac, 78, of Santa Maria, California, died at the Marian Medical Center, Santa Maria, Calif., after a sudden illness.

Mike was born in Cleveland, and has lived the last 10 years in Santa Maria. He had been employed as a blacksmith at New York Central for over 25 years, then 25 years in quality control at Euclid Road Machinery in Euclid.

Before moving to California he had lived in Willowick for many years. He was a member of AMLA Lodge No. 6, Knights of Columbus Council 2475 in Calif., past president of AARP local chapter 112, member of the Central Coast Organ Club, Newcomers' Men's Group and the Santa Maria Senior Citizens Club and Lodge.

Mike was the husband of Josephine (nee Coprich), brother-in-law of Alma Zorman and Mary Fende also of Santa Maria.

Friends were received at the Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Friday with services Saturday at 10 a.m. and burial at Calvary Cemetery.

Donations in his memory to St. Anne's Byzantine Catholic Church, P.O. Box 14537 San Luis Obispo, CA 93406.

Benefit Dinner; Lausche Mass

The Spring Roast Beef Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Chardon Rd. in Euclid will be held on Sunday, April 21 in St. Ann Dining Room on the Shrine grounds. Dinners will be served from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend this dinner where you can enjoy a delicious meal in the pleasantly peaceful environs of the Shrine.

For those who wish to attend Mass before dinner, a Mass will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the chapel in memory of the 1st anniversary of the death of Senator Frank J. Lausche.

Tickets for adults are \$7.00 and children's tickets are \$4.00. These will be available at the door or from any Knight of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Proceeds will be used for the urgent upkeep of the Shrine.

Thank You

The Slovenian Choir of St. Mary's Church in Collinwood thanks everyone who so kindly helped to ensure the success of their St. Valentine Day dinner.

A great big "Thank You" goes to Mrs. Josephine Stanonik, who took on the responsibility of preparing the meals. Thanks also to her helpers, especially to those who put in hours of work in the kitchen, as well as those who volunteered to serve the food or who helped in any other way to make this such an enjoyable and successful event.

Our sincere appreciation is extended to the American Home for absorbing the cost of printing the tickets, to Frank and Angela Fujs for donating the wine served at each table, and to Slapnik Florist for providing the beautiful carnations that adorned the tables. We are indebted also to Dr. Milan Pavlovčič for promoting the dinner on his radio program.

The proceeds from the event were forwarded to our pastor, Rev. John Kumse, for the needs of the parish — and for this we thank all of you who bought tickets and attended the dinner. You made it both a social and a financial success.

Alliance of Slovenian Americans Flood Relief Fund Report

The Alliance of Slovenian Americans reports that \$19,268.15 has been received to date for the Slovenia Flood Relief Fund. An additional donation of \$200.00 was received recently from the Belokranjski Club. We kindly thank them and all others who so generously donated to this fund.

As has been reported, on January 23, 1991, \$10,000.00 was "wire transferred" directly to an account at Ljubljanska Banka. This account was set up specifically by the Red Cross of Slovenia to aid the victims of the devastating flood of last November. The Alliance specified that the Red Cross of Slovenia direct this money to the Celje Hospital. Most of the laboratory equipment located in the basement and on the first floor of this medical facility was totally destroyed.

While in Slovenia this past month, I met with Mirko Jelenič, Secretary of the Presidency of the Red Cross of Slovenia. He reported to me that the \$10,000.00 from the Alliance had been received and that a portion of the money was directed to the hospital in Celje. Most of the destroyed equipment at the hospital had already been replaced using money from the Alliance fund along with gifts from Austria and Italy. At the time of my visit, the hospital was completely operational.

The remainder of the Alliance contribution was placed into a fund which will assist families whose homes were damaged or totally destroyed by the flood.

Mr. Jelenič also explained to me how the Red Cross of Slovenia coordinated the distribution of relief funds and goods donated from other areas of Slovenia and many European countries. He said that they were overwhelmed by the generous response. He also expressed his gratitude to all Slovenian Americans who contributed to the Alliance Flood Relief Fund. These sentiments were echoed by Dr. France Bučar, President of the Assembly (parliament) of Slovenia, Dr. Janez Dular, Minister for Slovenians Abroad, and Janez Rogelj, Secretary of the Slovenska Izselska Matica, with whom I also met while in Ljubljana.

I observed that for the most part conditions in the flood affected areas appeared almost normal. Most of the major roadways and bridges have been repaired or stabilized enough to be passable. In some low-lying areas along the Sava and Savinja Rivers, however, mounds of debris were still visible.

The major concern at this time for the Red Cross of Slovenia and other relief organizations is to assist individual families which in many cases lost everything they owned. Special programs are already in place to give these people direct aid and low interest loans to help them rebuild their lives. Around the town of Mozirje, the most devastated area, new homes can already be seen under construction.

The Alliance of Slovenian Americans, at its annual meeting on March 9, 1991, decided to continue the Flood Relief Fund Drive through the month of April. We kindly ask anyone who has not yet donated to please consider helping the victims of the flood. The funds are still most certainly needed. Checks should be made out to: The Slovenia Flood Relief Fund, and sent to: The First Federal Savings Bank, 1215 Superior Ave., Cleveland, OH 44114

The Alliance again thanks everyone who donated to the Fund. Many others gave to the drive sponsored by the Slovenian American Council or to the appeal by the Slovene National Benefit Society. Your generosity is most truly appreciated in Slovenia.

Anthony Hiti
Treasurer, Alliance of Slovenian Americans

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Eckart urges peaceful Yugoslav settlement of their conflict

In a letter dated March 20 to Congressman Steny Hoyer, U.S. Congressman Dennis E. Eckart, 11th District, Ohio wrote:

Dear Congressman Hoyer: As you prepare for your trip to Yugoslavia this weekend, I would like to express my concern about events there and my strong support for the continuation of peaceful negotiations to resolve the ethnic and political struggles.

I was pleased to learn that the Yugoslav military recently decided not to intervene in the political affairs of the country. I have also been informed that, in the wake of President Jovic's abrupt resignation, a demonstration by the Serbian opposition was postponed until March 27, so that some of

the political fervor will have diminished. These events demonstrate an effort to maintain some degree of stability during this chaotic period.

As you meet with Yugoslav leaders, I know that you will encourage them to work towards a peaceful, negotiated resolution to their conflict. I would like to add my voice of encouragement to your work. While we must advocate the pluralism necessary to help Yugoslavia survive, at the same time we must insist that changes take place in a peaceful and democratic manner.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Dennis E. Eckart
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Latin Mass in Cleveland

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception four years ago (1987) Immaculate Conception Church, 4129 Superior Avenue, celebrated its first Latin Mass on a bi-weekly basis. At first only a handful of people attended, but then as the word spread, attendance increased to between 80 and 110 persons.

Bishop Anthony Pilla, then designated Immaculate Conception Church to be the only church in the entire Cleveland Catholic Diocese to celebrate the Latin Mass according to the 1962 Missal. The Mass is celebrated each Sunday at 12:30 p.m. and is accompanied by a Polyphonic Choir under the direction of Rev. John Hayes.

Two priests, Rev. John J. Kilcoyne, chaplain at St. Augustine Manor on Detroit Avenue, and Rev. P. Bede Kotlinski, Classics teacher at Benedictine High School, alternate the celebration of the High Mass.

Immaculate Conception Parish recently celebrated its 125th Anniversary. The church is recognized as one of the best examples of high Gothic Architecture in the city. Its stained glass windows are probably the most beautiful in the area. H. L.

West Park Slov. Home Events

We, the Ways and Means Committee of the West Park Slovenian Home are promoting the following events for April, May, and June:

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Bishop Baraga Days in Washington

At last year's Bishop Frederic Baraga days in Chicago a suggestion was made and later accepted that the 1991 Bishop Baraga Days will be held in Washington, D.C.

The Baraga Bulletin, the official publication of the Bishop Baraga Association published in its Winter edition, with regard to the 1991 Baraga Days the following:

"1991 Celebration in Washington, D.C. August 31-September 1.

"August 15, 1991 marks the 20th anniversary of the Slovenian Chapel of Our Lady of Brezje in the crypt of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Cardinal James Hickey, Archbishop of Washington and former Postulator of the Cause of Bishop Baraga, has invited the Bishop Baraga Association to join with the many other people who will attend the anniversary celebration in a combined Anniversary/Baraga Days event.

"The Slovenian Mass will be offered in the crypt adjacent to the Chapel of Our Lady on Saturday while the Sunday Mass will be celebrated in the large upper Shrine."

To coordinate and to assist those who plan to attend, a special Coordinating Committee was set up in Washington which will be available for further details, including hotel reservations. The committee is headed by Mr. Conrad P. Mejač with the following address: Conrad P. Mejač 4445 Butterworth Pl., N.W. Washington, DC

The committee hopes this dual celebration will be a memorable event and is inviting on behalf of the Bishop Baraga Association and on its own behalf all who are interested to come to Washington for the Labor Day weekend.

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Frances Nemanich of Euclid, Ohio donated \$15.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of her husband, Joseph Nemanich.



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The fascinating story of Croatian Stamp Collecting

by Eck Spahich

If you are prepared for intrigue and excitement in stamp collecting, you should consider specializing in Croatia, 1941-45, and its exile issues. You probably will be the only one among your friends who knows where Croatia is on the map and whether the Croatian Liberation Movement is still active.

I have been collecting postage stamps since age nine; however, it was not until my return from military service in the spring of 1972 that I realized I had become a specialist in collecting my homeland and various other nations of the Balkans.

That same year, I helped organize the Croatian Philatelic Society in Borger, Texas, which has become the only society of its kind outside of Croatia to cater to collectors of Croatia, Yugoslavia, Central Europe, and the Balkans.

The specialty organization has attracted members in 30 different countries around the world, receiving daily inquiries and correspondence from collectors eager to learn the philatelic histories of their stamps.

My interest in the Croatian exile issues began during a family trip in 1965 to Chicago. I met a man there by the name of Abas Salkanovich, who proudly revealed he was a former bodyguard to Croatian leader Dr. Ante Pavelich in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Salkanovich, a Croatian Muslim, lived in northside Chicago with his Austrian born wife. Upon hearing I was interested in stamps, he brought a set of his extra Croatian stamps to me, presenting them as a souvenir from his days in exile in Argentina. He had immigrated to the U.S. only several years earlier.

I later found a mention of

these stamps in the 1966 issue of Scott's Standard Stamp Catalogue. The catalog simply published this notice: "Various sets have been released in Argentina since April, 1951 by the 'Croatian Government in Exile.' In the opinion of the editor, information justifying the listing of these sets has not been received."

During my long hours serving as a combat correspondent with the U.S. Army in South Vietnam, I was able to establish contact with Branko Marich in Madrid, Spain, a Catholic priest who was at the time manager of the Croatian Philatelic Service in Madrid.

This service initially was established in Buenos Aires. It was later moved to Madrid after the Yugoslav secret police attempted to assassinate Pavelich on April 10, 1957, in el Palomar, a Buenos Aires suburb.

The issuance of the Croatian exile stamps April 10, 1951, in Argentina is closely related to the Croatian struggle for freedom, independence, and its own democratic state.

This first set of six different commemoratives was issued by the Croatian Government in Exile, in Montevideo, Uruguay, in conjunction with the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Independent State of Croatia on April 10, 1941.

According to the Philatelic Information Service Bulletin No. 1, dated October, 1951, the set was designed by Argentinean postal official Amadeo dell'Acqua, and issued in sheets of 35 stamps, bearing a total quantity of 30,000 stamps each.

From 1951 until 1972, a total of 44 different and colorful stamps were issued in Argentina and Spain by the Croatian Government in Exile in cooperation with the Croatian Liberation Movement which

Pavelich had reactivated during his stay in Buenos Aires.

The stamps helped publicize and finance the independence movement abroad. They were sold to stamp dealers in Western Europe and the U.S., who in turn marketed the sets to collectors worldwide.

The large typographed adhesives are in a class with the Norwegian and Czechoslovak stamps issued in exile in London, and the Polish stamps issued in Italy when these nations were occupied by Germany in World War II.

The late Ernest A. Kehr, writing in the May 20, 1951 issue of the New York Herald Tribune says most of the stamps were released through Buenos Aires and Damascus, Syria, where Croatians in the 1950s and 1960s had government-in-exile offices, while some were sent to Zagreb, Croatia, for use within the country.

The exile stamps depict scenes intended to arouse patriotic and anti-Communist feelings in exile and in the homeland, and to inspire support of anti-Communist sentiment throughout the world.

Concerning the first set of six different stamps, the 1k carmine shows Zagreb, the nation's capital on April 10, 1941 when the country declared its independence from the Serb-dominated Yugoslav government.

The 2k blue depicts a view of Split, Dalmatia, an important Croatian seaport.

The Shiroki Brieg Monastery, built by the Franciscan Order, is shown on the 5k brown stamp. In 1945, when the Serbian Communists captured the monastery, they set the entire town aflame, burning alive 28 Franciscan professors after spraying them with gasoline. The 10k orange represents the panoramic view of the important city of Sarajevo in the heart of Bosnia, where the 1984 Winter Olympics were held.

Another issue notes the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Croatian Liberation Movement "Ustasha," a specially issued stamp on the 25th anniversary (April 10, 1966) of the Independent State of Croatia. A May 1, 1965, Bleiburg Massacre issue notes the 20th year since extradition by British military forces of more than 300,000 Croatian military men, government officials, and civilian refugees near the Austrian border town in May, 1945.

For further information contact the Croatian Philatelic Society, 1512 Lancelot, Borger, TX 79007-6341.

Yugoslavia's Economic Reforms Falter

The Wall Street Journal

Even before Yugoslavia began to teeter on the edge of civil war, the country's economic reform program — one of Eastern Europe's most daring — was faltering badly.

Over the weekend Yugoslavia's political crisis took a significant turn toward civil war, as Serbia renounced the authority of Yugoslavia's collective federal presidency and mobilized its security forces for a possible crackdown against anti-Communist demonstrators and secessionist activities.

The developments have increased concern about possible confrontation between the federal army and secessionist forces. The paralysis of the federal presidency also hampers attempts to get the economy moving again.

In a bold attempt to jumpstart its sluggish economy last year, Yugoslavia made its currency, the dinar, convertible into Western hard currency — the first East European country to do so. It froze wages and prices to fight hyperinflation, then running at over 2,000%.

But after a promising start,

many sectors of Yugoslavia's economy now are in a worse state than before.

A fixed exchange rate overvalued the dinar, prompting a surge in imports and a near tripling of the trade deficit while many once-healthy exporters have shut down. Facing dwindling foreign reserves, the government this winter abandoned convertibility and devalued the currency by nearly 30%. But prices are once again on the rise.

Interest in new investment, especially from the U.S. and Europe, has sputtered because of uncertainty about whether Yugoslavia will split into independent republics. Fearing social unrest, the government has unfrozen wages and prices, rekindling inflation.

Prices are now rising at a 127% annual clip.

The current conflict among the republics makes it uncertain what the government can do. Uncontrolled events could cause the system to break down totally.

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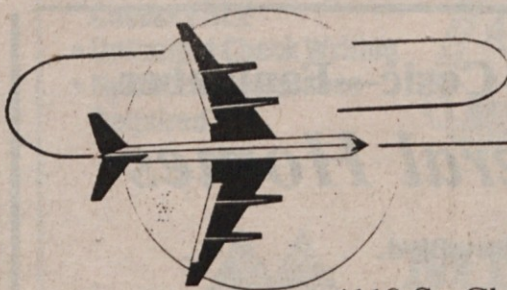
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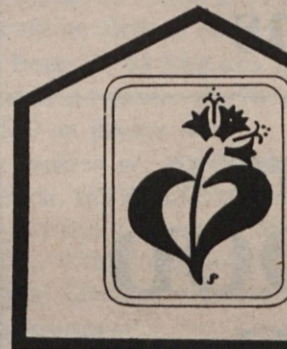
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Foreigners Flood US Graduate Schools

Long considered a safe harbor for scholars from abroad, American universities are being flooded by waves of foreign graduate students who are changing the face of higher education and exposing in many ways the nation's declining ability to produce its own researchers, scientists and academicians.

Over the last two decades, the number of Americans earning advanced degrees has declined, leaving empty seats that have been filled by foreigners. The percentage of doctoral degrees earned by non-citizens has swelled from 15 percent in 1972 to 26 percent last year.

The decline in Americans in graduate school can be partly attributed to a declining college-age population, with the end of the baby boom. But educators are concerned that fewer and fewer college-age students are interested in or capable of handling graduate studies.

Foreign graduate students are found in every field, but especially in technology and the sciences, where well-equipped American research laboratories are the envy of the world. Foreigners now earn half or more of the degrees in those fields, and practically dominate some places, like the New Jersey Institute of Technology, where 734 of 887 full-time students are from Asia, or the civil engineering department at the University of Texas at Austin, where 205 of 355 graduate students come from other countries.

'A Know-Nothing Country'

The growing presence of foreign scholars may be proof the quality of American universities, and in many cases may enhance that quality. But some educators see problems. They say the non-citizens are receiving financial aid from the universities that could go to hard-pressed American graduate students. They also worry that the United States is heading for trouble because many of these students will return home, taking their training with them. That will benefit their countries, but deprive American industry of scientists and American universities of professors.

The biggest concern is that the United States is jeopardizing its future by not producing enough of its own academic high achievers.

"We face the serious problem of becoming a know-nothing country," said Neville R Kallenbach, chairman of the chemistry department of New York University, where only one of 15 first-year graduate students is American. "That's what deep down really bothers me."

Already, universities have come to rely on international students to keep graduate programs filled, and by all accounts their numbers will continue to grow.

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Danes poteka v Splitu seja predsedstva Jugoslavija ob navzočnosti republiških predsednikov. Te seje potekajo zadnji čas vsaki četrtek. Hrvaški predstavnik v zveznem predsedstvu Stipe Mesić je dejal pred današnjo sejo, da je njen namen izoblikovati temelje za nov dogovor jugoslovanskih narodov do 15. maja, torej do dneva, ko naj bi Mesić sam nasledil sedanjega predsednika zveznega predsedstva, srbskega predstavnika Borisava Jovića. O današnji seji ob tem poročanju še ni nobenih vesti.

V zadnjem tednu pa opazovalci razmer v Jugoslaviji menijo, da je prišlo do spremenjenega ozračja glede bodočnosti jugoslovanske države. O tem poroča najbolj konkretno novinar *New York Timesa* Stephen Engelberg, ki poroča iz Jugoslavije, medtem ko se časopisov izkušeni novinar o Balkanu in vzhodni Evropi sploh David Binder mudi v Albaniji. Preteklo nedeljo je objavil Engelberg daljše poročilo, v katerem je pisal, da mnogi visoki predstavniki v raznih republikah zaupno pravijo, da so bojeviti govori in akcije le politična igra z namenom, da vplivajo na pogajanja o bodoči ureditvi Jugoslavije. Takoj nato citira Engelberg Darka Bekića, svetovalca hrvaškega predsednika dr. Franja Tuđmana. Bekić je novinarju rekel, da gre za hladno vojno med dvema voloma. Obe strani, torej Srbija in Črna gora na eni ter Hrvaška in Slovenija ter ostale republike na drugi, razumeta, da Jugoslavija ni Litovska, da gre tu za Balkan. »Sovraštvo in stopnja oborožitve sta precejšnji. Če bi se vojna res začela, bi bilo 5000 ubitih že v prvih 24 urah,« je dejal Bekić.

Nov element v političnih kalkulacijah v zadnjih tednih je pa vedno kočljivejši polo-

žaj srbskega voditelja Slobodana Miloševića. Včeraj je bila v Beogradu velika demonstracija proti-komunističnih Srbov, sicer ob 50. obletnici vojaškega udara, ki je vodil neposredno do nemškega napada na Jugoslavijo. Demonstranti, ki jih ni tokrat motila policija, so zahtevali odstop komunističnega režima, ki mu načeljuje Milošević. Zaradi tega pritiska od lastnega naroda, kaže Milošević več znakov popustljivosti. Tako je namreč pristal na neposreden pogovor s hrvaškim voditeljem Tuđmanom, do katerega je prišlo pretekli ponedeljek. Sestanek je trajal več kot štiri ure, Tuđman in Milošević sta nato izdala skupno izjavo, v kateri sta rekla, da upata o možnosti dosega kompromisa glede bodoče ureditve Jugoslavije.

Mihailo Marković, vplivni član Miloševićeve »socialistične« stranke, je pojasnil srečanje med Tuđmanom in Miloševićem kot odmev na jugoslovansko gospodarstvo politične krize v državi. Srbska vlada je po Markoviću zaskrbljena nad upočasnitvijo dotoka tujih investicij v Srbijo. Vlada je namreč računala na ta denar, da bo z njim lahko začela razne velike projekte, ki bi dajali ne samo finančno injekcijo gospodarstvu, marveč tudi nudili zaposlitev. »Denar ne prihaja več,« je Marković citiral Miloševića, »in dokler je stanje takšno kot je, prihajal tudi ne bo.« V zadnjih mesecih je več milijonov delavcev v Jugoslaviji doživelo padec osebnih dohodkov, 15 odstotkov delavcev je brez zaposlitve, več stotisoč, ki so formalno še zaposleni, pa niso dobili plač do več mesecev, devizne vloge, ki jih imajo mnogi v Jugoslaviji v bankah, so dejansko zamrznjene. Samo v februarju, poroča Tanjug, je šlo v stečaj po Jugoslaviji več kot 7 tisoč podjetij, od teh približno polovica v Srbiji.

Pripravljenost hrvaškega vodstva, da se pogaja o novem dogovoru glede bodoče Jugoslavije, tudi rodi negotovanje.



Čeprav vzamejo pogajanja o novem dogovoru med narodi Jugoslavije o bodoči ureditvi te države zadnje čase največ pozornosti, slovenska in druge republiške vlade posvečajo veliko skrbni odnosom z zvezno jugoslovansko vlado, ki pod Antejem Markovićem pritiska na republike, naj še izpolnjujejo svoje dolžnosti do federacije, tu predvsem finančne. Posnetek je iz 8. marca, ko je bilo v Beogradu posvetovanje predsednikov vlad z Markovićem, ki pa ni rodil uspeha. Predsednik slovenske vlade Lojze Peterle je tretji z leve. Hrvaški predstavnik v zveznem predsedstvu Stipe Mesić je izjavil včeraj, da bo morda moral Marković v kratkem odstopiti, v glavnem zaradi pritiska od srbskega voditelja Slobodana Miloševića. Marković pa uživa veliko ugleda zaradi njegovih reformnih potez med vladami Evrope in menda tudi v Združenih državah. Vse te države namreč želijo videti nadaljevanje sicer reformirane Jugoslavije.

Veselo Veliko noč



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Obisk—

Včeraj je tiskarno obiskal g. John Corsellis, Anglež, ki je v prvih letih po vojni delal kot socialni delavec v raznih taboriških v Avstriji in Italiji. Sedaj išče gradivo za knjigo o tem delu, v Clevelandu in drugih krajih intervjuva Slovence, ki mu lahko pomagajo z gradivom in svojimi spomini. Spremljal ga je dr. Mate Roesmann, ki je lastniku in uredniku povedal, koliko zaslug ima g. Corsellis med drugim pri omogočanju nadaljevanja študija mnogim mlajšim beguncem v taboriških.

Kosilo—

Opozorimo bralce o kosilu, ki bo v nedeljo, 21. aprila, pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd. Serviranje kosila (goveja pečenka oz. »roast beef«) bo med 12. opoldne in 6. zv. Nakaznice so po \$7, za otroke \$4, dobijo se pri svetišču, sicer bodo na voljo na dan kosilo. Ob 11.30 dop. 21. aprila bo tam tudi sv. maša v spomin prve obletnice smrti sen. Francka J. Lauscheta.

Stoletnik—

Dne 23. marca je faran pri Mariji Vnebovzeti Frank Ferkul praznoval svoj 100. rojstni dan. Čeprav pozno, mu ob tem res visokem življenjskem jubileju čestitamo!

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Vendar ima tudi praznovanje velike noči med slovenskim narodom izredno globoke korenine in bogate razsežnosti. Morda v tujini ob spominu na veliki teden in na velikonočno nedeljo to tudi sami doživljate. Zato sem rad sprejel povabilo, da vam napišem kratko velikonočno voščilo in vam pošiljam pristrčne pozdrave z najboljšimi željami za vas in za vse vaše drage, neglede na to, ali boste veliko noč praznovali z nami doma ali med vernimi ljudmi nekje na tujem.

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Če boste doma, boste z nami doživljali lepe velikonočne slovenske navade že na cvetno nedeljo, potem pa še posebej na veliki petek in na veliko soboto, posebno pa ob velikonočni procesiji in velikonočnemu žegnju na veliko nedeljo, ki ne manjka v nobeni slovenski družini. Če boste daleč od doma, se boste spominjali nekdanjega praznovanja doma in želim vam, da bi mogli doživeti lepo veliko noč.

Trdno upam, da nas bo letošnje praznovanje velike noči v teh tako pomembnih in odločilnih časih v zgodovini slovenskega naroda še močnejše povežalo med seboj in z domovino, verne tudi s Cerkvijo in z Bogom, vse pa v novem upanju na poti v prihodnosti.

Še enkrat vsem, posebno še osamljenim in kakor koli preizkušanim in trpečim moje najboljše želje in pristrčne pozdrave.

Slovenska Velika noč v Washingtonu, D.C.



Slovenska družina v Washingtonu se vsako leto zbere pri blagoslovitvi velikonočnih jedil v Slovenski kapeli, ki letos praznuje 20. obletnico posvetitve. Dvodnevne slovesnosti, ki bodo združene z Baragovim dnevom, bodo 31. avgusta in 1. septembra. Vsi ste vabljeni, da se pridružite. Podrobni spored bo objavljen kmalu v tem in drugih slovenskih listih. Vsem vam pa iz ameriške prestolnice voščimo washingtonski rojaki in rojakinje lep, blagoslovljen velikonočni praznik!

IZ NEWYORŠKE PROSVETE

Sonce je sijalo že v soboto, ko se je življenje našega mesta osredotočilo na parado sv. Patrika, največjo parado v Ameriki. Sončna je bila tudi nedelja, 17. marca, ko smo newyorški Slovenci praznovali dvajsetletnico prosvetnih ur. Z urami smo začeli 21. marca 1971 in ta ura je bila pravzaprav prva v 21. letu. Takrat smo upali, da bodo ure prinesle novo pomlad v življenje naše fare. Zdi se mi, da se nisimo motili. Medtem je utihnil naš zbor »Fantje z osme« in tudi dramatičnih nastopov ni. Mnogi zelo aktivni člani naše fare so se poslovili od sveta, kakor na primer dr. Delak, Rudi Večerin, Simon Kregar in nadomestila zanje ni. Hvala Bogu, slovenska šola še vztraja pri življenju, kar je seveda zasluga staršev in obeh učiteljc Feiferjeve in Pucove.

In kako smo praznovali obletnico?

Spored je začela naša neuromna, nadarjena pianistka Vanessa Solar. Igrala je Bachovo »V Minuet« lepo in z dušo, kakor vedno.

Nato sta nastopili hčerkica Metka in mamica Marinka Zupančič. Metke še ni bilo na svetu, ko smo z urami začeli, Marinka je pa prvič nastopila na naši drugi uri oktobra 1971. Metka je zapela korajžno, razločno in brez spremljave pesem »Tam, kjer raste bistra Zila«, Marinka pa »Slovenija, odkod lepote tvoje«. Marinka

je pela občuteno, z divnim, mehkim glasom in privabila mnogim, tudi meni, solze v oči. Hvala obema za poseben užitek!

Oče Lojze Jenko je prebral povabilo na prosvetne ure, kakor je bilo objavljeno v AD 14 dni pred prvo uro. V glavnem smo izpolnili to, kar smo obljubili.

Profesor Peter Remec in ga. Majda sta recitirala govor o Slovencih, ki smo ga slišali na prvi uri, a ni bil nikoli niti v izvečkih objavljen. Tone Osovnik je začel pisati poročila šele po drugi uri.

Navajam samo, kar so pisali o Sloveniji drugi ljudje. Upam, da bodo ti citati utrdili slovenski ponos tudi v bralcih AD.

Encyclopaedia Britannica piše o Slovencih na več mestih. Med drugim piše tole: »Med Jugoslovani so Slovenci najbolj napredni. Prebivalstvo republike Slovenije je pretežno katoliško in visoko zapadnjaško« (highly westernized).

R. H. Markham, ameriški misijonar, ki je več let živel v Bolgariji, piše o Slovencih tole: »Slovenci spadajo med najbolj napredne narode sveta. Pismenost doseže skoraj 100% in kultura v mestih in na deželi je visoka celo za zapadno evropske pojme. Šole so v vsaki večji vasi. Tiskajo številne, dobre časopise.«

William Shirer, avtor sve-

točno znane knjige »Vzpon in padec Tretjeta Reicha«, je napisal: »Ljubljana je mesto, pred katerim se svet lahko sramuje. Ljubljana ima veliko spomenikov, toda nobenega v čast kakega vojaka. Samo pesniki in misleci so počaščeni s spomeniki.«

Lovett E. Edwards, kanadski žurnalista, piše med drugim tole: »Da so se Slovenci ohranili kot narod, je pravzaprav čudež. Morda je bil temu vzrok njihov težak, starinski jezik. V Napoleonovi Iliriji je postal slovenski jezik enakopraven z nemškim in francoskim. Veliki slovenski pesnik Prešeren je opeval Napoleono vojsko. Ko je Slovenija zopet postala avstrijska provinca, je bilo seme že vsajeno. Vsi poizkusi nasilne germanizacije so propadli.«

Charles Rebuffat, belgijski urednik lista »Le Soir«, piše o Slovencih tudi tole: »Govorijo jezik, ki so ga kot dragoceno ohranili skozi stoletja. Imajo dobre ceste, njihove vasi so čiste, kakor vasi v Avstriji in Švici. Ulice njihove prestolnice Ljubljane niso v ničemur podobne orientalskim bazarjem na jugu. Podobne so ulicam in prehodom kakega dekliškega collegea. Na ulicah boste srečali mlada dekleta oblečena v udobne kapitalistične obleke. Ta dekleta so tudi očarljiva in v veliki večini inteligentna. Pravijo, da so Ljubljankanek poleg Splitčank najlepša dekleta v Jugoslaviji. Da, v Ljubljani smo res daleč od Bosporja in tako blizu Dunaja, da v množici blondink pozabimo na temnolase Makedonke.«

Slovenija je najbolj napredna jugoslovanska republika. Po karakterju je srednjeevropska, po zgradbah avstrijska. Slovenci so narod sanjačev in garačev. So prijazni ljudje in vsak Slovenec govori vsaj en tuj jezik.«

V odmoru smo pozdravili v svoji sredi angleškega univerzitetnega profesorja iz Cambridgea J. Corsellisa. Kot 22-leten vojak je bil po končani vojni na Koroškem in pričal nasilne vrnitve Slovencev komunistom. O tem pripravljajo knjigo. Pozdravili smo člana Matija Zurla, ki je ta dan praznoval 85-letnico rojstva.

V drugem delu sem podpisani razložil prosvetarjem, zakaj in kako sem prišel v Ameriko. To so storili pred menoj Tone Babnik, oče Jenko in prof. Remec. Po osvoboditvi v Dachau se je 11 Slovencev odločilo, da se ne vrnejo v domovino, kjer so imeli oblast komunisti. Trije duhovniki, dva frančiškana p. Klavdij, p. Beno, g. Šeškar, civilisti: Lipovec, Bolko, Antosijević, Kotnik, dr. Bano, Horvat, Glušič in jaz. Odločitev je bila lahka, izpeljava pa precej težka.

Na prihodnji uri, 21. aprila, bodo naši gostje Čekutovi igralci iz Toronta. Igrali bodo veseloigro: »Moj otrok«. Pridite vsi, ne bo vam žal.

Dr. Zdravko Kalan

Ameriška Domovina
je Vaš list!

Potrebna je tudi resnica

Pretekli teden je na tem mestu napisal daljši članek prof. Vinko Lipovec, bivši urednik tega lista. Ker je bilo v njegovem članku nekaj trditvev in namigovanj, s katerimi se ni mogoče strinjati, posebno v zvezi z zgodovino in tudi s sedanostjo slovensko-ameriške skupnosti, je potreben odgovor.

Ločitev med Slovenci, naj bi to bilo in naj je to še danes v Sloveniji, v zamejstvu in v svetu, je naraven proces, ki so ga v večji ali manjši meri doživeli in doživljajo vsi narodi. Da bi bil ta naraven proces nekako izene ali druge strani sprožen, kaj šele načrtovan, in da bi nato trajal za vse človeške čase, ne drži. Najmanj pa drži, da je katoliški shod v Sloveniji leta 1892 usmerjal ali pogojeval razvoj med Slovenci, ki so že bili (sorazmerno malo) ali so v kasnejših letih v ZDA prihajali.

Sploh črno-belo prikazovanje zgodovine slovensko-ameriške skupnosti ne odgovarja resnici. Morda je tak prikaz bolj umesten za Slovenijo samo, ne pa za ZDA, kajti pri nas ni tistega ozkega strankarstva, ki je bilo tako negativno usodno za Slovenijo in ga želijo nekateri tam restavrirati, celo ga vrinjati v našo skupnost.

Seveda je bilo in je še med ameriški Slovenci neka vzporednost, dvojnost, ki se odraža v organizacijski obliki. Res je tudi, da je bilo v preteklih desetletjih, ne samo po drugi vojni, ampak pred njo, veliko prepiranja, medsebojnega bojkotiranja in napadanja, velika večina rojakov in rojakinj pa ni bila aktivno angažirana v tem dogajanju, četudi je večina pripadala enem ali drugemu, ali pa tretjem oziroma četrtem »delu« širše skupnosti.

Podrobnosti o vsem tem bodo raziskali in delali zaključke

in analize bodoči zgodovinarji. Kar je treba poudariti v zvezi z današnjim časom in današnjim stanjem v slovensko-ameriški skupnosti, je to, da tistih vročih časov ni več in se ne bodo vrnil. Čeprav bi ne ravno zavrnil trditve prof. Lipovca, da se ameriški Slovenci delijo od konca druge svetovne glede odnosa do povojnega komunističnega režima, bi zopet ne izrazil te delitve v tako črno-beli obliki.

Dejstvo je pač, da je bil odnos ameriških Slovencev do režima v povojni Sloveniji le del, za mnoge manjši del njihovega zanimanja. Ob koncu vojne so bili skoro vsi naseljenci v Ameriki že najmanj dvajset let, mnogi že 30, 40, 50 let, poleg tega je bil prisoten dobršen del takih, ki so že bili v ZDA rojeni ali so bili tu od zgodnjih otroških let. Iz takih okoliščin izhajam podpisani in se kar dobro spominjam, kako so gledali na povojni režim tkim. »progresivni«, saj so bili mnogi njih voditelji družinski prijatelji in sem bil od otroških let primoran poslušati, čeprav pasivno in brez zanimanja, vse mogoče debate in trditve.

Večina teh ljudi enostavno ni razumela, za kakšen režim v Sloveniji in Jugoslaviji v resnici gre. Drži, da mnogi tudi niso hoteli vedeti. Ni pa iz tega odgovorno potegniti zaključka, da so »podpirali« zavestno režim, da so vedeli za značaj komunistične ideologije in se strinjali z režimovo krvoloč-

nostjo. To ni res. Seveda so bile, kot dopušča prof. Lipovec v svojem navajanju, izjeme. Vedno so izjeme. Izjeme so pa izjeme in tu gre za posameznike. Način, kako uporabljata politična emigracija besedo »podpiranje« v kontekstu kritiziranja vseh tistih staronaseljencev, povojnih ekonomskih naseljencev, najbolj izrazito pa tistih, ki naj bi bili del politične emigracije, a ne zagovarjajo stališč vodstvenega kadra le-te, je tako širok, da v kategorijo podpornikov komunizma v Slovenijo spadajo le ne podpisani in vsi člani njegove družine, marveč tudi vsi, ki niso tako izraziti »protikomunisti« kot je skupina, kateri pripada prof. Lipovec.

Zveni iz prof. Lipovčevega članka, da so razmere danes takšne v naši skupnosti, kot so bile pred 20, 30 ali 40 leti. Da so »katoliški« Slovenci vsi pri Svetu, »progresivni« in z njimi vsi »podpiratelji« prejšnjega režima pa kje drugje. In da iz tega sledi, da sme Svet govoriti v imenu tega katoliškega tabora morda, denimo, na Svetovnem slovenskem kongresu.

Ne, ne bo šlo. Ogromna večina staronaseljskih katoliških Slovencev in njih potomcev (saj se za le-te v glavnem gre) ima danes (poudarjam: danes) več skupnega s tistimi iz umetno tvorenega »progresivnega« tabora kot pa s skupino povojnih političnih voditeljev, ki v glavnem zagovarjajo ideologijo predvojne Slovenske ljudske stranke.

Domala vsi ameriški Slovenci in Slovenke v današnjih razmerah z veseljem sprejemajo demokratizacijo Slovenije in njeno postopno uveljavljanje kot samostojno, suvereno državo. Ti rojaki in rojakinje nimajo do te nove Slovenije in njenega naroda nobenih zahtev, najmanj pa želijo nadaljevati stare spore. Od Slovenije niti nič ne želijo, razen da bo

V BLAG SPOMIN

PETE OBLETNICI NAŠE LJUBLJENE MAME, STARE MAME in PRASTARE MAME



Jennie Satej Mohorčič
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»Toda — ali so ljudje brez vere v pravega Boga res tako bedni? Ali ne pravi 2. Vatikanški zbor v svojem dokumentu ‚Lumen Gentium‘ (16. odstavek), da se tudi takšni ljudje lahko zveličajo? ‚V božji načrt zveličanja spadajo tudi tisti, ki priznavajo Stvarnika. V prvi vrsti gre tukaj za mohamedance; s tem, da se priznavajo k Abrahamovi veri, molijo tako kot mi enega in usmiljenega Boga, Sodnika človeštva poslednji dan.‘

Podobno ni Bog tako daleč od onih, ki v sencah in podobah iščejo neznanega Boga: Bog daje vsem ljudem življenje, delež na življenju in kar je v njem dobrih darov (prim. AD 17:25-28). On je Zveličar, ki želi zveličanje vseh ljudi (prim. 1 Tim 2:4). Tudi tisti, ki niso krivi, da ne poznajo Kristusove blagovesti odnosno Njegove Cerkve, sicer pa odkritosrčno iščejo Boga in pod vplivom Njegove milosti skušajo izpolniti Njegovo voljo, v kolikor jo spoznavajo v zahtevah vesti — tudi takšni ljudje lahko dosežejo večno zveličanje. Božja Previdnost na podoben način ne odteguje pomoči, ki je potrebna za zveličanje, niti tistim, ki se brez lastne krivde še niso povzpeli do dejanskega spoznanja o božjem bivanju, ki pa se trudijo, da bi živeli pošteno življenje, kar je tudi dar Njegove milosti.‘

Ali ni ta 16. odstavek naravnost protimisijonski?

Revolucionarno protimisijonski? Odgovor je ravno nasproten! Vsako misijonsko ozemlje pozna pravkar neštete dobre ljudi in vsako misijonsko ozemlje šteje čase preteklosti brez Kristusove blagovesti; ta preteklost se v preneka-terih deželah razprostira v sedanjost in ne vemo, kdaj se bo umaknila krščanski bodočnosti. Silno tolažljivo je vedeti, da tudi v tako nekrščanskih okoljih deluje Božja Milost, da privede tudi vse te ljube ljudi do večne sreče. Da Božja Milost tako deluje, je gotovo zasluga našega Gospoda, ki vabi k Svojemu Križu vse ljudi (prim. Jan 12:32).

In 16. odstavek vsebuje lastne meje; ena je ‚brez osebne krivde‘; in druga meja je: ‚iskalci Boga‘; in še tretja je: ‚trud za pošteno življenje‘. Te meje so pogreznjene v dejanski svet, čigar eden izmed mogočih je sam Satan (prim. Jn 12:31; 14:30; 16:11), ki skuša s trpljenjem odvrniti srca od Boga. Kakšno veselje predstavlja blagovest o Učlovečenem Božjem Sinu, ko doseže vse te ‚iskalce Boga‘, vse te ‚ljubitelje poštenega življenja‘, morda pogreznjene v trpljenje, ki mu ne vedo imena, ker jih hoče potegniti v globine zla!

Kot v trenutku Jezusovega odhoda v Nebesa velja tudi danes, velja do konca sveta trdovratno povelje: ‚Odidite /v svet/, da bom lahko učil vse

narode...‘ (Mat 28:19); ‚Odidite v vsak kotiček sveta‘ (Mk 16:15). ‚Od vekomaj‘, piše sv. Pavel Timoteju - misijonarju v Efezu in na otoku Kreti, ‚smo ljudje prejeli milost v Kristusu Jezusu, a tega se zavedamo šele zdaj, ko se je pojavil na zemlji naš Odrešenik Jezus Kristus. Strl je namreč oblast smrti in s svojo blagovestjo odkril življenje in nesmrtnost.‘ (2 Tim 1:10).

Zavzetost za misijone,

to je, za najbolj bedne ljudi na zemlji, je izraz ljubezni do Troedinega Boga, ki nas obenem nagiba k ljubezni posebno do najbolj ubogih. Ljubezen je iznajdljiva; ‚vera, ki jo vodi, sploh ne pozna meja‘ (1 Kor 13:7). In ker ljubezen ne more umreti, to je, ‚nikdar ne mine‘ (1 Kor 13:8), vse, česar se loti, spremeni v vrednost za neminljivo življenje.

Zato pomeni *Misijonska delavnost MZA obogatitev ne le za posameznika, ampak tudi za cel svet*: stvari, tudi najbolj preproste in vsakdanje stvari, ki tvorijo celoto misijonskega zaledja s pomočjo ljubezni do Kristusa - Misijonarja zažarijo v nadnaravni lepoti in tako pomagajo spreminjati svet v večjo božjo čast. Svet ni več isti. O, da bi se *Vsi v MZA zavedali milosti, ki so jo prejeli!* Eden izmed vlakov na tračnicah življenja je zadnji; že stoji, toda vozni red je božja skrivnost. Dajte, potrudimo se, da bo na naših vozniških listkih čisto spodaj v kotu tajno zapisano: ‚Jezusov prijatelj‘ in ‚Jezusova prijateljica‘!

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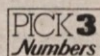
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III. nadaljevanje

Spomini so ji tudi sedaj vreli in duše kot potoček, ki je postajal z vsako minuto večji in močnejši. Besede so kipele iz nje nepretrgano, kamen za kamnom se je valil iz njenega srca.

Prišla sta do pete zapovedi.

„Ne ubijaj.“

„Ubila nisem nikogar, a kriva nisem nič manj kot tisti, ki so morili in ubijali, ropali in lagali,“ se je utrgalo iz nje.

Duhovnik je počakal in vprašal:

„Ste bili v partizanih skozi vso vojno?“

„Ne, samo zadnje leto. Prej sem delala v ‚legali.‘“

„In niste nikogar ustrelili?“

„Bila sem bolničarka. Kriva pa sem smrti ene, moje prijateljice. Pustila sem ji revolver, da se je sama ustrelila, ker je bila tako težko ranjena in je nismo mogli nositi.“

Duhovnik je prikimal.

„A to ni tisto, kar vas teži,“ je rekel.

Grlo ji je nenadoma postalo suho kot les, kolena pod njo so se ji začela tresti, da je čutila drhtavico po vsem telesu. V muki je začela krčiti prste. Do sedaj ni z nikomur govorila o tistem času razen s svojim možem.

„Po vojni,“ je začela, „petinštiridesetega leta poleti so me poslali v taborišče na Štajersko. Tja so pripeljali bele, domobrnce, ki so jih zajeli, ali vsaj tako so nam v začetku povedali. Pozneje smo zvedeli, da so bili vrnjeni iz Koroške. Bili so ne samo vojaki, ampak tudi njih družine, mlade žene, matere z otroci in tudi mladi fantje, komaj odrasli.“

Želela je povedati vse: vse misli, vse dvome, vse sovraštvo, ki ga je čutila do belih, do izdajalcev, ponos, ki ga je čutila ob zmagi, ogorčenje, ko je spoznala prevaro, vse občutke groze, strah pred lastnimi tovariši, gnus, ki se ji je porajal nekje globoko v duši že tedaj.

Toda, kako naj mu pove vse dogodke tistih dni, ki so se vrstili tako hitro, s tako strašno naglino, da ji ni bilo mogoče razčistiti čustev, ki so jo navdajali ob joku in krikih ljudi, natlačenih v barake kot živali, ob samozavestnem ponašanju še nedavno strahopetnih oseb, krutosti nad sočlovekom, umorom? Kako naj oriše svojo dilemo ob pogledu na užitek, ki so ga razkazovali partizani, ko so uveljavljali svojo moč nad ujetniki, ubogimi, prestrašenimi ljudmi, ki so vedeli, da gredo v smrt, ona pa ni vedela, kako naj se upre temu grozodejstvu, umoru tisočih?

„Rekli so mi, da potrebujejo bolničarko, ki bi pregledala otroke in jim dala oskrbo. Mogoče so vedeli, vedeli so, da drugače ne bi naredila — kar sem. Peljali so me v sobo, kjer so bile žene in matere z otroci. Otroci so bili majhni, taki, ki so jih matere še nosile v naročjih. Bili so res revni, sestradani, umazani, ušivi, nekateri vročični, bolni. Povedala sem komisarju, da potrebujem celo sobo za oskrbo otrok, on pa mi je rekel, da je moje delo, da jih prenesem od tam do druge barake, kjer bodo pripravili prostor za nje. Pregovorila sem eno od mater, da mi je izročila otroka. Sprva mi ga ni hotela dati, a sem ji razložila, da potrebuje zdravniško po-

moč, oskrbo in hrano. Toda ko sem že odhajala iz sobe je začela kričati, naj ji ga ne ubijem. Brez vzroka, sem si rekla, brez vzroka me obtožuje in sem ji hotela odgovoriti, naj ne nori. Ko pa sem se obrnila in jo pogledala, sem videla njene oči, tako grozne, tako blazne, ker je verjela, res vedela, da ji bom ubila otroka, da je še mene prevzel strah, nisem vedela, kaj naj ji rečem in sem odšla iz barake. Zunaj pa me je že čakal tovariš, partizan, mi vzel otroka iz naročja in rekel, naj grem po drugega.“

Šla je nazaj v sobo in vzela naslednjega otroka, in naslednjega. Potem so bile v sobi že druge partizanke, ki so kar trgale otroke iz materinih rok in jih pričele tepsti, ko jim te niso hotele izročiti dojenčkov. Hotela jih je ustaviti češ, tako ne gre, a je takoj pristopil komisar in jo odpeljal iz barake.

„Vprašala sem ga, kje je pripravljena soba za otroke, pa mi je rekel, da bodo to že druge uredile in me poslal v pisarno, kjer sem takoj dobila povelje, da sem premeščena v Ljubljano. Ko sem nekaj ur pozneje odhajala, sem šla mimo tiste barake in slišala kričanje mater in jok — in jok otrok, ki pa ni prihajal od tam, temveč od kamiona. Ustavila sem partizana in ga vprašala, zakaj so otroci še vedno na kamionu, on pa se je

samo zasmejal in rekel, da so tam, kamor spadajo.“

Spomini so ji tako zalili srce, da je komaj še premagovala besede v šepet. Šele ko je duhovnik položil roko na rešetko in rekel: „Bolj potihem, gospa, bolj potihem,“ se je zavedala, da je njen glas postal glasen.

„Hotela sem do poveljnika, pa me je komisar ustavil in mi ukazal takoj oditi iz taborišča. In nisem protestirala, nisem se uprla, čeprav sem še vedno slišala jok in stokanje otrok, teh malih, ubogih otrok, ki so jih pustili na kamionu ves dan in vso noč in ves dan, dokler niso pomrli, skoraj pod okni barake, kjer so bile matere.“

Nenadoma je začela hlipati. Solze so ji že dolgo tekale po licih, glas se ji je zadušil, jokala je tiho, boleče, utrujeno, strta do konca.

Duhovnik je molče čakal.

„Pustili so jih umreti. Vse. Na soncu, brez hrane, brez vode, brez pomoči, brez ljubezni.“

„Vem,“ je rekel duhovnik. Vzelo ji je nekaj trenutkov, predno se je zavedala, kaj je rekel.

„Kako veste?“ je vprašala nerazumljivo.

„Teharje,“ je rekel duhovnik.

(dalje prihodnjic)

Kanadska Domovina

Odnosi med slovenskimi izseljenci in domovino

Nekaj vtisov iz študijskega dneva Kanadsko-slovenskega kongresa

TORONTO, Ont. - Veliko se zadnje čase govori in piše o spremembah v naši domovini. Slovenska pomlad je pred nekaj leti prinesla idejo o spravi in demokratizaciji domovine in ko je bila ta lani uresničena, so se naši ljudje v domovini z ogromno večino izrekli, da želijo samostojno suvereno državo. Slovenci po svetu z zanimanjem sledimo razvoju dogodkov v domovini in v mislih se nam poraja vrsta vprašanj o bodočnosti Slovenije.

Kanadsko-slovenski kongres je 9. marca organiziral študijski dan na temo **Slovenija danes — Odnosi med slovenskimi izseljenci in domovino**. Za to priložnost je povabil dve ugledni gostji iz Slovenije, da bi nam postregli z najnovejšimi novicami in nam razkrili ideje in načrte za bodočnost. **Spomenka Hribar** je kot organizacijska tajnica Svetovnega

slovenskega kongresa predavala o Slovenskem kongresu, kot parlamentarka in kot soorganizatorica spravnih svečanosti v Rogu pa je odgovarjala tudi na razna druga vprašanja. **Alenka Puhar**, novinarka ljubljanskega Dela, se je v svojem predavanju osredotočila na slovenske medije. Slovenski psihiater **dr. Srečko Pregelj** iz Ottawe pa je v svojem predavanju osvetlil slovensko dušo, se tu pa tam ustavil ob naših napakah in vrlinah in nas vzpodbudil, da svojo bodočnost gradimo na osnovi pozitivnega prepričanja, da smo vsi zmogni složno delovati v dobrobit vseh Slovencev, ki živimo raztreseni po vsem svetu, in v dobrobit našega naroda v domovini.

Na predavanjih in ob pogovorih za okroglo mizo se je zbrala pisana družina naših ljudi, od nekdanjih domo-

branskih borcev in starih ženic, pa do mlajših društvenih delavcev, in do tistih posameznikov, ki jih je sem pripeljala zaskrbljenost za usodo domovine.

V uvodnem govoru je **Peter Čekuta** na kratko označil potrebo po složnem kulturnem sodelovanju kanadskih Slovencev in poudaril, da je v tem zgodovinskem trenutku dolžnost vseh Slovencev po svetu, da idejo slovenstva poudarimo in na ta način pomagamo graditi tisto Slovenijo, ki si jo je zamislil Svetovni slovenski kongres, Slovenijo, ki bo vključevala vse naše ljudi: tiste v matični domovini, v zamejstvu in širom po svetu. Res, da ima Slovenija samo dva milijona prebivalcev, vendar se te svoje majhnosti ne smemo sramovati, saj je na svetu več kot petdeset samostojnih držav, ki imajo manj prebivalcev kot Slovenija.

Misli Spomenke Hribarjeve

Spomenka Hribar je na začetku svojega predavanja povedala, da današnja Slovenija gleda na izseljence drugače, kot je nekoč. Med drugim je povedala: »Mislim, da je zadnji čas, da vsi deli slovenskega naroda po vsem svetu, kjerkoli živijo, dobijo priznanje za svoj trud, da so ostali kot Slovenci, da se znajo veseliti tega, da so Slovenci in da znajo v tem kontekstu tudi nekaj narediti za svetovno slovenstvo.«

Potem je Spomenka na kratko orisala nekatere probleme, ki tarejo Slovence, od manjvrednostnega kompleksa, ki se je Slovencev držal še iz davne zgodovine in so se ga šele v zadnjem času začeli otresati, pa do kompliciranega pravnega in gospodarskega sistema,

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Kulturna nagrada Zorkotu Simčiču

TORONTO, Ont. - Odbor Hranilnice in Posojilnice Slovenija v Torontu vsako leto dobro premisli, komu podeliti vsakoletno kulturno nagrado. Za leto 1990 je bila le-ta podeljena Zorkotu Simčiču. To je priznanje celotnemu kulturnemu delu Slovencev v Argentini in posebno še g. Simčiču kot enemu najbolj požrtvovalnih delavcev tako na polju literarnega ustvarjanja kot uredniškega dela pri več publikacijah, in še organizacijskega dela na kulturnem polju skozi več desetletij.

Sedaj, ko je Slovenija postala demokratična in se je odprla za kulturno ustvarjanje vseh izseljencev, bo Simčičevo delo prišlo še bolj do izraza. Pri vseh njegovih preteklih in gotovo bodočih uspehih, se mi z njim veselimo in mu iskreno želimo: Bog Te živi!

Dr. Peter Klopčič

TONE ZRNEC — SEDEM KRIŽEV

TORONTO, Ont. - Doma je iz Laporja pri Škocjanu v okrožju turjaškega gradu. Pomnika davnih slovenskih dni, ne nazadnje tudi pričevalca tragedije brambovcev za slovensko svobodnost iz jeseni 1943. Nekaj tega pričevalskega nastroja je tudi v potezi njegovih lic, v načinu njegovega govorjenja, v zamahu njegove kretnje.

Tone Zrnec, nezaznamovani turjaški vitez, zvest svojemu klicu, vdan v božjo voljo, prebit s krščansko vero v dobro in pravično.

Odbil je sedem križev. Niso očitni. Neka sprostljiva mladostnost veje iz njegovih lic. Oči so prodirne v zavesti, da je konec koncev le Auerspergovec, kot so »grofovski« vsi rojaki v tistem turjaškem okrožju. Pred tedni se je potegnil v življenjsko jesen. Brez šumota in hrupa. Odmaknjen zemskim zdravicam. A do srhljivosti zagledan v slovensko usodo, ki jo živi z domovino v srcu, četudi daleč od nje, sredi kanadskih snegov in vetrov. Kot da hodi po Baragovih stopinjah. Velikega Slovence ameriškega severa časti in ceni. Je dobršen del njegove ustvarjalne ihte.

Šola se na klasični v Ljubljani, živi v lazaristovskem dijaškem domu, na nekdanjem Taboru. V gimnazijskih klopek je sošolec Balantiča. Nanj ga veže vrsta toplih spominov. Rad jih razkriva. Po gimnazijskih letih ga najdem kot lazaristovskega klerika v ljubljanskem lemenatu.

Vojna in revolucija tudi čezenj potegniti trdo črto. Dvakrat domobranec - na Kranjskem in Primorskem. Za las je ušel partizanskemu vdoru v Trst. Vkrčan na hrvaško jadračo se po nočnem čolnarjenju znajde ob ustju Tilmenta. Varljivi Albionci so mu dali zavetje, ne da bi pljunili na svojo besedo in čast, kot so ravnali v Vetrinju.

Pozneje je študiral v Rimu. V mašnika ga posvetijo jeseni 1947. Predstojniki ga pošljejo z drugimi lazaristovskimi mladimi duhovniki čez morje v Argentino. Potem ga pelje pot na skrajni jug, ob antarktično morje, v čilenski Punta Arenas. Tu pase duše in se sprijemlje s Cervatesovim jezikom. Njegovi farani v teh zaledenelih peščinah so čilenski Indijanci in domači ribarji. Divja pušča skoraj na koncu sveta, kjer se v jesenskih urah sonce nagne ob treh popoldne in se dan spočne po deseti zjutraj... Pa poleti, ko je štiriindvajset ur dan dan, in vso noč pozimi, ko je štiriindvajset ur noč...

Skoraj mu predstojniki odmerijo dušno pašo med potomci starodavnih Inkov v visokem Peruju. Tu živi v osredju predkolumbovskih najbolj kulturnih in civiliziranih naslednikov starodavnih južnoameriških Grkov in Rimljanov — Inkov. Študira, medtem ko

pase indijanske in peruanske duše, njihovo kulturo, stike za okamenelimi pričami ameriških staroletij: nov klic vzbučne v njem — klic po oživetju imenitne inkovske kulture, vkopane v zaledenele skaline po andskih pettisočmeterskih vršacih, v snežine trdo zajedene ledenike, z njimi prekrte mrtve ognjenike. Tam ga na inkovsko starodavnost spominja babilonsko stolpičasti pravljčni grad — mesto Machu Picchu.

Ko se zataplja v starodavnost še deviške Amerike, vneta pase duše, vzgaja otroke, mašuje, blagoslavlja, odpremlja v nebo zdajšnje Peruance, ponuja križ namesto vražarstva, svoje kristjane, pa pripravlja za zdajšnji svet, ki s tehnologijo in drzno civilizacijo sega tudi na ameriški jug. Tu skuša po Pavlovo biti vsem vse. Misijonar. Župnik. Učitelj. Spominja na Baragovo pot med Polnočne Indijance. No, Tone je zdaj pod zenitom ekvatorskega sonca.

Predstojniki ga želijo v Toronto. Tam sta dve slovenski cerkvi. Prva posvečena Mariji Pomagaj, že stoji. Pozneje lazaristi, ki vodijo slovensko versko skupnost v torontskem velemestu, pozidajo in podvignejo še cerkev Brezmadežne s Čudodelno svetinjo. Prva je v središču Toronta, druga bliže Ontarijskemu jezeru.

Tone se ušotori pri Mariji Pomagaj. Tam ga postavijo za župnika. Zdaj zaorje z ralom vseh darov, ki mu jih je bil Bog dal, v rast slovenske skupnosti. Posebno prizadevnost naklanja mladini. Glasbeno nadarjen ustvari brez zunanje pomoči prvi slovenski mladinski pevski zbor v Kanadi. Zborovi koncerti vabijo slovenske rojake k večji vnemi za zmogovitost slovenske usode. Polnost slovenske pesmi posreduje tudi rojakom po Kanadi s kasetnimi posnetki koncertov.

Njegove veroučne ure bude posebno pozornost po modernosti zasnov, po stvarnosti prednašanj, po živosti označevalne besede.

Pri Mariji Pomagaj se Tone pokaže tudi kot zavzet pobudnik za vsa vprašanja, ki so povezana z delom beatifikacijskega postopka za slovenskega svetniškega kandidata misijonarja Ireneja Friderika Baraga. Raziskuje, zbira novo gradivo o njem. Dopisuje s slovenskimi in ameriški Baragovimi zgodovinarji. Prvi se odpravi na večdnevna potovanja po krajih Baragove misijonarske dejavnosti. Sad teh potovanj je knjižica Vodič po Baragovi deželi. Z risbami jo je popestril akad. kipar France Gorše. Z njim ga družijo veliko prijateljstvo, ki ga dviga velika zavzetost za mojstrovo umetnost.

Gorše živi takrat v ZDA. Pa

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ODMEVISPRERIJE

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. — Umazane zaplate snega se sesedajo, dražeči sončni žarki poljubljajo sproščeno zemljo, jo osvobajajo zmrzline in naznanjajo, da je koledarska pomlad pred durmi in da smo sredi postnega časa. Zato nas je pred dnevi že obiskal prijazni misijonar g. Ciril Čarga, slovenski župnik v Winnipegu, Manitoba. Župniku je nekako na sredi razvlečene Kanade in vprav radi tega ga slovensko lazaristovsko misijonarsko vodstvo, ki je kar daleč od nas v Torontu, pošlje med nas krščanske ovčke in koštrune (o teh verjetno on več ve, moja so samo ugibanja).

Zdi se mi, da se g. Čarga rad pripelje, čeprav po sili dolžnosti, med zahodne Kanadčane, obišče menda kar ducat malih slovenskih skupin, ki domujejo raztresene po Alberti in Br. Kolumbiji. So tudi časi, da je duhovnikov manj in manj in postaja cel svet radi razmer svetovni misijon. Tudi našo župnijo na primer oskrbuje in vzorno vodi župnik, ki je filipinskega rodu.

Tako postajajo tudi misijonski obiski krajši. Od treh pred leti, nato na dva, je navadno misijonarjev obisk skrajšan na en dan, ki pa nas vseeno razveseli. Tudi namen je dosežen, saj nas nagovor med mašo duhovno prezrači, spraši vest in spet vzdrami morda zanemarjena verska občutja. Je g. Čarga naš star znanec, čislán, domač in skromen, njegova beseda je jedrnata in cilja naravnost, ne na ovinke, pove kar čuti in misli da zasluži, kot gospod spoštovanega starejšega kova nas dobro zdrami, ko navadno v prijetno domače razpletene pridigi opogumlja, nam trosi smeric in napotkov za globlje živete verske dni. Tako tudi topot je bilo resno, pa prijetno domače v cerkvi, lepe slovenske postne misli so spremljale bogoslužje, v katerega smo vplekli tudi zaskrbujoče misli na našo domovino pod Triglavom, ki si vprav zadnje čase skuša otresti težkih jarmov povojnih let in želi iz vezi Balkana v upanju sončnejših evropskih dni v pošteno in res svobodno slovensko državo.

Seve smo se kasneje v dvorani zbrali. Topot nas je bilo kar veliko in »blagajnik in kontrolor« Štefan nas je ves nasmejan naštel 66. Ne vem, kako je štel, po slovensko ali pa angleško, naštel nas je kar visoko udeležbo. Misijon nas vsakokrat zbere v dvorani pridne in podjetne gospodinje, ki se po skupinah menjajo nam vsakokrat preskrbe kaj dobrega za pocrkljanje, tako da kar uradno ob misijonarju pozabimo na obljubljeni post...

Ves svet je vplet v čudovito hitrico, tudi mi in v uri, dveh se zadovoljni razidemo, stisk rok z misijonarjem v slovo in spet, nas večer raztrese po domovih, g. misijonar pa mora naslednje jutro na pot novih misijonskih dolžnosti. G. misijonarju, zahvala nas vseh in lep boglonaj vsem, ki so doprinesli k postnemu srečanju.

Tule se menda skoro vsi še držimo slovenskih postnih navad, barvamo pirhe, nesemo k žegnu. Namesto bahavih in pisanih butar — majhno imam jaz samo za okras — nam dajo v cerkvi oljčno vejico, s katero prinesemo tudi žegen v naše domove.

Vsem znancem po svetu naše pozdrave, in vsem, ki boste brali tele vrste pa: »Šunke, pirhov in potic, vam želi kanadski stric«!

Pak

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rad priskoči tudi v Toronto. Na Tonetovo pobudo opremi z izvirnimi kiparskimi liki slovensko cerkev Marije Pomagaj. Kanadski slovenski rojaki so ponosni na velikega mojstra kranjskega dleta, ki je v domovini zamolčan, v velikem svetu cenjen. Gorše je po Tonetovi vzpodbudi brž pristopen za Baragovo stvar. O njem ustvari celo procesijo večjih in manjših likov, mnoga poprsja velikega Slovenca za slovenske domove, za domačije rojakov v Kanadi, tudi v ZDA, tudi za domovino: znan je njegov lik misijonarja Baraga v škofovi domači vasi.

O krajih Baragovega misijonarjenja, o ostankih njegovih primitivnih z ljubjem kritih cerkvic, o potomcih očipvejskih in otavskih Indijancev posname 1980 Tone celovečerni film Po sledih. Sam napiše scenarij, s kamero hodi iz kraja v kraj, izbira sledi. Stvaritev dokumentarne vrednosti gre med Slovence po vsem svetu.

Pri Baragovi stvari je imenovan za vicepostulatorja. Tak navezuje stike z zgodovinarji v Marquetteu, v Rimu. Opravi veliko delo, ki ne gre samo v anale, marveč tudi pomore stvari sami pri zamudnem postopku v Rimu. Pobuja k slovesu imenitnega Slovenca: navduši skladatelja Primoža Ramovša, da zloži Orkestralne simfonične Invencije na zaris Baragovega lika in njegove misijonarske dejavnosti. Velik orkestralni tekst, ki še čaka na koncertni krst.

Kot filmar se uveljavi nekaj prej s celovečernim filmom o kiparju Francetu Goršetu. Izvirna celuloidna freska o večini Goršetovih stvaritev v ZDA in Kanadi.

Pomemben korak v Tonetovem plodnem življenju se začne, ko pred leti prevzame uredništvo slovenskega verskega mesečnika Božja Beseda. Prejšnjemu periodiku da ne samo bogatejšo vsebino, marveč tudi novo zunanjo podobo. List že skoraj z revialnim prizvokom je zavzeto sprejet med rojaki. Po prikupnem skiciranju sodobnega življenja v Cerkvi, duhovnih premikov med slovenskimi rojaki, po opozarjanju na koledarske spomine imenitnih Slovencev, pa tudi svetovnih cerkvenih vzornikov veže s slovensko duhovno nitjo naše kanadsko življenje. Zna si zadobiti nekatere odlične sodelavce. Pozoren je ob premikih slovenske usode zadnjih let.

Veliko delo opravi Tone, ko pred leti napiše in v priročni obliki izda sodobno sestavljen katekizem za slovenske šolarje. Loti se tudi pisanja slovenskih šolskih knjig v pomoč učiteljicam in učiteljem po slovenskih šolah.

Pred leti so ga predstojniki selili od Marije Pomagaj k novi cerkvi in župniji Brezmadežne. Tu uspešno vodi nekatere odseke farne skupnosti, pomaga s svojim znanjem, druži rojake, fotografira in ureja pestro, bogato zbirko

svojih diapozitivov, ki jih je nabral v Kanadi in po svetu. Misijonarji po slovenskih zaselkih po vseh kanadskih krajih, kjer žive Slovenci, je vabljen in zaželen predavatelj med rojaki. Ureja periodične publikacije, ki jih zdaj pa zdaj vržeta na svetlo obe slovenski župniji v Torontu.

Njegov poseben konjiček so potovanja po deželah južne in srednje Amerike. Pot ga zanesse tudi v Honduras, kjer najde ostanke majske kulture predkolumbovskih dni. Za to kulturo stika tudi po Yukatan-skem polotoku na mehiškem jugu.

Tone je do zadnjih žil povezan tudi s slovensko domačijo. Obiskuje vidnejše Slovence, stika za novimi odkritji slovenskih starin, posebno v cerkveni umetnosti. Nabit z živim slovenstvom, če le more skoči k študijskim dnevom v Drago nad Trstom.

Bogata bera dobro opravljene dela. Za slovensko cerkev, za slovensko domovino.

Bog mu blagoslovi zdajšnjih sedem križev. Ohrani nam ga še dolgo. Želimo mu od srca vsi njegovi prijatelji, ki nas ni malo.

Nikolaj Jeločnik
Januarja 1991

Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

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Slovenski izseljenci in domovino

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podedovanega iz prejšnjega sistema, ki ga je treba temeljito spremeniti.

Povedala je, da se je ideja o samostojni Sloveniji in o Svetovnem slovenskem kongresu porodila iz občutka ogroženosti slovenskega naroda. »Kolikor bolj je rasla ta zavest, da smo Slovenci kot Slovenci v matični domovini ogroženi, toliko bolj je rasla zavest, da so tisti, ki so zunaj, pravzaprav tudi naši in da na svoj način tudi doživljajo ogroženost jezika in svoje narodne pripadnosti in da pravzaprav Slovenci v obsegu vsega svojega narodnega telesa doživljamo neko stisko, neko nevarnost, kateri se moramo upreti vsi.«

Povedala je, da je osnovna ideja Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa povezati vse Slovence in jim obuditi slovensko narodno zavest in samozavest, tako, da bodo v svojo lepšo bodočnost in v svoje preživetje verjeli in da bodo za te svoje ideale s složnim delom tudi nekaj naredili in s tem prispevali za dobrobit svoje slovenske skupnosti in slovenstva nasploh.

Cilj Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa je torej povezati slovenski živelj, raztresen po vsem svetu. »Paziti moramo,« je poudarila Hribarjeva, da ne bomo teh idej, ki nam jih je

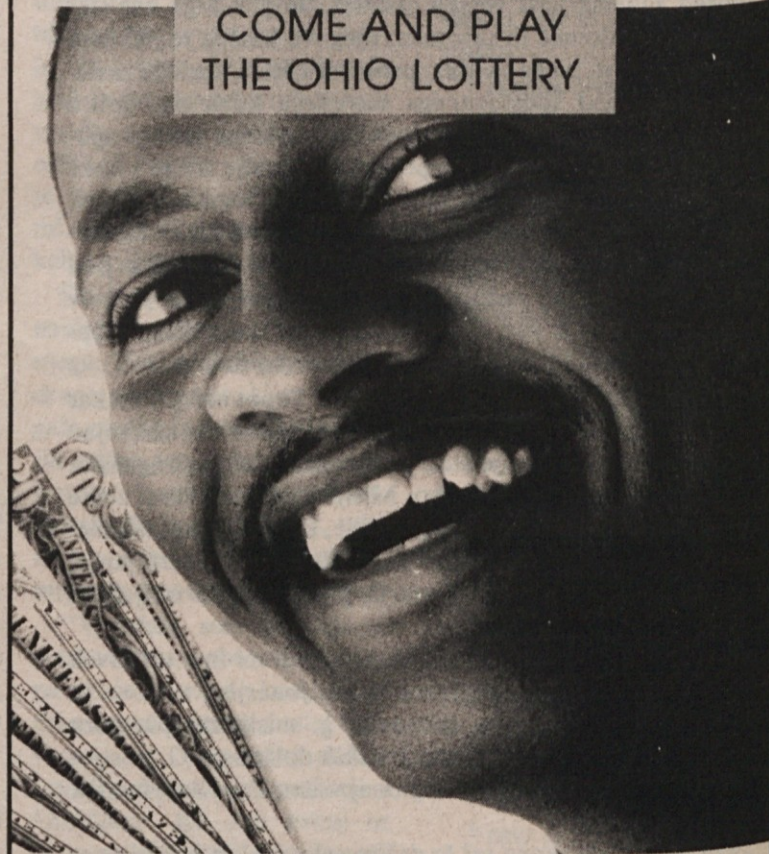
sam Bog dal, uničili, ker to je zadnja ideja, ki je Slovence zares pretresla. Naši ljudje v domovini in drugje so se pripravljali za to angažirati in za te ideje nekaj dati. Če nam to spodleti, potem ne vem, če se bomo še kdaj našli. ...Svetovni slovenski kongres smo torej mi, kjerkoli smo kot Slovenci in dokler bomo želeli kot Slovenci biti. Osnova je, da iz sebe potegnemo neko prijaznost, toleranco, da poskušamo preživeti vse razlike, ki so nas delile tako dolgo in tako tragično. Pusti drugemu, da je drugi. S tem mu izkažeš največjo ljubezen. In isto velja, če gledamo celotno narodovo telo. Slovenci v Kanadi se morate zelo truditi, da ostanete to, kar ste. Slovenci po svetu imajo pravzaprav za prvo nalogo to, da kot Slovenci sploh obstanejo tam, kjer živijo. Mi v Sloveniji smo bolj odgovorni za to, kako je v Sloveniji, vi pa ste odgovorni, da preživite tukaj in da slovenstvu date iz sebe glas.«

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27. — Pevski zbor Zarja praznuje 75-letnico z večerjo, koncertom in plesom v SDD v Euclidu.

28. — Slov. šola pri sv. Vidu priredi materinsko proslavo ob 6. uri zvečer v dvorani sv. Vida.

28. — Župnija sv. Cirila v New Yorku praznuje svojo 75-letnico. Ob 10. dop. sv. maša, med 2. in 7. zv. banket in program v Park restavraciji, Franklin Sq., Long Island. Igra Štajerski kvintet.

28. — Klub upokojencev na St. Clairju ima kosilo v SND na St. Clairju. Začetek ob 1.30 pop.

MAJ

4. — Pevski zbor Korotan prireja koncert ob svoji 40-letnici, v dvorani sv. Vida. Pričetek ob 7. zv.

5. — »Prijatelji Slov. nar. doma na St. Clairju« prirede »brunch«.

17. — Slovenski dom za ostarele ima občni zbor, v SDD na Waterloo Rd.

JUNIJ

2. — Otvoritev Slovenske pristave.

9. — Društvo SPB Cleveland priredi Slovenski spominski dan s sv. mašo ob 11.30 dop. pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd., Euclid, O.

15. in 16. — Tabor DSPB priredi Spominsko proslavo na Orlovem vrhu Slov. pristave, v počastitev pobitim domobranecem in vsem ostalim žrtvam revolucije.

30. — Poletni festival pri sv. Vidu.

JULIJ

14. — Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija ima piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Pričetek piknika s sv. mašo ob 12. uri popoldne.

21. — Belokranjski klub priredi piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Igra Tony Klepec orkester.

28. — Slov. šola pri sv. Vidu

(dalje na str. 8)

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MARCH 28, 1991

KOLENDAR

(nadaljevanje s str. 7)

prredi piknik na Slovenski
pristavi.

SEPTEMBER

15. — Vinska trgatev na Slo-
venski pristavi.

22. — Društvo SPB Cleve-
land prredi vselovensko tradi-
cionalno romanje k Žalostni
Materi božji v Frank, O.

29. — Oltarno društvo fare sv.
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avditoriju.

OKTOBER

5. — Fantje na vasi prire-
de letni koncert v SND na St.
Clair Ave. Po koncertu ples,
igra Alpski sekstet.

20. — Občni zbor Slovenske
pristave.

26. — Štajerski klub prredi
vsakoletno martinovanje v
Slov. nar. domu na St. Clair
Ave. Igra Tony Klepec orke-
ster.

NOVEMBER

9. — Pevski zbor Jadran pri-
redi jesenski koncert z večerjo
in plesom v SDD na Waterloo
Rd. Igra Fred Kuhar orkester.

9. — Belokranjski klub pri-
redi vsakoletno martinovanje
v Slovenskem domu na St.
Clairju. Igra Tony Klepec or-
kester.

DECEMBER

6. — Slovensko ameriški kul-
turni svet prredi letno Sre-
čanje s škofom Pevcem, v se-
menišču Borromeo.

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