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KSKJ receives Lausche graduate school grant



Madeline D. Debevec, secretary of the Frances and Jane S. Lausche Foundation, presents a check in the amount of \$2,500 to Eugene Kogovsek, national president of the American Slovenian Catholic Union (KSKJ). The donation is for a Graduate School Scholarship, given in memory of Senator Frank J. Lausche. Pictured here are KSKJ National Officers, from left, front row, Ray Zak, National Athletic Director, Louis Gornik, Regional Director, Steelton, Pa., Kogovsek, Mrs.

Debevec, Joseph S. Baskovic, First National Vice President, and Robert M. Verbiscer, Chief Executive Officer; second row, Joseph Pancar, Regional Director, Ohio, John Zupancic, Finance Committee, Joseph V. Hocevar, Regional Director, Ohio, and Eugene Klainsek, Auditing Committee. The photo was taken in Brecksville, Ohio during the recent National KSKJ Basketball Tournament. Missing from photo was Rev. Joseph Yelenc who was playing basketball. (Photo by Stan Zaller, Jr.)

U.S. ready to recognize Slovenia

BRUSSELS, 10 March — The (European) Community and its member States and the United States reiterate their strong support for UN Peacekeeping Plan, for the EC Peace Conference chaired by Lord Carrington and for the key principles underlying the search for a political settlement of the Yugoslav crisis at the EC Conference: no changes in the borders of the Yugoslav republics by force or absent mutual consent, strong protection for human rights and the rights of all national and ethnic groups in all republics.

The Community and its member States and the United States have agreed to coordinate

their approaches to completing the process of recognizing those Yugoslav republics that seek independence.

The Community and its member States, bearing in mind its declaration on 16 December 1991, and the United States are agreed:

(i) that the United States will, in this context, give rapid and positive consideration to the requests for recognition by Croatia and Slovenia in such a way as to support the dual-track approach based on the deployment of the UN peacekeeping force and the European Community Peace Conference chaired by Lord Carrington.

U.S. Policy Toward Slovenia and Croatia Explained

This morning's *New York Times* reports in detail on American policy toward recognition of Slovenia and Croatia and offers insights into why U.S. recognition has been so long and so stubbornly delayed. According to David Binder, a veteran *Times* reporter long familiar with Yugoslavia and East Europe, U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III felt he had been lied to by Slovene and Croat representatives when he had discussions with them in Yugoslavia in June, just a few days before the two republics declared their independence.

Binder's report on this is worth quoting in full, since it also reveals that the Bush Administration has felt the pressure generated by Slovene and Croatian Americans:

"Mr. Baker said in Brussels that the United States was prepared to give 'rapid and positive consideration' to recognition of Slovenia and Croatia. But officials said that statement was intended to bring American policy into closer alignment with that of the European Community." Binder, by the way reported from Washington.

"There will be no separate, early action on Croatia and Slovenia, the officials said, despite rising pressure in Congress and from ethnic communities. They said Secretary Baker was still smarting from what he regarded as devious

treatment by Croatia and Slovenia when he conferred in Belgrade with leaders of all six Yugoslav republics on June 21.

"'Baker doesn't want to reward the Croats or the Slovenes,' an Administration official said. 'It still burns him that they promised him to take no unilateral steps when he went there and five days later turned around and declared secession, that they lied to him.'

"Mr. Baker hinted at that in testimony to a Senate Commerce subcommittee last Thursday, when he was asked why the United States had not moved to recognize the independence of the breakaway republics.

"Alluding to his discussions in June, he said: 'It is not sufficient in our view for countries to simply declare their independence and then forcefully seize border posts in order to implement that declaration and thereby trigger a civil war. And that's what happened in Yugoslavia.'"

Baker's version of events is at the least very self-serving and deserves official response from Slovenia's government. Baker's visit last June was a last ditch effort by the U.S. to prevent Yugoslavia's breakup and Baker and Bush were miffed because Slovenia and Croatia refused to follow orders. At least now there is a specific U.S. commitment. Dr. Rudolph M. Susel

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

MZA kosilo—

Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija vabi na svoje kosilo, ki bo v nedeljo, 22. marca, od 11.30 do 1. pop., v šolski dvorani pri Sv. Vidu. Nakaznice za kosilo so po \$7, za otroke \$3.50, dobite jih pa, če pokličete 881-5163 ali 481-3768, seveda bodo na voljo tudi pri vходу v dvorano.

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Dve smrti v družini—

Ga. Cilka Lubey je prejela prežalostno vest, da sta 10. februarja 1992 v Kresnike, Š. pri Celju, nasilne smrti umrla Marija Zimšek, sestra p. moža Paula in njen sin oziroma bratranec. Pogreb je bil skupen. Mož Ivan je nesrečno umrl pred 12 leti. Pokojna zapuščina dva sinova.

Prodaja potic—

Kroček št. 2 PSA ima prodajo potic in sicer v sredo, 1. aprila. Prednaročila so nujna. Potice, orehove, rezinove ali kombinirane so po \$9. Naročila sprejemata Jo Turkman (531-3595) in Marge Kaus (585-2603). Potice boste dobili 1. aprila med 10. in 3. pop. v prizidku SND na St. Clairju.

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LILJA vabi—

Dramatsko društvo Lilija poda veseloigro »Dve nevesti« in sicer v nedeljo, 29. marca, ob 3.30 pop. v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue. Vsi že danes lepo vabljeni!

Zabava na West Parku—

Slovenski narodni dom na W. 130 St. vabi prihodnji torek na sv. Patricij dan zabavo, ki se bo pričela ob 4. pop. in trajala ves večer. Vstopnina \$10. Ob petkih v tem najmanjšem slovenskem narodnem domu servirajo ribje večerje v postu.

Tarok turnir—

Letošnji prvi turnir taroka bo v soboto, 21. marca, ob 7. zvečer v Baragovem domu. Tudi novi igralci vabljeni.

Kosilo—

V nedeljo, 5. aprila, bo v svetišču Lurške Matere božje na Chardon Rd. od 12. do 6. zv. kosilo z govejim zrezkom in sicer v jedilnici sv. Ane. Nakaznice dobite v pisarni svetišča, rojaki lahko pa pokličete g. Tonyja Brodnika na 289-7680. Cena kosilu je \$7, za otroke pa \$4.

AD bere že brez očal—

Ob poravnavi naročnine nam je g. Frank Drazumerich poleg lepega voščila omenil, da še vedno rad bere naš list pri svojih 93 letih in to brez očal!

Spominska darova—

Ga. Alma Tercek in ga. Rose Rodgers, Euclid, O., sta poklonili \$50 v podporo našemu listu, v spomin staršev Johna in Frances Grill.

Ga. Florence Zak, prav tako iz Euclida, nam je podarila \$20, v spomin staršev Johna in Nettie Zarnick.

Darovalkam za njih naklonjenost naša lepa hvala.

V tiskovni sklad—

Rev. Victor Tomc, upokoje-ni župnik fare Marije Vnebovzete in sedaj živeč na Maple Hts., O., je podaril \$25 v naš tiskovni sklad.

Arnold Pristernik, Rockaway, N.J., je prav tako daroval \$25.

Janez Medved, Montreal, Kanada, je ob obnovi naročnine poslal dodatnih \$30 za naš tiskovni sklad.

Klub graduantov farne šole pri Mariji Vnebovzete je odobrila podporo \$25 našemu listu.

Vsem darovalcem naša iskrena hvala!

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Sally believed...

by James V. Debevec

On Monday, March 9 nearly a thousand persons came to the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Vitus church to say farewell to Sally Furlich who had died early last Thursday, a victim of cancer.

There were ten priests who participated in the Mass including our own Bishop Edward Pevec. The homily was given by Rev. John Kumse, spiritual director of KSKJ Lodge, Our Lady of Fatima No. 255, of which Sally was the guiding light. Fr. Kumse outdid himself that morning by giving the best sermon of his life, a fitting tribute to a remarkable woman. He recalled Sally's favorite saying, "It is nice to be important — but it is more important to be nice."

Fr. Joseph Yelenc, National Spiritual Director of KSKJ traveled from St. Francis College in Loretto, Pennsylvania to participate. He and Sally had worked on the KSKJ Scholarship program and shared a worthy interest of helping others to gain financial help for their scholastic undertakings. Also in attendance from Joliet, Illinois were Bob Verbiscer, Executive Vice President of KSKJ, and Tony Mravle, National Secretary, and Joseph Mullin, Director of Sales and Marketing nationwide.

And that was typically Sally. Caring. Sincere. Helpful. A true friend. Three walls of the funeral parlor were covered two and three deep with floral arrangements given in tribute to Sally.

She was on the National Board of KSKJ as Director of Women's and Youth Activities. She was a firm believer in KSKJ and proudly enrolled her family and friends in the fraternal insurance company. She was unique. She had the only lodge in KSKJ that every year held a "Christmas in July" party at a clubhouse overlooking Lake Erie where one could enjoy the pleasant summer breezes and outdoor activity associated with a picnic, while at the same time view the nativity crib in the corner of the clubhouse. "There are so many parties at Christmas that I thought we'd try something different," Sally said.

Sally loved to decorate and bake. At St. Joseph high school she was noted for her decorations. The principal said, "She was the only person I know who decorated for "ground hog's day." Students and faculty appreciated and sought Sally's warm personality. The school dismissed classes on Monday so the student body and teachers could attend the funeral. The nuns all came in a school bus.

When someone had a birthday, Sally baked a cake. When there was a funeral, Sally baked a cake. Multiply that by the hundreds and you have an idea of her caring friendship.

From the big to the small, Sally was equal to all. She backed George Voinovich all along his political trail. From his stint as State Representative to Mayor of Cleveland to his present position as Governor of Ohio, Sally was there not only cheering him and his wife, Janet, on, but if you read all the political advertisements closely, there was Sally's name on the bottom in small print as the disclaimer person.

Sally was not just a political supporter. She was a real friend to Janet and George Voinovich. She was Godmother to one of their children, Molly, who sadly was hit by a car and killed on her way to grade school. The governor and his wife visited Sally during her brief stay in Cleveland Clinic. They were at the funeral parlor both days of her wake. On Monday, Governor Voinovich took a short leave from the state's business to attend her funeral Mass at St. Vitus. Not only he and Janet but the *entire* Voinovich family came from across the United States to be there.

At the cemetery Governor Voinovich and his wife waited until the 200 persons there had placed their carnations on the casket and when most had bid their farewells, the two stood side-by-side and openly mourned for their lost friend — who had believed in both of them.

Her close sister Connie Schulz and friend Jackie Hanks could always be counted on to back Sally's many lodge activities, and their eyes were red with tears from crying for their loved one who seemed to always have a million things going at once and needed their encouragement and assistance..

Her husband, Ed stood at the head of the casket and just stared at it. He was in shock and could not believe the events passing before him. He had lost his best friend and supporter, for she had most of all believed in him and their children, Maureen, David and Ken. Everyone who knew Sally realized she was the ultimate faithful, caring mother and wife.

The Cleveland Slovenian Radio Club, The Slovenian Women's Union Cadets, The United Slovenian Society, Our Lady of Fatima KSKJ officers and members, the KSKJ National Board members, most St. Vitus parishioners, and the hundreds of persons whose lives she had touched were there that day, remembering the good times with Sally and sadly showing their respect and paying tribute to a lady who cared — and believed in each of them.

So long, Sally; it was *good* to know you.



Bush ready to recognize Slovenia

The Bush administration appears ready to recognize Slovenia and Croatia soon according to Secretary of State James A. Baker the third who spoke to reporters on Tuesday.

The European Community has recognized Slovenia and Croatia, both of which declared their independence on June 25. The republics of Macedonia and Bosnia and Herzegovina have since opted for independence, but have not been recognized by the Europeans.

Administration officials indicated they would like to work in close concert with Europe on this issue, now that elections or referendums have been held and a United Nations peacekeeping force is being dispatched to separate warring ethnic forces.

This week's talks on Yugoslavia were said to have been planned on Washington's initiative.

Indications from various sources are that U.S. recognition of Slovenia and Croatia will come very soon. Probably in early April.

Thanks for help

Thanks to Tony Rus who came in Sunday afternoon with his electronic expertise to fix our film processor and to Frank Kogovsek who was here Tuesday evening to repair our printing press that developed bearings which refused to function.

It is the knowledge and expertise of people like these two and others who keep the Ameriška Domovina operational. Grateful thanks to these gentlemen and others who as a matter of course, give of themselves to help others.

"I object to people running down the future. I am going to live all the rest of my life there."

—Charles F. Kettering

"The future is much like the present, only longer."

—Dan Quisenberry

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by
John merclina

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St. Clair Pensioners Newsy Notes:

If you recall, last month I reported that our January meeting was cancelled due to the bad weather, and so the installation of our new officers was postponed until the February meeting.

Antoinette Krajc, as her final duty as president, thanked the membership for its support and cooperation during her three years of service as president. She then introduced our newly elected president, Rose Godic, and turned over the president's seat and gavel to her.

Our newly installed president's first act was to thank the members for their vote of confidence in electing her to the presidency, and promised to do her best in fulfilling that office. She then introduced the balance of elected officers, who with the exception of Frances Nemanich, were re-elected to their respective positions. Frances Nemanich is the newly elected recording secretary, well qualified and conscientious.

Our planning chairman, Ed Karnak, introduced our guest speakers, two of Euclid's finest of their police force. In the past we have had speakers from our own police, but Ed Karnak thought it might be interesting to hear the friendly voice of one of our neighboring cities. The subject was "Scam artists and their games." We were reminded that their tricks are many, and their promises sound too good to be true. You can be sure that they are *too good to be true*. So... BE ALERT. Be Suspicious of any quick rewarding promises.

During the past months, most of us enjoyed the Winter Olympics. I for one was fascinated by the performances of the ice skaters. Imagine the hours spent in practice to reach the level of their achievement. On the 28th of February, a bus load from the St. Clair area traveled to the Coliseum to enjoy the "Disney On Ice" show. Again, what a delightful display of talent on ice! Most of the viewing audience on that afternoon consisted of bus loads of young school children. Sitting on the edge of their seats, they enthusiastically enjoyed and

cheered every moment of the show. And believe me, we seniors were not too far behind in expressing our own delight. It was truly enjoyable entertainment.

After the show, aboard our bus (one among many hundreds) we headed for the Cathedral Buffet, there to partake and enjoy a delicious luncheon. And finally, on the way to Cleveland, our home town, and the end of a perfectly delightful and enjoyable day. Thanks to Frances Karnak for it all.

What next you may ask. Only Frances knows. So you had better come to the next meeting to find out what's cooking. I can tell you that... plans are set for our Annual Chicken and Roast Pork Dinner. The date is May 3 and the place is the St. Clair Slovenian National Home. I now have tickets available. They will be distributed to the members at our coming meeting. You, our friends and loyal supporters, can get them from members, or by calling me at 391-9761. We need your support, and we can assure you that you will enjoy the dinner prepared by Milka Krulc and her staff. Please keep this date in mind, and also invite your friends to join you on that day. This is our only public event.

How are our ailing members doing? Well, we welcome back Margaret Kaus and Mary Batis at our last meeting. John Kausek is still struggling to bounce back, but he is making progress. Hope to greet him with open arms at our next meeting. Still absent were Angela Kovach and Victoria Wallace.

Our newly elected recording secretary, Frances Nemanich, looked a little peaked at the February meeting, and a few days after, was diagnosed as having a touch of pneumonia. Thankfully, she made good recovery, and is up and about again.

New on the temporary disabled list are Rose Poprik, who underwent knee surgery; and Ann Skully, who experienced heart discomfort, and is undergoing tests at Euclid General. You can send cards of cheer and well wishes, and a prayer will also be

welcome.

As supporting members of the "Friends of the Slovenian National Home," the St. Clair Pensioners wish to inform you that two years ago, due to a leaking roof of the SNH Auditorium, much damage occurred to the interior of the auditorium. At that time it was necessary to replace the roof.

Work is now in progress repairing the damaged areas, and at the same time the complete auditorium is being

renovated. It will be completed by the date of the "Friends" Brunch on May 3. By attending the Brunch, you will see the "New Look."

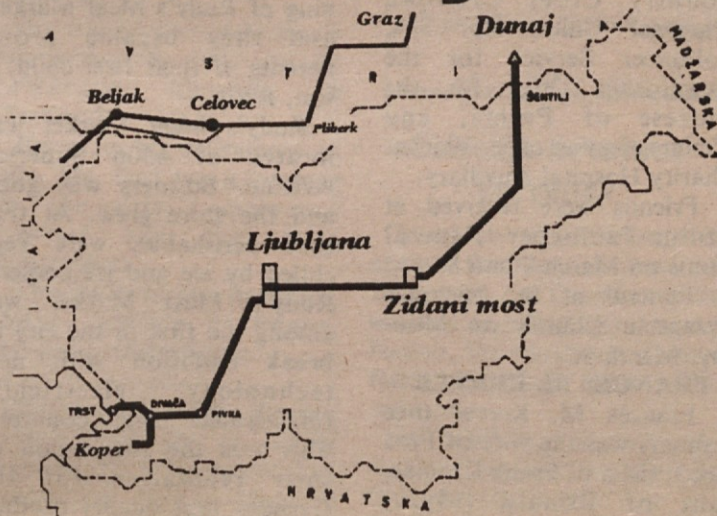
The Friends of the SNH are dedicated to the preservation of the Slovenian National Home, and your support will be greatly appreciated by them.

Remember the date of our next meeting, Thursday, March 19th at 1 p.m. in the annex of the SNH. Be an active member and attend.

—Stanley J. Frank

A new railroad connection will enhance Slovenian commerce

Slovenija



Recently, Slovenian-born Austrian citizen Andrej Wakounig has informed the Slovenian Minister of Economics, engineer Marjan Krejnc and the Slovenian Government in Ljubljana about the Austrian Government's intentions to immediately build a new railroad connection from the Austrian capital city of Vienna thru Graz and Celovec (Klagenfurt) through Slovenia connecting Maribor, Celje, Zidani, Most and the capital city of Ljubljana. It will also go to the Slovenian coastal port of Koper and Trieste (Trst).

The second railroad connection with certain improvements will also be made thru Slovenian Carinthia connecting the city of Beljak (Vilklach) and the Slovenian territory under Italy - the Kanal valley (Kanalska dolina).

The new proposed railroad connection thru the Republic of Slovenia will bring millions of new passengers from the new independent and free states of Eastern Europe such as Belarus Republic, Ukraine, Russia, Poland, Czech and Slovak republics as well as Austria, Hungary and Romania.

The Slovenian port of Koper will become one of the most important international economic seaports for all those countries mentioned above and certainly for Slovenia especially.

Slovenia will get more revenues, many new jobs and new businesses as a result of the railroad. With this, Slovenia and its citizens will be further connected with Western European Railroad Association from which she was excluded until recently.

The new Slovenian govern-

ment and its people are grateful to Carinthian Slovenians who are like ambassadors for them with the Austrian authorities and are doing a great job helping their mother country, the independent state of Slovenia.

All of us in the United States, especially American-Slovenians who are closely following everything that is transpiring in the Slovenian territory are also very thankful to all who contributed to the benefit of the new nation of Slovenia. God be with all of you and again, good luck Slovenia.

—Mario Kavcic

Events...

Sunday, March 17

St. Patrick's Party, 4 p.m. on going corned beef, with open bar, \$10.00. Late music. Location is West Park Slovene Home, 4583 West 130 St. \$10.

Sunday, April 5

Holmes Avenue Pensioners 30th Anniversary dinner-dance at Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave. Tickets \$12. Louise 261-1678 or Matt 943-3784.

Saturday, April 11

Spring Dinner-Dance sponsored by Board of Directors of Collinwood Slovenian Home, 15810 Homes Ave. honoring Man of the Year John Jackson. Music by Bob Kravos Orch. Dinner 7 p.m., music 8 p.m. Donation \$12.

Sunday, May 3

Annual Spring Brunch sponsored by Friends of the Slovenian Home, St. Clair

Friday, May 15

Annual Meeting of the Slovene Home for the Aged at Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Rd. — 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 17

St. Clair Pensioners Annual Chicken & Pork Dinner at St. Clair Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Ave. Serving from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Social to 5 p.m. For tickets call 391-9761.

Thursday, May 21

Ohio Federation of KSKJ Lodges meet at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Chardon Road, Euclid, for devotions to Our Lady of Brezje.

Saturday, May 23

Korotan Concert, 7 p.m.

Sunday, June 28

Ohio Federation of KSKJ Lodges annual Ohio Family Picnic at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio.

Saturday, Oct. 3

Fantje na Vasi 15th anniversary concert at the St. Clair Slovenian National Home. For more information call (216) 352-7455.

Sunday, Oct. 4

Fall Brunch sponsored by Friends of the Slovenian Home, St. Clair.

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DEATH NOTICES



SALLY FURLICH

Sally J. Furlich, 51, a popular secretary in the business office of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School for the past 12 years, and Director of Women's and Youth Activities for KSKJ, died on Thursday, March 5 at Cleveland Clinic from cancer.

She was also Vice President of Our Lady of Fatima Lodge No. 255, a member of American Mutual Life Association (AMLA) Danica lodge No. 11, Slovenian Women's Union Branch 50, St. Vitus Alumni, Cleveland Slovenian Radio Club, United Slovenian Society, And Slovene Home for the Aged Auxiliary.

She is survived by husband, Edward, daughter Maureen, and sons David and Ken.

Family suggests contributions to the KSKJ Scholarship Fund, 2439 Glenwood Ave., Joliet, IL 60435; St. Augustine's Food Drive, 2486 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113; or the Sally Furlich Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Villa Angela/St. Joseph Development Office, 18491 Lake Shore Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44119.

HARUO TAKEMOTO

Haruo Takemoto (Wally Mojo), brother of Hitos (Jerry) of N.J., dearest friend of James Bergant, Christine Molek and the entire St. Clair Avenue neighborhood.

Wally was a truck driver for Keal Driveway Co. for 25 years.

Memorial services Sunday at 4 p.m. at Zele Funeral Home, 6502 St. Clair Avenue. His friends are requested to gather at the funeral home on Sunday afternoon from 3-5 p.m. only.

Contributions to V.F.W. Post 5275, 6909 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland 44103 in his memory are suggested.

RUDOLPH STRANCAR

Rudolph Strancar, 76, of Cleveland, died at Manor Care Lakeshore on Monday, March 9th. Rudolph was born in

Elkins, West Virginia.

He was retired from Eaton Corporation where he was employed as a machinist.

Rudy was a member of SNPJ No. 142, AMLA Lodge Kras No. 8, and the Euclid Pensioners.

Rudy was the beloved husband of Irene, the father of Ronald and Linda Rychlik; grandfather of six and the brother of John, Frank and Ernest.

Visitation was Wednesday at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Funeral Thursday (today) at St. Jerome Church at 9:30 a.m. Burial in All Souls Cemetery.

LENORE C. FRIEDEL

Lenore C. Friedel (nee Popovic), wife of Albert A.; sister of Alice L. McCarrroll (Fla.), Paul R. Popovic, Marjorie Myers, and the following deceased: Jean, Gabriel, Jr., John, Nicholas, Emil, and Peter. Aunt of several.

She was a member of St. Nicholas Altar Society, Acacia Country Club, Croatian Fraternal Union No. 859, Volunteer Service for the Stewardship Drive for the Diocese of Parma, and lifetime member of St. Vincent Charity Hospital Auxiliary.

Friends were received at Grdina-Faulhaber Funeral Home on March 7 and 8.

Funeral at St. Nicholas Byzantine Church on Monday, March 9.

FRANCES M. KERVER

Frances M. Kerver (nee Kromar) was the wife of Fred (dec.); sister of Frank Kromar; aunt of Ronald (Myra) Kromar.

Friends were received at Grdina-Faulhaber Funeral Home, 17010 Lakeshore Blvd., where services were held Monday, March 9. Interment All Souls Cemetery.

Slovenian poet

Thanks to Charles M. Merhar of Parma, Ohio who sent in an article which appeared in the *New York Review of Books* on October 24 regarding Slovenia in general and poet Edvard Kocbek in particular.

In the article about Kocbek it says, "In his poetry, stories, and essays Kocbek developed a philosophy of personal freedom, and of ethical and social responsibility. Drawing on older Slovenian and Central European traditions, he offered a powerful alternative to Marxist determination."

It further states, "Having begun his education in a Catholic seminary, Kocbek later rebelled against the established church, and under the influence of the Spanish Civil War founded a Christian Socialist party in Slovenia, of which he eventually became the leader. He broke with the Communist leadership almost immediately

Legacy of Rudolph Bukovec

A dream began 64 years ago and was realized by a determined young man with ambitions. In 1918 Rudolph Bukovec left his home in Yugoslavia and immigrated to America, first settling in Pennsylvania. Like many others around him he found work in the coal mines, a dirty, dangerous, health-breaking job at best.

With painstaking regularity he saved earnings and moved to Cleveland and found work as a meat cutter for Jasbec Meat Market. There are those of you who may remember the local market on East 49 Street between Superior and St. Clair. It was here Rudolph learned the skills that would be picked up by future generations.

The year 1928 was a time of achievement and personal happiness. Rudolph and his wife Agnes brought the beginning of Rudy's Meat Market, and they became proud parents of their first child, a son, Rudy.

Rudy's Meat Market was located at 4506 Superior Avenue. Business was good and the store grew. At that time perishables were kept chilled by ice and ice coolers. Rudy's Meat Market was among the first in the city to break tradition with new technology - electrically refrigerated meat counters. This was the foundation of their reputation for the freshest, best quality product available.

Rudolph's and Agnes' family also grew to include two more sons, Anthony born in 1933 and Chuck in 1936.

Their happiness was short-lived. Tragedy struck the hard-working Slovenian family the year after little Chuck was born. Rudolph was killed in an automobile accident.

Agnes, who knew little English, found herself alone at 32 with three young children, no savings and a mortgage. In desperation she turned to her brother Steve Jakska for help. Steve helped her run the market until the boys were old enough to help. As they came of age, Rudy, Tony and Chuck worked the store after school and weekends.

Of the three sons, Rudy was termed eligible and induced into the Armed Forces to serve.

He returned home in 1955 and the family purchased a second store from the Pintar family at 6706 St. Clair Avenue. When the Fisher Food store next door shut down in 1958, the Superior Avenue location used the opportunity to expand service to include groceries.

Tragedy struck again. Agnes fought a recurrent battle with cancer and lost. She died in 1960 at age 55. Brother Rudy died in 1983. Despite these losses, the foundation was strong and the family spirit continued.

In 1963 a third location for Rudy's Quality Meats was opened at 31728 Vine Street.

The Superior Avenue and St. Clair stores lost their leases and subsequently closed. The Vine Street store is now the only location of Rudy's Quality Meats.

Today the heritage is still evident at Rudy's Quality Meats

and Rudy's General Store. The stores are primarily family owned and operated. Bukovecs believe in quality, friendly service, customer loyalty and welcome questions from their customers. "People are afraid of looking dumb," said Chuck Bukovec. "We want them to feel free to ask questions, something people aren't comfortable doing in a large supermarket."

A family owned market in the neighborhood has its advantages. Many delicious and

ethnic homemade items may be found among their stock.

Each item is a specialty of the individual chef. Flavor not ordinarily found in the average grocery store may be discovered here. It's a pleasant and relaxed atmosphere to enjoy compared to the sterile feeling of large supermarts.

This is the legacy left by Rudolph and Agnes to the Bukovec family. It is shared by everyone who works there, and who passes thru their doors.

Volunteers for Red Cross get deserving recognition this month

Editor:

March is Red Cross Month: A time to honor the vast corps of volunteers who give their time and talents 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

As volunteers for the Greater Cleveland Red Cross Chapter, we have had the privilege of observing as emergency or disaster volunteers spring into action at any time of day or night in response to a disaster.

In many cases they go without sleep as they await late-breaking news on a disaster, or give material and emotional comfort to the victim.

Many of them put their entire lives on hold for six weeks to help the victims of Hurricane Hugo and the Loma Prieta California Earthquake victims put their lives back together.

Last year we watched them put their feelings aside as they went about the grim task of preparing to meet the needs of a nation at war.

Our Croatian and Slovenian friends should feel good about the fact that the International Red Cross helped with financial assistance and worked with the Red Cross societies in both geographical areas.

But they can't do it alone; they need the help of the entire community. During this month, take time to reflect on this organization, its dedicated volunteers, and what you have to give, whether it's your time and talents, a donation of blood, or a financial contribution.

To find out more about how you can help the Red Cross, please call 431-3010. You won't regret it.

Ann Opeka
Sophie Opeka
Euclid, Ohio

Roast Beef at Shrine

The Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine will sponsor a Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, April 5 from 12 noon until 6 p.m. Dinner will be served in St. Ann Dining Room on the shrine grounds.

Tickets are available from the Knights (call Tony Brodnik, 289-7680), or at the door. Adults \$7, children \$4.

An extra Mass is scheduled at 11:30 a.m.

The shrine is located at 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio.

Fish Fries

Fish Fry sponsored by the St. Vitus Dads' Club will start this Friday, Feb. 21, and continue until April 10 from 4 to 7:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

Prices are: fish dinner \$4.50 for adults; combination dinner (fish & shrimp) \$4.75 for adults; and shrimp dinner is \$5.00 for adults. Children's portion \$2.50 for any dinner. Homemade krofe extra.

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Memo from Madeline...



Sr. Berlec heads VA/SJ

by Madeline D. Debevec

The Diocesan Education Office and the Ursuline Nuns of Cleveland, Ohio announce that **Sister Maria Berlec, OSU**, has been named to succeed Sr. Margaret Mary Lyons, OSU, as principal of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School for the 1992-93 school year.

Sr. Maria is currently head of the Mathematics Department, full-time Mathematics teacher, and Freshman class moderator at the school. Her previous experience includes teaching at St. Charles from 1972-76, teaching at Urban Community School from 1976-80, serving on the Diocesan Mission Team in El Salvador from 1980-85, teaching at Villa Angela from 1985-90, and teaching at Villa Angela-St. Joseph from 1990-present.

Sr. Maria received a B.A. from Ursuline College in 1972 and her M.A. in Spanish from Kent State University in 1980. She has since done post-graduate work in Education at the University of Dayton.

Sr. Maria is the daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Berlec** of South Euclid, Ohio.

ENGAGEMENTS

Orehek-Dreyer

Mr. and Mrs. Albin Orehek of Cleveland announces the engagement of their daughter **Jean Marie** to **Steve Allen**

Dreyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dreyer of Chardon.

The bride-to-be is a 1981 graduate of Regina High School and a 1985 graduate of John Carroll University. She is currently a graduate student at Ohio State University completing her Doctorate in Optometry and plans to practice in the Cleveland area after graduation in June of 1992. She was a recipient of a 1991 Senator Frank J. Lausche Graduate School Scholarship.

Her fiance is a 1981 graduate of Chardon High School and a 1985 graduate of Bowling Green State University. He is Operations Manager at Western Management which operates the Conrad's Companies.

A July wedding is planned.

Spech-Patterson

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Patterson of Cleveland Heights are announcing the engagement of their daughter **Deborah Lynne** to **Dr. Robert W. Spech**, son of Dr. and Mrs. Anthony F. Spech of Cleveland.

The bride-to-be is a 1984 graduate of Regina High School in South Euclid and a 1988 graduate of the Ohio State University. She is currently a fifth grade teacher at Greenview Upper Elementary School in South Euclid.

Her fiance is a 1982 graduate of Saint Joseph High School in Cleveland, a 1986

graduate of Ohio State University College of Biological Sciences and a 1990 graduate of the Ohio State University College of Medicine. He is a resident in Internal Medicine at Ohio State University Hospital in Columbus.

The couple is planning a June wedding.

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

John and Josephine (Sray)

Turk of Warrensville Heights celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Jude in Warrensville Heights on November 16.

The couple were married on November 16, 1931 at St. Lawrence Church in Cleveland.

Prior to his retirement in 1974, Mr. Turk was a foreman for the Erie Lackawanna Railroad. Mrs. Turk is a homemaker.

The Turks have a daughter, JoAnn Tomsick of Parma, and two grandchildren.

Raymond and Emma

(Pelcar) Matjasic of Euclid celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass of Thanksgiving at Holy Cross Church on November 20.

They were married on that date in 1941 at the Cathedral. Prior to his retirement in 1983, Mr. Matjasic was the chief photographer of *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Mrs. Matjasic is a homemaker.

The Matjasics have two children: Ray Jr. of Cleveland and Judith Ann Smith of Ashford, Conn. They have three grandchildren.

Larish writes new book

Micro Publishing Press is releasing a new book this month "Digital Photography: Pictures of Tomorrow" written by **John Larish**.

The book is an applications-oriented guide targeted at computer users interested in digital photography and electronic imaging. It explains the basics of digital photography and the process of using digital images in computer-generated publications. Numerous case studies show how users in various industries are already putting digital photography to work.

John Larish is the editor of *Electronic Photography News* and a former senior marketing staff member at Eastman Kodak Company.

To order a copy, remit \$20 (\$7.95 savings) plus \$3 shipping to Micro Publishing Press, 21150 Hawthorne Blvd. No. 104, Torrance, CA 90503, phone (310) 371-5787; fax (310) 542-0849.

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Jean Marie Orehek and Steve Allen Dreyer are engaged

Croatia devalues currency

Croatia devalued its currency against the German mark by 18 percent on Thursday in an attempt to offset spiraling inflation, the republic's Central Bank president Ante Cincinain said.

He told Zagreb radio the mark would now buy 67 Croatian dinars instead of the bank's previous official exchange rate of 55 dinars.

The Croatian dinar replaced the Yugoslav dinar last December.

The six republics which comprised the Yugoslav federation are all in the throes of an economic crisis which has worsened.

The Yugoslav dinar was devalued by 80 percent last month and then by a further 23.5 percent at the weekend.

Yugoslavia's inflation is rocketing. The mark sells for 140 dinars on the black market in Belgrade against an official rate of 85.

Slovenia, which broke away with Croatia last June 25, has managed to avoid devaluing its five-month-old currency, the tolar, but it has been slipping steadily against the mark, which is used by Yugoslavia as a standard measure of value.

Thanks Robin for the article.

St. Vitus raises 55% of goal

The endowment trust campaign of St. Vitus parish in Cleveland has raised over \$100,000 in 14 weeks from friends and parishioners. The total gained to date is

\$416,000, or 55.5% of its minimum goal of \$750,000.

St. Vitus was established as a Slovenian parish in the diocese of Cleveland in 1893. The endowment trust is part of the overall program for its 100th anniversary which will begin in September, 1992 and conclude in September, 1993.

Slovenians party

Thanks to Mrs. Anton Polk of Euclid, Ohio who sent in the Sunday, Feb. 23 edition of the *Detroit Free Press* which features two photos of Slovenians enjoying their newfound freedom at the Winter Olympics in Albertville, France. The photos were on the front page of section F and covered three-fourths of the paper. (It's a shame the Cleveland daily chose to ignore Slovenia and Croatia at the Olympics.)

One of the captions says, "A Slovenian man and his flag-waving comrades cheer on the skiers during the women's giant slalom. The man is wearing a fur folk costume known as *kurentija*, which dates to the 6th Century." The other caption reads, "Slovenians party during the women's giant slalom at Meribel. Slovenian skier Natasa Bokal, in contention after her first run, slumped on her second to finish 13th."

Making plans for the future is wise, but never get so far into the future that you overlook the present.

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Slovenia Rejects Right To Life

Thanks to Joseph Zelle of Euclid for submitting this article written by Bogomir M. Kuhar of Ingomar, Pa. In part, it reads:

In a downturn in the rapid events shaping the beautiful Alpine country now known as the Republic of Slovenia, its Parliament voted to accept an article which rejects the right to life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death.

Slovenia's Parliament enacted a new constitution on Dec. 23rd, 1991, replacing the one previously adopted by the totalitarian Communist government under dictator Josip Broz Tito. The parliamentary deputies, now ruled by the democratic coalition known as DEMOS, passed enabling legislation so the new constitution would go into effect.

It introduces a parliamentary form of government with a prime minister elected from its membership and dependent on an ongoing parliamentary majority. This is much the same as many European governments.

The 55th article established the so-called freedom of choice with respect to abortion, the destruction of innocent preborn children in the womb.

The ability to decide on the birth of one's own children is declared a freedom. The state guarantees the possibility for realization of this freedom and will create conditions which enable parents to decide when their children will be born.

While most of the new constitution for Slovenia is quite good and reads much the same as the constitutions of most Western nations, this one paragraph makes one wonder if so many people of Slovenian descent would have been as generous as they have been to the independence movement had they known that Slovenia would join many of the "civilized countries" in approving this crime against humanity.

Bogomir Kuhar is president and founder of Pharmacists For Life and owns and operates the American Pro-Life Pharmacy. Both his parents fled the Communist takeover in the (former) Yugoslavia (in the area now known as the Republic of Slovenia.



How to Choose a Cruise

Your first stop on any cruise should be at a CLIA-affiliated travel agency such as Euclid Travel whose consultants are current on the latest trends and information in the cruise industry.

Ask a lot of questions — this will help you and your travel consultant pick the cruise that's right for you.

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Compare the hotel, air fare, food, land transportation and miscellaneous costs of your previous vacations with the cost of a cruise.

Cruises are generally all-inclusive and some packages include the air fare.

Meeting

The regular March meeting of the Slovenian Women's Union Branch 10 will be held on Wednesday, March 18, at 1 p.m. at the Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave.

Dues for 1992 are now due. Please let us know of any change of address or beneficiary to keep our books up to date. Please try to attend and meet our officers and members. The Woman of the Year for 1992 will be elected.

—Ann Stefancic

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Mayor meets mesdames



Mayor Jože Stergar of Ljubljana chats with Cirila Kermavner, left and Jennie Gorjanc during his recent visit to Cleveland initiating plans for a Sister Cities program. In the background

are Karl Bonutti and Edmund Turk. The invitation-only reception took place at Waterloo Hall.



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VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

Bushova Administracija obljubila priznanje Slovenije — Prva možnost naj bi bila v začetku aprila — James Baker ni zaradi neuspelega obiska v Jugoslaviji junija lani

Današnji *New York Times* objavlja izredno zanimivo poročilo izpod peresa izkušenega poznavalca Jugoslavije in vzhodne Evrope sploh Davida Binderja. V poročilu Binder, ki poroča iz Washingtona, obravnava ameriško stališče do priznanja Slovenije in Hrvaške ter do rešitve jugoslovanske krize. Iz tega poročila bistveno citiramo v anekdotnem delu in ne bomo tu ponavljali, vendar piše Binder, da do skorajšnjega ameriškega priznanja Slovenije ne bo prišlo, baje zato, ker Baker noče Slovenijo in Hrvaško »nagraditi« za njih akcije 25. junija lani, ko sta obe republiki proglasili neodvisnost. Binder pri tem citira zelo visoke, a neimeno-vane vire v Washingtonu, ki menijo, da ima Baker vtis, da sta ga Slovenija in Hrvaška ob njegovem lanskem junijskem obisku »izigrali« in mu celo »lagali«. Baker je pač šel v Beograd prepričan slovensko in hrvaško vodstvo, naj ne proglasa neodvisnosti in naj ne z »enostranskim dejanjem« spremeni statusa Jugoslavije. Ker ne Slovenija in ne Hrvaška nista hoteli pri tem igrati vloge poslušnega ovca, se je Baker silno zameril in to zamerilo drži še danes in ta čisto človeško reakcije igra tako ključno vlogo v usmerjanju ameriške politike.

Binder poroča dalje, da čeprav so se ZDA obvezale za »pozitivno« odločitev glede priznanja Slovenije in Hrvaške, o kakšnem skorajšnjem ukrepu ni govora. Tako Binder omenja sestanek zunanjih ministrov Evropske skupnosti, ki bo 6. aprila. Na tem sestanku bodo zunanji ministri obravnavali jugoslovansko problematiko in se bodo morda tudi odločili za priznanje Makedonije ter Bosne in Hercegovine. Če bi do tega priznanja s strani Evropske skupnosti prišlo, nadaljuje Binder, bi to bil signal za ZDA, da priznajo vse štiri republike. Ker pa utegne biti posebej Bosna in Hercegovina težaven, zapleten problem, ni rečeno, da se ne bo zopet kje zataknilo. V ozadju vsega tega pa ne gre spregledati Bakerjeve zamere do Slovenije in Hrvaške.

Čeprav je Baker v Bruslju v torek izrecno dejal, da bodo ZDA dale hitro in pozitivno obravnavanje prošnji tako Slovenije kot Hrvaške za priznanje, neimeno-vani visoki ameriški funkcionarji, ki jih citira Binder, to Bakerjevo izjavo že »dopolnjujejo« s tem, da je hotel Baker ameriško politiko le uskladiti s politiko Evropske skupnosti, ki je sicer obe novi državi že priznala. Močna pri Bakerju je pa želja, da bi ne izgledalo, da ZDA Slovenijo in Hrvaško nagrajuje za enostransko proglasitev neodvisnosti. Iz tega je možno potegniti zaključek, da če bo Baker kje našel tudi malo pomemben vzrok za nadaljnje odlašanje, ga bo izkoristil.

Druga zelo pomembna točka v Binderjevem poročilu je omemba, da v Bushovi administraciji čutijo pritisk s strani ameriških Slovencev in Hrvatov in drugih, ki so z njeno politiko do bivše Jugoslavije nezadovoljni. Kljub temu, pravi Binder, so se odgovorni funkcionarji vlade odločili, da pod tem pritiskom ne bodo klonili. To naj bi bil znak v tem političnem letu, ko Bushova priljubljenost med volilci še pada, za intenzivizacijo prizadevanj obeh skupnosti, slovenske in hrvaške. Čeprav je zadeva v bistvu že odločena, se lahko zavlačuje in povečani pritisk bi morda pomagal pri skrašanju postopka.

Binder tudi piše, da želijo ZDA videti prihod 14-tisoč članske mirovne enote Zdr-

ženih narodov v bivšo Jugoslavijo in tudi vsaj nekaj sporazumov med sprtimi republikami, predno jih priznajo. Predčasno priznanje pravijo viri, s katerimi je govoril Binder, ne bi nič koristno prineslo.

Lojze Peterle in dr. Ciril Ribičič se srečala — Slovenski krščanski demokrati in stranka Socialdemokratske prenove oziroma bivši komunisti enotni glede čimprejšnjih volitev

Pretekli teden sta se srečali delegaciji dveh večjih slovenskih strank, Slovenskih krščanskih demokratov in Socialdemokratske prenove oziroma bivših komunistov. Delegacijo SKD je vodil strankin predsednik in predsednik slovenske vlade Lojze Peterle, SDP pa njen predsednik dr. Ciril Ribičič. V delegaciji SKD so bili še Nace Polajnar, Peter Reberc in Ivan Bizjak, iz SDP pa dr. Lev Kreft, Janez Kocijančič, Sonja Lokar in Borut Pahor.

Poglavitna točka, na kateri sta delegaciji našli skupno besedo, je bila želja po čimprejšnjih volitvah. Od tu pa citiramo poročilo Slovenske tiskovne agencije objavljeno pretekli petek: »Skenili so, da se bosta stranki o gospodarskih temah s posebnim poudarkom na socialni politiki še pogovarjali na skupnih srečanjih, ki so po mnenju obeh strani nujna in koristna.

Dr. Ciril Ribičič je v uvodu dejal, da so volitve nujne, saj se gospodarski in politični položaj v Sloveniji slabša. Omenil je, da se SDP za volitve zavzema že eno leto, saj menijo, da je sedanja vlada neuspešna. Krizo pa še pogloblja polarizacija političnega prostora. Med razlikami med strankama je naštel poudarjanje svetovnega nazora nad strokovnostjo, odnos do žensk, nekulturni politični dialog in premalo izkoriščene strokovne sposobnosti predstavnikov opozicijskih strank. Menil je, da morajo volitve dati poudarek predvsem programom, ki jih bodo predstavile posamezne stranke, in ocenil, da se obe stranki zavzemata za socialno pravičnost.

Lojze Peterle je dejal, da SKD ne nasprotuje zamenjavi sedanje vlade, če resnično obstaja program, na podlagi katerega bi se dalo sedanji slovenski položaj premakniti na boljše. Nasprotoval je zamenjavi zaradi same zamenjave. Ocenil je, da je polarizacija nepotrebna in dodal, da verjame, da je dialog mogoč, nujen in koristen, pri čemer sam ne vidi, da bi polarnost nastajala zaradi teh dveh strank. Zavzel se je za ekonomsko demokracijo in menil, da je sedanji gospodarski del vlade ustrezen. Ob vprašanju svetovnega nazora je dejal, da tudi po svetu upoštevajo posameznikov svetovni nazor, pri čemer sam v parlamentu ni nastopil proti merilu sposobnosti, kot so mu to nekateri pripisovali.

Lojze Peterle je menil, da morajo sedaj tudi v SDP na vodstvo skupščine pritisniti v smeri čimprejšnjega sprejetja volilne zakonodaje, sam pa je ustreznim vladnim resorjem že naročil, da naj pospešeno pripravijo tisti del zakonodaje, ki jo mora pripraviti vlada. Omenil je tudi, da so mu vladni ministri dejali, da so volitve konec junija še vedno možne.

Dr. Ciril Ribičič je dejal, da opozicija ne nasprotuje volitvam. Na sestanku prejšnji četrtek predstavnikov strank vladajoče koalicije so soglašali o nujnosti čimprejšnjih volitev. Po sestanku je Ivan Oman (Slovenska ljudska stranka) povedal, da dr. Jože Pučnik ni pripravljen postati predsednik vlade, Pučnik sam je pa rekel, da bo njegova Socialdemokratska stranka še podpirala Lojzeta Peterleta.

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(NADALJEVANJE)

h) Odvetništvo in notariat
137. člen
(odvetništvo in notariat)

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(uresničevanje lokalne samouprave)

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140. člen
(delovno področje samoupravnih lokalnih skupnosti)

V pristojnosti občine spadajo zadeve splošnega značaja, ki jih občina lahko ureja samostojno in ki zadevajo samo prebivalce občine.

Po predhodnem soglasju občine ali širše samoupravne lokalne skupnosti lahko država z zakonom prenese na občino ali širšo samoupravno lokalno skupnost opravljanje posameznih nalog iz državne pristojnosti, če za to zagotovi tudi sredstva.

V zadevah, ki jih je na organe lokalne skupnosti prenesla država, opravljajo državni organi tudi nadzor nad primerčnostjo in strokovnostjo njihovega dela.

141. člen
(mestna občina)

Mesto lahko dobi po postopku in ob pogojih, ki jih določa zakon, status mestne občine.

Mestna občina opravlja kot svoje tudi z zakonom določene naloge iz državne pristojnosti, ki se nanašajo na razvoj mest.

Novi grobovi

Walter Kopec

Dne 11. marca je v St. Augustine Manor umrl 81 let stari Walter Kopec, rojen na Poljskem, mož Ivane, roj. Valenčič, brat Wiktorie Zwolinski, Stanislave Kotyza ter že pok. Josepha, Mihaela in Johna. Pogreb bo jutri, v petek, iz Zakavoda na 6016 St. Clair Ave. v cerkev sv. Vida in od tam na Kalvarijo. Ure kropljenja so danes od 4. do 8. zv.

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Mesto Ljubljana ima poseben položaj, ki ga določa zakon.

142. člen
(dohodki občine)

Občina se financira iz lastnih virov. Občinam, ki zaradi slabše gospodarske razvitosti ne morejo v celoti zagotoviti opravljanja svojih nalog, država v skladu z zakonsko določenimi načeli in merili zagotovi dodatna sredstva.

143. člen
(širše samopravne lokalne skupnosti)

Občine se samostojno odločajo o povezovanju v širše samoupravne lokalne skupnosti, tudi v pokrajine, za urejanje in opravljanje lokalnih zadev širšega pomena. V sporazumu z njimi prenese država nanj določene zadeve iz državne pristojnosti v njihovo izvršno pristojnost in določi udeležbo teh skupnosti pri predlaganju ter izvrševanju nekaterih zadev iz državne pristojnosti.

Načela in merila za prenos pristojnosti iz prejšnjega odstavka ureja zakon.

144. člen
(nadzor državnih organov)

Državni organi nadzorujejo zakonitost dela organov lokalnih skupnosti.

b) Druga samouprava

145. člen
(samouprava na področju družbenih dejavnosti)

Državljeni se lahko za uveljavljanje svojih interesov samoupravno združujejo.

Državljanom se lahko z zakonom prepusti samoupravno urejanje posameznih zadev iz državne pristojnosti.

VI. JAVNE FINANCE

146. člen
(financiranje države in lokalnih skupnosti)

Država in lokalne skupnosti pridobivajo sredstva za urednjevanje svojih nalog z davki in z drugimi obveznimi dajatvami ter s prihodki od lastnega premoženja.

147. člen
(davki)

Država z zakonom predpisuje davke, carine in druge dajatve. Lokalne skupnosti predpisujejo davke in druge dajatve ob pogojih, ki jih določata ustava in zakon.

148. člen
(proračun)

Vsi prihodki in izdatki države in lokalnih skupnosti za financiranje javne porabe morajo biti zajeti v njihovih proračunih. Če proračun ni sprejet do prvega dne, ko ga je potrebno začeti izvrševati, se upravičenci, ki se financirajo iz proračuna, začasno financirajo po prejšnjem proračunu.

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Končno!

Zgodilo se je tisto, kar se je moralo zgoditi: Združene države Amerike so oziroma bodo kmalu priznale Slovenijo. To je rekel v torek zvečer na tiskovni konferenci v Bruslju državni sekretar James A. Baker III. ZDA bodo priznale tudi Hrvaško in skupaj z Evropsko skupnostjo delale za priznanje Makedonije ter Bosne in Hercegovine. Japonska, med drugimi pomembnimi državami, je že bila izjavila, da bo priznala Slovenijo takoj, ko bodo to storile ZDA. Seveda bo ameriškemu priznanju sledil v sorazmerno kratkem času članstvo Slovenije v Združenih narodih ter drugih zanj izredno pomembnih mednarodnih organizacijah. To utegne zelo pozitivno učinkoviti predvsem v zvezi s slovenskim gospodarstvom.

Na tem mestu in drugje smo ponovno pisali, da bo Bushova vlada slej ali prej prisiljena sprejeti spremembe, nastale ob razpadu Jugoslavije, sprejeti torej, da gre tu za nekaj zgodovinsko dokončnega. Fikcija, ki jo še širi Miloševićovo vodstvo Srbije, da bodo pač ustanovili novo, tretjo, veliko manjšo »Jugoslavijo«, je le taktika, s katero skušajo Srbi priti do mednarodnega statusa in tudi lastništva, ki ga je uživala bivša Jugoslavija. Pri tem ne gre namreč pozabiti, da po mednarodnem pravu tista prejšnja Jugoslavija še eksistira. Nobena od držav, ki so Slovenijo in Hrvaško priznale, od Nemčije do Burkinke Faso, ni odvzela priznanja bivši Jugoslaviji. In tako je Jugoslavija kot taka še vedno akreditirana v vseh mednarodnih organizacijah, v katerih je doslej bila včlanjena, od Združenih narodov do Evropske konference o varnosti in sodelovanju oz. KVSE.

Ob našem upravičenem veselju, da so ZDA po večmesečnem čisto nepotrebnem odlašanju le prišle do priznanja Slovenije, ne smemo pozabiti, da čakajo Slovenijo še vedno številne težke preizkušnje. Prišel se je namreč boj za nasledstvo, ki bo, izgleda, dolgotrajen in mučen. Srbija s svojo Črno goru bo želela dobiti čim več premoženja, ki ga je lastovala bivša Jugoslavija, tako doma kot po svetu. Saj Srbi igrajo na karto, da Jugoslavija dejansko še obstaja. Srbija, ne pozabimo, še ni nikjer prosila za mednarodno priznanje in tega namena tudi nima. Zato bo v prihajajočem obdobju zelo važno, kakšno stališče bodo ZDA in Evropska skupnost, kot glavna akterja, zavzele do pogajanj o nasledstvu Jugoslavije, kakšne pogoje bo morala Srbija izpolnjevati in to ne samo v zvezi s srbskimi skupinami v drugih republikah nekdanje SFRJ, pač pa do Albancev na Kosovu in manjšin v Vojvodini.

Tako bo mogla slovenska skupnost v ZDA še igrati važno vlogo v podpiranju legitimnih interesov Slovenije. Ne bo na tako spektakularni ravni kot priznanje Slovenije kot neodvisne države, pač pa v posredovanju in zagovarjanju teh legitimnih interesov pri širši ameriški javnosti ter posebej pri ameriških ustanovah in politikih. Malo je sicer verjeti, da bo to delovanje kaj posebej koordinirano — tudi v tem imamo preveč poveljnikov in premalo vojakov — bo pa potekalo na ločenih ali vzporednih ravneh, kar bo tudi za Slovenijo koristno.

Dr. Rudolph M. Susel

»Dve nevesti« pri LILJI

CLEVELAND, O. — Že nekaj časa se je šušljalo, sedaj pa se je izkazalo kot resnica: Dramatsko društvo Lilija ostaja zvesta svoji tradiciji, saj nam pripravlja veseloigro »Dve nevesti«. Saj veste kako je, če je nevesta pri hiši: vse je nataktno, ali je res tako bogat kot govori, pa če se bosta zastopila, pa menda vendar ne bo držalo, kar je onegava Špelca klepetala itd. Uboogi so takrat dedci pri hiši, za samo napoto so. Toda ojoj, če sta dve nevesti pri hiši — takrat pa burkle govorijo.

No, res je tudi, da se nobena kaša ne poje tako vroča kot je kuhana. Da boste vedeli ali se morda celo spomnili, kako smo reševali takele probleme takrat, ko še nismo poznali kompjuterjev ali zakonskih posredovalcev, pač pa so vse to v splošno zadovoljstvo uredili snubci. Zato vas vse prav lepo povabim v nedeljo, 29. marca, v Slovenski dom na Holmes Avenue. Tam nas bodo Lilijini igralci v režiji Srečka Gaserja popeljali za poldrugo uro nazaj v tiste stare dobre čase. Dvojno bomo dosegli z obiskom te predstave: preživeli bomo prijetno nedeljsko popoldne v družbi starih znancev in prijateljev, istočasno pa dali tem kulturnim delavcem javno priznanje za njih trud pri ohranjanju slovenske kulture v tej svobodni deželi.

France Ancel

Drobtinice, sladke in žaltave

CLEVELAND, O. - Zopet sem s pisanjem tam, kjer sem bil v temu le času lansko leto. Morda je vzrok temu tudi starost — stari radi ponavljajo, kar so že nešteto povedali. Naša Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija, pri kateri tudi jaz nekje na sori visim, mi je dovolila povedati, saj zakaj naj bi bila skrivnost! — pripravlja se tudi za to leto Misijonsko kosilo.

V velikem, večgalonskem loncu se bo kuhala okusna »župca«, ki jo starejši vsi zaželim, v peči bodo cvrkali piščanci (ker jim bo vroče) in peklo se bo velik kos govedine, mendar kar polovica voleta. Verjetno bo tudi dobra prikuha.

Torej v nedeljo, 22. marca, se zapeljimo k Sv. Vidu, kjer se bo v šolski dvorani od 11.30 do 1. ure serviralo to kosilo. Nakaznice so že v predprodaji po \$7, za otroke pa po \$3.50.

Nam je dosedaj v tej deželi še dobro. Priznajmo in bodimo Bogu hvaležni. Zahvaljujemo se v molitvah in v dobrih delih. Dobra dela pokrivajo naše grehe. Srečen je tisti, ki lahko reče: jaz grehov nimam.

Kako mora biti misijonarju hudo, ko gleda pred seboj izstradane starčke in otroke, katerih oči proseče zrejo v misijonarje, če bo kaj dobil iz njegovih rok za svoj lačen želodec. Misijonar pa ne more kaj dosti deliti, če ne dobi podpore iz zaledja — od svojih rodnih bratov, ki morda živijo še celo v izobilju.

Bodimo usmiljeni, da bomo usmiljenje dosegli pri Njemu, ko pridemo pred Njegovo sodbo.

Zahvala vsem, ki bodo kosi-

lo pripravili, prav tako pa tudi onim, ki bodo dobrote pospravili. Kakor prejšnja leta, upam, da nas bo gostov tudi to leto nad sedemsto. To je kar lepa misijonska družina, mar ne!

Malo kramljanja.

V postu smo. Čas pokore, ne čas ženitovanja. No ja, če je komu le velika sila, se ga poveže, kakopak.

Nič ne vem, koliko parov je letošnji predpust poročil naš g. župnik. »Firbec« me ima, župnika vprašati — pa se ne upam —, kakšna je sedaj cerkvena odredba, ali duhovnik štolo samo na roke poročencema položi, morda jo rahlo okoli rok ovije. Po koncilu se dela vse bolj narahlo, vse bolj ljubeznivo, da ni kje zamere.

V času moje rasti ob koruznem kruhu, žgancih in kislem zelju, tam onkraj široke luže, sem kot začasni mežnar bil navzoč pri večjih porokah. V čast si revček sedaj štejem, na krožniku sem podal prstana ženinu in nevesti, ki sta pozneje rojevala pet otrok, in eden izmed teh petih je p. Lovro Tomažin, ki sedaj pase ovce v daljni Zambiji. Sem mu to že povedal, pa pravi, da se ne spominja.

Pred oltarjem stoječima ženinu in nevesti, za njima sta stali priči, je duhovnik po slovensko prebral uvod o zakramentu svetega zakona. Ves nadaljnji zakramentalni obred je bil v latinščini. Ko sta si ženin in nevesta podala prstana, izrekla vsak svoj hočem in sklenila roki, je duhovnik s štolo roki ovil — meni se je zdelo, da je štolo kar precej zategnil — nakar je izkekel posvetilne

besede: In nomine Patris...

Te posvetilne besede so se jemale sveto resno.

Kdo na kmetih naj bi razumel eno samo latinsko besedo? Nobeden.

Nam »Kranjčanom« kar samim se je posvetilo, da tiste besede, ko je duhovnik roki prekrizal in še pokropil, po naše (po slovensko) se reče: In nomine patre, to ni za ene kvatre, to ni za en »brt«, je notri do smrti. In danes? Kako malo je potreba in gredo narazen.

Naš že davno pokojni č.g. župnik M. Jager, učen po knjigah in bogat po izkušnjah, je v neki pridigi v sveti jezi med drugim rekel: »Mladi vse poprej opravijo, ves med poližejo, potem pa pridejo za en hec se še poročiti.« Malo začudeno, zamerljivo se je slišalo, tu in tam bo pa malo le resnice. V vsem primerih se včasih resnica težko proda.

Zapisal sem: Post čas pokore, ne ženitovanja. Sem pa tudi pristal, če je le velika sila, da ne bi morda koga razneslo, se spregleda, da se ženi tudi v postu.

Tam pri Liliji — Melharjeva mama in ata imata dve zauberne dekleti. Pravita: »Kaj bi čakali, da se prej odpoje aleluja? Sedaj, ko je potovka Neža iztaknila tako bogatega ženina, res ne kaže čakati, pa naj rečejo gopsod fajmošter in ljudje, kar hočejo.«

Lilija je pristala v toliko (so pri Liliji tudi uvidevni ljudje), da bo dala 29. marca, na Holmes Ave. dvorano — kjer naj se sparijo, kakor pač vedo in žanjo — s pogojem, da se dogovore, poroki pa bosta po praznikih.

S tem pogojem se tudi drobtinčar in vsa njegova žlahta strinja. Odpustkov ne bo, greha tudi ne — smeha pa, uverjen sem, na koše.

Dajmo mladim Lilijašem priznanje, da cenimo njihov trud, in da smo ponosni nanje.

J. P.



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August Kollander

Preminul je dne 12. marca 1958.

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ker si dobrote vir,
uživa raj naj svetil

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MR. in MRS. AUGUST KOLLANDER
(Cleveland, Ohio, 12. marca 1992.

Hvala vam za Valentinovo kosilo

CLEVELAND, O. - Valentinovo kosilo, ki ga vsako leto prirejajo pevci Marije Vnebovzete, postaja vedno bolj priljubljeno. Priljubljenost pa ni samo zaradi odličnega kosila, ampak tudi zaradi zbor samega, ki že toliko let z odličnim petjem razveseljuje nebeškega Očeta kakor tudi vse fane in prijatelje fare. Ko je bil pred leti na obisku g. Franci Godec, ki je sedaj župnik v Kranju, sva nedeljskega dopoldneva prišla k Mariji Vnebovzeti in že zunaj cerkve slišala mogočno petje. »Zbor imate pa res dober,« mi je rekel g. Godec. Ni se mogel načuditi, ko sem mu povedal, da to ni zbor, ampak organist g. Ivan Rigler. Malo kasneje, ko je g. Godec daroval mašo, zbor pa je pel, je bil prav očaran. Bдите veseli in Bogu hvaležni za odlične zbor in organista, mi je rekel kasneje.

Naši načrti niso vedno božji načrti. Ves svoj prosti čas je g. Rigler posvetil glasbi v večjo čast božjo, toda nekega dne je rekel Gospod, »Glej, odslej me boš s trpljenjem slavil.« Vdano in tiho je g. Rigler sprejel novo poslanstvo, poslanstvo križa in trpljenja. Bog pa pevec Marije Vnebovzete ni pozabil. Poslal jim je izredno sposobnega in priljubljenega organista g. Rudija Kneza. G. Knez je že kot majhen deček začel svojo glasbeno kariero in jo nadaljeval v Italiji, Avstriji, in končno v velikem Clevelandu, kjer smo bili priča njegovim številnim koncertom.

Vso svojo glasbeno ljubezen je g. Knez daroval svojim pevcem. Med tem pa ni preslišal tihih glasov orgel, ki so milo prosile in opozarjale, da so potrebne popravila. Iznajdljivi pevci niso bili v zadregi. Organizirali so kosilo in tako finančno pripomogli pri kritju stroškov za popravilo orgel.

Naslednje leto je bilo prvo kosilo, ki so ga poimenovali Valentinovo, kot da bi hoteli izraziti vso svojo veliko ljubezen do fare in tako poleg petja

tudi finančno prispevati za farne potrebe. Pevci so navdušeni nad svojim uspehom, toda zavedajo se, da bi bil uspeh dvomljiv, če ne bi bilo mnogih, ki so vedno pripravljene prisrčno na pomoč.

Letošnje Valentinovo kosilo je bilo 9. februarja. Uspeh je bil res razveseljiv in zbor se še posebej prisrčno zahvaljuje glavni kuharici ge. Stanonikovi, in njenim sodelavkam in pomočnicam, ki so bile: Marie Dular, Mara Celestina, Marica Jereb in Mary Podlogar. G. in ga. Fujs, prisrčna vama hvala za dar sladke in opojne kapljice, ki sta jo darovala za vse naše goste. Prisrčna hvala g. Jamesu Slapniku za darovano cvetje, s katerim je Mimi Kozina okrasila dvorano. Da je bilo kosilo še bolj Valentinovo, je dodala še bonbone v obliki srčkov in poljubčkov, kar je bila res lepa zamisel.

Vsem, ki bi nam radi priskočili na pomoč, pa zaradi oddaljenosti ali katerega koli drugega vzroka niste mogli, svojo pripravljenost pa ste pokazali z velikodušnimi denarnimi darovi, se iskreno zahvaljujemo in vam zagotavljamo, da bomo znali ceniti vašo dobro voljo. Hvala Vam: g. in ga. Frank Pustotnik, inž. Joseph Zelle, Jennie Tuma, Milan Zajc in ga. Tonica Semičak!

Bil sem med gosti tega kosila. Prijetna je zavest, da Slovenci nismo neki prepirljiv narod kot se morda včasih zdi, ampak da smo narod z veliko srčno kulturo, vedno pripravljeni pomagati in razumeti tistko svojega bližnjega. Veliko je dela in skrbi pri pripravi kosila, zato vsi, ki smo se kosila udeležili, vam, pevci Marije Vnebovzete, dajemo naše priznanje in — hvala Vam za Valentinovo kosilo!

Martin Merela

Rojaki! Priporočajte Ameriško Domovino svojim slovenskim prijateljem in znancem!

Slovenska diplomatska mreža

Zoran Senkovič je v listu Dnevnik objavil sledeči dopis, katerega tekst smo našli v marčevski Rodni grudi.

Prvi val priznanj slovenske države je mimo. Na vrsti je verjetno dokaj težavno prodiranje v izvenevropske države in Organizacijo združenih narodov, toda vmesni čas do tega ni namenjen slavju in počitku. Slovenija mora organizirati svojo majhno in racionalno diplomatsko mrežo (ki je eden izmed atributov državnosti) povsod tam, kjer je to mogoče in smotrno. V minulemu letu, od plebiscita do danes, je Slovenija že navezala nekaj stikov v obliki predstavništva na ravni, kakršno je pač omogočal njen dosedanji status.

V prvi fazi naj bi imela Slovenija 31 veleposlaništev, stalnih misij in generalnih konzulatov ter 6 predstavništva, ustanovljenih skupaj z Gospodarsko zbornico Slovenije. Tak načrt mreže diplomatskih predstavništva seveda ni dokončen, vendar pa je prav gotovo ogrodje slovenskega institucionalnega nastopa v tujini.

Večina že ustanovljenih in načrtovanih predstavništva v tujini naj bi imela status veleposlaništva. Od že delujočih naj bi imela ta status naslednja predstavništva: Bonn—ZRN (sedem zaposlenih), Dunaj—Avstrija (sedem zaposlenih), London—V. Britanija, Rep. Irška in države Commonwealtha (štirje zaposleni), Pariz—Francija (pet zaposlenih), Rim—Italija, Malta, San Marino (šest zaposlenih), Washington—ZDA, Mehika, Centralno-ameriške in karibske države (šest zaposlenih).

Štiri zdajšnja predstavništva bodo poslej stalne misije: Ženeva—Švica (stalna misija pri evropskem uradu OZN - štirje zaposleni), Bruselj—Belgija (stalna misija pri ES in države Beneluxa - pet zaposlenih), New York—ZDA (stalna misija pri OZN, odnosi z deželami v razvoju - šest zaposlenih), Strasbourg—Francija (misija pri Svetu Evrope - štirje zaposleni).

Ta čas potekajo priprave za navezavo diplomatskih odnosov na ravni veleposlaništev z Madžarsko (Budimpešta - štirje zaposleni), baltskimi republikami (Riga - dva zaposlena) in Hrvaško (Zagreb - štirje zaposleni).

Prednost pri navezavi diplomatskih odnosov v letu 1992 imajo Moskva (za države bivše ZSSR), Praga (Češka in slovaška federacija), Stockholm (nordijske države) in Varšava (Poljska) ter generalna konzulata v Celovcu in Trstu.

Od političnih, finančnih in drugih pogojev je odvisno, kdaj bodo odprta diplomatska predstavništva na ravni veleposlaništev v Beogradu (balkanske države), Bernu (Švica), Buenos Airesu (južnoameriške države), Canberri (Av-

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LJUBLJANA — Pripravljani odbor, ki je lani pripravil obletno mašo za pobite domobrince v Kočevskem Rogu — ta je bila zaradi junijske vojne šele 6. oktobra — je na prvem letošnjem sestanku določil datum in okvirni program za letošnjo slovesnost. Maša ob grobišču pod Krenom bo letos v nedeljo, 5. julija, ob 11. uri. Prva nedelja v juliju bo tako postala nekakšen spominski dan na prvo spravno mašo v Kočevskem Rogu, povezan z mašo in molitvijo za pobite domobrince in vse druge žrtve revolucionarnega nasilja.

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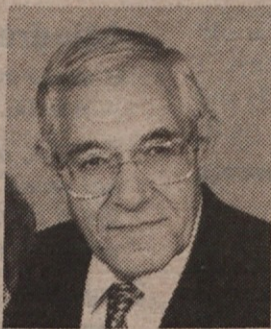
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Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

935. Blagajnik Štefan Marolt od

clevelandske MZA je poslala 24. februarja v pismu ime na misijonskih dobrotnikov. Darovali so: Družina Johna Kusteca z Richmond Hts., O., \$400 (\$300 kot vzdrževalnino za domačega bogoslovca za eno in leto in stotak kot dar bogoslovcu, ki ga vdružujeta); Frank in Jelka Kuhel, Cleveland, sta darovala za enoletno vzdrževanje bogoslovca \$300 in \$100 za vse naše misijonarje(-ke); Janez Goričan, Richmond Hts., za vse \$100; po \$50: Marija Ribič za vse in Ivanka Kete za g. Jankota Slabe; Ivanka Kodrič, Willoughby Hills, O., \$30, v spomin Alojzija Kodriča; Neimenovana za o. S. Rozmana \$30 in \$10 za dve sv. maši.

Po \$25: Victoria Pianeki in Anton Vegel iz Euclida, oba za vse; Josephine Juhant za bogoslovca, ki ga je podpirala.

Po \$20: Anton M. Lavriša za vse; Niko Tomc, Jupiter, Fla., za potrebe v misijonih. France Šega z Willoughby Hillsa je daroval \$20 za najbolj potrebne kjerkoli in \$70 za sv. maše za rajno Ivanko Iskra (\$50) in Johna Šega (\$20). M.P. iz Chicaga je poslala dar \$70 za vse. Štefan in Josephine Zorc, Rye, Colo., \$20 za uboge v misijonih. Sophie Kosem, Cleveland, za bogoslovsko vzdrževalnino \$300. Ista dar prvemu vzdrževalcu, Adrianu Mwesigye, ki je bil pred kratkim ordiniran v mašnika, \$50.

Neimenovana iz zahodne

Kanade je darovala \$50 za kritje pošiljke knjig in devotionalij njenemu vzdrževalcu, sedaj duhovniku, ki je prosil za oboje. Dodala je \$20 za najbolj lačne v njegovem misijonu.

83-letna rojakinja iz zahodne Kanade se vrača v Slovenijo in pošilja za gobavce in njihovo zdravljenje \$160 kan. Želimo ji zadovoljno bivanje v domovini v jeseni njenega življenja. Hvaležni smo ji za leta zvestega sodelovanja z MZA za naše misijonarje.

Družina Marije Jeretina in njenih bratov iz Joliet, Illinois, je poslala \$600 za dve enoletni vzdrževalnini za njihova bogoslovca.

Sodelavka J.M. iz Chicaga je prevzela v National Seminary Ggaba, Uganda, zelo potrebnega bogoslovca prvega letnika teologije Godfrido B. Musimenta, za katerega je že poravnala za štiri leta študijev.

Družina Franka Kokelja iz Toronto je darovala za 30 sv. maš za rajne za naše misijonarje kan. \$300. Nekaj sv. maš je med temi za rajne domobrance in škofa dr. Gregorija Rožmana. Naj vsi počivajo v miru! Sv. maše bomo kmalu odposlali potrebnim na teren.

V Lemontu, Illinois,

so položili nedavno k počitku frančiškana Lovrenca Groma, župnika v slovenski fari v Milwaukeeju, ki je bil zelo priljubljen med rojaki. MZA je imela v njem velikega dobrotnika, ki se je udeleževal njenih prireditev in je vedno pokazal veliko razumevanje za potrebe slovenskih misijonarjev na terenu. Naj po prerani smrti najde v Bogu mir, ki ga svet ne more dati.

Iz Sudburyja, Ontario, sporočajo Rovanskovi, da je sestra Vida Marija že od 13. januarja v Ljubljani. Iz Tirane v Albaniji je bila v Slovenijo prestavljena. Preko Budimpešte in Dunaja je poletela v domovino. Zelo je bila vesela te spremembe, da jo je Bog poklical v rojstni kraj. Bila je že na Igu. Ljubljanski župan je dal sestram Krščanske Ljubezni zastoj vožnjo z avtobusi po Ljubljani, kjer obiskujejo uboge po celem mestu do Bokalc, Črnuč. V Starostnem domu na Taboru je srečala rojakinjo iz Kirkland Lakea, Ontario, ki se je vrnila v domovino.

S. Vida je doživela nekaj čudovitega, ko je prišla na Dunaj in je po vseh cerkvah zvonilo. Vse drugačen svet kot v Tirani, v ubogi Albaniji. Ljubljanske cerkve da so polne; lepo petje, veliko ministrantov. Nikjer več Titovih slik in na splošno ljudje priznani in do sester dobri. Naslov sestre Vide Marije, M.C. (Missionaries of Charity za Sestre Misijonarke Ljubezni), Kališnikov trg 7, 61113 Ljubljana - Ježica, Slovenija.

Iz Venezuele, iz Caracasa,

se je oglasil župnik Janez Grilc: »Te dni sem se spominjal naših žrtev po vojni, ko sem prejel od doma knjigo, 'Teharske žive rane'. Poslala mi jo je Sončeva gospa, ki živi v Tomaju na Primorskem. Njen mož leži v skupni jami z mojim očetom in drugimi Novomeščani. Knjiga je bila pisana doma in ima tamkajšnje priče, ki so doživele Teharje. Tudi jaz sem bil tja namenjen, ali morda v Kočevski Rog, pa je Bog drugače uredil. To pisanje se v marsičem ujema s spomini, ki jih je napisal g. dr. Zdešar. Res je moralo biti hudo...

V pismu sem Ti zadnjič omenil skupino rojakov, ki so ali so bili doma na črni listi in bi jih, če bi se vrnil, zaprli. Eden je menda Vinko Levstik, ki živi v Gorici. Kdo so pa drugi, se pa menda ne ve. Zato je za marsikoga riskirano iti domov. Po zadnjih dogodkih je morda tudi to odpadlo, saj beograjska Ozna menda v Sloveniji več ne odloča.

O. Hugo Delčnjak deluje na svoji župniji. Upokojeni g. Prša pa dobi tu in tam nekaj intencij od ustanove, ki skrbi za revne duhovnike na deželi. A

so zelo nizke štipendije. Če mu Ti želiš poslati kaj intencij, mu jih bom rad izročil. Le ček na moje ime izstavi, prosim, da ga lahko zamenjam.

Za božič smo imeli 21. decembra 223 krstov. Krščevala sva dva v treh skupinah. Vsako soboto so bile tudi po 3 ali 4 poroke. Tu navadno za Božič tovarne zaprejo in dajo delavcem počitnice in trinajsto letno plačo. Ljudje potem gredo zelo iz mesta in izrabijo te dneve za poroke, krste ipd.

To pismo z znamkami Ti pošiljam po gospe, ki gre z družino za stalno v Toronto, ker je njen mož inženir tam dobil stalno službo. Je verna venezuelska družina.

Tu smo v misijonu sredi priprav na proslavo 500-letnice krščanstva. Zato imam kot dekan veliko dela s sklicevanjem sestankov in poročanjem na škofijo. Treba je vedno dregati za skupne načrte. Želel sem še v domovino na grob očetov, ki ga bodo spomladi izkopali in prenesli kosti na bližnje pokopališče. Želim Tebi v fari in vsej MZA pri misijonskem sodelovanju svetih uspehov. Bog z Vami vsemi!

Tvoj Janez Grilc.«

Vsem sodelavcem in garačem

MZA smo iskreno hvaležni za mnogoštevilne napore in žrtve pri zbiranju pomoči in molitvenem sodelovanju v pomoč vsem našim misijonarjem in misijonarkam na terenu. Pripravili smo točno poročilo o razdelitvi pomoči vsakemu in vsem skupaj v letu 1991.

Poslali smo celotno poročilo na ogled ljubljanskemu nadškofu dr. Šuštarju, uredniku »Misijonskih Obzorij« dr. Ocvirku, voditelju Škofijske pisarne na Koroškem g. Kopeinigu in stebru misijonskega garanja v Gorici dr. Humarju. Prosili smo zadnje tri, če bi bili tako ljubezni in priobčili material v imenovanih listih. Sedaj je svoboda in prav bi bilo, da pri obveščanju ljudi informiramo tudi o tem, kaj se za naše misijonarje pridela na tem kontinentu. Mnogi bi z velikim zanimanjem to brali in

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njih partizansko znamenje »Baza 20«. Tudi primeren in stalen napis mora biti pri grobiščih. Ta naj razloži, kaj se je na teh svetih tleh zgodilo.

2. - Zakonodajca Slovenije in njena administrativna ureditev mora biti taka, da omogoča polno udeležbo Slovencev po celem svetu na vseh poljih slovenskega udejstvovanja — tako na političnem, gospodarskem, kulturnem in vzgojnem. V zadnjih sto letih je stalno živelo približno 25% Slovencev v zdomstvu. Često so to bili najbolj podjetni, korajžni in razgledani ljudje. Popolnoma nesprejemljivo bi bilo, če bi ta del naroda ostal odrinjen od aktivnega sodelovanja z narodnim življenjem in to posebno sedaj, ko sodoben sistem komunikacij in potovanj to sodelovanje omogoča.

3. - Nujno je, da se partizanskim herojem dajo take pokojnine kot vsem ostalim Slovincem. Človek se čudi, kako je mogoče, da ti privilegiji obstajajo še po dveh letih demokracije. Kakšna demokracija je pa to?

4. - Potrebno je, da začnemo Slovenci pisati objektivno in pošteno zgodovino, ne pa, da še naprej zastrupljamo cel narod, posebno mladino, z netočno in površno razlago slovenskega dogajanja.

Če ne bomo imeli Slovenci moralne korajže, da opravimo narodno spoved in razjasnimo življenje Slovenije pod komunističnim režimom, potem bomo ostali edini narod v Evropi, za katerega komunizem ni bil tragedija in to navkljub dejstvu, da je slovenski narod preživel to nesrečo ves pohabljen in še z nazaceljenimi ranami.

Dr. Peter Klopčič

verjetno tudi molili, da bi naš delo MZA v ZDA in Kanadi Bog vedno bolj blagoslavljal. Pred Bogom sicer ni važno, kdo kaj ve o tem delu. Za objektivno poročanje pa velja da ga vsak poštenjak pričakuje.

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Novi grobovi

Rudolph Strancar

Dne 9. marca je v Manot Care Lake Shore umrl 76 letni stari Rudolph Strancar, rojen v Elkinsu, W. Va., mož Irene oče Ronalda in Linde Rychlik. 6-krat stari oče, brat Johna Franka in Ernesta, zaposlen kot strojnik pri Eaton Corp vse do svoje upokojitve, član ADZ št. 8, SNPJ št. 142 in Kluba upokojencev v Euclidu. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. danes, v četrtek, v cerkev sv. Jeroma ob dop. ob 9.30 in od tam na Vernih duš pokopališče.

Frances M. Kerver

Umrla je Frances M. Kerver, rojena Kromar, vdova po Fredu, sestra Franka, tega Ronalda Kromarja. Pogreb je bil 9. marca iz Grdina-Faulhaber zavoda na Lake Shore Blvd na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Anna Lukasko

Dne 27. februarja je v Meridia Euclid bolnici umrla 88 letna stara Anna Lukasko, rojena Hlad v Clevelandu, vdova po 1. 1972 umrlem Josephu, mati Beatrice Tanko, 2-krat stari mati, 4-krat prastara mati, sestra Johna, Josephine, Viktorije že pok. Rudyja, Louise Marie in Jean Macerol, zaposlena pri Enamel Products 40 let, vse do svoje upokojitve 1970, članica KSKJ št. 162, SZZ št. 25 in Kluba upokojencev v Euclidu. Pogreb bo 29. februarja iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. s sv. mašo v cerkvi Our Lady of Perpetual Help in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.



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