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Slavko Avsenik saluted at annual Thanksgiving Polka Weekend

1996 is truly a milestone year for WELW's Tony Petkovsek, marking 35 years of producing and announcing a two hour *daily* polka and Slovenian radio program.

It is significant because Cleveland, the polka capital, celebrates its 200th birthday; Tony commemorates his show as the longest running daily radio program in North America.

Folks will come from coast to coast and Canada gathering at Cleveland's "homecoming weekend" over the Thanksgiving holiday, November 28-30.

Besides non-stop dancing inside the Marriott hotel, there will be special events just outside the door with the holiday lighting on Friday evening and Cleveland's all-time great "parade of parades" for the Bicentennial on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. TV star Drew Carey is parade marshal and is also being asked to attend the polka festivities.

The polka party at the Marriott Hotel Downtown at Key Center, 127 Public Square, features the "who's who" of the Cleveland-Slovenian style polka movement. Over 20 bands will entertain on Thursday

and Friday from 4 p.m. on, changing every hour. Every top-name Cleveland-style polka musician will be there.

In addition, Slovenia and Europe's premier alpine folk musician, Slavko Avsenik, will be saluted and presented with commendations from Tony Petkovsek and the sponsoring Cleveland Slovenian Radio Club committee including Governor Voinovich's State Proclamation on Thanksgiving night.

Then on Saturday, November 30, the Polka Hall of Fame gives its coveted "Lifetime Achievement" crystal trophy to Avsenik at the Awards Show IX at Euclid Shore Cultural Center, 291 E. 222 Street at 2 p.m. He is by far the most accomplished alpine musician on the European scene with over 30 gold albums that have been released in German and Slovenian, numbering close to 1,000 original compositions that

have left their mark on the polka music field.

Appearing and performing all weekend will be the renown male vocalist, Alfi Nipic from Slovenia, who will sing with a special group of Cleveland alpine musicians organized by Duke Marsic. Nipic is also hosting a group of 30 Slovenian tourists who will be attending.

The Tony Petkovsek radio shows feature co-host Joey Tomsick; highlight reporter Alice Kuhar; Slovenian announcer Duke Marsic; and women's interviewer Patty Sluga. The shows on WELW-1330 AM are aired for two hours daily beginning at 3:15 p.m. and Saturdays at noon. They have also been simulcast Sundays on Cleveland Public Radio.

\$12.00 admission-donation tickets are available from Tony's broadcast studio location at Kollander World Travel, 971 E. 185 Street, or at the Polka Hall of Fame in Euclid. Hotel room reservations can also be made by calling Kollander Travel at 1-800-800-5981 where you can get further information from Tony or Joey.



Slavko Avsenik



The Euclid Teachers Association chose Bonnie Blatnik (left) as one of Euclid's Outstanding Educators.

Ed Zovack (center) President of the Association, presented the award at The Manor Party Center in Euclid, Ohio, on May 31. Blatnik, a member of A.M.L.A. Lodge 59 is a fifth grade teacher at Forest Elementary School in Euclid, Ohio.

Bonnie was a recipient of the first A.M.L.A. Scholarship Award given in 1966. She is the daughter of Mary Blatnik, a former A.M.L.A. Supreme Board member.

New Book About Early Slovenians

After a lengthy preparation, a book about the Veneti, Slovenians' predecessors, has been completed in the English language.

I believe it is one of the most important books about Slovenians. It demonstrates their proper identity and history; it speaks of the beginning of European culture and reveals ancient Slovenian language as an advanced language of Venetian with remarkable inscriptions.

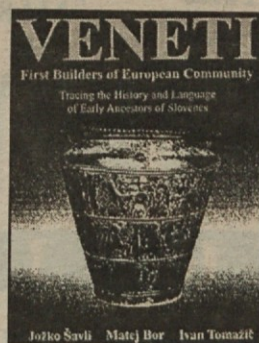
The book will be enjoyed by each Slovenian-conscious person. To those descendants of Slovenians who do

not speak Slovenian, the book offers an excellent opportunity to know their roots.

Even though the book has 500 pages with numerous illustrations and is firmly bound, the price is only \$25.00 American. Mailing cost by ordinary

mail is only \$4.00. For airmail and delivery to North America it is \$11.00 and \$27.00 to Australia.

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Slovenian bank seeks listing abroad

By Marja Novak

LJUBLJANA - Slovenia's second biggest bank SKB Banka is seeking to become the first company in the country to be listed abroad, Slovenian news agency STA reported.

STA, quoting an SKB statement only released to local media, said the bank had already approached Nomura International and the Bank of New York to act as advisors in its bid for a listing.

Banking sources in London told Reuters SKB was planning to issue global depository receipts which may eventually represent up to 29

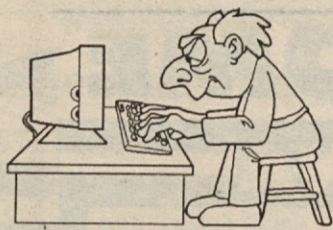
percent of its capital as part of the bank's longer term strategy of diversifying its shareholder base.

The sources said Nomura would lead the issue while Bank of New York would act as the depository bank.

SKB, Slovenia's largest private bank, declined to make any immediate comment.

Cvetka Selsek, SKB's executive director of international banking, said in an interview with Reuters in June that the bank was considering an international listing in order to raise the price of its shares.

By Jim Debevec



Now that the Thanksgiving season is almost here, it is time to reflect. What are some of the things we have to be thankful for?

Art Modell left town.
Albert Belle left town.
The snowstorm left town.

The strudel and potica makers who support the Slovenian Homes and churches.

All Slovenian cooks.

Wyoming (It still has the guts to stand up for itself).

All the writers in this newspaper.

Slovenian priests and sisters.

Slovenian builders and protectors of society.

All those who work to preserve Slovenian culture and heritage.

The medieval Slovenians who decided honesty, hard work, respect, and the family would be the sacred traits handed down through the generations.

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Mud-pie ice cream dessert.

Autumn.

Florida.

The music makers.

Friends.

Family.

Movies.

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Breezes in summer.

Cranberry/Apple pie.

Pumpkin pie.

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Ohio's motto

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The motto, *Imerium in Imperio*, "an empire with in an empire." But the motto was to be short-lived.

Great clamor arose over the pretentious feudal meaning of the Latin words and in 1867, the law authorizing it was repealed. Ohio had no motto for the next 91 years.

In 1958, Jimmie Mastronardo, a sixth grade student in Cincinnati, became concerned that Ohio was the only state to have no motto. He found the perfect one in Matthew 19:26: "With God all things are possible." His classmates and interested friends helped him circulate a petition to the legislature, and in 1959, the new motto was adopted.

Happy Thanksgiving

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100 WORDS MORE OR LESS by John Mercina



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A time to reflect on the bountiful gifts that we have been blessed with during the past year — and give thanks!

Autumn Pumpkin Cake

1 pkg. yellow cake mix	1 C. pumpkin
4 eggs	¼ C. water
¾ C. sugar	1 tsp. cinnamon
½ C. salad oil	Dash of nutmeg

Combine all ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Beat 5 minutes with electric mixer. Bake in greased and floured tube pan at 350° about 35 minutes or until done. -- Frost with the following:

Cream Cheese Icing

1 - 3-oz. pkg. cream cheese
1 stick margarine, melted
1 - 1-lb. box confectioners' sugar
1 tsp. vanilla.

Cream margarine and cheese. Add sugar and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Frost cake.

Orange-glazed Sweet Potatoes

6 medium sweet potatoes
¾ C. boiling water
1 tsp. salt
3 T. butter or margarine
½ T. grated orange peel
1 T. orange juice
¾ C. light or dark corn syrup
¼ C. brown sugar
3 or 4 orange slices, cut in half

Pare and halve sweet potatoes. Add boiling water and salt. Simmer in covered skillet until tender, about 15 minutes. Drain off liquid, leaving ¼ cup in skillet. Dot the potatoes with butter. Combine remaining ingredients. Add to potatoes. Cook uncovered over low heat until glazed, about 15 minutes; baste frequently, turning potatoes once. Serves 6.

Turkey Casserole

5 or 6 C. diced turkey	¼ tsp. baking soda
½ C. margarine	¼ tsp. pepper
¾ C. celery, chopped	¼ tsp. poultry seasoning
1 onion, chopped	1 egg beaten
3 C. bread crumbs	¾ C. broth or milk
1 can cream of mushroom soup	
1 tsp. salt	

Arrange diced turkey in a large baking dish. Melt the margarine in a large skillet and sauté the celery, onion and bread crumbs. Add salt, baking powder, pepper and poultry seasoning. Beat the egg and add soup and broth. Add the crumb mixture and pour over turkey. Bake uncovered 45 minutes to 1 hour at 350°.

Hot Tomato Starter

1 can condensed tomato soup	
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1 can water	¼ tsp. thyme
butter	

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Joseph Zelle

It was necessary to shut down the nuclear power plant at Krško for 3 days for some minor repairs and changes for the winter season.

Cultural center Lojzé Bratuž in Gorica has been renovated. The Catholic Home was formally blessed and opened on Saturday, October 19. Chamber orchestra Emil Komel of the Slovenian Center and the Mirko Filéj Chorus performed for the occasion.

A photographic exhibit of the works of Grégor Kališnik was held at the Equma Gallery. Shown were 25 photographs taken during the last 3 years by Kališnik. Among these were subjects, portraits, faces, heads, parts of the human body. According to the artist these works are not so much representations as they are compositions in the field of photography.

Darko Péljhan and Miran Kacin, both champions in the relays, were again successful in the San Remo Relays. Their competition counts towards the world championship.

Archeological students of the University of Ljubljana have been exploring around the Island of Hvar. Members of the team are under the direction of Božidar Slapšak. He is professor of antiquities and archeology at the University.

Facsimile copies of Trubar's *Catechismus* were on display at the NUK Hall. The original was printed and published in 1575. The original copy is in the Austrian National Library at Vienna.

Trubar was originally a Catholic priest who followed the Protestant Revolution and eventually spent most of his life in Germany. A devout minister, he spent most of his life translating and printing the Bible, the Catechism, and other religious works, all in the Slovenian language.

A new book, *Ljubljanské véduté*, by Dr. Ivan Stopar consists of 120 pictures of the City of Ljubljana from 1639 to 1858. The book was published by Artérika and prepared by Matjaž Vipotnik.

Ljubljana University graduated 14 new doctors of science. Rector Alojz Kralj of the university presented the diplomas to the graduates. There were 2 from the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Faculty of Electrotechnics, the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, and the Faculty of Natural Science Technology. In addition one candidate received his degree from the Faculty of Computing and Information. There were also 5 Doctors of Philosophy. Congratulations, Drs. ladies and gentlemen!

At 5 PM on All Saints Day there was a memorial gathering at the Linden tree of Reconciliation in Ljubljana. Services were held in memory of the 50,000 Slovenians who fell during the glorious Communist revolution, following World War II. The 30,000 Slovenian soldiers who fell during World War I were also remembered.

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John is a former scientist for Eastman Kodak Company and knows the latest developments in the photography business.

American Home readers may recall John printed a book a few years ago called, "The Seat Next to Me" calling to mind some of the adventures he had while traveling all over the world for Eastman Kodak.

The new book is in full color with numerous pictures on each page which compliments the text. Polka fans may enjoy a photograph on page 66 which Mr. Larish took of Joey Tomsick playing the button box accordion.

Cost of the book is \$9.95 USA and is available at most photographic stores. It is printed by Silver Pixel Press, 21 Jet View Dr., Rochester, NY 14624; fax: (716) 328-5078.

St. Vitus Slovenian School Seeks Donations

We are approaching three important holidays: Thanksgiving, St. Nicholas, and Christmas. The feast of St. Nicholas is of particular importance to the American Slovenian community.

St. Nicholas reminds us of all the good that is possible for mankind, if given the proper guidance in life. *Slovenska šola pri sv. Vidu* has been in existence for more than 40 years in the tradition of giving proper guidance to our youth, as the poet Karl Mauser wrote, "The most precious golden coins - are our children."

As in the past, we turn to the Slovenian community to be generous benefactors and again be our "angels" and

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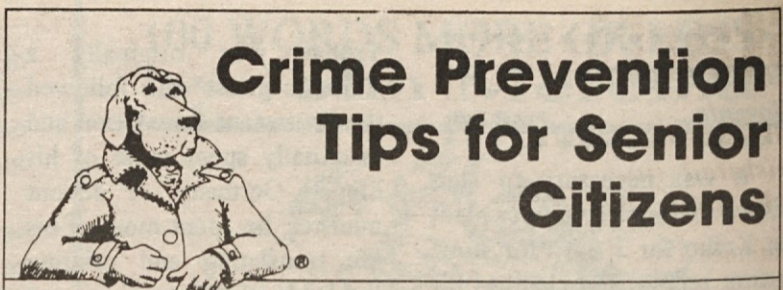
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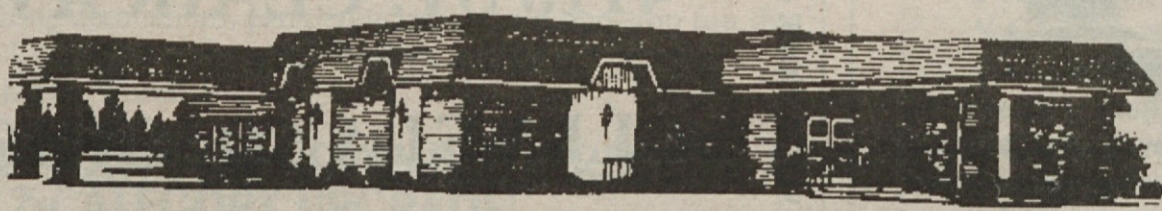
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- Don't display large amounts of cash in public.
- Be wary of talkative strangers when the conversation turns to money. Read every newspaper report on con games and be ready to say no if someone comes to you with a get-rich-quick scheme.
- Travel with friends when you leave home to go shopping, to the bank, or doctor.
- Get to know your neighbors and keep their phone numbers handy for emergencies.
- Work out a "buddy" system with a friend to check on each other's welfare daily.
- If you're alone, don't advertise it. Use only your first initial in phone books, directories, and apartment lobbies.
- If you must carry a purse, hold it close to your body. Don't leave your wallet or purse on a counter or in a shopping cart unattended.
- If you are threatened by physical force, don't resist. Remain calm and observe the assailant so you can give an accurate description to the police.
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Starting Over in America

By Anton Žakelj
translated and edited
by John Žakelj
(Continued From Last Week)

January 29, 1950

Stormy. At 9:30 the others went to church: John, Mary and Cilka. Johnny and I stayed home. Our old Model A is a small truck; there's only room for two, three people at the most, in the cab; if anyone else comes along, they have to sit in the open wind in the back.

January 30, 1950

In the evening, John, Mary and Cilka went to the wake for Mrs. Gosar's father. In the morning it was -38°F: ideal for splitting wood. You just let the ax fall onto the wood and the wood explodes, because it's so frozen. Of course, I had to warm myself up inside the house first by exercising so I would not freeze outside.

The silage was frozen up to a foot in from the silo walls. It had to be crushed and spread in the stable to thaw out and dry. Wet silage is dangerous for animals.

January 31

I went to the wake with John in the evening from 8 to 11.

February 2

At 9 everyone except Cilka went to church. In the afternoon I fixed the broken flooring for the horses.

February 3, 1950

Nice weather. For the first time, "Aunt" Mary cooked "štruklje" at my re-

quest. They were very good, with eggs and butter, but John didn't eat. "I don't feel good," he said.

During the first weeks, Cilka often brought me a piece of bread when I was working in the barn or the chicken coop, where I had set up a workshop. When "Aunt" became convinced that I didn't drink, she said, "Tony, since you don't drink, you can take milk, bread, oranges or apples from the icebox whenever you want!" I gratefully took advantage of her offer - whenever I was really hungry.

In the afternoon John and I went to Greenwood. I sold \$5.65 worth of lace at the Farmers' Store. When will I have enough for a car?

February 4

At 11, I went to Neilsville for the first time. At the courthouse they told me what I had to do to get my "first citizenship paper." An old clerk named Frantz knew less than I did. At the farmers' store I wasn't able to sell a single piece of lace.

February 5

Nice weather. At 10:30 we went to church, then from 1 to 3 at Stancar's. They have 48 head of cattle, many pieces of equipment and plenty of everything. They were sponsors for Paula Rihtar, but she wasn't happy. Mrs. Stancar said, "It isn't anything hard! Nothing more than serving two boys; I don't know what's wrong." They served us candy, beer,

brandy, klobasa, bread, potica and coffee.

In the evening our sponsors went to play cards and we went to bed. Our sponsors played cards at home sometimes, but they would tell me, "You take care of your child, since you don't know how to play cards." Johnny usually played by himself and I read. When I interrupted his playing once, he said, "Don't bother me!" Where did he learn to talk like that?

February 6, 1950

"Uncle" sold a three-week-old calf at 20 cents a pound for 97 pounds. Then we immediately got a new one. What a fortunate birth! In the afternoon we hauled a wagon-load of wood from the woods.

February 7

In the morning we hauled in three wagon-loads of wood, and one in the afternoon from four large birch trees. Tiring work!

February 8

I fixed the manger for the horses.

Back in Slovenia, life must be harder than it was in America during the Depression. "Aunt" Mary received a letter from a relative, begging her for a bag of white flour. "Uncle" did not agree, so Mary did not send the flour.

We have received other kinds of requests from Slovenia as well. "Uncle" received a letter from a relative, a young girl, who asked him to send her a pair of eyeglasses with golden frames. I advised him to ask her to send him a prescription written by an optometrist. He did, and the young

lady responded, "No prescription is necessary. The quality of the lenses is not important; the only important thing is the golden frame." Uncle did not fill that request either.

February 10

I made a new floor by the door and new "bridges" (across the manure ditch) for three cows. Another calf born.

February 11

I cleaned the cows from 10 until 4. John told me he had an argument with his wife.

February 12, 1950

At 8:15 Cilka and Johnny went to church. Mary told me about her argument with John. She wants us to stay because we're a good influence on her husband. He's more peaceful and sober these days. Will we be able to live together? I am having doubts about that.

John never seems happy with my work. I can milk the way he tells me today, but tomorrow he'll want it done differently.

Sometimes I'm feeling hopeless. "Aunt" noticed this right away and asked John, "What was the problem with you and Tony? Why is he so sad?" John didn't answer.

February 13, 1950

I received a bill from the National Catholic Welfare Conference for the train-fare from New York to Marshfield - \$101.31. Where will I get the money?

February 17

The first half of February was nice and warm, around +20°F in the morning and +40 to 50°F in the afternoon.

February 18, 1950

At night cow number 9 gave birth to a healthy calf. Since John's been cooking brandy, I have to feed and

milk the cows myself. Uncle and Aunt drove to Greenwood this morning and didn't return until 1 because of the snowed-in roads. Aunt bought Johnny a shirt, underwear and pants. For Cilka she bought cloth for a dress and apron.

February 19, 1950

+20°F in the morning; +40°F in the afternoon. We all rode together to church. After church we went to Lamovec's for dinner, which was like a wedding banquet. After dinner we went to Karl's and brought him back with us. Everybody except me played cards; I read until 3:30. After a snack, Helen took Karl back home.

February 21

I cleaned the manger in the morning, then split wood. It's Mardi Gras, so we had pastry and fancier bread this morning. The Lamovec family came to visit in the evening. While the others played "crazy" and pinochle, I played "old maid" with Judy and Jerry (Lamovec's kids). Although I was sleepy, I felt I needed to be sociable until 11:30. Not a happy Mardi Gras!

February 22, 1950

Cilka woke me at 6 - John was already milking, but he wasn't mad that I was late.

Feb. 23

Light snow fell; colder.

Feb. 24

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The Search for Red October

By Robert M. Debevec

Each fall my bride of 50 plus years, Elaine, and I try to plan a fall trip to take in the ever-changing autumn colors. We call it our Hunt For Red October (with apologies to Tom Clancy).

This year we did the trip with our 23-foot motor home and traveled through parts of Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

We started from Madison on a sunny day in October and drove the first day to Springfield, Ohio, where we visited my sister, Bertha and her husband, Ned. We camped at Buck Creek State Park which is just outside of Springfield. We call it "camping" but our kids laugh at us as our RV has a furnace, hot water heater, refrigerator, TV, freezer, etc.

After all these years, we figure we earned some comforts.

The next morning we headed for Mounds State Park in Indiana. This is about 50 miles northwest of Indianapolis where our daughter, Diane, lives and works. She met us at the campground with her dog, Annie, and we camped there for two days.

Mounds Park features ten distinct "earthworks" and one gigantic ceremonial "Mound." These were built by a group of prehistoric Indians known as the Adena-Hopewell people. The largest mound is believed to have been constructed around 160 B.C. which makes it older than we are. The park has great hiking trails and a beautiful Nature

Center as well as many, many colorful trees and bushes.

After a great visit with Diane and Annie we headed southeast towards East Fork State Park which is 30 miles east of Cincinnati. This is one of Ohio's largest state parks. It includes both rugged hills and open meadows. This is part of the Little Miami River Basin which has been home to many generations of man, dating back to nearly 3,000 years ago.

Just south of East Fork is the birthplace of our 18th president, U.S. Grant. This area attracted early Ohio settlers in the 19th century who built sawmills, blacksmith shops, etc. there.

In 1869 two gold mines were opened in the region. They flourished for a number of years and were an important part of the economy in those days. We looked around but the only gold we saw was in the fall foliage.

After two days of exploring and enjoying the area, we headed east along U.S. 32. This is a four-lane highway which runs generally between Cincinnati and Athens, Ohio. It turned out to be one of the most beautiful, drive-able and interesting roads on our expedition. There is very little traffic and (what a blessing!) there are no semi's.

We eventually left the easy driving of U.S. 32 and headed south on smaller back roads to Forked Run State Park on the banks of the Ohio River.

According to local historians, the Indians returning from their raids into western

Virginia routinely crossed the Ohio at that point with their plunder and prisoners.

There are vast stands of oak, hickory, maple and tulip trees in the deep ravines and hillsides of the region. A flock of wild turkeys came gobbling around our campsite and stopped by to say "hello." We had never seen them in the wild before, although we had read that they were in abundance in southern Ohio.

The next morning we crossed the Ohio River at Gallipolis and headed east and north through West Virginia. The flatlands gradually leveled out and we began to encounter some of the foothill country. It was interesting to see the red, orange, yellow and purple hills interspersed with the green of the tall mountain pines.

It was late afternoon when we reached Morgantown, West Virginia so we decided to stay at a state campground which, according to our camp directory, was 30 miles east of the city. It was called "Cooper's Rock" and although we had no idea what to expect, we were curious to know something about the unusual name and its background. We found it to be one of the most spectacular stops on our journey into the unknown.

The campground itself was small but scenic. The sites were placed in isolated areas and were very spacious. As it turned out, we were the only campers that night. If you like the feeling of being alone with nature

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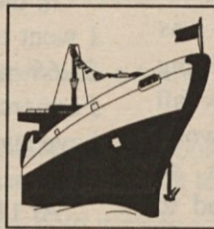
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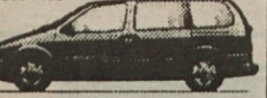
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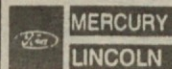
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The Search for Red October

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 (as we do) it was just perfect. We built a roaring campfire to keep away the bears (just kidding, about the bears, that is) and had some great filet mignons from our freezer. This was an adventure in itself as we kind of shy away from meat these days.

We had another adventure the next morning as we were preparing to leave camp, at least Elaine did. She was chased by a fox while strolling through the campground. A fox? They don't chase people, but she insisted (all out of breath) that this one did. When we told our son, Carl, about this later, he said it may have been rabid. But she said no; she was sure it was a fox.

Anyway, we drove out to the end of the park road that morning to find out what "Cooper's Rock" was all about.



The scenery from the lookout was unbelievable. It was like a Grand Canyon in miniature. There was a deep valley and the gorgeous colors were almost overwhelming. A huge outcropping of rock gives it its name, but we never found out who "Cooper" was although we assume he (or she) was one of the early settlers.

Around the turn of the century the rock was found to be oil-bearing and a lot of oil was obtained here through the years. The park and its facilities was built by the CCC people in the 1930s, a product of the Depression years.

After taking in as much as we could of the vista, we headed east into Maryland and sampled some of that state's fall show-off colors. There were a few exclusively Eastern species of trees and we enjoyed viewing them and comparing them with our own Ohio trees. We drove about 100 miles or so through Maryland and then headed up north into Pennsylvania.

Our destination was Clear Creek State Park which is just outside of Cook's Forest. The roads were the usual narrow, but interesting back-country former buggy trails which had been more or less adapted to modern motor vehicles. We're sure the original or even later road builders had never anticipated that someone would be foolish enough to drive a five-ton motor home along these roads. However, we managed with no problems.

The campground was situated on the Clarion River and very outdoorsy. This feeling was emphasized by a couple of quarreling raccoons which paid us a visit during the night.

The next day found us driving in a northerly direction on U.S. 62. This road meanders alongside the river with all its twists and turns. There are many scenic pull-offs of which we took advantage.

Our next objective was the Allegheny National Forest Campground with the romantic name of "Red Bridge." It is located on State Route 262. This road is listed in the Directory as "The Longhouse National Scenic By-Way."

It really was scenic and is all part of the National Recreation area in the Allegheny Forest. Kinzua Dam is a short distance away and there are many hiking, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing trails. The

Forest is about 150 miles east of Cleveland which makes it within easy striking distance of Ohio. We were too late for the Mountain Laurel for which the area is noted since it blooms in profusion in mid-June.

The weather finally caught up with us. The last night out, the sky opened up and we experienced heavy thunderstorms and strong winds which gave our little home-away-from-home a good shaking up. Later we learned that this same storm was the one which wiped out Game One of the World Series in New York.

In our 10 days and 1,500 miles of travel we had encountered nothing but sunshine until this last day when we were heading back to Madison, but we weren't complaining. Of course, fall colors are always beautiful but the sunshine makes them even more so. We felt that our Hunt For Red October had been very successful.

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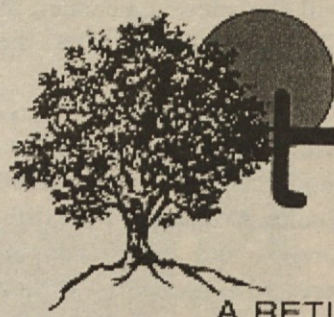
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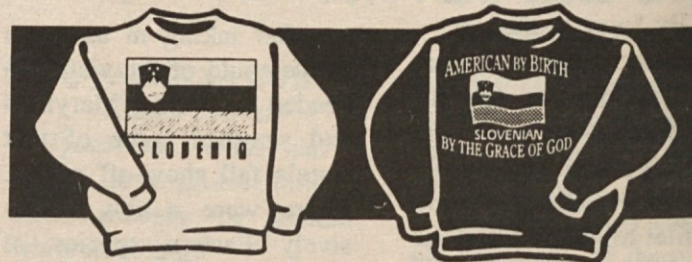
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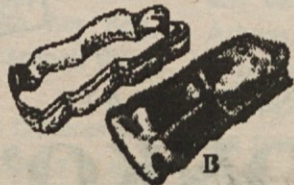
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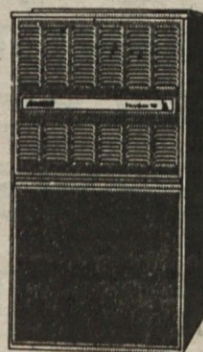
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Flute may have graced Slovenian Neanderthal fire

By John Noble Wilford

In the evening by firelight in their caves and rock shelters, the Neanderthals sometimes relaxed to the sound of music after a hard day at the hunt. They took material at hand, a cave bear's thigh bone, and created a flute. With such a simple instrument, these stocky, heavy-browed Neanderthals, extinct close relatives of humans, may have given expression to the fears, longings and joys of their prehistoric lives.

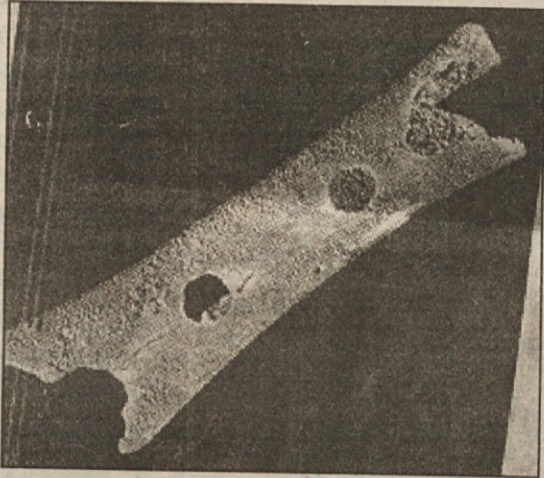
The image of Neanderthals as flautists, as having any ability for musical expression, was once beyond imagining. But a discovery in a cave in Slovenia, announced recently, evokes such a possible image, much to the surprise of archeologists and paleoanthropologists.

And if Neanderthals indeed made music of any kind, could this be indirect evidence that they also possessed some talent for language and articulate speech? It has been assumed that a lack of advanced communication skills was a critical disadvantage in their competition with modern Homo sapiens who seem to have driven Neanderthals to extinction in Europe by 30,000 years ago.

Digging in the cave sediments last year, Dr. Ivan Turk, a paleontologist at the Slovenian Academy of Sciences in Ljubljana, found among the buried stone tools a small piece of a juvenile bear femur. It was perforated with four round holes. Two of the holes were intact; the other two, at either end of the bone, were incomplete. Presumably the ends had been chewed by animals or eroded over time.

The straight alignment of the holes, all on one side, suggests they were made not by gnawing animals but by the Neanderthals, probably using an animal-tooth punch. Neanderthals apparently occupied the cave, Divje Babe I, new Idrija in northwestern Slovenia, as a hunting camp.

Since the object resembled bone flutes found at other European and Asian sites of modern humans, usually dated from 22,000 to 35,000 years ago, Dr. Turk concluded that this could also be a flute, which would mean it was the first musical instrument ever to be associated with Neanderthals.



Bone flute-like object, found at Divje Babe I site in northwestern Slovenia.

The team of Canadian and American researchers, including a high school student from Queens, New York, has now established that the artifact is at least 43,000 years old, perhaps as much as 82,000 years old. If so, the researchers said, the bone flute is the oldest known musical instrument.

The findings were reported in Denver by Dr. Bonnie Blackwell of Queens College of the City University of New York. Other members of the team of geologists were Dr. Turk; Dr. Joel I. Blickstein of Queens College; Dr. Henry P. Schwarcz of McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, and Beverly Lau, who was a student at Robert F. Kennedy High School in Flushing, Queens, at the time.

Dr. Blackwell said the dates were determined by analyzing enamel from five cave

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CHICAGO, IL - A representative of Gov. Jim Edgar's Office recently presented a proclamation to the Slovenian Cultural Center in honor of the 46th annual Slovenian Day Festival.

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bear teeth found in the same sedimentary layer with the putative flute. Objects of such antiquity cannot be dated by the usual radio-carbon techniques. Instead, the teeth were tested using a dating technology, electron spin resonance, that measures the small amounts of radiation absorbed by the objects since their burial in the ground.

The wide divergence in the estimated ages for the teeth, Dr. Blackwell said, reflected the researchers' uncertainty about how much moisture the cave floor has been exposed to. If the teeth had been subjected to excessive amounts of water, they would have absorbed less radiation; this could result in a too-low age estimate. Other evidence in the cave suggested that it has seen alternating periods of very dry and very wet conditions over the past 100,000 years. Further tests on more teeth and using other techniques are planned to narrow the uncertainty.

At first, the purpose of the research was simply to date the teeth of the cave bears, animals that became extinct about 35,000 years ago. Then, after more explorations, Dr. Turk found the femur with the four holes.

"All of a sudden," he recalled, "our work went from being important to being exceedingly important. We were dating a site with a musical instrument, the only one ever found in a Neanderthal context."

Few subjects in human evolution are more puzzling than those concerning the

nature and fate of the Neanderthals. They were shorter and stockier than most modern homo sapiens, but were otherwise similar in anatomy and had a brain-case as large or larger. They seemed to show none of the aptitude for art displayed by the cave painters who were their contemporaries and successors.

But Neanderthals occupied a wide swath of the earth's surface, from the Atlantic coast to the Middle East and Central Asia and from northern Germany to Gibraltar, during their heyday 70,000 to 30,000 years ago.

Modern humans are thought by most scientists to have originated in Africa 150,000 to 200,000 years ago; they migrated to Europe about 40,000 years ago. Then the Neanderthals lost out in the competition with modern humans and disappeared.

Dr. Erik Trinkaus, an anthropologist at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, who is an authority on Neanderthals, said the discovery could have important implications for understanding these mysterious human relatives.

If the interpretation of the new discovery is correct, Dr. Trinkaus said, "it reinforces the basic humanness of Neanderthals, even though they were different from modern humans with a different life style."

The discovery might also settle the issue of whether Neanderthals were capable of some simple speech. "I can't imagine a group having conscious music without having language," he said.

Ogrin wins first PGA

David Ogrin hung on after a potentially disastrous triple bogey to beat Jay Haas and a charging Tiger Woods on Sunday, Oct. 13 at the Texas Open for his first victory in 14 years on the PGA Tour.

The victory, worth \$216,000 from a purse of \$1.2 million, left Ogrin with \$533,457 in earnings this year.

Despite his triple bogey at

the par-3 sixth hole and a closing bogey, Ogrin carded an even-par 72 to finish at 13-under 275.

Ogrin, who had led since Friday, nearly blew the tournament at the sixth.

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Thanks to ever-alert reader Ann Opeka of Euclid, Ohio for submitting this article.

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Sherwin Williams, will act as Honorary Chairman of the event.

Proceeds from the Ball will be divided between the American Red Cross, John Carroll University, and the Cleveland Junior Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

For more information, contact the Cleveland Junior Chamber of Commerce Foundation/Jaycees at 621-5020.

Jamming at the Slovenian Home

The Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Avenue will have its 7th Annual Thanksgiving Eve Jam Session on Wednesday, Nov. 27. The music will start at 7:30 and continue to 12:30 in the Eddie Kenik Room (annex).

Sandwiches and refreshments will be available. Admission is \$2.00 at the door. Security parking at the rear of the building.

--Sylvia Plymnesser

Coming Events

Wednesday, Nov. 27

Jam Session at Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Ave., from 7:30 to 12:30 in annex. Admission is \$2 at door.

Thursday, Nov. 28

Annual Thanksgiving Polka Show sponsored by the Tony Petkovsek Radio programs with 20 bands at the Marriott Society Center Hotel, downtown Cleveland.

Sat., Nov. 30

9th Annual Hall of Fame Awards Show and Induction Ceremony at Euclid Shore Cultural Center.

Sunday, Dec. 1

Maria Pivik will direct children in the Annual Mini Concert during intermission of West Park Slovene Home

Ballroom Dance featuring Eddie Rodick Orchestra.. Sunday dances start at 4 p.m., location 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland.

Sunday, Dec. 1

St. Nicholas visits St. Vitus Slovenian School children, 3 p.m. in auditorium.

Friday, Dec. 6

Annual Evening with Bishop Pevec at Borromeo Seminary beginning with Mass at 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 6

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., featuring Casuals., from 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 7

St. Mary's Slovenian School performs traditional operetta "Miklavž Prihaja",

6:30 p.m. in school hall with visit from St. Nicholas.

Friday, Dec. 13

Ballroom Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130th St., starting at 7:30 p.m., featuring Fortuna.

Friday, Dec. 20

Ballroom Dance at West park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, featuring Dan Peter.

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Death Notices

REV. JOSEPH OZIMEK BARBERTON, OH — During his 22 years as pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Barberton, the Rev. Joseph J. Ozimek was responsible for building a new chapel and rectory.

He was known by his peers as a hard-working priest who treasured and promoted his Slovenian heritage.

"He had a great sense of humor and could trade puns with the best of them," the Rev. Ralph Wiatrowski wrote in a letter informing priests of the Cleveland Catholic Diocese of Father Ozimek's death.

After retiring in 1991, Father Ozimek was named pastor emeritus of the parish.

He died Sunday, Nov. 10 at the Mount Alverna Nursing Home in Parma, Ohio at age 75.

The Cleveland native was educated at Benedictine High School in Cleveland and John Carroll University. He studied for the priesthood at St. Mary Seminary.

After his ordination in 1947, Father Ozimek was assigned as assistant pastor at St. Mary Church in Collinwood. Two years later, he was transferred to St. Philomena Parish in East Cleveland.

In 1956, he was appointed assistant pastor of St. Vitus Church in Cleveland. He served as an assistant at St. Christine Parish in Euclid from 1961 until becoming assistant at St. Francis De Sales Church in Parma in 1966.

Father Ozimek was appointed pastor of Sacred Heart in Barberton in 1969.

In his youth, he was an outstanding athlete. He was especially fond of playing baseball.

Survivors include his sisters, Frances Stepic of Maple Heights, Dorothy Budlimic of Garfield Heights and Bridget Zupanic of Parma; and brothers, William and Norbert, both of Parma.

Services were at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15 at St. Anthony of Padua church, Parma.

Arrangements were handled by the Fortuna Funeral Home:

FRANCES Y. ZAK

Frances Y. Zak (nee Skufca), 81, wife of the late Rudolph; mother of Judith Weaver (Gerald, deceased), David (wife Florence), Therese Campbell (Bill), Mary Ann Hunker (Paul), Christine Zak-Edmonds (Jay); grandmother of Joyce Harris, Anita Szilagyl, Steven Zak, Jeffrey Weaver, Cheryl Bray, Charlene Signorelli, Paul B. Hunker, III, William Hunker, Adam Edmonds, Christine Hunker, Emily Edmonds, Molly Hunker, Zak Edmonds, Joshua Edmonds; great-grandmother of 10; sister of Harrison Skufca, Mary Paulin, Rudy Flis, Albert Flis, Theresa Mommers, Anthony Flis and the following deceased: Matthew Skufca, Agnes Theus and Michael Flis; friend of many.

Frances passed away Monday, Nov. 11, 1996.

She was a member of St. Felicitas Church, The Mission Club, The Altar and Rosary Society, The Catholic Woman's Guild, the Slovenian Singing Society Zarja.

She also enjoyed travel, theater, the arts and music.

Memorial Mass was held in St. Felicitas Church at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 15. Private burial at All Souls Cemetery.

Family suggests contributions to Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Mark, 21800 Chardon Rd., Euclid, OH 44117 or the Battered Women's Shelter, 23875 Commerce Park Rd., Beachwood, OH 44122.

Arrangements were handled by Brickman and Sons.



KATHERINE GREGURINCICH

Katherine Gregurincich (nee Kuzma), 94, passed away in the Slovene Home for the Aged on Friday, Nov. 8th.

Katherine was born in Belcji vrh, Slovenia. She came to the United States in 1921.

Katherine was a member of St. Vitus Lodge No. 25 KSKJ, and Slovenian Women's Union Branch 10.

She was the widow of Joseph; the mother of Angela Sustarsic; grandmother of Albert and Mark; great-grandmother of Mary, Caitie, Michael, Jeff and the following deceased: Nicholas, Emily and Tara; sister of Christina and Peter, both of Slovenia; and the following deceased: Frank, Nick, John and Louis.

A funeral Mass was held at St. Jerome church on Tuesday, Nov. 12. Burial in All souls Cemetery.

Donations in her memory to the Slovene Home for the Aged would be appreciated by the family.

Zele Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

TONY MRAK

Tony Mrak, 89, a Euclid resident, formerly of Cleveland, died in Lake West hospital on Friday, Nov. 8th.

Tony was born in Skofja Loka, Slovenia. He came to Cleveland in 1909.

Mr. Mrak was retired from Eaton Axle in 1969 where he was employed as a heat treater. He was a member of SNPJ and the Euclid Pensioners.

Tony was the husband of Ann; brother of Rudy, Mike and Frank Mark (all deceased).

Private funeral services were held at Zele Funeral Home on Tuesday, Nov. 12. Burial in Knollwood

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Margie and I invite you to join us on Saturday, Nov. 23, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Christine's church, 860 East 222nd Street., Euclid, OH (just north of I-90) for about one hour.

You are welcome to join us afterwards for fellowship graced by pizza and beverage in the school auditorium. —In Christ
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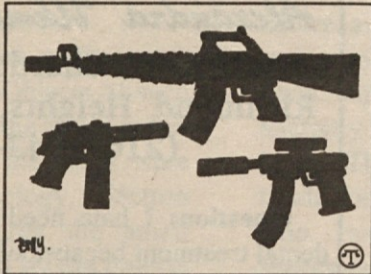
(NAPS)—There is growing evidence to reveal that assault weapons are posing increased dangers to America's police officers. A report, released by Handgun Control Inc., is entitled *Cops Under Fire: Law Enforcement Officers Killed With Assault Weapons or Guns with High Capacity Magazines*.

According to the report, "at a minimum, assault weapons are involved in 13 percent of fatal shootings of law enforcement officers," yet, they account for less than one percent of the privately owned firearms in the United States. Some incidents that stand as graphic reminders of what the availability of military-style assault weapons on America's streets has meant for the country's law enforcement community include:

• Northridge, CA, February 22, 1994—Officer Christy Lynne Hamilton, the oldest rookie in the history of the Los Angeles Police Department, was gunned down with an AR-15 assault rifle by a teenager who had already used the gun to kill his father. Officer Hamilton graduated from the Police Academy three days prior to the shooting.

• Washington, D.C., November 22, 1994—In the Headquarters of the Metropolitan Police Department, an angry young man armed with a TEC-9 assault pistol took the elevator to the third floor where he shot and killed Sergeant Hank Daly, FBI Special Agent Martha Dixon-Martinez and FBI Special Agent Mike Miller. FBI Special Agent John Kuchta was seriously wounded.

• Chicago, IL, March 8, 1995—Officer Daniel Doffyn, a rookie with the Chicago Police Department and still in his probationary period, responded to a robbery in progress call and was killed by a known gang member armed with a TEC-9 assault pistol. Another officer was wounded in the attack. Prior to this incident the assailant had been involved in a



shoot-out with a rival gang.

Unfortunately, these are not isolated incidents. There is growing evidence that criminals, particularly younger offenders, have armed themselves with assault weapons and semi-automatic handguns sold with high capacity ammunition magazines—and police officers are paying a terribly high price.

"Clearly assault weapons are fast becoming the weapon of choice among violent criminals and they have made the police officer's job more dangerous than ever before," reports Craig Floyd, a spokesman for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund.

Some in the police profession have begun calling assault weapons "cop killer guns," and there is evidence to support the claim. According to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, assault weapons claimed the lives of at least ten police officers during 1995 or about 12 percent of all felonious deaths.

The report by Handgun Control Inc. summarizes the results of a study conducted to examine the danger that weapons banned in the 1994 crime law pose to law enforcement officials. The study analyzed 122 fatal shootings of law enforcement officers between Jan. 1, 1994, and Sept. 30, 1995. The study found that, of the 92 cases where the make and model of the gun could be identified, 36 percent involved an officer being killed with either an assault weapon or firearm that was sold or equipped with a large-capacity magazine.

DID YOU KNOW
Slovenia... Joseph Zelle

On Sunday, November 3 the 25th anniversary of the death of Msgr. Jakob Ukmar was observed in the Jakob Ukmar Home in Škedenj. Msgr. Ukmar was remembered for his continued fight against discrimination of Slovénians in the Terst area under control of the Italians. He was a great conscious Slovénian who suffered tremendous discrimination following the World War I and World War II eras. God rest his soul!

Another new book has appeared on the Slovénian market. Its title is *Rozmanov proces*. It was written by historian Tamara Griessér Pécar and Francé Martin Dolinar. The authors described some of the complications and accusations against the Archbishop by the Communists after their inglorious victory following World War II. In all 13 articles of accusation there were various errors.

Tuesday, November 5, the annual book fair opened in Ljubljana. Known as *Frankfurt po Frankfurtu*, it was represented by more than 200 foreign book publishers. There were over 8,000 titles of new books on display in Cankar's Home. The fair closed on November 12.

This year for the fifth time, Slovénia will honor science researchers for their work. Included among the 1996

honorees are Academician Prof. Dr. Janéz Péklénik, Prof. Dr. Dušan Nécak, Prof. Dr. Vojko Vlacy, Prof. Dr. Péter Sémrl, and Prof. Dr. Blaz Rozman. Congratulations, learned gentlemen!

Mayor Jozé Tanko has named Alojziz Dobrovoljc as honorary citizen of Ribnica. Our congratulations!

Organist Angela Tomanic is departing for America where she will be having a series of concerts. She will be visiting Cleveland, to perform

at St. Mary's Church on Holmes Ave. Her featured presentation will be the world famous *Meditatio de Sancta Trinitate*, in honor of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the parish church. Welcome to Cleveland, Ms. Tomanic.

Léon Štukéj of Slovénia, oldest living Olympian, celebrated his 98th birthday in Radénci on Saturday, November 9 at the Hotel Radin among his friends and well-wishers. **Happy birthday, Léon!** We are so proud of you!

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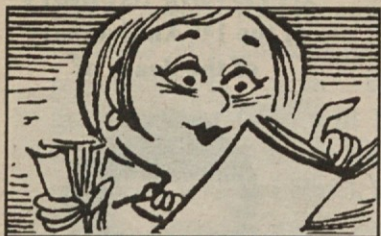
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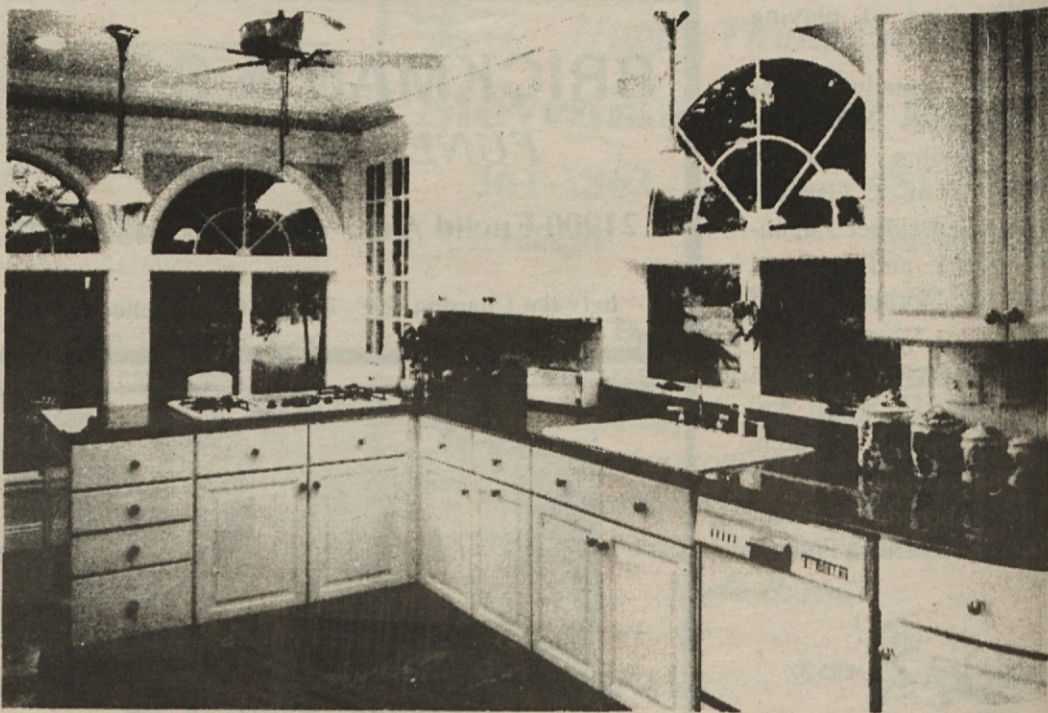
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