

Josip Jurčić:

DESETI BRAT

ROMAN

"Jaz bi vedel samo enega človeka na svetu, kateremu bi zdaj precej odgovoril na tako vprašanje," je slišal Mrtinec govoriti Kvasa.

"No, bom pa še jaz ob kratkem govoril" — pravi Marijan. — "Če se v štirinajstih dneh, ne, v enem tednu ne odpraviš izlepa odtod za vselej, povem to ljudem, ki jim je mar, da se Manica ne obesi na berača, ki je vzeti ne more. In če to nič ne pomaga, dobiš od mene krogljo v glavo, in ko bi ne vem kaj bilo."

Dasi je imel Lovre dovolj vzroka na take besede odbiti bet s cepom, se je premagoval in dejal mirno: "Marijan, jaz vam naravnost povem, da sem vas imel za bolj blagega moža. Da mi podtikate nekove namene, kakor bi jaz deklico samo začasno sleparil, vam ne morem zameriti. Želim, da bi me bolj poznali, sicer —"

"Sicer je vse hinavščina, prazne besede, katerim se je dala preslepiti tudi ona. Povedal sem ti že, kar sem mislil. Jaz bi ti že drugače pokazal, ko ne bi bilo zavoljo nje. V enem tednu!"

"Prosim vas, dajte mi izgovoriti besedo! — Zal mi je, da sem nedolžen vzrok vaši nesreči, ali preverjen sem, da vi ne bi bili nič na boljšem, ko bi mene ne bilo nikdar v ta kraj. Ko bi bil vedel, da ona ljubi vas, bi se veselil z vami kakor prijateljem s prijateljem in nikdar ne bi bil poizkušal ničesar zase in nikdar bi se ne bil tako izpozabil, da bi vam bil po namenjenem svojem prizadevanju odtegnil ali ukradel njeno ljubezen, kakor mi očitate."

"Kaj je nisi, lažnivec?"
"Menim, da mi morete izkazati malo laži. — Verjemite mi ali ne verjemite, od kraja, ko sem mislil, da je Manica namenjena vam in da tudi sama misli na vas, sem zatiral vsak čut ljubezni. Zdaj pa, ko od nje same vem, da vam nikoli ničesar ni obetala, imam tudi precej lahko vest."

"Pa boš imel kmalu še lažjo, ko boš culo navezal in se pobral po svetu, od koder te je vrag prinesel."

"Gotovo lažjo, kakor vi, Marijan, zakaj kar mi že tudi storite, drugega ne boste na dobičku, kakor da si boste lahko očitati, da ste veliko pomagali pripraviti v prezgodnjo nesrečo človeka, ki vam ni storil drugega žalega, kakor da vas je nekaj časa poznal. Lehko noč! Premislite to, kar sem vam rekel; pa storite kar hočete!"

"Prav je, da greš, ravno bi me bila skoraj volja, zalučiti te črez kamenje, da bi se nikdar ne pobral."

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šel," pravi Lovre — "pa mislim tudi, da bi se vam ne dal vsak kar tako za nič lučati po kamenju. Če hočete izkušati kaj takega, treba vam bo koga drugega najeti, ne mene."

Rekši Lovre odide.
Svojo puško je bil pozabil na mestu ob kamen naslonjeno.

Marijan je obstal. Kvasova mirna beseda in to, da mu sam ni mogel ničesar odgovoriti na marsikaj, ga je razkačilo še bolj.

"Ko bi je jaz nikoli ne imel in ne iskal po očetovi želji, ta pritepeni bukvar je tudi ne bo! Ko bi ga zlodej zdajle nazaj prinesel, da bi ga malo pretresel!"

In da bi svojo jezico, ki je zdaj ni mogel ohladiti nad Kvasom, poizkusil nad njegovo tu ostalo puško, jo je prijel srdito ter jo zagnal pet sežnjev daleč po grmovju.

To delo so dopolnjevale tri krepke in robate kletve. Tik pred seboj je zdajci zaslišal preglasen poreden smeh desetega brata.

"Ti grešnik, grešnikov sin, kaj kolneš Boga in hudiča! Ali ne veš, da preklinjavci ne bodo gledali nebeskega kraljestva?"

Po teh besedah se začne Mrtinec zopet grohotati. Ko bi bil ne vem kdo Marijanovih prijateljev v tem trenutku prišel k njemu, bi ga bil z jezo odgnal. Lehko se torej ume, kako je zavrelo v njem, ko je ravno ta človek stopil predenj in še s tem zaničevalnim smehom. Bilo je zdaj že vdrugeč, da mu je v enakem trenutku prišel pred oči ta mož, kakor nagajiv hudoben duh.

"Ti pes! —" je zavpil Marijan in zavzdignil kopito svoje puške.

"Nič pes, niti dlake od psa ne najdeš na moji koži, v nji pa samo malo ubogih človeških kosti, ustvarjenih iz takega očeta, pa iz boljše matere, kakor si ti. Bog, ti meni



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Cleveland, O., 24. decembra 1964.

greh odpusti, da te imam tako rad, da ti ne morem oglja zbirati na tvoji črepinji, kakor pravi Salomon ali neki drugi modrijarh v Svetem pismu. Nu, nu, le pusti tisto palico kovano le, že vidim, da je puška! Kaj praviš, prijatelj Narobe, mož Hudojezec, ali bo vzel bognasvaruju tega Kvasa v pekel, ali ga bo peljal v zakonska nebesa z graščakovo hčerjo? Povedi, kaj meniš? Jaz pravim, da bo tako, kakor sem nazadnje dejal; tebi bo pa kaj odmečka vrgel. Ali bi ne bilo tako prav? Kaj?"

Za odgovor na neprilčno šalo je dobil Mrtinec s puškimi kopitom po kolenih, da je omahnil.

Ravno tedaj se je pokazala luna izza sivega oblaka in obisnila desetega brata, ki je prav polagoma odkladal kamizolo, črevlje z rame, palico

in kučmo. "Fante, udari še enkrat, da bom vedel, da se nisi bil izpozabil, ko si me mahnil! Udari, če hočeš poznati desetega brata."

"Na, hudič!"
Rekši mahne Marijan srdito vdrugeč.

Mrtinec uskoči novemu udarcu, pa v tem hipu drži Marijana z eno roko za puško, z drugo za vrat. Mladenič se je zvijsal, da bi se oprstil berača, pa zastonj; videl je, da ima Mrtin več moči, kakor bi je bil kdo pričakoval v teh košenih, presušenihi udih. Zdajpazdaj je Mrtinec vrtlo pomikastil svojega nasprotnika in smeja se vedno govori: "Vidiš, vidiš, žaba! Tako se iztresajo norosti iz neumnih, prevzetnih buč. Ni pridnino, če človek meni, da vse ustahuje."

In ko je jel Marijan zopet

srdito otepati z rokami in nogami, ga je zavihtel Mrtinec okrog sebe, zopet malo pomikastil in dejal: "He, konjiček, pohleven bodi in ponižen! Glej, kako bi te lahko neki mož zalučil črez pečevje v dolino, kakor si ti ravno prej obetal nekemu, ti zgaga ti! In zalučil bi te kakor leščevo batino, da ne bi cela ostala nobena tvojih koščic, ko ne bi bil po nesreči nekoga sin, ki bi, to se ve, meni najrajši zapisal v testamentu bolezen za dedino. — Le počasi, kadar se mi bo zdelo, pa te bom pustil. Ali se boš poboljšal? Bojim se, da si podoben tistemu psu, ki je s svojim gospodarjem v cerkev romal, tam fajmoštvo pridigo poslušal, da je greh krasti, pa je šel iz cerkve naravnost krast. Bomo videli."

Rekši ga pahne od sebe.
Srdit popade Marijan puško

s tal in mahne s cevjo po Mrtinku, ki se pa z isto urnostjo ko pred umakne.

"Tako! Čaki, podlasica neizboljšljiva, jaz ti iztremem še druge muhe iz glavice."

Pa preden je utegnil deseti brat Marijana drugič dobiti v svoje klešče, je ta za tri ko-

rake odskočil in napel petelina pri puški.

"Eno stopinjo stori proti meni, pa bom sprožil!" vpije srdit Marijan.

Mrtinec se zasmije in v enem skoku je bil pri njeni. Ali nerodno je puško prijel, zakaj v tem hipu se je sprožila.

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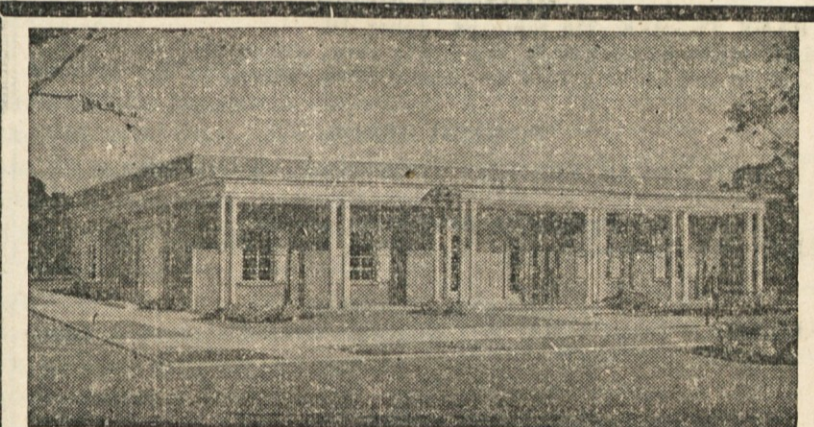
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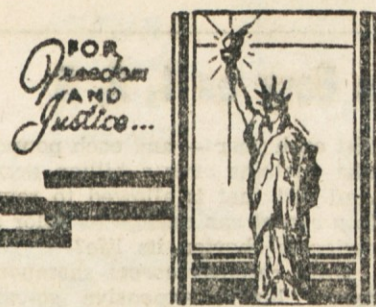
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Star-Studded TV Series

Viewers will soon see a series of television plays that nobody could have afforded to produce if the stars hadn't virtually donated their multimillion-dollar talents.

The United Nations-oriented series of 90-minute entertainment programs features the biggest galaxy of name stars ever to go on TV. Xerox Corp., through the nonprofit Telsun Foundation, put up \$4 million to finance the ABC network dramatizations of U.N. projects and problems. But a Telsun spokesman said "that would have been a drop in the bucket" if all creative talent involved had not donated their services at the bare union minimum salaries.

Launching the series Decem-

ber 28 will be "Carol for Another Christmas," produced and directed by Joseph L. Mankiewicz. Adapted from Dickens' classic, the Rod Serling teleplay unfolds a high-drama story to illustrate that "no man is an island" in our shrinking world. The glittering cast includes Peter Sellers, Eva Marie Saint, Sterling Hayden, Pat Hingle and Steve Lawrence.

As a measure of the stars' sacrifices on the U.N.'s behalf, the Telsun spokesman said:

"Hayden turned down a movie contract worth five figures. Instead, he worked seven weeks for us — at \$350 a week. So did Sellers, who normally earns between \$750,000 and \$1 million per film."

AMERIŠKA DOMOVINA

CONDENSED NEWS FROM OUR HOME FRONT

★ Frank Strazar of 3606 E. 81 St., our subscriber of many years, was taken to St. Alexis Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery!

★ Taken to Woman's Hospital last week was Mrs. Mary Germ of 15710 Corsica Ave. Wishes for a speedy recovery!

★ Home from the hospital is Mrs. Rose Rupert of 18801 Kildeer Ave., who expresses her thanks to all for their kindnesses.

★ Taken recently to Euclid Glenview Hospital was Mrs. Louise Cebular of 15414 Lucknow Ave. Wishing her a quick recovery!

★ Anne Gustincic of Madison, O., has safely undergone a major operation in Suburban Community Hospital. We wish her a fast recovery!

★ John Adamic of 1035 E. 66 St., celebrated his 84th birthday on Dec. 19th. Congratulations and wishes for many more happy and healthy birthdays!

★ John Srebrnak of 3465 E. 89 St., celebrated his 80th birthday on December 17th. Congratulations and wishes for many more happy and healthy birthdays!

★ The office of Dr. L. Ukmar, 6802 St. Clair Ave., will be closed from December 24th thru January 3, 1965. He is going with his family to Los Angeles, Calif., to visit his daughter, Majda, who is married to Dr. Comar.

★ Asheville, N.C. — A defense attorney was attempting to discredit the testimony of a woman state's witness during a trial in Buncombe county Superior court. "You just finished a prison term yourself, didn't you?" the attorney demanded. "Yes, that's right," the witness replied. "Yes, you are convicted of forgery, Right?" The witness answered, "That's right." — "What did you forge?" the attorney continued. "Nothing!" — "Nothing!" the attorney thundered. — "What on earth were you doing in prison?" — "I wish you'd tell me," the witness replied. "You were my lawyer."

★ Lexington, Ky. — The Lexington trotting track, where many records have been set, is known as the Fast Red Mile. In 10 days last fall, there were 25 dashes of two minutes or less for the mile.

★ Miami Beach, Fla. — Thomas Scott, operator of a hotel barber-shop, said he received a call: "This is Patrick Connolly in Minneapolis. Have a chair ready for me at 5:15 this afternoon." — "So help me," Scott said, "at 5:16 the door opened, he walked in and sat down."

★ Mount Albert, Ont. — The leg-horns are longhairs at the Feather-crest farm. When the big automated egg farm 25 miles north of Toronto opened two years ago, the owners provided their 60,000 laying hens

with the best of everything, including piped-in music. But the music was largely rock'n'roll and the hens just didn't dig it, says Len Rosenberg, one of the owners. — "Our quality dropped and so did the egg production. We didn't fight. We switched to FM." The classics and other soothing music apparently appealed to the hens because 70 per cent of them now leave an egg a day in appreciation. But that's not all the hens have to be thankful for. The five buildings in which they are kept — two birds to a cage — are air conditioned, specially lighted, and antiseptic. Each hen has its own eight inches of feed and water trough.

★ Lexington, Ky. — Eddie Harvey created quite a stir in this fraternity house at the University of Kentucky by posting this sign: "See the world's biggest stripper, fifth floor." Those who flocked in saw a picture of a giant coal stripping shovel now in use near Paradise, Ky.

★ Elizabethtown, Ky. — One kindergarten teacher was using an oversize clock to show her students how to tell time. "These are the hours," she said, "and these are the minutes and these are the seconds. Any questions?" One little girl shot up her hand: "Where are the jiffies?"

★ St. Louis, Mo. — William R. Farmer, 40, of suburban Lemay has found a new way to herald the birth of a child. After the birth of his new son, Farmer made a sign saying "it's a boy," ran it up a 15-foot flag pole in his front yard and waited to see if anyone would salute. Farmer and his wife, Connie, already have one child, William Jr., 2. They want 10. So, he expects to keep the sign around.

★ Wichita, Kansas. — Innocent-looking squares of white paint on Kansas highways are helping state troopers catch speeders. The blocks are painted at two-mile intervals and are visible from the air. Troopers in patrol planes use a stopwatch and a mathematical table to calculate speed between the squares of paint.

★ Groton, Conn. — The Electric Boat division of General Dynamics corporation babies each nuclear submarine it builds with thousands of diapers. The shipyards reported it has started using diapers to clean sub parts that have to be kept free of dirt and water. They do the job as well as Irish linen used to, and will cut costs by \$20,000 a year, the company said.

★ Ithaca, N.Y. — The bus station here has a spanking new interior paint job, thanks to a traveler with some time on his hands. Harold Hubbs, 74, a retired engineer from Palmer, Alaska, complained he was "going crazy waiting for the 5:15 bus" and volunteered to paint the station. Finishing the painting in about two hours, Hubbs got aboard his bus for Elmira, N.Y.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

From the Indian Tepee



Announcement by the Cleveland Indians of their 1965 home schedule indicated that the Tribe will usher in the baseball season at the Stadium next year on Wednesday, April 21 against the Los Angeles Angels. The Indians open on the road on Monday, April 12 at Los Angeles.

There will be 73 playing dates consisting of Opening Day, two holidays, 13 Sundays, 11 Saturday-day and 46 nights.

The 46 night games is one of the most ambitious schedules under the lights in club history. This includes one Saturday night game, July 17, with the Boston Red Sox.

For the fans' convenience, all night games will start at 7:30 p.m. this season with one exception. The June 24 contest with the Minnesota Twins will begin at 6:00 p.m.

As in past seasons, the highlight of the year appears to be the weekend series with the American League champion New York Yankees. The Bombers will be here for a four-game set on Friday night, Saturday afternoon and a Sunday doubleheader, July 23, 24 and 25. New starting times for twin bills will be 1 p.m.

The Indians will be home for two holiday doubleheaders. They will meet the Chicago White Sox on Monday, May 31 and the Washington Senators on Labor Day, Monday, September 6.

First night game of 1965 is set for Friday, April 23 against the Kansas City Athletics.

Holiday Hazards

December traffic accident toll is usually the highest of the year.

There is no single cause which can account for this high traffic toll, but the following four factors make major contributions.

ALCOHOL — That "cup that cheers" can wash away the sparkle and laughter of Christmas cheer.

SPEED — Speed too fast for tricky and variable weather conditions can take drivers on a "slay" ride.

DARKNESS — Death and darkness are steady twosome and can wreck a holiday.

PEDESTRIAN ERRORS — Headwork and footwork must go hand-in-hand.

SHORTS on



Brown's Legs, Unitas' Wing in Limelight

The Cleveland Browns had just clobbered the New York Giants to clinch the right to play the Baltimore Colts in the National Football League's title game and Allie Sherman was asked what he thought of Jimmie Brown.

A smile flickered for the first time over the wintry set of the Giant coach's countenance and he replied: "I think a lot of him. I had him for three Pro Bowl games and he made coaching relaxing by setting records year after year.

"We won one and lost one," Sherman, continued on the fullback who had just pounded his team to a pulp by 52-20, "and Brown should have won a third game, but Johnny Unitas took it away."

In this words, unconsciously, the Giant coach conjured the atmosphere for the game at Cleveland which will feature a rare championship level meeting of two of football's truly great players.

In boxing, a promoter would not hesitate to bill the Cleveland match as the battle of the century. In football values, he would not be far astray.

Entire Family Offers Hand At Mo's Cleveland Eatery
Cleveland, O. — The restaurant owned by Ed and Dick Modzelewski, "Mo and Junior's," has become a family affair.

Ed and Dick take turns acting as hosts and counting the money. Their brother, Joe, 37, a former boxer who was a stablemate of Ezzard Charles, is the chef. A sister acts as hostess, takes reservations and handles other details. In the summer, their youngest brother, Gee, serves as a bus boy when he's home from college.

Comedian Benny Salutes Wings on 39th Birthday
Detroit, Mich. — The Detroit Red Wings marked their thirty-ninth birthday in the National Hockey League this year. They entered the league in 1926 as the Detroit Cougars — homeless, fanless and practically wireless.

But with this year's birthday, they heard from Jack Benny, the world's most famous "39-year-old." He sent the following message:

"Detroit Red Wings: Congratulations on your birthday. I hope you stay '39' as long as I have. Good luck, Jack Benny."

Gabe Was Red-Hot Rooter For Browns in Key Clash
Cleveland, O. — The Indians and Browns may be fierce competitors for sports entertainment dollars in Cleveland, but nobody was pulling harder for the Browns in their telematic clash with the New York

St. Joseph High School Alumni Will Have Annual Christmas Dance

Rev. Father Raymond J. Kacirk, S.M., Alumni Moderator at St. Joseph High School is pleased to announce the annual Alumni Christmas Dance will take place on Saturday, January 2 in the St. Joseph High School Auditorium from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Music will be furnished by Jim Becker and his orchestra. A winter wonderland background will be used, and alumni and friends are invited at \$3.50 per couple. Mr. Ralph Trepel, class of 1961 is the dance chairman.

Reservations may be secured by calling Father Kacirk at 481-8414.

Dog License

County Auditor Ralph J. Perk announced that he has opened 26 substations for the sale of dog licenses. Mr. Perk stated that Section 955.01 of the Ohio Revised Code requires that "every person who owns, keeps, or harbors a dog more than three months of age, shall, before the 20th day of January of each year, file in the office of the County Auditor of the county in which such dog is kept or harbored, an application for registration for the following year, beginning the 20th day of January of each year, stating age, sex, color, character of hair, and the name and address of the owner of such dog. A registration fee of \$2.00 for each dog shall accompany such application."

The law further states that if such application for registration is not filed and paid on or before the 20th day of January of each year, a penalty of \$1.00 shall be assessed against the owner.

Under the present law, should a dog be acquired after January 20, a license must be applied for within 30 days, otherwise a penalty of \$1.00 shall be assessed upon the owner. The penalty upon a dog kennel operator for failure to apply for a license in time is \$5.00.

Headquarters for all licenses is the County Auditor's office, in the County Administration Bldg., 1219 Ontario St., Room 121.

Giants on December 13 than Tribe President Gabe Paul.

He entertained about ten sports figures in his television room and was on the edge of his chair most of the day.

"They've got to win; they've got to win," was his chant through most of the proceedings.

When asked why he was rooting so avidly, Gabe replied, "If they lose, it'll just make it harder for us next summer. You know, everyone's going to say, 'The Indians are just like the Browns — they break on top, then blow it at the end!'"

IT'S CHRISTMAS AGAIN



It's Christmas again, and the stars still look down, The same stars that shone over Bethlehem town Long centuries ago at the birth of a King, When angels came earthward, the tidings to bring.

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FOR GOD FOR COUNTRY FOR HOME

The next important event on the schedule of CWV Post 1655 is the Annual Dance Feb. 13. As usual, there is a lot of work connected with an activity such as this but you just get out what you put into an endeavor of this sort. Seeing as how the Post is known for putting on class I affairs means there is a lot of work ahead for all of us. Seven weeks is none too soon to start putting the wheels and cogs together in order to get the machine working smoothly. In the clubroom on the Bulletin board is the Dance Duty Roster. A couple of chairmen are still needed. Plus quite a few workers. So let's get down to the clubroom and sign in. The more workers there are the shorter the duty tours will be. So let's all do our little bit to make this dance a big success.

Post 1655 wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

St. Vitus Men's Bowling League

Results of the December 17, will be published next week. Highlight was a tremendous 633 series rolled by Ed Avsec with games of 227-192-214.

MONDAY AT THE ARENA



Fiery Male Dance Czechoslovakia State Folkdance Troupe (With Harlem Globetrotters)

Monday, December 28th at 8:00 p.m. at the Arena, a huge program will be presented with the Czechoslovakia State Folk Dance Troupe of 40 members performing before the start of the basketball game of the Harlem Globetrotters and the Washington, D.C. Generals. They will also perform at half-time intermission.

DEATH NOTICES

Bernardic, Amelia (nee Barberic) — Mother of Mrs. Charles (Mary) Gyrogak, Mrs. John (Jane) Madden, Mrs. George (Emilie) Martin, sister of Tom, Anton and Rose Sambol. — Residence at 12612 Maple Avenue.

Chapero, Frank Sr. — Father of Stanley, Eugene. Residence at 1400 E. 53 St.

Fink, Josephine — Wife of Anton, mother of Norma. Residence at 31625 North Road, Willoughby, O.

Kocinski, Jeanette — Mother of Dr. Valentine, sister of Rev. Joseph Kocinski. Residence at 12023 Lake Shore Blvd.

Lander, Angela — Wife of Arton, mother of Victor, Anthony, Mrs. Josephine Rotar. Residence at 6704 Bonna Ave.

Madigan, George — Residence at 1051 E. 62 St.

Popovic, Julia (nee Radinovic) — Mother of Elye, Anne Smith, Ella Lenarcic, Diane Demut, John J. Power, George C. Popovic. Residence at 22100 Ball Ave.

Tomsic, Helen (nee Bergoc) — Mother of Frank (Republic, Pa.), Peter (Owner of Tomsic Dry Cleaning Co.), Tony (Masontown, Pa.), Paul, Eva Metroka. Residence at 1454 E. 172 St.

Birth

A baby, their second son, was born December 20th to Capt. John Petric and his wife, Linda. This blessed event makes Mr. and Mrs. John Petric of 451 E. 156 St., grandparents for the second time, while Mr. and Mrs. C. Lyons of Dayton, Ohio, are grandparents for the 18th time. — Congratulations to all!

