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Predsednikovo poročilo

Spoštovane rojakinje in rojaki, spoštovani prijatelji našega društva, Končno lahko rečemo da se bliža pomlad, sonce postaja ugodnejše iz dneva v dan, vsi opažamo da se s temperaturo topita sneg in led, čeravno se veselimo pomladi in obenem ko se poslavljamo od dolge kanadske zime, vidimo koliko vode in leda imamo v naši Rdeči reki ki se je zopet vzdignila visoko in grozi prebivalstvu po Severni Dakoti in tudi nam v Manitobi. Veselimo se našega "kanala" ker se z njim počutimo varne, obenem nam je zelo žal tistih ki so prizadeti in jim je voda z ledom uničila domove. To je skoraj iz leta v leto v naši preriji, po dolgih zimah pride čas ki se ga veselimo, pomlad in tudi Velikončni prazniki.

Ob tej priložnosti bi vam rad zaželel vsem bralcem našega časopisa in članom našega SKD v Mb., enako našim prijateljem in vsem Slovenkam in Slovencem po Kanadi in tudi v domovino, blagoslovljene Velikončne praznike, da jih vsi preživite v družbi svojih družinskih članov in prijateljev.

Vsi smo precej zaskrbljeni v sedanjem za cel svet kriznem času, ker je cel svet zapadel v ekonomsko krizo, ki lahko ima hude posledice tudi po celem svetu. Zelo žalostno je ko vidimo in beremo vsak dan koliko ljudi ostaja brez dela, koliko ljudi po svetu izgublja domove, koliko družin trpi in koliko ljudi trpi in nima niti osnovnih pogojev za vsakdanje življenje, to se teški ekonomski časi za vse narodnosti, čeprav vidimo da je naša provinca Manitoba se v samem vrhu zaposlenosti v Kanadi, in pri nas še ni tako hudo kot ostale province v

President's Message

Dear members and our friends; At last spring is on the way with longer sunshine every day and we witness warmer temperature and melting snow. It is pure joy to see the spring of our dreams come true after a long and cold Canadian winter. We can witness on a daily basis how high the rivers are becoming, especially the Red river, which is great danger to thousands of homes here in Manitoba and also in North Dakota USA. We can say Thank you "Flood way" Thank to pioneer of that great project and we feel safer knowing that our province and federal government invested millions of

dollars to expand the existing channel, at the same time we regret knowing how many homes are lost mostly in Fargo and surroundings.

This situation is happening year after year in our prairies, but we are looking forward for spring and Easter when we will say to this winter final good bye.

Since I talk about Easter I would like to say to all our readers and members of SCA of Mb., and also the same to all our friends in Canada and around the world Happy Easter, I hope that you all will spend quality times with your families and your friends alike. All of us are worrying about the world economical and financial crises,

which can carry terrible conservancies for every one of us. It is so sad to read how many people are losing their homes, jobs, families are living without everyday goods, people are hungry in some parts of the world. Yes there are fingers pointed and people are blaming those corporate rich millionaires for looking after their greed, taking billions in "bonuses" for bringing the world to financial disaster. In our province of Manitoba we are

**ŽELIMO VAM VESELE
VELIKONČNE PRAZNIKE**



**WE WISH YOU A HAPPY
EASTER**

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President's message continued

Kanadi prizadel ta svetovni ekonomski krizni čas, nam in meni ni vseeno ker želimo celemu svetu dobro življenje, tudi v naši domovini, niso sedaj najboljše časi, osebno sem zaskrbljen za domovino Slovenijo, želim primjeru Borutu Pahorju z državnim zborom da vodijo našo domovino najboljše kar se da, obenem jim želim da rešijo mejne problem z sosednjo Hrvaško, pravilno in pravično, tudi Predsednik Republike Slovenije Danilo Turk se trudi da z svojim kolegom na Hrvaški strain najde najbolj pravično rešitev meja na suhem in na morju, sami vemo da je z sosedom zelo dobro biti - sosed. Tudi mi v Kanadi opazujemo, beremo in komentiramo vse te dogodke, in ni nam prav da se to ni rešilo, in tudi ni prav da je naša domovina v konfliktu z sosednjo državo, vendar Slovenija mora poskrbeti da se to vprašanje reši pred vstopom Republike Hrvaške v Evropsko unijo.

Naj na koncu še dodam da sem zelo ponosen in vesel da sem spoznal, prijateljski par iz mojega (našega) Maribora, Andrejo in Leopolda, ki se bosta preselila to leto k nam v Winnipeg. Imata dve hčreki, ki bosta nadaljevali študije na univerzi Manitoba, Leopold in Andreja sta samostojna podjetnika in se ukvarjata z kompletnim mizarstvom in tudi z deli na strehah, tako da jim mi vsi v SKD v Mb. želimo dober začetek in veliko uspeha v njihovem podjetništvu, meni kot Slovencu in "vročem Štajercu" za kakšnega me eni imajo v južnem Ontariju in tudi še kje drugje, moram priznati: Vesel sem novih prijateljev, ki nam bodo tudi kot novi člani našega društva pomagali z novimi svežimi idejami, pri našem težkem prizadevanju za ohranitev Slovenstva v Winnipegu, obenem mi je žal, da domovina Slovenija izgublja tako sposoben par, mislim povedati koliko bomo mi v Kanadi pridobili, toliko bo domovina izgubila z njihovo preselitvijo k nam, seveda končna odločitev je v Andrejinih in Leopoldovih rokah, jaz jim čestitam za odločitev in jima z družino že sedaj želimo: Dobrodošli v Winnipeg, in z nami boste našli tudi košček domovine Slovenije in naše lepe Štajerske z Mariborom mi člani SKD v Mb. Vam bomo vedno ob strain ker v začetku se vsi učimo, moram še poudariti, da bi bilo prav da se vsi Slovenci v Winnipegu pridružijo našim dobrim željam in naših novih priseljencev. Želimo Vam Vsem lepo spomladansko počutje in vas vse vlijudno vabimo na vse naše prireditve, sprejmite vsi Slovenski pozdrav od Odbora in članov SKD v Mb.

Branko Maligec
Predsednik SKD v Mb.

doing better than rest of Canada, but still it can "touch" us all, these are sad times for workers and families alike. We are united in these economically hard times, worrying for Canada, our Slovenia and the rest of the world.

Myself I'm concern how our homeland Slovenia is coping with this financial trouble, I wish Slovenian premier Borut Pahor to lift Slovenia out of this with his skill with help from the political parties around him, to take this situation serious and once again prove to all of us that Slovenians can be united when times and situations are calling us to work for the good of all Slovenians. At the same time Slovenia has difficulties with Croatia regarding borders disagreements, with regret to witness this as they can't seem to find the solutions on land and sea borders. Slovenian President Danilo Turk is working with Croatian President, and I think Mr. Turk has experience and skills from the time he served under the United Nations, I believe in him with premier Borut Pahor and Slovenian government to make an honorable and just agreement with Croatia, both countries have enormous economic ties and I wish them to solve this situation because there is nothing worse than having a bad neighbor, we all can agree on that here in Winnipeg. For the end on this topic Croatia and Slovenia must solve those issues before Croatia will be a new EU member, at this time they just became new NATO member.

At the end I save the happy part, I'm extremely proud and happy to inform Winnipeg Slovenian community, that we will get a new Slovenian family, just last weekend I have the pleasure to shake hands with Andreja and Leopold, they are from Maribor, which happens to also be my hometown, this couple have great potential for a new life in Winnipeg, and in Manitoba, with them we all can just gain, we should welcome them with open hearts and at the same time myself as a Slovenian patriot, and President of SCA of Mb. I feel also sad, because I know that our Slovenia will lose the skills of a hard working family, and Canada will gain all that, but this is totally in Andreja and Leopold hands, they are intelligent to make their "call". Also their two daughters will be going to the University of Manitoba. Andreja and Leopold are small business oriented family, their specialty is finishing carpentry and they are "roofers" this is something new for all of us here in Winnipeg, because 99% of us come with good working background and poor English, looking at them, they are advance Andreja and the two girls are excellent in English, dad Leopold is just like most of us, (Stajerci) when we did arrive, but he has "golden hands" and that counts in this country. Our SCA of Mb. Is proud to help this new family in any way we can, I think that rest of the Slovenian community should do the same, lets welcome family Andreja and Leopold with their family here in Winnipeg, they are fresh air for all of us, I can say in this difficult times, happy Easter, to all of you where ever you are in Canada and abroad, have good spring and at the same time we welcome you all Slovenians and friends to all our events.

Branko Maligec
President SCA of Mb.

DELOVNI OBISK V WINNIPEGU

Andreja in Leon

Lep pozdrav prav vsem, ki berete časopis Slovensko-Kanadskega združenja v Winnipegu. Sva Andreja in Leon iz Maribora. Poznega zimskega dne sva se odpravila na delovni obisk v Winnipeg.

Pričakalo naju je lepo sonce, čez dva dni pa pravi snežni metež. Toda v njem je mesto dobilo pravi čar. Sprehod in odkrivanje centra mesta skozi labirint skybridgev je bilo naravnost fantastično. Želela sva dodobra spoznati center mesta z vidika bodočega meščana. Zanimivo je, da obiščeš knjižnico na eni strani mesta, trgovine na drugi strani, vmes oddaš oglas za Free Press of Winnipeg, zvečer skočiš na hokejsko tekmo, ves čas pa ne rabiš dežnika, če ravno zunaj močno sneži. Vem, da ste Winnipečani tega navajeni in vam je vse to znano kot jutranja kavica pred službo. Toda nam novim »prišlekom« pa je bila to mala uganka. Kje so vsi ljudje v mestu s 700.000 prebivalci? Seveda, notri v labirintu ulic in mostov.

Z družino se želiva preseliti k vam na drugo stran luže, zato najin obisk ni bil počitniški, temveč delovni. Preiskala sva skoraj vse koticke mesta. Od zgodovinske katedrale St. Bonifac do 1 million dollars toilet restaurant, od poligona za konjske dirke na robu Charles wooda pa do East St. Paula, od Manitoba univerze do živalskega vrta. Pri raziskovanju nama je zelo pomagal naš novi prijatelj Branko Maligec. Morava priznati, da sva izredno vesela, da sva ga spoznala. Njegove poslovne in človeške kvalitete so bile kar pomemben del pri uspešnosti raziskovanja Winnipega in najine odločilne poteze, da se je jeziček na tehtnici prevesil in pogledal v Kanado. Seveda sva sama pregledala tudi celoten zdravstveni sistem, šolanje za naše otroke, poslovne pogoje, bančništvo, zavarovalništvo, nepremičninski trg, cene hrane in orodja,... in vsega ostalega kar navaden smrtnik rabi za normalno življenje. Malo sva si pomagala z internetom, malo z obiski, malo pa tudi s Štajersko prefriganostjo. Skoraj vse je 2 do 3 krat ceneje kot v Sloveniji, le elektrika in plin je nekje enako. Plače, pa so v Kanadi veliko višje kot pri nas.

Najino raziskovanje se je končalo zelo uspešno. Oddala sva papirje na Imigracijo, zaprosila sva za poslovno vizo. Sedaj pa se je začelo čakanje. Upava, da se bodo stvari hitro odvile in uredile.

Tako, dragi naši bodoči novi kanadski prijatelji, sedaj sva na vmesni postaji, kmalu pa pristaneva v Winnipegu. Sva krovca-kleparja- mizarja in dizajnerja. Lotiva se prav vsega, najraje pa delava strehe in zaključna dela v gradbeništvu. V kolikor boste potrebovali dobro storitev ali morda si boste izmislili skoraj nemogočo željo, prepričana sva, da jo bova znala izdelati in v vaš dom prinesiti svežino.

Lep pozdrav iz Slovenije

EXPLORATORY VISIT OF WINNIPEG

Hello to everyone who read the newspaper of Slovenian-canadian association in Winnipeg. We are Andreja and Leon from Maribor and one late winter day we went on business trip in Winnipeg.

There was a beautiful sunshine, but in two days came a snowy storm. In time the city became white fairytale. Walking true the labirint of skybridges and streets the city was fantastic. We wanted to know how the down town is from the eyes of the future inhabitant. It is interesting that you can visit the library on one side of the city, then walk past many shops on the other side, make advertise in Free Press of Winnipeg, in the evening you can jump on a hockey game, and in mean time you don't need an umbrella and outside it could be snowy. I know, for you Winnipegs is that normal, like morning coffee. But for us! New commers that was a question. Where are all the people in the town with 700.000 inhabitants? Of course, they are inside of the labirint of the skybridges and streets.

With family we would like to moove across the water, because of that, our visit was not holiday, but business trip. We found almost all corners in the town. We went from old church in St. Boniface to One million dollars toilet restaurant, from the Horse race poligon in Charles wood to East St. Paul, from University Manitoba to Zoo. For our exploratory our new friend Branko Maligec helped us. We are so happy that we meet him. We have to conses, that his human and business part was very big weight on the scale when the tanguen on, look into Canada. Of course we explored by ourselves the health sistem, schooling for our children, business condition, banking, insurence, real estate marketing, costs of food and tools,.. and of course everything what ordinary people need for normal life. We help ourselves a little with internet, a little with visits and some smart clevering from Stajerska. Almost evrything is 2 to 3 times cheaper than in Slovenia. Only the electricity and natural gas is the same. But salaries are much higher in Canada than here in Slovenia.

Our exploratory was sucessfully finished. Now we send papers on Immigration for Business visa. And know waiting began. We hope everything will come along and that it will be all quickly.

So our new, future Canadian friends, write now we are on waiting station but soon we will land in Winnipeg. We are roofers-carpenters and designer. We make everything, moste of all we like to make roofs and we like to finish details of the building. If you would like to have good service, or you would like to have something, just let us know and we are shure we will figure it out how to make it. We'll bring morning sunshine in your home. All best from Maribor,

Andreja and Leon

I would like to thank also: Haidi and Marjan Jakob, Evelyn Maligec and Laura Benedict.

Announcements

Important Information for all members of Slovenian Canadian Association of Manitoba

The board of directors is informing you that our next General meeting which was planned for April 19.2009 is CANCELED due to our president Branko Maligec's traveling arrangements who is booked to travel to Toronto that weekend regarding his CAW presidency for Bristol Aerospace, our apology to everyone and please join us on MAY 10.2009 at 1.00 p.m. at 1335 Main. Street, Thank you and we are looking forward to see you all at next meeting on May 10.2009

Next meeting place is: Royal Canadian legion, 1335 Main Street, Branch #246 (upstairs). Thank you all!!
SCA of Mb

BBQ Picnic

BBQ chicken and pork on the bar, the Slovenian way.



June 28.2009 SCA of Mb.
Is having annual BBQ picnic
starting from 1:00 o'clock

Place: 1335 Main street
Royal Canadian Legion
Branch 246

Tickets: \$12.00 per person
Will have Slovenian Beer:
Lasko pivo & Slovenian wine
there will be Entertainment

Reserve tickets by phoning
632 5699

Everybody is welcome

Slovenian Canadian Association, is sad to announce the loss of our member, friend and great Slovenian Stanislav Anderluh, he left us on December 21.2008, I knew Stanislav approximately for 30 years. With sadness I can say that our Slovenian community in Winnipeg had lost a great patriot. He loved Slovenian music and he never missed one concert if Slovenian band was coming to Winnipeg.

I remember Stanislav as our member from day one, he would remind us to use our Slovenian language at every meeting, his words were "Let everybody know that they are at Slovenian meetings" Stanislav Thank you for your encouragement to carry on this struggle, in which we are trying to preserve Slovenian culture, language and our Slovenian identity here in Winnipeg.

Stanislav I will miss those days when we had sat together over a beer or two and touch up with conversations about what we had accomplished and what we didn't in this country of Canada, Thank you for your friendship, I will always think about you. God bless you, počivaj v miru prijatelj in naj ti večna luč sveti.

Branko Maligec

With sadness we are announcing the loss of our member Maria (Omi) Skobe, she left us on March 13.2009. Maria was a member of our Association from the first day of our registration. For myself and for all Slovenians who knew Maria, she was a perfect Slovenian mother, just like our writer Ivan Cankar who wrote a book about his mother, myself I think about Maria just the same. I visited Maria in hospital and at home, she was loved and was looked after by her daughter Nevenka (Mark) Maria was the most positive person I knew when things were not going our way, she never complained about things like hospital care, she was friends with the staff, she was happy to see her Nevenka visiting and when she was allowed to go home, Maria was thankful to Nevenka and Mark to take special care, yes she loved Slovenian music and when her health allowed it, she would love to have a glass of her favorite Slovenian Refosk wine. Our Association will miss you Maria, but we will think about you and Maria. I have my mom in Slovenia which is born same year 1923, I always compare you with my own mother because you could be everybody's mom(Omi), your heart was full of love for Slovenians in Winnipeg and at home, god bless you. Draga Omi počivaj v miru,naj ti večna luč sveti.

Branko Maligec

Announcement:

Important information for all Slovenians in Canada with rights to vote for Slovenian delegate for European union parliament



Boris Jelovšek
Svetovalec/counsellor
Embassy of the
Republic of Slovenia

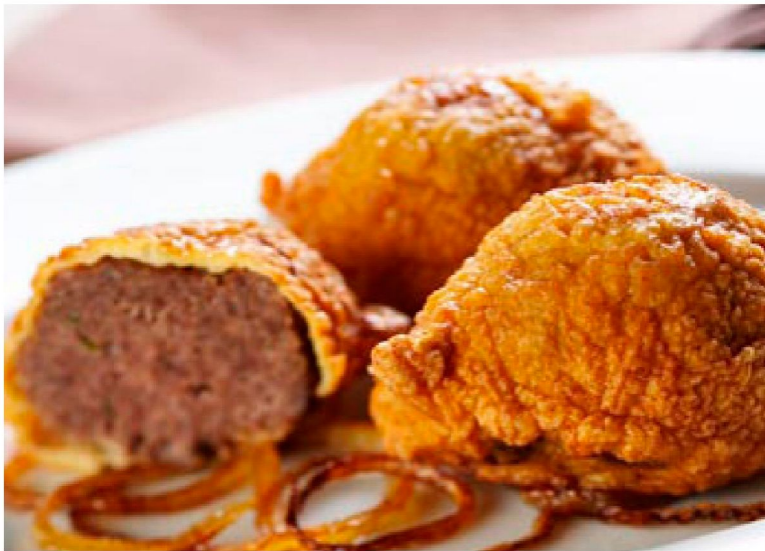
Spoštovani,

obveščamo vas, da smo v zvezi z volitvami poslancev v Evropski parlament danes prejeli volilni imenik z vpisanimi državljani Republike Slovenije s stalnim prebivališčem v Kanadi. Vpogled v volilni imenik je na razpolago v času konzularnih ur v Ottawi, Torontu, Hamiltonu, Kitchenerju, Londonu, Windsorju, Winnipegu in Montrealu. Vancouver, Kelowno, Edmonton in Calgary lahko obiščemo samo, ce bo izražen dovolj velik interes članov društva, ki bi se v tem času želeli urediti tudi vpise v maticne knjige, register prebivalstva, evidenco volilne pravice ali izdajo potnega lista. Opozarjamo na dejstvo, da si potne liste brez zajema prstnih odtisov lahko uredite samo do 28. junija 2008.

Opozarjamo tudi na rokovnik volilnih opravil, ki si ga lahko ogledate na spletni strani Državne volilne komisije: <http://www.dvk.gov.si/>

Posebej pomemben rok je 8.5.2009, saj se do takrat lahko zahteva vpis v evidenco volilne pravice, sprememba naslova (velja za izseljence tj. slovenskega državljanca s stalnim prebivališčem v Kanadi) ali izrazi želja za glasovanje po pošti ali na volišču v Ottawi oziroma v Torontu za slovenske državljane s stalnim prebivališčem v Sloveniji.

Bela Krajina cvrtje (fried minced meat)



Soak the bread roll in milk. Season the meat with fried onions, add the rest of the ingredients and mix by hand. Form smaller burgers, roll them in flour, then egg, then breadcrumbs and fry in preheated oil. Serve with a creamy potato salad.

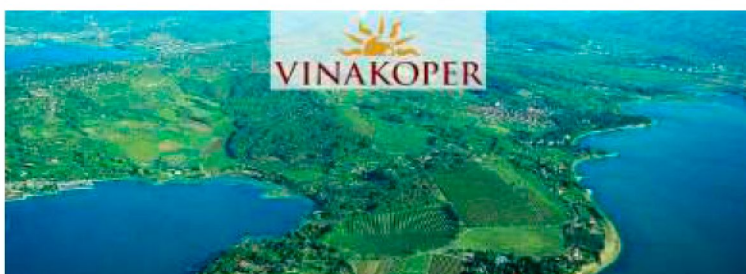
Ingredients:

600g minced meat (various meats)
1 baked roll or an equal amount of bread
2 tablespoons of oil
2 tablespoons of chopped onions
1 egg
salt
pepper
fresh parsley

Ingredients for the breadcrumb coating:

flour
egg
breadcrumbs
frying oil

Slovenska Istra v objemu sonca



Jeruzalem Ormož



Slovenia strengthens ties

The Montenegrin President Filip Vujanović visited Slovenia on the 4th and 5th of March at the invitation of his Slovenian counterpart, Danilo Türk. The Slovenian President expressed firm support for Montenegro's efforts to join the EU and NATO. The presidents also paid particular attention to economic cooperation between the two countries. Slovenian PM Borut Pahor also met the Montenegrin President, and the two agreed that economic cooperation between the countries could be strengthened. PM Pahor expressed once again Slovenia's support for Montenegro's EU bid. PM Borut Pahor made a first official visit to Serbia on the 6th of March, dedicated to economic cooperation between the two countries. With his Serbian counterpart, Mirko Cvetković, he agreed that the visit was "a symbolic gesture, which opens a new, positive chapter in bilateral relations, on the political, economic and other areas". According to Mr Pahor, this first official visit to the region shows that Slovenia sees Serbia as a crucial factor in the stabilisation of the region, and as a friend in this field. Intensifying economic cooperation between the two countries topped the agenda. Pahor also met the Serbian President, Boris Tadić. They emphasized that a new era has begun in the relations between the two countries. Mr Pahor visited Germany on the 17th of March and, after meeting the Chancellor Angela Merkel in Berlin, he expressed hopes that the Slovenian-Croatian border dispute would be resolved by mediation. Chancellor Merkel greeted the Commission's role in trying to solve the dispute. The focus of the talks was on strengthening economic cooperation. Merkel and Pahor also exchanged views on reducing the negative effects of the economic and financial crisis, and agreed on the necessity for concerted action by EU Member States. They also agreed on further cooperation between Slovenia and Germany at the expert and ministerial level on the preparation of measures to relieve the economic and financial crisis. They also expressed willingness to renew talks with Deutsche Bahn on possible cooperation on modernising the Slovenian railway.

Road to mediation

The Prime Ministers of Slovenia and Croatia, Borut Pahor and Ivo Sanader, met on the 24th of February at Mokrice Castle, but came no closer to an agreement on how to solve the border issue. Mr Pahor announced his support for the solving the issue by mediation, while Mr Sanader stood by the suggestion to present the matter to the International Court of Justice in The Hague. The European Commission greeted the meeting as "a very positive sign", but refused to comment any further. A few days later, the Slovenian government released their consent in principle to the European Commission's suggestion to solve the Slovenian-Croatian border dispute by mediation, while the Croatian government took some time to respond. In the meantime, the Slovenian government discussed the report of the Slovenian part of the Slovenian-Croatian commission of legal experts tasked with defining a framework for resolving the disputed border between the two countries, and decided to end the term of the commission. A few days later, Croatia also decided to support EU mediation, but under the condition that this leads to an agreement on transferring the issue to the International Court of Justice in The Hague. Slovenia greeted the

move as a step forward, although possibly too small a step to start the mediation. European Enlargement Commissioner Olli Rehn met the foreign ministers of both countries, Samuel Žbogar and Gordan Jandroković, on the 10th of March, but the interpretation of the meeting was different on the two sides. Minister Žbogar said that the European Commission saw mediation as the final road to a settlement of the border dispute, while Minister Jandroković claimed that Slovenia is not prepared to accept the Croatian proposal of mediation. A week after the first meeting, Commissioner Rehn presented a new compromise proposal to Žbogar and Jandroković, which is said to envisage a signing of a joint Slovenian-Croatian statement that no document or action after the 25th of June 1991 will prejudice the outcome or in any way oblige one or the other country to resolve the border issue in any certain way. Mr Žbogar emphasized that a statement alone will not be reason enough for Slovenia to release Croatia's accession negotiations.



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The erased & interpellation

The Ministry of the Interior has begun issuing retroactive decisions to the erased and the next step, according to the Interior Minister Katarina Kresal, will be a law regulating conditions to settle the status for all the erased who do not live in Slovenia, or those who live in Slovenia, but do not have a settled status. This led Democratic Party to file a motion to oust Kresal. They accuse the Minister of abusing the ministry for political purposes and ignoring results of the referendum. Kresal stated that she is not afraid of the interpellation, because she knows what is right and is doing just that. "As a Minister, I swore in front of Parliament to respect the Slovenian legal order, and that is what I'm doing," she said. "If this interpellation goes through, I will surely be the first and only Minister in Europe to be ousted for following the decisions of a Constitutional Court." Prime Minister Pahor expressed his support, stating that the legal way is the only right way to solving the problem of the erased. Responding to the motion, Kresal stated that the story of erasing a few ten thousand citizens of the former Yugoslav republics from the register of permanent residence is a 17-year-long story of manipulation, speculation and collective denial. Not to mention that the unconstitutionality of the erasure was twice determined directly, and seven times indirectly, by the Constitutional Court. Solving the problem of erasure is, according to Kresal, a necessary step that a mature country has to take to settle an injustice and (at least to some extent) restore human dignity, the provision of which is the foundation of legitimacy and existence of the rule of law, which must be upheld in Slovenia.

Dr.France Prešeren kot odvetnik

Vladimir Urbanc, Montreal

Največji Slovenski pesnik in mislec dr.France Prešeren je pred 150 leti postavil temelje Slovenski državi z besedami: " Tja bomo najdlji pot, kjer nje sinovi si prosti voljo in postave".V teh besedah je tudi njegova preroška napoved ,da bomo Slovenci nekoč živeli v lastni državi.Kdo od Slovencev si je bolj zaslužil , da njegovo pesem razglasimo za našo državno himno kot ravno dr.France Prešeren.

Njegove besede "Prost,ko je bil očakov ,najprej naj bo Slovencev dom" so Slovincem odprle pot do državnosti,ki jo je razglasila 25. Junija 1991.

O Prešernu je bilo prelitega že veliko črnila;prešernoslovci so ga največkrat obravnavali kot pesnika in miselca.Analizirali so veličino njegovega genija v boju za uveljavitev slovenskega jezika in za slovenski narod.Prešeren je povzdignil slovenski jezik , ki ga je takrat govorilo le preprosto ljudstvo ,ponižani in od fevdalcev izkoriščani slovenski kmetje , v visoko pesem,v kultivirani evropski jezik,enakopraven s številnimi drugimi jeziki ,ki jih govore mnogo številčnejši narodi.Temeljito so bile analizirane tudi Prešernove poezije,njegova neuslišana ljubezen do Primičeve Julije,njegovi spopadi s konservativci ,predvsem z jezikoslovcem Jernejem Kopitarjem ,njegov odnos do kulturnih vprašanj , odnos do ilirizma in do takratnih aktualnih kulturnih vprašanj(npr. Črkarska Pravda idr.) Nihče izmed njih pa dr. Franceta Prešerna ni vzel pod lupo kot pravnika,odvetnika. Prešeren je gimnazijo končal v Ljubljani in dve leti študiral filozofijo ,potem pa se je vpisal na pravno fakulteto na Dunaju,kjer je leta 1828 promoviral kot doktor prava.Po odvetniškem izpitu v Celovcu leta 1832 je skoraj štirinajst let delal kot pripravnik pri ljubljanskih odvetnikih Baumgartnerju in Chrobotu. Prošnja za samostojno advokaturu mu je bila petkrat zavrnjena.Šele leta 1846 je dobil advokaturu v Kranju,kjer je rešla smrt utrujenega pesnika "življenje je če",8. Februarja 1849.Prešeren je bil tako le dve samostojni odvetnik;pred tem se je pritoževal svojim prijateljem : Glava se mi že beli,pa še nisem advokat.

Prešernoslovci posvečajo Prešernu kot samostojnemu odvetniku v Kranju,od leta 1846 do njegove smrti , le malo besed. Ta čas naj bi imel kar dobre dohodke ,tako da je odplačal vse svoje dolgove. Omikani ljudje so se radi zbirali okrog njega , bil je tudi šaljiv in zbadljiv. Njegovo poklicno delo označuje najtemeljitejša strokovna pripravljenost,čut za resnico in pravico. V Kranju je vodil pravde za pravice malih ljudi ter za pravice meščanstva zoper uradniško in policijsko samovoljo. Prešeren je bil izredno dobrotljiv ,družil se je z naprednimi meščani in tudi s preprostimi ljudmi.Bil je radodaren do beračev ,posebno pa je bil prijazen do otrok.Ker jim je rad delil fige,so pogosto klicali za njim:Doktor fig,fig!

Prešeren je zložil eno samo pesem , ki se bežno dotakne njegovega pravniškega poklica: Dohtar, ti jezični dohtar

!Napisal naj bi jo leta 1831 v Celovcu ,ko se je pripravljaj na odvetniški izpit.Vendar pa prešernoslovci tudi to pesem obravnavajo predvsem kot ljubezensko romanco v zvezi s Primičevo Julijo,ki naj bi bila takrat stara šesnajst let.

Edini ki je dr. Franceta Prešerena doslej obravnaval kot pravnika ,je bil moj oče dr.Anton Urbanc,odvetnik v Ljubljani ,ki je imel v načrtu ,da temeljito preuči Prešernovo delo na poklocnem področju.Dolga leta je skrbno zbiral gradivo v Celovcu , na Dunaju in v Ljubljani,sodne in odvetniške spise,pri katerih je sodeloval Prešeren.O Prešernu kot pravniku in odvetniku je moj oče izdal dve manjši študiji: Zakaj je dr. France Prešeren prisegel kot civilni in kazenski sodnik (Lj.Pr.V/1950,str.471)in ali je dr.France Prešeren za dosego doktorske časti res napisal disertacijo?(Pravnik VII/1953,str.14). To delo je izšlo tudi v posebnem ,razširjenem odtisu (Ljubljana 1953).

V rokopisu pa je imel dr. Anton Urbanc še spise :Prešeren in njegova vojaška obveznost,pravni paberki domiselki k njegovi pesmi Soldaška,Prešeren opravi v letu 1832 odvetniški izpit pri apelacijskem sodišču v Celovcu;Prešernovi odvetniški in sodni spisi (študija),Prešernova pravniška knjižnica,Prešernova ekspenzarna knjiga (ocean).Vse to in nadaljna študija o Prešerenu kot pravniku in odvetniku je bila v načrtih mojega očeta,da ispopolni knjigo Prešeren kot pravnik in odvetnik.Prezgodnja smrt (15.4.1956) je mojemu očetu prekinila zastavljeno delo,da bi temeljiteje preučil Prešernovo poklicno delo in s tem končal svoj strokovni opus. Oglejmo si na kratko ,kaj je moj oče zapisal v uvodniku k razpravi ali je Prešeren za dosego doktorske časti res napisal disertacijo?

Moralni dolg slovenskih pravnikov do Prešerna kot praktičnega odvetnika še vedno ni poplačan,četudi je preteklo že več kot 148 let , odkar je odvetnik Prešeren končal svojo odvetniško prakso.Lik Prešerena kot praktičnega pravnika se ni podan; nihče se vse do danes ni lotil te hvaležne in za našo literarno zgodovino tako pomembne obdelave,ki bi pokazala pesnika v žal dokaj skromnem številu ohranjenih sodnih in odvetniških spisov kot praktičnega delavca na področju odvetništva. V celem je menda ohranjenih 13 spisov ,ki bodo predmet moje posebne študije o Prešerenu.

S smrtjo mojega očeta dr.Antona Urbanca je bilo končano tudi raziskovanje Prešernovega pravniškega oziroma odvetniškega dela.Prepričan sem , da bi bila ta tematika zanimiva tudi za kakega sodobnega slovenskega pisca ali pravnika.

Tako bi bilo zaokroženo tudi delo , ki ga je pogumno zastavil in delno tudi opravil moj pokojni oče.

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