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Saluting the Polka Lifetime Achievers

Everyone is invited to a special day to salute the great lifetime achievers of the Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame on **Wednesday, June 16** from 2 until 8 p.m. at the SNPJ Recreation Center, 270 Martin Road, Enon Valley, Pa.

The day-long event is the annual fun and fund-raiser get-together for the Cleveland-based Polka Foundation and takes their efforts on the "polka road" for the first time to the Penn-Ohio area.

Bus transportation will be available from the Cleveland area for those not wishing to drive for a nominal fee of \$20 round trip which includes admission and will depart from the Euclid City Hall at 12:30 p.m. and from Rockside Road at 1 p.m. (Return to Euclid at 10:30 p.m.) Contact Mildred Sray at (216) 261-3263 or Fran Churney (216) 261-1469 or Josie Leufkens in Lake County at (440) 255-3933 for reservation. A check made out to the Polka Hall of Fame for \$20 per person will insure your reservation.

Most of the best-known living lifetime achievers will be there. The following have been invited: Louie Bashell, Georgie Cook, Cecilia Dolgan, Joe Fedorchak, Eddie Habat, Eddie Kenik, Norm Kobal, Al Markic, Verne Meisner, Joey Miskulin, Walter Ostanek, Tony Petkovsek, Al Tercek, Lou Trebar, Johnny, Richie and Tony Vadnal, and Paul Yanchar. Ida Yankovic has also been invited.

An all-star band of alternating musicians will be coordinated by the Fedorchak's of Youngstown and Fred Ziwich of Cleveland.

The actual jam and show of the greatest performers in the Slovenian polka music field will be spotlighted at 7 p.m.



The Cause for Bishop Frederick Baraga is in good hands with these lovely young ladies praying for his beatification. They are seated in St. John Cathedral in downtown Cleveland for the Bishop Baraga celebration on Sunday, September 6 of last year. They are, left to right, Alice Opalich, Jennie Gorjanc, Dorothy Urbancich, Alice Poremba, and Jo-Ann Kaifesh. The very same ladies were also present at the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine last Sunday for the KSKJ Our Lady of Brezje devotions. (Photo by TONY GRDINA)

The Delicate Balance of the Funeral Director

By Shari M. Sweeney
Inside Business

Joe Zevnik admits that his job can be stressful. Extraordinarily so, at times. But in his line of work, stress is part of the daily responsibilities. Zevnik is a funeral director.

On call 24 hours a day, funeral directors are the calm in the midst of the chaos that can accompany the death of a loved one. They are the people on whose shoulders falls the task of making sure things get handled that others don't want to do: caskets ordered, calling hours set, funeral escorts arranged, the loved one properly displayed (or not).

"It takes a special person to do this job," Zevnik says. He's president of the Cuyahoga Funeral Directors Association, which represents 110 funeral homes doing business in Cuyahoga County. There are actually 149 funeral homes based in Cuyahoga, 266 in the surrounding seven-county area, so it's big business — yes, *business*, and more — in Northeast Ohio. "A funeral director," Zevnik says, "is

part businessman, part psychologist, part sociologist, part mediator."

In some respects, the job hasn't changed much. Funeral directors in the late 19th century required the same caring qualities as those now, 100 years later. But today's family-run funeral home (the way most of them started) is no more immune to the forces of competition than the corner hardware store. And competition can come in any form, from giant national companies to, well, the Roman Catholic Church.

"It's a very delicate balance to be both a caregiver and a business person," Steve Gehlert, executive director of the Ohio Funeral Directors Association, says. Maintaining that balance is the hardest thing he and his fellow professionals do, he explains. "If you forget one or the other aspect of that, I just don't believe you will survive."

Here's a cheerful thought: Everyone in Northeast Ohio will die someday. That may not be comforting to most of us, but for a funeral home it's another story, since that reality would seem to ensure

a customer base. It would ensure a handsome customer base, of course, if there were only a relatively small number of funeral homes, monument companies and cemeteries. As it stands, though, the death industry has extremely lively competition.

Funeral directors say the cost of doing business — even a business so steeped in somber tradition and generational loyalty — is getting higher. Many have sold out to nationwide conglomerates such as Canada's Lowen Group or Texas-based Service Corporation International, which run groups of homes less expensively by "sharing" services and buying merchandise in bulk.

When in the spring of 1998, the Cleveland Catholic Diocese started advertising (advertising!) so-called "pre-need packages," through which individuals could pre-pay burial expenses, it became even clearer that the business of death is not as stable as funeral directors once assumed.

The church's decision to offer packages, the diocese's assistant communications

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Tony Miklich Honored

As it has been a tradition every Mother's Day, also this year, on Sunday, May 9th, St. Mary's (Holmes Ave.) Holy Name Society honored the mothers of the parish.

Also, the naming of the "Man of the Year" is always a pleasant surprise. This year Councilman Mike Polensek, of Cleveland's Ward 11 read the name of Tony Miklich and presented Tony with a Proclamation from the City of Cleveland honoring him as "Man of the Year". Congratulations, Tony!

--J. Schultz

Jim's Journal

By Jim Debevec



Faces.

"The scenes were all changed, like the change in my face." -James Whitcomb Riley.

I was at the Marija Pomagaj observance last Sunday evening at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid, Ohio. I saw many faces I recognized, probably more than 90% of the persons in attendance.

A few people were presidents of large fraternal organizations, some were presidents of local lodges within the fraternal. There were presidents of corporations. Others were ordinary members of organizations, or workers at companies, students, religious, or retirees. Yet everyone came together last Sunday for a common purpose. They all stood shoulder-to-shoulder held a lit candle, and marched around the grotto in a solemn and dignified procession to pay their respects, and chant the litanies to Mary, the Patroness of all Slovenians. It was an awesome, heartwarming, and unforgettable sight.

Some people see the world as falling apart; Sunday I saw a part of the world united -- for a wonderful purpose.

For the first 25 years of my life I saw a picture of a young man in military uniform. He was in his late teens or early 20s and stood tall and erect, with an elbow placed on a small square table next to, a funny-looking peaked military hat.

The look in his eyes was of pride. Pride in the uniform, and pride to be serving as a soldier in the Austrian-Hungarian army.

That picture hung in our recreation room ever since I can remember. I fondly gazed at it so often, that even now, 35 years later, I can still see it in my memory. What happened to the photograph, I do not know, but the image, nevertheless, remains indelibly imprinted in my mind.

The young man in uniform was my father. Yet I don't remember him ever looking so thin and ramrod straight. Although he still retained the same smile, the years, inevitably, had taken their toll on him as it does to us all.

My father was one of the lucky ones who returned home, and had the ability and gumption to sail to America and raise a family and carve out a livelihood during very difficult times.

Others were not so fortunate and the face we are forced to remember is that from a *photograph only*. We see the face of a young man in uniform, smiling, standing straight, and full of confidence, full of hope, full of challenge, full of a desire to please, and full of hope to return to the happiness in the comfort of family and friends. Sadly, for some that dream will forever remain UNfulfilled.

*What can I do but move
And call that sorrow*

sweet

*That teaches us to see
The final face of love
In what we cannot be?*

--Richard Purdy Wilbur

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Toronto was originally named Fort York, and was occupied and set afire by American troops during the War of 1812.

100 WORDS MORE OR LESS

by John Mercina

The Telephone Call...



The telephone incessantly rang in the middle of the night. The person answering did not expect a call and very reluctantly picked up the receiver. In a pleasant, calm voice, the unidentified caller simply asked: "Are you ready?" A few seconds of silence followed. "Ready for what?" was the reply, followed by: "Who are you?" More silence followed. The caller spoke again, and in a manner of someone that had complete command of the situation, assured the recipient of the call that "the time has come to join me in eternal happiness". It was no use arguing. The caller was very reassuring in the few words that were said. "No, there was no time to pack up the luggage. There was simply no reason for luggage - or the good byes and kisses to the loved ones. The whole worldly life to date was for love and kisses and packing suitcases. There was no need to take the car. A big limousine would be sent for the occasion. No need to close the accounts and count the money. Others will take care of that. What close to wear? Time for a shower? Not to worry. A suit will be fitted and the hair neatly combed."

(Two men that yours truly knew, both in their 50's, passed away within 24 hours of each other. One was a deacon at a Baptist church, an avid jogger and in his second year of retirement. The other was active in his Catholic church, a businessman, and also a jogger and sportsman that had so many friends that he told his kids that it was time to get rid of some of his friends. They passed away quickly having a heart attack.)
WERE THEY READY? AM I READY? ARE YOU READY?
(Above was going through my mind as I sat at the funeral mass and listened to the words of encouragement from the reverend.)

Overwhelming Response

The American Home's campaign for new subscribers passed its stated goal of 30 new readers. As of Wednesday, May 26, there were 56 new names added to the A.H. list.

Send a \$15.00 check for a NEW subscriber, to American Home, 6117 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103, or fax particulars to (216) 361-4088; or e-mail jim@buckeyeweb.com

Final deadline for NEW one-half price subscriptions is June 1st, after which the price goes up to \$30.00.

Seek not the things that are too hard for thee; neither search the things that are beyond thy strength.

--Apocrypha

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10. -- Red grapes

The Story of 'Old Glory'

By Rudy Flis

A couple of Wednesdays past, I was at Jacob's Field to watch our Cleveland Indians play baseball.

Before the game started, I stood hat in hand, over my heart, during the singing of our National Anthem. I looked at "Old Glory" as the wind constantly changed our beautiful flag's shape.

When I gaze at "Old Glory" I see much. Though a beautiful flag, it also tells a story. Thirteen stripes, seven red and six white are for the 13 original states. On the upper back corner is a blue patch with white stars. Count them, 50, one for each state in our union. The 17th star is the state of Ohio's. that happened on March first, 1803. We are a few years from our 200th birthday as a state of this great union.

As I watched "Old Glory" high above me, waving to all in the stadium, a question entered my mind. "Why would an American want to burn our flag, so dear to Americans?"

During the game, I happened to notice a flag of our good friend "Chief Wahoo" with his big grin. What a happy guy he is. Some would say, "I am a bigot,"

because I like Chief Wahoo, and want him to remain as our Cleveland baseball mascot. And again, the question entered my mind, "Why would an American want to destroy Chief Wahoo?"

United States of America, home of the brave and the land of the free. Enjoy it, treasure it, but please leave "Old Glory," and "Chief Wahoo" alone.

This is Memorial Day weekend. Throughout our nation, small American flags will be placed on Veteran's graves. May God bless them and America.

There will be many religious services and civil ceremonies at our cemeteries on Memorial Day. As a nation, we haven't forgotten our Veterans, have we?

The May 20th issue of "American Home" had an interesting article on page 8. The article was about Veterans benefits. It appears "the vacuum" in Washington, DC, which we call government, is trying to short change our veterans.

May I make a suggestion? Pray for our veterans, those here, and those in the hereafter, and while in the praying mood, pray for our men and women in uniform and pray for peace in Serbia.

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Starting Over in Cleveland in 1950's

WORKING IN THE FACTORIES

By Anton Žakelj;
translated and edited
by John Žakelj

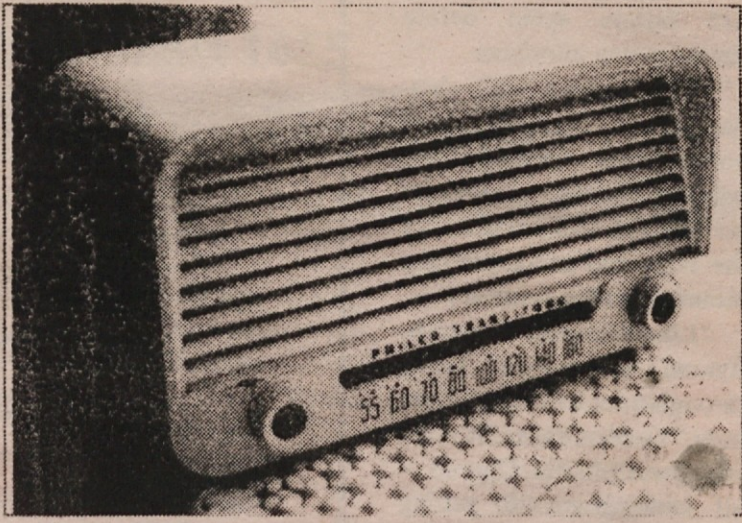
(Continued from last week)

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1950
Al taught me and Bizjak how to read a micrometer. He proudly pointed to the words, *Made in Germany*. "Amerikaner sind zu dumm um so eswas zu tan" (Americans are too dumb to make anything like this) he said. But he was *zu dumm* to answer the question, "How many threads per inch does the micrometer need if one turn is 25/1000 of an inch? He boasts about being on the engineering staff of Western Reserve University, which he never was. If anything goes wrong for him, he blames it on "My Slovenian wife."

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1950
Another hour and a half of instruction about micrometers and plans. The foreman has become suspiciously friendly to me. He asked me to influence the other workers not to produce scrap.

My pay was increased again, from \$1.40 to \$1.50. A tall thin Hungarian sells lunches at noon and works in our shops for 4 hours each evening. He told me he was an American "mosquito" pilot during the war. Mosquitoes were small planes armed with bombs and heavy machine guns. He was shot down and captured during an attack on the oil refinery at Ploesti. I showed him a picture of a warplane attack on my hometown of Žiri. Bullets from a warplane's machine gun ripped through the walls of my family's home, but luckily nobody was hurt. He said it is possible he was the pilot of that warplane.

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1950
It's my wife Cilka's birthday. She was 36 on November 4. (We usually give a person's name-day in the same month as their birthday, and celebrate the name-day the way Americans celebrate a birthday).



My first gift to my wife in America.

I decided to look for a radio for Cilka. Our friend Milica had recommended shopping at a store named "Rola." I looked everywhere, but I couldn't find that store. Then I went down E. 55th to Economic Furniture and finally found a Philco for \$21.63. I liked the Zenith with the alarm better, but at \$43 it seemed too expensive. I brought the Philco home, gave it to Cilka and wished her a happy names-day. Both she and Johnny are very happy with it.

Thursday, Nov. 23, 1950
It is Thanksgiving and no work today. The workers had expected to receive turkeys at the shop, but we didn't get any.

Saturday, Nov. 25, 1950
We worked two shifts in a row - from 2 p.m. yesterday until 5 a.m. this morning to make up for the Thanksgiving holiday. Heavy snow. At 5 a.m., Mr. Red offered to drive all 11 Slovenians to the streetcar stop, but his car was stuck in the snow. After some pushing, we got it moving. Seven of us rode inside the car, and the rest rode on the outside. We were lucky we took shovels, because we got stuck again and again. Finally he dropped us off at the "Five Points" streetcar stop on E. 152 St. We waited there in the blizzard in light clothing for 30 minutes, freezing and shaking. When the streetcar finally came, it took an hour to get to E. 63rd St. We were soaked through and chilled. There was a yard of snow on the ground and many cars stalled on the road. (The streetcar we took home

turned out to be the last one for a number of days.)

Sunday, Nov. 26, 1950

I went to the 9 a.m. Mass and saw only one car moving on the way. There were soldiers driving tanks on St. Clair Avenue.

Sunday, Dec. 3, 1950

It rained last night and melted most of the snow, except for some large piles along St. Clair.

St. Nicholas came to the Rihtar's house this evening. The other children were very afraid but the only time Johnny cried was when a devil tried to take me away. Johnny got two packages, including a car, a book and a piggy bank. He was very happy.

Thursday, Dec. 14, 1950

I returned *Machine Shop I* to the Public Library and took out *Volume II*.

At work I got a bonus of

\$39.20 (10 cents an hour for the last two months.) They're promising another raise of 10 cents an hour, if President Truman doesn't freeze wages.

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1950

The handle on the drilling machine hit me in the forehead and caused a bleeding wound.

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1950

I bought a pair of dress shoes at Mandel's Shores for \$13, and then went to Sam's where I bought a little Christmas tree for \$1.25 and 7 Christmas lights for \$2.

Friday, December 22, 1950

There was a Christmas party in the shop this morning, with whiskey, ginger ale and fish. Mr. Risher served canned sardines on a large platter, probably a whole can for each worker. Some of us tried them, but most didn't. Mr. Risher also handed out cigars, but only Mr. Erdani smokes cigars. He asked each of us to take two cigars and give them to him. Mr. Risher saw what was happening and finally just gave the whole box to Mr. Erdani. We sang Slovenian songs and received turkeys.

In the evening we set up our Christmas tree with 7 lights and a nativity scene without a stable. Johnny couldn't stop having fun moving the nativity figures around.

Sunday, December 24, 1950

It's a year since we arrived in America. It seems

we wasted the first six months on the farm in Wisconsin, but now we're starting to put down roots in our new homeland.

This morning Cilka prepared the turkey I got in the shop. It was our first time eating a turkey and it was delicious! We also had soup, potatoes, lettuce, cherries, wine and potica.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1950

Today is our second Christmas in America. Last night I went to midnight Mass at St. Vitus. In the last 9 years, I've been to Christmas midnight Mass in 8 different churches. They were all beautiful, but the best one was at home in Žiri.

Thursday, Dec. 28, 1950

Ruth and Annie Jesenko brought Christmas presents - a handkerchief, clock, crayons and coloring book for Johnny; and wine, salami and jelly for Cilka and me.

Sunday, Dec. 31, 1950

We had visitors from 2 to 11 p.m.: Karel Ernožnik and his family, Rudi Drmota and Tone Zupančič. At midnight I went to Mass. The sirens are wailing, firecrackers are bursting, and the new year is coming...

This year I earned \$226.90 at Z & W and \$1,400.08 at Risher's.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1951

At Belaj's men's shop I bought two shirts and sent them to my father back home. The postage cost as much as the shirts.

(To Be Continued)



A Christmas party in Risher's shop. From the left are: Mirko Boh, Miro Erdani, Jože Kristanc, Roman Švajger, Bill Risher (in the back), Marjan Jakopič, Gošar, Božo Lunder, Franc Kristanc.

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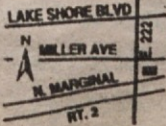
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(Continued from page 1) director Bob Tayek says, resulted from simple logic: The market demanded it. Plus, the church needs the revenue. "As the conglomerates have come in, they've offered major packages that go even beyond the things offered by the Catholic Cemeteries Association - the vault, gravesite, monuments," Tayek says. "We always offered those things, but... They hadn't come in a pre-need package."

The funeral business has changed in myriad other ways: Starting in the mid-1980's, the Federal Trade Commission made it easier for consumers to shop around by requiring funeral homes to quote prices over the telephone and setting strict standards for handling everything from cremations to embalming. Entrepreneurs have tried cashing in on one of life's inevitables by transporting bodies north from Florida retirement communities for burial back home or selling caskets directly to the public. Banks offer loans to cover burial expenses, and funeral homes can help arrange prepayment through a trust or insurance policy.

The emergence of prepaid funeral services is part of a sea change in an industry that for decades was loath even to redecorate its reception areas. Americans love to save money, and given the almost \$10,000 price tag of the average funeral and burial, it shouldn't be surprising that we're looking for ways to save money on funeral costs that could very well eat up an entire inheritance before the will goes through probate.

Gehlert says that most consumers don't understand how many different tasks are part of the funeral director's job. "They don't realize that after all the arrangements are made with the family, the funeral director is dealing with the cemetery on behalf of the family, and that the funeral director might also be dealing with the vault company. In the family's mind, it's all one process, but in reality, it's not."

Among the first calls most people make after the death of a loved one is to a funeral home, where the funeral director helps determine an outline of activities, setting calling hours, providing newspapers with obituary information. Though the funeral director also acts as liaison with the cemetery, arrangements and payment for the gravesite, vault and monument are handled separately by the

family.

The Catholic Cemeteries Association, a nonprofit arm of the Diocese of Cleveland that operates 17 cemeteries in Northeast Ohio, has offered its customers vaults and markers since the 1950s. Revenue from those sales, Tayek explains, have always been funneled back into maintenance. Under Catholic law, the church must maintain land consecrated as a graveyard, in perpetuity.

"The original concept of the Catholic cemetery was that it is an extension of a parish," Tayek says. Plots in Catholic cemeteries may be sold only to Catholics though sites can be used for the burial of non-practicing members of the church - even non-Catholics - in order, Tayek says, to "maintain family unity."

In the mid-1990s, Cleveland-area monument makers began complaining about losing market share to Catholic cemeteries. Too many Catholics, they said, were buying monuments and markers directly from the cemetery rather than from manufacturers. Some

monument makers accused the church of playing on parishioners' guilt - an accusation that funeral directors repeated early last year.

In response to the criticism, the Catholic Cemeteries Association, at first agreed to stop selling monuments. Within two years, though, in late 1997, Tayek says, losses forced the CCA to resume sales. The following spring, the CCA began offering "pre-need packages" in addition to vault and monument sales.

Members of Zevnik's organization were furious, claiming that the church had an "unfair advantage" and would play on emotions to sell items that funeral homes might otherwise have been able to sell themselves. In fact, most of a funeral home's profits come from sales of vaults, caskets and monuments, which it - like any other service business - buys wholesale from independent dealers and then marks up to customers.

"Anybody can sit down with a funeral director and say, 'These are my wishes,'" Zevnik notes. "The person has the option of leaving it at that, hoping his wishes will be fulfilled, or getting it in a prepaid contract funded by an insurance company or a trust."

The National Funeral Directors Association estimates that more than 7 million funerals were prearranged in 1996 - that represents some

\$15 billion spent before death is even imminent.

Most people still buy packages from funeral homes that include embalming, casket, memorial service and transportation of the body and accompanying mourners to the cemetery.

"Like a lot of professions, funeral service is going through a lot of change right now," Gehlert says. "It's not just the Catholic Church - all cemeteries are getting more active in selling other kids of funeral merchandise. It appears to be a wide-open market."

And like anything else in life - particularly death - certain pressures come with the territory. For the independent funeral director like Zevnik, conglomerate ownership, prepaid burial packages, even the personal and financial toll placed on family-owned funeral homes are facts of late 1990's business life. Like anything else, Zevnik says, "the big ones want to get bigger. They seek out people willing to sell to them. If the price is right, they know they'll do it."

Corpus Christi Procession

This year, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is celebrated on Sunday, June 6th. St. Mary's (Holmes Ave.) annual procession will be held at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio in conjunction with the opening of Pristava.

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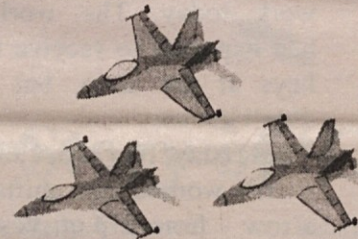
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Meeting of ASC Council and Election of Officers

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8:55 a.m. - Parade to St. Vitus church.

9:00 a.m. - Mass celebrated by Father Victor Cimperman



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"It's Time To Say Thank You"—Tom Hanks

(NAPS)—Two-time Oscar winner Tom Hanks is appearing in his first public service advertising campaign this spring to help generate public awareness and support for the National World War II Memorial to be built in our nation's capital. Sponsored by The Advertising Council, which had its origins in World War II, the campaign includes television, radio and print ads.

"After the experience of making the film *Saving Private Ryan*, I was surprised to realize there is no national memorial to honor the men and women who served in World War II," Hanks said. "When I learned that the memorial could become a reality, I immediately wanted to be part of the effort."

The \$100 million memorial will be funded primarily through private contributions. As of late March, the campaign had raised more than \$45 million.

Campaign National Chairmen Senator Bob Dole and Frederick W. Smith, Chairman and CEO of FDX Corporation, said, "We are grateful to Tom for generously donating his time and enthusiasm in support of this generation and cause. We have no doubts that the national awareness he brings to the project will help us meet our objective of completing this memorial as soon as possible, and honoring those who sacrificed so much for freedom."

The American Battle Monuments Commission hopes to break ground by Veterans Day 2000. When completed, the memorial will commemorate the national effort that won World War II: the 16 million who served in uniform, the more than 400,000 who gave their lives, and the millions more who supported the war effort from the home front.



The memorial will be located on the Mall in Washington, D.C. at the Rainbow Pool site between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. Friedrich St. Florian's design concept was approved last summer.

"The Ad Council is proud to get behind the public service campaign to raise funds for the World War II Memorial," said Ruth A. Wooden, president, The Advertising Council. "Our involvement is a natural one given the Ad Council's origins in 1942 with its effort to raise funds to support the War Bonds Campaign and the 'Rosie the Riveter' Campaign to help recruit women into the workforce."

Information about how to help build the National World War II Memorial can be obtained by visiting its web site at www.wwiimemorial.com or by calling the toll-free customer service line at 1-800-639-4WW2. Tax deductible donations in honor of living or deceased members of the World War II generation may also be sent to: World War II Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 96766, Washington, D.C. 20090-6766.

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6 MLAKAR'S WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE

AMERIŠKA DOMOVINA, MAY 27, 1999

Well, have you got your walking shoes on? In the last column, we ended up at Kozely's Hardware Store and Wine Store with us skating out into space. I could stand still here and reminisce on Bennington alone, recalling all the folks of our time like the Kanaflecs Intihars, Ferraros, Skodas, Basils, De Santos, Zupancics, Hudemacs, Natolas, Zappones, Hostas, Katherines, Zupans Carrs, and the list can go on and on because those were poor times, but perhaps the best of times.

Across from Kozelys was Annunciation Parish House, and down a little ways on Bennington, east end, was the Home of Homes, Annunciation school and church, the true place of hard knocks as can be verified by Sister Naomi, "Mother Superior," Sister Bernadette, Sister David, Sister Scholastica. However, writing about those days will be an article in itself after we complete our walk down to the tracks which is not a great distance.

Back in those days, the 30s and early 40s, one could stand on the corner and look down the various side streets for the house were few and far between and one could just about name every one of the residents.

But then by the late 40s, A.B. Dick Builders moved in and before long, the homes were going up left and right. Some were little brick bungalows and colonial homes. The Dick Builders had their own building. When finished, the Dick Builders moved out, and their so-called little office building was empty, but not for long because it was there that Albert Mayo set up his barber shop.

He was a fine Italian lad and a good barber, too. It may be hard to believe, but haircuts then were far below a dollar, going for 50 cents

and then 75 cents, and now we are paying ten and eleven dollars for the same kind of haircut. It is no wonder that the kids that grew up felt that was too high and the Hippie Generation came along with long hair. Don't talk to me about long hair, for that was one thorn in my side because at times you could not tell if you were looking at some slick chick, or a guy with long hair.

Glad to say the long hair style is gone, but now the dudes feel they have to stand out, so they put earrings in their ears, noses, eyebrows and wherever else they feel will stand out and then top it off with beads around their necks and wrists.

Back along W. 130th Street. It was all vacant land from Kozelys to Astor Avenue, and from Astor to Crossburn there was only one old homestead that is still there; believe it was the Lah's home at one time, then the Nemetz's.

Now we are embarking on Sprecher Avenue, the last side-street at the time, going south on Settlement Road. The east end of Sprecher, they had the homestead of the Klune home and next door was Race's Grocery Store. Yes, we shopped there for Frank Race was an old-time Slovenian butcher, too, with his own smokehouse.

Between Kuhars, Santas and Race's we had our choice. Next to Race's was the Broadnik home (no relation to the Brodniks who owned the gas station). Sad to say, the Broadnik's had one lovely girl, went to Annunciation School, and then sad to say she was going to high school and was killed right there on W. 130th, being hit by a car. One can never forget that funeral. At that time it was quite common to have the funeral and calling hours at the home of the deceased. It goes without saying, that perhaps she had one of the biggest funerals that West Park had seen.

On the opposite side of Race's was a vacant lot. Angela Cimperman lived on one corner and on the other side was Frances Cimperman whom I believe still lives there. They raised a fine family, also with one of the sons, John, being elected to Councilman for West Park.

On the other corner of Sprecher was a huge home, up and down, but used as a single at that time, and was the home of Matt and Maggie Matjasic who in later years became my uncle and a finer guy could not be found. There is a lot to write about Matt but that will have to be saved for another column.

Just before the tracks was one huge farmhouse and was the homestead of the Zupans who came from Pennsylvania. I remember going there with my Mom on occasions and was surprised to see her cooking on a wood-burning stove, just like they had in Slovenia. They had a huge barn with pigs and cows because there was plenty of pasture area there.

I am sure a lot of our readers remember that in the back end of the Zupan Farm is where the Maccabees held their lodge picnics, and that, too is a story by itself.

We are now down to the tracks and there were just two other homes on the other side of the tracks. The home on the west side of settlement was an old home owned by the Zawkowski's and across the street was the home of Flynn's who owned a coal company there. If you recall, they had two children, a boy and a girl with the boy being ordained a priest and perhaps the first priest that was ever ordained from Annunciation Parish. Back in those days homes were heated by coal, so the Flynn's had more than their share of business.

--Ray Mlakar

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HAPpy News... ☺ ☺ ☺

The 167 members in attendance at the May meeting of the Holmes Avenue Pensioners warmly greeted our speaker, Dr. Robert Whitehouse. Dr. Whitehouse discussed a variety of aging problems and made several recommendations, chief among them being the simple and very basic rule of eating a well balanced meal rather than relying on vitamin and mineral pills. He advocated taking ONE baby or regular aspirin daily as insurance against heart attacks as well as second strokes. Members were able to ask questions following Dr. Whitehouse's presentation. We certainly thank him very sincerely for taking the time to share his expertise with us.

President John Kozlevchar thanked the various members who donated their time, energy, and talents or who made special donations to help insure the success and enjoyment of both our April visit with the residents of the Slovene Home for the aged, as well as our April Dinner/Dance. In addition, thanks to all the various musicians, including: Louise Rank, Ed Fujda, Al Marn, Tony Moze, Gus Petelinkar, Tony Rutar, Carl and Jennie

Schultz, Matt Zabukovec and John Znidarsic. Although he didn't include himself, we all know that John Kozlevchar belongs on that list as well. *Hvala lepa* to one and all.

President Kozlevchar welcomed new members Frank and Grace Sesnik to the group. We all hope they will enjoy their association with us and take full advantage of our monthly meetings and special events.

Just as we greet new members, so do we say a sad good bye to old ones. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Ann Zupancic. We will remember her fondly.

As with any special event, many hands are needed to insure its overall success. No event needs more helping hands than our annual picnic set for July 14th. Matt Zabukovec will have sign-up sheets available at next month's meeting listing the help needed in the following areas: kitchen food sales, table set up, putting up the tent, pastry donations, pastry booth workers, parking attendants and clean-up. If you have been to our past picnics, you know how much fun they are. We certainly don't want anyone

to shoulder all the responsibility and miss out on the social aspect of this event. However, giving an hour or two of help in any of the requested areas certainly won't keep anyone from still having a good time. On the contrary, we are sure you'll find great satisfaction knowing that you had a small but significant part in its overall success. Be sure to sign up in June.

Evelyn Pipoly reminded us that the Holmes Hall will hold its 50/50 raffle on June 18th. For \$10 two people can enjoy two sandwiches, soft drinks, beer, wine, and popcorn, listen to button box music, and take a chance at winning some big bucks. Come and support our "Slovenski Dom."

Birthdays and anniversaries were announced and among the "over 50" anniversaries were Ed and Julie Harbie (52) and Bill and Helen Woynovic (52). Congratulations to these and all celebrants.

In closing for this month, we wish one and all a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend and, most importantly, we salute all those who bravely served our country in combat.

Quick Beef Florentine

- 1 tablespoon oil
- ¾ pound ground chuck
- 1 tablespoon finely diced onion
- 1 package (10-ounce) chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 1 cup water
- 1 medium tomato, diced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 ½ cups dry instant rice
- grated parmesan cheese to taste

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May 31, 1999

WAR WILL END WHEN WE RESTORE LOVE IN ALL HEARTS

On May 31st in the United States of America we commemorate those who sacrificed their lives in past wars. We must unite our hearts in prayer so that wars stop, and more do not add their numbers to be memorialized. Peace begins in your heart. Make plans to pray on the 31st of May.

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Slovenska Pristava Opens

An invitation to attend Pristava's Opening Picnic.

A new picnic season is upon us and members of Slovenska Pristava are diligently preparing the grounds for coming activities. The road to our summer place was newly paved, the trees and shrubs were trimmed, flowers are being planted, the swimming pool was given a new coat of paint, and most of nature's winter shedding was removed.

Our opening will be **Sunday, June 6** with celebration of Holy Mass at 12:30 p.m., followed by procession of Sacred Heart. We are re-

questing that during Mass, members and visitors, especially during the procession, to completely stop all car traffic.

A traditional meal will be served following the Holy Mass and Cevapcici will be the salt and pepper during the afternoon.

The sound and music will be furnished by Stan Mejac Ensemble so you can tune your body or clear your ears of city noise.

The swimming pool will also be open to members and their guests.

Art Lovers Live Longer

Fifteen years ago researchers at the University of Umea in Sweden asked 12,000 people how often they went to museums, plays, symphonies, and ballet performances. When the researchers checked back 10 years later, only 67 of the respondents who attended these events regularly had died, compared to 399 of those who rarely or never went.

Surprisingly, the art lovers weren't much more likely to be wealthy, and they were no more likely to have college degrees.

Waterloo Pensioners Picnic

Summer is just around the corner and, of course, that means picnic time.

The Waterloo Pensioners will be hosting their annual picnic on Wednesday, June 23 at the SNPJ Farm, Heath Rd., Kirtland.

Dinner, prepared by Sophie Mazi and her crew, will consist of breaded pork chops, salad, potatoes, roll, dessert and coffee.

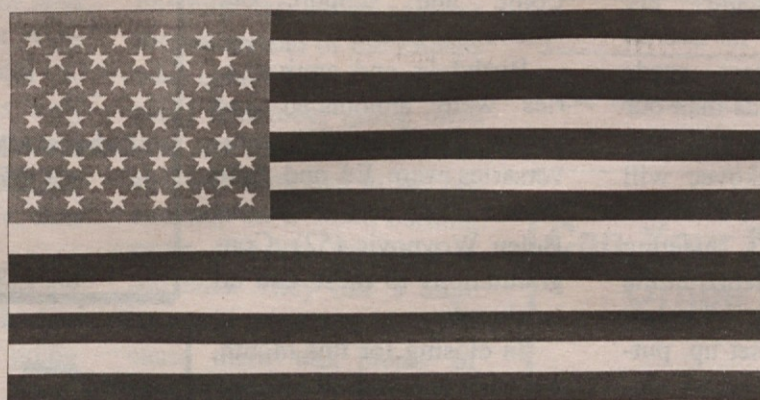
Dinner will be served at 1 o'clock, followed by music by the Rhythmaires at 3.

Dinner and gate admission still only \$10. Dinner tickets must be purchased in advance by calling Pat Ne... 1-216-481-0163. Officers of the club also have tickets for sale.

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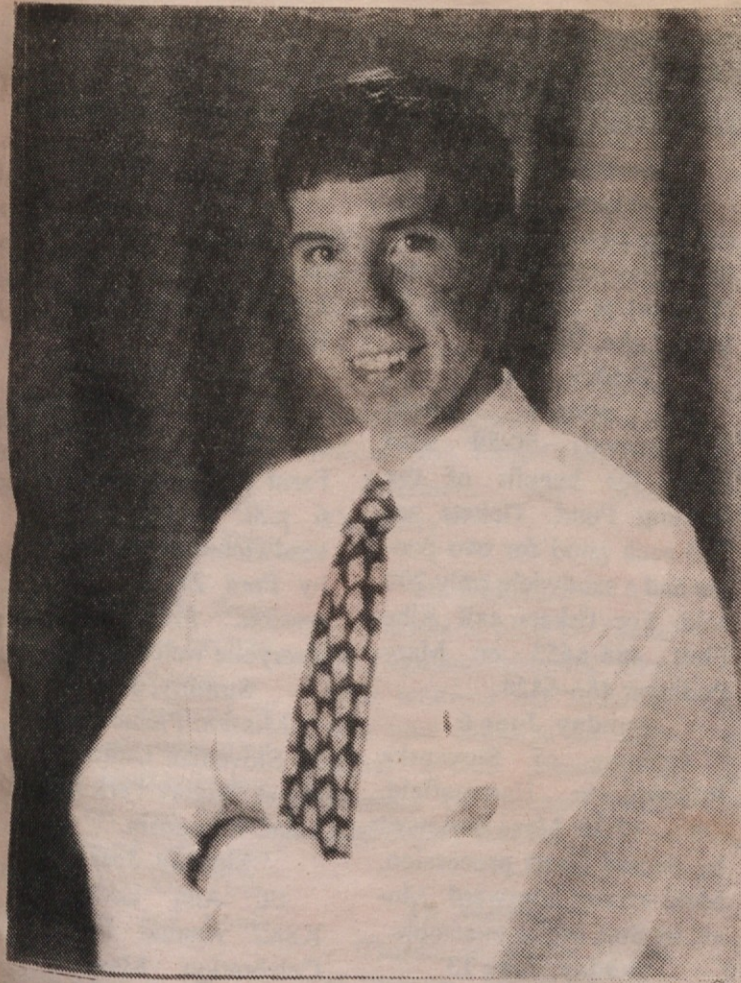
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Louis graduated from the University of Akron with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management with a concentration in Information Systems.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Krivacic of Brecksville. He has a brother David who is a Junior at Bowling Green State University, and Kattie is a Junior at Brecksville High School.

Louis is the grandson of Janet Krivacic and the late Louis of Cleveland.

Congratulations to all!

In Tribute

Enclosed please find my renewal for the Ameriška Domovina. I have enclosed an additional \$10 contribution in the name of my mother, **Silva Vining**. She receives so much enjoyment from the paper. She was born in Slovenia and came to the United States after World War II. Your magazine provides her with a way to keep in touch with all that is going on there. Since my father **Lee Vining** passed away in 1994 it had been very difficult for her and she looks forward to receiving the paper very much. I, too, enjoy reading it - and you can imagine my surprise when I saw a picture of my mother from the early 1940s accompanied by an article that was written by **Mr. Zakelj**. My mother cried when she saw it, it brought back so many memories.

Thank you for publishing such a wonderful newspaper and I hope you continue to do so for a long time to come.

--**Sylvia Vining**
San Mateo, Calif.

St. Mary's Seniors Meet

St. Mary's Seniors (Collinwood) meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 1 at 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Speaker for this month is a representative from the Homestead Program. This is an opportunity for members to become better enlightened about the program.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

--**J. Schultz**

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Memorial Mass
A Memorial Mass sponsored by DSBP will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Sunday, May 30th at 12 noon.

Memorial Day Polka Bash at AMLA Recreation Center Monday, May 31

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Slovenia planning to privatize biggest bank

By Andrew Bounds and Virginia March
World News

Slovenia is planning to start privatizing the country's largest bank later this year and is considering listing it in Western Europe, perhaps on the London Stock Exchange.

The move is part of efforts to liberalize the highly protected domestic banking sector in line with the demands of the European Union, which Slovenia - the most developed of the former Yugoslav republics - hopes to join early next century.

In the first phase, the state is expected to reduce its stake in Nova Ljubljanska Banka - by far the largest of the country's 24 banks - from 98 per cent to about 65 per cent.

Marko Voljc, the bank's president, said NLB had drafted a plan under which part of the stake, perhaps 10 percent, would be offered to domestic and foreign investors, the latter through an international offering.

The government is also expected to privatize part of Nova Kreditna Banka Maribor.

However, the privatization could still flounder on price. The state is keen to recoup part or all of the DM 1.56bn (\$853m) it injected into the two banks during the transition into a market economy to help clear bad loans.

Competition in the financial sector is expected to increase following new legislation easing capital controls and allowing foreign banks to open local branches. However, some international banks still consider regulations too restrictive, and the local market too small, to make opening branches rather than subsidiaries worthwhile.

St. Mary's Canopy Campaign

Make plans to attend a benefit 50-50 split raffle presented by Mary Podlogar and Alba Plutt, also known as "Friends of St. Mary's," and co-sponsored by St. Helen's Lodge #193 KSKJ.

The raffle will be held on Friday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Collinwood Slovenian Home.

All proceeds will be used to purchase a protective canopy for the side entrance of the church. Parishioners find this door most convenient, and have long wanted some protection from bad weather.

Since St. Helen's Lodge calls St. Mary's its home base, we are happy to co-sponsor this event to receive

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Tickets are only \$10 and admit two. Sandwiches and liquid refreshments, along with pretzels and chips, are included in the price. Music will also be provided for your pleasure.

Call Alba Plutt: 216-486-6453; or Mary Podlogar: 216-486-6424; or Ann Grosel: 216-226-4774; or Marie Dular: 216-851-7972 for tickets or more information.

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--Marie Dular

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Coming Events

Monday, May 31 (Spominski Dan) Memorial Day picnic sponsored by Slovenian Cultural Society (Triglav) at Triglav Park in Wind Lake, Wis.

Friday, June 4 St. Mary's Church (Collinwood) 50/50 split raffle for benefit of the Awning Fund. Tickets are \$10 each good for two people and a sandwich; only 200 sold. For tickets call Alba Plutt 486-6453 or Mary Podlogar 486-6424.

Sunday, June 6 Opening of Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield, Ohio. 12:30 Mass followed by Sacred Heart procession. Meal served afterward. Music by Stan Mejac ensemble.

Sunday, June 13 St. Mary's (Collinwood) Slovenian School Annual Picnic. Mass at 12:30.

Wednesday, June 16 Polka Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, Euclid, Ohio at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 20 St. Christine Parish (Euclid, Ohio) Pastoral Community Father's Day buffet, serving beef and chicken with trimmings from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Adults \$5, children \$2. Call rectory for advance tickets at 216-261-1410.

Wednesday, June 23 Waterloo Pensioners Picnic at SNPJ Farm, Kirtland, Ohio. Dinner at 1; music from 3 to 6 by Rhythmaires. Open to non-members. Call 1-216-481-0163 for tickets.

Sunday, June 27 Ohio KSKJ Picnic Slovenska Pristava. Dance to music of Joey Tomsick.

Sunday, June 27 Slovenian Cultural Society (Triglav) of Milwaukee sponsors First Picnic at Triglav Park in Wind Lake, Wisconsin.

Wednesday, July 14 Holmes Avenue Pensioners Picnic at St. Joseph's Farm on White Rd. noon to 6 p.m. Refreshments and sandwiches available. Music by Fred Ziwich, plus jam session. Free admission. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, July 25 Mission Picnic sponsored by Slovenian Cultural Society at Triglav Park in Wind Lake, Wisconsin.

Sunday, July 25 St. Ann Lodge KSKJ Annual Feast Day Celebration. Mass at St. Lawrence Church followed by dinner at Sterle's at noon.

Sunday, August 15 St. Mary's (Collinwood) Summer Picnic at Slovenska Pristava. Mass at 12 noon, dinners, entertainment. Music by Veseli Godci.

Wednesday, Aug. 18 Federation of American Slovenian Senior Citizens Clubs Annual Picnic at SNPJ Farm, Heath Rd. Dinner at 1 p.m., dancing "Rhythmaires." Dinner admission \$10. Admission only \$3. For tickets, see members or call Don at 216-732-9231.

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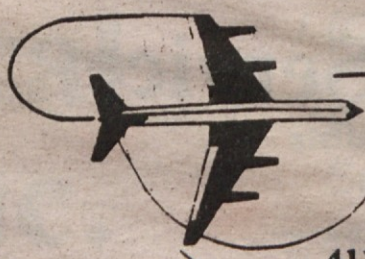
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Death Notices

JOHN FEKETE

John Fekete, 87, passed away in Euclid Hospital, on Monday, May 17th.

John was born in East Chicago, Indiana. He was a resident of Marcella Road in Cleveland for 52 years.

Mr. Fekete was a member of St. Mary's (Collinwood) Church Holy Name Society, and Holmes Avenue Pensioners and SNPJ #126.

He was retired from Curtis Wright where he was employed as a machinist.

John was the husband of Agnes (nee Curl) who died in 1989; the brother-in-law of Anton Curl and Marie Curl; and friend of Anna Papez (Slovenia), Ann Toth, and Petelinkar, and Louis Hribnik.

Funeral services Thursday, May 20 at St. Mary Church (Holmes Ave.) at 10:30 a.m. Burial in All souls Cemetery.

Donations in his memory to St. Mary Church Endowment Fund.

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ANTOINETTE POCAR

Antoinette Potocar (nee Jac), 88, passed away at residence in Seven Hills, Ohio on Monday, May 17th.

Antoinette was a former resident of E. 69th and St. Clair Avenue for 25 years.

She was the wife of Daniel; the mother of Laurette (Frank) Galatocky, and Jayne Taylor (deceased); grandmother of seven; great-grandmother of 10; great-great grandmother of three; sister of Nicholas Bajac, Mark Bajac, Anna Planisek and Katie Regovic (deceased).

Funeral Mass Thursday, May 20 at St. Paul Croatian Church at 9 a.m. Donation to Visiting Nurses Association Cleveland Hospice, 2500 E. 22 St., Cleveland 44115 in her memory.
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Funeral Thursday, May 27 with 9:30 a.m. chapel services followed by 10 a.m. Mass in St. Vitus Church.

Interment All Souls Cemetery.

In Memory

Thanks to Elsie B. Zaletel of Highland Heights, Ohio who renewed her subscription plus enclosed an additional \$10.00 donation in memory of parents Jennie and Henry Batich.

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Thanks to Molly Hribar of Warren, Michigan who donated \$10.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of her husband, Frank Hribar.

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- Marie Koncar (sister) - and family
- Drago Kosir and Vera (brother and sister-in-law) and family in Slovenia and other relatives in America and Slovenia

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Thanks to Robert Blatnik of Rowlett, TX who renewed his subscription, plus enclosed an additional \$20.00 in memory of mother Frances Korencic Blatnik.

In Memory

Thanks to Julie and Ed Harbie of Seven Hills, Ohio who renewed their subscription plus enclosed an additional \$10.00 in memory of the deceased in the Peternel and Harbie Families.

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Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Loncar of Kirtland, Ohio who renewed their subscription plus donated \$20.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

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A big thank you to Frederick E. Krizman of Cleveland, Ohio who renewed his subscription plus enclosed a \$20.00 donation.

Yankovic Day in North Carolina

Reader Dorothy Andrews of Apex, North Carolina sent is the program from the "Fourth Annual Frankie Yankovic Day" in Cary, North Carolina on May 7th.

Dorothy says it is an annual event on the first Friday in May and features music made famous by the late accordionist Frank Yankovic. Included was a sing along of "Just Because" and "Blue Skirt Waltz."

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In Memory

Thanks to Judy Rabe of Mentor, Ohio who saw the American Home newspaper in her attorney's office and subscribed to the paper plus enclosed a very generous \$50.00 donation in memory of parents Ruth Koman who died on March 27, 1999, and Joe Koman who died on November 8, 1997.

She said her parents always had a Slovenian newspaper in their home.

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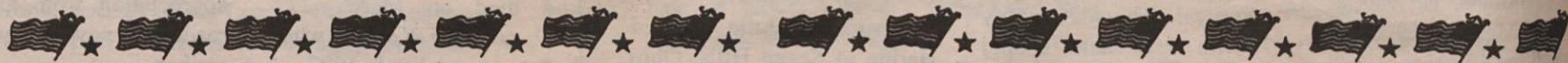
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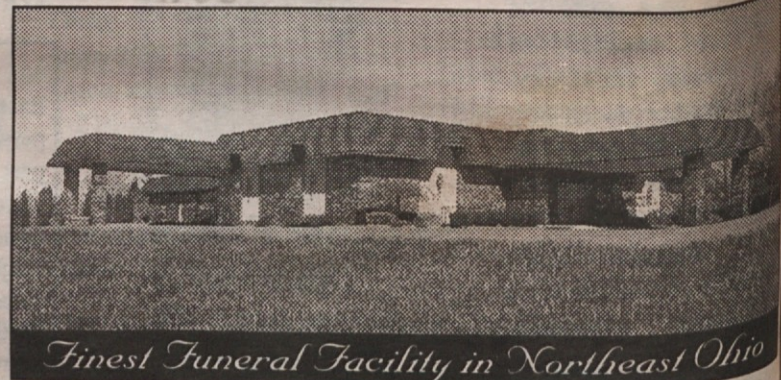
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— Vesti iz Slovenije —

Predsednik William Clinton bo v Sloveniji 21. in 22. junija – Ameriški FBI sodeluje s slovensko policijo

Pretekli teden se je v Sloveniji mudila delegacija ameriškega Zveznega priskovalnega urada oz. FBI. Delegacijo je vodil generalni direktor FBI Louis J. Freeh. Dne 24. je bila v Vili Bled skupna tiskovna konferenca s slovenskim premierom Janezom Drnovškom. Delo je naslednji dan takole poročalo:

“V zvezi s točnim datumom Clintonovega prihoda je bilo prej kar nekaj zapletov in malodane skrivalnic. Na Delovo vprašanje, ali je 22. junij dokončno potrjeni dan obiska, sta se Freeh in ameriška veleposlanica v Sloveniji Nancy Halliday Ely-Raphel najprej spogledala v rahli zadregi, nato pa je veleposlanica potrdila, da bo Clinton prišel po sestanku G-8 v Kölnu, kar naj bi pomenilo, da bo pripotoval v našo državo 21. junija zvečer, delovni program pa bo potekel v torek, 22. junija.”

Še vedno so razne nejasnosti v zvezi s Clintonovim obiskom. Drugo poročanje pretekli teden v Delu je pa o obisku takole pisalo: “Slovenski del odbora (tj. za pripravo obiska, op. ur. AD), ki ga vodi Borut Šuklje, nemoteno nadaljuje priprave na zahtevno prireditev konec junija, saj bo med drugim treba zagotoviti bivanje za okoli 800 Clintonovih spremljevalcev (predsednik naj bi bival v središču Ljubljane in ne v nekdanji Titovi rezidenci na Brdu), poseben program pa tudi za Hillary Rodham Clinton in Madeleine Albright. Vsekakor bi Clintonov obisk veliko pomenil za promocijo Slovenije v svetu, poleg tega pa bi prepričal plašljive tuje turiste, da lahko pridejo

v Slovenijo, če si to upa ameriški predsednik.”

Delegacijo FBI z direktorjem Freehom na čelu je sprejel predsednik Milan Kučan, srečala se je z notranjim ministrom Borutom Šukljem in generalnim direktorjem slovenske policije Andrejem Podvršičem. Na Bledu je pa bilo srečanje s predsednikom vlade Drnovškom. Na skupni tiskovni konferenci je Drnovšek omenil, da gre za njegovo četrto srečanje s Freehom, “o sodelovanju slovenske policije s FBI pa je menil, da je zelo koristno in uspešno. Pripomnil je, da se bo v prihodnje še poglobilo, saj organizirani kriminal ne pozna meja, zato je mednarodno povezovanje nujno.

Še o obisku papeža Janeza Pavla II.

V ponedeljek je Delo poročalo o obisku papeža Janeza Pavla II. “Vatikanska delegacija, ki je prišla preveriti t.i. tehnični del priprave na papežev obisk, je menda pozitivno ocenila stanje stvari. V Mariboru so si ogledali letališče in kraje, kjer se bo mudil papež med enodnevnim obiskom 19. septembra letos v Mariboru. (...) Po okvirnem programu naj bi na beatifikaciji sodelovalo približno 50 zborov z okoli 1500 pevci, ki jih bo spremljal pihalni orkester KUD Pošta Maribor. Za slovesno bogoslužje je znan tudi že seznam pesmi. (...) Cerkovni odbor je tudi že sprejel načrt ureditvenega prostora ob Betnavskem gradu, ki ga je pripravil arhitekt Jože Marinko. (...) V srečju dogajanja pa bo poleg znamenja križa, Slomškove slike in njegovega gesla “Sveta vera bodi vam luč, materni jezik pa ključ do narodne in zveličavne omike”, tudi podoba Ptujskogorske Marije.”

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Spominska sv. maša—

To nedeljo, 30. maja, bo pri Lurški Materi Božji na Chardon Rd. ob 12. uri oz. opoldne spominska sv. maša, ki jo bo daroval č.g. dr. Pavel Krajnik v spomin vseh slovenskih žrtev, zlasti še tisočev domobrancev, ki so bili pomorjeni že po končani vojni. SPB vabi vse rojake na to spominsko mašo, posebno prosi za udeležbo narodnih noš, v večjo čast spominu. V nedeljo popoldne ob 3:30 bo č.g. Jože Božnar vodil molitve na pokopališču Vernih duš na Chardonu.

Odprtje Slov. pristave—

V nedeljo, 6. junija, bo odprtje Slovenske pristave za letošnjo sezono. Pop. ob 12:30 bo sv. maša s telovsko procesijo, sledilo bo kosilo, za ples in zabavo bo igral orkester Staneta Mejača. Vsi vabljeni!

Novi grobovi

Frank Sevcnikar

Umril je 86 let stari Frank Sevcnikar, mož Mary roj. Kovac, vsi bratje in sestre so v Sloveniji že pokojni. Pogreb bo v oskrbi Zak. zavoda na St. Clair Ave. danes dop. ob 9.30, v cerkev sv. Vida ob 10., od tam na pokopališče Vernih duš.

William J. Mervar

Umril je William J. Mervar, mož Jean, roj. Koterba, oče Williama, Patricije Herman, Raymonda in Heidi Kichkam, 15-krat stari oče, sin Thomasa in Frances, roj. Gorse (oba že pok.), brat Rosalie Zeleznik, Mimi Cray, Ray-a, drugi bratje in sestre so že pok., veteran 2. svetovne vojne. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Fortunovega zavoda na Fleet Ave. Danes dop. ob 9.30 bo v cerkvi St. Martin of Tours spominska liturgija.

Frank J. Hosta

Umril je 89 let stari Frank J. Hosta z Leroya, O., vdovec po Mary, brat Martina, Louisa, Emily Mohorcic ter že pok. Mary Potpan, Rose Hosta in Ann Crtalic. Pogreb je bil 26. maja s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Marije v Painesvillu in pokopom na pokopališču Riverside v Painesvillu.

Fred F. Zele

Umril je 79 let stari Fred F. Zele, mož Alberte, roj. Yanchar, oče Barbare Brinza in Fred-a A., 5-krat

(dalje na str. 17)

Koncert krasno uspel—

Preteklo soboto zvečer je bila velika dvorana SND na St. Clairju polno zasedena za koncert pevskega zbora Korotan. Zbor je pel prvič na celovečernem nastopu pod vodstvom novega pevovodje Janeza Sršena, med pevci in pevkami je bilo videti tudi kar nekaj novih obrazov. Zbor je pel odlično in mu čestitamo, prav tako g. Sršenu. Obljubljena recenzija do izida te AD še ni dospela, bo pa.

Večer z žrebanjem—

Ta bo v petek, 4. junija, v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Ave. Vrata bodo odprta od 6:30 zv. dalje. Postreženi boste s pivom in sendviči. Namen žrebanja je zbrati denarno pomoč za izdelavo platnene strehe nad vhodom v cerkev Marije Vnebovzete pri zakristiji. Vstopnice, katerih vsaka pripusti dve osebi, so po \$10. Dobite jih, če pokličete Mary Podlogar na 486-6424, jih ima še Alba Plut (486-6453).

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KRIZA NA BALKANU

Komentar

Trpljenju ni videti konca

Je kriza na Balkanu zares brezizhodna? Bo Atlantska zveza še nadaljevala z bombardiranjem Srbije oziroma Zvezne republike Jugoslavije, čeprav bo Kosovo še dalje zapuščalo albansko prebivalstvo in bo Miloševićev režim s tem dejansko dosegel svoj glavni cilj? Obe vprašanji sta gotovo upravičeni, potem ko sta potekla dva meseca od prvih letalskih napadov Atlantskega zavezništva.

Iz Beograda še ni uradne novice, da je tamkajšnja oblast pripravljena sprejeti znanih petih pogojev, ki jih je postavila Atlantska zveza. Res je sicer, da je Beograd v zadnjem času izjavil, da se je njegova vojska začela umikati s Kosova, vendar je kot glavni razlog navedel uničenje albanskih "teroristov", s čimer je mislil na OVK (Osvobodilno vojsko Kosova). Kot stalni refren pa se še dalje sliši zatrjevanje, da Albanci trumoma zapuščajo svoje domove, ker se bojijo Natovih bomb.

Prav gotovo drži, da so se odločilni dejavniki Atlantske zveze globoko zmotili, če so računali, da bodo le z letalskimi napadi na Srbijo prisilili Miloševića in njegov krog na predajo. Kdor je tako mislil, očitno ne pozna srbskega naroda, za katerega je značilen predvsem velik narodni ponos, ki mu je treba dodati še globoko prepričanje, da je Kosovo zibelka srbske kulture. Ne smemo končno pozabiti, da se je Milošević povzpela na oblast in jo utrdil prav s tem, da je od konca osemdesetih let dalje do skrajnosti izkoriščal takšno gledanje na kosovsko stvarnost. Ne glede na to je prav tako res, da je Milošević veljal za zahodni svet za zanesljivega in dejansko edinega sogovornika. Takšen je do neke mere tudi danes.

Seveda je popolnoma jasno, da je Nato v tako veliki vojaški premoči, da bi lahko s pravo vojno dosegel gladko zmago.

Prave vojne – pri čemer mislimo predvsem na kopenske posege – pa Atlantska zveza ni imela nikdar v načrtih, kot je še pred nekaj dnevi odločno poudaril italijanski zunanji minister Dini. Vzroki in razlogi takega ravnanja so na dlani: nobena država članica noče riskirati hudega in morda celo nepopravljivega spora z Rusijo in Kitajsko, ki sta ali vsaj veljata za "naravni zaveznici" Beograda.

V tem je treba zato iskati glavni vzrok, zakaj si pomembnejše države članice Atlantske zveze še vedno tako odločno prizadevajo, da bi v mirovnem procesu postali odločilni dejavniki tako Rusija kot Kitajsko. Slednja se je sicer samodejno vključila v igro po raketnem napadu na kitajsko veleposlaništvo v Beogradu, ki ga je sam ameriški predsednik označil za "tragično pomoto".



KOŠČEK ZGODOVINE: Vinko Rožman in Lojze Bajc posneta na Slomškovem simpoziju v Hamiltonu, Ont., leta 1988. Oba sta že pokojna, bila sta velika častilca škofa Slomška.

Slomškov krožek poroča...

CLEVELAND, O. - Čudeži se še gode. V soboto, 22. maja, nas je presenetil pevski zbor Korotan s prelepim koncertom, posvečenim škofu Slomšku. Pred enim letom smo mislili, da smo poslušali zadnji Korotanov koncert. Število pevcev, posebno moških, se je zmanjšalo, dolgoletni pevovalja g. Rudi Knez je zaradi starosti odpovedal.

A Korotanci niso vrgli puške v koruzo! Dobili so novega pevovaljo Janeza Sršena in kar precej novih pevcev, tako da zbor danes šteje 20 moških in 30 ženskih glasov.

Ko smo jih zagledali na odru v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clairju, smo kar ostrmeli. Zapeli so pa tako lepo, kot že dolgo ne. Res pravi čudež.

Hvala novemu pevovalju in članom zbora, da so nam pripravili tako prijeten večer. Želimo vam obilo uspeha še zanaprej in srečno potovanje v Maribor. Korotan je namreč povabljen, da bo pel skupno z združenimi zbori iz Slovenije, to ob priliki slovesne posvetitve škofa Slomška blaženim.

Na žalost je bivši dolgoletni pevovalja Rudi Knez še vedno v Cleveland Metro bolnišnici težko bolan. Molimo za njegovo zdravje k škofu Slomšku in škofu Baragi.

Naša nabirka za pomoč mariborski škofiji za kritje stroškov papeževga obiska, ko bo proglasil škofa Slomška blaženim, lepo napreduje. Upamo, da bomo vsoto 5 tisoč dolarjev kmalu dosegli. Od zadnjega poročila smo prejeli še naslednje darove:

Po \$100: Stane Šušteršič, družina Rudija Kneza, dr. Edi in ga. Milena Gobic, ga. Fani in g. Marjan Štrancar, neimenovana; po \$50: ga. Antonija Rožman, ga. Anica Hočevan; \$40: ga. Stanka in g. Matija Grdadolnik; \$25: ga. Vida Dovjak. Vsem darovalcem prisrčna hvala.

Darove še vedno pošiljate naslednjim: John Petrič, Gateway Manor, 4 Gateway Dr., Apt. 230,

BRALCI
AMERIŠKE DOMOVINE!
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Medtem ko pišemo, se prizadevanja za "politično rešitev" naravnost stopnujejo. Zelo aktiven je ruski odposlanec Černomirdin, ki je bil 19. tega meseca na obisku v Beogradu, potem ko se je v Helsinkih sestal s tamkajšnjim predsednikom. Svoj načrt za "politično rešitev" je pripravila tudi italijanska vlada, ki je za ta načrt skušala pridobiti predvsem Nemčijo. V tej zvezi je treba omeniti srečanje D'Alema-Schröder sredi tega meseca v Bariju. Italijanski načrt predvideva, naj Varnostni svet izglasuje resolucijo, ki zahteva, naj Beograd umakne svojo vojsko s Kosova, mednarodna sila pa naj omogoči varno vrnitev beguncev na Kosovo. Atlantska zveza prekine letalske napade. Če Beograd na to ne pristane, se Nato odloči za invazijo. Prvi pogoj za izvedbo tega načrta pa je, da v Varnostnem svetu za to resolucijo glasujeta tudi Rusija in Kitajsko.

Nemci s tem ne soglašajo popolnoma. Po njihovem bi lahko hkrati prišlo do umika srbske vojske in prekinitve letalskih napadov Atlantske zveze. Na Kosovo naj bi prišle mednarodne vojaške enote (z ruskimi vred) in bi se begunci mogli vrniti domov.

Euclid, OH 44119; Julka Smole, 1223 E. 58 St., Cleveland, OH 44109; Frank Urankar, 396 Steven Blvd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143. Za odbor:

Frank Urankar

Evropsko priznanje slovenskemu šolstvu

Evropski parlament je potrdil sklep o pripustitvi Slovenije v evropske izobraževalne programe. Pričakujejo, da bo v naslednjem študijskem letu 1999/2000 na univerze v tujino odšlo prek 200 slovenskih študentov, približno toliko pa jih bo iz držav članic Evropske unije prišlo v Slovenijo.

Ob tem je Pavel Zgaga, državni sekretar za visoko šolstvo v ministrstvu za šolstvo in šport, poudaril, "da se Slovenija, kar zadeva izobraževanje, že lahko postavlja ob bok državam EU. Tudi po deležu mladih, ki se vključujejo v srednje in visoko šolstvo, se lahko že povsem primerja z razvitimi državami.

Z maturo, kakršna poteka od leta 1995, je Slovenija vzbudila veliko zanimanje tujih strokovnjakov (...). Izobraževanje današnje Evrope temelji na spoznanju, da je bogastvo evropskih narodov tudi bogastvo kulturnih razlik. Znano je, da slovenski dijaki in študentje v mednarodni konkurenci ne pobirajo le športnih lovorik, ampak tudi priznanja na tekmovanjih v znanju. Vendar pa je Slovenija ena zadnjih držav v Evropi, ki uvaja devetletno osnovno šolo."

M.
Novi glas, 20. V. 1999

MALI OGLASI
Restavracija – Slovenska last – išče osebo s prijaznim odnosom do strank. Govoriti mora slovensko. Kličite 486-5545

Prvo "Srečanje slovenskih gospodarstvenikov slovenskega rodu doma, v zamejstvu in po svetu"

21. do 23. septembra 1999, v Ljubljani in v Kopru

LJUBLJANA - Slovenska konferenca Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa organizirana letos od 21. do 23. septembra v Ljubljani in v Kopru prvo Srečanje gospodarstvenikov slovenskega rodu doma, v zamejstvu in po svetu.

Namen srečanja je navezati močnejše stike in plodnejše sodelovanje z gospodarstveniki slovenskega rodu doma, v zamejstvu in po svetu.

V osnutek programa smo vključili strokovna predavanja, predstavitev slovenskih gospodarstvenikov doma in v tujini, okrogle mize, tudi družabne dogodke. Da bi bilo srečanje čimbolj uspešno in koristno za slovenske gospodarstvenike tako v domovini kot tujini, želimo, da nam sporočite vaše pripombe, nasvete, navedete možne oblike vašega sodelovanja, da pristopite k organizaciji kot: predavatelj, udeleženec na okrogli mizi, donator, sponzor ali pokrovitelj.

Organizatorji smo prepričani, da je gospodarsko in znanstveno povezovanje s Slovenci po svetu, poleg kulturnega, še neizkoriščena priložnost za državo in slovensko nacionalnost. Pri SK SSK ocenjujemo, da je tak projekt enkratna priložnost za vse, ki strokovno ali poslovno želijo sodelovati s svetom.

V preteklem letu smo tako organizirali prvo srečanje slovenskih zdravnikov doma in po svetu, uspeh je bil nad pričakovanim. Da bi dosegli najprej večje gospodarsko in znanstveno povezovanje na skupnem slovenskem kulturnem (prostoru), smo k sodelovanju pri srečanju gospodarstvenikov povabili SGZ (Slovensko gospodarsko zvezo) iz

Avstrije, SDGZ (Slovensko deželno gospodarsko združenje) iz Trsta, SGDZ (Slovensko deželno gospodarsko združenje) iz Gorice, Italija, ter Porabske Slovence iz Madžarske.

Slovenska konferenca SSK se bo kot pobudnik in organizator uredila in natisnila ZBORNIK, katerega bo prejel vsak udeleženec. Poslali ga bomo tudi vsem vabljenim, ki ne bi utegnili priti v Slovenijo, in slovenskim združenjem ter organizacijam kot posameznikom doma in po svetu, ki se ukvarjajo z gospodarstvom in si želijo pridobiti stike s Slovenci po svetu in obratno.

Vsebinska ZBORNIKA bo predvsem: objava strokovnih povzetkov predavateljev, razne predstavitve podjetij in gospodarskih panog, prispevki iz Slovenije in tujine, predlogi in pobude posameznikov za nadaljevanje takih in podobnih srečanj. V njem se lahko predstavijo tudi posamezniki-inovatorji, ki si želijo s svojimi tehnološkimi odkritji in delom pridobiti naklonjenosti tudi Slovencev iz sveta in komercialne reklame, s katerimi bi zbrali sredstva za kritje organizacijskih stroškov.

Vabimo vas, da se nam pridružite že pri oblikovanju programa in pripravi srečanja. (Osnutek programa je objavljen na drugem mestu v tej AD, op. ur.)

Prav o vsem tem bi se z vami radi pogovorili osebno, in ker čas teče, prosimo, da nam čimprej sporočite, kdaj bi nas lahko sprejeli ali pa obiskali v naših prostorih oz. nas po pošti, telefonu ali faksu kontaktirali. Naš naslov, telefon in faks so:

Slovenska konferenca SSK, Cankarjeva c 1/IV, 1000, Ljubljana, Slovenija, tel.: 011-386-061-126-33-26, faks pa: 011-386-061-222-125. (Številke za klice iz ZDA).

S spoštovanjem,

Franci Feltrin
vodja projekta

Še to: Za morebitne kontakte po e-mail, je naš naslov:

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Novejši ekonomski podatki o Sloveniji

V statističnem uradu Evropske unije Eurostatu so izdali prvi statistični letopis za dvanajst držav v vzhodni, srednji in južni Evropi. To so države, ki bi se želele čimprej vključiti v polnopravno članstvo EU.

Na 170 straneh so zbrani podrobni statistični podatki o prebivalstvu, izobrazbi, delovni sili, državnih tekočih računih, financah, kmetijstvu, industriji, gradbeništvu, storitvah, prometu, turizmu, trgovini in okolju.

Po teh podatkih je Slovenija na prvem mestu, kar zadeva bruto domači proizvod, ki znaša 68% povprečnega bruto domačega proizvoda, ki ga dosegajo države članice EU, a je ena od držav z najvišjo stopnjo brezposelnosti (14,4%).

Življenjska raven v obravnavanih dvanajstih državah se je sicer občutno dvignila, a kljub temu še ni mogoče govoriti o takšni blaginji, kot jo poznajo v zahodnoevropskih državah. Po besedah evropskega komisarja Yvesa-Thibaulta de Silguya, ki je odgovoren za Eurostat, bo zato sprejetje novih članic za EU velik gospodarski in politični iziv.

Industrijska proizvodnja v Sloveniji je letos ugodna, inflacija pa se niža. V mesecu aprilu je znašala le 0,4%, kar je najnižja raven v zgodovini države. Obstajajo dobri obeti, da bo inflacija v tem letu nižja od 5 odstotkov, kar se ni zgodilo še nikoli doslej. Nizka inflacija pa je eden od osnovnih pogojev za sprejem držav v EU.

Zaskrbljujoča pa so gibanja v zunanji trgovini in turizmu. Zaradi vojne v ZR Jugoslaviji so poslovneži vse bolj zaskrbljeni. De-

(dalje na str. 16)

Srečanje slovenskih gospodarstvenikov iz zamejstva in iz sveta

od 21. do 23. septembra 1999 v Ljubljani in Kopru

(Preliminarni program)

1. DAN: torek, 21. septembra 1999, v dvorani Zavoda za zdravstveno zavarovanje Slovenije, Miklošičeva c. 24, Ljubljana.

8:30 sprejem udeležencev, registracija

9:00 Slovesen začetek srečanja, s pozdravnimi nagovori:

- dr. Danijela Starmana, predsednika SK SSK;
- dr. Jožeta Bernika, predsednika SSK;
- Bruna Koreliča, direktorja generalnega pokrovitelja LUKE KOPER;
- Mihaele Logar, državne sekretarke Urada RS za Slovence v zamejstvu in po svetu;
- Vojke Ravbar, državne sekretarke ministrstva za ekonomske odnose in razvoj.

11:00 Lastno gospodarstvo - jamstvo za obstoj; pomen lastnega gospodarstva za obstoj slovenstva po svetu in doma. Uvodno predavanje: dr. Andrej Bajuk iz Pariza.

12:00 Slovenski pravni red in možnosti gospodarskega sodelovanja s Slovenci v zamejstvu in po svetu

Predavatelja:

- Vojka Ravbar, državna sekretarka
- Matej Kovač, ministrstvo za ekonomske odnose in razvoj
- razprava

14:00 Kosilo

15:00 Zavarovanje mednarodnih poslov, s poudarkom na zavarovanju izvoza in investicij

Razprava

16:00 Predstavitve slovenskih gospodarskih združenj in podjetij v zamejstvu

- Italija: Slovenski gospodarski združenji iz Trsta in iz Gorice;
- Avstrija: dr. Matevž Grilc in Elizabeta Hobel (predlog);
- Madžarska: Jože Hoernik (predlog);
- BiH: gospa Ratajc (podjetnica).
- Razprava

19:00 Spoznavni večer s pogostitvijo

2. DAN: sredo, 22. september, v dvorani Zavoda za zdravstveno zavarovanje Slovenije, Miklošičeva c. 24, Ljubljana.

9:00 Predstavitve slovenskih gospodarskih združenj in posameznih slovenskih podjetij po s

- Argentinsko slovensko gospodarsko združenje,
- Avstralsko slovensko gospodarsko združenje,
- Kanadsko slovensko gospodarsko združenje, ...

10:15 Odmor

10:30 nadaljevanje predstavitve in razprava

13:00 Kosilo

14:30 Predstavitve možnosti vlaganj v slovenski turizem s poudarkom na turistični ponudbi podeželja

16:00 Predelava industrijskih odpadkov - nova gospodarska panoga, razvoj v svetu in v Sloveniji.

Razprava

19:00 Večerja, prosto

3. DAN: četrtek, 23. september, v prostorih Luke Koper, v Kopru

8:30 Odhod avtobusa iz Ljubljane v Koper.

10:00 Sprejem pri glavnem pokrovitelju - LUKE KOPER. Predstavitve in strokovni ogled Luke.

13:00 Kosilo na ladji, ogled Piranskega zaliva

- Oblikovanje sklepnih ugotovitev in zaključkov srečanja.
- Imenovanje članov Odbora za organiziranje prihodnjih srečanj.

Večer - obisk Casino - Portorož

Prenočevanje na slovenski obali (Ankaran).

4. DAN: petek, 24. september, Koper - Ljubljana

Zjutraj, vrnitev z avtobusom v Ljubljano

Dodatne informacije dobite na naslovu: Slovenska konferenca SSK, Cankarjeva c. 1/IV, v Ljubljani, tel.: (iz ZD) 011-386-061-126-33-26 ali 125-24-40; faks 011-386-061-222-125.

Franci Feltrin, vodja projekta

Trpljenju ni videti konca

(nadaljevanje s str. 14)

Kriza na Balkanu utegne med drugim nevarno zrahljati sedanjo italijansko vladno zavezništvo, saj je znano, da nekatere politične sile zahtevajo enostransko premirje, to je prekinitev bombardiranja vsaj za nekaj časa, medtem ko se iz krogov desnorsredinske opozicije že dvigajo glasovi o izdajstvu. Za čimprejšnjo ustavitve sovražnosti se je pred kratkim izrekla italijanska škofovska konferenca. "Konflikt na Kosovu je anahronističen in mu je treba čimprej narediti konec," je dejal kardinal Ruini, ki je predsednik škofovske konference, pri čemer je še pojasnil, da "gre za zahtevo, ki jo italijanski škofje postavljajo vsem prizadetim stranem".

Medtem pa se pustošenje ZR Jugoslavije in množični beg s Kosova žal nadaljujeta. Trpljenju torej še ni videti konca.

NOVI GLAS

Trst/Gorica, 20. maja 1999

TRINAJST TOČK OB DESETI OBLETNICI MAJNIŠKE DEKLARACIJE

Brez velike pameti in poštenja

DR. DIMITRIJ RUPEL

Odprto pismo jeznim in nesrečnim prijateljem

Pretekli teden sem objavil celoten tekst "Javne izjave", ki je ocenila razmere v Sloveniji deset let po izidu "Majniške deklaracije 1989", s tem tudi tekst te deklaracije. Na to "Javno izjavo" je v Sobotni prilogi Dela 15. maja odgovoril dr. Dimitrij Rupel. Tudi ta tekst v celoti posredujem v presojo bralcem. **Ur. AD**

1. – Majniška deklaracija 1989 je predstavljala mejnik na poti slovenskega naroda k državnosti. Ta pot se je začela leta 1848, nadaljevala s prvo majniško deklaracijo (1917), končala pa z osamosvojitvijo leta 1991.

Deset let po majniški deklaraciji bi bil lahko čas za praznovanje in čestitke. Najvažnejša čestitka velja slovenski daljnovidnosti in bistrovidnosti. Slovenci smo že pred desetimi leti vedeli, kaj čaka Jugoslavijo in njene državljane. Ta modrost je druge države in druge ljudi dohitela šele

letos, ob krizi na Kosovu oziroma ob najnovejši balkanski vojni.

2. – Kot je znano, smo pred desetimi leti France Bučar, Hubert Požarnik, Veno Taufer, Ivo Urbančič in pisec teh vrstic sodelovali pri pisanju in objavljanju Majniške deklaracije, ki je nato postala skupna listina Društva slovenskih pisateljev in novih slovenskih strank, na Kongresnem trgu pa jo je 8. maja 1989 v imenu vseh nas prebral Tone Pavček. Mimogrede, zborovanje je omogočila in organizirala tedanja Zveza socialistične mladine, ki jo je vodil Jože Školč.

Danes, po desetih letih, berem Javno izjavo ob deseti obletnici Majniške deklaracije (Ljubljana, 7. maja 1999), ki sta jo napisala Rudi Šeligo in Peter Jambreč, podpisala pa jo je precejšnja množica mojih prijateljev in znancev.

Zanimivo je, da sta se novi izjavi od prvotnih podpisnikov pridružila samo Požarnik in Urbančič, med-

tem ko je Bučar, Taufer in jaz nismo podpisali.

3. – Kar se mene tiče, je ne bi mogel podpisati, tudi ko bi mi jo bili ponudili v podpis. Sodim, da v nasprotju z izvirnikom iz leta 1989 vsebuje napačne informacije, zgrešene poglede na današnjo slovensko resničnost in je vsestransko slabotna. Ob deseti obletnici začetka velikega slovenskega vzpona bi si zaslužili boljše besedilo, še posebej ker si predstavljam, da bi ga bila pisca sposobna.

Avtorja in podpisniki Nove izjave niso kdorsibodi. Vsi podpisniki so spoštovani politični in kulturni voditelji, profesorji, člani akademij, predsedniki in direktorji uglednih ustanov; medtem ko sta pisca večji del časa, ki je preteklo od leta 1989 bistveno ustvarjala slovenske politične razmere, Rudi Šeligo je dolgo časa vodil slovensko državno televizijo, Peter Jambreč pa ustavno sodišče, ki je nemara najvišja slovenska oblast sploh.

Ob tem se človek sprašuje, zakaj so ti moji prijatelji in znanci tako strašno jezni ali nemara obupani. Nad Slovenijo, ki je v desetih letih postala uspešna država in živahen dokaz pravilnosti odločitev leta 1989?

4. – Pisca in podpisniki Javne izjave brez usmiljenja, vendar žal tudi brez potrebne zbranosti črnijo današnjo slovensko državo. To neusmiljeno počezno pisanje ne zbuja upanja, da bi bilo mogoče to državo kakorkoli popraviti in izboljšati, ampak prej vidi k sklepu, da jo je treba preprosto opustiti. Sodim, da je ravno to tista točka, kjer se razhajamo pisci prvotne Majniške deklaracije in kjer se tudi moramo raziti: tisti, ki Slovenijo spoštujemo, in tisti, ki jim je zanjo malo mar.

5. – Šeligo in Jambreč pravita: "Ne veljajo niti ustavno niti zakonsko določena pravila." Sem prav prebral? V Sloveniji da ne veljajo niti ustava niti zakon? Velja to za čas, ko je bil Jambreč ustavni sodnik in celo predsednik ustavnega sodišča, ali le od takrat, kar to več ni? Le kako so ta globokoumni stavek prevedli v srbsčino? Mogoče namesto v Ljubljani praznujejo in se veselijo v Beogradu?

Le kako zveni ta stavek v angleščini ali francoščini tistim, ki odločajo o sprejemanju Slovenije v EU ali NATO? Ali pa gre nemara le za jezo in obup, ker ustava in zakoni niso takšni, kot bi morali biti po mnenju jeznih piscev?

6. – Šeligo in Jambreč pravita: "Razbohotila se je državna birokracija." Ali to pomeni, da ima naša samostojna država več državnih uslužbencev, kot jih je imela jugoslovanska republika Slovenija? Ali morda ni prav, da so jugoslovanske carinike, oficirje, diplomate... zamenjali slovenski?

Ali moji jezni prijatelji vedo, da je število slovenskih državnih uradnikov (ne le absolutno, ampak tudi relativno) precej pod povprečjem Evropske unije? Da je število slovenskih vojakov, ki so seveda plačani iz državnega proračuna in so torej slovenski državni uradniki, prenizko glede na merila NATO?

7. – Šeligo in Jambreč pravita: "Vrstijo se zunanjepolitični neuspehi." So moji jezni prijatelji pozabili, da je Slovenija komaj dve leti in pol po Majniški deklaraciji doživela mednarodno priznanje kot samostojna država? Da je v komaj nekaj letih postala članica OZN, OVSE, Sveta Evrope, pridružena članica EU in ena od peterice, ki se pogajajo za polno članstvo; država Evroatlantskega partnerskega sveta, najbolje uvrščena kandidatka za drugi krog širitve NATO, članica Svetovne trgovske organizacije in sto drugih važnih mednarodnih organizacij???

Je to zares neopazno? Ali je to slepa jeza?

8. – Jezni prijatelji po eni strani pravijo, da "gospodarstvo drsi v dolgoročno zaostajanje za Evropsko zvezo", po drugi strani, tako rekoč z drugo roko pa podpisujejo različne razglase zoper slovensko povezovanje z EU in podpirajo različna protievropska gibanja.

Na drugem mestu v isti izjavi beremo: "...z načinom vstopanja Slovenije v Evropsko zvezo, kot ga prakticira vladajoča koalicija, (je) ogrožena slovenska nacionalna identiteta..."

Prav moji obupani prijatelji so tisti, ki svariijo pred svoboščinami, na katerih je

Novejši podatki

(nadaljevanje s str. 15)

stabilizacija na delu Balkana močno otežuje poslovanje celotnega gospodarstva. Tujci so namreč nezaupljivi, bližina vojne ne vpliva blagodejno na povpraševanje po slovenskem blagu. Zato je sklenjenih manj poslov. Posebej so negotove blagovne izmenjave med Slovenijo in Makedonijo. To so dejstva, ki jih bilance in analize še ne beležijo.

Vojna na Balkanu bo seveda vplivala tudi na potek turistične sezone v Sloveniji. Tujci dvomijo v varnost držav blizu vojnih žarišč, mednje pa zaradi premajhne razpoznavnosti države (pogosto jo zamenjujejo s Slavonijo ali Slovaško) večkrat prištevajo tudi Slovenijo.

Zato vlada, ministrstvo za malo gospodarstvo in turizem in seveda predvsem hoteli in podjetja v gostinstvu in turizmu izvajajo najrazličnejše pobude za dodatno turistično promocijo Slovenije. V to bodo vložili dodatne vsote, za nove propagandne akcije v korist slovenskega turizma pa bodo porabili tudi denar, ki je bil prvotno predviden za ustanovitev turističnega radia Slovenije.

Ob tem poudarjamo, da so se zlasti ob slovenskem morju, na bližnjo turistično sezono zelo skrbno pripravili. V minulih letih so v turistično infrastrukturo in razvoj veliko vložili. Povsod želijo pridobiti domače in tuje goste, pri čemer gre tudi za pravo tekmovalnost s turističnimi središči v Hrvaški Istri.

Marjan Drobež

Novi glas, 20. maja 1999

utemeljena moderna Evropa: pred brezmejnimi gibanjem ljudi, blaga in kapitala. Kaj pravzaprav hočejo? Kaj je alternativa Evropski uniji? Balkan? Jugoslavija? Nazaj v socializem?

9. – "Državne šole dušijo ustvarjalnost in zavirajo svobodni razvoj otrokove osebnosti." Ali moji jezni prijatelji govorijo o istih šolah, ki jih dajejo za zgled celo v ZDA? Ali govorijo o osebnosti otrok, ki zmagujejo na mednarodnih dijaških tekmovanjih? Ali je mogoče verjeti, da bi šolska zakonodaja, ki jo

(dalje na str. 19)

V blag spomin



JOSEPH OKORN

ki nas je za vedno zapustil dne 14. julija 1980

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40. SLOVENSKI DAN

TORONTO, Ont. – Slovenstvo je absolutna vrednota je tema tega 40. Slovenskega dne. Vršil se bo v **nedeljo, 27. junija**, na Slovenskem letovišču pri Boltonu. Prirejata ga Slovensko letovišče in Slovensko-kanadski svet.

Vsi prisotni bomo počaščeni s prisostnostjo njegove eminenca kardila **dr. Alojzija Ambrožiča**, ki bo daroval sv. mašo ob 11. uri dopoldne.

Ob 2. uri popoldne se bo pričel bogat kulturni program, glavni govornik bo **Ivo Jevnikar**, slovenski časnikar iz Trsta, ki bo govoril na temo:

Slovenstvo je absolutna vrednota.

Ivo Jevnikar je bil rojen 6. januarja 1954 v Trstu. Njegov oče je Martin Jevnikar, profesor, rojen v Spodnjem Brezovem pri Višnji Gori.

Ivo Jevnikar je poročen in ima dva otroka, stara 12 in 16 let. Po poklicu je časnikar na slovenskem radiu in televiziji italijanske javne RTV RAI v Trstu.

Osem let je bil deželni tajnik stranke Slovenske skupnosti, in krajši čas njen zastopnik v deželnem zboru Furlanije-Juljske krajine. Sedaj je član vodstva.

Ivo Jevnikar je tudi publicist, ki se zanima za politična, pravna in zgodovinska vprašanja. Piše za revijo *Mladiko*, za tednik *Novi glas*, v letih, ko je ta obstajal, pa je pisal tudi za ljubljanski dnevnik *Slovenec*.

Torej, v okviru lepe narave, petja, folklorne, v družbi znancev in prijateljev ter mladinskega plesa boste preživeli lep dan. Ne zamudite tega največjega in tradicionalnega slovenskega praznika v Kanadi!

Peter Klopčič

SEMINAR pred Slovenskim dnevom

TORONTO, Ont. – V petek, 25. junija, ob 8. uri zvečer bo v cerkveni dvorani na 611 Manning Avenue v Torontu seminar s sledečim programom:

Ivo Jevnikar, slovenski časnikar, ki živi v Trstu in ki bo glavni govornik na letošnjem že 40. Slovenskem dnevnu, bo govoril na temo:

Slovenci v Italiji med Ljubljano in Rimom

Razgovor po govoru bo vodil **dr. Peter Klopčič**.

Vsi vljudno vabljeni!

Slovensko-kanadski svet

Ivan Celar preminul

ZEPHYR, Ont. - V Pickeringu v Ontariu je dne 11. maja 1999 preminul Ivan Celar, nadvse poznani telovadec iz vrst STZ, v svojem 75. letu.

Rojen na Primorskem pri Kranju, se je izučil za avtomehanika in sodeloval pri ZFO vse do vojne. V 1. 1943 je bil prisilno mobiliziran v nemško vojsko in je v zimi 1944 na vzhodni fronti prebežal na rusko stran. Okusil je več sovjetskih lagerjev, na neki paradi ujetnikov je celo videl Stalina.

V Sverdlovsku za Uralom ga je rešila pogina ruska zdravnica Cvetlana. Pozneje je pobegnil in na sibirskem vlaklu došel domov (sic, ur. AD).

Doma so ga kmalu zaprli, ker pač ni hvalil Sovjetskega režima, a je kmalu ušel čez severno mejo. Po leti 1948 je došel v Kanado.

Iz taborišča Fingal (London, Ont.) ga je zaposlila Bata Shoe Co., kjer je delal skupno s Petrom Golobičem in Frankom Gormekom ter z njima tudi postal član češkoslovaškega Sokola v Batawi. Ta trojica je tekmovala širom po Kanadi v orodni telovadbi in se prirnila prav v telovadno elito.

V letu 1960 so le-ti skupno z Janezom Varškom in Frankom Jerajem (telovadnim učiteljem) ustanovili Slovensko telovadno zvezo (STZ). STZ je bila med prvimi pobudniki Slovenskih dnevov v Torontu, Slovenskega doma, kakor tudi pri podobnem udejstvovanju v Clevelandu.

STZ v Torontu deluje še danes s športno-lovskim programom, tudi na Slovenia Trust farmi vzhodno od Bancrofta ter z vsakoletnim lovskim banketom.

Ivan je odprl garažo v Scarboroughju, pozneje pa v Pickeringu. Poročil se je s Tončko Žagar; imela sta štiri otroke.

Do zadnjega je bil Ivan slovenski aktivist, član in sodelavec pri STZ, Holiday Gardens in pri Slovenskem domu.

Na parah je bil v pogrebnem zavodu McEachen. Pokopal ga je 14. maja iz cerkve St. Francis de Sales v Pickeringu torontski župnik Ivan Plazar. Poslovil se je od njega njegov telovadni sodelavec Frank Gormek, nagovor je imel tudi predsednik Holiday Gardens g. Toni Černivec.

Ivan Celar zapušča žalujčo ženo Tončko, hčerko Mijo, sinove Žanija, Tončka in Denija, sestro Marico in veliko sorodstva v Sloveniji ter sedem vnukov v Kanadi. Zapušča tudi številne prijatelje Slovence in druge tu v Kanadi in tudi v ZDA.

Ivan, naj Ti bo lahka kanadska zemlja! **STZ**

Jedrske odpadke bodo vrnil v ZDA

Ljubljana – Inštitut Jožef Stefan bo v ZDA izvozil izrabljeno gorivo iz eksperimentalnega jedrskega reaktorja, ki že več desetletij deluje v reaktorskem centru Brinje. Predvidoma v drugi polovici tega leta bodo jedrske odpadke prepekljali po cesti do koprškega pristanišča, od tam pa z ladjo v Ameriko.

Gre za visoko radioaktivne elemente, ki so zdaj potopljeni v bazenu ob jedrskem reaktorju. To izrabljeno jedrsko gorivo, izdelano v ZDA, je sestavljeno iz 218 gorivnih elementov, obogatenih z uranom 235.

Kot so povedali na Upravi republike Slovenije za jedrsko varnost (URSJV), je bilo leta 1997 ob

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Dr. Tamara Griesser-Pečar o preganjanju Cerkve in laikov v totalitarnem režimu

Ljubljana – Zadnje predavanje v krogu slovenskih katoliških izobražencev je bilo namenjeno odmevni temi dr. Tamare Griesser-Pečar o nasilju, ki ga je bila s strani tajne službe prejšnjega režima deležna Cerkev. Avtorica je med najvidnejšimi strokovnjaki za vprašanje polpretekle zgodovine, tako da je njen govor prepričljiv, predvsem pa oprt na nesporna dejstva. Velika prednost pa je tudi, da je dr. Griesser-Pečarjeva nenehno v raziskovalnem delu. Tako je bilo poslušalstvo deležno novih podatkov, ki v Sloveniji doslej še niso bili razpoložljivi.

Nenehno preiskovanje arhivov, predvsem pa živi stiki z ljudmi, pripravljenimi pričati, odkrivajo sedanjim generacijam vso grozo, ki so jo pod komunističnim sistemom trpeli duhovniki, pa tudi laiki. Počasi se razgrinja, kako dosledno in kruto je prejšnji režim obračunaval s katoliško disidenco. Človek ne more verjeti, kako dobesedno zverinski so bili postopki pri mučenju duhovnikov. Ne more verjeti, da so duhovnike obsojali na smrt še v petdesetih letih, še po sporu z informbirojem.

Predavanje je bilo seveda tudi pričevanje o lažnih procesih. Razgrnilo je eno bistvenih taktik komunističnih oblastnikov, namenjeno oropanju dostojanstva po krivici sojenih ljudi. Nasilna sodišča so namreč svojo taktiko ubirala tako, da so skupaj sodila ljudem, ki bi po vseh mednarodnopравниh normah zaslužili kazni, in tistim, ki je po vseh mednarodnopравниh normah ne bi. Najbolj znan primer sta Erwin Rösener in škof Rožman. Prvi je nesporno bil vojni zločinec in bi ga kot takega obsodili na vsakem sodišču. Škofa Rožmana pa bi vsako sodišče oprostilo. Ko so jima sodili skupaj, pa je v javnosti nastal vtis, da je njuna krivdapravzaprav skupna.

Škof Rožman še danes ni rehabilitiran, prav tako še danes niso znana vsa dejstva, ki so spremljala prihod komunistov na oblast. Po predavanju se je namreč začela plodna razprava: marsikateri poslušalec je prispeval svoj delež k mozaiku podob onega groznega časa. Tako je padla tudi beseda o vlaklu z ranjenci, ki je bil skupaj s kurati in bolniškimi sestrami vrnjen v Slovenijo poleti 1945. Celoten vlak je izginil, o njem ni ne v arhivih ne kje drugje nobene sledi. Zadnjič viden na Jesenicah, je utonil v Bermudskem trikotniku kočevskega gozda.

Tak trikotnik pozabe oz. izbrisa označuje tudi sodobno zavest. O preganjanju Cerkve se ne sme vedeti nič, slovenska oblast ima bistven interes, da zgodovinska resnica ostane prikrita pod peno agitpropa. Najbolj zanimiv primer je neki šolski učbenik: v njem je četrtošolcem brez ustreznega komentarja predstavljena poneverjena prisega škofa Rožmana Italijanom, prisega, ki po mnenju predavateljice nima ničesar z verodostojnostjo zgodovinskega dejstva.

V tem smislu so taka predavanja izjemno pomembna: v slovenskem spominu krpajo luknje poneverkov, iz slovenske zavesti pa trgajo plašč pozabe. Govorijo o pokončnosti in zvestobi lastnemu prepričanju, kakršno so dokazali ljudje, ki jih je stari režim v temelju postavil na nasprotno stran.

Boštjan Turk

DRUŽINA, 23. maja 1999

NOVI GROBOVI

(nadaljevanje s str. 13)

stari oče, 2-krat prastari oče, brat Mary Ann Bassett ter že pok. Victorja, Edwarda, Dorothy Hribal, Lillian in Ernesta, veteran 2. svetovne vojne. Pogreb je bil 24. maja v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Kristine in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Eva M. Verderber

Umrla je Eva M. Verderber, rojena Papesch, žena Johna, mati Clifforda, Edwarda, Charlesa in že pok. Davida, 4-krat stara mati, sestra Sam-a, Elle Ledenic, Josepha Bolona ter že pok. Mary, Anne in Johna. Privatni pogreb je bil v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda, spominska sv. maša bo v cerkvi sv. Jeroma v soboto, 29. maja.

B.R.

Delo, 25. maja 1999

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TRINAJST TOČK OB DESETI OBLETNICI MAJNIŠKE DEKLARACIJE

Brez velike pameti in poštenja

(nadaljevanje s str. 16)

slovenske opozicijske stranke imenujejo liberalno in preveč svobodno, dejansko botrovala zaviranju svobodne otrokove osebnosti? Bi bili po drugi strani srečni, ko bi morali za privatne šole plačevati šolnino 20.000 \$ na leto?

10. – Jezni prijatelji so opazili še veliko slovenskih strahot, pri tem pa jih ne moti, da oporekajo nekaterim lastnim stališčem ali kar bistvu demokracije: o (dejansko spornih) državnih investicijah v "rudnike, tovarne in kombinat" je odločala večina v demokratično izvoljenem državnem zboru. O zakonih o univerzi, šolstvu in kulturi prav tako.

Jezi jih, ker Slovenci volijo napačne stranke in napačne predstavnike. Pravijo, da je ogrožena "celo narodna identiteta". S čim? Kje? Danes bolj kot nekoč v Jugoslaviji ali pred sto leti?

11. – Jezni prijatelji so nezadovoljni z današnjim položajem kulture, ki je vendar "ustanavljal slovenski narod in varovala njegovo istovetnost vsa stoletja njegove predržavne zgodovine".

Ta ugotovitev je relativno točna. Položaj kulture v predržavni zgodovini (ko ni bilo slovenske države) je bil drugačen, močnejši, zanimivejši... Toda danes imamo Slovenci državo in današnja kultura po definiciji ne more biti v enakem, predržavnem položaju.

LJUBEČIH SRC SE SPOMINJAMO OB 14. OBLETNICI SMRTI NAM DRAGEGA MOŽA, OČETA IN BRATA



JANEZA TOMCA

Zapustil je dolino solz in se preselil nebeščanom — v to verujemo — 25. maja 1985.

Sladka nam je misel na Te, na ljubeči Tvoj nasmeh, na besede ljubeznive, ki imel si jih do vseh.

Za Teboj žalujoči:

ANA TOMC, žena;
IVAN, ADOLF in JOŽE
TOMC, sinovi z družinami

ju. Seveda o tem, da potrebujemo odlično kulturo tudi v slovenski državi, še posebej ker gre za državo maloštevilnega naroda, ne more biti nobenega dvoma.

12. – Prijatelje skrbi "kontinuiteta", pri čemer mislijo predvsem na to, da so bile spremembe, ki smo jih doživeli po letu 1990 ali 1991, preneznatne. Na tej točki, ki ni brez osnove, se — kolikor vem — Slovenci zelo razlikujejo. Mnogi, če ne večina, rajši kot novo in neznano izbirajo nadaljevanje znanega in preskušenegega. V tem so Slovenci podobni večini konservativnih ljudi v Evropi. Toda — ali se naši pisci in podpisniki ne ponašajo ravno s tem, da so konservativni ljudje?

13. – Pod to nesrečno številko moram opozoriti na resnično nesrečni predlog piscev in podpisnikov: "Od države je treba zahtevati, da zagotovi uravnoteženo pluralnost vseh medijev, to pa v naših razmerah pomeni, da mora finančno zagotoviti izhajanje vsaj enega dnevnega časnika in emitiranje enega televizijskega programa, ki ga ne bo obvladovala niti prikrita kontinuiteta."

V moderni družbi s tržnim gospodarstvom seveda obstajajo mnoge možnosti za ustanavljanje časnikov in televizijskih hiš oziroma programov. V konkurenčno naravnem gospodarstvu je za novo podjetje takšne vrste mogoče navdušiti domače ali tuje investitorje, najemati kredite, zbirati prostovoljne prispevke in seveda prositi za državno podporo. Državna podpora pogosto pomeni državno vmešavanje, zato se ji pravi svobodomisleciji rajši odrečejo.

Naši pisci in podpisovalci seveda ne povedo, da je slovenska vlada oziroma država po sklepu državnega zbora v letih 1991 in 1992 pa menda tudi kasneje financirala pluralnost slovenskih medijev tako, da je ustanovila in vzdrževala časnik *Slovenec*, ki pa je usahnil, ker ga je bralo in kupovalo vse manjše in manjše število Slovencev.

Za uspešno podjetje v demokratični in tržno urejeni družbi so potrebna vztrajna prizadevanja mnogih dobrih in nadarjenih ljudi. Ko jih bo dovolj, državna podpora ne bo več potrebna. Takrat bo tudi konec slepe jeze, ki žal obvladuje Javno izjavo.

Javna izjava ob deseti obletnici Majniške deklaracije, ki sta jo napisala Pe-

ter Jambrek in Rudi Šeligo, se predstavlja kot rezultat intelektualnega in intelektualnega premisleka. V tem pogledu je izjava žal precej zavajajoča. Njena slabotna intelektualna pa tudi politična raven žal ne more biti v posebno čast podpisanim znanim imenom slovenske kulture.

Seveda bi bila (v našem nevarnem času) še kako potrebna kritična bilanca slovenskega desetletja, ki bi se lotila predvsem našega omahovanja in značilnega zamudništva. Žal avtorja in podpisniki Izjave tega dela še zdaleč niso opravili. Ta izziv slovenske intelektualce še čaka.

Domnevam, da takšne bilance ne bi navdušeno sprejela v svoj program nobena slovenska stranka s tisto vred, ki ji pripadam. Očitno stranke takšnih bilanc ne potrebujejo. Potrebne pa jih slovenska država.

Izjava se na več mestih sklicuje ali celo navezuje na osamosvojitveno izročilo, ki sem ga pomagal ustvarjati in sem mu zavezan. Vendar sem jo doživel kot udarec, kot pljuski, s katerimi so nekateri prijatelji in nekdanji sodelavci želeli pogasiti desetletni ogenj, ki smo ga prižgali v Majniški deklaraciji.

Ko polemiziram z Izjavo, ne upoštevam nobene stranke, kaj šele da bi katero slavil. Zdravje slovenske države, ki se mi zdi najbolj važno, v skrajni posledici ne more biti odvisno od te ali one stranke, ampak od resničnosti in razsodnosti pri razlagah preteklosti in načrtih za naprej.

Dr. Dimitrij Rupel

je bil soustanovitelj in urednik Nove revije, soustanovitelj in predsednik Slovenske demokratične zveze, pisec Majniške deklaracije 1989, podpredsednik koalicije Demos, zunanji minister Slovenije 1990-1993...

Sobotna priloga *Dela*
str. 35, 15. maja 1999

Prepoved odpiranja novih prostocarinskih prodajal

Slovenski parlament je sprejel nekaj dopolnitev carinskega zakona, da bi ga uskladili z določili EU. V eni izmed novel zakona je tudi določilo, da v prihodnje odpiranje novih prostocarinskih prodajal na cestnih mejnih prehodih v Sloveniji ne bo več dovoljeno. Pri tem pa se za odpiranje novih lokalov ne bodo štela popravila ali obnovitve

Nova številka tržaške MLADIKE

Leto XLIII/2-3 (1999)

NEW YORK, N.Y. – *Mladika*, slovenska kulturna revija, ki jo od 1975. leta dalje izdaja Slovenska prosveta v Trstu, je v letošnjem letu izšla že drugič; njena št. 2-3 obsega 64 strani, od katerih osem strani zavzema njena redna mladinska priloga RAST. Kot vedno, je tudi ta številka *Mladike* izredno informativna, vzorno urejena in bogato ilustrirana.

Najvidnejši prispevki te številke revije so članki: razmišljanje Tereze K.: "Ali so res vsega kriva drugi, da nas je vedno manj?", novela *Obnova*, ki je dobila prvo nagrado na literarnem tečaju *Mladike*, dokumentarni esej "Tovarna Lede Dobrinja, posvečen njenemu mladostnemu doživljanju v podjetju Tomosa; "Pesmi" Silve Bajc, nagrajene na literarnem natečaju *Mladike*; nadaljevanje članka Iva Jevnikarja "Tigrovec in padalec" (str. 43-46); literarni esej Brune Pertot "Vrtnarjeva pesem: Ko se sušec orosi in mali traven ozeleni".

Dalje, poročilo "Iz delovanja Društva slovenskih izobražencev" v Trstu – in vrsto drobnih notic o delovanju slovenskih organizacij na Tržaškem, o "Praznikih slovenske kulture", prevod pesmi "Pismo Andrijani" Josipa Jakova Planinića iz hrvaščine, pogovor-intervju s Klavdijo Vončino, pisateljico romana "Contratto mortale", vrsto ocen o novejših publikacijah izpod peresa univ. profesorja Martina Jevnikarja (Milana Pahorja) zbornik "Lastno gospodarstvo jamstveno za obstoj (1998), Draga Jančarja "Temna stran meseca. Kratka zgodovina totalitarizma v Sloveniji 1945-1990", Renata Ferrarija "Murva Fabianijevih. Stoletje miru na Krasu; in zgodovinska razprava "Slovenska politična emigracija v Trstu do leta 1954" Sandija Vovka v *Zgodovinskem časopisu* v Ljubljani (1998).

Priloga RAST v tej številki *Mladike* je posvečena priložnosti VIII. Slovenija Party - Slovenske prosvete v Trstu ob priložnosti osmega obeležja zgodovinskega mednarodnega praznika Slovenije.

MARTIN JEVIKAR

Trst, Italija

Dve oceni

Drago Jančar: Temna stran meseca. Kratka zgodovina totalitarizma v Sloveniji 1945-1990

Pri Založbi Nova Revija v Ljubljani je izšla proti koncu lanskega leta obsežna knjiga na 850 straneh z naslovom **Temna stran meseca** in s podnaslovom **Kratka zgodovina totalitarizma v Sloveniji 1945-1990**. Zasnova in uredil jo je pisatelj Drago Jančar, ki je napisal kritiko stalne razstave **Slovinci v 20. stoletju** in v njej med drugim zapisal, da razstava prikriva temno stran slovenske zgodovine po letu 45 in lakira totalitarni sistem.

Zato "bi bilo treba postaviti alternativno razstavo, na kateri bomo poleg veselja na ljubljanskih ulicah videli tudi teharsko taborišče, roške jame, poleg kipov Kardelja, Tita in Mačka tudi obsojence z dachauskih procesov... poleg

že obstoječih *duty-free-shopov*.

V zadnjem letu so v letih večinoma ugotovili slabše poslovne rezultate, ki so posledica predvsem manjše prodaje cigaret na meji z Avstrijo in pocenitve bencina v italijanskem obmejnem pasu, kar je povzročilo upad števila kupcev v brezcarinskih prodajalnah.

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štafet in parad tudi prepovedane revije in časopise." Iz Muzeja novejšje zgodovine je prišel hiter in presenetljiv odgovor: "po nudili so mi, popolnoma resno, da zberem sodelavce in v Cekinovem gradu postavim svojo vizijo alternativne razstave novejšje slovenske zgodovine."

Jančar se je obrnil na zgodovinarja Jero Vodušek Starič in na Vaska Simoniti in ju vprašal, če bi mu pomagala pri delu, oba sta z navdušenjem pristala, obrnil se je še na druge in takoj je dobil veliko sodelavcev, da so v enem letu pripravili odmevno razstavo, ob njej pa izdali zbornik.

Knjiga je izrazito dvodelna: v prvi polovici so esej in razprave, ki so jih napisali priznani strokovnjaki in poznavalci snovi, v drugi sta Drago Jančar in Vaska Simoniti s sodelavci podali "obraz totalitarizma".

S tem sta uvedla zamisel čano in pozabljeno temo stran novejšje slovenske zgodovine, ki sega od maja 1945 do prvih demokratskih volitev. Prikazana so različna področja slovenskega življenja v socializmu od prevzema oblasti in vojnih pobojev in političnih

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Nadškof Anton Vovk - Neuklonljiv Slovenec

Ljubljansko nadškofijo je vodil v hudih časih in je simboliziral kljubovanje Slovencev totalitarni oblasti in sistemu.



Dr. Rode je še dejal, da so nadškofa Vovka vodili zdrava vera, molitev, zaupanje v Marijino varstvo, notranja moč in pokončnost in je zato bil "v težkih časih pričevalec in velika opora vernemu ljudstvu, ki je v njem videlo trdno skalo".

O postopku za beatifikacijo, ki velja od leta 1983, je govoril dr. Ivan Merlak. Dokazi, da je nadškof Vovk svetniško živel, se bodo zbirali predvsem v nadškofiji, kjer je kandidat za blaženega živel. Šele potem, ko bodo zbrani vsi dokazi, se zadeva pošlje kongregaciji za zadeve svetnikov, ki presodi, ali dokazi zadostujejo, da se nekdo razglasi za blaženega ali za svetnika, o čemer odloči papež.

Potem ko postulator napiše kandidatov življenjepis, zbere njegove objavljene spise in predloži imena prič (mora jih biti okrog 40), ki lahko povedo kaj pohvalnega ali kritičnega o njem, nadškof najpej imenuje komisijo dveh teologov, ki pregledata zbrano gradivo in ugotovita, ali je v njem kaj takega, kar je sporno z vidika cerkvenega nauka ali npravnosti, nato pa še sodišče, ki bo zasliševalo predlagane priče.

Svojo vlogo mora opraviti še škofijska zgodovinska komisija, ki razišče zgodovinske okoliščine kandidata za blaženega ali za svetnika.

Ko je škofijski postopek končan, pošljejo gradivo v Vatikan, kjer se postopek nadaljuje.

Pred razglasitvijo za blaženega se mora zgoditi vsaj en čudež na priprošnjo kandidatu.

Kip Marije iz Nazareta končal romanje po Sloveniji. Pripeljeli so ga v vse tri škofije in v številne cerkve.



Veliko se tudi govori o tem, da bi začeli postopek za beatifikacijo slavnega slovenskega kirurga dr. Janeza Janeža, ki je umrl na Tajvanu in ga imajo tam Kitajci že za svetega moža ali, kakor oni rečejo: za "velikega moža", ker Kitajci svetnikov ne poznajo. V kratkem naj bi se začel tudi postopek za beatifikacijo patra Vendelina Vošnjaka, provinciala frančiškanov, ki pa je večino svojega življenja preživel v Zagrebu.

Gotovo je bilo na tisko-

vni konferenci zanimivo prisluhniti tudi besedam msgr. Francija Vrhunca, ki je bil tajnik nadškofa Antona Vovka v času, ko so ga najbolj zasliševali in poniževali. Msgr. Vrhunc je duhovito predstavil nadškofa Vovka in njegov težki čas. Med drugim smo izvedeli, da je bil nadškof Vovk pravi strokovnjak za prehrano in je znal tudi sam odlične recepte na pamet.

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procesov, preko velikega političnega pritiska v teh letih do ideološkega boja v kulturi, znanosti in šolstvu.

V prvem poglavju pišejo o pobjah, kratenju človekovih pravic, nasilnih razlastitvah, procesih in prepovedih. Takoj po vojni so komunisti v Sloveniji izvedli vrsto zločinov, kakršnih slovenska zgodovina še ni poznala. Najbolj izstopajo tako imenovani izvensodni pobji vojnih ujetnikov, vrtnjencev in aretiranih civilistov.

Pobijanje je organizirala komunistična oblast. Kardelj je dal že 3. oktobra 1944 Matiju Mačku natančna navodila, kako naj ravna Ozna in KP, katere člani so morali biti vsi oficirji Ozne.

Največja skupina žrtv so bili domobranci, ki so jih Angleži izročili Titovcem. Vrnjenih domobrancev je bilo 10.500 in 600 civilistov. Prvo skupino so prepeljali v Kranj, Št. Vid in Škofjo Loko, drugo v Teharje.

Kam so jih vozili na pobijanje, ni še raziskano. Na vsak način v Kočevski Rog, kjer so morali po vojski sanirati grobišča. Druga skupina grobišča so rudniški jaški na območju od

Laškega do Trbovelj. Tretja skupina grobišč so protitankovski jarki, ki so jih pripravili Nemci. Ti jarki niso bili raziskani, še manj posamezni grobovi po gozdovih in travnikih.

Največ so za ubite domobranci napravili člani Nove slovenske zaveze. Po župnijah so pomagali postavljati farne plošče z osnovnimi podatki o umorjenih.

Milko Mikola piše o povojnih nasilnih razlastitvah premoženja v Sloveniji. Tudi tu ni veljal noben zakon, če je partiji posestvo ali tovarna ugajala, jo je enostavno zaplenila. Isto se je zgodilo z večjimi posestvi.

Katoliška cerkev je bila od začetka revolucije pod posebnim pritiskom oblasti, saj so vedeli, da ima izreden vpliv na ljudi. Vendar pa niso mogli s kolom nadnjo, kakor so lahko hodili nad druge ljudi. Cerkev je mednarodna ustanova, zato vsak napad nanjo odmeva po svetu. In tega so se zavedali tudi slovenski komunisti, seveda pa so se spravljalni na posamezne duhovnike, na Primorskem npr. na Jožka Kraglja, mons. Ukmarja pa so pretepli.

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Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

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pride s senenim vozom, oddide pa po slamici. Tako se godi tudi našemu sodelavcu **Rudiju Knezu**: hitro je bil v nesreči, zdaj pa se zboljšuje prav po slamici. Še naprej prosimo, nadlegujmo škofa Friderika Barago, naj sprosi zdravja našemu bolniku. Hvala vsem za vse molitve!

Imam še nekaj pisem za objavo. Misijonarka, salezijanka s. **Marjeta Zanjkovič**, ki deluje na Madagaskarju, piše:

"Spoštovani in dragi prijatelji MZA! Za božične praznike sem ponovno prejela Vaš ljubezniv in bogati dar. Zelo sem bila ganjena in potolažena. Bila sem namreč že v skrbeh za našo skupino pridnih mater, ki vezejo in si na ta način služijo vsakdanji kruh. Vaša vsota bo za lep čas pomagala njihovi plači - zaslužku. Njihove izdelke na žalost ne moremo vedno prodati po zaslužni vrednosti, zato smo primorani potrkati na srca dobrotnikov.

To leto je tudi veliko riževih polj ostalo pod vodo; tako bodo vsak dan na naša vrata trkali ubogi. Hvala Bogu, nam ni bilo potrebno nikogar odposlati praznih rok, to zaradi Vas dobrotnikov.

Naša mala skupnost v Ofanazary se Vam za vse prisrčno hvala skupaj z našimi ljudmi in Vam obljublja svoj hvaležen spomin v molitvi.

Vse dobro v Novem letu, čeprav malo kasno, a iz vsega srca! Vsem prisrčen pozdrav od Vaše hvaležne

s. Marjete Zanjkovič."

Tudi s. **Tereza Medvešek**, salezijanka, ki že dolgo deluje v Indiji, se je oglasila, ne ona sama, ker ne vidi, pač pa je sestra napisala zahvalno pismo v angleščini:

"Draga Maria! Iskrena hvala za Vaše pismo in priložen ček. To je velika pomoč za naše delo z ubogimi otroci v Kalkuti. Imamo kar lepo število otrok, ki prihajajo k nam, da se kaj naučijo. Učijo se brati in pisati, se igrajo in preživijo lepe trenutke med nami.

Ker jaz sama ne vidim, da bi brala pismo, mi pomaga sestra in tudi odgovarja mesto mene. Ker tu ni sester, ki bi znale slovensko, je pismo napisano v angleščini.

Vse, kar zdaj lahko delam, je, da molim in rečem kaj spodbudnega našim sestram, ki delajo z revnimi in zapuščenimi. Tudi za Vas in vse sodelavce, ki pomagajo pri tem velikem delu, veliko molim. Naj Vas blagoslovi Bog s svojim blagoslovom. Želim Vam zelo srečno leto 1999, polno milosti in blagoslova.

Še enkrat moja velika zahvala in zagotovitev, da ste vsi vključeni v molitvah in v ljubezni.

S. Tereza Medvešek."

V tem mesecu je praznoval 80. rojstni dan **g. Stanko Dolšina**, ki živi v Duluthu, Minnesota. Pred par leti je tu v našem mestu nadomeščal za nekaj tednov župnika pri Sv. Vidu g. Jožeta Božnarja. Bil je tudi na misijonskem pikniku, kjer je dež vse popoldne pridno namakal zemljo. Še na mnoga leta, Vam iskreno želimo vsi znanci!

Še nekaj dobrotnikov se je oglasilo s svojim darom: F. Hočevar (za bogoslovca Andreja Ostreža \$400 in za Prijatelje Radia Ognjišča \$60); V. Dovjak v spomin + Jožeta Dovjaka \$15 in še \$125 za sv. maše od darovalcev za pok. g. Dovjaka; za s. Marijo Pavlišič g. Niko Tomc \$100 in V. Devine \$20; Sunset Industries \$1000 tako: za salezijance v Želimljah \$400, za Rev. Tomaža Mavriča \$100, za potrebne pa \$500.

Pred nami je Spominski dan. Spomnimo se ob tej priliki tudi vseh pokojnih misijonarjev in dobrotnikov misijonov. Misijonarji so darovali svoja življenja za božjo državo. Naj se vesele v večnih bivališčih pri Bogu, pri najlepši Lepoti!

Še par dni je tega lepega meseca majnika. Veselo prepevajmo te naše lepe pesmi, posvečene nebeški Materi Mariji in se veselimo lepe narave!

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Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija - Catholic

Mission Aid je registrirana v Columbusu, Ohio, ZDA. Je javna, nepridobitna misijonska dobrodelna organizacija, ki jo je ustanovil g. Charles A. Wolbang, C.M. Zbira darove za pomoč slovenskim misijonarjem, ki delujejo po svetu. Prosimo, da nam bodo prijatelji misijonov darovali še vnaprej finančno pomoč, ter se spominjali misijonskih potreb v svojih oporokah.

Za vsak dar Vam bomo hvaležni, kakor tudi misijonarji in ubogi, ki bodo vaših darov deležni. Za vse prejete darove izdamo potrdila za "Income Tax."

Glavni odbor MZA-CMA, Cleveland



OFANAZARY, MADAGASKAR. Fotografijo je priložila s. Marjeta Zanjkovič svojem pismu ge. Marici Lavriša. Na obratni strani fotografije, sicer posneta letos, je s. Zanjkovič pisala: "Tako se zbirajo vsako nedeljo v mladinskem centru."

DVE OCENI

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Pogosto so zaplenjali ali prepovedali revije in časopise. Od 1963 do 1989 je bilo v Sloveniji prepovedanih 32 tiskanih stvari in uvedenih več kot 40 kazenskih postopkov proti pisem ali urednikom. Prepovedana so bila npr. dela zamejskih in zdomskih pisateljev, ker je o tem govoril poseben zakon. Tako so bile npr. prepovedane Pahorjeve in Rebulove knjige, tudi Beličičeve.

Povojni zaporniki so bili brezpravni. Ko so jih pripeljali v zapor, jih niso zdravniško pregledali, večino so odpeljali za več tednov v karanteno, kjer so čakali na nadaljnjo razporeditev. Na dan aretacije je bilo praktično vse opravljeno in odločeno. Takrat je bila navadno napisana tudi obtožnica in določene metode za doseg priznanja vsega, česar so posameznika obtoževali.

"Polnih deset let so me vlačili iz zapora v zapor. Zapravili so mi najlepša leta, ukradli so mi vso mladost. Uničili so mi življenje. Za preživeto trpljenje ne krivim nikogar. Morda usodo, ker sem bil rojen v tako nesrečnem času," je nekdo zapisal.

V zborniku govorijo tudi o povojni usodi tigrovcev, protifašistične organizacije primorskih Slovencev. Večina tigrovcev se je med vojno pridružila partizanskemu boju proti okupatorjem, mnogi vodilni pa so se povezali z angleško obveščevalno službo. Kljub temu jim oblast nikoli ni zapala in so mnogi tragično končali.

V poglavju **Šola, cerkev, emigracija, zamejstvo** so prikazane posledice komunistične revolucije, ki jih je zasekala v te ustanove in

družbe. Seveda so te ustanove tako obsežne in zapletene, da še ni mogoče izmeriti vseh posledic. Zlasti šolstvo je utrpelo velike spremembe in padec učnih uspehov in znanja. Učitelje, ki so hodili v cerkev k maši, so prestavljali ali metali iz službe, če pa se je kdo pritoževal, so ga predstavljali v nemogoče razmere. O tem je dolg življenjepis učitelja Vinka Guna, ki ga je napisal Justin Stanovnik, s podnaslovom "Povojne učiteljske zgodbe". Bil je odlični človeki in učitelji, toda "hodil je v cerkev".

Razdeljeno manjšino je opisal Ivo Jevnikar, ki že leta raziskuje delovanje tigrovcev in primorskih padalcev. Ker so sodelovali z Angleži, so bili sumljivi in so jih počasi in na tiho pospravili. Ob pritisku na Cerkev navaja dogodke v Lanišču, kjer so ubili duhovnika Mira Bulešiča, ranili pa tržaškega duhovnika Jakoba Ukmarja.

V zamejstvu so bile težave s šolstvom, ker komunistična oblast v Sloveniji ni dovolila zavezniških šol, šele na posredovanje uglednih mož so popustili.

Urednika Andreja Uršiča so ugrabili in je izginil. Tržaška revija *Zaliv* je bila večkrat prepovedana, prav tako knjige Borisa Pahorja, včasih celo *Mladika*.

Navajanje iz knjige *Temna stran meseca* bi lahko nadaljevali, vendar bi se podoba in miselnost te knjige ne spremenila. Krivice in nasilja so se dogajale na vseh poljih, saj je velja-

lo pravilo: "Kar ni prepovedano, ni dovoljeno."

V drugem delu knjige *Temna stran meseca* so fotografije, tokopije pisem, dekretov, razsodb, časopisov in knjig, ki so sami po sebi strahovten dokaz razmer in dogodkov, ki so jih preživljali slovenski ljudje v povojnih letih.

Celotna knjiga *Temna stran meseca* je torej knjiga, maj verjetna zgodba o slovenskih ljudeh in njihovi srčni kulturi. Zapeljati se dali v neverjetne oblike obnašanja, v krutosti in nasilja, o katerih se nam ni sanjalo ni. Dragu Jančarju pa se moramo zahvaliti za pogum in vztrajnost, da knjigo pripravil in izdal.

Mladika, 2-3

Opomba Ur. AD: Ker ni v tej številki dovolj prostora za objavo obeh ocen, bomo v drugi oceni (seveda drugi knjigi) prihodnji teden

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