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Frank J. Lausche, Slovene Legend

by Ed Jerse

Frank Lausche is a legend among Slovenians. A judge, war-time Mayor of Cleveland, five-term Governor of Ohio, and United States Senator, he was for Slovenians one of the early pathfinders who led the transition from immigrant status to the mainstream of American life.

This summer, while in Washington, I discussed with Senator Lausche his career and his impressions of some of the great figures he had known. We met at the Capitol, where he remains a familiar and respected presence. At 93, he is alert, clear and incisive. In the Senate Dining Room, he told me of his entry into politics.

In the early 1930's, explained Sen. Lausche, political bosses dominated Cleveland and divided between the parties the spoils of the system. In 1931, a young prosecutor named Ray Miller challenged the bosses and ran for Mayor. He recruited Frank Lausche then a young lawyer, to organize Ward 23, the Slovenian ward and "the apple of politicians' eyes."

Miller carried Ward 23 and won the Mayor's chair. He offered his young assistant the posts of Safety Director and Director of Water and Electrical Supply, but the future Senator declined. In 1932, a vacancy occurred on the Municipal Court. "This was the shot I wanted," says the Senator. He made his request and, at age 37, was appointed by then-Governor White to the Municipal bench.

As the 1930's progressed, Frank Lausche's political career prospered. In 1936, he advanced to the Common Pleas bench. In 1941, his base established and secure, he waged a successful campaign to become Mayor of Cleveland. He took office one month before Pearl Harbor.

"My task was to be the leader," says Sen. Lausche of his role in mobilizing Cleveland for the war effort. The winning of the war became the City's focus and many partisan issues were set aside. However, on the political front, Mayor Lausche's relationship with his former mentor Ray Miller deteriorated.

First elected as a rebel, Miller had become boss of Cleveland's Democratic Party. He wanted Mayor Lausche to dismiss famed Safety Director

Elliot Ness and, when the Mayor refused, a huge rift developed between the two men. Frank Lausche had demonstrated an independence that would become his trademark. He would soon ride that independence and the popularity it brought to higher office.

In 1944, having led Cleveland through the darkest years of the war, Mayor Lausche turned his sights to statewide politics. He ran for Governor against Cincinnati Mayor James Garfield Steward. "A forceful, eloquent speaker," Steward could count on heavy support downstate. However, as he would time and time again, Mayor Lausche carried Northeast Ohio by huge margins. Though Steward won 78 of Ohio's 88 counties, Mayor Lausche carried the popular vote to become Governor of Ohio.

As Governor, Frank Lausche set a record for longevity. He was elected to five two-year terms, the only governor in Ohio history to receive such a sustained mandate. When the State Assembly finally enacted a two-term limit, Governor Lausche adapted by running for the United States Senate. Defeating the "happy go lucky" incumbent George Bender, he embarked on a 12 year career in national politics. I asked him to describe some of the great personalities he encountered.

"Adlai Stevenson," says the Senator, "was a delight to be with, a highly intellectual man whose ability in presenting problems was unsurpassed." However, Stevenson "possessed qualities that took him out of the realm of rough and tumble political contests." Moreover, the Illinois Governor ran for president twice against Dwight Eisenhower, at a time, Sen. Lausche concludes, "when victory was impossible."

With the mention of President Eisenhower, Sen. Lausche recalled a strange episode in which he was actually considered for the Vice-Presidency by a Republican. In 1952, Vice-Presidential nominee Richard Nixon came close to being dropped from the ticket when a financial support fund established by supporters was disclosed. Before Nixon salvaged his career with the "Checkers" speech, Eisenhower suggested Sen. Lausche as a possible replacement, noting that the



Ed Jerse (left) with Frank J. Lausche

Senator, as a Catholic and a Midwesterner, would bring an unbeatable balance to the ticket. However, the idea was quickly dropped when aides noted the impracticality of having a Democrat as the Presidential heir apparent.

Eight years later, Sen. Lausche's hopes of ever being President ended in a casual conversation with a young Massachusetts senator. "In 1960, when John Kennedy ran for President, I was also being considered as a potential candidate," recalls the Senator. "One day, he walked from his seat on the Senate floor to my chair, which was two tiers below, and suddenly, out of the clear sky, he said, 'I'm going into Ohio to run for President.' I didn't anticipate that, but I took it as it was and allowed it to be the end of my dreams of ever being President."

Sen. Lausche describes John F. Kennedy as "affable, friendly and easy to be with." He is critical of President Kennedy's pledge, as part of the settlement of the Cuban Missile Crisis, that the United States would not invade Castro's Cuba. The Senator views the agreement as inconsistent with the Monroe Doctrine, which pledges resistance to foreign involvement in the Western Hemisphere, and notes that Cuban adventurism in Africa and elsewhere has been a festering problem ever since.

The Senator was more reticent in discussing Lyndon Johnson, whose wheeler-dealer style has been the subject of recent biographies. "Lyndon Johnson and I were never in complete agreement," says Sen. Lausche. "Lyndon Johnson was definitely imbued with the spirit of the old political bosses. He was extremely efficient in his period of being Majority Leader of the Senate, but he was a disciple of the tactics of the old

political machines and I was not."

When asked to comment on Hubert Humphrey, Sen. Lausche made his fiscal conservatism clear. Humphrey, he says, "was genial, hard-working and... completely un-mindful of the spending of taxpayers' money." Although he never had any discord with Sen. Humphrey, Sen. Lausche warned of the "destructive deficits" resulting from excessive government spending. He expressed particular admiration for former Virginia Sen. Harry F. Byrd, who recognized "the need to handle the taxpayers' money as a prudent person would his own."

As our conversation shifted from politics to his Slovenian background, Sen. Lausche brightened. "My father came to the United States from Hinja in 1889, my mother came from Dvorska Vas in 1891," he said. "My father was an entrepreneur of the richest color. When he was a young lad in Slovenia, in the Fall of the year, he would go to Vienna, Austria and there acquire a chestnut roasting machine. He would set up that roaster on the streetcorner and would sell to the pedestrians as they passed by those roasted chestnuts. That was his learning in risk-taking and in business."

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Who Is This Famous Young Ballplayer?



See page 2 for answer.

Holmes Ave. Pensioners

On Wed., Oct. 12 the president of the Holmes Ave. Pensioners, Gus Petelinkar, opened the meeting and called for a moment of silence for our deceased members. There were 176 members present. Membership for 1988 is closed.

November election of officers has taken place after the meeting. Jennie Schultz, chairman of the nominating committee, along with committee members Ann and Ernie Pausic, Sue and Frank Pecjak, Caroline and Ann Stefancic presented a slate of candidates which will be voted upon at the Nov. 9th meeting.

Tickets will be given to members for our Christmas Dinner which will be on Wed., Dec. 14. By-laws were read and salaries for all officers were discussed and approved.

Jennie Schultz gave her report on the fall tour trip to Peak and Peak which was taken on Wed., Oct. 19th.

John Habat read a letter which Jennie Kapel read at our former meeting in Slovenian. It was translated by her daughter into English.

The hall was decorated by Jennie and Carl Schultz in the Halloween motif.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Edward Cook, and to the Frank Kocin family. Frank Kocin was one of our oldest charter members.

Tickets were bought for the Nov. 25 dinner at the Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave.

Belated congratulations from the Holmes Ave. Pensioners to Frances Nemanich who was bestowed an honor during the annual Bishop Baraga Weekend in Marquette, Mich. for the cause of the Beatification of Bishop Baraga.

Frances has done a great job there for years and we are proud to have her as a member. She has been a willing worker for the club and it is well appreciated. Again, Frances, congratulations from the Holmes Pensioners.

The last trip of the year will be held on Nov. 30th to the Carousel Dinner Theater. Thank you Antoinette McGrath for explaining some of the issues to be voted upon in November.

After the meeting sandwiches and coffee were served. As the members left for home they received a trick or treat bag which was presented by Jennie and Carl Schultz.

Have a healthy, peaceful Thanksgiving.

Ann Stefancic
Reporter

Happy Thanksgiving
To All!

Lausche

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"When he came to the United States, within a short while after working in the steel mills, he opened a saloon and then, within a year or two, built a wooden structure which contained bowling alleys, a space for the saloon and a large room which he constructed with the object of accommodating weddings."

As a young man, the future Senator attended public schools and evening high school classes at the Central Institute. While he did not attend college, he studied law at the John Marshall School of Law and placed second in the State on the Bar Examination. He began practicing at age 25.

Looking back over his varied career and many offices, Sen. Lausche surprisingly says that his favorite position was his first. "No question about it," he says. "The position I enjoyed most was the judgeship. I loved the law. I will never understand why I resigned from the Common Pleas bench to run for Mayor."

A.H. Representative Wanted in Chicago

The American Home newspaper is looking for a representative in the Chicago and surrounding areas who would like to gather Christmas Greetings ads. If interested, please call Ameriška Domovina at 1-216-431-0628 for more information.

Krizman Upped

Jean Krizman of Richmond Heights has been promoted to chairman of volunteers by the American Red Cross.

That resignation, however, led to a legendary career and, as our conversation drew to a close, Sen. Lausche summarized his political philosophy.

"Throughout my whole career," he said, "I never tolerated any abuses practiced upon the general public. I resolved that in the executive positions I held there would be no preferential position given to any segment of the economy. My government would be 'a people's government' with every individual given equal consideration. It was my purpose to run the government under the guidance of my conscience and not allow any business institution, labor institution or professional institution to become the dominating influence in the State. There shall be no 'empirio in empirium,' no government within the government."

To the young, he gives both caution and encouragement about the world of politics.

Answer...



The young man who played baseball for the Gornik team in the St. Clair Hardball League in 1910 is our own Senator Frank J. Lausche.

"Politics is a sordid game," he says, "especially as it is practiced at present. The money available now to candidates is of such huge proportions that it inescapably leads to the breaking down of the moral fiber of the candidate."

"There will come a day," he continued, "when there will be a cleansing of the filth that is in occurrence now. There becomes a complete failure in government when legislative candidates cast their ballots on the basis of what they believe will bring votes rather than on the basis of doing what is right. Too many ask, 'Will this be beneficial to my efforts to be elected, or harmful?'"

Today, Sen. Lausche spends much of his time reading. His doctor won't let him play his beloved game of golf. "I read mainly," he says. "I leap from subject to subject, from books of poetry to books of religion and the Bible, to books of the history and roots of the United States especially. Books that depict the source of the great strength of our country."

As we left the Senate Dining Room, Sen. Lausche was greeted by Wisconsin Sen. William Proxmire, who told me that Sen. Lausche, a baseball star in his youth, was "one of the greatest natural athletes ever to serve in the Senate." To which Lausche beamed approvingly.

Our conversation concluded, we walked to the parking lot and Sen. Lausche, still fiercely independent at 93, drove himself home.

Sen. Lausche this Sunday will be honored as the first inductee of the St. Vitus school Hall of Fame.

Coming Events

Sunday, Nov. 20

First annual St. Vitus Alumni Day. Mass at 12 noon. Dinner at 1:30 p.m. honoring Senator Frank J. Lausche. *Limited seating.* Call 531-3485 for tickets.

Thursday, Nov. 24

Traditional Thanksgiving Polka Party (dance & show), St. Joseph High School auditorium, E. 185 and Lake Shore Blvd., Cleveland, 5:30 p.m. until 1 a.m. Variety of bands. Advance \$6, at door \$6.50.

Friday, Nov. 25

Collinwood Slovenian Home sponsors a Thanksgiving Dinner-Dance with music by Johnny Vadnal Orchestra.

Friday, Nov. 25

Collinwood Slovenian Home Day with Corky Godec in Club Room, PolKats jam session on first floor, and Johnny Vadnal and Holmes Hall Buttonaires on upper floor.

Saturday, Nov. 26

American Slovenian Polka Foundation Grand Awards Premiere Show and Stage Production, 2:30 p.m. at Euclid (Shore) Civic Center, 291 E. 222 St. Presenting Cleveland-style polka stars (Pecon - Vadnal - Hoyer - Ostanek - Yankovic) with first look at National (Slovenian) Polka Hall of Fame. Donation \$10.00 in support of Hall of Fame.

Saturday, Nov. 26

Special "Polka Mass" celebration with Bishop A. Edward Pevec and Michiana Singers/Players in Holiday Inn Holidome, 28500 Euclid Ave., at 6:30 p.m. Dinner-dance from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m., featuring John Stanulis and Andy Nester Bands. Donation \$12.00. Reserve well in advance. Further information call (216) 481-7512.

Thanks

At this time Progressive Women of America, Circle 7 would like to thank all the people who attended our annual Fall Card party which was held on Friday, Oct. 14. It was a huge success due to all those who attended and who helped in any way.

Ann Stefancic
Reporter

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Sunday, Dec. 4

Glasbena Matica Christmas Concert at St. Clair Slovenian National Home at 2 p.m. Dinner-dance follows the concert. Don Slogar Orchestra.

Friday, Dec. 9

Slovenian American Heritage Foundation invites all to an evening with Bishop Pevec at Borromeo Seminary.

Saturday, Dec. 10

St. Mary Magdalene Lodge 162 KSKJ annual Christmas Party for Adults and Juveniles, 2 p.m. at St. Vitus Social Room.

Sunday, Dec. 18

Christmas Party for the Youth members of KSKJ lodges St. Lawrence No. 63, St. Joseph No. 146, and St. Anne No. 150 at the Slovenian Hall on E. 80th at 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 31

Newburgh Slovenian National Home, E. 80th St. New Year's Eve sit down dinner includes bottle. \$50 per couple. For tickets call 676-6824, 341-7540 or 641-9072.

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Sunday, June 25

Ohio Federation KSKJ Day and Picnic at St. Joseph Grove on White Rd., Willoughby Hills, Ohio. Music by Button Box Players.

Kres Seeks New Members

The folklore dance group Kres is preparing to celebrate its 35 year anniversary next year. Therefore, Kres is inviting any youth of Slovenian descent, who is presently enrolled in high school or older, to join the group and be involved in preserving Slovenian customs and folkdance traditions.

Those interested in joining the group should come to Baragov Dom on St. Clair Ave. this Sunday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Not Interested

Editor:

I have read in the *Ameriška Domovina* your endorsement of George Bush (another Reagan). This is how much they have accomplished for the United States: They made it the biggest deficit in the country's history. They cut the taxes for the millionaires and billionaires who have so much money they could pay off the deficit and have money left over.

In memory of my father who was for many years mayor (Župan) of mesto Metlika Belokrajina and Demokrat. I am not interested in your paper any more!

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Editor:
I agree with Frank Cerar of Cleveland regarding the new policy of publishing the front section of the A.D. in American (English). I think it is a poor excuse to put the blame on the post office. It rather seems to me that the A.D. is trying hard to be American. The American content cannot compare in importance with what is published in Slovenian.

When the American section will begin to publish news and comments of Slovenes both locally and abroad, then perhaps it will be time to make the change. In the meantime, the new policy will antagonize American Slovenes who have actually supported the publishing venture. How much have your young American subscribers contributed to the A.D.?

Not much. They do not care. Your Slovenian editor, Dr. Rudolf Sušelj, has been doing an outstanding job under very demanding circumstances. Being shoved to the back pages is indeed a poor reward for his efforts.

Better start looking for new subscribers if you expect to survive.

Joseph Zelle
Euclid, Ohio

Ed. Note: We lost 181 subscribers during the past 12 months. Where are we going to find new ones who only speak Slovenian?

In Loving Memory

of the Fourth Anniversary of the death of our husband, father and grandfather



Frank Kristoff

who died Nov. 21, 1984

He had a smile, a pleasant way, helping hand to all he knew. He was so kind, so generous and true, On earth he nobly did his best, Grant Him, Jesus heavenly rest.

Sadly missed by
Loving wife — Ann
Daughters —
Sr. Donna Kristoff O.S.U.
Doris Hodgson
Darlene Dibble
Sons-in-law — Howard and John
seven grandchildren

In order for any club endeavor to be successful it must have the support and strength of its members.

So to prove it true at our recent card party held in October, we had a nucleus of hard working members who always contribute both time and prizes. Some of our members are so generous it makes up for those who are less inclined.

As president, I marvel how well our ladies do their assign-

Less Fortunate Also Deserve Our Concern

As we approach the holiday season, beginning with Thanksgiving and continuing on through Christmas and New Year's, our thoughts are mostly on our families and how we can make the holidays especially enjoyable for them. This is only proper.

Yet we should not forget that there are many persons, many families, who do not share our good fortune, who are not in good health, are in economic trouble, may not have relatives or friends. Some of them are in our own community, such as some of the residents of the Slovene Home for the Aged, or persons in difficulty known to the pastors of our local Slovene parishes. Others are served by the various charitable organizations active in the broader community.

Each of us would do well to give time or money, or both, to help the less fortunate.

In Loving Memory

of the FIRST ANNIVERSARY of our dear husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather



John Celesnik

One year has passed since that sad day,
The one we loved was called away.
God took you home - it was His will;
But in our hearts you liveth still.

Sadly missed by:
Wife - Antonette
Son - John and Wife Marion
Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren

Cleveland, Nov. 18, 1988.

ed jobs. There is never a problem, never a clash of personalities and consequently, my job is such a pleasure.

This is due to an exceptional and outstanding group of ladies. They epitomize the spirit of what the "Progressive Slovene Women" stand for. Thanks to all.

Hildegard Kazen

Rarely on Saturdays

Editor:
I received the Oct. 21st edition of the American Home newspaper on Monday, the 24th. Rarely does the newspaper come on a Saturday. I'm just happy it is delivered.

As for the complaints from readers who miss out on the weekend activities, you do feature the column of "Coming Events" and should take advantage of it, if they're interested in attending some particular event.

The articles on the crisis in Yugoslavia have been very enlightening and I've been mailing them to a cousin in Australia and some to a cousin in California.

Josephine Debevec
Cleveland, Ohio

The Oct. 28th edition of the *Ameriška Domovina* arrived on the morning of Oct. 29th. Hurray!

Regarding the article "Complex Slovenian Identity" is excellent reading, but I have to go over it several more times because there is so much to absorb.

Josephine Debevec

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In Loving Memory

of the 10th Anniversary of the death of our dear husband, father, and grandfather



John Lavrencic

who passed away
Nov. 16, 1978

Your memory is our keepsake
With that we'll never part.
God has you in His keeping,
We have you in our heart.

Sadly missed by:
Wife, Mary
Daughters: Dorothy Squire, Elsie Lavrencic
Grandchildren: Paula Ardale, John Squire, Lisanne Atanasiu and remaining relatives here and in Slovenia

David Pozar was awarded the 1987 Issac Koga Gold Medal on the occasion of the XXIIth General Assembly of the International Radio Science Union, held in August, 1987, in Tel Aviv, Israel. The Koga Medal is awarded to an outstanding young radio scientist who is under age 36 in the year prior to the year of the award. It can only be awarded once every three years, on the occasion of the General Assembly.

He received the medal in recognition of his work on printed antennas and phased arrays.

David Pozar was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. on January 25, 1952. He received the BS

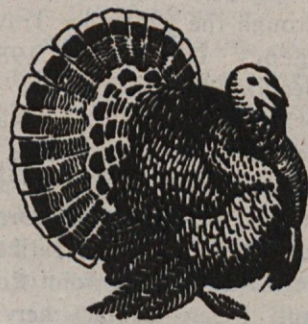
degree in 1975 and the MS degree in 1976, both in electrical engineering, at the University of Akron. He received the PhD degree from Ohio State University in 1980.

During the course of his undergraduate degree, he spent one year as an Engineering Assistant at the National Security Agency, Fort Meade, Maryland. He was a Graduate Research Assistant at the ElectroScience Lab of Ohio State University while pursuing the PhD degree, and became a Research Assistant upon completion of the PhD degree.

He joined the faculty at the University of Massachusetts in 1980, and in 1985 he became as Associate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering. In 1988 he spent a six-month sabbatical leave at Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne, in Lausanne, Switzerland, participating in several short courses and workshops on printed antennas.

Professor Pozar is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, belonging to the Antennas and Propagation Society and the Microwave Theory and Techniques Society.

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Euclid Slovenian Pensioners

What a dreary day it was Nov. 2, the day of our Slovenian Pensioners Club of Euclid meeting. But then it was no different than most of our days this fall, at least so far. However, it was good to get out and mingle with our fellow club members at the Slovenian Society Home, really a cheerful place to be.

It was a fast-paced meeting, accomplishing much in a good, orderly fashion. Most important was our election of officers conducted by Angie Shine. Angie really does a superb job of conducting an

At 92 still likes paper

Keep sending the American Home to my father Joseph Rolih of Garfield Heights, Ohio for another year. He is 92 years young and enjoys the paper very much.

Antonia Topolnicki

Christmas Boutique

There will be a Christmas Boutique at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine from Nov. 18 to the 20th, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day at the St. Ann Dining room. The shrine is located off Chardon Rd. in the middle of Chardon Rd. Hill.

election. Our officers for 1989 will be Frank Cesen, president; John Kausek, second vice-president; Helen Levstick, recording secretary; Eleanor Pavey, financial secretary and membership chairperson; and Emma Cesen, treasurer.

A few important messages for those not present: John Kausek would like the names of members who booked trips through the Kollander Travel Agency this year, 1988. Eleanor Pavey would like information about the following members who are 85 years of age or older: Frank Bresak, George Bole, Joseph Draz, Katie Gruden, Alice Intihar, Steve Marolt, and John Rozman. Please contact her at 531-4445 if you can furnish any information on someone on the list.

We will have our Christmas dinner at our December 7 meeting. Hope to see you there.

We were sad to hear of the passing of Molly Plut, George Ozanich, Anne Novak, Albert Tomle, and Amelia Krall. May they rest in peace and our condolences to their families.

Mollie Pike, Loretta Hlabse, Anna Filipic, and Alice Karberg volunteered to be funeral attendants for November. It seems that many of the volunteers are repeaters.

Our thanks to you for this commendable act of mercy. From the "thank you" notes received from the bereaved families, our representative at the funerals are very much appreciated, especially the eulogy by John Kausek.

Rose Lewis has just one more trip for this year. It is to Olgebay Park in West Virginia on December 5 to see the display of Christmas lights. There will be no trips during the months of January and February. Next year there will be day-long trips with the possibility of some longer than one-day trips. Sounds good knowing what Rose can do.

Our thanks to Bill Jansa who has been our sergeant-at-arms for many years. He has been most faithful to his commitment but now he has tendered his resignation. We shall miss him at the door as we come in but it won't surprise us to see him there talking to our new sergeant-at-arms, John Nosse.

Happy winners this month were Rose Arko and Joe Kodrich.

It's that time of year. Check your dues books to see if your 1988 dues have been paid.

Helen Levstick,
Eleanor Pavey
Reporters

Anton M. Lavrishia

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Belo Kranjski Club Dinner-Dance

On Saturday evening, Nov. 12, the Belokranjski Klub of Greater Cleveland held their annual dinner-dance at the Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Ave. Over 400 persons were in attendance to enjoy the roast beef, rizot, pork, chicken potatoes, salad, potica, flancate, home made sauerkraut meal by Julia Zalar and dance to the tunes of the Klepec Orchestra. Pictured here, (left to right) are Dorothy and Milan Smuk of Rocky River, Ohio. Milan is president of the club and standing next to him is his sister Vida Rupnik of Richmond Heights, secretary. Their father, John Smuk was one of the originators of the Belokranjski Klub and they are carrying on in his footsteps.



The Vinski Hram (wooden wine cellar) made by Polde Omahen of Richmond Heights, was set up on stage for everyone to admire.

(Photos by James V. and Madeline D. Debevec)



Polde Omahen and his wife, Fanny, of Richmond Heights. He was the carpenter who built the Vinski Hram wooden wine cellar in his garage and had the collapsible structure reassembled at the Slovenian National Home.



Angela Hutar sells tickets.



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— PREGLED NAJVAŽNEJŠIH DOGODKOV —

Dva vodilna kosovska partijca odstopila — Nova zmaga za Miloševića — Množična demonstracija v Prištini — Konec zatišja

Današnji časopisi poročajo, da sta včeraj podala ostavko predsednica kosovske pokrajinske partije Kaquša Jašari ter njen prednik na tem mestu Azem Vllasi. Slednji je bil tudi član predsedstva jugoslovanske partije. Oba sta bila napadena od srbskega voditelja Slobodana Miloševića, ki je trdil, da nista bila odločna borca zoper albanski nacionalizem. Dejanski Miloševićev cilj je ukiniti kosovsko avtonomijo, s tem zapostavljati veliko albansko večino v pokrajini, kar pomeni, da bi Srbija pokrajino kontrolirala neposredno ali preko partijcev albanskega rodu, ki so pripravljeni srbski nacionalistični struji slediti. Izgleda, da je imel v tem Milošević uspeh. Začasni novi predsednik kosovske partije je sicer Albanec po rodu, namrec Remzi Kolgeci.

Poročilo iz Prištine, glavnega mesta Kosova, govori o demonstraciji včeraj, ki se ga je udeležilo 10.000 ljudi. Po enem poročilu so demonstranti protestirali proti odstopu Jašarijeve in Vllasija, kar da sklepati, da gre za Albance, drugo poročilo o demonstraciji pa ne gre v podrobnosti.

Estonki parlament proglasil suverenost republike napram ZSSR — V Litvi tudi razmišljajo o tem — Letonci praznujejo

MOSKVA, ZSSR — Preteklo sredo je estonski parlament odobril amandma estonski ustavi, ki trdi, da mora estonski parlament odobriti vsak sovjetski zakon, predno more priti tak zakon iz Moskve v veljavo v Estoni. Obenem je parlament odobril »deklaracijo suverenosti«, ki trdi, da je Estonska neodvisna država v vseh ozirih z izjemo zunanje in obrambne politike. Istočasno je prišlo do zamenjave predsednika estonske vlade. Prejšnji je bil smatran za premalo estonsko zaveden in naklonjen Moskvi, novi je pa znan kot zaveden Estonec. Pred nedavnim je bil imenovan nov šef komunistične partije, ki je vnet zagovornik gospodarskih in političnih reform ter je v dobrih odnosih s sovjetskim voditeljem Mihailom Gorbačovom.

Reakcija v Moskvi do estonskih akcij je bila hitra in negativna. Vrhovno sodišče ZSSR je odločilo, da so estonski ukrepi protustavni, estonsko vodstvo pa je bilo pozvano v Moskvo na pogovore. Kljub očitnemu pritisku izgleda, da je estoško vodstvo optimistično. V ameriškem State Departmentu, kjer še vedno priznavajo vse baltske države kot neodvisne oziroma niso nikoli priznali sovjetske priključitve le-teh v ZSSR — zato še vedno imajo baltske republike diplomatska zastopstva, priznana od ameriške vlade — pozdravljajo estonsko akcijo.

Litvanski parlament zaseda in razpravlja o podobnih ukrepih, v Letonki pa se pripravljajo za veliko javno manifestacijo ob 70. obletnici neodvisne letonske države ob koncu prve svetovne vojne.

Kar je spravilo baltske republike na noge, je bila odločitev iz Moskve o nekaterih ustavnih spremembah, ki bodo potrjene že ta mesec. Najbolj sporna za baltske republike je sprememba, po kateri bo iz sovjetske ustave črtan člen, ki dovoljuje republikam pravico do izstopa iz sovjetske federacije. V baltskih republikah so čutili, da morajo proglasiti svojo suverenost še pred 29. novembrom, datumom torej, ko bodo ustavne spremembe prišle v veljavo. Ni še jasno, ali

je možna kakšna kompromisna rešitev, ki bo zadovoljila obe strani. Znano je, da je nacionalna zavednost med vsemi baltskimi narodi zelo naglo napredovala v zadnjih dveh letih.

V Kanadi bodo ta ponedeljek parlamentarne volitve — Trgovinska pogodba med ZDA in Kanada glavni predmet volivne kampanje

OTTAWA, Kan. — Ta ponedeljek bodo v Kanadi parlamentarne volitve. Vladajoča konservativna vlada pod vodstvom Briana Mulroneya kljubuje liberalski stranki, ki ji načeljuje John Turner. Kot na vsakih volitvah, je v volivni kampanji več odprtih političnih in ideoloških vprašanj, izgleda pa, da je za kanadske volivce tokrat ključnega pomena nova trgovinska pogodba med ZDA in Kanado. Pogodbo sta podpisala Mulroney in predsednik Reagan in jo je ameriški senat že ratificiral. Pogodba predvideva praktično po celi črti prosto trgovanje med Kanado in ZDA. Že sedaj je 80% letne 150 milijard dolarjev trgovinske menjave med državama brez carinskih ovir, pogodba bi odpravila vse omejitve na ostalih 20 odstotkov. Mulroney in z njim konservativna stranka to pogodbo močno zagovarja.

Liberalec John Turner pa je proti ratifikaciji pogodbe in sicer zato, ker meni, da je za Kanado škodljiva. Pridružijo se mu v tem mnogi Kanadčani, ki so v skrbeh predvsem, da jih bo 10-krat večja ameriška ekonomija in z njo ameriška kultura še bolj preplavila. Kanadčani da želijo ostati Kanadčani, ne pa postati nekakšna amerikanizirana vejica. Turner, ki napada Mulroneya tudi osebno, pravi, da je bil predsednik vlade lutka v Reaganovih oziroma ameriških rokah. Mulroney vrne Turnerju milo za drago.

Najnovejše ankete razpoloženja volivcev kažejo, da je izid ponedeljkovih volitev nejasen. Nekaj časa je imel Turner veliko prednost, v zadnjih dneh pa se mu je Mulroney približal. Izgleda, pravijo opazovalci kanadskih političnih razmer, da je odločitev o zmagi Turnerja ali Mulroneya padla v provinci Qvebecu.

John Sununu bo vodil Bushovo pisarno v Beli hiši — Lee Atwater novi načelnik republikanske stranke — Izkušena politika

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Včeraj je George Bush sporočil, da bo vodil njegovo pisarno v Beli hiši — to mesto je izredno vplivno — 49-letni guverner John Sununu, ki je sicer libanonskega oziroma arabskega rodu, kemični inženir po poklicu, in znan kot izkušen politik. Sununu je organiziral Bushovo kampanjo za primarne volitve v New Hampshiru potem, ko je bil Bush premagan v Iowi. Zmaga v New Hampshiru je oživela Bushovo kampanjo. Nekateri judovski organizacije so izrazile dvome glede Sununuja, češ da je morda preveč naklonjen arabskemu stališču v sporu z Izraelom, vendar je Sununu to takoj demantiral.

Bush je včeraj povedal, da želi videti svojega kampanjskega sodelavca Leeja Atwaterja za novega načelnika republikanske stranke. Atwater, ki je tudi znan konservativec, bi zamenjal Franka Fahrenkopfa ml. O Atwaterju bo glasoval nacionalni odbor republikanske stranke januarja 1989.

Za mesto, ki ga je dobil Sununu, se je potegoval tudi 37-letni Craig Fuller, dolgoletni Bushov sodelovec, ki je vodil Bushovo podpredsedniško pisarno. Fuller je priznal, da je želel voditi pisarno tudi v Beli hiši. Ker se ne zanima za kako drugo mesto v Bushovi vladi, se bo Fuller vrnil v privatno življenje.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

MZA vabi na sestanek —

Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija vabi na sestanek, ki bo v ponedeljek, 21. nov., ob 7. uri zvečer pod staro cerkvijo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti. Sodelavci in prijatelji misijonov iskreno vabljeni!

Bralcem —

Danes ste prejeli poleg redne A.D. tudi posebno prilogo. Ker je prihodnji četrtek Zahvalni dan praznik, bo A.D. izšla enkrat in sicer v torek, v skupni slovensko-angleški izdaji. Bralci, ki želijo imeti svoje dopise objavljene v slovenskem delu, naj jih dostavijo uredniku najkasneje do ponedeljka dopoldne.

Zastopnika iščemo —

Uprava A.D. išče zastopnika, ki bi dobival božične oglase v Chicagu in okolici. Zanimosti naj pokličejo našo pisarno 1-216-431-0628 za vso informacijo.

Košarkarji iz SFRJ —

Nocoj bo v športni dvorani Woodling na kampusu univerze Cleveland State košarkarska tekma med univerzitetno ekipo in ekipo iz Titovih Užic v SFRJ. Slednja ekipa je na turneji po ZDA in je moštvo kar precej kvalitetno. Tekma se bo pričela ob 7.30. Najbrž so na razpolago vstopnice, svetovali bi pa, da kličete univerzo in se pozanimajte.

Novi grobovi

Mary Kasic

V četrtek, 17. novembra, dopoldne je na svojem domu na 225 E. 218 St. po dolgi bolezni umrla 78 let stara Mary Kasic, rojena v Clevelandu, hčerka Ignatiusa in Therese, roj. Sterle (oba že pok.), sestra Caroline Petek in Rose Zeleznik (pok.), zaposlena pri Richman Bros. več kot 44 let, do svoje upokojitve; članica društva sv. Ane št. 4 ADZ in SZZ št. 50, vse življenje faranka pri Sv. Vidu. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. v ponedeljek, 21. nov., v cerkev sv. Vida dop. ob 9.30 in od tam na Kalvarijo.

Peter J. Hren

Umrli je Peter J. Hren, mož Rose, roj. Tomazic, oče Sandre Bonner in Howarda, 5-krat stari oče, 2-krat prastari oče, brat Albine Gotch, Ursule Alesnik in Rose Gotch (pok.). Pogreb bo iz Fortunovega zavoda na 5316 Fleet Ave. jutri, v soboto, v cerkev sv. Lovrenca dop. ob 10. in od tam na pokopališče Vernih duš. Na mrtvaškem odru bo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

Jacqueline E. Krall

Umrli je Jacqueline E. Krall, žena Richarda, mati (dalje na str. 8)

Prodaja peciva —

Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti ima prodaja peciva to soboto in nedeljo. V soboto bodo prodajale razno pecivo od 11. dop. dalje, v nedeljo pa od 1.30 pop. dalje, sicer na farnem festivalu. Pridite!

Pridružite se Kresu —

Mladina, ki obiskuje višjo šolo in bi se rada pridružila folklorni skupini Kres, je vabljen, da pride to nedeljo zvečer ob pol sedmih v Baragov dom na St. Clairju. V l. 1989 bo Kres praznoval svojo 35-letnico.

Polka zabava —

Prihodnji četrtek — Zahvalni dan praznik — bo v avditoriju višje šole sv. Jožefa tradicionalna polka zabava pod vodstvom Tonyja Petkovška. Več na str. 8 in v prilogi.

Pevske vaje se pričnejo —

Pevski zbor Korotan sporoča, da se bodo pričele redne vaje v soboto, 19. novembra, ob 7. uri zvečer v Slov. narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Pri Korotanu pristrčno vabijo, da se jim pridružijo novi pevci in pevke. Ako želite več informacije, pokličite g. Rudija Kneza na tel. 481-1954.

Avtobus v Toronto —

V soboto, 26. novembra, odpelje v Toronto avtobus, ki ga je naročil Primorski klub. Ako se želite pridružiti, pokličite za več informacije enega sledečih: Marija Dekleva (261-6746), Jože Jenko (481-7432), Frank Cendol (256-8872).

Mastnejše plače —

Člani naše ohijske zakonodaje so izkušeni politiki. Želijo povišati svoje plače, tega pa niso upali storiti pred volitvami. Zamudo popravljajo ta teden. V naslednjih štirih letih bodo svoje plače povišali za 21,6 odstotka, do \$42,427. Guvernerja niso pozabili, kajti bo njegova plača skočila od sedanjih \$65,000 na leto kar na \$100,000 l. 1992. Povišanja bodo tudi za okrajne komiserje in druge funkcionarje.

V tiskovni sklad —

Anne M. Smith, Warren, Pa., je darovala \$9 v naš tiskovni sklad. Njena mati, Anna Močilnikar, ki je pred leti živela v Clevelandu, ima 92 let. Hvala za podporo!

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Naše slovenstvo je vezano na silo ljubezni

Včasih režemo sami sebi, z najboljšim namenom...žile.

To delamo na primer, kadar navdušujemo mladino, naj goji svoj materni jezik, pa v isti sapi dodajamo, naj store to kljub temu, da bo ta v nekaj rodovih gotovo utonil v tujem morju.

Pri tem smo prepričani, da govorimo objektivno, kakor da bi šlo za nekaj nespremenljiv in splošen zakon, proti kateremu smo brez moči.

Vendar, ali smo ljudje res do take mere nebojlene žrtve okoliščin, da nam ne preostane drugega kakor vdano sprejeti »usojeni« nam potek? Ali ni iz krščanskega pa tudi splošno človeškega stališča treba poudariti prav nasprotno, da nam na moralnem področju vrednot ni »usojeno« nič, česar sami nismo pripravljene sprejeti?

Nobena vrednota se ne izgubi »po sili razmer« ali po »neizbežnem zgodovinskem razvoju« brez človekovega privoljenja. In slovenstvo ter z njim slovenski jezik je za Slovence brez dvoma vrednota. Čemu bi nam bila izguba te neizbežno usojena?

Slovenstvo bo živelo v Slovencih, na svoji zemlji in v svetu, dokler nam bo pomenilo vrednoto, dokler bomo zanj pripravljene žrtvovati, dokler si bomo med seboj pomagali, dokler bo med nami doma vzajemnost, dokler bomo povezani z vezmi preteklosti in skupne slovenske bodočnosti.

Naše slovenstvo ni vezano ne na kolder ne na tek generacij, temveč na silo ljubezni, ki jo živimo in jo bodo živeli naši potomci. Če bi bilo med rojaki konec te življenjske sile, če bi sebičnost uničila smisel za narodno občestvo, takrat nas bo »neizbežno« konec, bodisi na lastni zemlji bodisi kjerkoli. V nasprotnem primeru pa se nam ni bati zunanjih »slepih sil« razvoja.

Nikjer ni rečeno, da bodo otroci manj ljubili svoj rod kakor dedje. Res pa je, če očetje in matere niso več pripravljene doprinašati žrtev za svoj narod, če ne čutijo ljubezni do svojega rodu, če ugodnost potrošniškega življenja cenijo bolj od družinske dediščine, so s svojo sebičnostjo krivi, da njih otroci rastejo brez korenin. Pa še v tem primeru bo marsikdo od opeharjenih vnukov pričel sam iskati vrednote, ki so jih starši zavrgli.

Determinizem na osebnem in družbenem področju je v nasprotju z resnico o človekovi svobodi. Človek, enkratna in neponovljiva božja stvar, gospodar zemlje po božji volji, ni podvržen nujnemu prilagajanju večini. Nasprotno, način življenja in mišljenja drugih ni bil za samozaveznega človeka, predvsem pa še za kristjane, nikdar zadosten izgovor za lastno neodgovorno vedenje in vrednotenje.

Seveda ni lahko ohranjati svojega načina življenja, svojih vrednot sredi drugačnega sveta. A kaj velikega je še kdaj bilo lahko? Prav iskanje »lahkih poti« zavaja družbo v razkroj in človeka v osebni propad.

Neodgovorno »samozadovaljstvo« pomeni za množico, ki ga sprejema, neke vrste pocieni mamilo. Gre v resnici za degeneracijo družbe, katere ne smemo posnemati, marveč se ji moramo, na tem področju, upreti. Upor zmotnemu javnemu mnenju, modi, povprečnosti je pričetek osebne rasti. Vsako popuščanje od osebnega in lastnega pa je v bistvu beg pred odgovornostjo za zaupane nam vrednote. To pa kaže na pomanjkanje poguma, ki je moralna krepost.

Kadar bomo o odgovornosti za svoje vrednote in o odgovornosti za svoj rod govorili s tako gotovostjo, kakor delamo to pogosto o »neizbežnosti« narodne smrti, bomo pripomogli, da bo vsa naša pozornost obrnjena v življenje in rast. To pa bo imelo zdrave posledice pri posameznikih in po naših družinah, ki so osnovne celice vsega, tudi narodnega, biološkega, moralnega in kulturnega življenja.

-žar- (Družina in dom 10/87)

Nekaj iz preteklosti...

Taborišče Ellera pri Perugiji, Italija

STOCKTON, Kalif. - Ta kratek uvod naj seznanil bralce o politično-vojaški situaciji, katere je nastala v rani spomladi 1941, ko je italijanska vojska zasedla Ljubljano in okolico.

Rodoljubi vseh slojev so takoj javno pokazali zasedbeni oblasti sovražni obraz kot začetek nekrvavega upora. Že v nekaj tednih so se pojavili na cestah letaki, ki so pozivali meščane k bojkotu odredb, izdanih po fašistični oblasti. Na žalost, je bilo veliko žensk, katere so iskale in navezale stike z italijanskimi vojaki iz osebnih koristi; kasneje pa so se ti stiki spremenili v izdajstvo. Tudi več moških se je pridružil temu umazanemu poslu. Takih primerov ni manjkalo.

Začetni znaki upora so delali zasedbeni oblasti precej preglavic in skrbi. Iz dneva v dan je postajal upor prožnejši, prešel je v razna sabotažna dejanja in kmalu se je rabilo orožje na obeh straneh. Razume se, da so nastale usodne posledice v na obeh straneh.

Kot prvi protiukrep je prišla policijska ura, sledile so aretacije. Italijani so izvedli tkim. racije. Vojaštvo je pridrvelo s kamijoni in skoro hermetično zaprlo ulico enkrat tu, naslednji dan drugje, in odpeljalo vse moške v nekdanjo kasarno bivše jugoslovanske vojske. Zaslisevanja so bila površna in krivična, saj so vidno vlogo igrali slovenski izdajalci, katere je narod imenoval »denunciante«.

Višek tega početja je bil, ko so Italijani začeli streljati nekatere aretirance kot talce, v bližnji gramozni jami. Nedolžna kri je tekla teden za tdnom. Naše vrste so se redčile. Vlak za vlakom je odpeljal naše upornike (med njimi sem bil tudi jaz) v Italijo.

V nadaljevanju od pred mnogimi meseci objavljenega prispevka me najdete v Elleri pri Perugiji. To je malo podeželsko mestece, okoliškemu prebivalstvu pomemben kraj, sicer zaradi bližnjega premo govornika. Samo kakih 10 minut hoda iz omenjene vasi je na malem gričku stalo delavsko koncentracijsko taborišče, kjer smo slovenski interniranci (internati civili) preživljali svojo negotovo usodo.

V ta kraj smo prispeli iz taborišča Gonars, kjer je oblast razpisala prostovoljno prijavo

za delo v rudniku. Bilo je okoli 90 prijaviteljev. Vzrok prijave je bila bojazen, da nas ne bi odbirali in pošiljali nazaj v Ljubljano, kot se je to često dogajalo, naših prijateljev pa ni bilo več nazaj, kajti so našli svoj konec pod puškinimi strelji v tisti nepozabni jami. Vsekakor bi posamezniku v potrebi tudi bil lažji pobeg iz Ellere kot iz Gonarsa. V tem lahko vidite bralci resnični strah, paniko in bojazen za lastno življenje internirancev.

Že drugi dan po našem prihodu v Ellero, je komanda taborišča sklicala »zbor«. Predstavili so komandanta in lastnika rudnika. Na naše veliko presenečenje je nam bilo povedano, da bo delo plačano. Sicer ne z denarjem, pač pa z nakupom dobrin, katere bo trgovec vsako soboto dostavil v taborišče. Bilo je tako. Celo vino so dostavili, vendar v omejeni količini. Nakupljeno blago je odgovarjalo zasluženim med posameznika. Hrana se je izboljšala glede potrebnih vitaminov, prav tako so bile obroke večje.

Disciplina pa ni bila olajšana. Šikane so bile redni dodatek vsakodnevnemu življenju. Komandanta samega smo le redko videli, zastopal ga je rezervist-narednik. Verem mladenič z nekaj medicinske izobrazbe. Naše zdravstveno stanje je bilo zanemarjeno, pregledi so bili površni, tako da so bile med nami tudi smrtne žrtve radi slabe oskrbe. Naše življenje nikakor ni bilo na enakih ravni kot z italijanskim, bili smo v njihovih očeh bolj številke kot ljudje. Barake so bile redno čiščene, od časa do časa tudi razkužene.

Dovolili so, da smo sestavili pevski zbor. Ta nam je bil v moralno oporo. Prepeval je redno tudi pri nedeljskih mašah, kamor so nas vodili stražarji z nasajenimi bajoneti in živo municijo. Z dovoljenjem perugijskega škofa smo lahko v materinem jeziku prečitali vsakonedeljsko berilo, prav tako tudi evangelij. Cerkev ni bila preveč oddaljena od taborišča.

Med interniranci smo bili tudi trije izprašanci iz gradbene stroke in sicer: stavbenik Schwer, tehnik Stanko Čač in jaz. Vodili smo kontrolo za varnostne naprave in opore rudnika, izračunavali količino izkopenega premoga, prav

tako smo kalkurirali urnik posameznega delavca. S tem nam je bilo omogočeno, da so tisti fantje, kateri so iz enega ali drugega razloga ostali v taborišču prikriti, niso izgubili za tisti dan »prislužene mezde«.

Nedaleč od koncentracijskega taborišča je na sosednjem griču stala hiša. V njej so stanovali Judje. Bili so pravzaprav prosti v gibanju v določenem prostoru. Javljati so se morali dvakrat tedensko na policijsko postajo radi kontrole. Te vrste pripor so imenovali konfinacijo. Stik z njimi je bil popolnoma nemogoč.

To taborišče je bilo bore malo poznano med slovenskim narodom. Zakaj so se poslužili internirancev za delo? Nikakor ni bilo mogoče dobiti delavne sile, bila je vsa pod orožjem. Zanimivo je bilo, da je lastnik rudnika garantiral za internirance, kar je vzbudilo med nami precej razmišljanj in pogovorov, vendar nismo prodrli v notranjost duše do lastnika.

Vse ni šlo gladko in lepo, saj smo bili vendar interniranci, sovražniki okupatorja naše domovine. Imeli smo v svoji sredi pecej vročih propagatorjev za mednarodni komunizem, kateri so skoro brez strahu nastopali poveljujoče med nami. Bili so »velikani« s povzdignjenimi pestmi in navdahnjeni za pretepe predvsem pri onih, kateri so odločno kljubovali njihovim idejam in načrtom.

Za nas, kateri smo bili odtrgani od rodne grude in nasilno odpeljani od najdražjih in od svobode brez dokazov krivde, niso niso očarale spremembe v zvezi z olajšanim trpljenjem. Bilo je odvrtno vse, nespremenljivo, vendar smo morali pod ukazujočo disciplino v molku gledati »človeški pašnik« ograjen z bodečo žico.

Iz ljubezni in v skrbeh za naš maloštevilni slovenski narod in njega bodočnost, sem napisal pesmico v zadnjem tednu pred razsulom italijanske fašistične diktature, v taborišču. Zapiske sem nosil s seboj tudi v emigracijo, ne da bi imel v mislih načrt, da bom kdajkoli spomine uporabil in jih objavil:

Svojemu narodu

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obroč izkuj v svobodno si
državo —
prešel si zgodovino v krvi
zakopano
zato bodočnost svojo venčaj
v slavo
s tribarvno — belo, modro,
rdečo narodno zastavo.

Napisani žalostni spomini so posvečeni slovenskim junakom, katere so fašistične krogle in njihovo nasilje poslale v prerani grob. Ni bilo sodnika, ne sodišča. Diktatura in njena moč sta vladali našemu narodu. Edina krivda teh nesrečnih je bila v tem, da so bili v opoziciji ter kljubovali okupacijskim oblastem.

Maks Simončič

POSLANICA Slovenskega narodnega odbora

Ob propadanju komunističnega sistema ter ob dogodkih znotraj in zunaj domovine, ki zlasti v zadnjem času, napolnjujejo slovenskega človeka z zaskrbljenostjo in ogorčenjem, Slovenski narodni odbor iz političnega zdomstva izraža svoja stališča.

PONOVO OBTOŽUJE vladajočo komunistično partijo nasilja ter brezpravnih, nezakonitih in krivičnih obsodb, od tistih v letih revolucije pa vse do teh, ki danes pretresajo slovenski narod, katerega z monopolnim, samolastnim in brezprizivnim izvajanjem oblasti duši, ga zavaja in mu onemogoča svobodno rast v skladu z načelom o samoodločbi narodov ob celotnem spoštovanju človekovih pravic.

SPOMINJA slovensko in svetovno javnost, da so vrednote osebne svobode in narodne samobitnosti, za katere se je slovensko ljudstvo prizadevalo in bojevalo več kot tisoč let, in ki so tudi danes slovenskemu človeku svete, še vedno predmet načrtnih napadov protinarodnih sil. Ti ideali, na katerih temeljijo najpristnejši narodni interesi, so danes živi bolj kadar koli in se, kljub nasilju totalitarnega sistema, izražajo z novo močjo v zahtevah po temeljnih pravicah človeka in državljana.

POZDRAVLJA zrelo ravnanje slovenskega naroda ob novih preizkušnjah, pred katere je postavljen in z veseljem spremlja izraze zvestobe slovenstvu, ki se množično usmerjajo v oporo rojakom, ko so zaradi svoje demokratične države in slovenske zavzetosti žrtve krivičnega preganjanja in obsodb.

ZAHTEVA, da samozvani nosilci oblasti v Sloveniji, katerim slovensko ljudstvo ni nikdar pripoznalo legitimnosti, ob očitnem in nezadržnem propadanju njihove moči predajo oblast svobodno izvoljenim predstavnikom slovenskega naroda. Le ti naj, ob upoštevanju svojskosti ostalih narodov, ki trpe v Jugoslaviji podobno usodo, nastopijo pot iz razkrajajočega se socialnega in državnega sistema do pluralistične družbene ureditve v pravni državi.

POZIVA vse Slovence, da ob očitni prelomnici narodove zgodovine solidarno podpro tiste rojake v nesvobodni domovini, ki se pogumno trudijo za pravice slovenskega človeka in resnično demokratično sožitje v narodu. Le kulturna in gospodarska prostost, kadar imata zagotovilo v politični svobodi moreta ustvariti pogoje za mir in blaginjo. Ob teh vrednotah, ki so jamstvo za rast vsake družbe, bo mogoče zbrati vse narodne sile, da se v Sloveniji zgradi pravičen družbeni red in uveljavi njena polna in dejanska državnost s parlamentarnim sistemom in evropsko usmerjenostjo.

Za Slovenski narodni odbor:

predsednik: Rudolf Smersu

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»Zadnjič sem Vam pisal, oziroma se podpisal, ko sem bil še pod vplivom prestale operacije za očesno mreno ali katarakt. Hvala Bogu, vse se je dobro izteklo in sedaj lahko normalno čitam in pišem, oziroma tikpam, ne da bi se pri tem utrudil.

Pred par tedni sem se udeležil lepe slovesnosti srebrne maše škofa Roberta Kerketta, S.D.B., za katerega ste Vi pridobili velikodušnega dobrotnika, oziroma dobrotnico, ko je on študiral bogoslovje v Turinu in Rimu. Škoda, da nisem imel s seboj Vašega naslova, da bi Vam skupaj pisala. Med tem sem mu Vaš naslov že posredoval in se Vam bo sam oglasil.

Msgr. Kerketta je tretji škof v Tezpurju, na bregu veletoka Brahmaputre pod Himalajo. Škofija sama prav tako praznuje srebrni jubilej obstoja. Msgr. Kerketta je bil preje škof v Dibrugarju, na drugem bregu Brahmaputre. V letih 1970 do 1974 je bil torej moj škof in sva skupaj veliko potovala, večkrat peš. V neko oddaljeno vas na hribih sva potovala zaporedoma dva dni, da so tako tudi ondotni verniki prejeli lahko zakrament sv. birme.

Ko Vam sedaj pišem, se rad poslužim te priložnosti, da Vam voščim vse najboljše za god sv. Karla, Vašega patrona. Naj dobri Bog na njegovo priprošnjo obilo blagoslovi Vas ter Vaše delo v župniji Brezmadežnega Srca Marijinega in pri vodstvu za misijonsko stvar tako zaslužne Misijonske Znamkarske Akcije. Najlepše pozdrave pošiljam tudi Vašim pridnim sodelavcem in sodelavkam.

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Iz Ljubljane 84-letni misijonar Anton Majcen

na Rakovniku piše 1. novembra: »Najprej moja bratska in misijonska voščila, ki jih spremljajo moje molitve za misijonski apostolat in v zahvalo za vse, kar storite v MZA za misijone in posebej še za potrebe v Vietnamu.

Imam kar stalno in obilno korespondenco z mojimi v Vietnamu, v kolikor kaj lahko pišejo. Imam zopet pripravljenih pet velikih pošiljk zdravil od dobrih ljudi za revne, kajti moji bivši gojenci imajo kar 14 raznih postojank z veroukarji in povsod so zelo revni, da prosijo za pomoč. Pred tednom sem dobil nekaj pisem, ki sem jih posnel in fotokopiral.

Na Kitajskem je umrl naš prvi salezijanski duhovnik Don Šeng. O njem ste enkrat dejali, da je svetnik, s kitajsko palico, ki jih naj opominja na disciplino. Naš Wang pa je privaten profesor za bogoslov-

ce. Na Kerečevem stolčku v Čao tung-u sedaj sedi v marcu 1988 posvečeni novi škof, prvi naslednik škofa Kereca. Dolejš Čao tung ni imel niti enega duhovnika, pač pa okoli 30 tisoč kristjanov, ki so sami sebi spodbujali za versko življenje. Prejšnji mesec je šel naš Wang k njemu na obiske; sem rado-veden, če bo kaj povedal...

Stanko Pavlin mi je poslal kitajski časopis, kjer piše, da je škof Čin in škof Šja molil 'prvič po 1952. letu' za papeža in to javno. Je res korajžen, sicer pa kristjani radi molijo za papeža. Vsi upajo, da bo novi kardinal v Hong Kongu znal spraviti vse na prave tračnice s potrpežljivostjo.

Veselim se, da bo za Božič prišel v Ljubljano za zlato mašo naš g. Lenček iz Argentine.

Pravkar se je naš Zadržavec peljal na žalno slavje za tiste, ki so izginili nedolžno v tistih letih. Vedno glasneje se oglašajo glasovi za tiste, ki so izginili brez sledu...

Prav lepa hvala za vse in pele pozdrave S. Ferjan, g. Kvasu, g. Sodji in vsem drugim.

Vaš stari Mašenfu«

G. Majcen omenja, da je nedavno en južnovietnamski škof dobil dovoljenje posvetiti 10 diakonov v mašnike. Eden njegovih gojencev, da čaka kot diakon že 10 let in še ni prišel do mašništva. Njegov prijatelj pa je že tri leta diakon in še ni dosegel duhovništva.

Blagajnik Štefan Marolt

je 3. novembra sporočil, da so zadnje mesece v Clevelandu darovali naslednji dobrotniki(-ce): Neimenovani za vse \$5. Po \$10 ga. Veronika Gerič, Neimenovani in g. Lojze Bajc (v spomin Ivana Hočevarja). Po \$20 ga. Ivana Hirschegger, družina Jože Likozar, gdč. Tončka Cigale in Neimenovani, ga. Rose Bavec in ga. Mary Vrhovnik (za najbolj potrebne v misijonih).

Po \$25 je darovala družina Rudija Kneza (v spomin pok. Andreja Hirscheggerja). Po \$30 je darovala ga. Frances Gazvoda. Ga. Marija Goršek je žrtvovala \$50. Po \$100 so dali gdč. Marija Mlinar, za vse, in John in Angela Zupšek, za kopanje vodnjaka g. Emila Chiucha. Ga. Anica Hočevar, v spomin rajnega moža Ivana, \$150 za vse.

Neimenovana iz Clevelanda je darovala za vzdrževanje domačega bogoslovca \$250. Enako vsoto sta darovala v isti namen Anton in Anica Nemeč iz Clevelanda. Ga. Marija Ribič je žrtvovala za bogoslovsko vzdrževalnico \$300. G. France Mlinar iz Chicaga je dal \$300, od tega za s. Bogdano Kavčič \$100 in \$200 za vse. G. Frank Tominc je dal za vse \$300. Gdč. MaryAnn Mlinar \$300, od tega \$100 za s. Bogdano Kavčič, \$50 za Mrs. L. za tiskalni stroj in \$150 za vse.

Neimenovana iz Euclida je darovala \$350: \$150 za najbolj

potrebne misijonarje, \$150 za vzdrževanje domačega bogoslovca, in \$50 za sv. maše za rajnega Alojzija Staniša.

Ga. Francka Merela iz Euclida je dala \$250 za vzdrževanje domačega bogoslovca in \$200 v pomoč za vse. Skupaj \$450.

Neimenovana je darovala za vse \$1000.

Predsednica Mary Coffeltova iz Milwaukeeja je poslala od MZA piknika v juliju \$9018.71.

Za najbolj potrebne v misijonih je poslala Neimenovana družina iz Ontaria kan. \$150. Ga. Mary Kebe je darovala \$60 za svojega vzdrževanca duhovnika Feliksa Juma Mushi. Iz Lethbridga, Alberta, je poslala ga. Antonija Fylypczuk \$50, od tega \$30 za misijonarja Jožeta Grošlja, in \$20 za vse naše misijonarje in misijonarke.

Prejeli smo izčrpno poročilo o misijonski prireditvi v Minnesoti od MZA Gilbert in ga bomo kmalu objavili. Umril je tam naš sodelavec g. Avgust Kovač, mnogo let zvesta duša. Naj počiva v miru in Bog tolaži njegovo dobro ženo.

Izšla je nova številka »Misijonskih Obzorij« v Ljubljani.

Zlati jubilej redovništva slavita letos uršulinka Frančiška Novak v Tajski in brat Rafael Mrzel na Filipinih. Čestitamo!

Jezuit Stanko Rozman je bil nekaj časa na obisku v Torontu pri svojih znancih in prijateljih.

O MZA New York prireditvi za misijonsko nedeljo še nimamo poročila. Upamo, da bo kmalu možno kaj več o prireditvi objaviti.

G. Andrej Prebil popisuje svoje vtise o kratkem obisku v Sloveniji. Kako moramo vsak dan hvaliti Boga, da se lahko srečujemo, obiskujemo, kjer hočemo, prenočujemo in se nihče ne boji, da bo policija nad njim, če ne javi, da da komu čez noč zatočišče.

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Tržaška jezen

Na sinjem bregu lesk rdečih
streh,
ki vsaka se v jesenskem soncu
smeje.
Po paštnih sladkih smokev
polne veje
in zrelo grozdje že leži po tleh.
Kak širi se srce ob takih dneh,
ko da ga spet ljubezen nova
greje!
In kdor takrat v obiske k nam
prispeje,
pozdravljamo z radostjo ga
v očeh.
Smehlja se dobro lice
domaćinu,
ki, stopajoč pred hišo, pipo
tlači
in govori samo o novem vinu.
Od hiše sem diši po svinjski
krači...
Ta bo takrat ob svetem se
Martinu
delila vsem med litri in kolači.
Janko Samec

Povratnik Frank Milavec se zopet oglasil iz rodne Slovenije...

PEKRE, Slovenija - Take novice, kot so sedaj, niso dosti prida in še manj pa zanimive. Menda gre Jugoslavija res v pekel, kot je izjavil Janez Stanič v reviji Teleks. Menda ima kar prav, ker vse zgleda tako.

Res je neverjetno, da je Jugoslavija prišla tako nizko in v

Frank Milavec, ki se bliža svoji stoletnici, je povratnik iz Amerike v Slovenijo. Veliko let že dopisuje v Prosveto, glasilo SNPJ, le v zadnjem času pa piše bistro in samozavestno o tamkajšnjih razmerah. Tudi ta članek je izšel na Prosvetini edini slovenski strani in sicer ta teden (16. nov.). Iz dopisa je razvidno, da meni Milavec, da so ljudje jezni samo zaradi gmotnih razmer. Nima najmanjšega čuta za to, da bi sploh kaj šlo tudi za temeljne svoboščine, za demokratizacijo družbe same. Ker se sam za te osnovne prvine ne zanima, ne vidi te strani sedanje krize v Sloveniji in SFRJ. Če bi ljudem pač dali več jesti in malce razkošneje živeti, pa bi bilo težav konec. Njegova razlaga nedavnih vojvodinskih in črnogorskih dogodkov je čisto napačna, kljub temu pa je članek v celoti vreden kritičnega branja. Ur. A.D.

tako slab položaj, kot je sedaj. Ljudstvo je zelo nezadovoljno v teh kritičnih časih. Sprašuje se, kaj je vzrok tem težkim finančnim in življenjskim razmeram.

Ali je glavni vzrok komunistična vlada ali Kosovo, ki je nemirno že od vsega začetka. Seveda pa tem težavam botruje tudi visoka inflacija, ki je ne morejo ukrotiti.

Najhujše preglavice povzročajo Kosovo, ki se je že leta 81 uprlo in pričelo z velikimi demonstracijami, katere so izglasovali za kontrarevolucijo. V glavnem pa je kosovski narod zahteval le izboljšanje razmer.

Na Kosovu je tudi velika nezaposlenost, zraven pa še narodnostna nestrpnost in nezadovoljstvo med domačimi Albanci ter Srbi in Črnogorci na drugi strani. Vlada pa samo veliko govori, ne napravi pa dosti, da bi izboljšala stanje.

Tako se razmere vedno slabšajo, to pa je povzročilo veliko krizo. Komunisti se še premalo zavedajo, da bi kaj uredili in izboljšali ekonomsko stanje, da bi bil mir in da bi bili ljudje zadovoljni.

Mladini pa je vse to presedalo. Prvi so se dvignili mladi v Vojvodini, kjer so v Novem Sadu organizirali veliko demonstracijo, na kateri so zahtevali odstop vseh vojvodinskih voditeljev. Z demonstracijami so nadaljevali še naslednji dan.

Demonstranti so tudi zahtevali, da bi se na Kosovu spet uvedel mir. Dvignila se je tudi črnogorska mladina, ki je več dni še hujše demonstrirala in tudi zahtevala, da se na Kosovu uvedeta red in mir. (To je

povsem napačno. Demonstracije v Vojvodini in Črni gori so bile organizirane od Beograda, pod vodstvom srbskega vodje oz. »vožda« Miloševića. To je splošno znano in sprejeto, le Milavcu oz. tistemu, ki mu »popravlja« rokopis, ne Ur. A.D.)

To stanje je prebudilo komuniste po celi Jugoslaviji. Napovedana je bila 17. konferenca (plenum, op. ur. AD) CK ZKJ, na kateri naj bi sprejeli važne sklepe za ureditev najbolj perečih problemov, zato so od te konference vsi tudi veliko pričakovali in zahtevali.

Najprej naj se uredijo razmere na Kosovu, zatem naj se izboljša gospodarsko stanje in s tem življenjski pogoji za delovnega človeka. Jugoslavija se mora čimprej izvleči iz te velike krize, kar je življenjskega pomena za ves narod, saj so mnogi danes na robu preživetja.

Država je pač preveč zadolžena in dolgovi že sedaj ne more odplačevati. Nič čudnega, če je ljudstvo nezadovoljno in razdvojeno. Tu žive mnoge narodnosti in vsaka po svoje si hoče urejevati razmere. Vsi pa so nevoščljivi najbolj razviti Sloveniji.

Posebno Srbi, med temi tudi nekateri visoki komunisti, se vedno jezijo na Slovence. Očitajo jim, da s Slovenci ne pridejo na kraj, ker da so bolj samosvoji in trmasti. Slovenski komunisti da nočejo sprejeti njihovih predlogov, oni pa nočejo sprejeti slovenskih, čeprav so bolj koristni, vendar jim ti niso po volji.

Komunistov ne bom hvalil, ne enih, ne drugih, vendar lahko rečem, da so slovenski komunisti bolj koristni in gospodarni in tudi bolj odločni. Tako se jugoslovanske razmere slabšajo iz dneva v dan. Ljudstvo pa je v skrbeh in v strahu, kaj bo še prišlo.

Povsod veliko pomanjkanje življenjskih potrebščin, cene pa vsaki dan višje. Denar nima več nobene veljave in ljudje računajo že s starimi milijardami, ne pa z milijoni ali tisočaki, ki so pred leti še nekaj pomenili.

Nekaj bi le morali ukreniti, da bi vsaj denar imel nekaj veljave. Tako pa, če greš čez mejo, nimaš pravzaprav nič. Vse torej izgleda, da bo šla Jugoslavija še skozi težke čase, če se hoče izvleči iz te neznozne krize.

Ljudstvo pa mora vse potrpeti, kajti pot do izboljšanja bo še dolga in naporna. Tudi če se prične stanje izboljševati, bo vzelo dolgo časa, da se spet pride na zeleno vejo. Tudi če izmenjajo vse voditelje, tudi z novimi ne bodo dosegli novih uspehov kar čez noč, posebno ne takih, kot si jih narod želi.

Težko pričakovana 17. konferenca CK ZKJ ni torej prinesla kakih posebnih sprememb za izboljšanje gospodarskega in življen-

Zahvalni dan polka zabava

Gotovo je ena najbolj obiskanih letnih prireditev v širši clevelandski slovenski skupnosti tkim. »Zahvalni dan polka zabava«, ki jo sponzorira Cleveland Slovenian Radio Club, ki mu predseduje John Pestotnik. Letošnja prireditev je že 27. po vrsti in bo ravno na Zahvalnem dnevu prazniku (24. novembra), v avditoriju višje šole sv. Jožefa na E. 185 St. in Lake Shore Blvd. v Clevelandu. Pričela se bo ob 5.30 pop. in trajala do 1. ure zjutraj. Vstopnice so v predprodaji po \$6 na osebo pri Tony's Polka Village na 971 E. 185 St. Vstopnice bodo po \$6.50 pri vratih.

Polka zabava je v podporo radijskim oddajam Tonyja Petkovška. Poleg lokalnih ljubiteljev polke glasbe, bodo v Clevelandu prišli številni avtobusi iz Minnesote, Wisconsin, Michigana in drugih krajev. Razne zabave in prireditve bodo tudi 25. in 26. novembra. Naj jih na kratko opišemo.

Na osrednji polka zabavi 24. novembra bo sodelovalo skoro ducat polka ansamblov in godb, slovenskih in neslovenskih.

V petek, 25. novembra, bo od 1. ure dalje konvencija organizacije »Polka Music Clubs United« in sicer v SDD na Waterloo Rd.

V soboto, 26. novembra, se bo prvič za javnost predstavila nova »American Slovenian Polka Foundation«, ki domuje in ima v najem prostore v bivši Euclid Shore šoli na 291 E. 222 St. Ogledati si boste mogli razstavo o zgodovini polke glasbe v Clevelandu, ob 2.30 pop. pa se bo pričela v velikem in akustično izvrstnem avditoriju kulturna prireditev, na kateri bo sodelovalo več lokalnih pevskih zborov ter folklorna skupina Kres. Med programom bo omenjena polka ustanova sprejela v svoj »Hall of Fame« prvih pet članov. Ti so Frank Yankovic, Johnny Vadal in Walter Ostanek, ki bodo vsi navzoči in bodo nekaj svojih najbolj znanih melodij tudi zaigrali, ter že pok. Matt Hoyer in Johnny Pecon.

Vstopnice za to prireditev so po \$10 in jih imajo pri Tony's Polka Village, kajti je g. Petkovšek sam voditelj te polka ustanove. Letna članarina za

jskega položaja delovnega ljudstva. Delegati so na tajnih volitvah napravili presečenje in s tem vzbudili zanimanje po vsem svetu. Le en svetovni časopis je omenil, da Jugoslaviji grozi že državljanska vojna. (Te možnosti so omenili tudi nekateri visoki partijski funkcionarji v SFRJ in Sloveniji, op. ur. A.D.). Jugoslovanski komunisti pa pravijo, da ni strahu za to, da se bo že počasi uredilo kot je treba.

Drugič pa še kaj več o tem in upam, da bo tudi kaj boljših novic. Lep jesenski pozdrav vsem bralcem Prosvete.

Frank Milavec

ustanovo je \$12 na osebo, življenjska članarina pa znaša \$100. Ako želite o tej novi organizaciji, lahko pokličite Petkovškovo trgovino ali pa Mike Podboya na 261-6444.

Zadnja leta imajo v sklopu tega polka konec tedna tudi tkim. polka mašo. Tako bo tudi letos. Mašo bo daroval škof A. Edward Pevec in sicer v soboto, 26. novembra, ob 6. zvečer v prostorih Holiday Inn Holidrome na 28500 Euclid Ave. Po maši bo spet večerja s plesom in sicer od 7.30 do 11. zvečer. Vstopnice za slednjo so po \$12, zopet jih dobite pri Petkovškovi trgovini, kjer sicer lahko dobite tudi vso informacijo za katero zgoraj navedenih prireditev (tel. 481-7512).

Rudolph M. Susel

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25. — Slovenski dom na Holmes Ave. priredi Zahvalni dan večerjo. Igra Johnny Vadal orkester.

DECEMBER

4. — Pevski zbor Glasbena Matica priredi koncert v SND na St. Clair Ave. Pričetek ob 2h pop. Po koncertu večerja in ples. Igra Don Slogar orkester.

4. — Slov. šola pri Sv. Vidu priredi miklavževanje v farni dvorani. Pričetek ob 3h pop.

4. — S.K.D. Triglav, Milwaukee, priredi Miklavževanje.

4. — Slov. šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti priredi miklavževanje z opereto »Miklavž prihaja«, v šolski dvorani. Pričetek ob 3. pop.

9. — Slovensko ameriški kulturni svet prireja srečanje s škofom Pevcem na semenišču Borromeo.

18. — Društvo S.P.B. priredi božičnico, v dvorani pri Sv. Vidu. Pričetek ob 3. pop.

FEBRUAR

26. — Slov. šola pri Sv. Vidu postreže s kosilom v farni dvorani. Serviranje od 11.30 do 1.30 pop.

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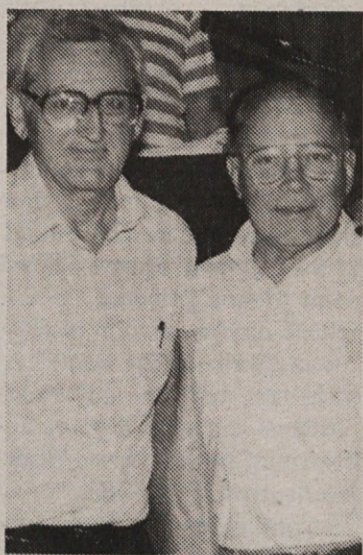
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The early Johnny Vadnal Orchestra features, left to right, Frankie, Johnny and Tony. The young accordionist learning the trade and following in his older brothers' footsteps is Richie Vadnal.

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The Neighborhood Code-Enforcement Partnership Program has surveyed over 300 homes in the North Collinwood area with the cooperation of St. Jerome's Catholic Church, Collinwood Community Services Center, the City of Cleveland Department of Building & Housing, Collinwood Village Development Corporation and Waterloo Trade & Development. This program is primarily a volunteer, neighbor-to-neighbor effort to better the

quality of our housing stock and commercial strips. It can and does work!

Summer jobs are available to our neighborhood youth through Youth Opportunities Unlimited, a privately-funded corporation. Our Christmas decorations for both Waterloo and Collinwood for this season promise to be the best ever.

Memberships are reasonable for both development corporations and open to all within our boundaries. Call Sarah Tranchito (531-6400) or Meg McGarry (531-1114)

The Waterloo Trade & Development Corporation is growing up. We are almost fifty members strong at this point in our history thanks to the efforts of a number of involved members and Sarah Tranchito. We are growing steadily and welcome residents, institutions, businesses and industry of all sizes and, of course, other tax-exempt organizations like ourselves.

In February of this year, we enjoyed a wonderful day showcasing the neighborhood at the Home & Flower Show. John Habat gathered an excellent display of our history for the walls of the booth. A number of our Italian residents brought a gorgeous display of pottery, hand-made lace, cut-work and glass.

Continuous entertainment was provided by Circle II Slovenian singers, a children's chorus, alternating with Murphy's Irish Dancers, the Junior Tamburitians (Croatian Dancers) and The Italian Chorus (adult singers). This gathered large crowds around our booth during almost the entire day. While people were there, we gave them information about what the two development corporations were doing, safety tips and treats, and much neighborhood information. Watch for us again this year!

This year's Festival held in July was a financial success and is highly regarded as one of the best neighborhood and family oriented festivals going. We have a lot of work to do to strengthen our own merchant involvement. We're all working toward this end. **Mark your calendars for July 20th thru July 23, 1989 for the next Waterloo Festival.**

Our storefront program has dispensed close to \$15,000 in the three commercial areas of E. 185th, St. Clair business strip, and the Waterloo commercial "T". This has generated over \$70,000 worth of improvements and more merchants are realizing the tremendous opportunity being offered.

On Tuesday, September 13th we took Lolly the Trolley and visited Midtown Corridor, The Flats, Detroit-Shoreway, Slavic Village, Ohio City and the Lakeside. Area Development Corporation to see the work of other development corporations. People from all segments of our community (institutions, businesses, residents, community groups, etc.) joined us for this adventure.

We soon realized the need for better storefront and street signage to attract people to our area. We're working to accomplish this goal now with input from a neighborhood artist.

We have an on-going safety program, in cooperation with the Cleveland Police Department, which includes Crime



Bert Kolar, president of the Waterloo Trade and Development Corp., of Fanny's Restaurant along with Ron Stakich of Stakich Furniture, show one of the 20 lighted Christmas trees which will be on display throughout the Waterloo business district during the Holiday Season. The 8-foot high trees are part of the \$7,000 spent on outdoor decorations for the area this year. Everyone is urged to come to the Waterloo area and see all the beautiful decorations.

Waterloo Trade & Development Corp. Promotes Area

by Bert Kolar

President The Waterloo Trade and Development Corporation had a great year. Paid memberships were up — meeting attendance was up — and awareness of the need to become involved in our projects improved.

The Waterloo Festival brought thousands of visitors to our neighborhood and helped us generate a profit once again.

Storefront renovation programs are moving ahead.

A signage project will be initiated to identify our area.

Christmas decorations have been purchased and will be installed by Thanksgiving. About \$7,000 will be spent on this project.

A coalition of neighborhood organizations will be suggested so that we may assist one another to head in the same direction.

All in all, we were very busy in 1988. We say thanks to each and every one of the volunteers who helped us on various projects throughout the year.

Special thanks to Club 32 for "Lighting a Pole" by purchasing an X-mas Decoration. That \$200 helped a lot. Also, Society Bank donated \$300.00 for a 40 foot long Holiday Greetings Banner that is at this moment being painted by talented Jeff Fortuna.

And to eight of our members who each donated \$120.00 for X-mas banners to be installed along Waterloo and E. 156 we give special thanks. They are Analytical Laboratories of Ohio, Crowley Lawn Service, Paulich Specialties, Stakich Furniture, Waterloo Eagle Market, McPhillips Plumbing, Pat Murphy and Associates, and Fanny's Restaurant. Thanks again one and all!



Y.O.U. (Youth Opportunities Unlimited) helps youth in our Waterloo area by providing employment in summer.



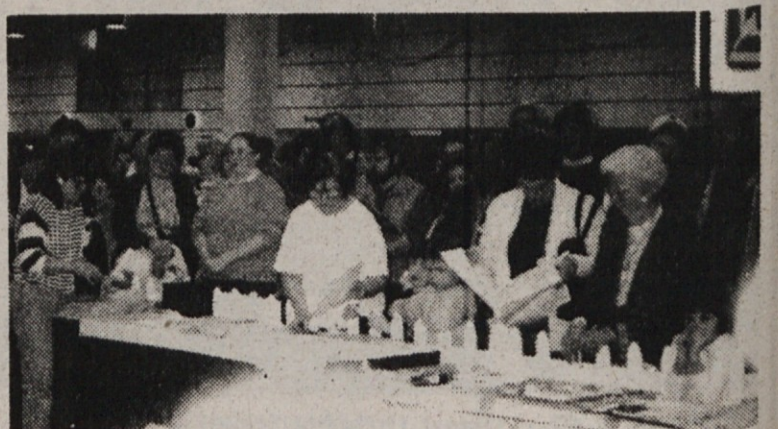
Next year's Summer Festival is July 20th thru July 23.



Murphy's Irish Dancers at the Home and Flower Show.



This area of Waterloo Rd. will be aglow with Christmas lights.



A big crowd visited our booth at Home and Flower Show.

Cleveland's Ward 11 'Aiming to be the Best'

by Michael D. Polensek
Cleveland City Councilman
Ward 11

The most important aspect of any city is the neighborhoods in which people live. Our Civic Vision is influenced by the businesses and housing that surround us. The very life of a city depends upon its housing stock and its local businesses. A well-maintained neighborhood attracts good homeowners and businesses, while a depressed one repels them.

A neighborhood must attract new home owners while at the same time keep its long-time committed residents.

The same holds true for businesses as well, and that is why Cleveland's Collinwood area is unique because we have initiated programs which are meant not only to stabilize our neighborhood housing stock and improve it; but also programs to enhance and help our local businesses.

The first being the Collinwood Neighborhood Partnership, which was funded through the Community Development Block Grant Program and my efforts which originated through a town hall meeting sponsored by St. Jerome's Catholic Church.

This program, in conjunction with the City of Cleveland's Building and Housing Division, will be walking through targeted areas of Ward 11 looking for housing code violations (such as peeling exterior paint, broken steps, junk cars, etc.).

Once the violations are found, the inspectors will work with the homeowners in trying to correct these problems. If the homeowners are in violation, they will receive a notice in the mail explaining the violation.

We are using volunteers from the community for these surveys and by using this type of approach, neighbors will be helping neighbors — working together to help make our ward a better place to live.

The Collinwood Neighborhood Partnership Program also helps to find absentee landlords who refuse to maintain their property so we can force them to put money back

into their properties.

Besides the C.N.P.P., we have other programs such as Free Weatherization, Low Interest Home Repair Loans — such as the 312 Loan or C.A.S.H. Loans — and the outstanding free Paint Program which has resulted in several hundred homes being painted in our community in just the last few years.

But, as we know, housing is only half of a neighborhood and we have been very fortunate to have outstanding commercial and business areas as well.

Take for example, East 185th Street, which we more commonly refer to as the Old World Plaza. Here we have seen a tremendous revitalization process take place which has resulted in East 185th Street being recognized as the best commercial strip within the City of Cleveland outside of the Downtown area.

The Old World Plaza Development Corporation, its officers and members have distinguished themselves by holding yearly the largest ethnic festival anywhere within Cuyahoga County. And now with the growth of the Collinwood Village

Development Corporation, which takes in the area north and south of St. Clair Avenue in the East Collinwood area, couples with the Waterloo Trade and Development Corporation — which encompasses the Historic Waterloo-Euclid Beach area — we have the makings of one of the finest business consortiums anywhere assembled in the City of Cleveland.

Within just the last year, we have seen many new businesses relocate and open in our community such as K-Mart and the New Euclid Beach Plaza which has added 30,000 square feet of new retail space to Lake Shore Boulevard. Just as we have attracted new retail businesses, we have also been successful in bringing in industrial concerns such as Moore Plastics and Burger Industries which is out of New Jersey.

In the future we plan to continue our Commercial Storefront Renovation Program which has resulted in many of our retail businesses having their storefronts completely renovated and will continue to emphasize the Collinwood Enterprise Zone which

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Councilman Mike Polensek rides his bike in area's parade.

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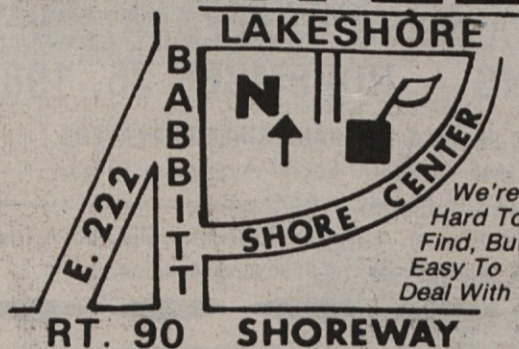
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— Polka Hall of Fame —

Schedule for Polka Hall of Fame Events

The American Slovenian Polka Foundation is getting set for the formal unveiling of the new Polka Hall of Fame at its headquarters, the Euclid Shore Civic Center, 291 East 222nd Street at Lake Shore Boulevard in Euclid, Ohio.

A day-long open house on Saturday, November 26, from noon till 6:00 p.m., will be climaxed by a spectacular stage production in the Civic Center's main auditorium beginning at 2:30 p.m.

The Premiere Grand Awards Presentation will honor five of the all-time great Cleveland-style artists including Frank Yankovic, Johnny Vadnal, the late Matt Hoyer and Johnny Pecon, and Canada's Walter Ostanek. The five were previously enshrined by the International Polka Association's Hall of Fame in Chicago.

The awards program will offer a great variety of Slovenian style talent including the colorful Kres Folk Dancers, the Fairport Button Accordion Ensemble, the United Slovenian Society Concert Band, plus the combined choruses of Zarja, Jadran, Glasbena Matica, and Fantje Na Vasi.

Following the introductions by celebrity-presenters, each of the Hall of Fame honorees or their relative-musicians will perform their most famous musical selections backed up by an all-star polka staff band.

The historical Hall of Fame display area on the main floor outside the auditorium will include illustrations of where the polka and this distinct style of ethnic music originated and has evolved.

There will be photos and illustrations of polka greats and great times, artifacts and memorabilia including the Slovenian cultural aspect, plus an on-going video presentation. Special themes will be established and featured from time to time.

Hours for the first month period (November 28 to December 30) for visiting the Hall of Fame in Room 150 will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 p.m. till 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. till noon with exception of December 24. Free admission.

Tickets for the gala awards show on November 26 in the theatre-style Euclid Civic Auditorium are available at Tony's Polka Village, 971 East 185th Street or by sending a check or \$10 per ticket made payable to American Slovenian Polka Foundation. Ticket information available at (216) 481-7512 or call Nancy Walden evenings at 382-8564.

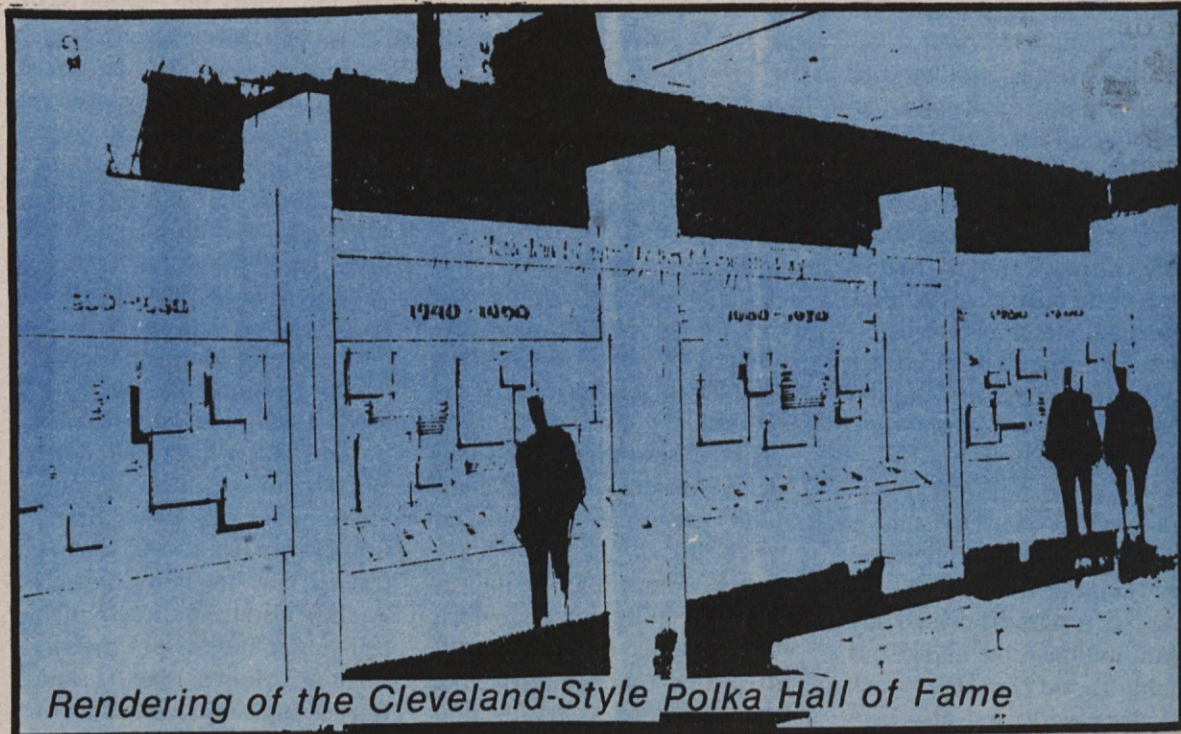
Donations and memberships are being accepted by the Polka Foundation in support of the Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame through Membership Chairman, Mike Podboy at (216) 261-6444. Checks may be made to the

American Slovenian Polka Foundation in care of the Euclid Civic Center, 291 East 222nd Street, Euclid, Ohio 44123. Founders Membership (special recognition) \$100; Life Membership \$100; and Regular Annual membership \$12. General donations and Memoriams are also gratefully accepted.

Be a part of our great polka-ethnic music history by supporting and especially attending opening festivities November 26!

Tony Petkovsek,
Chairman

Michael J. Podboy,
Membership Chairman



Rendering of the Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame

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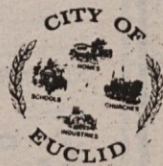
The week of Thanksgiving looks to be fun-filled for Polka lovers everywhere.

The Polka Hall of Fame will be celebrating their grand opening on Saturday, November 26th, at the Shore Civic Center, by having their premiere Grand Awards Show, along with a spectacular stage production. The event is certain to not only be a proud day for the Polka Foundation, but also for the Shore Civic Center, who is proud to be the home of the Polka Hall of Fame.

The Shore Civic Center, a former high school, has great plans of becoming a well recognized home for the performing arts, civic, and cultural events. Its 1200 seat Auditorium is said to have the finest acoustics in the area.

Be sure to mark Saturday, November 26th, 2:30 P.M. on your calendar. It will be a polka event you will not to miss.

Lisa Petsanis, Manager
 Shore Civic Center



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November, 1988

Dear Citizens of Northeast Ohio:

The great City of Euclid is proud to be the home of the National Polka Hall of Fame. Euclid has always been proud of its great ethnic heritage and those members of our community who work so tirelessly to preserve it. Now, with the Polka Hall of Fame located at the Euclid Civic Centre, we have tangible evidence of our community's strong commitment to the richness of cultural traditions. The City of Euclid is also pleased to have the Hall of Fame because of what it means to the success of the Euclid Civic Centre. With an organization such as the Hall of Fame serving as such a firm anchor association, other groups are now attracted to utilize the Civic Centre for their own activities. This has helped to enhance the Civic Centre's reputation as a place for cultural and artistic expression.

I want to personally thank Hall of Fame Chairman Tony Petkovsek for his energetic and professional hand in establishment of the Polka Hall of Fame in Euclid. Never before has so much been done by one man in the interests of educating, enlightening, and entertaining citizens in a way that protects and promotes ethnic culture.

May God be with you, Polka Hall of Fame. The City of Euclid is behind you and is proud to add its efforts to assure your success.

Sincerely,

David M. Lynch
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A Note from

MR. FRANK YANKOVIC

From the desk of:

Frank Yankovic
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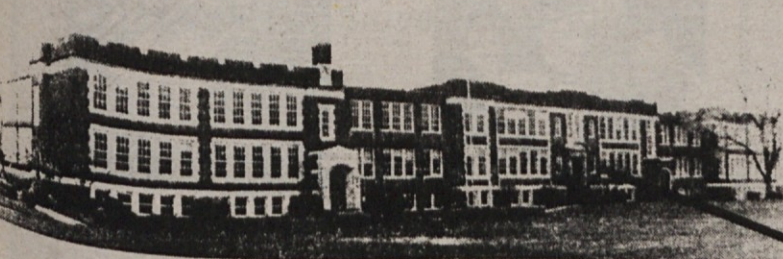
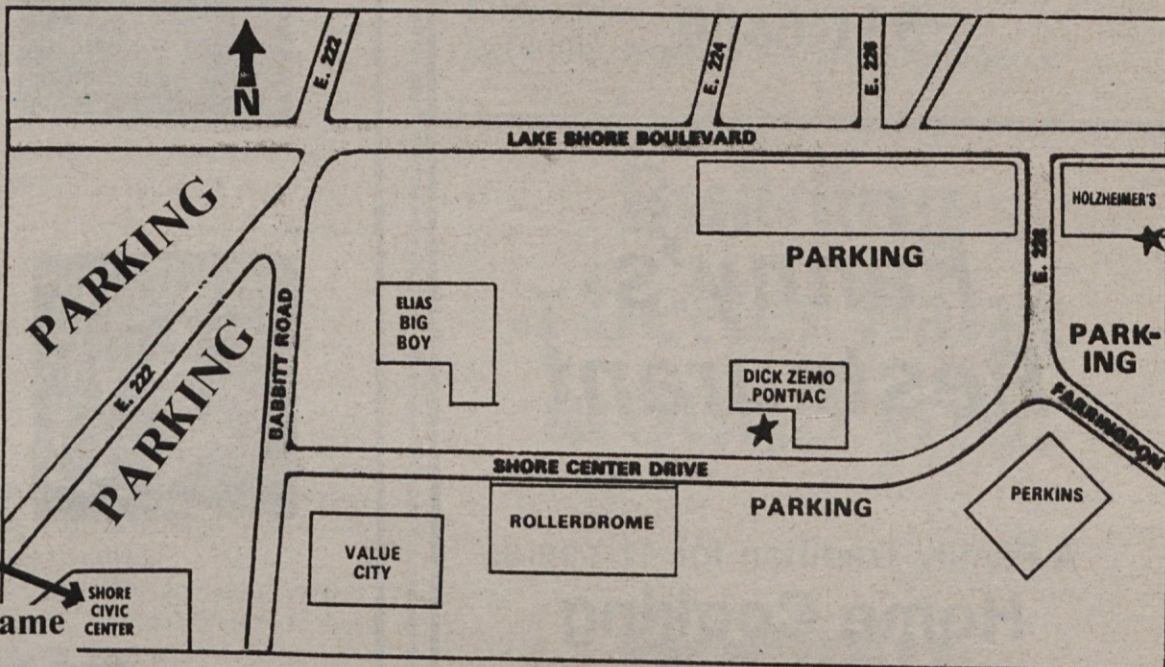
Having played the accordion, promoting polka music, Cleveland style, for the past 58 years, and although I was the first to be inducted into the IPA Polka Hall of Fame and first inductee into the Ironworld USA Polka Hall of Fame and the first to receive the highest honor by winning the Grammy in 1986 for the polka industry, I graciously accept this honor.

I have been honored in many cities and states throughout this great land of ours but to finally see that the people of Cleveland, where I first began, have recognized what I have tried to do to promote polka music, gives me a great deal of satisfaction.

I only hope our younger generation will try to continue what I have started for the polka music and they too will be an inspiration to others as I hope I have been.

—Frankie Yankovic

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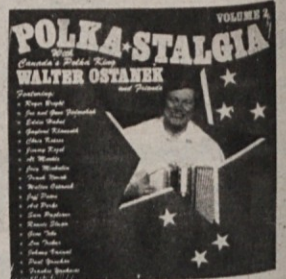
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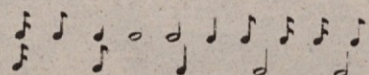


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Matt, in addition to mastery
of the accordion, was also a
humorist and was sometimes
called the Slovenian Will
Rogers. In the early years,
homesick immigrants were
buoyed by his witty remarks
and musical offerings.
Because of his talents, Matt
was always at ease when at-
tending weddings, socials and
other doings.

When his brothers Frank and
Eddie left Cleveland to live in
New Orleans and California,
Matt Hoyer secured two new
sidemen, his son Teddy Hoyer
and Frank Culovec on the
banjo-guitar.

In gleaning over the list of
Hoyer's recordings, it is evi-
dent all the songs are of a
similar theme, about life in the
villages of Slovenia. The
musical is lively and melodic,
full of clarity and happy
rhythms.

The Hoyer Trio, pioneers of
Slovenian polkas and waltzes
in America are worthy of
recognition for all their enor-
mous contributions in the do-
main of Slovenian folk music.
Brothers Matt, Frank and Ed-
die Hoyer were the vanguard
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Slovenian Americans, for this
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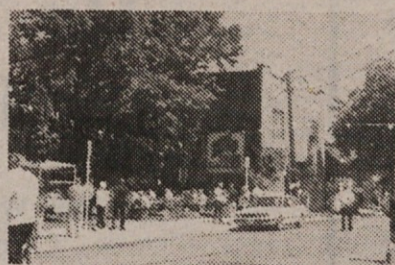
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Main Honorees for 1989 will be Mary Blatnik and John E. Habat.

The 10th Special Edition Tabloid will be published by the American Home Publishing Co. For related stories the theme this year is "Slovenian Homes and Slovenian Families." If interested in writing an article for the edition, send it to your Board of Directors of your favorite Home or directly to the American Home, 6117 St. Clair Ave., 44103. Final deadline is Feb. 20. All material must be in the printer's hands by that date. There will be no exception.

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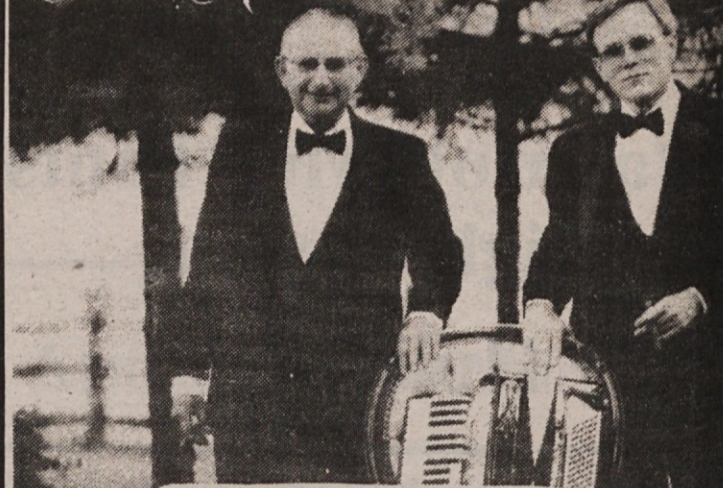
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