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# THE AMERICAN HOME

DEADLINE FOR ALL COPY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

## SLOVENE MARINE KILLED IN SOLOMONS

The family of Mrs. Ana Grdanc, 5520 Carry Ave., was notified by the War Department that Pfc. Albert A. Grdanc, a Marine on the Guadalcanal Island was killed in action. He volunteered, joining the Marines on Jan. 12, 1942. His last furlough was on Mother's Day, visiting his mother and five sisters and one brother. He was only 22 years old and our former newspaper carrier. We wish to express our sympathy to the bereaved family.



"LIFE IN THE ARMY"

Dear Editor, November 22, 1942

After a short delay in writing these articles on "Life in the Army," I am with you again saying HELLO and GREETINGS to all.

**Recreation:**

Continuing on recreation here at the base. Here is a week's entertainment on the base. Monday is a community sing night, Tuesday is given to bingo games, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday is set aside for basketball games which have just begun. Saturday is open night as most of the soldiers go into town for entertainment. On Sunday entertainment is given by the soldiers and entertainers from town. On Thursday evening also is shopping night as the stores are open late and this gives the men a chance to buy items.

**Religion:**

In the way of religion we have another mass added to our Sunday services. This mass is said at 5 p. m. We also have Novenas on Tuesday and evening services on Sunday night. All these services give every Catholic a chance to attend mass every Sunday as they are said at different times through the day, so there is no reason for anyone missing mass.

**Open House:**

One of the highlights on the base was the "Open House" that was held on Sunday, Oct. 4th. The base was open for inspection to the public as it was closed until this occasion. Many people came to visit the base and it was estimated that over 60,000 persons attended open house. Many came by automobiles and the line extended eight miles into the square of town. On this occasion we had dress review and every available man was present. All in all it was a big day for the base. Then again on November 8, the base was open for inspection as many persons were unable to gain entrance to the base the previous time and so we held open house again for our friends of Nebraska.

**Duty:**

As you all know that wherever you work, there are certain jobs that persons must do and it is the same here at the base. Men are assigned to certain duties, some take care of the squadrons, others the offices on the base, some act as cooks, firemen of squadrons, and ever so many other positions that must keep a large organization going at all times of the day. I have been assigned to work in the Base Personnel Office in the Payroll Section where we make the payrolls for the men on this base and believe me this is an important job as one takes a great responsibility in making out a payroll. Although this work is a big responsibility, I enjoy it

through the greatest agony of his agonized history. Perhaps 100,000 of our people in this country have already died in guerrilla warfare and under Nazi-Fascist "technique of population." It is not impossible that 250,000 will die in the next winter. These are horrible figures when we remember that there are in the world together fewer than 1,500,000 Slovenians. It is not impossible that if war lasts into 1945, which is at least a possibility, half of the population of Slovenia will have perished before the war is over. I suggest that we ponder this terrible and begin to think in terms of action in reference to the horrible facts, probabilities and possibilities. We Slovenian Americans will have to contribute large sums of money to post-war reconstruction of Slovenia. Many of us will have to sacrifice our personal futures.

2. As it appears from Slovenian reports emanating from Slovenia the Slovenian people are caught in an intense political process, which has at least two important aspects. One is an amazing and heroic resistance of our people against the Axis; the other is drastic ideological

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## WEDDING BELLS

Today at 10:30 a. m. at St. Mary's Church, Eleanor Yanchar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yanchar of 16309 Parkgrove Ave., will be married to Pvt. Henry Gulich of 19508 Kewawac Ave. Friends and relatives are invited to attend the mass.

On Thanksgiving Day, a marriage was celebrated at St. Vitus Church uniting Miss Ana Gibbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gibbs, 1199 Norwood Rd., to Mr. Albert Wolk, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Wolk of 560 E. 114 St.

Last Saturday, at St. Lawrence Church, Miss Angela Kondek and Pvt. Edward Planinsek were united in marriage. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Planinsek of 3581 E. 78 St.

Miss Pauline Suhadolnik and Mr. Henry Pungchar were married on Thanksgiving Day at St. Mary's Church in Collinwood. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Anne Suhadolnik of 1226 E. 169 St.

Another wedding celebrated at St. Mary's Church on Thanksgiving Day was that of Mr. Frank Kromar and Josephine Drobnic. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Frances Drobnic of 15504 Holmes Ave.

Still another wedding at the same place and the same day was that of Mr. Ray Benicar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Benicar of 1205 E. 177 St. and Miss Violet Hubbard.

We extend best wishes for a happy marriage to all the couples.

**ARMY NEWS**

The following boys were called by Draft Board No. 24: Rudolph Kojancic, Andrew Dobrinich, Louis Dezelan, Frank Kacar and John Oster. For the Navy, the following signed up: Frank Germ, Alexander Knaus, James Laznik, Joseph Novinc, and Edward Liepold. Good luck and a safe return!

Anton Palcic, son of Mr. and Mrs. Palcic, 6716 Bonna Ave., left on Nov. 2nd for the army. He wishes to thank his friends for farewells and gifts.

Last week, Edward Jaksic left for the Navy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jaksic, 1414 E. 53 St. Since he did not have time to say good-bye to all his friends, he does so here-with.

Ten day furloughs were granted to Cyril Zalar (of Great Lakes), son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Zalar, 1384 E. 171 St., and Pvt. Rudolph Smolic of 1231 Addison Rd., home from Camp Perry, Ohio.

A former ball-player for Bartunek Clothes, Max Ajnik, son of Mrs. Angela Ajnik of 9603 Prince Ave., left for Camp Perry on Nov. 28.

Albert Oker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oker of 441 E. 157 St., was home for a few days from Great Lakes, Ill.

Congratulations to Emil R. Cerkenik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Cerkenik, 14606 Lake Shore Blvd., who has been promoted to Pfc. after two months of service at Fort Warren, Wyo. At present he is attending an Ordnance school at San Antonio, Texas. His address is: Pfc. Emil R. Cerkenik, Co. K, Barracks 151, Normoye Motor Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Pvt. Frank Gorse, accompanied by his wife, the former Mollie Ogrinc of 209th St., was at home on furlough this week from Ft. Benning, Ga. He is the son of the Gorse family of 982 E. 207 St.

Also on furlough this week from Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., was Corp. John Sajovic of 209 St., and Jimmie Luzar, older son of the Luzar family in Euclid, Ohio.

Mike Stradiot, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stradiot, of 10209 Reno Ave., left Nov. 14

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**ST. VITUS**

**Soldiers Addresses Wanted**

Each young man of St. Vitus Parish, who is serving in some branch of the armed forces, will be sent a Christmas remembrance from his church. In order to insure early delivery, it will be necessary to mail these out next week.

Therefore, each family having a son, brother, etc., in the Army, Navy, Marines or Coast Guard, is kindly asked to hand in his FULL NAME and ADDRESS, RANK, etc. by this Sunday, Nov. 29th. Several attempts have been made to compile a list of this type, but incomplete addresses will not suffice. If you wish YOUR BOY to be remembered, please comply with this request AT ONCE.

**Sodality News**

The St. Vitus Sodality is holding their meeting Tuesday evening, December 1, at 8 p.m., and we are requesting that all members who can possibly do so, to attend, as we are going to pack boxes and send them to the boys who are in the service and we need co-operation from all the girls.

The members are also asked if they would bring down some goodies to help fill the boxes, either cookies, candy, gum, marshmallows, etc.

If any of the girls can't attend the meeting, but would like to donate something toward the boxes, have some one bring it down to the school Tuesday evening or deliver it to the prefect during the day.

Hope to see all of the Sodality members Tuesday evening!

Mary Luznar, Publicity Chairman.

**Engagement**

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hegler of 1096 E. 72 St., announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela, to Mr. Albera Lascola, of 5708 Clark Ave., who just left for the army.

## "The Big Little Mistake"

Yes, every American born Slovene must read the article "The Big Little Mistake," reprinted from the diplomatic magazine, "The New Europe," written by a Slovene K. Z. Kovac. It will explain you the importance of Slovenia, homeland of your parents, for the world's permanent peace, especially for peace in Europe. You will better understand this present war and the last war. It does not cost you anything. Just send a 3 cent stamp for every copy you order for postage to Rev. K. Zakrajsek, 1400 Quincy St. N. E., Washington, D. C. and you will get it.

Read it yourselves and give it to your American friends. They will read it with interest. Send a copy to your Senator, Congressman, Mayor, to every editor of the local papers. They ought to read it. Who don't want any more wars! Well, give justice to little Slovenia, too! In last world war they did not. They made a "big little mistake."

## BIRTHS

A baby girl was born to Cpl. and Mrs. Steve L. Kainec, of 4835 Green Road, Arrensville Heights, Ohio. The mother's maiden name was Annette Turk.

On Nov. 15th, the stork stopped in Lorain with an 8 lb. baby boy, their first, for Mr. and Mrs. William Eisenhardt. The proud daddy is in the service in Colorado.

An 8 lb. baby boy was born at St. Ann's Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Jerman. The mother is the former Frances Grdanc.

A happy event occurred when a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene March of 665 E. 163 St., as this is their first. Mother and baby are doing well at Glenville Hospital. The mother's maiden name is Marie Benevol.

Congratulations to all the proud parents!

## DEATH NOTICES

Barta, Joseph — Husband of Antonia, father of Joseph, Frances Voska, Anna and Dorothy. Residence at 15807 Waterloo Rd.

Brancel, Frank S. — Husband of Anne (nee Glinsek), father of Monica Ann and Donna Marie, son of Frank and Frances Brancel, brother of John, Rudolph, Frances Cerar and Mildred. Residence at 1246 E. 59 St.

Cimperman, Frank — Husband of Rozina (nee Peterlin), father of Anthony, Ludwig, Frank, Mary and Amalia Strnad. Residence at 1315 E. 55 St.

Fabec, Anthony — Husband of Louise (nee Planinsek), father of Anthony, Stanley, Josephine, Frances, son of Anthony and Frances. Residence at 901 Rudyard Rd.

Grdanc, Pfc. Albert A. — Son of Mrs. Anna Grdanc, brother of Mary Cizil, Frances Jerman, Sophie Volcansk, Margaret Grdanc, Stephanie Mlac and John. Residence at 5520 Carry Ave.

Kendzinski, Robert — newborn son of Frank and Mary Kendzinski, (nee Benich), 1005 E. 78 St.

Kofal, August — Husband of Mary (nee Kadunc), father of Pvt. August, Rose Hofart, Edward, John and Jacob. Residence at 1553 E. 41 St.

Prhne, Joseph — Husband of Mary, brother of Louis and Josephine Perpar. Residence at 14810 Hale Ave.

Tomšic, Ivana — Wife of Anton, mother of Anton, Joseph, Jennie, and Frank. Residence at 864 E. 230 St.

## NEWBURG NEWS

Yes! Tomorrow it will be a year, From whence my column did appear, So as my "Anniversary Revue" I present: This "little" treat for you.

At the close of a year it is customary to recall past events. I have, therefore, chosen the following as the "Big Ten" of the year. (These, however, need not rate the opinion of the reader.)

**THE OUTSTANDING ...**

1. DANCE: The St. Ann's Bowlerettes Dance on February 14, 1942.
2. CONCERT: Crick's Gala Reunion Concert on November 15, 1942.
3. CEREMONY: Dedication of the St. Lawrence Servicemen's Honor Roll.
4. PERFORMANCE: "Home"

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## CONCERNING THE CONGRESS

By Louis Adamic

A number of Slovenian Americans living in various parts of the United States, most of them in Cleveland, have written requesting an expression of my views concerning the current plans for the Slovenian National Congress, which is scheduled to be held in Cleveland on December 5th and 6th. I take the means of replying to them on the assumption that they may have some slight interest for others.

I personally haven't had much to do so far with the plans for the Congress, but I am in general agreement with what I know of them. Mr. Vincent Cankar has asked me to be chairman of referat No. 1, which is "war and the American Slovenes." I feel honored to have been selected for this function; and I am willing to serve in it, provided I can perform it on December 5th, as on the 6th I am obliged to lecture in Boston and in New York. These engagements for December 6th were made for me several months ago, before I knew the Slovenian Congress would be held on that date. I am very sorry about this, as I should like to have attended the whole of the Congress.

The Congress may turn out to be of great importance. Since I have been asked for my views concerning it, both by people who are leaders of Slovenian Americans and by people who, like myself, are not especially prominent in the affairs of Slovenian immigration, I take the liberty to put forth the following points which I think should be borne in mind by those attending the meetings:

1. Our native land is going

## Attention, Home Owners in 23rd Ward

The 23rd Ward is faced with a very vital problem today because there was laxity in the past when factories classed as heavy industrial businesses had been established here and have gained a foothold in our community, we have learned a lesson whereby a whole community may be ruined on that account. Let me quote here one instance, a heavy industrial will purchase a plot of land at or near a top figure for a bait. When gaining that foothold, many other property owners are forced to sell at any meager price in that particular vicinity or go on living in a home which ordinarily should be a haven and a place to rest, to suffer extreme hardship.

These concerns might argue, that we are behind the times, being unpatriotic, etc., to this I might add that the 23rd Ward has always been known as one of the outstanding centers of this city for their improvements, places of business, community homes, schools, churches, banks, etc. These all stand out prominently in this area. It is also known to be one of the best in maintaining law and order and many of their boys have left to do their share for Uncle Sam in this war and the folks at home are also enduring extreme hardships amid the nerve wracking noises expelling from heavy industrials both day and night. Just imagine coming home to rest after toiling long hours on defense work. Truly, on that score alone, we can safely say that we are patriotic. On Thursday, November 5, 1942, there was a public hearing for property owners before the City Planning Commission in Room 217, City Hall, concerning the proposal for the changing to a commercial district that part of the first industrial district north of St. Clair Ave. N. E.

Now, what I am trying to obtain this proposal which is to our merit, we must have a hearing and representation at the hearings. At the previous hearing on Thursday, November 5, 1942, I am glad to say it was fairly good and at a near hearing date there will be another hearing on this proposal. I think that if we attend with such great force to fill the tire meeting room and even in the corridor that we will be in a very good position to obtain our end. Letters will be sent.

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