



Doma in po svetu

— PREGLED NAJVAŽNEJŠIH DOGODKOV —

Bushova administracija pripravlja obsežen paket gospodarske pomoči za Poljsko — Volitve na Poljskem bodo 4. junija

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Prihodnji ponedeljek bo predsednik George Bush prišel v Detroit, Michigan, in govoril na zborovanju ameriških Poljakov o obsežnem paketu gospodarske pomoči, ki naj bi jo ZDA odobrile Poljski. Celoten paket pomoči bi prinesel Poljski več kot milijardo dolarjev, vendar pod pogojem, da Poljska izvede obsežne, temeljite gospodarske reforme. Bush je reagiral po zgodovinskem sporazumu, doseženem med poljskim režimom in delavskim gibanjem Solidarnostjo 5. aprila. Po tem sporazumu bo Solidarnost zopet legalizirana — zadnjih sedem let deluje namreč v ilegali —, ustanovljen bo novi 100-članski senat, katerega članstva bo izvoljeno na svobodnih volitvah, v spodnjem domu parlamenta, v Sejmu, bodo pa opozicijske stranke kandidirale za največ 35 odstotkov vseh 460 sedežev. Dalje, na Poljskem bodo volitve za predsednika Poljske, ki bo imel 6-letni mandat. Predsednik bo izvoljen od obeh domov parlamenta, zato je skoro gotovo, da bo ta prvi predsednik gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, čeprav je Lech Walesa, voditelj Solidarnosti, dejal, da bo morda tudi on kandidiral za predsednika Poljske, če že ne letos, v šestih letih.

V Beli hiši poudarjajo, da bo ameriška gospodarska pomoč odobrena samo pod strogimi pogoji. ZDA bodo zahtevale, da Poljska sprejema reforme, ki bodo vodile k tržni ekonomiji s cenami, ki jih določa trg in ne politika. Upanje je, da bi take reforme vodile Poljsko tudi proti resnično demokratični ureditvi. Kar ZDA ne želijo, poudarjajo v Beli hiši, je, da bi ameriška pomoč samo krila izgube sedanjega gospodarskega sistema na Poljskem. Bush bo v svojem detroit-skem govoru prosil tudi za sodelovanje zahodnoevropskih držav in finančnih ustanov pri posredovanju pomoči Poljski.

Kong. Jim Wright bo obtožen nepravilnosti v finančnem poslovanju — Njegovo mesto kot vodja kongresnih demokratov ogrožen

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Včeraj je na tiskovni konferenci dejal kong. Jim Wright, ki vodi demokratsko večino v spodnjem kongresnem domu, da se bo odločno branil zoper trditve o nepravilnem privatnem finančnem poslovanju. Poseben odbor za etična vprašanja spodnjega doma je namreč v zadnjih mesecih vodil preiskavo glede Wrighta, vse pa kaže, da bo ta odbor prihodnji teden objavil poročilo, v katerem bo trdil, da je Wright res nepravilno — ne pa nezakonito — izkoristil svoje zelo vplivno mesto za osebni dobiček.

Wright je rekel včeraj, da je prepričan o svoji nedolžnosti in pozval odbor, naj hitro konča s svojim delom, da se bo lahko branil. Wright je zelo vpliven kongresnik, ni pa posebno priljubljen med svojimi kolegi, zato so mnogi demokrati v skrbeh, da bodo njegove težave stranki škodovali. Nekateri so nezadovoljni z Wrightovim vodstvom in bi jim ne bilo žal, če bi moral Wright celo odstopiti. Njegov naslednik bi namreč bil po vsej verjetnosti 60-letni washingtonski kongresnik Tom Foley, ki je spretnejši v javnih nastopih. Republikanci celo želijo, da bi Wright ostal demokratski vodja, ker bi ga tako lahko uporabljali kot simbol demokratske dvoličnosti v svoj prid. Politični komentatorji so deljenega mnenja, ali bo Wright mogel krizo preživeti in si obdržati svoje mesto.

Soglašajo pa, da je afera zelo škodovala njegovemu osebnemu ugledu in s tem tudi njegovemu vplivu.

Zvezni kongres odobril kompromis o podpiranju kontras, ki je sprejemljiv Beli hiši — 50 milijonov dolarjev za eno leto

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Oba doma Kongresa sta včeraj odobrila zakonski osnutek, ki vsebuje 49,7 milijona dolarjev nevojaške pomoči za nikaragveške kontras v prihodnjem letu. Denar bo uporabljen za hrano, zdravila, obleke in druge nevojaške potrebe kontras, nikakor ne pa za vojaško opremo, strelivo in orožje. Včerašnje glasovanje pomeni kompromis, dosežen med demokratskim vodstvom v obeh kongresnih domovih in Belo hišo. Predsednik Bush si zelo prizadeva za tkim. »nestrankarsko« politiko do Srednje Amerike. Dejstvo, da bodo ZDA še podpirale kontras bo znak sandinističnemu komunističnemu režimu v Nikaragvi, da mora izpolnjevati od njega že sprejete obljube za demokratične reforme, pravijo v Beli hiši.

Gruzinsko glavno mesto Tbilisi pod vojaško zasedbo — Kremeljsko vodstvo obljublja preiskavo glede vzrokov izgrediv

MOSKVA, ZSSR — V južni sovjetski republiki Gruziji, kjer so bile ta teden krvavi spopadi pod nacionalističnimi demonstranti in vojaškimi enotami, je policijska ura prinesla zasilen red in mir. V spopadih je bilo po uradnih vesteh ubitih 19 Gruzincev. Vojski naj bi pretepali demonstrante tudi z vojaškimi lopatami. Predstavnik za tisk sovjetskega zunanjega ministra Gennadi Gerasimov je dejal na tiskovni konferenci, da bo sovjetska vlada preiskala vzroke za spopad. Nikakor bi ne smeli vojaki imeti takih lopat, je rekel Gerasimov. Povelje za ukrepe zopet demonstrante je prišlo od gruzinskega vodstva in ne iz Moskve, je povedal Gerasimov. Načelnik gruzinske komunistične partije je že podal ostavko, odstavljeni bodo tudi mnogi drugi gruzinski voditelji.

Da je sovjetsko vodstvo resno zaskrbljeno nad dogodki v Gruziji priča dejstvo, da sta še v republiki zunanji minister Edvard Ševardnadze, sam Gruzinec, in Georgi P. Razumovski; oba sta člana najvišjega vodstva ZSSR.

— Kratke vesti —

Washington, D.C. — Včeraj je končal večdnevno pričevanje o svoji vlogi v Iran-kontra zadevi polk. Oliver North. Med pričevanjem je bil prisiljen priznati, da je večkrat lagal kongresnim preiskovalcem in drugim, da je uničil pomembne dokumente, s težavo je odgovarjal na vprašanja, ali je prisvojil za lastno uporabo nekaj denarja, ki bi moral iti kontras gibanju. Northova usoda je v rokah porote.

Moskva, ZSSR — V pomoti so sirijski helikopterji streljali z raketami na dve sovjetski bojni ladji. V napadu je bilo ranjenih sedem mornarjev. Sirija se je za pomoto opravičila.

Jeruzalem, Iz. — Izraelski vojaki so prišli v palestinsko vas in v spopadu s tamkajšnjimi prebivalci jih štiri ubili. Izraelsko vojaško poveljstvo je obljubilo preiskavo.

Laramie, Wyo. — V Wyomingu se pripravljajo za posebne kongresne volitve, ki bodo 26. aprila. Zanimivo je, da vodi demokratski kandidat, 38-letni John Vinich, ki je srbskega rodu.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Korotan vabi na koncert—

Pevski zbor Korotan vabi na koncert, ki bo v soboto, 22. aprila, v Slov. narodnem domu na St. Clairju. Začetek ob 7h zvečer. Igra Alpski sekret. Vstopnina \$6. Vstopnice imajo člani zbora ali pa lahko pokličete Mary Nemeč na 481-0024.

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Včeraj smo bili obveščeni po telefonu iz stare celine, da so oblasti v Ljubljani zaplenili zadnjo številko mladinske revije »Mladine«, ki bi morali iziti danes, in sicer zaradi uvodniškega članka »To Hell With You«, ki je močno kritiziral vlogo tkim. Jugoslovanske ljudske armade. Menda so pri »Mladini« končno le šli predaleč.

Kosilo—

V nedeljo, 23. aprila, od 12. do 6. zv. bodo pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd. servirali dobro kosilo z govejo pečenko. Nakaznice boste lahko dobili pri vhodu. Kosilo stane \$6 (otroke \$3.50).

Novi grobovi

Edward R. Hocevar

V sredo, 12. aprila, je v Euclid Meridian bolnišnici umrl 66 let stari Edward R. Hocevar, živeč v Euclidu, rojen v Clevelandu, mož Ruth P. (roj. Penschock), oče Ruth Lindner, Dorothy Gaebelin, Janice Oros, Sandre Owen, Edwarda ml., Johna in Glorie Vitello, 11-krat stari oče, brat že pok. Franka in Frances Jerina, zaposlen kot mesar pri Cimpermanovi mesnici na Norwood Rd. Pogreb bo iz Grdina-Cosic zavoda na 28890 Chardon Rd. v ponedeljek, 17. aprila, v cerkev sv. Roberta dop. ob 10. in od tam na Kalvarijo. Na mrtvaškem odru bo jutri in v nedeljo pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

Jennie Tonejc

V četrtek, 13. aprila, je v Slovenskem domu za ostarele po dolgi bolezni umrla 97 let stara Jennie Tonejc, rojena v Dolgi Poljani, Slovenija, od koder je prišla v ZDA 1. 1915, vdova po Andrewu, mati Daniela (pok.) in Leona, 2-krat stara mati, 1-krat prastara mati, vsi bratje in sestre so že pok., živeča več kot 50 let na Bliss Ave., zaposlena kot kuharica pri nekdanji Šornovi restavraciji 15 let, članica ADZ št. 4 in Maccabees. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. jutri, v soboto, v cerkev sv. Vida dop. ob 9.30 in od tam na Kalvarijo. Na mrtvaškem odru bo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9. Darovi v pokojničin spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele bodo s hvaležnostjo sprejeti.

Letna prodaja peciva—

To soboto in nedeljo bo pri Sv. Vidu prodaja peciva in sicer v soboto od 3. pop. do 6.30 zv. v društveni sobi, v nedeljo pa v avditoriju od 8. zj. do 1. pop. V nedeljo bodo po vseh mašah servirali zajtrk s klobasicami in jajci. Cena \$3.50 za odrasle in \$2 za otroke. To soboto bo tudi prodaja krofov ob navadnem času. Pridite!

Razstava ročnih del—

Društvo sv. Jožefa št. 169 KSKJ vabi na razstavo ročnih del, ki bo v nedeljo, 23. aprila, od 9. dop. do 2. pop. v Baragovi dvorani pri Mariji Vnebovzeti na Holmes Ave. Za več informacije, kličite Jennie Tuma na 944-5083.

Pismo uredniku—

Mišljen je urednik Cleveland Plain Dealerja. V današnji številki je objavljeno zelo dobro pismo o stanju v šentklerski naselbini, ki ga je napisala ga. Bernice Krumhansl.

Letna seja—

Sinoči je imel Slovensko ameriški kulturni svet svoje letno sejo in sicer v Laurichevi sobi Slovenskega doma za ostarele. Izvoljeni za naslednje leto so bili: Preds., dr. Karl B. Bonutti; podpreds. Ann Opeka; tajnica, Dana Lobe Leonard; blagajnik, James Logar. Po letni seji je govoril župan George V. Voinovich o raznih programih, ki so v zadnjih letih pomagali severovzhodni predel Clevelanda, kjer sam živi. Odgovarjal je na razna vprašanja in se zadržal nekaj časa za osebne pomenke z navzočimi. Nič ni hotel reči o svojih načrtih, oziroma ali bo zopet kandidiral za župana ali za guvernerja Ohia.

Dvorana na razpolago—

Grdina-Cosic zavod na Chardon Rd. obvešča našo skupnost, da ima brezplačno na razpolago sejne sobe za naše organizacije.

Kosilo—

V nedeljo, 30. aprila, bo v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave. kosilo v korist Slovenskega doma za ostarele. Kosilo sponzorirata fara Marija Vnebovzeta in direktorij SDO. Vstopnice so po \$10 (\$5 za otroke) in jih imajo v župnišču, pri SDO, Tony's Polka Village, pisarni Am. Domovine, in vsi člani direktorija SNO.

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Komentar...

Kosovo kot pretveza

Se pred nekaj leti se je zdelo, da so jugoslovanske težave predvsem gospodarske narave in da bo državo z nekaj prenovami mogoče spet usposobiti za »polno delovanje«. Zdaj, ko grozi nič manj kot razkroj, postaja jasno, da gre za splet globokih notranjih protislovij, ki ga lahko začne razpletati le globalna, tako rekoč svetovnonazorska preureditev družbe.

Po časopisnih poročilih je žarišče sedanje jugoslovanske drame Kosovo, kar pa še ne pomeni, da je tudi dejanska središčna točka prepletajočih se težav. Mnogi tuji opazovalci so namreč Jugoslavijo še pred kratkim prepričevali, da se bo pač moralo privaditi živeti s kosovskim problemom in ga reševati v sklopu političnega in predvsem gospodarskega preurejanja države. Pri tem pa so očitno prezrli tevtenske razlike, ki so se začele porajati v jugoslovanski notranjepolitični produkciji. Kako preurediti državo, predvsem v smislu teritorialno-politične zasnove ter svetovnonazorskega profila, je postalo vprašanje, ki ne ločuje le posameznih »idejnih struj«, temveč je tudi polje faktučnega boja za oblast.

Zdaj je verjetno že povsem jasno, da je tako imenovana dogmatska linija, ki jo pooseblja srbski partijski voditelj Slobodan Milošević, kosovski problem zlorabila za svoje strateške politične poteze. Pri tem ji niso nasledili le vsi najvišji zvezni organi, ampak tudi v »nasprotnem taboru« še le zdaj počasi doumevajo, da so se pustili speljati na led. Medtem ko je Srbija dosegla, da Kosovo obravnavajo kot jugoslovanski problem, sama na tem svojem ozemlju ni naredila praktično nič, vendar politične račune pridno pošilja drugim.

Kosovski nacionalni problem so spretno uporabili najprej za »diferenciacijo« v ožji Srbiji, potem za naskok na Vojvodino in »naravno zavezništvo« Črno goro, zdaj pa je to še vedno ključno orožje proti nasprotnemu taboru. Gre predvsem za Slovenijo in Hrvaško, ki glede prihodnosti Jugoslavije izpričujejo vse bolj liberalne poglede, pri čemer se Slovenija že odkrito spogleduje z vrednotami zahodnoevropskih parlamentarnih demokracij. Toda medtem ko ta liberalna koalicija govori o političnem pluralizmu in v jugoslovanskih razmerah celo o sožitju različnih političnih modelov, je Miloševićev štab organiziral svoje rdečegardiste, ki so že sprožili nekakšno kulturno revolucijo na jugoslovanski način, čeprav je to »dogajanje ljudstva« mogoče tudi drugače poimenovati.

Toda medtem ko so ti jurišni oddelki v prvem obdobju uspeli organizirati množice predvsem s »solidarnostjo s Srbi in Črnogorci na Kosovu« in s socialno demagogijo, zdaj nič več ne skrivajo, da gre pravzaprav za boj za oblast. Srbska uradna politika, ki je doslej vsaj javno nastopala kot partner, s katerim naj bi se vendarle bilo mogoče tudi spo-

DRAMATSKO DRUŠTVO LILIJA

obhajalo svojo 70-letnico z veseloigro »Težke ribe«

CLEVELAND, O. - V Clevelandu je tekom let delovalo več slovenskih dramskih društev in igralskih družin. Ko je bila kulturna dejavnost med nami na višku, smo imeli ob koncu tednov velikokrat priložnost izbire med odrskimi nastopi. Ti časi so na žalost minili. Od dramskih društev je ostala dejavno edino »Lilija«, ki je letos dosegla že častljivo starost 70 let.

V proslavitev te visoke obletnice je društvo pripravilo veseloigro v treh dejanjih »Težke ribe« in jo preteklo nedeljo popoldne podalo na odru Slovenskega doma na Holmes Avenue. Slovenska radio oddaja »Pesmi in melodije iz naše lepe Slovenije« ter list Ameriška Domovina sta vneto vabila na to prireditev, k nastopu žive slovenske besede.

Občinstvo se je odzvalo v velikem številu, dvorana je bila tako zasedena, da so morali nekateri slediti igri stoje, ker je zmanjkalo sedežev. Poleg številnih starih znancev in znank je bilo tudi veliko novih, mladih ljudi. Dvorana je odmevala od veselega smeha tako med igro kot med odmori.

Pred začetkom predstave je Matija Grdadolnik v imenu Lilije pozdravil goste, spregovoril o 70-letnici obstoja dramskega društva Lilije in predstavil od treh še živečih ustanovnih članov in članic Louisa Jerkiča in Ivanko Batič. Tončka Tradiot žal ni mogla priti.

Veseloigro »Težke ribe« je napisal Mihael Balucki. V slovenščino jo je prevedel Josip Debevec, najstarejši brat pokojnega urednika Ameriške Domovine Jakoba Debevca. Dogaja se v »starih dobrih ča-

sih«, je zapisano na vabilih, po vsem sodeč nekje v zadnjih desetletjih prejšnjega stoletja.

V prvem dejanju se nam predstavijo Onufrin Zaplotski (Srečko Gaser), njegova žena Doroteja (Lenka Misinas), njun sluga Filip (Mitja Pavlovič), »kapitalist« Vistovski (Janez Tominc) in sodni svetnik Pagatovič (Marko Jakomin). Brzjavka sporoči, da pride domov k Zaplotskim njuna vnukinja Vanda (Marta Stefančič), ko je v zavodu, kjer vzgajajo in šolajo mlada dekleta, izbruhnila škrlatinka. Stari Vistovski pravi svojemu tovarišu Pagatoviču, s katerim in s starim Zaplotskim redno vsako popoldne igrajo tarok, da ga ne bo več k Zaplotskim, ko bo tam mlada Vanda. Boji se, da bi ga utegnili kot »težko ribo« (bogataša) uloviti za ženo Vandi. Oba stara samca se odločita, da se ne bosta dala speljati, ampak bosta trdno čuvala svojo »zlato svobodo«.

Vanda pripelje s seboj svojo prijateljico Heleno (Vera Maršič) in obe se naglo in spretno približata starima samcema, ki si domišljata, da se brhki dekleti zanimata za nju. V kratkem se stara »zagrizena« samca navdušita za Vando in Heleno in si vtepeta v glavo, da sta dekleti vanju zaljubljeni. Iz zaljubljenosti se prebudita v resničnost, ko Vanda pripravi starega Vistovskega do izjave, da nima nič proti njej, da je naravnost navdušen zanjo, narkar mu pove, da ona ljubi njegovega nečaka Henrika (Peter Dragar), svojega učitelja glasbe v vzgojnem zavodu, in ko Burcinski (Florijan Osredkar), Helenin oče, da Pagatoviču denar, da bi kupil za njegovo hčerko svilo za obleko na Dunaju, kamor se odpravlja, pa je odhod odložil na ljubezni-

vo, pristrčno prizadevanje Heleno.

Igro je režiral Srečko Gaser, ki je sam tudi igral eno od glavnih vlog. Srečko je znan kot sposoben režiser in dober, spreten igralec. Tudi tokrat se je odlično izkazal in žel obilo priznanja.

Dogajanje na odru je potekalo gladko brez zastojev in zadreg. Igralci in igralke so bili v svojih nastopih prirodni in prepričljivi. Doroteja je bila posebno dobra v prizorih prerekanja z možem. Njen celoten nastop je kazal, da je na odru doma. Prikupni in naravno prepričljivi sta bili Vanda

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Dr. Anton Kovačič — papeški prelat



WASHINGTON, D.C. - Slovenski duhovnik v Severni Karolini, dr. Anton Kovačič je med šestimi novimi monsignorji, ki jih je imenoval sv. oče za škofijo Charlotte v Severni Karolini.

Msgr. Kovačič je po rodu iz Bizelskega v lavantinski škofiji. Klasično gimnazijo je študiral v Mariboru, filozofijo in teologijo pa na papeški univerzi Propaganda Fide v Rimu, kjer je bil posvečen za duhovnika leta 1947. V Združene države je prišel julija 1951. Od tedaj deluje ves čas v Severni Karolini, najprej kot kaplan na dveh in nato kot župnik na devetih farah.

Med svojim dolgoletnim dušnopastirskim delom je zgradil cerkev, cerkveno dvorano, prenovil farno šolo, bil kurat v veteranski bolnišnici, in dve leti dekan. Od leta 1979 je direktor stalnih diakonov, Škofijski svetnik in član škofijskega duhovnega sveta, pet let pa je bil tudi škofijski duhovni vodja gibanja laikov Corsillo. Zadnja tri leta in pol je župnik fare Kraljice Apostolov v Belmontu.

Novemu slovenskemu prelatu iskreno čestitamo in želimo mnogo božjega blagoslova in zdravja pri njegovem delu v Vinogradu Gospodovem. Vi-sokega imenovanja so še posebej veseli njegovi slovenski prijatelji v Washingtonu, pri katerih se rad ustavi, kadar obiše Slovensko kapelo.

Slovesna investitura novega prelata je bila 6. aprila v katedrali Sv. Patricka v Charlotte, na 42. obletnici njegovega mašniškega posvečenja.

Prijatelj

razumevati, po zadnjih dogodkih nič več ne skriva, da bi bilo pravzaprav treba »osvoboditi« tudi Bosno in Hercegovino, Hrvaško in Slovenijo. Ker takšno »osvobajanje« utegne pomeniti tudi razpad Jugoslavije, lahko sklepamo, da strategiji sedanjega preurejanja Jugoslavije računajo, da bodo v ustreznem trenutku dobili podporo vojske in zveznega aparata.

Srbsko politično vodstvo morebiti niti ni imelo tako visokih ciljev, ko je krenilo v to pustolovščino, vendar se zdaj, ko so množice na ulici, ne more več ustaviti. Vsekakor pa je jasno, da se bo utrdilo na oblasti le, če bo začelo zares uresničevati znova porajajoče se sanje o veliki Srbiji, v kateri naj bi poleg vsega vladala še socialna pravičnost. To bo Milošević v sedanjem razmerju sil v Jugoslaviji lahko dosegel samo s politično zmago nad Slovenijo in Hrvaško ali pa tako, da bo z njima sklenil nekakšen zgodovinski kompromis. Marsikaj namreč govori, da srbskemu partijskemu šefu slovenski liberalizem vendarle ni tako nesimpatičen, vendar je v domačih razmerah očitno podlegel Mussolinijevi iluziji, da je mogoče po avtoritarni poti priti do socializma.

Znano je, da Evropa ne gleda ravno z navdušenjem na dogajanja v Jugoslaviji, ki so po svojem bistvu retrogradna in ki grozijo v tem delu dolgoročno ustvariti nestabilnost. Toda Milošević očitno računa, da bo po sorazmerno kratkem obdobju notranjih pretresov v Jugoslaviji, ko bo uresničeval svoj scenarij, vzel oblast v svoje roke, »stabiliziral razmere«, potem pa Evropi pokazal prijaznejši, bolj demokratičen obraz. Ker ta od Jugoslavije pričakuje predvsem stabilno politično in gospodarsko partnerstvo, naj bi mu bilo sedanje, »neevropsko« divjanje njegovih jurišnih oddelkov kmalu pozabljeno.

Bomo videli.

Boris Jež (Naša Slovenija, marec 1989)

Ellis Island, A Return to Its Former Splendor

Thanks to Edward A. Seitz, secretary of the Cleveland Club in Washington, D.C., for submitting the article about Ellis Island. Mr. Seitz was recently honored by the Cleveland Club. In 1904 his family settled around St. Vitus Church on Bonna Ave. His neighbors were Ulcars, Lemons, Znidarsic and Ogrinc. In 1926 they moved to Collinwood. In 1941 Ed joined the Air Force and retired as a Colonel years later.

He helped start the Cleveland Club in 1957 and a few months back was at a luncheon with fellow Slovenians Frank Lausche and John Blatnik. Of Lausche (now 93), Seitz says, "How he keeps driving beats me all to blazes."

Ellis Island, the first stop for millions of immigrants once they reached America, is being restored after 30 years of neglect. Twenty million private citizens have donated money to convert the main building into a museum honoring its historic significance.

A symbol of American freedom and opportunity, abandoned for 30 years and left to rot in the middle of New York Harbor just a few hundred yards north of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island is rising again, restored to its 1918-1924 magnificence by the donations of 20 million private citizens.

"It's not a job anymore. It's an honor," says Patrick King, a New Jersey metal lathe worker employed for the \$140 million restoration. His father arrived at Ellis Island from Ireland in 1904, his mother in 1911. "It's quite an opportunity and quite an experience for me. I never felt this way before, but I can almost feel energy from the millions and millions of people who walked through here with this anxiety and this hope, with \$2 suits and \$1 million desires in their hearts, just to be a part of America. I have more admiration for their courage than I can put into words."

Some 17 million of the 24 million immigrants who came to the United States from 1892 to 1954, the largest migration in modern history, disembarked at Ellis Island. Their 100 million descendants now make up roughly 40 percent of all living Americans.

The island's 230,000-square

foot French Renaissance building, part of a massive immigration processing complex, began in 1892 and closed in 1954, had by 1982 fallen into total disrepair. Thieves had stolen nearly everything of value, including the building's four copper domes, its furniture and many of its lighting fixtures.

"The first time I saw Ellis Island on the Circle Line (boat tour), I saw that it was a beautiful building," says Parviz Mehran, an Iranian-born project manager for the restoration, who was just naturalized in a special ceremony on the island. He noticed that the roof was damaged and asked what the building was and why it was not being used. "They told me it's Ellis Island," he says.

"The first day I started work, when I went through the building, I really wanted to cry, because I saw the history was in ruins." It took an entire year just to dry out the buildings when the restoration got underway in 1984.

The project, which will convert the main building to a museum while saving or recreating its original details, is being funded entirely by private donations, under the aegis of the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation in New York City. Created at the behest of President Reagan in 1982 for the purpose of saving the two monuments, the foundation has raised \$315 million of the \$320 million needed, overseen construction and planned the centennial celebrations of each monument. Chaired by Lee Iacocca, the foundation finished the restoration of the Statue of Liberty two years ago.

"There's not a single cent of government money in here," says Stephen Briganti, foundation president. The money came "from corporations, from foundations and from corporate sponsors," he says, "but mostly it came from the American people." Direct-mail donations provided about \$80 million, while 200 groups, such as the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Elks, mobilized their memberships to raise some \$30 million.

Visitors to the restored island will disembark from a ferry just as the immigrants did, following the same path as they make their way through 100,000 square feet of exhibit space chronicling the history of American immigration.

The majestic Great Hall, where thousands of newcomers stood in line each day before inspectors, the Manhattan skyline on one side and the Statue of Liberty on the other, will remain exhibit-free, containing only a few of the original benches and desks. "You can just come here," says Briganti, "and imagine the process that your ancestors went through."

Amid all the decay, the Great Hall's barrel-vault ceiling was found remarkably intact. Built in 1916 by Gustavino Bros., which also constructed the ceiling in New York's Grand Central Terminal, the structure rises 58 feet and contains 28,000 tiles. Each one was checked. Only twelve needed replacing. Amazing.

The museum will be the third-largest in New York; the restoration itself is the largest of its kind to be undertaken in the United States, rivaling the restorations of the Versailles Palace in France and the Hermitage in Leningrad. This is only fitting, since Ellis Island was built to impress. "And it is impressive," says Briganti. "We built grand buildings in those days. Think of the great railroad terminals, think of Grand Central. We were a fledgling country, growing great, growing big, and we built grand buildings."

The island itself was not always so grand. It began as a 3 1/2 acre mudbank owned by New York merchant Samuel Ellis, who ran a tavern on the spot for fishermen. Eventually it wound up in the hands of the federal government, serving as an arsenal during the War of 1812. It became an immigration facility in 1892 and was expanded to 27 acres by fill from the New York City subway tunnels and ballast from the immigration ships.

At its height the facility processed about 5,000 immigrants a day, each spending about five hours there.

Though only 2 percent of the immigrants were sent back home, many were unaware how good their chances of admission were. All were steerage passengers, poor, many illiterate even in their native languages. For many this was not just their first trip abroad, but their first venture outside their native town.

One-third of those admitted proceeded to New York City; the many charitable immigrant assistance groups there aided those needing help. The other

two-thirds headed for the huge railroad terminus in Jersey City and from there across the country, Italians to California vineyards, Scandinavians to the farms of the Midwest, Welsh to the mines of Pennsylvania, Irish to the cities of the Eastern seaboard.

Congress in 1924 imposed national origin quotas. Numbers were for the first time limited to 164,000 annually, a fraction of the 1907 peak of 1,004,756. The Depression and World War II reinforced the shrinkage.

The airplane finally removed any further need for the Ellis Island facility.

The museum will chronicle not only the Ellis Island migration, but also the entire 400-year history of immigration to America, including the forced migration of slaves.

One of the most urgent tasks facing the foundation was to record more than 200 oral histories of Ellis Island arrivals still alive. These oral histories will be on video display. Another exhibit will show how the newcomers' languages altered American English. A library of books, manuscripts and photographs will be available to scholars. Ellis Island will become, says Briganti, "an incredible history lesson."

To raise the remaining \$5 million to complete the restoration, the foundation is constructing a permanent "American Immigration Wall of Honor." For donations of \$100 or more, anyone can place on the wall a family name or the name of an ancestor, along with the country of origin. More than 30,000 names have been entered so far.

The restoration was scheduled for completion by the 1992 centennial, but fund-raising and construction is way ahead of schedule, so the opening has been moved forward to the fall of 1989.

Carolyn Lockhead
on Ellis Island

Shrine Opens Sunday, May 7

The Shrine and Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, 21281 Chardon Rd., Euclid, invites all parishes, schools, Catholic organizations and various lay groups to visit the Shrine this year.

Opening day will be on Sunday, May 7. The Reverend Theodore Marszal, STD, Rector of the Diocesan Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, will officiate. Extra Masses will be scheduled to accommodate the crowds usually attending opening day ceremonies.

During the pilgrimage season, the St. Ann Dining Room will be open to the general public on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For any other day, reservations for 100 or more are required for dinner in the Dining Room.

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Bake Sale

St. Vitus Parish Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, April 15 and Sunday, April 16 in the auditorium after all Masses.

St. Clair Pensioners Dinner April 23

On Sunday, April 23 the St. Clair Pensioners Club will celebrate its 27th anniversary with a dinner in the lower hall of the Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Ave.

Everyone, members or friends, are invited to help celebrate by coming to the "Chicken and Roast Pork Dinner" which will be prepared by Milka Krulc and her staff. Included will be soup and dessert.

Doors open at 1 p.m., with serving from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The social will continue until 5 p.m. For tickets call Stan (The Man) Frank at 391-9761.

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Recent Deaths

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MARY SUSEL

Mary Susel (nee Valencic), 79, passed away in San Fernando, Calif. at Holy Cross Hospital.

She was the mother of William (Calif.), sister of Ivana Kopec, Olga Valencic, and the following of Slovenia: Paul Valencic, Franc Valencic, Paula Uglesic and Ludvika Sedmak, and the following deceased of Slovenia Francek and Stanislava.

She was a member of SNPJ Lodge No. 28.

Family received friends at the Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Ave. Mass was Saturday morning at St. Vitus Church, interment in All Souls Cemetery.

MARY GRIVITZ

Mary Grivitz (nee Klancar), 81, wife of the late John, mother of Dolores Cosic and mother-in-law of Paul Cosic, grandmother of Dan, Diana Curtin, Mariana, Linda, Paula Schmid, Paul Jr., Svetlana and Darlene (dec.). She was great-grandmother of eight, sister of Stefi, Neska, Silva (all of Yugoslavia), Albina (of France), and the following deceased: Stanko and Paula.

Funeral Mass was Tuesday, April 11 from St. Vitus Church. Family received friends at the Grdina-Cosic Funeral Home, 28890 Chardon Rd. (between Bishop and Rt. 91). Interment in All Souls Cemetery.

FRANK STRNAD

Frank Strnad, 74, a lifetime resident of Geneva, Ohio, passed away in the Med-Care Nursing Center in Ashtabula on Thursday, April 6.

Mr. Strnad was born in Cleveland. He was a retired truck driver/chauffeur.

He was the brother of Vincent (Avon Lake), Albena Pankuch, Elizabeth Desmont and the following deceased: William, Marie Berchak, Justine Strnad and Anthony.

Friends were received at the Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Mass was at St. Mary church and burial in Calvary Cemetery.

ANNA GERM

Anna Germ (nee Zdovec), 94, passed away in Schaumburg, Illinois on Thursday, April 6th.

Anna was born in Yugoslavia and was a former resident of Cleveland. She was a lifetime member of Maccabees and one of the original founders of the Slovenian National Home.

Anna was the widow of John, the mother of Anne Germ and John (wife, Mary), grandmother of seven, great-grandmother of six.

Friends called at the Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Mass was at St. Mary Church and burial in All Souls Cemetery.

MARY B. SILA

Mary B. Sila (nee Brate), 91, former resident of Euclid, now residing with her daughter Victoria Gruden in Millersburg, Ohio, died in Wooster Community Hospital on Monday, April 3rd after a long illness.

Mary was born in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia on Sept. 6, 1897. She came to Cleveland in 1916 and lived in Euclid from 1960 through 1979.

She was a member of Modern Crusaders Lodge 45 of AMLA and SNPJ Lodge 147.

She was the widow of Andrew, the mother of Victoria Gruden and Andrew, and grandmother of four, great-grandmother of three, sister of Frank (dec.), and Fannie and Terezia (both of Yugoslavia).

Visitation was at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St., burial in Lake View Cemetery.

ERNESTINE TONN

Ernestine Tonn (nee Humar), 77, a lifetime resident of Collinwood died Saturday, April 8th in Euclid Meridia Hospital.

Ernestine was born in Trieste. She came to Cleveland in 1912. She was a 50 year member of AMLA Lodge 8.

Ernestine was the widow of Arthur, the mother of Arthur and Richard (Atlanta) and Shirley; grandmother of Deborah Misch, Tony Tonn and Angela Tonn, sister of Alice Gersper, Antoinette Frlaesgarden (dec.), Marie Burns.

Private funeral services were held Monday with burial in All Souls Cemetery. Zele Funeral Service.

LOUIS DULAR

Louis Dular, 89, a resident of Groveswood Ave. in Cleveland for 37 years, died Friday, April 7 in the Slovene Home for the Aged. Louis was born in Moronog, Yugoslavia and came to Cleveland in 1920.

Mr. Dular was a retired cabinet maker who worked through the Carpenters Union, retiring in 1979. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of WWII.

He was the son of Joseph and Alojzija (nee Bulc) (both dec.) the brother of Fani Sabec and Paula Zupancic (both of Slov.), uncle and great uncle and dear friend of Robert and Olga Lappin (Kirtland).

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 11 at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery. Contributions to the Slovene Home for the Aged in his memory would be appreciated by the family.

FRANK BERKOPEC

Frank Berkopec, 74, a 39 year resident of Euclid, passed away in Gateway on East 200 St. on Friday, April 7.

Mr. Berkopec was born in Cleveland June 11, 1914, the son of the late Frank and Anna (nee Hrovat). He was a supervisor from 1948 to 1956 at Warner and Swasey, and 23 years with Erickson Tool. He retired in 1979.

He was a member of SNPJ Lodge 5, and the Retirees Club of Warner and Swasey, and

Erickson Tool. He was part of the committee which arranged the 50 year reunion for East High School's Class of 1932.

Mr. Berkopec was the husband of Jane (nee Andolek) (Jane was the Past President of Slovenian Women's Union Branch 50 and the Ursuline Mothers Club). He was the father of Frank D. (Janet) of Fairview Park, Janice Krebs (Michael) Euclid, and Sr. Marie Joanne (OSU) (Elaine), grandfather of Deirdre, Cecily, Heather, Frank Geoffrey Berkopec, Theresa and Heidi Krebs, brother of Mary (May) Turk (Euclid), George (Cleveland) and Joseph and Ann Muhic (both dec.).

Friends were received at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. where services were held Tuesday, April 11 and at Holy Cross Church. Interment in All Souls Cemetery.

JACOB TERCEK

Jacob Tercek, 80, died Friday, April 7 at the Willoughby Manor Care Nursing Home.

Jacob was born in Cleveland, the son of Jacob and Mary (nee Turk) (both dec.).

He was retired from Pesco Products where he was employed as a laboratory technician. He was a former resident of Parma Heights.

He was the husband of the late Eleanora (nee Raymond), brother of Mary Hoge (dec.), Frances Seresteny, Angela (Alice) Galante and Josephine Fiddes (Tucson, Az.), uncle and great-uncle.

Friends were received at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. where services were Monday, April 10 and at Holy Cross Church. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery.

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MARY FRANK

Mary Frank (nee Gustincic), age 97, born in Yugoslavia, passed away March 21. She was the wife of the late Martin, mother of Mary Sustarsic, (husband John dec.), Martin (wife Helen) and John (dec.) (wife Viola), grandmother of Mary Ann Frey, Virginia Sustarsic, Theresa Turner and Jack Frank, great-grandmother of eight, sister of Joseph, Frank and Tony, and Sr. Malka, all deceased.

She was a member of the St. Clair Pensioners Club, AMLA Lodge 50, Slovenian Womens Union of America and SNPJ Lodge 139.

Friends were received at the Grdina-Cosic Funeral Home, 1053 E. 62 nd.

EDWARD R. HOCEVAR

Edward R. Hocevar, 66 passed away at Euclid Meridia Hospital Wednesday, April 12.

He was a meat cutter for many years at Cimperman's Market on Norwood Rd. Mr. Hocevar was born in the St. Clair area 66 years ago. He resided in Euclid with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth P. (nee Penshock), and their children Ruth Lindner, Dorothy Gaebelin, Janice Oros, Sandra Owen, Edward Jr., John and Gloria Vitello. He had 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Frank, and his sister, Frances Jerina.

Family will receive friends at the Grdina-Cosic Funeral Home, 28890 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills on Saturday between 2-4 and 7-9, and on Sunday 2-4 and 7-9. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday from St. Roberts Church, 23802 Lake Shore Blvd. Interment in Calvary Cemetery.

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Coming Events

Saturday, April 15

Ridgewood, N.Y. — Slovenian Festival at St. Matthias School Auditorium, 58-15 Catalpa Ave., Ridgewood, Queens. Concert beginning at 6:45 p.m., dance at 8:45 p.m. Featured are "Soca" dance group from Hamilton, Ont., "Veseli Pomurci" orchestra, and mezzo-soprano Bernarda Fink from Argentina. St. Cyril Slovenian Chorus will also entertain. For tickets call (212) 674-3442.

Sunday, April 16

Sausage and Eggs Breakfast after all Masses at St. Vitus Church in St. Vitus Hall sponsored by St. Vitus parish in conjunction with the bake sale. Donation \$3.50.

Sunday, April 16

Slovenian National Home, Stanley Ave., Maple Hts. Second Annual Button Box Festival from 2 to 9 p.m. Tickets \$4.

Saturday, April 22

Korotan Concert, 7 p.m., Slovenian National Home, St. Clair. Tickets \$6.00.

Saturday, April 22

Jadran Singing Society Spring Concert, Dinner, Dance at the Slovenian Home, Waterloo Rd. Eddie Rodick Orchestra. \$13.00 donation. Tickets from any member, at the SWH Clubroom bar, Tony's Polka Village or by calling either Angie Zabjek 531-3979 or Florence Unetich 481-0830.

Saturday, April 22

Board of Directors of Collinwood Slovenian Home, Dinner-Dance honoring man and woman of the year.

Sunday, April 23

St. Clair Pensioners Annual Dinner and Social, lower hall of St. Clair Slov. National Home, 6417 St. Clair Ave. Serving from 1 to 3 p.m., social to 5 p.m.

Sunday, May 14

Mothers Day Smoked Sausages Dinner at St. Vitus auditorium from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Music by Don Slogar duet. Tickets \$5 for adults, \$3 children at 531-7887 or at the door.

Sunday, June 4

Friends of Slovenian Home on St. Clair Brunch from 11:30 until 2 p.m. combined with musical entertainment.

Fri., Sat., Sun., June 9, 10, 11

Weekend Festival celebrating 10th anniversary of Tony Klepec Orchestra. Friday at Sterles Country House, Saturday at St. Clair Slovenian Home, Sunday at AMLA Recreation Center. For information call Tony Klepec (216) 539-4762 or Tony's Polka Village, 481-7512.

Fri., Sat., Sun., July 14, 15, 16
St. Vitus Summer Festival.

Janez Drnovsek Elected Slovenian Member of Yugoslav Presidency

Janez Drnovsek, who is 39, was elected as Slovenia's new representative to Yugoslavia's Presidency earlier this month. He will succeed Stane Dolanc, whose term has expired.

Yugoslavia has a collective presidency. Each of the six republics is entitled to send one representative to this body. The republics are: Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia and Bosnia-Herzegovina. Also, each of the autonomous provinces, Kosovo and Vojvodina, sends a representative. The head of the Communist Party is also a member. Each year the office of President of the Federal Presidency rotates according to a system by which each republic and each province has its member become president, in turn. The changeover takes place in mid-May.

The current "President" of Yugoslavia is Raif Dizdarevic, who is from Bosnia-Herzegovina. His term will expire May 16. At that time the representative of Slovenia, the newly-elected Drnovsek, will become President of Yugoslavia and will serve until May 15, 1990.

It is important for those who try to follow events in Slovenia and Yugoslavia to keep in mind the various levels of government and the personalities involved. As a republic, Slovenia also has its own President. This is currently Janez Stanovnik, who has nothing to do with the Yugoslav Presidency, of which Drnovsek is a member.

In the same way, just as Yugoslavia has its own federal government, now led by Ante Markovic, who is from Croatia, so too Slovenia has its own government, which has jurisdiction only in Slovenia. The Slovenian Prime Minister is Dusan Sinigoj, who visited Cleveland several years ago. Franc Popit, who also visited the United States a few years ago, was Stanovnik's predecessor as President of Slovenia.

Drnovsek's election in Slovenia was significant for several reasons. He was elected in the first direct, multi-candidate election held in Slovenia since the end of World War II. He defeated his opponent, Marko Bulc, who is 63 and a veteran politician and who was certainly the candidate of the "old guard" in Slovenia. Some 1.3 million Slovenes took part in the voting. They gave Drnovsek 56.17 percent of the vote, which is a landslide in American terms.

Drnovsek must win the ap-

proval of both the Slovenian parliament and the federal parliament in Belgrade in order for his election to be confirmed. We do not have at this writing reports as to whether this approval has been given.

Who is Janez Drnovsek? He will become the youngest member of the Presidency and will be the youngest President of the Presidency in its history. He has a Ph.D. in economics and has worked in several Slovene companies and banks. He also spent some time in the Yugoslav diplomatic corps, serving as an economic attache of the Yugoslav Embassy in Egypt. He has specialized in Yugoslav economic matters and the country's credit and monetary policies.

Drnovsek, who is currently a member of the federal parliament, stated he would devote his energy to helping solve Yugoslavia's many economic problems when he becomes federal president in May.

Even more important will be the stand Drnovsek takes toward the political and nationality problems that are tearing the country apart and, especially, how firm he will be in defending Slovenia's rights in the Yugoslav federation. One Yugoslav newspaper attributed Drnovsek's victory to the support of Slovenia's young people.

Rudolph M. Susel



Grdina-Cosic Expands to include Willoughby Hills Funeral Home

Grdina-Cosic Funeral Homes acquired a third funeral home location at 28890 Chardon Road in Willoughby Hills, Ohio on Friday, April 7. The five year old building, which is accessible to the handicapped, has three spacious viewing areas, a large luncheon room that seats 200, and a parking area for over 100 cars. It is one of the largest and newest funeral facilities in northern Ohio.

"Having a third location in the eastern suburbs will allow us to better serve the public.

Korotan Concert April 22 Like a Pilgrimage

In Medieval Europe April marked the beginning of the travel season. The people of the time mixed spiritual renewal with their liberation from snow and ice. In spring they set out on pilgrimages.

Whether by foot or on horseback, they braved the dangerous roadways. They forded rivers and sailed the seas to reach the shrines in Jerusalem or Rome.

The great English poet Geoffrey Chaucer immortalizes the Christian tradition of making a pilgrimage in his masterwork *The Canterbury Tales*. A brief reading of the "Prologue" to that work indicates how we have changed since Chaucer's era. Our definition of distance is different now. The shrine to which the pilgrims travel is 60 miles away from London, a distance so far that the 30 pilgrims will tell two stories each on the way. Today one person could tell one story if he covered the distance by car; another could tell one joke if he traveled by plane. Another change is evident in our pastimes. Our society has become more secular so that our social activities are not necessarily also religious ones.

Though we may have changed in some ways, we are still very much like the human beings of 600 years ago. April still does something to us. The arrival of spring awakens a joy in our hearts too profound to be ignored. It forces us to our feet, out our doors, and into the world again. We feel like bursting into song at every

step. Perhaps that is why April is the time for choral concerts.

On Saturday, April 22, the Slovenian mixed chorus *Korotan* presents its annual concert at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue. The price of admission is \$6.00 and is always well worth it. The concert will be followed by dancing to the music of the Alpine Sextet.

You won't have to travel as long as Chaucer's pilgrims, but you will enjoy yourself as much as they did. *Korotan's* annual concert promises to be most entertaining, and the socializing afterwards might become the basis of a story you can tell on the way home.

Mojca Slak

Musical Event at Maple Hts. Home

The Maple Hts. Slovenian Home, 5050 Stanley Avenue, is presenting a musical program featuring the popular Ed Kenik, June Price and Dolores Mihelich Trio. The Don Slogar Orchestra will accompany the singers and provide dance music.

The musical event begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 23. Admission is \$6.00. Tickets may be purchased in advance from the trustees. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door on the day of the concert.

The Trio's initial concert at the hall last year was a most enjoyable event and we are anticipating the April 23rd concert will also be enthusiastically received.

J. Habjan
Rec. Sec'y.

Sausage and Eggs Breakfast

Sausage and Eggs Breakfast will be held after all Masses at St. Vitus Auditorium on Sunday, April 16. Donation is \$3.50 for adults and \$2.00 for children. Tickets at rectory or at the door on Sunday.

Roast Beef Dinner at Shrine

The Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, off Chardon Rd., Euclid, is sponsoring a Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, April 23 from 12 noon until 6 p.m. Dinner will be served in the St. Ann Dining Room on the Shrine grounds. Tickets are available at the Shrine office or at the door. Adults \$6, children \$3.50.

An extra Mass is scheduled at 11:30 a.m. All proceeds are for the benefit of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine. Everyone welcome.



St. Vitus Graduation Class, 1939

The second 1939 St. Vitus graduating class under Sister Frumenza is pictured here. We printed the first photo two months ago, and a third one will be published later. We thank Tony Grdina for securing all three pictures of the three graduating classes.

First row, left to right, Frances (Zakrajsek) Spech, Bertha (Mlakar) Brinsek, Stanisla (Rudolf), Tony (Znidarsic) Znider, Msgr. B. J. Ponikvar, Al Persin, Caroline (Telich) Plavan, Rose (Peterlin) Turovsky, and A. Jelinak.

Second row, left to right, Sister Mary Frumenza, Antonia (Merzlikar) Hollis,

Josephine (Makse) Lesko, (Anna Ujcic) Sister Anne Therese O.S.F., Ruth (Zadnik), Anna (Papez) Skudnik, Frances (Troha) Nekic, Florence (Rhode) Brichta, Mary (Yartz) Strazar, and V. Purebar.

Third row, F. Mramor, John Marn, John Rutar, H. Medves, Tony Moze, Joe Perpar, H. (Zabukovec) Brooks, John Vegal, Adolph (Srnoversnik) Srnik.

Fourth row, Henry Korenshek, Stan Hrovat, Ed Tomazin, Al Dobro, Bob Starc, Joe (Zakrajsek) Zak, Bill Udovic, Joe Zitnik, Frank Zgonc, and Joe Strnad.

St. Vitus Mothers' Day Dinner

Treat mom and the family to an old-time Slovenian Smoked Sausage Dinner on Sunday, May 14, Mothers' Day, sponsored by the St. Vitus Dads' Club, in the school auditorium, 6104 Glass Ave.

Serving will be from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Included will be Slovenian smoked sausages, fresh sauerkraut and potatoes, homemade large rye and white buns, plus a raisin potica roll for dessert. Take-outs will be available.

Music for dining and dancing

will be provided by Don and Rose Slogar.

Advance tickets (adults \$5.00, children \$3.00) from Jimmy Slapnik Florist on E. 185 St. at 531-7887, Tony's Polka Village 481-7512, Frank Siewiorek 391-2801 or Richard Tarijska 431-6690. Tickets also available at the door on Mothers' Day.

Proceeds to benefit the St. Vitus School Athletic Department.

"Dober Tek."

Krofe Sale

St. Vitus Altar Society will be making krofe on Saturday, April 15 and will be available in the Social Room from 8 a.m. on.

In Memory

In memory of Leonard Fischer's 10th anniversary of his death on April 18, 1979 \$25.00 was donated to the Ameriška Domovina from his wife, Ann, brother-in-law Frank Kasic and sisters-in-law Frances Kasic and Antoinette Petranic.

Tony Majc Wins KSU Slovenian Studies Award

On April 9, as Kent State University celebrated its annual Honors Day, Tony Majc, a third-year architecture student from Euclid, was honored as recipient of the Slovenian Studied Award.

Tony, who with his parents, came to America at age two, with the help of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fujs, attended the Slovenian School at St. Mary's in Collinwood and graduated with honors from St. Joseph High School. While studying architecture at Kent, he perfected his good knowledge of Slovenian language and grammar by completing three credit-earning Slovenian courses with outstanding success.

Tony was active with Slovenian Accordionists under Rudy Knez, the Slovenian Folklore Institute under Eda Vovk-Pušl, and SNPJ Circle 2 Singers under Cecilia Dolgan. He also belongs to St. Joseph KSKJ lodge and to American Institute of Architecture Students, Kent State branch. He has recently been working for Ivory Tower Architects of Shaker Heights and was team coordinator of a new publication, Daniel Vieyra's *Historic Houses in Haddonfield — A Preservation Guide*. He is currently on a study tour in Italy, under the KSU International Architecture Program in Florence.

Congratulations to Tony on all his accomplishments, as well as to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Majc, of 1764 Sherwood Blvd., Euclid.

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The Slovenian Studies at KSU were started in the late 1960s by Dr. Edward Gobetz, professor of sociology and anthropology, who has been teaching them as a voluntary overload and without financial



Tony Majc

compensation. In 1974, he was also instrumental in establishing the annual Slovenian Studies Award for the most outstanding Slovenian Studies student — the only such award in America.

Past recipients were Richard Hlabse (better known as Dick Russ, TV Channel 8 anchorman, 1974), Joseph Valencic (1975), James Scherbak (1976), Catherine Hillinger (1977), Mark Sfiligoj (1978), Anthony Zupancic (1979), Harry Jaken (1980), James Rudolph (1981), Mary Somrak (1982), Violeta Musulin (1983), Sylvia Habjanic (1984), Stephanie Tomazic (1985), Irene Lesica (1986), Edward Srok (1987), and Emily Gobetz (1988).

War Vets Auxiliary Sponsors Suit Sale

The Ladies Catholic War Veterans of St. Vitus Post 1655 is sponsoring a "Mr. Suit Sale", from factory to you, on Saturday only, April 10, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the St. Vitus Auditorium.

The truck load sale will feature suits, sportcoats, slacks, sweaters, trenchcoats, sweatshirts, baseball jackets, ties, belts, socks in all styles for both men and women.

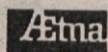
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New fire station for Ward 11

Cleveland Councilman Michael D. Polensek, Ward 11 announced a meeting was held Wed., April 5 at the I.C.A. Hall, 15901 St. Clair Avenue. At the gathering Mayor George V. Voinovich officially presented to the community plans for a new Fire Station Engine Company 31 and the new E.M.S. Station to be built across from Collinwood High School at East 152nd St.

What is so significant about the new fire house, says Councilman Polensek, is it has been in the planning stage for a decade and will cost approximately 2.5 million dollars, and will for the first time anywhere in the city create a municipal complex. The new fire house will be constructed adjacent to the Sixth District Police Headquarters and across from Collinwood High School which was just recently named a historical landmark.

Polensek thanks the Collinwood Homeowners Association, Waterloo Beach Homeowners Association and the Nottingham Civic Club for their support in the project.

Polensek relates that his quest for the fire station began in 1978. He says without the complete support of Mayor Voinovich, the fire house would still only be a dream. The mayor's support made it a reality.

St. Clair Pensioners Invites All to Annual Chicken and Pork Dinner

As I sit here gazing out the window, trying to gather my thoughts for this month's report, I feel the need to first remind you all of our coming Annual Chicken and Pork Dinner on Sunday, April 23.

We invite all American Home readers to come and join with us on that Sunday for a delicious dinner, and an enjoyable afternoon of relaxing in the company of friends. Also remember, we have a deadline of April 15 for ticket reservations. Wait no longer, pick up your phone and call me at 391-9761.

It was a well pleased bus load of Pensioners returning home on March 9th from our trip, which took us first to the Col-

iseum for the "Disney On Ice" show and then followed with a luncheon at the Cathedral Buffet in Akron. Our thanks to our coordinator, Fran Karnak, for an enjoyable day.

Our coming up tour is into Amish country in Pennsylvania. Because the reservations were snapped up so rapidly, an effort was made to schedule another bus, but to our regrets none were available.

Member Julia Bozic had foot surgery, and is scheduled for more of the same for this week.

Member John Kausek had a nasty fall recently and suffered back injury. He is receiving medical treatment, and is

resting at home. John is normally a very active person, and understandably, being housebound does not appeal to him. We extend our wishes for his quick and complete recovery.

Mary Batis is up and on the go again. In February I reported her fall and need of hip surgery. Unlike Humpty-Dumpty, the doctors, with the use of "nuts and bolts", as Mary explains it, put her bones together again. She has already discarded her crutches, and reports feeling fine, and no pains. How wonderful! She promises to be at our Dinner on April 23. We will be happy to see her.

Member Andy Kavchnik, who had been a patient at the Manor Care Nursing Home, is now at the Neff Road Home. Remember to stop in to say "hello" to him if you are in the area. In his good days, Andy was a very active member. He continued to attend our meetings as long as health permitted. I still, at every meeting, glance in the direction where Andy usually sat with Mike Vidmar. Added to the serious nature of Andy's own ailment, is the concern for his wife, Angela, who unfortunately, is in need of constant care and attention. She is presently being cared for by her daughter.

Sometimes we hear the use of the expression, "May you live

to be 100." Our oldest member, Mary Frank, almost reached this goal. She would have been 98 this coming June, but on March 21, her life on earth came to an end.

Two years ago, at our 25th Anniversary Dinner, we honored Mary as the oldest member of our club, and presented her with a small corsage of silk flowers. Mary was so appreciative of this gesture, that later in a phone call from her, she said that she has instructed her daughter, saying she wanted to wear these as she lay in her coffin. May she rest in peace.

Death never rests. Today, April 9th, I received a call informing me that another member, Jennie Hudoklin, died. Coming May she would have reached the age of 96. Our most sincere condolences to her family. To Jennie we say, rest in peace.

Representatives from Society Bank headquarters, along with branch manager, Richard Mott, and Julie Reitz, spoke at our March meeting. The topic was Banking and Money Matters, outlining the various banking programs available and in particular, programs and benefits offered to senior citizens.

After the question and answer period, Julie Reitz stated that anyone needing more information can contact her at the branch office across the street.

In conclusion, a \$50.00 bond was given away. The recipient was Jennie Strumbel. Society Bank also donated a treat of Nosan's potica for the members, which was served after the meeting.

Our thanks and appreciation for the informative session, and also for the bond and goodies.

A reminder to our members, our meeting date is Thursday, April 20, three days before our dinner.

A reminder to all. Our dinner is on Sunday, April 23. It will be nice to see you there.

Stanley Frank
Secretary

Slovene Home for Aged Dinner is April 30

St. Mary's Parish and the Fundraising Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Slovene Home for the Aged are joint sponsors of a benefit dinner in behalf of the SHA, which will be held Sunday, April 30, at the Slovenian Home on Holmes Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

In previous years this was known as the "Venison Dinner." This year, however, the menu will feature breaded pork chops, roast beef, home fried potatoes, rice, salad, homemade rolls, and strudel for desert.

Dinners will be served from 11:30 to 2:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Euclid Squeeze Box Club, Slovenian Home Button Box Players, and, to round out an enjoyable afternoon, the Alpine Sextet.

Tickets for the dinner are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12. They are available from the Rectory at St. Mary Parish, the receptionist at the Slovene Home for the Aged, members of the SHA Board of Trustees, the American Home business office, and from Tony's Polka Village. You can also phone one of the following: Gus Petelinkar, 481-6882; Maria Stepec, 731-5011; or Agnes Turkovich, 531-7168.

Eligibility Raised for Homestead Exemption

Ohio House Bill 182 signed into law in November of 1986, represents the first significant reform of the Ohio Homestead Exemption rules since 1979. The major features of the new bill are:

- Income eligibility ceiling raised from \$15,000 to \$16,500.
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What Can be Done to stop Snoring?

Question: My husband has a serious snoring problem. Some nights it's much worse than others, and I get very little sleep. Can anything be done for him?

Answer: Snoring is a very common phenomenon, which occurs much more frequently in men than women. The sound is caused by obstruction of the upper airway during sleep. This obstruction may be due to obesity, enlarged tonsils or adenoids, and jaw malformations. It also may result from relaxation of throat and tongue muscles during sleep. As you have found, snoring can be loud enough to disturb another person's sleep.

Some people snore only when they are sleeping on their back because their tongue relaxes and then obstructs their upper airway. Various devices have been used to prevent back-sleeping, such as a tennis ball or another hard object sewn into the back of the pajama top.

However, some people snore in all sleeping positions. This usually indicates a greater degree of obstruction of the upper airway.

Sometimes, snoring is associated with a breathing disorder called sleep apnea. This condition is best evaluated by a sleep disorder specialist.

An evaluation usually includes a complete history and physical exam. Diagnosis is

then confirmed by a night-long study in a sleep laboratory. Sleep and breathing patterns and other physiologic data are monitored. Depending upon the disorder's severity, various treatments may be recommended. These may include weight reduction, medications and an air flow machine used only during sleep. Surgery, which usually involves removal of the obstruction tissue in the upper airway, may be needed.

If your husband's snoring cannot be stopped, I suggest that he contact a sleep disorder specialist. Your family physician should be able to refer you to one.

Dr. Dudley S. Dinner
Director, Sleep
Disorder Center
Cleveland Clinic

Eating Well Does Not Mean Giving Up the Foods You Love

After singing a beautiful church hymn to the Lord, the Rev. Davis inspired many with his sermon entitled, "Will you be ready?" After the service young and old gathered in the church auditorium to share a bountiful church supper.

And what was served? Good, southern-style rib-sticking foods such as fried chicken, mashed potatoes with pan gravy, collards with ham hocks, lima beans and okra, macaroni and cheese, crackling corn bread, sweet potato pie, peach cobbler and Kool-aid.

It tasted so good, but was it good for you? The answer is both yes and no.

This meal has many healthy and less healthy qualities.

HEALTHY

A variety of foods from the four food groups — milk, grain, meat and fruits and vegetables

Vitamin C — collards, lima beans and potatoes

Vitamin A — collards, peaches and sweet potatoes

Protein — chicken, lima beans and macaroni and cheese

Iron — chicken and collards

Children's Museum.

A salute to the St. Vitus Slovenian Language School will also be part of this year's festival. The Slovenian Language School is observing its 40th year (1949-1989).

Appetizing food will be available each day with dinners and side dishes such as pierogi, čevapčiče, Pierre's ice cream, and other tantalizing foods.

Net proceeds from the event will be used for the Endowment Fund, capital improvements, and operating monies for both English and Slovenian schools.

So mark off your calendar for this exciting annual event held for over 40 years in this near northeast section in Cleveland, this year on July 14, 15, 16.

Prayer in a spring dawn

*I see your face reflected
In the pale gray dawns of early spring.
Gift of light
Generously given by my Creator.
I become a child of the morning.
To hold the treasure that is
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Lord, give me the strength to open
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High in calories — all items except okra

High in sodium — ham hocks, crackling corn bread and macaroni and cheese

High in sugar — pie, cobbler and Kool-aid

Starchy foods — potatoes, lima beans, macaroni and cheese, crackling corn bread, pie and cobbler.

But do we have to be concerned about the less healthy qualities when the meal has so many healthy qualities?

We certainly do. It is estimated that 60 million Americans may have high blood pressure, a disease with no symptoms called the silent killer. About 40 percent of whites and more than 50 percent of blacks over 65 have some form of high blood pressure.

High blood pressure can lead to stroke, heart attack and kidney disease.

In addition to cardiovascular disease, diabetes is a leading cause of disability and death, especially in Ohio.

Obesity contributes to diabetes.

What to do? First, decrease the fat and cholesterol. Instead of frying the chicken, remove the skin, coat with a crispy topping and bake in the oven.

Flavor the greens with a little oil, tabasco and peppers rather than ham hocks. Make the corn bread without cracklings and with onions and peppers. Instead of serving pie with a crust made from lard, serve a fresh peach or other fruit.

Second, decrease the calories. Eat smaller portions. Serve fewer high fat and starchy foods. Try tomatoes and okra instead of lima beans. Serve only one baked dessert and cut into small pieces.

Third, decrease the sodium. Do not flavor collards with high sodium ham hocks. Serve macaroni and cheese at a meal with no other sodium items.

Finally, decrease the amount of sugar. For dessert, serve fresh fruit and one baked dessert. Rather than Kool-aid, serve milk, real fruit juice or decaffeinated coffee or tea.

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PAPRIKA CHICKEN WITH SOUR CREAM GRAVY

1 2 1/2 to 3-pound broiler-fryer chicken, cut up
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons cooking oil
3/4 cup water
1/2 cup chopped onion
2 tablespoons paprika
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
1 8-ounce carton dairy sour cream
1 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel

Hot cooked spaetzle or rice
Rinse chicken; pat dry. Place the 1/4 cup flour in a plastic bag. Add chicken pieces, a few at a time, shaking to coat.

In a large skillet cook chicken in hot oil about 10 minutes or till brown, turning to brown evenly. Drain off fat. Add water, onion, paprika, and salt. Cover; cook 35 to 40 minutes or till no pink remains. Transfer to platter, reserving juices; cover chicken to keep warm.

Stir the 1 tablespoon flour into sour cream. Stir mixture into reserved juices in skillet. Cook and stir till thickened

and bubbly. Cook and stir 1 minute more. Stir in lemon peel. Serve over chicken and spaetzle. Makes 6 servings.

PORK MARSALA

1 lb. pork tenderloin
1 Tbs. each oil and butter
1 medium clove garlic, minced
1 Tbs. tomato paste
1/2 C. dry red marsala
1/2 C. red wine
8 oz. fresh mushroom caps
1 tsp. chopped parsley

Cut tenderloin diagonally into cutlets. Pound to 1/4" thickness.

Heat oil and butter in heavy fry pan. Brown cutlets on both sides. Remove from pan. Add garlic to pan, sauté briefly. Mix tomato paste with wines, add to pan, with mushrooms. Stir to blend with pan juices. Simmer 3-5 minutes.

Return cutlets to pan and heat through. Sprinkle with parsley and serve immediately. Serves 4.

CREAMY POTATO-CARROT CASSEROLE

A delicious side dish that's a gussied-up version of duchesse potatoes.

2 cups peeled, diced potatoes (3/4 pound)

3/4 cup diced carrots
2 slices bacon
1/3 cup milk
2 beaten eggs
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1/4 cup sliced green onion
3 tablespoons dairy sour cream or plain yogurt
1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese

In a medium saucepan cook potatoes and carrots, covered, in boiling water about 12 minutes or until carrots are tender. Drain.

Meanwhile, in a small skillet cook bacon till crisp. Drain, crumble, and set aside. In a large mixer bowl mash potatoes and carrots with a potato masher or an electric mixer on low speed. Gradually beat in the milk till mixture is creamy. Stir in eggs, the 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, green onion, and sour cream or yogurt.

Transfer to a 1-quart casserole. Bake, uncovered, in a 350° oven for 20 minutes. Sprinkle with the bacon and 1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese. Bake for 15 minutes more or till center is set. Makes 4 side-dish servings.

CHICKEN DIVAN

3/4 lb. boned skinned chicken, slivered
2 tsp. oil
1 cup water
1 tbsp. dry sherry wine
1 package (10 oz.) frozen broccoli florets
1 can (10 3/4 oz.) condensed cream of chicken soup
1 1/2 cups Minute Rice
1 tbsp. grated Parmesan cheese

Skillet: Brown chicken lightly in oil, stirring occasionally. Add water, wine, broccoli and soup. Bring to a full boil, separating broccoli pieces. Stir in rice. Cover, remove from heat and let stand 5 minutes.

Arrange chicken, broccoli

and rice mixture on serving platter. Sprinkle with cheese. Makes 4 servings, less than 350 calories each.

SOUR-CREAM CAKE

Top with your favorite fruit
3 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/2 cups sugar
3/4 cup butter (1 1/2 sticks), softened
1/4 cup milk
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 eggs
1 16-ounce container sour cream
vanilla extract
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
1 16-ounce can sliced cling peaches, drained

About 2 1/2 hours before serving:

1. — Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour 9" by 3" springform pan. In large bowl, with mixer at low speed, beat first 8 ingredients with 1 cup sour cream and 1 teaspoon vanilla until blended. Beat on medium 2 minutes, scraping bowl.

2. — Spoon batter into prepared pan. Bake cake 1 hour and 10 minutes or until golden and toothpick comes out clean. Cool in pan on wire rack 10 minutes; remove side of pan; cool completely.

3. — To serve, in bowl, stir remaining sour cream with confectioners' sugar and 1/4 teaspoon vanilla; spoon onto cake. Top with peaches. Makes 14 servings. About 380 calories per serving.

ONE-POT SHORT RIBS

3 pounds beef-chuck short ribs
1 medium onion, chopped (about 1 cup)
3 cups water
2 teaspoons paprika
2 teaspoons salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
3 tablespoons Teriyaki sauce
2 large potatoes, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch slices
1/2 cup barley

Combine first 7 ingredients in a large pot and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to low; cover and cook for about 1 1/2 hours. Add potatoes and barley; cook for an additional hour, stirring occasionally, adding water if necessary.

With only one pot it's easy to make this dish full of rich, old-fashioned tastes. (It's great reheated in the "new-fangled" microwave, too!) Makes 4 to 6 servings.

PORK CHOPS WITH SAUERKRAUT

4 pork loin blade or sirloin chops, each 1/2 inch thick
1 tablespoon salad oil
1 16-ounce package sauerkraut
1 cup apple juice
2 tablespoons light brown sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons caraway seeds
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1 15- to 16-ounce can whole cut carrots or baby carrots, drained

About 30 minutes before serving:

1. Cut each pork chop in half. In 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat, in hot salad oil, cook half of the pork chops at a time until browned on both sides; remove pork chops from skillet to plate as they brown.

2. Into drippings remaining in skillet over medium heat, stir sauerkraut, apple juice, brown sugar, caraway seeds, and mustard. Return pork chops to skillet; spoon sauerkraut mixture over pork chops; cover and cook 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in carrots; heat. Makes 4 servings. About 445 calories per serving.

RASPBERRY HEARTS

1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup sugar
6 tablespoons butter or margarine (3/4 stick), softened

1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 egg

about 1/4 cup raspberry jam
About 3 hours before serving or early in day:

1. Into large bowl, measure first 7 ingredients. With mixer at low speed, beat ingredients until blended, occasionally scraping bowl with rubber spatula. Shape dough into a ball; wrap with plastic wrap and refrigerate 2 hours or until dough is firm enough to handle. (Or, place dough in freezer 40 minutes.)

2. Preheat oven to 350°F. On floured surface, with floured rolling pin, roll dough 1/8 inch thick. With floured 2 1/4-inch heart-shaped cookie cutter, cut out as many hearts as possible from dough. With floured 1-inch heart-shaped cookie cutter, cut out centers from half of hearts. (Set aside cutout centers.)

3. Place heart cookies on ungreased cookie sheets, about 1 inch apart. Bake cookies 6 to 8 minutes until lightly browned. Remove cookies to wire racks to cool. Reroll trimmings and cutout centers to make more heart cookies.

4. Assemble cookies: Spread raspberry jam on heart cookies without cutout centers; top with hearts with cutout centers; gently press hearts together. Store cookies in tightly covered container. Makes about 2 1/2 dozen. About 30 calories each.

EASY CARROT CAKE

1 two-layer yellow cake mix
1 1/4 cups Miracle Whip salad dressing
4 eggs
1/4 cup cold water
2 teaspoons cinnamon
2 cups finely shredded carrots
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 16 oz. tub vanilla ready-to-spread frosting
Combine cake mix, salad dressing, eggs, water and cinnamon, mixing at medium speed on electric mixer until well blended. Stir in carrots and walnuts. Pour

into greased 13 x 9-inch baking pan. Bake at 350°, for 35 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.

Cool, spread with frosting. Prep time: 25 minutes. Baking time: 35 minutes, plus cooling. 12 servings.

BUTTER BALLS

1/2 lb. butter
4 egg yolks
2 3/4 cups flour
3/4 cup powdered sugar

Cream butter, add yolks, one at a time. Add sugar and flour. Put in ice box overnight.

Form into small balls. Flatten between your palms. Roll in unbeaten egg whites and then in chopped nuts which have been dredged in powdered sugar. Bake on greased tins 350 degrees 20 minutes or until golden brown.

Mrs. Frank J. Vogel

A Bran New You!

For thousands of older Americans, the health and fitness craze has come too late.

Years of sedentary lifestyle and low-fiber diet have resulted in chronic constipation.

They try adding bran to their diet and eating prunes, but nothing seems to help. Some men and women even become dependent upon laxatives and enemas.

Now many of these people are finding relief at Cleveland Clinic Florida's Anorectal Physiology Lab and The Cleveland Clinic Foundation's Gastrointestinal Diagnostic Laboratory.

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One such test, called a transit time study, measures the progress of a swallowed capsule moving through the intestine. If it moves too slowly through the large intestine, then the colon has likely become stretched and weak.

"All the tests can be performed in our outpatient clinic building, and some are even done at home," says Steven D. Wexner, M.D., director of the lab in Ft. Lauderdale.

Several treatments are effective in relieving constipation. "Whenever possible, we use medical therapies or biofeedback first. Surgery is an option only if other methods don't relieve the patient's problem," says Dr. Wexner.

To prevent chronic constipation, Dr. Wexner advises older people to drink six to eight glasses of water or other liquids a day and to increase dietary fiber by eating plenty of fruit, vegetables, whole grain breads and cereals.

He also recommends walking, gardening, bike riding and other forms of exercise to stimulate the digestive system to work normally.



PEACHES 'N PUDDING CRISP

2 to 3 cups drained, canned peaches (halves or slices); reserve 1/4 cup of syrup
1 tbsp. pudding mix
1/4 cup brown sugar

Topping

2/3 cup flour
1/2 cup quick-cooking or old-fashioned oats
1/2 cup chopped nuts
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 pkg. (4-serving size) dry vanilla pudding mix (reserve 1 tbsp. for fruit mixture)
1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted

Step. 1 — In ungreased 1 1/2 quart casserole or baking dish, combine peaches, 1 tablespoon pudding mix, brown sugar, and fruit syrup. Set aside.

Step. 2 — Lightly spoon flour into measuring cup; level off. Combine topping ingredients in large mixing bowl until well blended and crumbly. Sprinkle over fruit mixture. Bake at 350°F. for 45 to 50 minutes until deep golden brown and bubbly. Serve warm with ice cream or whipped cream.

FILLED HORNS

6 egg yolks
1/2 lb. flour (2 cups)
1/2 lb. butter
Mix well, form into small balls and chill over night. Roll length-wise, and fill with the following:
1/2 lb. ground nut meats
1/2 lb. confectioners sugar
4 egg whites, stiffly beaten
Shape into horns and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees). Makes about 50.

Mary Marsich



Ni časa...

IVAN
LAPUH

Rahlo je deževalo. Pihal je precej hladen veter in dan je bil bolj podoben jeseni kot pomladi.

Ljudje okrog odprtega groba so se tiščali pod dežniki in se tresli od mraza. Tudi narava je žalovala in sam Bog ve, kolikokrat je bila ta zemljica počitka že močena s solzami.

Nazadnje je duhovnik dodal: »Po naši stari slovenski navadi zmolimo še očenaš za tistega izmed nas, ki bo prvi umrl! Oče naš, ki si v nebesih...«

Kot so malo prej molili očenaš za pokojnega Gregorja, tako so sedaj molili za nekoga, ki prav tako moli ob odprtem grobu. Marsikoga je rahlo stisnilo pri srcu: kaj, če je ta očenaš namenjen meni?...

Dež je pojenjal in ljudje so počasi zapuščali pokopališče. Pri velikih železnih vratih sta se Tine in France zadržala ter se spustila v pogovor. Spomin je obstal v prvih letih življenja v tej novi domovini. Že dolgo se nista srečala, zato sta si imela dosti povedati. Pred leti sta se on in ostali znanci šestokrat sešli. Obujali so spomine na svoje zapuščene domačije, pa tudi zapeli so radi. Gregor, ki so ga vsi poznali po njegovi veseli naravi, je bil tudi vedno med njimi. Bili so povezani med sabo vse od dneva prihoda v novo deželo. Tudi pozneje, ko si je vsak ustvaril topli dom in družino, so se nekaj časa še radi obiskovali. Z leti pa je vse bolj primanjkovalo časa za ta srečanja.

Že sta se hotela posloviti, ko je Tine počasi, kot bi nečesa prosil, dejal: »Pridi me kaj pogledat, France! Še veš, kje živim?«

»Mislim, da še vem. Le časa mi vedno primanjkuje.«

»Vzemi si čas, kot si si ga vzela danes!« je Tine odkrito povedal svoje misli.

»No ja, mogoče se bova kaj srečala ob priliki.«

»Pa vendar ne misliš, da takole kot sva se danes?«

»Bog vedi, mogoče pa tudi,« je France odgovoril, ko sta že odhajala vsak na svojo stran.

Dnevi so hiteli, z njimi meseci in minilo je leto. Tineta je nenadna in zahrbtna bolezen prikovala na posteljo. Spomnil se je na Gregorjevo slovo pred letom dni in tudi na Franceta, ki mu še vedno primanjkuje časa za obisk prijatelja...

Črni oblaki so se začeli zbirati in videti je bilo, da se bo zdaj zdaj vtilo. A množice okrog odprtega groba oblaki niso motili: vneto so sledili molitvam duhovnika.

Ob zadnjem očenašu — »za tistega izmed nas, ki bo prvi umrl« — France ni molil. Nemo je zrl v jamo, na prijateljevo krsto, prekrito s cvetjem, dokler ni opazil, da je ostal ob grobu sam. Počasi je dvignil roko, se pokrižal ter začel: »Oprosti mi, Tine, da sem odlašal z obiskom vse do danes. Saj imam čas, le vzeti bi si ga moral, kot si mi pred letom dejal ti. Naj ti bo, prijatelj, lahka tuja zemljica! Počivaj v božjem miru!«

Že se je hotel okreniti, da bi odšel, ko se je nečesa spomnil.

»Zmolim še očenaš za tistega, ki bo...«

Umolknil je za trenutek, potem pa začel počasi in s poudarkom: »Očenaš, ki si v nebesih...«

Vedel je, da je molil za sebe...

Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

(nadaljevanje s str. 11)

laični misijonar Rudi Kus lepo delala in skrbela, da je delo pri Domu duhovnih vaj šlo redno naprej.

Kako pri vas? Hvaležno se vas spominjam za vse pozornosti, ki sem jih bil deležen pri vas ob mojem zadnjem obisku v Torontu, Clevelandu in Lorrainu. Želim vam vsem, da bi globoko doživeli velikonočno skrivnost, ki je pred nami: da bi Jezusa zvesto spremljali v Njegovem trpljenju in smrti in se z Vstajim srčno veselili. Ostanimo združeni v molitvi in še posebej pri daritvi sv. maše. Vsakega posebej in osebno iskreno pozdravlja vaš

Lovro Tomažin, S.J.«

Pionirka Angela Železnik

se je 17. marca oglasila s pismom iz Clevelanda: »Prav lepo zahvaljeni za tako lepo pismo, pozdrave in molitve. Sedaj sem pri sinu. Zdravje se počasi vrača, pa prepustim vse Bogu. Spominjam se lepih ur in dni, ko ste prihajali k nam in sem naredila za misijone, kar sem mogla. Vse se mi je že poplačalo. Hvaležna sem Bogu za vse težave in križe, ki jih je poslal ali jih bo še v bodočnosti dopustil. Sin in nevesta zelo skrbita zame. Ne pustita me, da bi šla domov pri 87 letih. Kar dosti jih je že. Hvala Bogu za vse, pa naj bo moje trpljenje za misijone in duhovniški naraščaj. Hvaležna sem Vam, da se me še spominjate in priporočam se Vam v molitve.

Kadar bom mogla, bom že še kaj poslala za misijone. Pozdravljeni in ostanimo v molitvi združeni. Oprostite slabi pisavi. Moje roke so polne revmatizma. Vaša

Angela Železnik.«

Blagajnik Štefan Marolt je

KOLEDAR PRIREDITEV

APRIL

15. — Primorski klub priredi »Primorski večer« v SND na St. Clair Ave.

16. — Fara Sv. Vida sponzorira zajtrk s klobasicami in ometami in sicer po vsaki maši.

22. — Pevski zbor Korotan priredi svoj spomladanski koncert ob 7. zv. v Slov. nar. domu na St. Clair Ave.

22. — Pevski zbor Jadran ima koncert z večerjo in plesom v SDD na Waterloo Rd. Igra Eddie Rodick orkester.

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23. — St. Clairski upokojenci prirede svoje letno kosilo v spodnji dvorani SND na St. Clairju. Serviranje od 1. do 3. pop. Zabava do 5. pop.

30. — Fara Marija Vnebovzeta in direktorij Slov. doma za ostarele priredita kosilo v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave. Serviranje od 11.30 do 2. pop. Prebitek namenjen Domu za ostarele.

MAJ

14. — Pevski zbor »Slovenska pesem« priredi koncert v semenišču v Lemontu, po šmarnicah.

19. — Slovenski dom za ostarele na Neff Rd. ima letno sejo v spodnji dvorani SDD na Waterloo Rd.

28. — Društvo SPB Cleveland priredi Slovenski spomin-

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Naj Bog vsem dobrotnikom in sodelavkam darove obilno poplača!

Istočasno je blagajnik Marolt želel vesele velikonočne praznike vsem v MZA.

Lepo se za dar MZA zahvaljuje iz Rwande hrvatska sestra Marija Banić, ki smo ji poslali \$500 na prošnjo naše dolgoletne zveste sodelavke s. Ivane Cvijin iz Subotice in preje iz Belgije. Sestra Lydia Krek iz Koroške vse pozdravlja in omenja, da bo g. Ladislav Lenček dobil stanovanje v Ljubljani na Maistrovi in da bo samo po potrebi hodil na Koroško v Tinje, odkoder sedaj nekaterim piše.

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JUNI

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4. — »Prijatelji Slov. nar. doma na St. Clair Ave.« priredi »brunch«, od 11.30 do 2. pop.

11. — Slov. šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti priredi piknik na Slovenski prisatvi. Sv. maša na S.P. opoldne, nato piknik.

17. in 18. — Tabor DSPB Cleveland poda spominsko proslavo za pobite Slov. domobrance in vse žrtve komunistične revolucije, na Orlovem vrhu Slovenske pristave.

25. — Piknik obijske KSKJ federacije na farmi sv. Jožefa na White Rd., Willoughby Hills, O. Igrajo »Button Box Players«.

25. — S.K.D. Triglav, Milwaukee priredi prvi piknik na svoji pristavi.

JULIJ

1. in 2. — Pristavska dneva, na Slovenski pristavi.

9. — Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija priredi piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Začetek piknika s sv. mašo ob 12. uri opoldne.

9. — Misijonski piknik MZA v Milwaukeeju, na pristavi SKD Triglava.

14., 15. in 16. — Fara Sv. Vida priredi poletni festival.

30. — Belokranjski klub priredi piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Igra Tony Klepec orkester.

AVGUST

13. — ADZ priredi Družinski dan piknik na svojem letovišču v Leroy, O.

13. — S.K.D. Triglav, Milwaukee, priredi drugi piknik na svoji pristavi.

SEPTEMBER

3. — Folklorna skupina Kres praznuje svojo 35-letnico z večerjo in folklornim sporedom v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave.

9. — Fantje na vasi prirede koncert v Slov. nar. domu na St. Clair Ave.

10. — ADZ priredi Pečenje školjk na svojem letovišču v Leroy, O.

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24. — Slovensko ameriški kulturni svet priredi Slovenski večer v SND na St. Clair Ave.

24. — S.K.D. Triglav, Milwaukee, priredi Vinsko trgatev na svoji pristavi.

OKTOBER

21. — Tabor DSPB Cleveland priredi svoj jesenski družabni večer v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave. Igrajo Veseli Slovenci.

22. — Občni zbor Slovenske pristave.

28. — Štajerski klub priredi martinovanje v Slov. nar. domu na St. Clair Ave. Igra orkester Veseli Slovenci.

NOVEMBER

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Za letošnjega nagrajenca je bil izbran Tonček Majc, ki trenutno zaključuje tretji letnik arhitekture na Kentu.

Tonček je bil rojen v Prekmurju in je skupaj s starši in s pomočjo zavedne in podjetne družine Fujs prišel v Ameriko, ko je bil dve leti star. Pozneje je v Clevelandu obiskoval Slovensko šolo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti in graduiral s častmi na srednji šoli sv. Jožefa, nakar se je vpisal na univerzo v Kentu.

Bil je vedno zelo zaveden in aktiven v več slovenskih društvih. Pod vodstvom g. Rudija Kneza je igral pri Mladih harmonikarjih, pod go. Edo Vovk-Pušljevo je plesal pri Slovenskem folklornem inštitutu, dve leti pa je bil tudi aktiven v pevskem zboru Krožka štev. 2 SNPJ, ki ga vodi ga. Cilka Dolgan. Je tudi član Ameriškega inštituta študentov arhitekture in društva sv. Jožefa KSKJ.

Kot vodja skupine je sodeloval pri pripravi nove publikacije Danijela Vieyra o zgodovinskih poslopih v Haddonfieldu (Historic Houses in



Haddonfield — A Preservation Guide). Občasno dela za arhitektsko tvrdko Ivory Tower Architects v Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Letos je bil Tonček izbran tudi za mednarodni študijski program kentske univerze v Italiji in je trenutno v Firencah. Seveda je vključen še v programski knjižici Dneva priznanj (Honors Day), ki jo vsako leto v čast nagrajencev izda Kentska univerza. Tam je za vedno napisano: »Anton Majc — Slovenian Studies Award«.

Slovenske študije na Kentski univerzi je v poznih 1960ih vpeljal dr. Edi Gobec, profesor sociologije in antropologije, ki prostovoljno in brez plače poučuje tudi slovenščino in druge slovenske predmete. Leta 1974. pa se mu je posrečilo ustanoviti še Slovensko študijsko nagrado, ki jo odtlej podeljujejo vsakoletnemu najboljšemu študentu ali študentki Slovenskih študij.

Dosedanji nagrajenci so bili: Richard Hlabše (zdaj napovedovalec clevelandске televizije, 1974), Jože Valenčič (1975), Jaka Scherbak (1976), Katarina Hillinger (1977), Marko Sfiligoj (1978), Anton Zupančič (1979), Harry Jaken (1980), Jaka Rudolph (1981), Marija Somrak (1982), Violeta Musulin (1983), Silvija Habjančič (1984), Štefka Tomažič (1985), Irena Lesica (1986), Edvard Šrok (1987) in Milica Gobec (1988). Tako je letošnji nagrajenec Tonček Majc že šestnajsti v verigi vsakoletnih Slovenskih študijskih nagrad na ameriški državni univerzi v Kentu, Ohio.

Naj omenimo še, da je Tonček že večkrat obiskal svoje sorodnike in prijatelje v Sloveniji, med njimi nadebudnega duhovnika č.g. Majca v Mariboru. Je res zaveden, prijazen, marljiv in nadarjen slovenski in katoliški mladenič, ki dela čast svojim dobrim slovenskim staršem, vsem svojim dosedanjim učiteljem in slovenski skupnosti. Gotovo so veseli tudi Fujsovi, da so mu dveletnemu omogočili prihod v Ameriko.

Tončku, njegovim staršem, Fujsovim in učiteljem iskreno čestitamo!

Prijatelji

Lilija praznovala 70-letnico z veseloigro »Težke ribe«

(nadaljevanje s str. 10)

in Helena. Zelo spretno in doživeto sta podajala svoji vlogi mladi ženini Henrik in stari Filip, sluga pri Zaplotskih. Postavili so se tudi Vistovski, Pagatovič in Brucinski ter svoje vloge odlično rešili.

Obleke in maske so bile skrbno zamišljene in napravljene, primerno postavljene v »stare dobre čase«. Maskirala sta dr. Milan Pavlovčič in Milko Pust.

Vsi nastopajoči so polagali veliko važnosti na pravilno in lepo izgovorjavo. Posebno mladi, v Ameriki rojeni igralci in igralke, zaslužijo za to prizadevanje vso pohvalo in priznanje.

Lilijina igralska družina se je tudi tokrat s svojim nastopom zelo postavila. Predstava je bila skrbno pripravljena, zato je tudi tako lepo uspela. Občinstvo je bilo navdušeno, dvorana polna veselega smeha, kar je jamstvo, da se bodo naši ljudje radi in številno odzvali prihodnjemu vabilu.

Dramatskemu društvu Liliji k njenemu nastopu in k njeni 70-letnici najiskrenejše čestitke z željo, da bi še dolgo nudila in ohranjala slovenskemu rodu v Clevelandu živo slovensko besedo. Igralski družini in vsem, ki so ji pomagali k res lepi in uspeli prireditvi, prisrčni stari slovenski »boglonaj«!

Vili

Razdrto družinsko življenje

Raziskovalci ameriškega družinskega življenja na Wisconsin univerzi napovedujejo, da bo vsaj dve tretjini prvih zakonskih porok razpadlo po ločitvi zakona. V letih 1980 do 1987 je sicer število zakonskih ločitev nekoliko upadlo, da je bilo že upanje za boljšo ustaljenost ameriških družin, toda zaključki takratnega pregleda so temeljili na netočnih podatkih. Po najnovejši študiji je v zadnjih letih po zakonski ločitvi razpadlo okrog dve tretjini ameriških družin.

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Razveseljivo je, ko najdemo toliko pripravljenosti za sodelovanje. Tako upamo, da nam bodo bližajoči še velikonočni prazniki prinesli še več blagoslova in notranjega zadovoljstva. Naj nam vsem nakloni Vstali Zveličar bogatih sadov svojega odrešilnega dela. Najlepše velikonočne pozdrave od vseh.

Marija«

Ga. Frances Štrancar iz Clevelanda je po ge. Marici Lavriševi darovala za novo misijonarko na Slonokoščeni obali sestro Grabar, ki je menda nedavno odšla na teren iz Goriške, \$50. Za o. Lojzeta Podgraška v Rimu je gdč. Angela Gospodarič iz San Francisca, Kalif., po Knezovih iz Clevelanda poslala za sv. maše. Obojna darova sta bila že odposlana naprej.

Neimenovana družina iz Mississauga je darovala za vse naše misijonarje kan. \$30. G. Jakob Kranjc iz Toronta pa je daroval za vzdrževanje svojega domačega bogoslovca v misijonih kan. \$100.

Neimenovani dobrotnici M.P. iz zahodne Kanade smo dodelili za vzdrževanje bogoslovca drugega letnika teologije v Rwandi Athanase Robert Nyandwi, iz škofije Butare. Neimenovana iz Minneapolisa, Minn., pa sta darovala že \$250 in obljubila dodati še \$50 za novega bogoslovca Alphonse Myasiro v isti škofiji. Tudi on je v drugem letniku teologije. Ta dvojica je vzdrževala popreje v isti škofiji nedavnega novomašnika Jean Damascene Rurangwa.

Za sv. maše za rajne Maroltove iz Gilberta, Minn., je darovala hčerka ga. Kovatovih \$65 po Tusharjevih. Za nedavno umrlega Jožefa Marolta 16 sv. maš in šest za druge rajne Maroltove, vse skupaj \$110.

Ga. Mary Kebe iz Thornhilla, Ont., je poslala v ZD valuti \$300 za enoletno vzdrževalnino za svojega bogoslovca. Ga. Frances Ošaben iz Barbertona, O., je darovala \$50 za laično misijonarko gdč. Heleno Škrabec na Madagaskarju in \$50 kot dar njenemu bogoslovcu v Afriki, kar je že odposlano naprej.

**Škofijski misijonar
Janez Krmelj**

se je oglašil z Madaga-

skarja in se zahvalil za dar MZA \$200: »Spoštovani sodelavci MZA! Z lepimi pozdravi se Vam oglašam. Zelo sem bil presenečen, ko ste se spomnili tudi mene! Hvala Vam za prispevek. Opravi sem že nekaj sv. maš, kmalu bom vseh 20. Pristrčna hvala! Namenili ste sredstva za uboge. Nekaj tega denarja sem takoj namenil najhujše prizadetim v Tananarivu, ki jih oskrbujejo sestre usmiljenke.

To je najbolj tragičen primer na Madagaskarju, kjer se dobesedno umira od lakote. Ljudje poskušajo z odseljevanjem iz dežele priti do večje merice riža, pa se je lansko leto zaradi naglega naraščanja brezposelnosti vse obrnilo in so v nekem rezervatu — okrog 500 ljudi, družine z otroci — brez vsega, v skrajni bedi. To me je šokiralo ob začetku dela na Madagaskarju. Sedaj živim in delam pri Jankotu Slabetu. On me tudi poučuje malgaščino. Nisem šel na tečaj, ker znam premalo francosko. Toliko zaenkrat. Lep pozdrav in vse dobro pri Vaši skrbi za misijone Vam želi Janez. Molim skupaj z Vami. Bog povrni!«

Duhovnik Jože Horn iz Argentine prosi za sv. maše zase in svoje slovenske sobrate, ki intencij nimajo. Če kdo želi kdaj njemu kaj intencij poslati, mu bomo radi posredovali.

Jezuit Lovro Tomažin

piše 20. februarja iz Lusa-ke, Zambija: »Mir bojzi naj vas vedno in povsod spremlja!

Ko sem se 13. februarja vrnil v Zambijo, sem prejel vaše božično pismo s čekom za 500 dolarjev, dar MZA. Pristrčno se zahvaljujem vam sem, ki ste darovali, delali, zbirali, se žrtvovali, molili in pošiljali. Lepo se tudi zahvaljujem za božična in novoletna voščila ter za pozdrave. Naj vam dobri Gospod Jezus stotero povrne.

Morda se vam je zdelo čudno, da se vam nisem preje oglašil. Ko sem se od vas (v Clevelandu) poslovil tja koncem oktobra, sem šel v Argentino, kjer sem bil dva in pol meseca na počitnicah. Bile so lepe, a precej 'delavne'. Trinajstega februarja sem se poslovil in šel v Rim, kjer sem bil štiri tedne na tečaju za voditelje duhovnih vaj. Tečaj je bil zelo posrečen in koristen za moje osebno duhovno življenje ter za moje bodoče delo pri vodstvu duhovnih vaj. V prostem času pa sem romal na kraje, ki so jih posvetili naši veliki svetniki; tam sem molil in maševal za vas vse.

Ko sem se vrnil, me je čakalo več stvari, ki jih je bilo treba hitro urediti. Med mojo odsotnostjo sta brat Jože Rovtar in

(dalje na str. 8)

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OB 6. OBLETNICI, ODKAR
NAS JE ZA VEDNO
ZAPUSTIL NAŠ LJUBLJENI
MOZ, OČE, STARI OČE
IN PRASTARI OČE



JOHN MRSNIK

ki je za vedno zaspal
dne 19. aprila 1983.

Sest let je že minilo,
ko srce Tvoje je utihnilo;
solzne naše so oči,
ker Tebe več med nami ni.

Žalujoci:

Albina — žena
Rose Mary Toth — hčer
John — sin
John — zet
Jerry — snaha
Vnuki in vnukinje

Pravniki in pravnikinje
Richmond Hts., O., 14. aprila 1989.

P. Bernardin Sušnik

ARHITEKT JOŽE PLEČNIK

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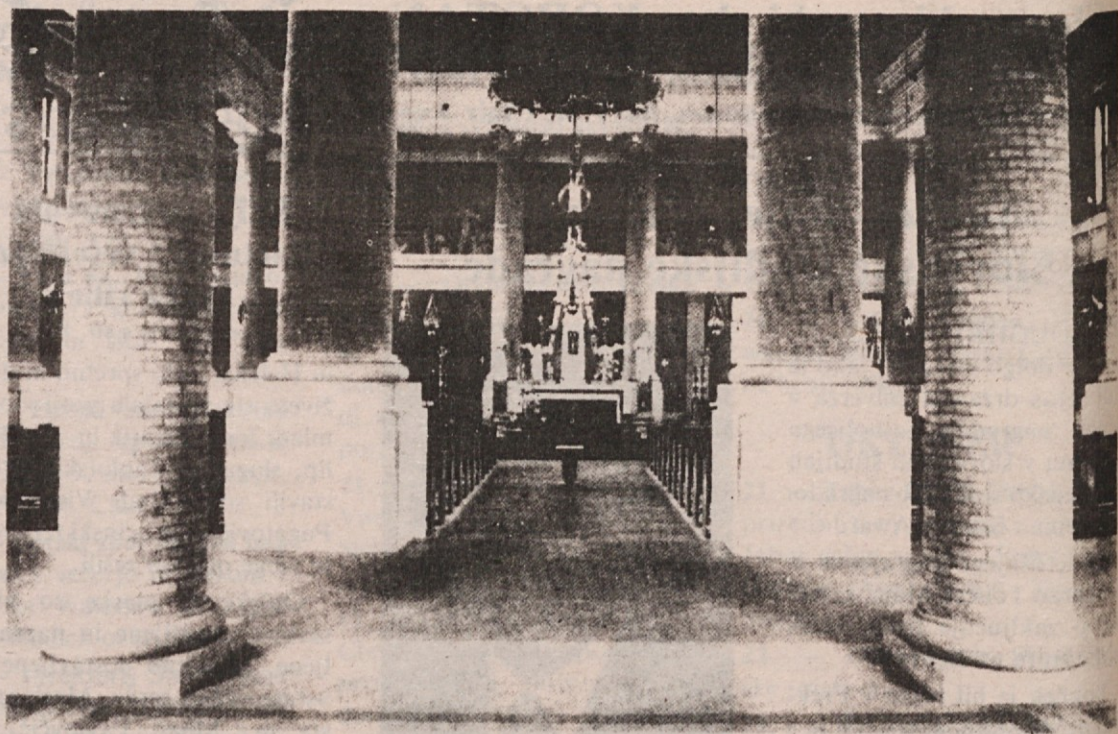
Potem, ko sem napisal uvo- dne misli, ki so predvsem moja osebna srečanja s Plečnikom, bi moral najbrž v tem nadaljevanju preiti na njegovo življenjsko pot in obdelavo njegovih del. Pa sem medtem bral, menda v Prosveti, da je trenutno Plečnikova razstava v New Yorku, nekje na Madison Ave. Žilica mi ni dala miru, pa sem telefoniral p. Roberta tja. On se je pozanimal, pa mi je povedal, da gre v bistvu, vsaj v glavnem, le za fotografije njegovih del. To so lahko sicer čudoviti dokumenti, ne morejo pa pokazati vse ustvarjalne moči tega moža. Zato sem se odločil, da bom objavil v tej številki o tem možu še eno oceno njegovega življenja in dela. Pa ne strokovno oceno, ko je izšla izpod peresa umetnostnih zgodovinarjev Mušiča ali Krečiča. Za kaj takega bo čas še pozneje. Odločil sem se za tisto, kar je o njem napisal pokojni p. Martin Perc, ki je bil po vojski eden njegovih glavnih sodelavcev. Napisal je to kot njegovo osmrtnico v internem glasilu naše province Poročila. P. Blaž mi je ljubeznivo v pol minute našel tisto številko, čeprav je od takrat preminilo že 32 let.

P. Martin Perc je po vojski, ko se je vrnil iz pregnanstva v Slavoniji, postal župnijski upravitelj v Stranjah in Nevljah pri Kamniku. Stranjsko cerkev so Nemci med vojsko spremenili v konjski hlev, pozneje pa so na mestu glavnega oltarja postavili stranišče. Jasno, da je bilo vse potrebno popolne obnove. In tako je zdaj tudi že pokojni dr. p. France Ačko p. Martina predstavil Plečniku in obema je

uspelo navdušiti arhitekta za obnovo. Tako se je začelo prijateljstvo s Plečnikom, ki je trajalo vse do njegove smrti. Naj pripomnim, da Plečnik ni rad videl obiskovalcev na svojem skromnem domu, ki je bil zanj svetišče privatnosti. Vendar je p. Martinu iskreno naročil, da ga sme obiskati ob katerikoli uri dneva ali noči, kar je znak, kako ga je cenil. Ko sem 20 let po Plečnikovi smrti (1977) pisal osmrtnico za p. Martinom prav za ista Poročila, sem tam zapisal, da sta se srečala dva fanatika lepega. Nobena reč jima ni ušla. Vsaka najmanjša kljuka, vsaka luč v cerkvi, vsak križ na oltarjih, vsaka vrata, vsak kelih je umetnina zase. Sicer pa bo prav o teh zadevah še več govora. Pustimo besedo p. Martinu, ki piše leta 1957 o pokojnem mojstru. Takole pravi:

Prvo srečanje.

Še ne petnajstleten študentek sem se napotil iz provincialnega mesta skozi našo metropolo v noviciat. P. Konstantin (brat p. Aleksandra Urankarja) me je peljal v Šiško pogledat novo Plečnikovo cerkev. Mogočna prostranost (cerkev lahko sprejme 5.000 ljudi), centralnost velikega oltarja napolni in prevzame človeka. Toda najbolj od vsega se je zasekalo v dušo, ko smo obstali pred trpečim Kristusom, za katerim se pne križ in na njem dve roki, ena gola, ena v rokavu frančiškanskega habita (kombinacija križa in frančiškanskega grba). Bilo je kakor razodetje. Divja drznost samih razpetih rok brez telesa je razodevala poleg vdanosti Kristusove takšno moč trpljenja, da je to doživetje postalo stalen del osebnosti.



Cerkev sv. Frančiška — Ljubljana-Šiška

Drugo srečanje.

Po letih me je pot privedla mimo cerkvice sv. Jerneja v Šiški. Pač tako neznatna stavbica (najstarejša cerkev v Ljubljani), da je bolj preprosto zgradbo težko najti. Sklonil se je mojster kraljevskih gradov k njej in jo vzel v roke. Zasvetila se je kot izbrusen biser. Četudi pride mimo človek z mrakom v srcu, pa tam obstane, ga ta svetloba prevzame in osreči. Nema lokrat sem to sam doživljal.

Tretje srečanje.

Ko sem po vojski po škofovi in provincialovi volji moral sprejeti osirotelo gorsko župnijo v Stranjah, nisem vedel, kam naj se obrnem in kaj naj storim, da ji pomorem, me je p. France Ačko nagovoril in me preboječega spremljal do vrat delavnice velikega mojstra. Prevzet od tihe, skromne ljubeznivosti velikega moža, se moram Bogu zahvaliti, da se je z istim dnem začelo dolgoletno skupno delo obnove notranje cerkvene arhitekture v do zdaj v slovenskem prostoru neslutni lepoti in pristnosti.

O Plečniku — umetniku mi ni treba pisati. O tem bo morala zrasti literatura, ki bo mnogo obsejnejša, kakor je literatura o Prešernu (ta literatura že raste, op. BS). Da ta trditev ni pretirana, jo morem podpreti z željo, da bi se kdo našel in izdal samo njegove kelihe. Sam sem imel čast oskrbeti izdelavo osem kelihov, toda za vsakega od njih je mojster pripravil vsaj pet do šest načrtov. Če bi se kdo našel, da bi zbral ne samo fotografije izgotovljenih kelihov, marveč tudi vse izvršene načrte, bi bila že samo to zajetna knjiga. Mimogrede se spominjam na izrek enega svetovnih arhitektov, da se prizadevnemu arhitektu spleča priti v Ljubljano samo zato, da bi študiral profile Plečnikovih stebrov.

Plečnik — mož dela.

Vsa dolga leta dela v Stranjah mi je bil najbolj prikladen čas za obisk pri njem popoldne ob enih. Ko sem se mu prvič za to opravičil, da ga zaradi stiske časa motim ob tako neprikladni uri, me je povabil, da smem priti ob katerikoli uri. Nikdar ga po kosilu nisem

našel drugače, kakor sklonjenega nad načrti sredi dela. Plug, ki orje, ne zarjavi.

Plečnik — asket.

Prišlo je tudi Plečniku na ušesa, da za jed nič ne skrbim in da sem včasih več dni brez hrane. Tedaj, ko sem odklonil ponujeno močnato jed, je vprašal: »Ali veste, zakaj je Mohamed dosegel s svojimi vojaki tolike uspehe? Ravnati so se morali po njegovem navodilu: nehaite jesti takrat, ko vvam najbolj diši.« Na mojo opombo, da potemtakem post v življenju Cerkev nikoli ne bo nemoderen, je odgovoril: »Ali je že kdaj kdo v zgodovini Cerkev dosegel kaj velikega brez te velesile? Saj mora biti Vam to bolj znano kot meni.«

Eno osnovnih načel notranje rasti je Gospod povedal v evangeliju z besedami: »Kadar vse storite, recite: nepridni hlapci smo.« Kako je ta izrek preveval velike duše kaže izrek svetega Frančiška proti koncu njegovega življenja. Ko je svojo veliko nalogo že skoraj izpolnil, je dejal — bi rekel po domače —: »Bratje, dejmo, začnimo, ker do zdaj smo malo napravili.« Kako se je profesor Plečnik tega življenjskega načela držal, je odprl oči človeku naslednji dogodek. Njemu zelo ljub rezbar njegovih del je posrečeno napravil velik kip slepe žene — neveljske Marijane (Nevlje so župnija kake 3 km od Kamnika, ki jo je tudi upravljal p. Martin — op. BS). Plečnik je delo zelo pohvalil kot tako imenovano socialno umetnost. Rezbarju pa je dejal: »Dragi moj, če hočete napredovati, pozabite danes vse, kar ste včeraj napravili in mislite, da ste šele danes začeli in do zdaj nič napravili, pa boste veliko dosegli.« Strmeč sem ga pozneje vprašal: »Gospod profesor, je to ključ do Vašega neizmerno svežega ustvarjanja?« Odgovoril je: »Dragi pater, če hočete delati, morate danes zavreči vse, kar ste včeraj napravili.«

Ljubezen do vsega ustvarjenega.

Duh, ki je znal zamisliti večno veličastne, mogočne stvari, je bil združen s srcem, ki se je znalo skloniti k najbolj preprostim stvarim, jih privzeti in

obdati z žarom lepote. Vzame mojster zaničevani plevel, ki mu pravimo osat, in modelira njegov list za okvir, pa ga postavi v isto vrsto z akantusom ali lotosom. Pobere lipov list in ustvari iz njega monštranco (Šiška). Sredi velikih skrbi se ustavi ob starem, poraslem zidu in se iskreno veseli drobnih rožic, ki so si tam izbrale prebivališče. Iti z njim na sprehod se je skoraj reklo sprehajati se z asiškim Ubožcem, ki je z ljubeznijo pogladil skalo in mah na njej.

Če je ljubil stvari, je tembolj ljubil človeka. Ko mi je bilo težko, da mu nalagam za tako no gorsko cerkvico toliko dela, mi je pojasnil takole: »Jaz sem doma iz preproste in siromašne družine in moja mama nas je vsak dan — oprostite — iz blata vlekla (mojster je uporabil nemški izraz Dreck, kar res pomeni blato, v slovenskem kontekstu je pa vse kaj hujšega — op. BS). Toda tudi ona je imela občut in potrebo po salonu. Res je šla vsak dan v cerkev kot verna žena, šla je pa tudi zato, ker je rabila vsaj košček lepote« in skupno sva se dopolnila — »in imeti je morala zavest, da je ta salon njen.«

(se bo nadaljevalo)

Ave Maria (april 1989)

P O

S M R T I

Ko bodo v grob me d'jali,
sto let bom tiho spal,
da več ne bodo znali,
kje križec moj je stal;

da kar živelo z mano
nekdanje jih je dni,
v deželo vsi neznano
počivat bodo šli.

Takrat mi zaigralo
srce bo živo spet,
z orjaško silo gnalo
nazaj me bo na svet.

Po dragi domovini
ogledovat bom šel,
ko sinov naših sini,
nov rod bo v nji cvetel.

Bom gledal, al' spolnile
želje so se mi v tem,
al' mirno v dnu gomile
naprej počivat' smem?

SIMON JENKO

V BLAG SPOMIN

DESETE OBLETNICE,
ODKAR NAS JE ZA
VEDNO ZAPUSTILA
NAŠA LJUBLJENA,
NEPOZABNA MAMA

JENNIE PETRICK

ki je preminula dne
13. aprila 1979

PETINDVAJSETE
OBLETNICE,
ODKAR JE NAS
ZAPUSTIL NAŠ
LJUBLJENI,
NEPOZABNI OČE

JOHN PETRICK

ki je preminul dne
20. maja 1964



No one knows now much we miss you,
No one knows the bitter pain
We have suffered — since we lost you
Life has never been the same.
In our hearts your memory lingers,
Sweetly tender, fond and true.
There is not a day, dear dad and mother,
That we do not think of you.

Žalujoči:

Hči — Jean Sin — Stanley
ter drugo sorodstvo tukaj in v stari domovini.

Euclid, O., 14. aprila 1989.