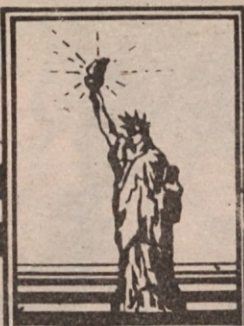


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Louis Slapnik Florists passes 3/4 century

by Vince Gostilna

The Louis Slapnik Florist family at 6102 St. Clair Avenue has been in business for quite a few years, in fact, they are currently marking their 77th year on St. Clair Avenue.

Don Slapnik and his lovely wife, Nancy, have been at the helm of the flower shop for three decades. During that time Slapnik's has become renowned for their superb creations of floral artistry. Their fame has spread throughout Northeastern Ohio and to even more distant locales.

As to the early beginnings of the Slapnik Florist Shop, Don Slapnik said, "Grandfather Ignac (Ignatius) had studied horticulture in Ljubljana, Slovenia. In 1909 he left his birthplace of Tuhinj, Gorenjsko, Slovenia, and came to Cleveland."

Don continued, "At first, my grandfather worked for a downtown florist on Euclid Avenue. In 1914 he married Frances Kepic of Kamnik and also opened a floral shop at 4017 St. Clair. As the Slovenians began to move closer to St. Vitus church, he moved his business to 5810, 6113 and finally in 1933 to the present location at 6102."

At that time his three sons, James Jr., Charles, and Louis and a daughter Frances Slapnik Habjan comprised the Slapnik family.

Slapnik remarked, "Grandpa Ignac was a supporting member of Lira choir at St. Vitus and was a generous benefactor of St. Vitus Church."

The floral shop flourished and Slapnik's had established themselves as one of the better florist establishments in Cleveland.

By the early forties Grandpa Slapnik's health had deteriorated and it was a sad day when on January 18, 1944, the patriarch florist closed his eyes and went to his heavenly reward. Fourteen



Nancy and Don Slapnik in their beautiful florist store.

months earlier, his daughter Frances had died.

"My father, Louis, had been in the Collinwood area in a floral shop that he had begun in 1938. When Grandpa Ignac died my dad came back to the St. Clair store to operate the family business," explained Don.

The floral shop survived through the East Ohio Gas Fire with only minor damage. And the Louis Slapnik Flower Shop continued in fine fashion with Lou's wife, Clara (nee Clernt) assisting in the operation of the business.

"On November 17, 1948 our grandmother, Frances, departed from this world and joined her husband Ignac in the other world," concluded Don.

Lou and Clara worked hard and they had son Don help them in the operation of the business. By 1958, the floral business was turned over to their son Don and his wife, Nancy (nee Gerbec). The new duo in time had two children, a son Louis and a daughter, Shelli. In 1960, when the Haffner Insurance Agency closed, the father, Louis, opened a

coffee shop and restaurant in the vacated premises, just two stores east of the floral shop.

In 1974, the elder Lou became ill and died at the age of 62, a death that was much too soon. His widowed wife, Clara, along with her granddaughter, Shelli, a 4th generation Slapnik, continued the operation of the restaurant which is today still serving the public.

At times, Don, who is a talented chef, makes great chili as well as other delights such as Swiss Steak, Salisbury steak, and many other meals.

Now after more than three quarters of a century, the Slapnik family is one of the few remaining pioneer families that are still in business on St. Clair Avenue.

And their many customers agree that Slapnik's is a wonderful family that provides their clients with excellent service at all times.

So it is that everyone who finds the time to stop in at Slapnik's establishments not only to smell the flowers, but also to see what's cooking in their restaurant. Ad multos annos, Slapnik family!

Glasbena Matica Concert

Saturday, April 13 will shower the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue with spring music, because it is Spring Concert time for you and Glasbena Matica singers.

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Please call any Glasbena Matica member for tickets which are only \$16.00 for the whole music-dinner package. Call Bob Hopkins for tickets at 467-7475

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Kosilo ob 75-letnici—

To nedeljo prireja Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti kosilo ob 75. obletnici ustanovitve društva. Kosilo bo v šolski dvorani, vstopnice imajo v župnišču (761-7740), Cilka Tominc (531-8855) in Marica Lavriša (481-3768).

Zajtrk—

To nedeljo zjutraj ste pa vabljeni v svetovidski avditorij na zajtrk in sicer med 8.30 zj. in 1. pop. Cena zajtrku je \$4, za otroke \$2. Istočasno bo prodaja peciva, ki se bo pričela že to soboto in sicer od 4.30 pop. do 6.30 zv., v nedeljo pa od 8.30 zj. do 1. pop.

Krofi—

To soboto bo pri Sv. Vidu prodaja krofov, ki se bo pričela ob 8. zjutraj v običajnem prostoru.

Kosilo—

V nedeljo, 21. aprila, bo pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd. kosilo, ki se bo serviralo med 12. in 6. zv. Nakaznice imajo pri svetišču in bodo na voljo na dan kosila. Ob 11.30 bo maša ob prvi obletnici smrti sen. F.J. Lauscheta.

Dom za ostarele—

Pomožni odsek pri Slovenskem domu za ostarele na Neff Rd. vabi na svoje letno kosilo, ki bo v ponedeljek, 22. aprila, ob 12. opoldne, v Domu. Po obedu bo seja, ob 1. pop. Za rezervacije pokličite Dorothy Urbancic (481-8985) ali Bertho Walden (531-4445), in sicer do 15. aprila. Novi člani in članice vedno dobrodošli.

Maša in program—

Jutri, petek, ob 5.10 pop. se bo v stolnici sv. Janeza pričela sv. maša za svobodo in neodvisnost držav srednje in vzhodne Evrope. Celebrant bo škof Anthony Pilla. Nato bo ob 6.30 zv. v Catholic Center, 1031 Superior Ave., program, na katerem bo predvajan video-trak o napadu v Vilnius, Litovska, enote sovjetske vojske. Do napada je prišlo 13. januarja in je akcija močno odjeknila v svetu. Govoril bo David W. Leopold, ki je bil štiri mesece v Moskvi, kjer je služil kot pravni svetovalec Saharovemu odboru. Govoril bo o izgledih za bodočnosti v ZSSR. Mašo in program sponzorira Ohio Helsinki Accords Council. Vstopnine ni, brezplačno parkiranje v nadškofijski garaži na E. 9 in Rockwell (vhod na Rockwell).

Lepa podpora—

Ga. Mary Princ, Cleveland, Ohio, je darovala \$50 v tiskovni sklad Ameriške Domovine. Za lepo podporo se iskreno zahvalimo.

Do sobote—

Ker gre urednik že v ponedeljek na obisk v Slovenijo, bo slovenski del naslednje AD zaključen že do nedelje. Zato morajo biti dopisi dostavljeni že do sobote, 13. aprila.

Upokojenci Slov. pristave—

Sestanek Upokojencev Slovenske pristave bo v sredo, 24. aprila, ob 1.30 pop. na SP. Kdor more, naj pride že ob 11.30, da pomaga počistiti Orlov vrh in Park. Za klubov enodnevni izlet, ki bo 30. aprila, je še šest (6) prostorov na avtobusu. Pohitite in se prijavite na tel. št. 531-8982.

Novi naslov—

G. Emil Bukovec sedaj stanuje v Wickliffe Country Place Nursing Home na Bishop Rd. in Euclid Ave. Zelo vesel bo obiskov znancev in prijateljev, prav tako voščilnih kartic. Njegov naslov je 1919 Bishop Rd., Wickliffe, OH 44143.

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Zveza Oltarnih društev—

Zveza Oltarnih društev vljudo vabi vse članice od župnij sv. Vida, Marije Vnebovzete, sv. Kristine in sv. Lovrenca, na sejo, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 28. aprila, ob 2.30 pop. pri Sv. Vidu. Pridite najprej v cerkev, kjer bo sprejem novih članic in nato molitve. Takoj po obredu bo zborovanje v dvorani. Udeležite se v velikem številu.

Spominski dar—

Ga. Mary Fakult, Cleveland, O., je darovala \$10 v tiskovni sklad AD, v spomin Helen Semich. Hvala lepa.

DNIJ pri Sv. Vidu—

To nedeljo ima DNIJ pri Sv. Vidu redni mesečni sestanek in sicer po osmi maši v cerkveni dvorani. Tisti, ki bi radi zajtrk, ga bodo lahko dobili po sestanku v šolski dvorani.

Drago Jančar v ZDA—

V angleškem delu poročamo o slovenskem pisatelju Dragotu Jančarju, ki bo v Washingtonu v drugi polovici aprila, ker bo prva predstava v angleščini na ameriškem odru njegovega dela »Stakeout at Godot's«. G. Jančar je bil med tistimi slovenskimi intelektualci, ki so veliko pripomogli k demokratizaciji v Sloveniji. Na zadnjem obisku ZDA je g. Jančar obiskal tudi AD.



Don and daughter, Shelli in their restaurant which has a real, honest-to-goodness soda fountain. (Photos by Tony Grdina)

Jim's Journal

by James V. Debevec

Today we present a few thoughts on a few subjects.

First of all, a letter to the editor is exactly that and not the editor's thoughts or position. It is the writer's thoughts only. It would be impossible to believe that every letter to the editor in the *Plain Dealer* is editor Thom Greer's opinion, or publisher Alex Machaskee's either.

Definitely not. This is America. In America we have what is called freedom of the press and every judge in the land bends over backward to insure that everyone is able to express his or her *opinion*. If this were not so, we would be living in a dictatorship.

So please believe that any letter or column is the author's viewpoint and not the editor's. My viewpoints can be found in this column. And when a reader of this paper disagrees or agrees, he or she has the privilege of writing a letter and stating your views.

I'm a great one for believing in the American way of doing things. I think Democracy is great. I have sat in on an organizational meeting where one of the founders said, "If

the people of Slovenia want Democracy, we'll support them; if they want Socialism, we'll support them; if they want Communism, we'll support them." I walked out and didn't join that group.

On the front page of this *Ameriška Domovina*, I didn't add just one American flag, I added two. Some have said why didn't you put the Slovenian flag on the front page. The answer is this is the "American Home" newspaper. We support Democracy here and in Slovenia and elsewhere, but we are essentially American.

Even though half of this paper is in the Slovenian language it does not mean we support *everything* Slovenian, it is simply intended for those who prefer to read the news in the Slovenian tongue usually because they are more familiar with it. And because our ancestors came from there or because some still have relatives there, we are vitally interested in the events concerning Slovenia and we report just about everything we can about the country. We visited there for the first time a few years ago and found Slovenia to be a truly beautiful country and we pray for and support

the people of Slovenia in their struggle for independence and Democracy.

In a *Plain Dealer* newspaper article on Saturday four of my good friends were mentioned concerning naming a polka or square dance as the official state of Ohio dance. My *opinion* is if we have to have a state dance, which in reality there is a great diversity of people here to single out any one dance, and yet somehow to take no stance is a loser's way out of doing things. We must be positive in our approach to life. Just as we all were positive in the Gulf War from the top Commander-in-Chief to the generals, to the warriors, to the people back home, we were all positive, and the results were positive.

To get back to the state dance, I think the *waltz* should represent Ohio. There is an old saying that the slower the people dance, the faster they work. We want Ohio to be known as an industrial as well as agricultural state, and the population to be known as industrious and willing and able to do the job and do it exactly right. The 1990 U.S. Census indicates that 40% of the population of Ohio is of German descent. The Slovenians border on the country of Austria and the capital of Slovenia under the Hapsburgs was Vienna, the home of the waltz.

The waltz is beautiful. Ohio is beautiful. Beautiful Ohio is its official song; it is a waltz. On January 14 when Governor George Voinovich and his wife, Janet, danced their first dance together at the Carnation Inauguration Ball at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus, it was a waltz, and the couple looked enchanting and charming.

One of the most beautiful songs played by *every* Slovenian dance band is the waltz. The master is Lou Trebar. Listening, and watching couples waltz around the dance floor is an exercise in ecstasy. It is smooth, like the flow of the Ohio river. It has charm like the old villages and rural towns. It is viable and functional like the big cities. It is life-giving like Lake Erie. It is traditional, like the Ohio citizens' active commitment to



Governor of Ohio George V. Voinovich, and his wife, Janet, dance the waltz at the Carnation Inauguration Ball on Jan. 14.

the United States. It demands attention and respect like the people of Ohio.

I think square dances are

great fun and I love to dance the polka, — but let's make the waltz the state dance. We deserve the best.

Coming Events...

Saturday, April 13

Glasbena Matica Spring Dinner Concert at Slovenian Home on St. Clair Ave. Music Ray Polantz Orchestra.

Saturday, April 13

Collinwood Slovenian Home Spring Dinner-Dance honoring Man of the Year Frank Ferra. Music by Bob Kravos. Dinner 7 p.m., music 8 p.m. Donation \$12.00.

Sunday, April 14

Button Box Jammer, 1 p.m. at West Park Slovenian Home, 4558 W. 130 St.

Saturday, April 20

"Thinking Spring" Dinner-Program - Dance sponsored by Jadran, featuring Fred Kuhar Orchestra at Waterloo Hall.

Sunday, April 21

Indianapolis — Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor performs at Bockhold Hall from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets \$7.50 from Board members of Slovenian Cultural Society.

Saturday, April 27

Zarja Spring Frolic, Vaudeville Show II., at Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid. Dinner 5 to 6:30, program at 7 p.m. Dance to Vadnal orchestra. Donation \$15 from members or Polka Hall of Fame.

Sunday, April 28

New York City — St. Cyril's Slovenian Church, 75th anniversary celebration with Mass at 10 a.m. and banquet and program from 2 to 7 p.m. at Plattsdeutch Park restaurant, Franklin Square, Long Island. Music by Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor.

Sunday, May 5

Friends of Slovenian National Home Annual Spring Brunch. Serving 12 to 2 p.m. Good food, good entertainment and good friends.

May 16 thru 19

Slovenian Women's Union of America National Convention in Days Hotel, North Randall, Ohio.

Sunday, May 12

Upstairs Dance at the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid with Joe Fedorchak from 4 to 8 p.m. on stage and Harry Faint from 7 to 9 p.m. in the bar room. Also featured will be George Staiduhar with special guests Zeke and Charlie. Proceeds to the Youngstown Penn Ohio Polka Pals and Akron, Barberton, Canton (ABC). Sponsor and coordinator is George Knaus. For tickets at \$5 call 481-9300 or 943-0553.

Friday, May 17

Slovene Home for the Aged Annual Meeting at Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd. at 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 19

St. Clair Slovenian National Home dance from 2 to 6 p.m. featuring Mike Wojtila and the Entertainers, and the Eddie Rodick Orchestra. Honored will be George Knaus. For more information call 361-5115.

Thursday, May 23

Our Lady of Brezje observance at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine off Chardon Rd. in Euclid, Ohio sponsored by Ohio Federation of KSKJ lodges, beginning promptly at 7 p.m. *Everyone* welcome.

Sunday, June 2

St. Vitus Alumni Annual Reunion Day, 12 Mass, dinner at 1:30 p.m. in school auditorium. Reservations \$15 to treasurer Joseph Brodnik, 344 Claymore Blvd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143.

Sunday, June 30

St. Vitus Summer Festival.

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Slovenians Plot Independence

The Christian Science Monitor

by Girard C. Steichen

Ljubljana, Yugoslavia — In Ljubljana's vibrant city center, street vendors hawk souvenir prototypes of Slovenian passports, their covers embossed with a linden leaf, the republic's national symbol.

A few miles away, at a sprawling research and development complex on the outskirts of the Slovenian capital, government workers are designing a new, as yet unnamed, national currency.

Yugoslavia's volatile federation of 45 years is crumbling. And if Slovenians have their way, cartographers will soon have to redraw the map of Europe to include at least one new independent state.

Yet the future of Yugoslavia's most-prosperous republic is uncertain; fraught with political upheaval and the threat of intervention by communist-led troops loyal to the central government.

Call for Independence

Nevertheless, in a plebiscite in December nearly 90 percent of Slovenia's voters said they wanted full sovereignty and supported a six-month timetable for independence. That timetable could be speeded by growing violence between Serbians and Croats, the nation's two largest ethnic groups, and by rising anti-communist unrest in Belgrade, the federal and Serbian capital.

The leaders of Serbia and Croatia held a surprise meeting March 25 in an apparent effort to diffuse tensions. Tanjug news agency said Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and Croatian President Franjo Tudjman met for several hours at an undisclosed location.

Although the European Community and the United States have appealed for Yugoslavia to remain united, officials in Ljubljana say privately there are indications that Austria and Hungary would recognize Slovenia as a state. Slovenia, along with neighboring Croatia, have proposed that Yugoslavia's six republics and two provinces form a loose federation of sovereign states. Croatia has vowed to follow Slovenia if it secedes.

Serbia Wants Control

Communist-ruled Serbia, Yugoslavia's biggest republic, insists that it retain control, which the new center-right governments in Slovenia and Croatia have rejected. They remain at odds with the hard-line Mr. Milosevic, whose pro-

Serbian policies have brought Yugoslavia to the brink of civil war several times and spurred protests in Belgrade.

"It is really unimaginable that Slovenia, a democratic country with a parliamentary system and respect for human rights, could stay on in a Communist country," says Vitodrag Pukl, deputy speaker of Slovenia's Parliament, who is helping to draft a new constitution. He insists that in legal terms, Slovenia became independent on Feb. 20 when it annulled the force of federal law on its territory.

Slovenia's leaders say they want the separation to be peaceful and orderly. But there are lingering worries about how the national Army, whose officer corps is dominated by Serbs and communists, will react. Slovenian President Milan Kucan warns of possible military intervention if there is a power struggle.

If a clash does erupt, it would more likely pit Serbia against Croatia, two longtime rivals.

But geography, ethnic makeup, and economic prowess could keep Slovenia out of any fighting. Slovenia's only internal Yugoslav borders is with Croatia, and it has no sizable minority groups.

"We hope this will make it possible to pull out of Yugoslavia in peace," says Dusan Plut, a member of Slovenia's presidency.

Although Slovenia is Yugoslavia's most-developed republic, the transition could still be difficult. And while its production capacity is considerable, its economic survival is by no means assured.

Much of the mountainous republic's production, though better than most in the nation, is far below Western competitive standards. Several economists have predicted independence could cause a 50 percent reduction in Slovenia's gross national product — a drop that would bring at least temporary hardship to the republic's 2 million inhabitants.

Other economic experts warn that Slovenia could find itself dependent on Austria and Italy, its prosperous Western neighbors.

"Slovenia could end up being sold at bargain prices because of the ruin communist mismanagement has caused," says Alexander Bajt, a leading

Slovenian economist.

But Slovenian officials say they're confident the economy will pick up speed once free-market reforms take hold and the republic is no longer required to help support Yugoslavia's other impoverished republics.

Despite the bickering and brinkmanship, Slovenians say they will pursue an independent course. Says presidency member Plut: "Slovenians are prepared to suffer for their sovereignty."

Altar Group Meets

The United Altar Societies is inviting all members to the meeting on Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Vitus. Meeting will be held immediately following church services. This meeting should be important to all of us. Please come, ladies from St. Lawrence, St. Mary and St. Christine, and St. Vitus.

—Marie Amigoni

Progressive Convention

The Progressive Slovene Women of America will be sponsoring their 10th quadrennial convention on the weekend of May 4 and 5. This will take place at the Slovenian Home on Waterloo Rd.

In conjunction with these two important days of meetings and worthwhile works, we will have a banquet, program, and dance on the night of Saturday, May 4. There will be good food, a delightful, and short program, and dancing to the music of Fred Kuhar. All of this for the unheard of price of \$12.50.

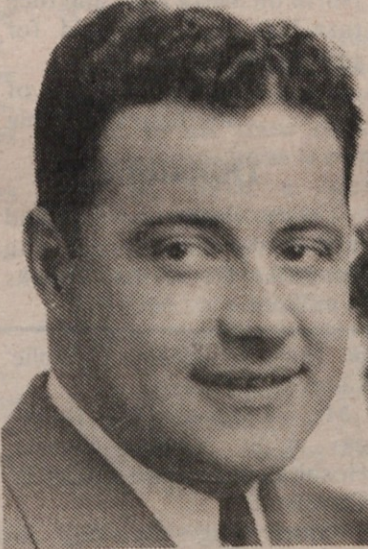
We also invite visitors to our meeting on Sunday, May 5.

For tickets please contact the Polka Hall of Fame on E. 222nd St. in Euclid, or call Vida Zak 481-6247 or Fran Mauric 531-6393.

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Work by Slovene Dramatist Drago Jancar Presented in Washington

The Directors of Scena Theatre of Washington, D.C., announce that the American premiere of Slovene playwright Drago Jancar's *Stakeout at Godot's* will be staged at the Joy of Motion Dance Center, 1643 Connecticut Avenue N.W., in Washington, from April 19 through May 5. Performance times are Fridays at 10:30 PM, Saturdays at 8 and 10:30 PM. Tickets are \$12. Reservations may be made by calling the Joy of Motion box office at 202/387-0911.

Stakeout at Godot's is a metaphysical thriller set in a seedy hotel room in an unnamed country. Two bumbling functionaries of this nameless, faceless state attempt to mount a hardboiled detective-style stakeout on the mysterious Godot. Who is he really? Why has he never appeared? What is he up to? Agents Franz and Joseph, surreal Fratellini-like brothers reminiscent of the American Abbott and Costello team, are inevitably drawn into a series of strange and curious events as they attempt to unmask the elusive Mr. Godot.

A gloss on Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* and a parable of present-day Yugoslavia, *Stakeout at Godot's* was written in 1988 and first performed by Scena Theatre in a workshop production at the National Theatre's Helen Hayes Gallery that September. Scena then staged the play in August 1989 for four performances at the Washington Theatre Festival prior to performing it as part of a traveling repertory to Italy and Yugoslavia in October-November 1989.

Scena's touring production was staged at the Slovene National Drama Festival in Maribor, at the Slovene National

Theatre in Ljubljana, and at the Kamerni Teatar 55 in Sarajevo. In addition to its many Yugoslav productions, *Stakeout at Godot's* has been staged at theatres in Austria and Germany. The Slovene-language production from Ljubljana will be presented in the Soviet Union this month.

Drago Jancar

Drago Jancar is a native of the Republic of Slovenia and President of the Slovene P.E.N. Club, a group of professional writers. Jancar and the Slovene Pen Club played an important role in helping promote the recent democratization process in Slovenia and indeed Jancar was subjected to persecution by the previous Communist regime, since he had brought into the country published materials that were then forbidden to the general public.

During a visit to the Cleveland area several years ago, this writer had the opportunity to spend a day with Jancar and show him, among other sites, the American Home Publishing Company, Slovenska prištava, the SNPJ farm and the Slovene Home for the Aged.

Mr. Jancar will be in Washington between April 15—30, to attend productions of his play. His visit is co-hosted by Scena Theatre and George Mason University's Theatre of the First Amendment. During his stay, Jancar will lecture on Slovene/Yugoslav theatre and literature at George Mason and Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. A staged reading of Jancar's newly translated play *Daedalus* is also planned at George Mason University.

For further information, you can contact Scena Theatre's Managing Director Amy Schmidt at 703/549-0002.

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Louis W. Medved, beloved husband of Edna (nee Lear) (deceased), dear father of Richard L. and Louis A. (wife, Diana), grandfather of Louis, Joseph and Dawn, brother of Frances Kramer, Antonia Lausche and Julia Larson, and the following deceased: Mary Laushin and Anthony Medved; dear friend of Sonia Barron.

Services were Tuesday, April 9 at the Grdina-Cosic-Faulhaber Funeral Home, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd. at 10 a.m. and from St. Vitus Church at 10:30 a.m. Interment Lake View Cemetery.

FRANK MLINAR

Frank Mlinar died Saturday, April 6 at home in Joliet, Illinois. He was born in Fuzine, Slovenia, the son of Alojz and Katarina (nee Jezersek). He came to America 42 years ago and retired in 1982 after serving as custodian for St. Mary (Cleveland - Collinwood) parish for over 30 years.

Mr. Mlinar was a member of the Holy Name societies of St. Joseph (Joliet), and long-time member of St. Mary (Coll.) as well as St. Joseph Lodge No. 169 of the KSKJ, the Legion of Mary and Catholic Order of Foresters Court 1640.

Mr. Mlinar is survived by his wife Antonia (nee Rozman), and sisters Maryann Mlinar (Euclid), Maria Mlinar (Chagrin Falls), Cecilia Oblak and Katarina Mlinar, both of Slovenia. Mr. Mlinar was preceded in death by brothers Janes and Jernej both of Slovenia and wife Dorothy (nee March) of Euclid.

Funeral Mass was Monday, April 8 at St. Joseph (Joliet) and Wednesday, April 10 at St. Mary (Coll.) at 10 a.m. where visitation was held one hour before Mass with interment at All Souls Cemetery, Chardon, Ohio.

Arrangements by Sterle-Sankovic Funeral Home, 15314 Macauley Ave., Cleveland (corner of E. 152 and Lake Shore Blvd.).

MARY E. SEITZ

Mary E. Seitz (nee Ockun), 86, died Friday, March 29 in Manor Care Lakeshore Nursing Home.

Mary was born in Ljubljana and came to Cleveland in 1905.

She was employed as a multigraph operator for the Robert Silverman Co. for 20 years, retiring in 1970.

Mary was the widow of Vincent, the mother of Doris Solnok, grandmother of Vincent, Thomas, Dorothy Philbeck, Janet Moskovics and Robert; sister of John Ockun, Julia Kordic, William Ockun and the following deceased: Josephine Lockner, Pauline Tekancic, and Rudolph Oaken.

Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery. Zele Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FRANK C. DEMSHAR

Frank C. Demshar worked in the corrugated-box industry in the Cleveland area for 60 years until he retired in 1990. He was production manager for the River Raisin Paper Co. and Tecumseh Corrugated Box Co. He was sales manager for Tecumseh for the last 10 years he worked.

Mr. Demshar, 76, died Tuesday at his home in North Olmsted. He had cancer.

He was born in Cleveland and lived in Parma before he moved to North Olmsted.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Margaret; a son, Frank J. of North Royalton; daughters, Jacqueline Hochschild of North Olmsted, Peggy Creswell of Brunswick and Sharon McMullen of Rocky River; 17 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and three sisters.

He was a cousin of the following: Ella Samanich of Midbury Hts., Victor Tominec of Richmond Hts., O., and Matevž Tominec, Collinwood.

Services were at St. Brendan Catholic Church, North Olmsted.

He was a member of AMLA Lodge No. 48.

EDWARD VIDMAR

Services for Edward Vidmar, 73, of Willowick, retired employee for King Music Instruments Inc. in Eastlake, were Monday morning at

New Column:

In 100 Words More or Less

by John Mercina

A weekly column about life in general, nothing in particular. Sometimes sad, sometimes happy. Sometimes in English, sometimes in Slovenian. Informative, thought provoking and always true. Never exceeding 100 words, more or less.

Mr. Mercina's first column "Lessons from the Gulf War" begins in next week's American Home newspaper.

Slovenian Devotions in California

It is already 40 years since the beginning of our Slovenian May Devotion in Corona, Calif. We will celebrate this 40th anniversary on May 5th at St. Joseph Church in Fontana, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

As we observe the historical events that are taking place right now in Slovenia and Yugoslavia, it is clear that our native country is in great need of help, particularly through our prayers.

This is the primary reason for this annual celebration, praying that God will protect our Slovenia from the danger of civil war.

Following the services in the church, there will be a luncheon in the Parish Hall where we will have the opportunity to see our friends. All are invited. If you know others who would like to come, please tell them they are most welcome.

It is important to advise Mrs. Frances Videgar if you plan to attend, so that sufficient food will be available for all. She may be contacted at (714) 822-7828 in the afternoon or evening.

We hope to see and welcome you all at St. Joseph Church, 17080 Arrow Blvd. in Fontana on May 5th at 1:30 p.m.

Directions: If you are taking Foothill Blvd., turn South on Sierra Ave. and then turn East on Arrow Blvd. for just one block.

If you are taking the San Bernardino Freeway (I-10), turn North on Sierra Ave. and then turn East on Arrow Blvd. for just one block.

—Slovenian Priests of Southern California

Donation

Mary Princ of Cleveland donated \$50.00 to the Ameriška Domovina. Thanks a million!

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Willowick.

Mr. Vidmar died last Thursday at St. Vincent Charity Hospital and Health Center in Cleveland.

Born Aug. 31, 1917 in Cleveland, he lived in Willowick since 1965.

He was a little league coach for Willowick boys baseball.

Survivors are his wife Millie (Brancel); son, Edward Jr. of Willowick; daughter, Carol Hartman of Willowick; sister, Ann Brinovec of Cleveland; and six grandchildren.

Friends called at Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Ave. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon.

Latest St. Clair Pensioners News



by Stanley J. Frank

Last month I reminded our readers that our big annual event, our "Chicken & Roast Pork Dinner" is scheduled for Sunday, April 28th and that tickets are available from our members or also by calling me at 391-9761. Now a month later, I must emphasize that it is only two weeks away. And again I want to remind you that this is a public event. ALL are invited.

It was so nice to see so many of you, our friends, at last year's dinner. And you enjoyed it, you told us so. It will be a pleasure to welcome you again on Sunday, April 28th.

If for some reason you missed our dinner and social in the years gone by, give us a break. Come and treat yourselves to a delicious dinner and relax and enjoy the afternoon in the company of nice people.

If you haven't purchased your tickets yet, DON'T DELAY. Our cook, Milka Krulc, is anxious to prepare you a delectable meal, but she must know "How many are coming to dinner." So try to make your reservations by Saturday, April 20th. WHY NOT DO IT NOW.

Last month, member Ann Miklaucic was rushed to

Charity Hospital, as a victim of a stroke. She responded favorably to administered medication and treatment, and with determination, is making a good start to recovery. The good news is that she is now at the Euclid Meridia Rehabilitation Center, undergoing progressive therapy. I am sure that Ann will appreciate and enjoy your cards of cheer, and will boost her determination for recovery. Ann, we know that you can do it and we are looking forward to seeing you at our meetings again soon.

On a truly sad note, we regret to tell you that we lost another member, Edward Vidmar. Ed was hospitalized, had surgery, and on the day after, his life here on earth came to a sudden end. Ed was a mild, even-tempered person. Never seemed to lose his cool and always greeted you with a warm and friendly smile. We will miss him. To Millie, his wife, and to his family and relatives, we extend our deepest and most sincere sympathy on their great loss. May he rest in peace!

Our next scheduled meeting date is Thursday, April 18th. We expect to hear good reports on our dinner ticket sales, and we are looking forward to an excellent attendance at our Dinner on Sunday, April 28th.

Bake Sale

St. Vitus Parish is sponsoring a Bake Sake on Saturday, April 13 and Sunday, April 14 in the auditorium after all Masses.

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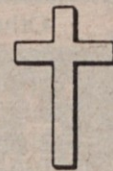
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ki je preminula dne 13. aprila 1979

27. OBLETNICE, ODKAR JE NAS ZAPUSTIL NAŠ LJUBLJENI, NEPOZABNI OČE

JOHN PETRICK

ki je preminul dne 20. maja 1964



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

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Students Taught to Save Money

Ameritrust bank this week announced an expansion of a school educational program and competition intended to encourage students in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan to learn about the value of money, how to earn money and, most important, how to save money.

Through the program, Ameritrust branch managers will talk with students about smart savings and provide educational activities for use in the classroom.

"It is very important that we start teaching our children the value of money and of saving," said Peter Osenar, Ameritrust group executive vice president for consumer banking. "By sending our branch managers out into the community to work with students, we are encouraging students to realize the importance of developing a savings plan at an early age."

Ameritrust branch managers will donate a copy of the book *Making Cents* to every school they visit.

This program is in conjunction with the Ameritrust Smart Savers Competition, which challenges students as well as adults to submit their most creative, practical and successful ideas for building and maintaining savings.

Ameritrust will present a savings-related award for the best idea by a student. The award will be \$500 in an Ameritrust savings account and a \$100 toy store gift certificate. All students who are 18 or under are eligible to enter the Smart Savers Competition. In addition, the school of the winning student will receive a \$500 award for its student activities fund.

Other awards for the best suggestions entered by adults are:

- First Place — \$5,000 in an Ameritrust 12-month Certificate of Deposit.
- Second Place — \$2,000 in an Ameritrust Individual Retirement Account.
- Third Place — \$1,000 in an Ameritrust Money Market Savings Account.

The Smart Savers competition is open to all residents of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky — regardless of whether or not they are Ameritrust customers or live in an area served by an Ameritrust branch. All entries will be judged by bank executives based on originality, creativity and practicality.

Ameritrust branch managers will distribute entry forms to classrooms where they speak. In addition, entry forms are available at any Ameritrust branch. Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky residents also may enter by mail by sending their name, address, telephone number, and school, grade and age (if a

student), and a savings idea described in 100 words or less to:

Ameritrust Smart Savers
P.O. Box 15127
Cleveland, OH 44115-9725

Deadline for the school program and student entries has been extended to May 15 due to the overwhelming interest in the Smart Savers competition. Winners will be announced no later than July 1, 1991.

Think Spring with Jadran

"Thinking Spring," Jadran Singing Society's theme for their upcoming concert on Saturday, April 20th at the Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Rd., is certain to please everyone in attendance.

Some of the familiar songs which will be sung by the chorus include "Prva Pomlad," "Dolinci Prijetni" and "Tam na Vrtni Gredi". Our quartet consisting of Don and Dorothy Gorjup, Mary Frank and Clarence Rugar will sing "Zadovoljni Kmet" and the Women's Chorus will sing Rodgers & Hammerstein's "It Might As Well Be Spring."

Frank Smerke will render the lilted "Faling in Love with Love," and Florence Unetich will sing "Ptičica." Florence will be joined with Angela Zabjek in several duets.

Of course, no Jadran program would be complete without our Button Box Ensemble playing their and your favorite polkas and waltzes... and there's much, much more in store for your enjoyment.

Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., the program from 7:30 to 8:30 and dancing to the Fred Kuhar Orchestra follows.

Tickets for this entire delightful evening are only \$14. Reservations may be made by calling either Angela Zabjek at 531-3979 or Betty Rotar at 481-3187.

Tickets are also available at the SWH Club Room and at the Cleveland Polka Hall of Fame Headquarters at E. 222nd and Babbett Rd.

Betty Rotar, Pres.,
Jadran Singing Society

Bukovec in Home

Emil Bukovec, a long-time grocer in the St. Clair-E. 61 St. area, is now a resident of the Wickliffe Country Place Nursing Home on Bishop and Euclid Ave.

He would appreciate visitors and cards.

His address is 1919 Bishop Rd., Wickliffe, OH 44092.

Krofe Sale

There will be a krofe sale on Saturday, April 13th in the Social Room of St. Vitus Auditorium starting at 8 a.m.

Baraga Weekend Update

Attend the complete Baraga Days activities and 20th Anniversary of the Slovenian Chapel at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. August 31 and September 1.

Also a unique option is available for those wishing to stretch out their Labor Day weekend: a visit to New York City, Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty on September 2-3. Lowest prices will include: airfare, hotel, sightseeing, bus transfers, admission, one meal a day and insurance. For information contact Washington Landmark Tours, 2362 Paddock Lane, Reston, VA 22091.

On Saturday, Aug. 31, Mass in the Slovenian Chapel (crypt) of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. will be held at 4 p.m. (EDT). The Banquet and Annual Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

On Sunday, Sept. 1 — 2 p.m. Mass in Upper Main Church of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception will be held with celebrant and homilist James Cardinal Hickey, Archbishop of Washington, D.C.

Banquet tickets are \$35 (including gratuity and 11% tax). Order directly from Mr. Conrad Mejac, 4445 Butterworth Place NW, Washington, DC 20016. Make check payable to: Slovenian Chapel Anniversary Committee. A stamped, self-addressed envelope would be appreciated.

The Baraga Days headquarters is the Sheraton Washington Hotel, 2660 Woodley Rd. at Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20008, 1-800-523-3535 (reservations); 202-328-2000 (other).

Rates: 1-2 persons \$75, each additional guest \$20. There is also an 11% room tax. These rates apply to the nights from Wednesday, August 28 to Tuesday, September 3. Great for a family trip to the capital city. But you must indicate you are with the Baraga program for these rates. Deadline is August 23.

Please make your reservations directly with the hotel or with your tour company. In order to get these rates the Baraga Association is committed to filling a required number of rooms. (The ordinary room rate is \$176 (+ 11%!) per night for a single and \$206 for a double.

Some features of this hotel are: 7 restaurants, fitness center, heated pool, 2 miles to heart of Washington, 24 hour room service, jogging trails, 2 blocks from zoo,

Benefit Dinner; Lausche Mass

The Spring Roast Beef Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Chardon Rd. in Euclid will be held on Sunday, April 21 in St. Ann Dining Room on the Shrine grounds. Dinners will be served from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend this dinner where you can enjoy a delicious meal in the pleasantly peaceful environs of the Shrine.

For those who wish to attend Mass before dinner, a Mass will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the chapel in memory of the 1st anniversary of the death of Senator Frank J. Lausche.

Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Please contact Tony Brodnik at 289-7680 for tickets.

Proceeds will be used for the urgent upkeep of the Shrine.

Altar Society Marks 75th

St. Mary Collinwood Altar Society is celebrating their 75th anniversary with a dinner on Sunday, April 14 in the school auditorium, 15519 Holmes Ave.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

This is a pork chop, chicken dinner.

Luncheon

The Slovene Home for the Aged Auxiliary luncheon will be held on Monday, April 22nd at 12 noon at the Home on Neff Rd. The regular meeting will following the luncheon at 1:00 p.m.

For reservations please call Dorothy Urbancich at 481-8985 or Bertha Walden at 531-4445 by April 15th.

Card Party

Suburban East Business and Professional Women will hold their Annual Benefit Card Party on Friday, April 26 at the Euclid Park Clubhouse, E. 222nd St. and Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid from 7 - 10 p.m. Door prizes and refreshments. Tickets are \$3 at the door or call Trudy Dever 531-5917 for information.

In Memory

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Baskovic who donated \$25.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of Joseph and Rose Baskovic.

Breakfast

St. Vitus Parish is hosting a Sausage and Eggs breakfast with toast, sweet roli, coffee in the auditorium on Sunday, April 14. Adults \$4, children \$2.

Concert Cancelled

The Štajerski Kvintet concert scheduled for Sterle's Slovenian Country House Restaurant in Cleveland on April 14 has been cancelled because the group couldn't obtain a work permit in time.

Another concert date will be set in the future.

Thanks

I wish to express my thanks and gratitude for all the cards, flowers and good wishes from the clergy, my friends and relatives who remembered me during my recent illness.

I have been recuperating in Wisconsin and hope to be back in Cleveland sometime soon.

Mary Marinko
Monona, Wis.

Prijatelj Saluted

Naperville, IL — Francis J. Prijatelj of Parma, Ohio has been named one of the top sales agents for 1990 by the Catholic Order of Forsters (COF) — a 150,000-member fraternal life insurance benefit society based in Naperville and licensed in 29 states and the District of Columbia.

Prijatelj has received a plaque to commemorate his achievement and will also qualify for the 1990 Sales Leaders' Seminar.

Prijatelj and his wife, Frances, have both been active members of the Foresters for many years. They have two children and will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in May.

The Question of Retirement

Retirement often brings perplexing questions. Should you stay or should you go? And if you go, where?

"For some reason people think relocation is expected in retirement, but there shouldn't be any pressure at all to move," said David Savageau, author of "Retirement Places Rated" (Prentice Hall Press, \$16.95), a comprehensive guide to the nation's top retirement areas.

The book surveyed 151 counties on the basis of money issues, housing, climate, personal safety, available services, work opportunities and leisure activities.

San Diego ranks 34th, Southport 11th. The top-ranked county is Fort Myers-Cape Coral-Sanibel Island, Fla.

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VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

— NOVI GROBOVI —

Danes v Sloveniji seja jugoslovanskega predsedstva — Demonstracije v Hrvatski — Srbski notranji minister prisiljen odstopiti

Danes poteka v Sloveniji seja zveznega predsedstva. Namen teh zadnji čas zelo pogostih sej je izoblikovanje dogovora o novi ureditvi za Jugoslavijo, doslej pa ti sestanki niso rodili nobenega uspeha, namesto zблиževanja stališč je prišlo do še izrazitejše razhajanja v gledanjih. O današnji seji ob tem poročanju ni še nobenih vesti, ni pa pričakovati, da bo uspešnejša od prejšnjih.

Pretekli ponedeljek so bile demonstracije v več hrvaških mestih. Demonstranti so se zbrali pred poslopji, v katerih delujejo organi Jugoslovanske ljudske armade. V nekaterih primerih so demonstranti povzročili gmotno škodo. Do demonstracij je prišlo, ker poteka sodni proces zoper hrvaškega obrambnega ministra Martina Špeglja, ki je obtožen, da je vodil zaroto zoper JLA. V Splitu naj bi bilo aretiranih deset demonstrantov, ni pa bilo nobenih oseb ranjenih.

Predsednik predsedstva SFRJ in srbski član tega telesa Borisav Jović je poslal pismo hrvaškemu predsedniku Franju Tuđmanu, v katerem je svaril, da bo vojska uporabljala vso potrebno silo v obrambi pred protivojaškimi akcijami. Isto je trdila sama JLA, ki je skupno s hrvaško policijo poslala oklopna vozila, da bi bila zavarovano poslopje v Zagrebu, v katerem poteka sojenje. Jović je Tuđmanu pisal tudi, da demonstracije v ponedeljek potrjujejo, da Hrvaška aktivno nasprotuje odločitvam zveznega predsedstva in izvajanju zveznih zakonov na ozemlju Hrvatske.

Politična napetost raste tudi v sami Srbiji. Včeraj je odstopil srbski notranji minister Radmilo Bogdanović. Njegov odhod so zahtevale opozicijske stranke in študentje in sicer zaradi njegove vloge v spopadu med proti-Miloševićevimi demonstranti in srbsko policijo v Beogradu 9. marca. V tem spopadu sta bili ubiti dve osebi, ranjenih pa več kot 200. Srbska skupščina je glasovala za sprejem Bogdanovićeve ostavke, poslanci, ki so sicer v veliki večini lojalni do Miloševića, so pa zavrnili zahtevo kakih 20 opozicijskih poslancev, naj odstopijo še predsednik vlade Dragutin Zelenović in dva njegova ministra.

Bolj in bolj resne postajajo tudi v Srbiji gospodarske težave. Pretekli teden so stav-

kali mehaniki letalske družbe JAT, zato ni bilo poletov, stavko nameravajo ponoviti. Voditelji sindikatov, v katerih je po Srbiji zaposlenih 700.000 delavcev v kovinski in tekstilni industriji, napovedujejo stavko za prihodnji torek in se pridružujejo klicem za generalni štrajk v tej republiki. Mnogi delavci baje niso dobili celotnih plač že več mesecev, življenjski standard zaradi vedno bolj obsežnega gospodarskega kolapsa naglo pada. Sam srbski predsednik Slobodan Milošević je tarča vedno bolj ostrih kritik.

Dr. Alojzij Šuštar in Milan Kučan o razpletu jugoslovanske krize — Izmenjava informacij

Predsednik predsedstva Republike Slovenije Milan Kučan je 29. marca povabil nadškofa in ljubljanskega metropolita dr. Alojzija Šuštarja na srečanje, katerega namen je bil izmenjava informacije in gledanj v zvezi z razpletom jugoslovanske krize. Navzoč je bil še član predsedstva Ciril Zlobec.

Po poročilu v Delu 30. marca, sta Kučan in Zlobec nadškofa seznanila s pogovori, ki potekajo na zvezni in medrepubliški ravni o razpletu krize v SFRJ. Govorila sta tudi, kako skuša predsedstvo Slovenije pomagati k mirni, demokratični in sporazumni rešitvi krize in, kako odeluje v uresničevanju odločitve celotnega slovenskega naroda na plebiscitu o osamosvojitvi Slovenije decembra lani. Pri tem sta Kučan in Zlobec govorila o prizadevanjih na mednarodnem področju, da bi tuje države kázale več razumevanja in podpore za osamosvojitvene težnje Slovenije. Ocenila sta, da je v tem oziru zadnje mesece opaziti določen premik v prid Slovenije.

»Dr. Šuštar pa je povedal, kako se sedanja jugoslovanska kriza in predvsem prizadevanja za osamosvojitve Slovenije kažejo v delu jugoslovanske škofovske konference in na številnih mednarodnih srečanjih, ki so organizirana pod okriljem remskokatoliške cerkve. Poudaril je, da tudi v teh krogih narašča razumevanje za prizadevanja naše republike. Soglasno so ugotovili, da je treba storiti vse za mirno in sporazumno rešitev jugoslovanske krize in za to, da ne bi pri njenem reševanju uporabili silo v nobeni obliki. Menili so, da so spoštovanje človekovih in nacionalnih pravic ter razumevanje, odprtost in dialog temelj za rešitev krize.«

Podprli so pobudo za dostojno in kulturno ureditev območja Kočevskega Roga.

Frank Mlinar

Dne 6. aprila 1991 je na svojem domu v Jolietu, Ill., umrl Frank Mlinar, rojen na Fužinah, Slovenija, sin Alojzija in Katarine Jezeršek, v Ameriko prišel pred 42 leti in se upokojil 1. 1982 po več kot 30 letih, ko je služil kot oskrbnik pri župniji Marije Vnebovzete v Collinwoodu, član DNIJ pri Sv. Jožefu v Jolietu, veliko let tudi DNIJ pri Mariji Vnebovzeti, dalje član Katoliških borštarnarjev Dvora 1640, sv. Jožefa št. 169 KSKJ in Marijine legije. Zanj žalujejo žena Antonia, rojena Rozman, in sestre Maryann Mlinar (Euclid), Maria Mlinar (Chagrin Falls), v Sloveniji pa Cecilija Oblak in Katarina Mlinar, že pok. pa sta prva žena Dorothy, roj. March, in brata Janez in Jernej (oba v Sloveniji). Pogrebna maša je bila 8. aprila v cerkvi sv. Jožefa v Jolietu, v sredo, 10. aprila, pa v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete. K večnemu počitku je bil položen na Vernih duš pokopališču. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Sterle-Sankovic zavoda, 15314 Macauley Avenue.

Louis W. Medved

Umrl je Louis W. Medved, vdovec po Edni, roj. Lear, oče Richarda in Louisa, 3-krat stari oče, brat Frances Kramer, Antonie Lausche, Julie Larson ter že pok. Mary Loushin in Anthonyja, dragi prijatelj Sonie Barron. Pogreb je bil 9. aprila iz Grdina-Cosic-Faulhaber zavoda na Lake Shore Blvd. v cerkev sv. Vida in od tam na pokopališče Lake View.

Edward Vidmar st.

Dne 4. aprila je umrl 73 let stari Edward Vidmar st., mož Millie, roj. Brancel, oče Edwarda ml. in Carol Hartman, brat Ann Brinovec, 6-krat stari oče, zaposlen do svoje upokojitve pri King Musical Instruments Inc. Pogreb je bil 8. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Marije Magdalene v Willo-wicku.

John M. Shetina

Dne 5. aprila je umrl 71 let stari John M. Shetina s Painesville Townshippa, mož Mary, oče Veronice Bickel in Mary Jo Kohr, zapušča še dva brata, štiri vnuke in dva pravnuka, zaposlen pred svojo upokojitvijo 34 let pri Diamond Shamrock Corp., 7 let pri Harvey Hubbell Co., zadnja leta pa pri bencinski postaji v Painesvillu, član župnije sv. Marije in ADZ. Pogreb je bil 8. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Marije v Painesvillu.

Frank C. Demshar

Dne 2. aprila je na svojem domu v North Olmstedu za rakom umrl 76 let stari Frank C. Demshar, rojen v Clevelandu, mož Margaret, roj. Orosz, oče

Franka, Jacqueline Hochschild, Peggy Creswell in Sharon McMullen, 17-krat stari oče, 8-krat prastari oče, brat Albine Krishon, Julie Sustersic, Gertrude Miller in že pok. Johna, Joeyja in Jennie Miller, nečak Elle Samanich, Victorja Tominca in Matevža Tominca, član ADZ št. 48. Pogreb je bil 6. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Brendana v North Olmstedu.

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KOLENDAR APRIL

13. — Glasbena matica priredi spomladanski koncert v SND na St. Clair Ave.

13. — Slovenski nar. dom na Holmes Ave. priredi pomladanski ples. Igra Bob Kravos orkester. Pričetek ob 7. zv.

14. — Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti pripravi kosilo ob 75. obletnici ustanovitve, v šolski dvorani.

20. — Pevski zbor Jadran priredi spomladanski koncert z večerjo in plesom v SDD na Waterloo Rd. Igra Fred Kuhar orkester.

27. — Pevski zbor Zarja praznuje 75-letnico z večerjo, koncertom in plesom v SDD v Euclidu.

28. — Slov. šola pri sv. Vidu priredi materinsko proslavo ob 6. uri zvečer v dvorani sv. Vida.

28. — Župnija sv. Cirila v New Yorku praznuje svojo 75-letnico. Ob 9.30 dop. sv. maša, med 1. in 7. zv. banket in program v Park restavraciji, Franklin Sq., Long Island. Igra Štajerski kvintet.

28. — Klub upokojencev na St. Clairju ima kosilo v SND na St. Clairju. Začetek ob 1.30 pop.

MAJ

4. — Pevski zbor Korotan prireja koncert ob svoji 40-letnici, v dvorani sv. Vida. Pričetek ob 7. zv.

5. — »Prijatelji Slov. nar. doma na St. Clairju« prirede »brunch«.

17. — Slovenski dom za ostarele ima občni zbor, v SDD na Waterloo Rd.

JUNIJ

2. — Otvoritev Slovenske pristave.

9. — Društvo SPB Cleveland priredi Slovenski spominski dan s sv. mašo ob 11.30 dop. pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd., Euclid, O.

15. in 16. — Tabor DSPB priredi Spominsko proslavo na Orlovem vrhu Slov. pristave, v počastitev pobitim domobranecem in vsem ostalim žrtvam revolucije.

30. — Poletni festival pri sv. Vidu.



Nadškof dr. Alojzij Šuštar in predsednik Slovenije Milan Kučan sta se na Kučanovo povabila srečala 29. marca in si izmenjala in-

formacije o pereh vprašanjih, predvsem v zvezi z razpletom jugoslovanske krize, za katere mirno rešitev je treba storiti vse.

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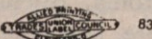
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POL STOLETJA KASNEJE

Na Cvetno nedeljo 6. aprila 1941 so čete Osi pod vodstvom Hitlerjeve Nemčije od vseh strani vdrle v Jugoslavijo. Nemški »kaznovalni« letalski napad na Beograd je bil uničujoč, pod ruševinami mesta je bilo okoli 35.000 mrtvih. Komaj 11 dni kasneje je v imenu Jugoslavije gen. Kalafatović podpisal predajo, med tem ko je vlada odletela v tujino. Prve Jugoslavije je bilo dejansko konec. Kako je do tega prišlo?

Hitler je v nekaj letih po prevzemu oblasti v Nemčiji obnovil nemško vojaško moč in se povezal z Mussolinijevo Italijo v »Osi Berlin-Rim«, da bi Nemčijo rešil vezi in omejitev, ki jih je naložila mirovna pogodba po prvi svetovni vojni v Versaillesu, ter ji priboril vodilno mesto v Evropi in — svetu.

Najprej je Hitler uničil septembra 1939 Poljsko in so jo razdelil s Stalinom, nato je zasedel Dansko in Norveško, v maju in juniju 1940 pa preko Nizozemske in Belgije vdrl v Francijo in jo prisilil na kolena. Nemške čete so zmagovito korakale v Pariz. Italija je imela med tem težave z Grki, ki so jih podpirali Angleži.

Madžarska, Romunija in Bolgarija so že pristopile k Osi Berlin-Rim, Jugoslavija je hotela ostati nevtralna. Hitler jo je na vsak način hotel dobiti na svojo stran, predno bi udaril v Grčijo reševati Italijo. Knez Pavle, ki je v imenu mladoletnega kralja Petra II. vladal Jugoslaviji, je pritisku Osi končno popustil, Jugoslavija je 25. marca 1941 pristopila uradno k zvezi Berlin-Rim. Dejansko s to pogodbo Jugoslavija ni zvezi Berlin-Rim dala ali obljubila nič drugega, kot da bo ostala nevtralna. Hitler ni zahteval niti prevoza svojih čet preko Jugoslavije v načrtovanem napadu na Grčijo.

Skupina srbskih oficirjev z gen. Boro Markovićem in gen. Simovićem na čelu je 27. marca izvedla vojaški udar. Odstavila je regenta kneza Pavla in proglasila kralja Petra II. za polnoletnega. V Beogradu je prišlo do hudih protinemških demonstracij, demonstranti so kričali »Bolje rat nego pakt« — boljša vojna kot pogodba z Osjo. Predsednik britanske vlade Winston Churchill je tedaj v parlamentu izjavil: »Jugoslavija je naša duša!«

Nova jugoslovanska vlada pod predsedstvom gen. Simovića, v kateri sta po ostrih razpravah ostala, da bi reševala državo, vodnik Hrvatov Vladko Maček in vodnik Slovencev Franc Kulovec, je sporočila v Berlin in v Rim, da pogodbo z Osjo priznava in se jo bo držala. Pokazalo se je, da vojaški puč ni bil naperjen toliko proti pogodbi z Osjo kot proti srbsko-hrvaškemu sporazumu avgusta 1939, s katerim je bila ustanovljena Hrvaška banovina. Ta je obsegala poleg sedanjega ozemlja Republike Hrvaške tudi dele Bosne in Hercegovine, kjer so naseljeni Hrvati.

Srbsko-hrvaški sporazum je bil dosežen v precejšnji meri po posredovanju dr. Antona Korošca, ki je načrtoval podoben položaj, kot so ga dobili v Jugoslaviji s tem sporazumom Hrvatje, tudi za Slovence. Tako naj bi bilo rešeno v Jugoslaviji narodnostno vprašanje, ki je ogrožalo njen obstoj od njenega samega začetka.

Srbski vojaški puč, ki je sprožil Hitlerjev napad na Jugoslavijo in njeno uničenje, je vodil do novih napetosti med Srbi in Hrvati, ki so prešla v kratkem v medsebojno pobijanje na področju novo proglašene »Nezavisne države Hrvatske« pod vodstvom dr. Ante Pavelića in njegovih ustašev.

Del Jugoslavije na jugovzhodu so zasedli Bolgari, Kosovo in Metohijo Albanci, del Vojvodine Madžari. Ti so zasedli tudi Prekmurje v Sloveniji, med tem ko sta si ostalo Slovenijo razdelila Hitler in Mussolini.

V času tuje vojaške zasedbe je Komunistična partija v Jugoslaviji pod krinko »osvobodilnega boja« začela državljansko vojno, ki bi ji naj zagotovila prevzem oblasti. To ji je ob podpori zahodnih sil, posebno Angležev, ki so videli v Titu »rešitelja« Jugoslavije, ker naj bi bil z njeno preureditvijo v federacijo rešil narodnostno vprašanje.

Titova »rešitev« narodnostnega vprašanja v Jugoslaviji je že v času njegovega življenja začela kazati razpoke, po njegovi smrti pa je narodnostno vprašanje butnilo na dan z novo, še večjo silo. Druga Jugoslavija je v zadnjih vzdihih, le malo jih je, ki vidijo možnost za novo, tretjo Jugoslavijo. Razlike med njenimi narodi so prevelike. Slovenci, ki so živeli nad 1200 let v sklopu krščanske Zahodne in Srednje Evrope, so se odločili za lastno, neodvisno državo, Hrvatje, ki so tudi povezani blizu 1200 let z Zahodom, govorijo, da bodo sledili zgledu Slovencev. Srbi, ki so živeli pod bizantinsko-turškim vplivom vse do srede preteklega stoletja, se ne morejo rešiti stare vzhodnjaške miselnosti in svojih narodnih mitov.

Bo pol stoletja trpljenja pomagalo narodom Jugoslavije najti pot iz starih sporov, iz starih napetosti v nov, boljši čas?
V. L.

Nekam preveč nas zalezuje...

(Zaradi napačnega naslova na kuverti, je ta dopis vzel dobre tri tedne, da je do nas prispel. Poštarji bi se morali le malce potruditi, da bi ugotovili pravi naslov, pa se niso in so dopis enostavno poslali nazaj pošiljatelju. Ur.)

NEW YORK, N.Y. - Po prvi marčevi nedelji, ko je bila pri slovenskem sv. Cirilu bolj kot ne-nedelja naša življenjske oseke, sem si dejal: Še drugo nedeljo hočem doživeti. Vem,

Pevsi zbor Zarja vabi na večerjo in koncert

EUCLID, O. - V soboto, 27. aprila, se vam po željno pričakovani pomladi predstavi zbor Zarja s spomladanskim koncertnim nastopom in sicer v Slovenskem društvenem domu na Recherjevi ulici v Euclidu. Programu smo dali naslov »Vaudeville Spring Frolic II«. Prireditev se bo pričela z dobro večerjo, ki bo servirana v spodnji dvorani med 5. in 7. zvečer. Nato bo v zgornji dvorani podan lep koncert. V pevskem nastopu bo celoten zbor, razni solisti v komičnih prizorih. Tako bo med koncertom dovolj šaljivih prizorov kot lepega petja vam vsem v razvedrilo. Večer bo zaključil ples, za katerega bo igrala godba Johnnie Vadnala.

Naj še omenim, da pevski zbor Zarja obhaja letos 75-letnico obstoja, kar pomeni, da smo najstarejši še obstoječi slovenski pevski zbor v Ameriki. To častno obletnico bomo slavili na jesenskem koncertu oktobra letos. Za sedaj pa vas ponovno vabim, da si nabavite vstopnice, ki so po \$15 in se dobe pri članih zbora ali v prostorih Cleveland Polka Hall of Fame v Shore Center v Euclidu. Lahko tudi pokličete tel. 531-3138.

Glavno je, da si vstopnice preskrbite in pridete na to spomladansko prireditev 27. aprila v SDD na Recherjevi. Obeta se vam lep večer, zato pridite in se pozabavajte med znanci in prijatelji. Vsem lep pozdrav in na svidenje 27. aprila med Zarjani v Euclidu!

Jennie Fatur

da bo še v naši oseki. Potem pa pride tretja s prosvetno uro. Z njo bomo stopili v plimo življenja naše narodne skupnosti na Njujorškem. In če smo imeli v marcu kar pol meseca oseko, bomo zato imeli potem kar tri nedelje plimo. In z radostjo bom lahko zapisal v naglavju svoje kronike: Ta marec bo zares čisto drugačen.

Prva polna pomladanska, ki letos zasveti na nebu že ob zadnji marčevi sobotni noči, mi pove, da bo drugi dan Vstajenjska nedelja. Torej tretja marčeva bo že tiha nedelja. Tej pa sledi Cvetna. Zares na to nedeljo, odkar smo vpeljali navado butaric, se pri Sv. Cirilu ne strne samo njena fara, ampak vsa slovenska srenja na Njujorškem.

Pa se zgodi v sredo zvečer tisto nepričakovano, čeprav zmerom prisotno dejstvo, da smrt pokončava življenje. Telefonski klic mi namreč pove, da je umrla srenjčanka, enkrat faranka sv. Cirila, Ana Kepic. Pred mnogimi leti, več kot deset, jo je prizadela kap, ki ji je omejila gibanje in govorico. Hčerka Ruth je prevzela skrb za svojo mater. Ni pustila, da bi jo oddali v dom za onemogle. Lep primer ljubezni, ki pozna le žrtvovanje za svojega bližnjega. V tem slučaju za svojega najbližnjega, za svojo mater. »Glej tvoja mati« je tudi na poti Kristusovega življenja.

Ana Kepic se je rodila skoraj pred 90 leti v belokranjski vasi, v Kovačji vasi v fari Stari trg, ki ima farno cerkev posvečeno sv. Jožefu. Kot mlado dekle je po prvi svetovni vojni kot mnogi drugi prišla v Ameriko. Kar v New Yorku se je ustavela. In tu je srečala fanta iz Trzina pri Domžalah Jožeta Kepica. Poročila sta se. Živela na Šesti aveniji v spodnjem delu New Yorka, dokler se nista preselila v Ridgewood.

Zato je bila njuna prva hčerka Ana krščena v cerkvi sv. Cirila. Tu je mala Anica začela peti. Organist Koprivšek je imel takrat svoj mladinski zbor pri fari. Ani je skorajda pozneje postala poklicna pevka. Saj je bila par let solistka

zbora v Radio City Hallu. Vrnili se vedno k Sv. Cirilu, ko g. Koprivšek spet skliče pevce za razne svečane prilike, kot je npr. naša 75-letnica, ko jo bomo proslavili na zadnjo aprilsko nedeljo. To bo menda silna plima našega življenja, ki nam bo hkrati dala upanje in pogum, da bomo znali smrt z življenjem preganjati, kajti: smrt nas prav v tem letu kar nekam preveč zasleduje.

Ana Kepic je živela zadnja leta pri hčerki Ruth na Long Islandu. Tam je tudi moja sestra Fani. Poklical sem jo in ji oznanil to smrt. Pa me vpraša: Ali si slišal, da je umrla 16. januarja Pepca Seider? Nič nisem vedel za njeno smrt, čeprav je zadnja leta živela v Middle Villagu, torej v moji soseščini, koder je zdaj menda več slovenskih rojakov kot v Ridgewoodu.

Pepca je bila sestra Maly Holešek, ki je pred leti umrla. Maly je rada prišla s svojim drugim možem na naše farne zabave. Z njo tudi sestra Pepca in njen sin Martin. Jednotni člani so bili vsi. In ko so Jednotina društva umrla ali zamrla, so se še bolj zrahljale vezi med generacijami naše slovenske sv. Cirila, kot tudi v celotni slovenski njujorški srenji.

Teško bi dejal, da so to rodovinsko krvno povezane generacije, čeprav sem ob smrti Vinka Burgarja zapisal: Ime Burgar se vleče skozi vso farno zgodovino prav od njene ustanovitve. Pa vendar v naši farni zgodovini so nam zadnji dve svetovni vojni določali generacije, ki so bile pravzaprav prirodniki selniški valovi.

Tako smo imeli generacije faranov in srenjčanov pred prvo svetovno vojno. Ta nam je s smrtjo Josie Graškove izumrla. Tej generaciji je sledil val po prvi vojni. In ta nam zdaj izumira ali pa je že toliko ostarela, da ne more več prirodniki rodno cerkev sv. Cirila. Zato je več kot prav, da so na zadnjo nedeljo ob priliki prosvetne ure slavili rojstni dan Matije je Corela. Matija je redni vsakonedeljski obiskovalec slovenske maše pri Sv. Cirilu. eden iz apostolskega števila faranov, ki drže stalno prižganost luč življenja te fare.

Vsa teža našega življenja zdaj sloni na zavednosti in požrtvovalnosti tretje farne generacije, prišlekove po drugi svetovni vojni. Ta moč se zbere

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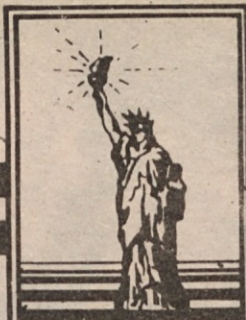
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Louis Slapnik Florists passes 3/4 century

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

by Vince Gostilna

The Louis Slapnik Florist family at 6102 St. Clair Avenue has been in business for quite a few years, in fact, they are currently marking their 77th year on St. Clair Avenue.

Don Slapnik and his lovely wife, Nancy, have been at the helm of the flower shop for three decades. During that time Slapnik's has become renowned for their superb creations of floral artistry. Their fame has spread throughout Northeastern Ohio and to even more distant locales.

As to the early beginnings of the Slapnik Florist Shop, Don Slapnik said, "Grandfather Ignac (Ignatius) had studied horticulture in Ljubljana, Slovenia. In 1909 he left his birthplace of Tuhinj, Gorenjsko, Slovenia, and came to Cleveland."

Don continued, "At first, my grandfather worked for a downtown florist on Euclid Avenue. In 1914 he married Frances Kopic of Kamnik and also opened a floral shop at 4017 St. Clair. As the Slovenians began to move closer to St. Vitus church, he moved his business to 5810, 6113 and finally in 1933 to the present location at 6102."

At that time his three sons, James Jr., Charles, and Louis and a daughter Frances Slapnik Habjan comprised the Slapnik family.

Slapnik remarked, "Grandpa Ignac was a supporting member of Lira choir at St. Vitus and was a generous benefactor of St. Vitus Church."

The floral shop flourished and Slapnik's had established themselves as one of the better florist establishments in Cleveland.

By the early forties Grandpa Slapnik's health had deteriorated and it was a sad day when on January 18, 1944, the patriarch florist closed his eyes and went to his heavenly reward. Fourteen



Nancy and Don Slapnik in their beautiful florist store.

months earlier, his daughter Frances had died.

"My father, Louis, had been in the Collinwood area in a floral shop that he had begun in 1938. When Grandpa Ignac died my dad came back to the St. Clair store to operate the family business," explained Don.

The floral shop survived through the East Ohio Gas Fire with only minor damage. And the Louis Slapnik Flower Shop continued in fine fashion with Lou's wife, Clara (nee Clernt) assisting in the operation of the business.

"On November 17, 1948 our grandmother, Frances, departed from this world and joined her husband Ignac in the other world," concluded Don.

Lou and Clara worked hard and they had son Don help them in the operation of the business. By 1958, the floral business was turned over to their son Don and his wife, Nancy (nee Gerbec). The new duo in time had two children, a son Louis and a daughter, Shelli. In 1960, when the Haffner Insurance Agency closed, the father, Louis, opened a

coffee shop and restaurant in the vacated premises, just two stores east of the floral shop.

In 1974, the elder Lou became ill and died at the age of 62, a death that was much too soon. His widowed wife, Clara, along with her granddaughter, Shelli, a 4th generation Slapnik, continued the operation of the restaurant which is today still serving the public.

At times, Don, who is a talented chef, makes great chili as well as other delights such as Swiss Steak, Salisbury steak, and many other meals.

Now after more than three quarters of a century, the Slapnik family is one of the few remaining pioneer families that are still in business on St. Clair Avenue.

And their many customers agree that Slapnik's is a wonderful family that provides their clients with excellent service at all times.

So it is that everyone who finds the time to stop in at Slapnik's establishments not only to smell the flowers, but also to see what's cooking in their restaurant. Ad multos annos, Slapnik family!

Glasbena Matica Concert

Saturday, April 13 will shower the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue with spring music, because it is Spring Concert time for you and Glasbena Matica singers.

The doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., and the concert shall follow dinner. After the concert, dance to the happy melodies of the Ray Polantz Orchestra.

Please call any Glasbena Matica member for tickets which are only \$16.00 for the whole music-dinner package. Call Bob Hopkins for tickets at 467-7475

Kosilo ob 75-letnici—

To nedeljo prireja Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti kosilo ob 75. obletnici ustanovitve društva. Kosilo bo v šolski dvorani, vstopnice imajo v župnišču (761-7740), Cilka Tominc (531-8855) in Marica Lavriša (481-3768).

Zajtrk—

To nedeljo zjutraj ste pa vabljeni v svetovidski avditorij na zajtrk in sicer med 8.30 zj. in 1. pop. Cena zajtrku je \$4, za otroke \$2. Istočasno bo prodaja peciva, ki se bo pričela že to soboto in sicer od 4.30 pop. do 6.30 zv., v nedeljo pa od 8.30 zj. do 1. pop.

Krofi—

To soboto bo pri Sv. Vidu prodaja krofov, ki se bo pričela ob 8. zjutraj v običajnem prostoru.

Kosilo—

V nedeljo, 21. aprila, bo pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd. kosilo, ki se bo serviralo med 12. in 6. zv. Nakaznice imajo pri svetišču in bodo na voljo na dan kosila. Ob 11.30 bo maša ob prvi obletnici smrti sen. F.J. Lauscheta.

Dom za ostarele—

Pomožni odsek pri Slovenskem domu za ostarele na Neff Rd. vabi na svoje letno kosilo, ki bo v ponedeljek, 22. aprila, ob 12. opoldne, v Domu. Po obedu bo seja, ob 1. pop. Za rezervacije pokličite Dorothy Urbancic (481-8985) ali Bertho Walden (531-4445), in sicer do 15. aprila. Novi člani in članice vedno dobrodošli.

Maša in program—

Jutri, petek, ob 5.10 pop. se bo v stolnici sv. Janeza pričela sv. maša za svobodo in neodvisnost držav srednje in vzhodne Evrope. Celebrant bo škof Anthony Pilla. Nato bo ob 6.30 zv. v Catholic Center, 1031 Superior Ave., program, na katerem bo predvajan vidotrak o napadu v Vilnius, Litovska, enote sovjetske vojske. Do napada je prišlo 13. januarja in je akcija močno odjeknila v svetu. Govoril bo David W. Leopold, ki je bil štiri mesece v Moskvi, kjer je služil kot pravni svetovalec Saharovemu odboru. Govoril bo o izgledih za bodočnosti v ZSSR. Mašo in program sponzorira Ohio Helsinki Accords Council. Vstopnine ni, brezplačno parkiranje v nadškofjski garaži na E. 9 in Rockwell (vhod na Rockwell).

Lepa podpora—

Ga. Mary Princ, Cleveland, Ohio, je darovala \$50 v tiskovni sklad Ameriške Domovine. Za lepo podporo se iskreno zahvalimo.

Do sobote—

Ker gre urednik že v ponedeljek na obisk v Slovenijo, bo slovenski del naslednje AD zaključen že do nedelje. Zato morajo biti dopisi dostavljeni že do sobote, 13. aprila.

Upokojenci Slov. pristave—

Sestanek Upokojencev Slovenske pristave bo v sredo, 24. aprila, ob 1.30 pop. na SP. Kdor more, naj pride že ob 11.30, da pomaga počistiti Orlov vrh in Park. Za klubov enodnevni izlet, ki bo 30. aprila, je še šest (6) prostorov na avtobusu. Pohitite in se prijavite na tel. št. 531-8982.

Novi naslov—

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Ga. Mary Fakult, Cleveland, O., je darovala \$10 v tiskovni sklad AD, v spomin Helen Semich. Hvala lepa.

DNIJ pri Sv. Vidu—

To nedeljo ima DNIJ pri Sv. Vidu redni mesečni sestanek in sicer po osmi maši v cerkveni dvorani. Tisti, ki bi radi zajtrk, ga bodo lahko dobili po sestanku v šolski dvorani.

Drago Jančar v ZDA—

V angleškem delu poročamo o slovenskem pisatelju Dragotu Jančarju, ki bo v Washingtonu v drugi polovici aprila, ker bo prva predstava v angleščini na ameriškem odru njegovega dela »Stakeout at Godot's«. G. Jančar je bil med tistimi slovenskimi intelektualci, ki so veliko pripomogli k demokratizaciji Sloveniji. Na zadnjem obisku v ZDA je g. Jančar obiskal tudi AD.



Don and daughter, Shelli in their restaurant which has a real, honest-to-goodness soda fountain. (Photos by Tony Grdina)

Jim's Journal

by James V. Debevec

Today we present a few thoughts on a few subjects.

First of all, a letter to the editor is exactly that and not the editor's thoughts or position. It is the writer's thoughts only. It would be impossible to believe that every letter to the editor in the *Plain Dealer* is editor Thom Greer's opinion, or publisher Alex Machaskee's either.

Definitely not. This is America. In America we have what is called freedom of the press and every judge in the land bends over backward to insure that everyone is able to express his or her opinion. If this were not so, we would be living in a dictatorship.

So please believe that any letter or column is the author's viewpoint and not the editor's. My viewpoints can be found in this column. And when a reader of this paper disagrees or agrees, he or she has the privilege of writing a letter and stating your views.

I'm a great one for believing in the American way of doing things. I think Democracy is great. I have sat in on an organizational meeting where one of the founders said, "If

the people of Slovenia want Democracy, we'll support them; if they want Socialism, we'll support them; if they want Communism, we'll support them." I walked out and didn't join that group.

On the front page of this *Ameriška Domovina*, I didn't add just one American flag, I added two. Some have said why didn't you put the Slovenian flag on the front page. The answer is this is the "American Home" newspaper. We support Democracy here and in Slovenia and elsewhere, but we are essentially American.

Even though half of this paper is in the Slovenian language it does not mean we support everything Slovenian, it is simply intended for those who prefer to read the news in the Slovenian tongue usually because they are more familiar with it. And because our ancestors came from there or because some still have relatives there, we are vitally interested in the events concerning Slovenia and we report just about everything we can about the country. We visited there for the first time a few years ago and found Slovenia to be a truly beautiful country and we pray for and support

the people of Slovenia in their struggle for independence and Democracy.

In a *Plain Dealer* newspaper article on Saturday four of my good friends were mentioned concerning naming a polka or square dance as the official state of Ohio dance. My opinion is if we have to have a state dance, which in reality there is a great diversity of people here to single out any one dance, and yet somehow to take no stance is a loser's way out of doing things. We must be positive in our approach to life. Just as we all were positive in the Gulf War from the top Commander-in-Chief to the generals, to the warriors, to the people back home, we were all positive, and the results were positive.

To get back to the state dance, I think the waltz should represent Ohio. There is an old saying that the slower the people dance, the faster they work. We want Ohio to be known as an industrial as well as agricultural state, and the population to be known as industrious and willing and able to do the job and do it exactly right. The 1990 U.S. Census indicates that 40% of the population of Ohio is of German descent. The Slovenians border on the country of Austria and the capital of Slovenia under the Hapsburgs was Vienna, the home of the waltz.

The waltz is beautiful. Ohio is beautiful. Beautiful Ohio is its official song; it is a waltz. On January 14 when Governor George Voinovich and his wife, Janet, danced their first dance together at the Carnation Inauguration Ball at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus, it was a waltz, and the couple looked enchanting and charming.

One of the most beautiful songs played by every Slovenian dance band is the waltz. The master is Lou Trebar. Listening, and watching couples waltz around the dance floor is an exercise in ecstasy. It is smooth, like the flow of the Ohio river. It has charm like the old villages and rural towns. It is viable and functional like the big cities. It is life-giving like Lake Erie. It is traditional, like the Ohio citizens' active commitment to



Governor of Ohio George V. Voinovich, and his wife, Janet, dance the waltz at the Carnation Inauguration Ball on Jan. 14.

the United States. It demands attention and respect like the people of Ohio.

great fun and I love to dance the polka, — but let's make the waltz the state dance. We deserve the best.

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Glasbena Matica Spring Dinner Concert at Slovenian Home on St. Clair Ave. Music Ray Polantz Orchestra.

Saturday, April 13

Collinwood Slovenian Home Spring Dinner-Dance honoring Man of the Year Frank Ferra. Music by Bob Kravos. Dinner 7 p.m., music 8 p.m. Donation \$12.00.

Sunday, April 14

Button Box Jammer, 1 p.m. at West Park Slovenian Home, 4558 W. 130 St.

Saturday, April 20

"Thinking Spring" Dinner-Program - Dance sponsored by Jadran, featuring Fred Kuhar Orchestra at Waterloo Hall.

Sunday, April 21

Indianapolis — Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor performs at Bockhold Hall from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets \$7.50 from Board members of Slovenian Cultural Society.

Saturday, April 27

Zarja Spring Frolic, Vaudeville Show II., at Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid. Dinner 5 to 6:30, program at 7 p.m. Dance to Vadnal orchestra. Donation \$15 from members or Polka Hall of Fame.

Sunday, April 28

New York City — St. Cyril's Slovenian Church, 75th anniversary celebration with Mass at 10 a.m. and banquet and program from 2 to 7 p.m. at Plattsdeutch Park restaurant, Franklin Square, Long Island. Music by Stajerski Kvintet from Maribor.

Sunday, May 5

Friends of Slovenian National Home Annual Spring Brunch. Serving 12 to 2 p.m. Good food, good entertainment and good friends.

May 16 thru 19

Slovenian Women's Union of America National Convention in Days Hotel, North Randall, Ohio.

Sunday, May 12

Upstairs Dance at the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid with Joe Fedorchak from 4 to 8 p.m. on stage and Harry Faint from 7 to 9 p.m. in the bar room. Also featured will be George Staiduhar with special guests Zeke and Charlie. Proceeds to the Youngstown Penn Ohio Polka Pals and Akron, Barberton, Canton (ABC). Sponsor and coordinator is George Knaus. For tickets at \$5 call 481-9300 or 943-0553.

Friday, May 17

Slovene Home for the Aged Annual Meeting at Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd. at 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 19

St. Clair Slovenian National Home dance from 2 to 6 p.m. featuring Mike Wojtila and the Entertainers, and the Eddie Rodick Orchestra. Honored will be George Knaus. For more information, call 361-5115.

Thursday, May 23

Our Lady of Brezje observance at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine off Chardon Rd. in Euclid, Ohio sponsored by Ohio Federation of KSKJ lodges, beginning promptly at 7 p.m. *Everyone* welcome.

Sunday, June 2

St. Vitus Alumni Annual Reunion Day, 12 Mass, dinner at 1:30 p.m. in school auditorium. Reservations \$15 to treasurer Joseph Brodnik, 344 Claymore Blvd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143.

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Slovenians Plot Independence

The Christian Science Monitor
by Girard C. Steichen

Ljubljana, Yugoslavia — In Ljubljana's vibrant city center, street vendors hawk souvenir prototypes of Slovenian passports, their covers embossed with a linden leaf, the republic's national symbol.

A few miles away, at a sprawling research and development complex on the outskirts of the Slovenian capital, government workers are designing a new, as yet unnamed, national currency.

Yugoslavia's volatile federation of 45 years is crumbling. And if Slovenians have their way, cartographers will soon have to redraw the map of Europe to include at least one new independent state.

Yet the future of Yugoslavia's most-prosperous republic is uncertain; fraught with political upheaval and the threat of intervention by communist-led troops loyal to the central government.

Call for Independence
Nevertheless, in a plebiscite in December nearly 90 percent of Slovenia's voters said they wanted full sovereignty and supported a six-month timetable for independence. That timetable could be speeded by growing violence between Serbians and Croats, the nation's two largest ethnic groups, and by rising anti-communist unrest in Belgrade, the federal and Serbian capital.

The leaders of Serbia and Croatia held a surprise meeting March 25 in an apparent effort to diffuse tensions. Tanjug news agency said Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and Croatian President Franjo Tudjman met for several hours at an undisclosed location.

Although the European Community and the United States have appealed for Yugoslavia to remain united, officials in Ljubljana say privately there are indications that Austria and Hungary would recognize Slovenia as a state. Slovenia, along with neighboring Croatia, have proposed that Yugoslavia's six republics and two provinces form a loose federation of sovereign states. Croatia has vowed to follow Slovenia if it secedes.

Serbia Wants Control
Communist-ruled Serbia, Yugoslavia's biggest republic, insists that it retain control, which the new center-right governments in Slovenia and Croatia have rejected. They remain at odds with the hard-line Mr. Milosevic, whose pro-

Serbian policies have brought Yugoslavia to the brink of civil war several times and spurred protests in Belgrade.

"It is really unimaginable that Slovenia, a democratic country with a parliamentary system and respect for human rights, could stay on in a Communist country," says Vitodrag Pukl, deputy speaker of Slovenia's Parliament, who is helping to draft a new constitution. He insists that in legal terms, Slovenia became independent on Feb. 20 when it annulled the force of federal law on its territory.

Slovenia's leaders say they want the separation to be peaceful and orderly. But there are lingering worries about how the national Army, whose officer corps is dominated by Serbs and communists, will react. Slovenian President Milan Kucan warns of possible military intervention if there is a power struggle.

If a clash does erupt, it would more likely pit Serbia against Croatia, two longtime rivals.

But geography, ethnic makeup, and economic prowess could keep Slovenia out of any fighting. Slovenia's only internal Yugoslav borders is with Croatia, and it has no sizable minority groups.

"We hope this will make it possible to pull out of Yugoslavia in peace," says Dusan Plut, a member of Slovenia's presidency.

Although Slovenia is Yugoslavia's most-developed republic, the transition could still be difficult. And while its production capacity is considerable, its economic survival is by no means assured.

Much of the mountainous republic's production, though better than most in the nation, is far below Western competitive standards. Several economists have predicted independence could cause a 50 percent reduction in Slovenia's gross national product — a drop that would bring at least temporary hardship to the republic's 2 million inhabitants.

Other economic experts warn that Slovenia could find itself dependent on Austria and Italy, its prosperous Western neighbors.

"Slovenia could end up being sold at bargain prices because of the ruin communist mismanagement has caused," says Alexander Bajt, a leading

Slovenian economist.

But Slovenian officials say they're confident the economy will pick up speed once free-market reforms take hold and the republic is no longer required to help support Yugoslavia's other impoverished republics.

Despite the bickering and brinkmanship, Slovenians say they will pursue an independent course. Says presidency member Plut: "Slovenians are prepared to suffer for their sovereignty."

Altar Group Meets

The United Altar Societies is inviting all members to the meeting on Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Vitus. Meeting will be held immediately following church services. This meeting should be important to all of us. Please come, ladies from St. Lawrence, St. Mary and St. Christine, and St. Vitus.

—Marie Amigoni

Progressive Convention

The Progressive Slovene Women of America will be sponsoring their 10th quadrennial convention on the weekend of May 4 and 5. This will take place at the Slovenian Home on Waterloo Rd.

In conjunction with these two important days of meetings and worthwhile works, we will have a banquet, program, and dance on the night of Saturday, May 4. There will be good food, a delightful, and short program, and dancing to the music of Fred Kuhar. All of this for the unheard of price of \$12.50.

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Work by Slovene Dramatist Drago Jancar Presented in Washington

The Directors of Scena Theatre of Washington, D.C., announce that the American premiere of Slovene playwright Drago Jancar's *Stakeout at Godot's* will be staged at the Joy of Motion Dance Center, 1643 Connecticut Avenue N.W., in Washington, from April 19 through May 5. Performance times are Fridays at 10:30 PM, Saturdays at 8 and 10:30 PM. Tickets are \$12. Reservations may be made by calling the Joy of Motion box office at 202/387-0911.

Stakeout at Godot's is a metaphysical thriller set in a seedy hotel room in an unnamed country. Two bumbling functionaries of this nameless, faceless state attempt to mount a hardboiled detective-style stakeout on the mysterious Godot. Who is he really? Why has he never appeared? What is he up to? Agents Franz and Joseph, surreal Fratellini-like brothers reminiscent of the American Abbott and Costello team, are inevitably drawn into a series of strange and curious events as they attempt to unmask the elusive Mr. Godot.

A gloss on Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* and a parable of present-day Yugoslavia, *Stakeout at Godot's* was written in 1988 and first performed by Scena Theatre in a workshop production at the National Theatre's Helen Hayes Gallery that September. Scena then staged the play in August 1989 for four performances at the Washington Theatre Festival prior to performing it as part of a traveling repertory to Italy and Yugoslavia in October-November 1989.

Scena's touring production was staged at the Slovene National Drama Festival in Maribor, at the Slovene National

Theatre in Ljubljana, and at the Kamerni Teatar 55 in Sarajevo. In addition to its many Yugoslav productions, *Stakeout at Godot's* has been staged at theatres in Austria and Germany. The Slovene-language production from Ljubljana will be presented in the Soviet Union this month.

Drago Jancar

Drago Jancar is a native of the Republic of Slovenia and President of the Slovene P.E.N. Club, a group of professional writers. Jancar and the Slovene Pen Club played an important role in helping promote the recent democratization process in Slovenia and indeed Jancar was subjected to persecution by the previous Communist regime, since he had brought into the country published materials that were then forbidden to the general public.

During a visit to the Cleveland area several years ago, this writer had the opportunity to spend a day with Jancar and show him, among other sites, the American Home Publishing Company, Slovenska prstava, the SNPJ farm and the Slovene Home for the Aged.

Mr. Jancar will be in Washington between April 15—30, to attend productions of his play. His visit is co-hosted by Scena Theatre and George Mason University's Theatre of the First Amendment. During his stay, Jancar will lecture on Slovene/Yugoslav theatre and literature at George Mason and Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. A staged reading of Jancar's newly translated play *Daedalus* is also planned at George Mason University.

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Louis W. Medved, beloved husband of Edna (nee Lear) (deceased), dear father of Richard L. and Louis A. (wife, Diana), grandfather of Louis, Joseph and Dawn, brother of Frances Kramer, Antonia Lausche and Julia Larson, and the following deceased: Mary Laushin and Anthony Medved; dear friend of Sonia Barron.

Services were Tuesday, April 9 at the Grdina-Cosic-Faulhaber Funeral Home, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd. at 10 a.m. and from St. Vitus Church at 10:30 a.m. Interment Lake View Cemetery.

FRANK MLINAR

Frank Mlinar died Saturday, April 6 at home in Joliet, Illinois. He was born in Fuzine, Slovenia, the son of Alojz and Katarina (nee Jezersek). He came to America 42 years ago and retired in 1982 after serving as custodian for St. Mary (Cleveland - Collinwood) parish for over 30 years.

Mr. Mlinar was a member of the Holy Name societies of St. Joseph (Joliet), and long-time member of St. Mary (Coll.) as well as St. Joseph Lodge No. 169 of the KSKJ, the Legion of Mary and Catholic Order of Foresters Court 1640.

Mr. Mlinar is survived by his wife Antonia (nee Rozman), and sisters Maryann Mlinar (Euclid), Maria Mlinar (Chagrin Falls), Cecilia Oblak and Katarina Mlinar, both of Slovenia. Mr. Mlinar was preceded in death by brothers Janes and Jernej both of Slovenia and wife Dorothy (nee March) of Euclid.

Funeral Mass was Monday, April 8 at St. Joseph (Joliet) and Wednesday, April 10 at St. Mary (Coll.) at 10 a.m. where visitation was held one hour before Mass with interment at All Souls Cemetery, Chardon, Ohio.

Arrangements by Sterle-Sankovic Funeral Home, 15314 Macauley Ave., Cleveland (corner of E. 152 and Lake Shore Blvd.).

MARY E. SEITZ

Mary E. Seitz (nee Ockun), 86, died Friday, March 29 in Manor Care Lakeshore Nursing Home.

Mary was born in Ljubljana and came to Cleveland in 1905.

She was employed as a multigraph operator for the Robert Silverman Co. for 20 years, retiring in 1970.

Mary was the widow of Vincent, the mother of Doris Solnok, grandmother of Vincent, Thomas, Dorothy Philbeck, Janet Moskovics and Robert; sister of John Ockun, Julia Kordic, William Ockun and the following deceased: Josephine Lockner, Pauline Tekancic, and Rudolph Oaken.

Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery. Zele Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FRANK C. DEMSHAR

Frank C. Demshar worked in the corrugated-box industry in the Cleveland area for 60 years until he retired in 1990. He was production manager for the River Raisin Paper Co. and Tecumseh Corrugated Box Co. He was sales manager for Tecumseh for the last 10 years he worked.

Mr. Demshar, 76, died Tuesday at his home in North Olmsted. He had cancer.

He was born in Cleveland and lived in Parma before he moved to North Olmsted.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Margaret; a son, Frank J. of North Royalton; daughters, Jacqueline Hochschild of North Olmsted, Peggy Creswell of Brunswick and Sharon McMullen of Rocky River; 17 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and three sisters.

He was a cousin of the following: Ella Samanich of Middbury Hts., Victor Tominec of Richmond Hts., O., and Matevž Tominec, Collinwood.

Services were at St. Brendan Catholic Church, North Olmsted.

He was a member of AMLA Lodge No. 48.

EDWARD VIDMAR

Services for Edward Vidmar, 73, of Willowick, retired employee for King Music Instruments Inc. in Eastlake, were Monday morning at

New Column:

In 100 Words More or Less

by John Mercina

A weekly column about life in general, nothing in particular. Sometimes sad, sometimes happy. Sometimes in English, sometimes in Slovenian. Informative, thought provoking and always true. Never exceeding 100 words, more or less.

Mr. Mercina's first column "Lessons from the Gulf War" begins in next week's American Home newspaper.

Slovenian Devotions in California

It is already 40 years since the beginning of our Slovenian May Devotion in Corona, Calif. We will celebrate this 40th anniversary on May 5th at St. Joseph Church in Fontana, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

As we observe the historical events that are taking place right now in Slovenia and Yugoslavia, it is clear that our native country is in great need of help, particularly through our prayers.

This is the primary reason for this annual celebration, praying that God will protect our Slovenia from the danger of civil war.

Following the services in the church, there will be a luncheon in the Parish Hall where we will have the opportunity to see our friends. All are invited. If you know others who would like to come, please tell them they are most welcome.

It is important to advise Mrs. Frances Vidergar if you plan to attend, so that sufficient food will be available for all. She may be contacted at (714) 822-7828 in the afternoon or evening.

We hope to see and welcome you all at St. Joseph Church, 17080 Arrow Blvd. in Fontana on May 5th at 1:30 p.m.

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—Slovenian Priests of Southern California

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St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Willowick.

Mr. Vidmar died last Thursday at St. Vincent Charity Hospital and Health Center in Cleveland.

Born Aug. 31, 1917 in Cleveland, he lived in Willowick since 1965.

He was a little league coach for Willowick boys baseball.

Survivors are his wife Millie (Brancel); son, Edward Jr. of Willowick; daughter, Carol Hartman of Willowick; sister, Ann Brinovec of Cleveland; and six grandchildren.

Friends called at Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Ave. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon.

Latest St. Clair Pensioners News



by Stanley J. Frank

Last month I reminded our readers that our big annual event, our "Chicken & Roast Pork Dinner" is scheduled for Sunday, April 28th and that tickets are available from our members or also by calling me at 391-9761. Now a month later, I must emphasize that it is only two weeks away. And again I want to remind you that this is a public event. ALL are invited.

It was so nice to see so many of you, our friends, at last year's dinner. And you enjoyed it, you told us so. It will be a pleasure to welcome you again on Sunday, April 28th.

If for some reason you missed our dinner and social in the years gone by, give us a break. Come and treat yourselves to a delicious dinner and relax and enjoy the afternoon in the company of nice people.

If you haven't purchased your tickets yet, DON'T DELAY. Our cook, Milka Krulc, is anxious to prepare you a delectable meal, but she must know "How many are coming to dinner." So try to make your reservations by Saturday, April 20th. WHY NOT DO IT NOW.

Last month, member Ann Miklaucic was rushed to

Charity Hospital, as a victim of a stroke. She responded favorably to administered medication and treatment, and with determination, is making a good start to recovery. The good news is that she is now at the Euclid Meridia Rehabilitation Center, undergoing progressive therapy. I am sure that Ann will appreciate and enjoy your cards of cheer, and will boost her determination for recovery. Ann, we know that you can do it and we are looking forward to seeing you at our meetings again soon.

On a truly sad note, we regret to tell you that we lost another member, Edward Vidmar. Ed was hospitalized, had surgery, and on the day after, his life here on earth came to a sudden end. Ed was a mild, even-tempered person. Never seemed to lose his cool and always greeted you with a warm and friendly smile. We will miss him. To Millie, his wife, and to his family and relatives, we extend our deepest and most sincere sympathy on their great loss. May he rest in peace!

Our next scheduled meeting date is Thursday, April 18th. We expect to hear good reports on our dinner ticket sales, and we are looking forward to an excellent attendance at our Dinner on Sunday, April 28th.

Bake Sale

St. Vitus Parish is sponsoring a Bake Sale on Saturday, April 13 and Sunday, April 14 in the auditorium after all Masses.

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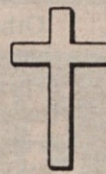
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Ameritrust bank this week announced an expansion of a school educational program and competition intended to encourage students in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan to learn about the value of money, how to earn money and, most important, how to save money.

Through the program, Ameritrust branch managers will talk with students about smart savings and provide educational activities for use in the classroom.

"It is very important that we start teaching our children the value of money and of saving," said Peter Osenar, Ameritrust group executive vice president for consumer banking. "By sending our branch managers out into the community to work with students, we are encouraging students to realize the importance of developing a savings plan at an early age."

Ameritrust branch managers will donate a copy of the book *Making Cents* to every school they visit.

This program is in conjunction with the Ameritrust Smart Savers Competition, which challenges students as well as adults to submit their most creative, practical and successful ideas for building and maintaining savings.

Ameritrust will present a savings-related award for the best idea by a student. The award will be \$500 in an Ameritrust savings account and a \$100 toy store gift certificate. All students who are 18 or under are eligible to enter the Smart Savers Competition. In addition, the school of the winning student will receive a \$500 award for its student activities fund.

Other awards for the best suggestions entered by adults are:

- First Place — \$5,000 in an Ameritrust 12-month Certificate of Deposit.
- Second Place — \$2,000 in an Ameritrust Individual Retirement Account.
- Third Place — \$1,000 in an Ameritrust Money Market Savings Account.

The Smart Savers competition is open to all residents of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky — regardless of whether or not they are Ameritrust customers or live in an area served by an Ameritrust branch. All entries will be judged by bank executives based on originality, creativity and practicality.

Ameritrust branch managers will distribute entry forms to classrooms where they speak. In addition, entry forms are available at any Ameritrust branch. Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky residents also may enter by mail by sending their name, address, telephone number, and school, grade and age (if a

student), and a savings idea described in 100 words or less to:

Ameritrust Smart Savers
P.O. Box 15127
Cleveland, OH 44115-9725

Deadline for the school program and student entries has been extended to May 15 due to the overwhelming interest in the Smart Savers competition. Winners will be announced no later than July 1, 1991.

Think Spring with Jadran

"Thinking Spring," Jadran Singing Society's theme for their upcoming concert on Saturday, April 20th at the Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Rd., is certain to please everyone in attendance.

Some of the familiar songs which will be sung by the chorus include "Prva Pomlad," "Dolinci Prijetni" and "Tam na Vrtni Gredi". Our quartet consisting of Don and Dorothy Gorjup, Mary Frank and Clarence Rupar will sing "Zadovoljni Kmet" and the Women's Chorus will sing Rodgers & Hammerstein's "It Might As Well Be Spring."

Frank Smerke will render the lilting "Faling in Love with Love," and Florence Unetich will sing "Ptičica." Florence will be joined with Angela Zabjek in several duets.

Of course, no Jadran program would be complete without our Button Box Ensemble playing their and your favorite polkas and waltzes... and there's much, much more in store for your enjoyment.

Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., the program from 7:30 to 8:30 and dancing to the Fred Kuhar Orchestra follows.

Tickets for this entire delightful evening are only \$14. Reservations may be made by calling either Angela Zabjek at 531-3979 or Betty Rotar at 481-3187.

Tickets are also available at the SWH Club Room and at the Cleveland Polka Hall of Fame Headquarters at E. 222nd and Babbett Rd.

Betty Rotar, Pres.,
Jadran Singing Society

Bukovec in Home

Emil Bukovec, a long-time grocer in the St. Clair-E. 61 St. area, is now a resident of the Wickliffe Country Place Nursing Home on Bishop and Euclid Ave.

He would appreciate visitors and cards.

His address is 1919 Bishop Rd., Wickliffe, OH 44092.

Krofe Sale

There will be a krofe sale on Saturday, April 13th in the Social Room of St. Vitus Auditorium starting at 8 a.m.

Baraga Weekend Update

Attend the complete Baraga Days activities and 20th Anniversary of the Slovenian Chapel at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. August 31 and September 1.

Also a unique option is available for those wishing to stretch out their Labor Day weekend: a visit to New York City, Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty on September 2-3. Lowest prices will include: airfare, hotel, sightseeing, bus transfers, admission, one meal a day and insurance. For information contact Washington Landmark Tours, 2362 Paddock Lane, Reston, VA 22091.

On Saturday, Aug. 31, Mass in the Slovenian Chapel (crypt) of the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. will be held at 4 p.m. (EDT). The Banquet and Annual Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

On Sunday, Sept. 1 — 2 p.m. Mass in Upper Main Church of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception will be held with celebrant and homilist James Cardinal Hickey, Archbishop of Washington, D.C.

Banquet tickets are \$35 (including gratuity and 11% tax). Order directly from Mr. Conrad Mejac, 4445 Butterworth Place NW, Washington, DC 20016. Make check payable to: Slovenian Chapel Anniversary Committee. A stamped, self-addressed envelope would be appreciated.

The Baraga Days headquarters is the Sheraton Washington Hotel, 2660 Woodley Rd. at Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20008, 1-800-523-3535 (reservations); 202-328-2000 (other).

Rates: 1-2 persons \$75, each additional guest \$20. There is also an 11% room tax. These rates apply to the nights from Wednesday, August 28 to Tuesday, September 3. Great for a family trip to the capital city. But you must indicate you are with the Baraga program for these rates. Deadline is August 23.

Please make your reservations directly with the hotel or with your tour company. In order to get these rates the Baraga Association is committed to filling a required number of rooms. (The ordinary room rate is \$176 (+ 11%!) per night for a single and \$206 for a double.

Some features of this hotel are: 7 restaurants, fitness center, heated pool, 2 miles to heart of Washington, 24 hour room service, jogging trails, 2 blocks from zoo,

Benefit Dinner; Lausche Mass

The Spring Roast Beef Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Chardon Rd. in Euclid will be held on Sunday, April 21 in St. Ann Dining Room on the Shrine grounds. Dinners will be served from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend this dinner where you can enjoy a delicious meal in the pleasantly peaceful environs of the Shrine.

For those who wish to attend Mass before dinner, a Mass will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the chapel in memory of the 1st anniversary of the death of Senator Frank J. Lausche.

Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Please contact Tony Brodnik at 289-7680 for tickets.

Proceeds will be used for the urgent upkeep of the Shrine.

Altar Society Marks 75th

St. Mary Collinwood Altar Society is celebrating their 75th anniversary with a dinner on Sunday, April 14 in the school auditorium, 15519 Holmes Ave.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

This is a pork chop, chicken dinner.

Luncheon

The Slovene Home for the Aged Auxiliary luncheon will be held on Monday, April 22nd at 12 noon at the Home on Neff Rd. The regular meeting will follow the luncheon at 1:00 p.m.

For reservations please call Dorothy Urbancich at 481-8985 or Bertha Walden at 531-4445 by April 15th.

Card Party

Suburban East Business and Professional Women will hold their Annual Benefit Card Party on Friday, April 26 at the Euclid Park Clubhouse, E. 222nd St. and Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid from 7 - 10 p.m. Door prizes and refreshments. Tickets are \$3 at the door or call Trudy Dever 531-5917 for information.

In Memory

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Baskovic who donated \$25.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of Joseph and Rose Baskovic.

Breakfast

St. Vitus Parish is hosting a Sausage and Eggs breakfast with toast, sweet roli, coffee in the auditorium on Sunday, April 14. Adults \$4, children \$2.

Concert Cancelled

The Štajerski Kvintet concert scheduled for Sterle's Slovenian Country House Restaurant in Cleveland on April 14 has been cancelled because the group couldn't obtain a work permit in time.

Another concert date will be set in the future.

Thanks

I wish to express my thanks and gratitude for all the cards, flowers and good wishes from the clergy, my friends and relatives who remembered me during my recent illness.

I have been recuperating in Wisconsin and hope to be back in Cleveland sometime soon.

Mary Marinko
Monona, Wis.

Prijatelj Saluted

Naperville, IL — Francis J. Prijatelj of Parma, Ohio has been named one of the top sales agents for 1990 by the Catholic Order of Forsters (COF) — a 150,000-member fraternal life insurance benefit society based in Naperville and licensed in 29 states and the District of Columbia.

Prijatelj has received a plaque to commemorate his achievement and will also qualify for the 1990 Sales Leaders' Seminar.

Prijatelj and his wife, Frances, have both been active members of the Foresters for many years. They have two children and will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in May.

The Question of Retirement

Retirement often brings perplexing questions. Should you stay or should you go? And if you go, where?

"For some reason people think relocation is expected in retirement, but there shouldn't be any pressure at all to move," said David Savageau, author of "Retirement Places Rated" (Prentice Hall Press, \$16.95), a comprehensive guide to the nation's top retirement areas.

The book surveyed 151 countries on the basis of money issues, housing, climate, personal safety, available services, work opportunities and leisure activities.

San Diego ranks 34th, Southport 11th. The top-ranked county is Fort Myers-Cape Coral-Sanibel Island, Fla.

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VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

Danes v Sloveniji seja jugoslovanskega predsedstva — Demonstracije v Hrvatski — Srbski notranji minister prisiljen odstopiti

Danes poteka v Sloveniji seja zveznega predsedstva. Namen teh zadnji čas zelo pogostih sej je izoblikovanje dogovora o novi ureditvi za Jugoslavijo, doslej pa ti sestanki niso rodili nobenega uspeha, namesto zблиževanja stališč je prišlo do še izrazitejše razhajanja v gledanjih. O današnji seji ob tem poročanju ni še nobenih vesti, ni pa pričakovati, da bo uspešnejša od prejšnjih.

Pretekli ponedeljek so bile demonstracije v več hrvaških mestih. Demonstranti so se zbrali pred poslopji, v katerih delujejo organi Jugoslovske ljudske armade. V nekaterih primerih so demonstranti povzročili gmotno škodo. Do demonstracij je prišlo, ker poteka sodni proces zoper hrvaškega obrambnega ministra Martina Špeglja, ki je obtožen, da je vodil zaroto zoper JLA. V Splitu naj bi bilo aretiranih deset demonstrantov, ni pa bilo nobenih oseb ranjenih.

Predsednik predsedstva SFRJ in srbski član tega telesa Borisav Jović je poslal pismo hrvaškemu predsedniku Franju Tuđmanu, v katerem je svaril, da bo vojska uporabljala vso potrebno silo v obrambi pred protivojaškimi akcijami. Isto je trdila sama JLA, ki je skupno s hrvaško policijo poslala oklopna vozila, da bi bilo zavarovano poslopje v Zagrebu, v katerem poteka sojenje. Jović je Tuđmanu pisal tudi, da demonstracije v ponedeljek potrjujejo, da Hrvaška aktivno nasprotuje odločitvam zveznega predsedstva in izvajanju zveznih zakonov na ozemlju Hrvatske.

Politična napetost raste tudi v sami Srbiji. Včeraj je odstopil srbski notranji minister Radmilo Bogdanović. Njegov odhod so zahtevale opozicijske stranke in študentje in sicer zaradi njegove vloge v spopadu med proti-Miloševićevimi demonstranti in srbsko policijo v Beogradu 9. marca. V tem spopadu sta bili ubiti dve osebi, ranjenih pa več kot 200. Srbska skupščina je glasovala za sprejem Bogdanovićeve ostavke, poslanci, ki so sicer v veliki večini lojalni do Miloševića, so pa zavrnilo zahtevo kakih 20 opozicijskih poslancev, naj odstopijo še predsednik vlade Dragutin Zelenović in dva njegova ministra.

Bolj in bolj resne postajajo tudi v Srbiji gospodarske težave. Pretekli teden so stav-

kali mehaniki letalske družbe JAT, zato ni bilo poletov, stavko nameravajo ponoviti. Voditelji sindikatov, v katerih je po Srbiji zaposlenih 700.000 delavcev v kovinski in tekstilni industriji, napovedujejo stavko za prihodnji tork in se pridružujejo klicem za generalni štrajk v tej republiki. Mnogi delavci baje niso dobili celotnih plač že več mesecev, življenjski standard zaradi vedno bolj obsežnega gospodarskega kolapsa naglo pada. Sam srbski predsednik Slobodan Milošević je tarča vedno bolj ostrih kritik.

Dr. Alojzij Šuštar in Milan Kučan o razpletu jugoslovanske krize — Izmenjava informacij

Predsednik predsedstva Republike Slovenije Milan Kučan je 29. marca povabil nadškofa in ljubljanskega metropolita dr. Alojzija Šuštarja na srečanje, katerega namen je bil izmenjava informacij in gledanj v zvezi z razpletom jugoslovanske krize. Navzoč je bil še član predsedstva Ciril Zlobec.

Po poročilu v Delu 30. marca, sta Kučan in Zlobec nadškofa seznanila s pogovori, ki potekajo na zvezni in medrepubliški ravni o razpletu krize v SFRJ. Govorila sta tudi, kako skuša predsedstvo Slovenije pomagati k mirni, demokratični in sporazumni rešitvi krize in, kako odeluje v uresničevanju odločitve celotnega slovenskega naroda na plebiscitu o osamosvojitvi Slovenije decembra lani. Pri tem sta Kučan in Zlobec govorila o prizadevanjih na mednarodnem področju, da bi tuje države kazale več razumevanja in podpore za osamosvojitvene težnje Slovenije. Ocenila sta, da je v tem oziru zadnje mesece opaziti določen premik v prid Slovenije.

»Dr. Šuštar pa je povedal, kako se sedanja jugoslovanska kriza in predvsem prizadevanja za osamosvojitve Slovenije kažejo v delu jugoslovanske škofovske konference in na številnih mednarodnih srečanjih, ki so organizirana pod okriljem remskokatoliške cerkve. Poudaril je, da tudi v teh krogih narašča razumevanje za prizadevanja naše republike. Soglasno so ugotovili, da je treba storiti vse za mirno in sporazumno rešitev jugoslovanske krize in za to, da ne bi pri njenem reševanju uporabili silo v nobeni obliki. Menili so, da so spoštovanje človekovih in nacionalnih pravic ter razumevanje, odprtost in dialog temelj za rešitev krize.«

Podprli so pobudo za dostojno in kulturno ureditev območja Kočevskega Roga.

— NOVI GROBOVI —

Frank Mlinar

Dne 6. aprila 1991 je na svojem domu v Jolietu, Ill., umrl Frank Mlinar, rojen na Fužinah, Slovenija, sin Alojzija in Katarine Jezeršek, v Ameriko prišel pred 42 leti in se upokojil 1. 1982 po več kot 30 letih, ko je služil kot oskrbnik pri župniji Marije Vnebovzete v Collinwoodu, član DNIJ pri Sv. Jožefu v Jolietu, veliko let tudi DNIJ pri Mariji Vnebovzeti, dalje član Katoliških borštarnjev Dvora 1640, sv. Jožefa št. 169 KSKJ in Marijine legije. Zanj žalujejo žena Antonia, rojena Rozman, in sestre Maryann Mlinar (Euclid), Maria Mlinar (Chagrin Falls), v Sloveniji pa Cecilija Oblak in Katarina Mlinar, že pok. pa sta prva žena Dorothy, roj. March, in brata Janez in Jernej (oba v Sloveniji). Pogrebna maša je bila 8. aprila v cerkvi sv. Jožefa v Jolietu, v sredo, 10. aprila, pa v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete. K večnemu počitku je bil položen na Vernih duš pokopališču. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Sterle-Sankovic zavoda; 15314 Macauley Avenue.

Louis W. Medved

Umrl je Louis W. Medved, vdovec po Edni, roj. Lear, oče Richarda in Louisa, 3-krat stari oče, brat Frances Kramer, Antonie Lausche, Julie Larson ter že pok. Mary Loushin in Anthonyja, dragi prijatelj Sonnie Barron. Pogreb je bil 9. aprila iz Grdina-Cosic-Faulhaber zavoda na Lake Shore Blvd. v cerkev sv. Vida in od tam na pokopališče Lake View.

Edward Vidmar st.

Dne 4. aprila je umrl 73 let stari Edward Vidmar st., mož Millie, roj. Brancel, oče Edwarda ml. in Carol Hartman, brat Ann Brinovec, 6-krat stari oče, zaposlen do svoje upokojitve pri King Musical Instruments Inc. Pogreb je bil 8. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Marije Magdalene v Willocku.

John M. Shetina

Dne 5. aprila je umrl 71 let stari John M. Shetina s Painesville Townshippa, mož Mary, oče Veronice Bickel in Mary Jo Kohr, zapušča še dva brata, štiri vnuke in dva pravnuka, zaposlen pred svojo upokojitvijo 34 let pri Diamond Shamrock Corp., 7 let pri Harvey Hubbell Co., zadnja leta pa pri bencinski postaji v Painesvillu, član župnije sv. Marije in ADZ. Pogreb je bil 8. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Marije v Painesvillu.

Frank C. Demshar

Dne 2. aprila je na svojem domu v North Olmstedu za rakom umrl 76 let stari Frank C. Demshar, rojen v Clevelandu, mož Margaret, roj. Orosz, oče

Franka, Jacqueline Hochschild, Peggy Creswell in Sharon McMullen, 17-krat stari oče, 8-krat prastari oče, brat Albine Krishon, Julie Sustersic, Gertrude Miller in že pok. Johna, Joeyja in Jennie Miller, nečak Elle Samanich, Victorja Tominca in Matevža Tominca, član ADZ št. 48. Pogreb je bil 6. aprila s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Brendana v North Olmstedu.

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KOLENDAR APRIL

13. — Glasbena matica priredi spomladanski koncert v SND na St. Clair Ave.

13. — Slovenski nar. dom na Holmes Ave. priredi pomladanski ples. Igra Bob Kravos orkester. Pričetek ob 7. zv.

14. — Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti pripravi kosilo ob 75. obletnici ustanovitve, v šolski dvorani.

20. — Pevski zbor Jadran priredi spomladanski koncert z večerjo in plesom v SDD na Waterloo Rd. Igra Fred Kuhar orkester.

27. — Pevski zbor Zarja praznuje 75-letnico z večerjo, koncertom in plesom v SDD v Euclidu.

28. — Slov. šola pri sv. Vidu priredi materinsko proslavo ob 6. uri zvečer v dvorani sv. Vida.

28. — Župnija sv. Cirila v New Yorku praznuje svojo 75-letnico. Ob 9.30 dop. sv. maša, med 1. in 7. zv. banket in program v Park restavraciji, Franklin Sq., Long Island. Igra Štajerski kvintet.

28. — Klub upokojencev na St. Clairju ima kosilo v SND na St. Clairju. Začetek ob 1.30 pop.

MAJ

4. — Pevski zbor Korotan prireja koncert ob svoji 40-letnici, v dvorani sv. Vida. Pričetek ob 7. zv.

5. — »Prijatelji Slov. nar. doma na St. Clairju« prirede »brunch«.

17. — Slovenski dom za ostarele ima občni zbor, v SDD na Waterloo Rd.

JUNIJ

2. — Otvoritev Slovenske pristave.

9. — Društvo SPB Cleveland priredi Slovenski spominski dan s sv. mašo ob 11.30 dop. pri Lurški Materi božji na Chardon Rd., Euclid, O.

15. in 16. — Tabor DSPB priredi Spominsko proslavo na Orlovem vrhu Slov. pristave, v počastitev pobitih domobranecem in vsem ostalim žrtvam revolucije.

30. — Poletni festival pri sv. Vidu.



Nadškof dr. Alojzij Šuštar in predsednik Slovenije Milan Kučan sta se na Kučanovo povabilo srečala 29. marca in si izmenjala in-

formacije o perečih vprašanjih, predvsem v zvezi z razpletom jugoslovanske krize, za katere mirno rešitev je treba storiti vse.

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POL STOLETJA KASNEJE

Na Cvetno nedeljo 6. aprila 1941 so čete Osi pod vodstvom Hitlerjeve Nemčije od vseh strani vdrle v Jugoslavijo. Nemški »kaznovalni« letalski napad na Beograd je bil uničujoč, pod ruševinami mesta je bilo okoli 35.000 mrtvih. Komaj 11 dni kasneje je v imenu Jugoslavije gen. Kalafatović podpisal predajo, med tem ko je vlada odletela v tujino. Prve Jugoslavije je bilo dejansko konec. Kako je do tega prišlo?

Hitler je v nekaj letih po prevzemu oblasti v Nemčiji obnovil nemško vojaško moč in se povezal z Mussolinijevo Italijo v »Osi Berlin-Rim«, da bi Nemčijo rešil vezi in omejitev, ki jih je naložila mirovna pogodba po prvi svetovni vojni v Versaillesu, ter ji priboril vodilno mesto v Evropi in — svetu.

Najprej je Hitler uničil septembra 1939 Poljsko in so jo razdelil s Stalinom, nato je zasedel Dansko in Norveško, v maju in juniju 1940 pa preko Nizozemske in Belgije vdril v Francijo in jo prisilil na kolena. Nemške čete so zmagovito korakale v Pariz. Italija je imela med tem težave z Grki, ki so jih podpirali Angleži.

Madžarska, Romunija in Bolgarija so že pristopile k Osi Berlin-Rim, Jugoslavija je hotela ostati nevtralna. Hitler jo je na vsak način hotel dobiti na svojo stran, predno bi udaril v Grčijo reševati Italijo. Knez Pavle, ki je v imenu mladoletnega kralja Petra II. vladal Jugoslaviji, je pritisku Osi končno popustil, Jugoslavija je 25. marca 1941 pristopila uradno k zvezi Berlin-Rim. Dejansko s to pogodbo Jugoslavija ni zvezi Berlin-Rim dala ali obljubila nič drugega, kot da bo ostala nevtralna. Hitler ni zahteval niti prevoza svojih čet preko Jugoslavije v načrtovanem napadu na Grčijo.

Skupina srbskih oficirjev z gen. Boro Markovićem in gen. Simovićem na čelu je 27. marca izvedla vojaški udar. Odstavila je regenta kneza Pavla in proglasila kralja Petra II. za polnoletnega. V Beogradu je prišlo do hudih protinemških demonstracij, demonstranti so kričali »Bolje rat nego pakt« — boljša vojna kot pogodba z Osjo. Predsednik britanske vlade Winston Churchill je tedaj v parlamentu izjavil: »Jugoslavija je našla dušo!«

Nova jugoslovanska vlada pod predstvom gen. Simovića, v kateri sta po ostrih razpravah ostala, da bi reševala državo, vodnik Hrvatov Vladko Maček in vodnik Slovencev Franc Kulovec, je sporočila v Berlin in v Rim, da pogodbo z Osjo priznava in se jo bo držala. Pokazalo se je, da vojaški puč ni bil naperjen toliko proti pogodbi z Osjo kot proti srbsko-hrvaškemu sporazumu avgusta 1939, s katerim je bila ustanovljena Hrvaška banovina. Ta je obsegala poleg sedanjega ozemlja Republike Hrvaške tudi dele Bosne in Hercegovine, kjer so naseljeni Hrvati.

Srbsko-hrvaški sporazum je bil dosežen v precejšnji meri po posredovanju dr. Antona Korošca, ki je načrtoval podoben položaj, kot so ga dobili v Jugoslaviji s tem sporazumom Hrvatje, tudi za Slovence. Tako naj bi bilo rešeno v Jugoslaviji narodnostno vprašanje, ki je ogrožalo njen obstoj od njenega samega začetka.

Srbski vojaški puč, ki je sprožil Hitlerjev napad na Jugoslavijo in njeno uničenje, je vodil do novih napetosti med Srbi in Hrvati, ki so prešla v kratkem v medsebojno pobijanje na področju novo proglašene »Nezavisne države Hrvatske« pod vodstvom dr. Ante Pavelića in njegovih ustašev.

Del Jugoslavije na jugovzhodu so zasedli Bolgari, Kosovo in Metohijo Albanci, del Vojvodine Madžari. Ti so zasedli tudi Prekmurje v Sloveniji, med tem ko sta si ostalo Slovenijo razdelila Hitler in Mussolini.

V času tuje vojaške zasedbe je Komunistična partija v Jugoslaviji pod krinko »osvobodilnega boja« začela državljansko vojno, ki bi ji naj zagotovila prevzem oblasti. To ji je ob podpori zahodnih sil, posebno Angležev, ki so videli v Titu »rešitelja« Jugoslavije, ker naj bi bil z njeno preureditvijo v federacijo rešil narodnostno vprašanje.

Titova »rešitev« narodnostnega vprašanja v Jugoslaviji je že v času njegovega življenja začela kazati razpoke, po njegovi smrti pa je narodnostno vprašanje butnilo na dan z novo, še večjo silo. Druga Jugoslavija je v zadnjih vzdihih, le malo jih je, ki vidijo možnost za novo, tretjo Jugoslavijo. Razlike med njenimi narodi so prevelike. Slovenci, ki so živeli nad 1200 let v sklopu krščanske Zahodne in Srednje Evrope, so se odločili za lastno, neodvisno državo, Hrvatje, ki so tudi povezani blizu 1200 let z Zahodom, govorijo, da bodo sledili zgledu Slovencev. Srbi, ki so živeli pod bizantinsko-turškim vplivom vse do srede preteklega stoletja, se ne morejo rešiti stare vzhodnjaške miselnosti in svojih narodnih mitov.

Bo pol stoletja trpljenja pomagalo narodom Jugoslavije najti pot iz starih sporov, iz starih napetosti v nov, boljši čas?
V. L.

Nekam preveč nas zalezuje...

(Zaradi napačnega naslova na kuverti, je ta dopis vzela do bre tri tedne, da je do nas prispel. Poštariji bi se morali le malce potruditi, da bi ugotovili pravi naslov, pa se niso in so dopis enostavno poslali nazaj pošiljatelju. Ur.)

NEW YORK, N.Y. - Po prvi marčevi nedelji, ko je bila pri slovenskem sv. Cirilu bolj kot ne-nedelja naša življenjske oseke, sem si dejal: Še drugo nedeljo hočem doživeti. Vem,

Pevsi zbor Zarja vabi na večerjo in koncert

EUCLID, O. - V soboto, 27. aprila, se vam po željno pričakovani pomladi predstavi zbor Zarja s spomladanskim koncertnim nastopom in sicer v Slovenskem društvenem domu na Recherjevi ulici v Euclidu. Programu smo dali naslov »Vaudeville Spring Frolic II«.

Prireditev se bo pričela z dobro večerjo, ki bo servirana v spodnji dvorani med 5. in 7. zvečer. Nato bo v zgornji dvorani podan lep koncert. V pevskem nastopu bo celoten zbor, razni solisti v komičnih prizorih. Tako bo med koncertom dovolj šaljivih prizorov kot lepega petja vam vsem v razvedrilo. Večer bo zaključil ples, za katerega bo igrala godba Johnnie Vadnala.

Naj še omenim, da pevski zbor Zarja obhaja letos 75-letnico obstoja, kar pomeni, da smo najstarejši še obstoječi slovenski pevski zbor v Ameriki. To častno obletnico bomo slavili na jesenskem koncertu oktobra letos. Za sedaj pa vas ponovno vabim, da si nabavite vstopnice, ki so po \$15 in se dobe pri članih zbora ali v prostorih Cleveland Polka Hall of Fame v Shore Center v Euclidu. Lahko tudi pokličete tel. 531-3138.

Glavno je, da si vstopnice preskrbite in pridete na to spomladansko prireditev 27. aprila v SDD na Recherjevi. Obeta se vam lep večer, zato pridite in se pozabavajte med znanci in prijatelji. Vsem lep pozdrav in na svidenje 27. aprila med Zarjani v Euclidu!

Jennie Fatur

da bo še v naši oseki. Potem pa pride tretja s prosvetno uro. Z njo bomo stopili v plimo življenja naše narodne skupnosti na Njujorškem. In če smo imeli v marcu kar pol meseca oseko, bomo zato imeli potem kar tri nedelje plimo. In z radostjo bom lahko zapisal v naglavju svoje kronike: Ta marec bo zares čisto drugačen.

Prva polna pomladanska, ki letos zasveti na nebu že ob zadnji marčevi sobotni noči, mi pove, da bo drugi dan Vstajenjska nedelja. Torej tretja marčeva bo že tiha nedelja. Tej pa sledi Cvetna. Zares na to nedeljo, odkar smo vpeljali navado butaric, se pri Sv. Cirilu ne strne samo njena fara, ampak vsa slovenska srenja na Njujorškem.

Pa se zgodi v sredo zvečer tisto nepričakovano, čeprav zmerom prisotno dejstvo, da smrt pokončava življenje. Telefonski klic mi namreč pove, da je umrla srenjčanka, enkrat faranka sv. Cirila, Ana Kepic. Pred mnogimi leti, več kot deset, jo je prizadela kap, ki ji je omejila gibanje in govorico. Hčerka Ruth je prevzela skrb za svojo mater. Ni pustila, da bi jo oddali v dom za onemogle. Lep primer ljubezni, ki pozna le žrtvovanje za svojega bližnjega. V tem slučaju za svojega najbližnjega, za svojo mater. »Glej tvoja mati« je tudi na poti Kristusovega življenja.

Ana Kepic se je rodila skoraj pred 90 leti v belokranjski vasi, v Kovačji vasi v fari Stari trg, ki ima farno cerkev posvečeno sv. Jožefu. Kot mlado dekle je po prvi svetovni vojni kot mnogi drugi prišla v Ameriko. Kar v New Yorku se je ustavila. In tu je srečala fanta iz Trzina pri Domžalah Jožeta Kepica. Poročila sta se. Živela na Šesti aveniji v spodnjem delu New Yorka, dokler se nista preselila v Ridgewood.

Zato je bila njuna prva hčerka Ana krščena v cerkvi sv. Cirila. Tu je mala Anica začela peti. Organist Koprivšek je imel takrat svoj mladinski zbor pri fari. Ani je skorajda pozneje postala poklicna pevka. Saj je bila par let solistka

zbora v Radio City Hallu. Vrnili se vedno k Sv. Cirilu, ko g. Koprivšek spet skliče pevce za razne svečane prilike, kot je npr. naša 75-letnica, ko jo bomo proslavili na zadnjo aprilsko nedeljo. To bo menda silna plima našega življenja, ki nam bo hkrati dala upanje in pogum, da bomo znali smrt z življenjem preganjati, kajti: smrt nas prav v tem letu kar nekam preveč zasleduje.

Ana Kepic je živela zadnja leta pri hčerki Ruth na Long Islandu. Tam je tudi moja sestra Fani. Poklical sem jo in ji oznanil to smrt. Pa me vpraša: Ali si slišal, da je umrla 16. januarja Pepca Seider? Nič nisem vedel za njeno smrt, čeprav je zadnja leta živela v Middle Villagu, torej v moji soseščini, koder je zdaj menda več slovenskih rojakov kot v Ridgewoodu.

Pepca je bila sestra Maly Holešek, ki je pred leti umrla. Maly je rada prišla s svojim drugim možem na naše farne zabave. Z njo tudi sestra Pepca in njen sin Martin. Jednotni člani so bili vsi. In ko so Jednotina društva umrla ali zamrla, so se še bolj zrahljale vezi med generacijami naše slovenske sv. Cirila, kot tudi v celotni slovenski njujorški srenji.

Težko bi dejal, da so to rodbinsko krvno povezane generacije, čeprav sem ob smrti Vinka Burgarja zapisal: Ime Burgar se vleče skozi vso farno zgodovino prav od njene ustanovitve. Pa vendar v naši farni zgodovini so nam zadnji dve svetovni vojni določali generacije, ki so bile pravzaprav priselniški valovi.

Tako smo imeli generacijo faranov in srenjčanov pred prvo svetovno vojno. Ta nam je s smrtjo Josie Graškove izumrla. Tej generaciji je sledil val po prvi vojni. In ta nam zdaj izumira ali pa je že toliko ostarela, da ne more več priti — vsaj večina od njih — v narodno cerkev sv. Cirila. Zato je več kot prav, da so na zadnjo nedeljo ob priliki prosvetne ure slavili rojstni dan Matije Corela. Matija je redni sikonedeljski obiskovalec slovenske maše pri Sv. Cirilu, eden iz apostolskega števila faranov, ki drže stalno prižgano luč življenja te fare.

Vsa teža našega življenja pa zdaj sloni na zavednosti in požrtvovalnosti tretje farne generacije, prišlekov po drugi svetovni vojni. Ta moč se zbere le

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Lep zaključek Lilijine kegljaške sezone

CLEVELAND, O. — V nedeljo 10. marca popoldne, se je vršilo v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue Lilijin po-kegljaški banket. Vse je bilo odlično organizirano in izvedeno, za kar gre zahvala in priznanje v prvi vrsti vodstvu Lilije in pa seveda, Franku Zalarju. Izmed približno 150 navzočih, so jih šest poklicali po imenih in jih nagradili s trofejami. Na sliki so od leve proti desni: **Ivan Zakrajšek, Tone Nemeč, Vanči Radišek, Lojz Jarem, Matt Grdadolnik in Frank Zalar.**

Tukaj ne bi smelo biti (in tudi ni bilo) nobene nevoščljivosti. Staro pravilo je, da vsi ne morejo biti zmagovalci, le peščica najboljših. Tako je bilo tukaj, tako je na olimpiadi in povsod, kjer se ukvarjajo s športom. Kaj se ve, morda pa bodo prihodnje leto čisto drugi ljudje stali tam spredaj okrog mene, ali celo namesto mene. Ampak do tedaj pa naj velja: Klobuke dol, če srečate kje na cesti katerega izmed zgorajšnjih šampionov!

Mecan

Poslanstvo Katoliškega doma v Gorici

Članek, ki sledi, je izšel v goriškem Katoliškem glasu izpod peresa mons. Kazimirja Humarja, ki se ga mnogi bralci spominjajo iz njegovega obiska med nami pred 12 leti, drugi so ga pa srečali ob obiskih v Gorici, na Dragi itd. Članek je bil objavljen 21. marca, na prvi strani lista.

Tukaj ob meji se nekaj premika. Evropa narodov, ki o njej govorijo politiki; Evropska gospodarska skupnost, ki

bi morala postati dejstvo leta 1992; razkroj komunističnih režimov v vzhodni in srednji Evropi, padec materialnih in duhovnih zidov, ki so ločili evropske narode in države; vse to se pozna tudi v naši deželi in novosti postajajo vidne vedno bolj. Rimski parlament je pa počasen, prepočasen, da bi dojemal vse te premike. Ta počasnost se kaže tudi v tem, da še vedno ni sprejel zaščitnega zakona o naši manjšini, kar demokratični Italiji gotovo ni v čast. Je pa sprejel zakon o obmejnih področjih, ki upošteva tudi narodne manjšine v obeh državah, Italiji in Jugoslaviji. Ni še tisto, kar pričakujemo, vendar nekaj je.

Tudi v Sloveniji se je z demokracijo, ki se počasi utrjuje

Obisk Slovenije ob zasedanju Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa

EASTLAKE, O. - Kot je večini bralcev Ameriške Domovine že znano, se bo vršilo prvi zasedanje Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa v Ljubljani od 27. do 30. junija. Prve tri dni bodo sestanki v Cankarjevem domu v Ljubljani, v nedeljo, 30. junija, pa se bodo delegati in drugi v Celje, kjer bo umeštev novozvoljenega glavnega odbora SSK, čemur bo sledilo ob 1. popoldne družabno srečanje delegatov in gostov.

Kdor med bralci AD bi bil zainteresiran, da bi bil tisti čas v Sloveniji, me naj pokliče na tel. št. (216) 946-4037. Skupina bi odpotovala v torek, 25. junija, vrnila se pa v dveh ali treh tednih, 9. ali 16. julija. V začetku julija se v Sloveniji tudi vrši vsakoletni piknik »Srečanje v moji deželi«, in sicer v Dolenjskih Toplicah. Na tem srečanju se bo gotovo tudi letos zbralo veliko rojakov iz vseh strani sveta. To je vsekakor zanimivo, saj lahko srečaš prijatelja, s katerim si se poslovil pred 44 leti, ko smo mnogi odhajali iz taborišč v vse smeri po svetu.

Če se zanimate ali bi želeli več informacije, me pokličite na zgoraj omenjeno številko, po možnosti proti večeru, in to vsaj do 5. maja. Če se bo skupina formirala, je potrebno namreč organizirati rezervacije za polet z najnižjo možno ceno. Potovali bi z letalom iz Clevelanda na Brnik in nazaj.

Dušan Maršič

in uveljavlja, marsikaj premaknilo tudi glede narodnih manjšin, tudi glede naše manjšine v Italiji. Nič več nas ne ločuje v dve kategoriji, med benjaminčke in desete brate kot je bilo do lani vsa leta po vojni. Sedanja demokratična vlada v Ljubljani trdi, da hoče gledati in obravnavati vse rojake zunaj mej Slovenije z enakim merilom. Morda bo to res. Prav zato bi rad osvetil poslanstvo Katoliškega doma v Gorici, da bi razne oblasti ne ravnale enosmerno kot doslej.

Razčlenjenost med nami

Po zadnji vojni smo Slovenci v Italiji bili deležni demokracije kot vsi ostali državljani; demokracija pa pomeni različnost v svobodi. Tudi mi Slovenci smo si bili zato različni po svojih političnih idealih, po svojih kulturnih ciljih in potrebah. Eni so bili za rdeči režim v Sloveniji in za kulturo, kot jo je tamkajšnji režim gojil, drugi smo bili nasprotniki komunizma za demokracijo in za kulturo, slonečo na naši krščanski tradiciji.

To je naša zgodovinska preteklost.

Politično smo si bili različni tako, da so eni bili za KPI (= komunistična partija) in PSI (= socialistična stranka), drugi pa smo si ustanovili svojo lastno politično stranko in zanjo volili; najprej je bila to SDZ (Slovenska demokratična zveza), pozneje je na njeno mesto stopila SSK (= Sloven-

— Važno obvestilo za Baragove dni 1991 —

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Za naše rojake, ki se letos nameravajo udeležiti Baragovih dni v Washingtonu, so važne naslednje podrobnosti:

1. — Praznovanje Baragovih dni bo združeno s praznovanjem 20-letnice posvetitve Slovenske kapele.
2. — Točen datum: Sobota, 31. avgusta, in nedelja, 1. septembra (Labor Day Weekend).
3. — Prostor:
 - (a) Cerkevne slovesnosti bodo v Narodnem svetišču Brezmadežnega Spočetja v Washingtonu.
 - (b) Kulturni program bo v hotelu Sheraton Washington (sodelovalo bo več pevskih zborov).
4. — Slovensko bogoslužje: V soboto ob 4. pop., v kriпти svetišču.
5. — Angleško bogoslužje: V nedeljo ob 2. pop., v glavni cerkvi.
6. — Banket: V soboto zvečer v Sheraton Washington hotelu, po končanem bogoslužju v cerkvi.
7. — Kulturni program: V hotelu, po banketu. (V načrtu je nadaljnji kulturni spored, prav tako v hotelu, v nedeljo zgodaj zvečer.
8. — Prenočišča: Priporočamo Sheraton Washington hotel, kjer nam je uspelo izposlovati znatno znižane cene (popust nad 50%). Naslov: Sheraton Washington Hotel, 2660 Woodley Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008, tel.: 1-800-325-3535.

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 - c) V sobi za tri osebe: \$31.67
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(Lokalni davek posebej)

Te cene so zagotovljene za štiri dni pred slovesnostmi in tri dne po njej.

Sheraton Washington je isti hotel, kjer je bil banket s programom pred dvajsetimi leti ob posvetitvi Slovenske kapele 15. avgusta 1971. Pri hotelu je v neposredni bližini postaja podzemeljske železnice (Red Line), ki gre naravnost do cerkve oz. do Narodnega Svetišča Brezmadežnega Spočetja.

Cena banketu še ni dokončna, verjetno bo okoli \$35. Morebitna večerja v nedeljo bi bila združena s kulturnim programom in družabnim večerom.

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ska skupnost).

Kulturno smo si tudi bili narazen, posebno ker je zlasti na Goriškem bila močna krščanska kulturna zavest. Tukaj so bile skupine, ki so takoj po vojni začele z lastno kulturno dejavnostjo. Tu naj omenim dekliško Marijino družbo z njenimi akademijami in igrami. Pa pevske zbere v Gorici in po vaseh. Marijina družba je gostovala po ženskih zavodih v Gorici, toda takoj po vrnitvi Italije v Gorico leta 1947, so ji vrata v zavode zaprli.

Pok. voditelj **dr. M. Brumat** je pa hotel ohraniti dramsko dejavnost med družbenicami. Zato je uporabil priložnost, ko je Kat. tisk. društvo znova dobilo v roke hišo na Placuti, da je vzel v najem dvoranico v I. nadstropju in jo z odrom opremil za dramske predstave in koncerte. Toda kmalu so se začeli tudi razgovori za oživetev prosvetnih društev. Prvo tako društvo je nastalo v Gorici in se poimenovalo »Slovensko katoliško prosvetno društvo«. Njegov prvi predsednik in duša je bil **prof. Mirko Filej**.

Ideja o Katoliškem domu Dvoranica na Placuti je bila tesna, odločno premajhna za (dalje na str. 11)

NEKAM PREVEČ

(nadaljevanje s str. 8)

enkrat na mesec na tretjo nedeljo v mesecu. In ravno prejšnji mesec smo imeli 20-letnico prosvetnih nedelj pri Sv. Cirilu, ki so nasledila narodne nedelje, ki smo jih pred tem imeli s pomočjo sobotne farne šole pod vodstvom Cirile Saksidove. Ta šola je lahko dala nekaj več, ker je bila skoraj celodnevna, vsako soboto, medtem ko je zdajšnja nedeljska enourna, dvakrat na mesec.

To so dejstva časa in življenja. Stari Rimljani so znali življenje dobro opazovati, in to brez moderne tehnologije, in so ugotovili: časi se spreminjajo in mi se spreminjamo z njimi. K temu bi jaz samo dejal: spreminjamo se v njem samo zato, ker ne znamo več prenašati iz roda v rod, kar bi moralo biti za nas nadvse sveto in lepo, in to je materina beseda in naši stari narodni običaji ter šege, kar nam je pomagalo prehoditi zgodovinsko življenjsko pot našega naroda.

Tone Osovnik

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OB 6. OBLETNICI, ODKAR JE UMRL NAŠ LJUBLJENI MOŽ, OČE, STARI OČE IN PRASTARI OČE



Anthony Mihelcic
ki nas je za vedno zapustil
12. aprila 1985.

Šest let Te zemlja krije,
v tihem grobu mirno spiš;
srce Tvoje več ne bije,
a med nami še živiš.
V miru božjem Ti počivaj,
dragi, nepozabni nam;
pri Bogu rajsko srečo uživaj,
do svidenja na vekomaj!

Žalujoči:
AMALIJA — žena
TONY in FRANK z družinoma — sinova
MARIE MAKO in HELEN ARTER z družino — hčeri
in drugi sorodniki.
Cleveland, O., 11. aprila 1991.

V nepozabni spomin

10. OBLETNICE, ODKAR SE JE PRESELIL V VEČNOST NAŠ NEPOZABNI BRAT, STRIC IN SVAK



FRANC JENKO
ki je umrl 16. aprila 1981 in bil pokopan na pokopališče Vernih duš 21. aprila 1981.

Blagor mu, ki se spočije,
v črni zemlji mirno spi.
Lepše sonce njemu sije,
lepša zarja rumeni.
Naj počiva v miru!

Z ljubeznijo in molitvami se ga vsak dan spominjajo žalujoči:

sestre in brat

Kakšna naj bo slovenska zastava?

GORICA, It. - Odkar se je začela rušiti na Slovenskem oblast »edino zveličavne« komunistične stranke — zrušena še zdaleč ni — so se začele v družbenih občilih debate, kaj bo s slovensko zastavo, ki ima od leta 1945 krvavi madež, sovjetsko peterokrako zvezdo. Čisto gotovo je, da je večina Slovencev tako doma, kakor za mejo in po svetu za to, da ta madež, ki nas spominja na skoraj 50 letno diktaturo in povojno morijo, izgine iz tega simbola slovenstva. So v raznih strankah tudi ljudje, ki bi radi kak drug simbol našli na slovensko trobojnico.

Na sosednjem Hrvaškem so imeli z zastavo srečnejšo roko. Vlada, ki je bila izvoljena na lanskim spomladanskim volitvah, je takoj uvedla staro hrvaško zastavo. Odpor proti tej odločbi ni bil mogoč, saj je imela v parlamentu več kot dvotretjinsko večino.

Kolikor toliko svobodne volitve na Slovenskem niso prinesle tako ugodne odločitve. Komunistična stranka je imela na voljo ves stari aparat z denarnimi sredstvi, opoziciji je manjkalo ljudi, bila je praktično brez javnih občil in finančnih sredstev. Zaradi tega je tu trditev »kolikor toliko« svobodnih volitev, saj enakosti ni bilo. David je nastopil proti Golijatu. Pestrost poslancev v novem parlamentu, ki je zahtevala razne kompromise, da

se uresničijo najvažnejše odločitve, ni dopuščala, da bi vlada z dekretom uredila različna gledanja ob našem narodnem simbolu.

Kako je prišlo do slovenske zastave?

Začetki slovenske trobojnice segajo več kot 500 let nazaj v zgodovino. Cesar Friderik III. je iz hvaležnosti za pomoč dal vojvodini Kranjski grb, v katerem so bile barve: zlata, modra in rdeča. Zlata barva je bila simbol krone svetega rimskega cesarstva, ki so jo imeli Habsburžani. Ko je leta 1806 cesar Franc I. to krono odložil, so se zamajale tudi barve v kranjskem grbu. Leta 1836 je cesar Ferdinand I. prepire končal, ko je odločil, da so barve Vojvodine Kranjske bela, modra in rdeča.

Leta 1815 so v Frankfurtu ob Meni zastopniki vseh Nemcev določili barve vsenemške zastave: zlata, rumena in črna. To zastavo so začeli izobešavati ob proslavah tudi na Slovenskem živeči Nemci. Slovenski Kranjci so jim odgovorili z zastavo: belo, modro, rdeče trobojnico.

Revolucija leta 1848

Pomladi leta 1848 je prišlo kot odmev na francosko revolucijo do revolucije v Srednji Evropi. Izbruhnili so tudi socialni nemiri. Na Slovenskem ni bilo socialnih nemirov, pač pa je prišlo po vseh slovenskih

kronovinah do narodnega prebujenja. Slovenski rodoljubi so se srečevali in kovali bodočo usodo avstrijskih Slovencev.

Že 29. marca 1848 je celovski kaplan Matija Majar Ziljski objavil v Kmetijskih in rokodelskih novicah, zahteve, ki so se nanašale na položaj Slovencev v cesarski Avstriji. Dober mesec kasneje je v razširjeni obliki objavil to v prilogi Kmetijskih in rokodelskih novic kot slovenski manifest z naslovom: »Kaj Slovenci terjamo«, objavljen 10. maja 1848. Manifest Zedinjene Slovenije je po vseh deželah, kjer so živeli Slovenci, vzbudil veliko dejavnost. Med drugim so se dogovorili tudi za slovensko zastavo. Ker je bilo največ Slovencev v vojvodini Kranjski in ker je bila tam zastava že vplejana, so jo določili za vse-slovensko.

Od takrat naprej je slovenska trobojnica spremljala vse praznike, vse prireditve, vse povorke. Navduševala je pesnike in mnoge umetnike. V njenih barvah so videli poštenost, nedolžnost, zvestobo in ljubezen Slovencev do domovine Slovenije. Kako so Slovenci cenili to zastavo, nam pričuje tudi lani izšla knjiga pri celjski Mohorjevi »Naprej zastava slave«. Ob slovenski zastavi, ki je predstavljala simbol vse Slovenije, so se vršili narodni Tabori, Katoliški shodi. Spremljala je vojake na bojnih pohodih. Pod to zasta-

vo je bila podana leta 1917 Majniška deklaracija z zahtevo po združitvi vseh Slovencev v okviru Avstrije. Z njo so 29. oktobra leto kasneje proglasili republiko Slovencev, Hrvatov in Srbov.

Slovenska zastava v novi deželi

Republika SHS je bila kratkotrajna. Zamenjala jo je kraljevina Srbov, Hrvatov in Slovencev, kasneje Jugoslavija. Na žalost Srbi niso nikoli pokazali posebnih interesov za slovenske probleme. V njih je živela ideja Velike Srbije, ki so jo skušali doseči na škodo Hrvatov in Slovencev.

Že prva centralistična ustava je pokvarila prvotno navdušenje. Zanj so glasovali tudi tedanji slovenski liberalci. Leta 1928 je Srb Puniša Račić ustrelil v parlamentu predsednika najmočnejše hrvaške kmečke stranke Štefana Radića. Da ni prišlo do razpada SHS, je kralj uvedel diktaturo, ki je odstavila parlament, omejila državljsanske svoboščine.

Med drugimi je bila prepovedana tudi slovenska in druge zastave. Dovoljena je bila le jugoslovanska. Razpuščene so bile politične stranke. Ustanovljena je bila le ena stranka: Jugoslovanska nacionalna stranka (JNS). V šole smo dobili srbskohrvaške knjige. Le veroučna in ona za matematiko sta ostali slovenski. Po šolah se nismo več učili slovenščine, temveč le srbsko-hrvaški-slovenski jezik. To je bila

doba diktature generala Živkovića, ki se je končala nekaj mesecev po smrti kralja Aleksandra.

V tem času so bila razpuščena vsa prosvetna društva, razpuščena je bila telovadna organizacija Orel. Le strogo verske organizacije, n.pr. Marijina družba, so bile dovoljene.

Prvo leto diktature je narod otrpnil. Prvič si je drznil pokazati prepovedano zastavo v ljubljanski unionski dvorani ob 60-letnici dr. Antona Korošca. Pogum so mu dale tudi Koroščeve punktacije ali Slovenska deklaracija ob koncu leta 1932, ki spet postavlja zahtevo po združenju Sloveniji. Vlada je ostro reagirala in Korošec je moral v konfinacijo na otok Hvar, zastava je bila preganjana.

Policija je zasledovala zavedne Slovence, ki niso hoteli postati Jugoslovani. Najhujši je bil odpor na ljubljanski univerzi, kjer so akademiki večkrat izobesili prepovedano slovensko trobojnico. Pri tem so se našli v istih vrstah katoliški in tudi marksistični akademiki, ki so v tistih časih zagovarjali slovenstvo proti jugoslovanstvu.

Po zlomu Živkovićeve diktature leta 1935 je bilo nekaj več svobode. Slovenska zastava je bila spet tolerirana, ne pa dovoljena. Ostala je tudi še v naprej ena sama politična stranka JRZ. Ko se je leta 1939 začela druga svetovna

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Mara Cerar Hull

SPOVED

— Črtica —

V. nadaljevanje

«Potem bo ta naloga skoraj preveč za vas, ko ste bili vsa ta leta, - koliko? dvanajst, trinajst let? podvržena komunističnim geslim. Saj ne boste imeli prilike priti v stik, pravi stik, z ljudmi, ki drugače mislijo.»

«Ne, ne, ni preveč,» je hitelela z razlago. «Saj se že dolgo ne štejem h komunistom. Oni me pa že nekaj časa smatrajo za nekako sentimentalno, mogoče celo neuravnovešeno osebo. Veliko prejšnjih znancev, komunistov se me izogiba, saj ne vedo, kaj naj z mano govore.»

«In še to,» je duhovnik postal popolnoma strogega glasu, takega, kot se ga je spominjala iz otroških let.

«Stopiti morate iz partije.»

«To sem že storila,» je povedala. «Že več kot pol leta ne plačujem članarine, preje pa že dolgo nisem hodila na sestanke.»

«In vaš mož, tudi on ne plačuje za vas?»

V polmrazu je zardela. «Nekaj mesecev je že, ker so me vedno hodili nagovarjat, naj

pridem na sestanek. Sedaj me pa že dolgo ni nihče vprašal in tudi mož mi je obljubil, da ne bo plačal članarine za me.»

«Ali se on strinja s tem?»

«Strinja se ne, a se je vdal, ker se nisem hotela premisliti.»

«Korist,» je duhovnik prikimal kot samemu sebi.

Ali naj mu pove, koliko jih je, ki so v partiji samo zaradi koristi, je pomislila. Zato, ker jim partija daje vse prilike, ki si jih lastijo, za majhno ceno duše in poštenosti si pridobijo vse, kar se jim srce poželi? Ne, je vedela, tudi to ve.

«Gospa, ali še znate moliti kesanje?» je vprašal.

«Znam,» je zašepetala.

Bilo je konec spovedi, se je zavedla. Konec pogovora, - z Bogom? s svojo vestjo, konec stika s tem neznanim vendar tako bližnjim človekom, z duhovnikom, ki je v tem kratkem času postal del njene duše, kažipot njenega odrešenja.

«Potem zmolite kesanje za vse, kar ste zagrešili zoper Boga, zoper svojega bližnjega in zoper samo sebe - in obljubite, da bo vaše življenje odslej na-

prej molitev. Pri tem ne mislim samo molitev besed, ampak molitev dejanj, molitev nazorov, molitev vere, molitev zvesti v milost božjo, molitev zaupanja v Boga, našega Odrešenika, - in tudi molitev kesanja za vse bolečine, ki ste jim bili vzrok in ki jih morate sedaj sami nositi, nekoč pa vam jih bo vzel Kristus kot je obljubil. In to je vaša pokora: da se nikdar več ne udejstvujete v nobeni situaciji, ki bi škodovala drugemu človeku, da se vedno zavedate, kdo je vaš bližnji in, da pomagate vsakemu, ki je vaše pomoči potreben, če vas zato vpraša ali ne.»

«Razumem.»

Duhovnik je počakal. Ker pa je tudi ona kar naprej s sklonjeno glavo čakala, je vzdignil roko in začel molitev odveze:

«Obsolve te -»

«Moj Bog, žal mi je, da sem grešila, -» Premagal jo je jok, da je zahlipala in med jokom so besede same vrele iz prsi. «Žal mi je, - posebno pa mi je žal, - pomagaj mi po Gospodu našemu Jezusu Kristusu - amen.»

«Pojdi, otrok božji, hči božja, in ne greši več.»

«Amen,» je bilo vse, kar je vedela reči.

«Bog bodi z vami.»

«In s tvojim - tvojim duhom,» ji je prišlo na ustnice.

Vzdignila se je s kolen. Vrata pred njo so bila kot vhod v neznan, katerega prag ni hotela prestopiti.

«Pojdi v miru,» je rekel duhovnik za rešetko. Zamrmrala je: «Hvala,» odprla vrata in stopila v ladjo cerkve. Notranja mračnost je bila svetla kot dan. Oči so ji bile pekoče od solz, noge kot mrtve od dolgega klečanja. Kako dolgo je bila v spovednici? Pol ure? Eno uro? Cel vek? Med hojo do glavnih vrat se je zavedla, koliko časa je ukradla drugim spovedovancem, ki so potrpežljivo čakali v klopih. Odpustite mi, je v mislih zaprosila.

Ob kropilniku se je ustavila. Ni hotela zapustiti cerkve. Zunanaj jo je čakal star svet - novo obdobje, kjer bo morala pričeti novo življenje. Zavedala se je tudi, da ne more oditi, dokler ne stori še ene naloge. Pokleknila je v zadnjo klop in začela moliti: Oče naš, ki si v nebesih -

Ljudje so odhajali iz spovednice, stare ženske v črnih rutah, dve mladi deklici s pokritimi lasmi, ki so se jim živahno lovili pod pokrivali, katere bodo, je vedela, potlačile v žepe predno bodo stopile čez prag, en sam možki. Nihče ni ostal v spovednici več kot pet minut.

«Moj Bog in moj Gospod,» je molila med drugimi misli.

Končno je odšel zadnji vernik, cerkev je postala grobno tiha, čas je tekel. Zasišla je vrata spovednice, ki so se odprla in zaprla. Duhovnik, ki je prišel iz stranske ladje, je bil mladostne, malce upognjene postave, kot bi nosil vse križeh grehov na svojih plečih.

Uprla se je skušnjavi, da bi ga kdaj iskala med mimoidočimi in hitro zaprla oči. Ni hotela videti njegove hoje, gibe, ki bi jih nikdar več ne pozabila. Ko je spet odprla veke, ga je videla klečati pri obhajilni mizi, kot je pričakovala.

Dvignila se je iz klopi in šla hitrih korakov proti oltarju. Obstala je dve stopinji za njim, pokleknila na tla, sklonila glavo, da ne bi videl njegovega obraza, in zaprla oči, da ne bi videla njegovega.

«Gospod,» je rekla. «Odpustite mi Teharje.»

Duhovnik se je zdrzil kot iz sanj in se ozrl na njo.

«Odpuščam vam,» je rekel čez par trenutkov in se obrnil nazaj k oltarju. Vedela je, da jo je razumel. Dokler ni videla njegovega obraza, ne bo nikdar podvomil v njeno iskrenost. In bolj kot vse drugo je sedaj želela, da on veruje v njeno doslednost, v njeno poštenost, v njo samo kot človeka.

Brez drugih besed se je dvignila s kolen, se obrnila in odšla proti izhodu.

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Kulturni mozaik v Torontu...

TORONTO, Ont. - Dne 16. februarja je Slovensko gledališče v Torontu priredilo lepo kulturno prireditev. Tokrat se je organizator predstavil z osvežujočim kulturnim dogodkom in sicer s kulturnim mozaikom. Definicija »mozaik« je skupek različnih kamnov v različnih barvah, ki v nekem sistemu zbrani predstavijo neko sliko v celoti ali ornament. Mozaik je vrst upodabljaljoče umetnosti. V prenesenem pomenu, kot sedaj v našem slučaju, mozaik pomeni izbor kulturnega večera, izbor torej besedne, glasbene ter plesne umetnosti. Tokrat kulturni večer ni bil le kulturno naključje, prireditelji so večer presenetljivo dobro pripravili.

Sporod se je pričel s spremnimi besedami, ki so imele en sam namen: posredovati kulturno sporočilo večera. To zlahtnost kulture sta Vilko Čekuta in Lojze Žižek dosegla z zelo izbrano besedno pomenljivostjo. Včasih je uvod v spored nepotreben, tokrat pa je njegov nagovor poslušalce povedel k duhovni ubranosti tako, da sta ustvarila razpoloženje za sprejemanje sporočila večera samega.

Sporod je pričela mlada, obetajoča Stefanie Kranjec, ki je zelo občuteno zapela dve pesmi iz slovenskega filma Kekec in sicer Pikapolonico in pesem Kekca. Stefanie dokazuje, da ji oder in publika nista tuja. Ga. E. Fotivec je recitirala dve pesmi, dela Ljubke Šorlija in Simona Gregorčiča. Njeno izvajanje je bilo doživeto, obenem je pokazala, da ji slovenska poezija »leži«.

Nova članica igralske skupine, gdč. Darinka Cerar, je tokrat prvič nastopila pred občinstvom in recitirala dve pesmi: Mile Kačiča Pred portretom in Prešernovega Povodnega moža. S svojim nastopom je dokazala tako besedno kot miselno lepoto pesmi. Lojze Žižek je prebral odstavek iz Lojzeta Kozarja st. Porabski steber, ki je bil več kot primeren za današnjo slovensko problematiko potem, ko se rešuje slovensko Porabje.

Folklorna skupina Nagelj je nastopila dvakrat z dvema plesoma. Nagelj zasluži vse priznanje za njeno navzočnost pri številnih kulturnih nastopih in hkrati za svoje ohranjanje slovenske kulturne tradicije, to posebno med slovensko mladino.

Lojze Žižek in Anica Bajt-Kranjec sta mojstrsko prikazala dramski prikaz iz Rebulove drame Pilatova žena. Močnemu tekstu sta imenovana resnično zanesljivo posredovala

tisto, kar je avtor želel povedati. Na eni strani nasilje, hinavstvo in brezbriznost do resnice in pravice, na drugi pa smisel za pravico, usmiljenje ter zakonitost. Ta točka je bila res izvirna in docela sporočilna. Pri obeh nastopajočih je bilo opaziti, da suvereno obvladata slovensko občutljivost.

Na tem večeru je nastopila tudi solistka, operna pevka ga. Neži Čekuta-Elliot, ki je zapela zahtevno Gounodovo Ave Maria in pesem Fantine iz opere Les Misérables. Glasovna ubranost, tonska barvitost in njena interpretacija so dokaz njene umetniške višine, zato podpisani ni pristojen, da bi se lotil pisati kritiko njenega izvajanja. Njena gesta, da je našla toliko časa in se predala tudi slovenskemu gledališču, zasluži vse priznanje.

Ga. Anica Resnik je prebrala odlomek iz Finžgarjeve Njive, Alex Koželj in Stefanie Kranjec pa sta posredovala duhovito zgodbo Iva Trošta »S kruhom ali brez kruha«. Zanesljivo so nato igralci gledališke skupine (Anica Bajt-Kranjec, Zinka Krašna, Alex Koželj, Lojze Žižek in Vili Čekuta) predstavili v oderski prireditvi Josipa Jurčiča »Kozlovska sodba v Višnji gori«. Bralno je bila dobro izvedena, pomanjkljiva je bila le oglasitev. Šibkih glasov pač ni bilo najbolje slišati. Gdč. Darinka Cerar je ob koncu sporeda recitirala Pavleta Berdena »Moja Hirošima«. Skoraj dveurni program je sklenila Stefanie Kranjec s pesmijo iz filma Kekec.

Prijetnost večera je poživljal pianist Janko Kastelic, ki je na klavirju spremljal soliste in tudi program povezoval. Mladi Janko kaže veliko glasbeno nadarjenost tako kot izvajalec kot skladatelj. Omislil je izvirno povezovanje, opirajoč se na slovenske narodne motive. Skratka, večer je bil prijeten kulturni dogodek.

Moremo pa seveda ob tej priliki tudi trditi, da bi tako resna prireditev zaslužila več pozornosti v naši celotni skupnosti. Zavedati se moramo namreč, da ako želimo ohraniti in prenesti slovensko kulturno tradicijo na mlajše rodove, moramo se zavedati klasičnega pravila kulturne zakonitosti. Kultura se ne podeduje iz roda v rod, treba si jo je prisvajati s sodelovanjem in študijem, ki včasih zahteva tudi napore.

Slovenskemu gledališču in še posebej Vilku Čekuti toplja zahvala, da nam čestokrat posreduje tako visoko umetniško kulturno doživljanje.

Dran

Kakšna naj bo slovenska zastava?

(nadaljevanje s str. 9)

vojna, so le Hrvati dobili svojo avtonomijo. Slovenci smo ostali praznih rok.

Druga svetovna vojna

Ko se je leta 1941 razširila vojna tudi na Jugoslavijo, ki je v dobrem tednu razpadla navkljub »legendarno hrabri jugoslovanski vojski«, so prišli težki časi nad Slovenijo. Slovenijo so si razdelili Nemci, Madžari in Italijani. Italijani so bili bolj pametni in so pustili vse šolstvo, kulturno delovanje, celo slovenska zastava je bila spet tolerirana. Italijanska zasedbena cona, znana pod nazivom Ljubljanska pokrajina, je postala pribežališče za preganjane Slovence.

Kmalu po začetku vojnega stanja med Nemčijo in Sovjetsko zvezo je pa prišel ukaz Kominterne, da se morajo začeti partizanski boji na okupiranih ozemljih. Tako tudi na Slovenskem, čeprav sta jugoslovanska begunska vlada iz Londona in njen vojni minister Mihajlović naročala, naj mirujejo dokler ne pride ugoden čas, da ne bo preveč okupacijskih represalij. A komunistična stranka ni ubogala legalne vlade, temveč kom. internacionalo.

V letu 1942 je slovensko zastavo omadeževala krvava sovjetska zvezda, ki jo je leta 1945 nova oblast prepisala. Le tam, kjer so živeli demokratični Slovenci, je stara trobojnica ostala simbol svobodnega slovenstva. Zaradi te rdeče zvezde je prišlo do državljanske vojne, za enega padlega Nemca je bilo ubitih 10 Slovencev. In še to si upam trditi, da zaradi slovenskih partizanskih bojev vojna ni bila niti en sam dan krajša, pač pa je Zedinjena Slovenija izgubila zaradi komunistične pripadnosti osvoboditeljev krajev in mesta, ki bi jih dobila, če bi bila zahodno usmerjena, tako kakor večina Slovencev.

Zato ne bo ostala slovenskemu parlamentu — prej ali slej — druga možnost, kakor da iz slovenske zastave odstrani simbol sovjetske sužnosti, rdečo zvezdo. Če oblast sama tega ne upa storiti, naj z referendumom povpraša narod in bo dobila odgovor, kakor ga je ob decembrskem plebiscitu. Res pa je, da odstranitev ni najbolj važna zadeva v sedanjem slovenskem trenutku.

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Poslanstvo Katoliškega doma v Gorici

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naše potrebe. Zato so pri goriškem društvu začeli razmišljati, da bi si zgradili Katoliški dom. Ideja je vžgala; ustanovil se je odbor za gradnjo Katoliškega doma v Gorici. Odbor se je obrnil na vse goriške Slovence in na rojake po svetu za zbiranje prostovoljnih prispevkov.

Na poseben način se je odbor obrnil na rojake v ZDA. V Clevelandu smo imeli prijatelja dr. Karla Bonuttija, ki je bil blizu škofu Gregoriju Rožmanu. Ta je škofa pridobil za našo akcijo med rojaki v Ameriki in to je odboru odprlo pot do src ameriških Slovencev, ki so našo akcijo izdatno podprli.

Ob takšnem odzivu doma in po svetu je odbor začel iskati primerno zemljišče. Odkril ga je v drevoredu XX. septembra. Ko smo zemljišče zaarali in bi ga morali plačati, je škof Rožman posredoval za izdatno posojilo tako, da smo mogli skleniti kupnoprodatno pogodbo in plačati zemljišče. Posojilo je odbor kasneje deloma vrnil, deloma so dobrotniki posojilo darovali.

Po smernicah

Antona Martina Slomška

Ko je odbor, ki mu je predsedoval dr. Anton Kacin, imel zemljišče, je začel misliti na načrte in na gradnjo. Tako je prišlo do dvorane Katoliškega doma, ki jo je blagoslovil nadškof Hiacint Ambrosi februarja 1962. Na dan odprtja so na odru blestele Slomškove besede: »Sveta vera bodi vam luč,

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To je poslanstvo Katoliškega doma v Gorici. To poslanstvo mu je bilo načrtano in temu poslanstvu naj ostane zvest tudi v novih spremenjenih razmerah.

Mnenja sem, da je Dom to poslanstvo do sedaj tudi vršil. V njem imata sedež dva pevska zbora, »Mirko Filej« in »Lojze Bratuž«. Tam je sedež naših skavtov že od vsega začetka. Tam je sedež ZSKP. Poleg dvorane je bila zgrajena tudi telovadnica, ki jo sedaj upravlja Olympia, kajti nove generacije so zelo športno zavzete. Naj zato tudi šport pomaga gojiti zdrave morlane vrednote.

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bolnikov. Veliko jih je med našimi sodelavci in dobrotniki: Jože Melaher, Milan Goršek, Mary Štrancar v Clevelandu; Louis (Slavo) Oven v Montereyju, Kalif.; Štefan Novak v Scarboroughju, Ont.; Frank Menčak, Jože Dragan in Jože Muršec v Milwaukeeju, Wis. V večnost je odšla Frances Jezernik iz Racine, Wis. Njej namenjena božična voščila nam je pošta vrnila. Molimo za vse, da jim Bog križ olajša in daje potrpljenje v prenašanju bolezni in stanovitnost v dobrem do konca. Tudi osamljenih v Domu za ostarele ne smemo pozabiti. V Clevelandu Angelo Železnik, v Ottawi Mary Kebe, ki je tja odšla iz Doma Lipa v Torontu.

Iz Bandunga v Indoneziji piše 25. marca uršulinka M. Deodata Hočevnar, da odleti s KLM 11. aprila v Beograd na zlatomašni jubilej mojega sošolca in njenega brata dr. Antona Hočevnarja. Praznoval bo svojo zlato mašo v Beogradu med farani 21. aprila. V Mokronogu pa bo ponovil zlato

mašo 28. aprila na Žalostni gori. Poslala je tudi nekaj lepih novih znamk.

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Iz Beograda izvemo, da prideta na oddih domov z Madagaskarja s. Marija Pavličič in s. Marjeta Mrhar.

G. Gajšek je omenil, da je svetni duhovnik Franc Mihelčič, ki deluje sedaj na Madagaskarju, študiral dve leti misijologijo v Rimu in da je želel v praktično misijonsko delo, predno konča svoje študije v istem področju. Laikinja iz Maribora, za katero je MZA pred več leti dovolila, da študira na stroške škofa dr. Rožmana šolnine za študij misijologije v Rimu, ko ji je rok za delo pri vatikanski radio postaji potekel, je študije končala menda z doktoratom iz misijologije.

Lepe znamke je spet poslala naša sodelavka s. Ivana Cvijin iz Subotice.

Škof dr. Janez Jenko piše, da bodo v Gorici zidali dom za ostarele duhovnike za škofijo Koper. Priporoča se za pomoč.

MZA Cleveland je imela redni sestanek in napravila več odločitev kot pripravo na letni misijonski piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Predsednica Marica Lavrisheva je poslala lepo število sv. maš za naše misijonarje. Na sestanek je prišel lazarist Drago Ocvirk iz Ljubljane, ki trenutno študira v Clevelandu in živi v župnišču Marije Vnebovzete pri župniku Kumšetu.

Veseli nas, da je urednik *Misijonskih Obzorij* prišel prvič v stik z delom MZA na tem kontinentu, potem ko je v poročilu naših zastopnic na Misijonskem simpoziju v Tinjah in ob dvojnem srečanju z nami v Scarboroughju o MZA že marsikaj slišal. Tako bo mogel o MZA v bodoče v M.O. kdaj kaj lepega napisati, da bodo v Sloveniji vsaj čitatelji vedeli, da obstoja in za naše misijonarje gara. Sicer imajo v uredništvu v Ljubljani več naših zelo izčrpnih člankov o MZA v rokah. Samo objaviti jih je treba in dati bralcem možnost, da se z vsebino seznanijo in okoristijo.

Dr. Valentine in Patricia Meršol

Iz Chagrin Falls, O., piše-ta 21. marca: »Priložen ček za

\$320 je za letošnje podporo našemu semeniščniku. To nameravam dati deloma v spomin rajnega očeta, ki je pred 10 leti umrl. Težko je verjeti, da je toliko časa že minulo. Z največjim veseljem berem Vaše članke v 'Domovini'. Posebno me je zanimalo pisanje o zavodu, kamor smo hodili do konca vojne k sv. maši. Nekako 'megleno' se spominjam, ko je bil oče aretiran od Nemcev. Takrat sem bil še otrok. Veselo Veliko noč Vam želim in mnogo božjega blagoslova za Vaše požrtvovalno delo.

Tine Meršol.«

Iz Joliet, Ill., pošilja ga. A.C. \$50 za delokrog brata Jožeta Kramarja v Novi Gvineji. Iz Ottawe, Ont., pošilja ga. Mary Kebe po svoji hčerki Anne Elphick vzdrževalnino za svojega domačega bogoslovca kan. \$300. Iz Woodbridge, Ont., daruje spet za svojega bogoslovca vzdrževalnino ga. Angela Blas v svojem imenu in v imenu svojega moža kan. \$350.

Iz Bronxa, N.Y., pošilja ga. Julia Tomšič nanovo enoletno vzdrževalnino za bogoslovca \$300. Vdova Rose Vičič, ki piše, da je bila v marcu 95 let stara, pošilja \$300 za vzdrževanje svojega domačega bogoslovca. Preko Ovnovih pošilja gdč. Angela Gospodarič iz San Francisca lepe znamke in \$200, ki naj se razdelijo polovico za Ljubljano in polovico za naše misijonarje.

Prav tako se oglašja iz San Francisca ga. Antonija Gregorin, ki daruje v spomin rajnega moža Lojzeta \$200 za naše misijonarje in \$50 za sv. maše. Mož ji je umrl letos v januarju. Naj počiva v miru! Omenja, da je dobila naslov od g. Ovna, ki te dneve potrebuje naše posebne molitve.

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NOVI GROBOVI

(nadaljevanje s str. 7)

Thomas Milakovic

Dne 8. aprila je umrl 74 let stari Thomas Milakovic, vdovec po Josephine, roj. Yankovic, oče Marilyn A. Hughes in Dolores, 4-krat stari oče, brat Mary Marinkovic, Helen Raplenovic, Marthe Wegar in Ann Kleinhans (pok.), lastnik Golden Coins Lounge na Cleveland Hts. 12 let, 20 let je pa bil zaposlen kot strojnik pri Clark Controls, član ADZ št. 5. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. danes, v cerkev Marije Vnebovzete dop. ob 10. in nato na Kalvarijo.

Anton Zobec

Dne 7. aprila je umrl 83 let stari Anton Zobec, rojen v Cerknici, Slovenija, vdovec po Mae, brat Frances Tekavcic, Johna, Florence Laznik in še pok. Franka, do svoje upokojitve zaposlen kot električar pri Cleveland Twist Drill. Pogreb je bil 9. aprila v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda in s sv. mašo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete in pokopom na Kalvariji.

Vsakoletna slovenska šmarnična pobožnost v Kaliforniji

Dragi Slovenci in Slovenke!

Letos bo že 40 let, odkar smo začeli praznovati našo vsakoletno slovensko šmarnično pobožnost leta 1951 v Coroni, Kalifornija. Slovesnost letos se bo pričela s sv. mašo ob 1.30 popoldne na nedeljo, 5. maja 1991, v cerkvi sv. Jožefa v Fontani. Po maši bo, kot vedno, srečanje nas vseh s kosilom v farni dvorani.

Letos sta še prav posebno vabljeni na to našo vsakoletno pobožnost. Vsi od daleč s skrbjo opazujemo zgodovinske dogodke, ki se odigravajo z dneva v dan v Sloveniji in Jugoslaviji. Skupaj bomo molili, da bi Bog, na priprošnjo Marije z Brezj, varoval našo Slovenijo vsega hudega, posebno še nevarnosti državljanske vojne.

Prisrčen pozdrav vsem in še enkrat iskreno povabilo vsem našim rojakom in prijateljem v južni Kaliforniji na naše vsakoletno srečanje. Povabite še tiste, ki jih mi nismo mogli doseči. Vsi ste dobrodošli 5. maja v Fontani!

Slovenski duhovniki v južni Kaliforniji

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Lipova vejčica — Slovenci v Porabju

CLEVELAND, O. - Tako je napisal č.g. Lojze Kozar ml. Ta vejčica je zelo lepo ozelenela. Za Božič so imeli slovensko polnočnico na Gornjem Seniku. Tako so mogli domači slovenski verniki iz Martinja, Boreče in Trtkove priti tja k maši. Tudi za Veliko noč je bilo lepo slovensko bogoslužje. Rev. Kozar zelo požrtvovalno sodeluje s porabskimi rojaki. Upamo, da bo novi slovenski vladi uspelo, da bo mejni prehod Martinje-Gornje Senik za stalno odprt, sicer morda se je to že uresničilo. Točnih podatkov nimamo.

Kolikokrat sem kot majhna deklica slišala babico pripovedovati o rojaki na Madžarskem, toda meja je bila zaprta in nisem nikoli bila tam, čeravno je le kakšno uro in pol hoda od mojega doma. Nisem mogla tako globoko razumeti želja rojakov na madžarski strani meje po materinem jeziku. Danes jih pa prav dobro razumem, ker tudi mene, ki živim v tujini, slovenska beseda dvigne in najgloblje seže v srce v cerkvi pri slovenski maši, še posebno ob lepem petju.

Na Gornjem Seniku imajo lepo cerkev. Župnišča pa nimajo in zato ga sedaj zidajo. Obrnili so se za denarno pomoč na nas rojake po svetu, posebno na Prekmurce.

Prav lepa hvala sem, ki ste že darovali v ta namen. Do tega poročila smo zbrali \$1,465. Nekaj tega smo že odposlali, ostalo pa pošljemo v kratkem. Nabirko nadaljujemo, zato bomo veseli vsakega še tako skromnega daru. Prispevkov v ta namen lahko pošljete na naslov ene spodaj navedenih:

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