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Zvezna vlada priznava težave Social Security

Inflacija in rastoča brezposelnost utegneta povzročiti že v letošnjem letu primanjkljaj v uporabo rezerv.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Upravitelj Social Security so priznali, da je treba že letos računati s primanjkljajem v Social Security, to se pravi, da bodo izdatki presegli dohodke. Vzrok takemu položaju sta inflacija in brezposelnost. Prva povečuje izdatke Social Security, druga pa zmanjšuje predvidene dohodke. Upravitelj Social Security pri tem izjavljajo, da bodo sedanjih rezerv, ki znašajo blizu 46 milijard dolarjev, zadostovale za kritje primanjkljaja do konca tega desetletja, četudi ne bi Kongres nič ukrenil za povečanje dohodkov Social Security sistema ali pa za zmanjšanje njegovih izdatkov.

Poročilo, ki je bilo poslano kongresnim odborom, pričakujejo, da bo imel Social Security sistem v letu 1975 2.5 milijard dolarjev v rezervi, da pa bo ob koncu leta v rezervi še vedno 43.4 milijard dolarjev ali 66% celotnih izdatkov za eno leto. Po računih upraviteljev bo rezerva stalno padala in bo koncem leta 1980 dosegla nekako 800 milijard, kar bo le 9% celotnih izdatkov za eno leto.

Sedanji zakon predvideva povečanje prispevkov za Social Security od sedanjih 5.85% na 6.05% v letu 1978 in na 6.30% v letu 1981. Za sedaj se plačujejo prispevki za Social Security od zaslužka do \$14,100 letno, pa bo vsota avtomatično rasla s povečanjem pokojnin v sorazmerju z inflacijo. S 1. julijem letos bodo pokojnine povišane za 8.7%, če ne bo Kongres odobrila predsednikovega predloga, ki hoče povišanje omejiti na 5%. Po računih strokovnjakov bo treba dohodke Social Security povečati za 6% letno, če naj ta krije sedanje izdatke.

Sovjetsko nadzvočno polniško letalo bo že letos v prometu

MOSKVA, ZSSR. — Sovjetska zveza je uspešno zaključila poskusne plete nadzvočnega polniškega letala TU-114 in bo to letalo še letos vključila v redno letalsko promet med Moskvo in Taškentom v Osrednji Aziji. Kasneje bo to letalo letelo tudi na progah Moskva-Novosibirsk in Moskva-Frunze ter verjetno tudi med Moskvo in Vladivostokom.

V letalu je prostora za 150 potnikov in bo letelo z dvojno brzino zvoka nekako 1,450 milj na uro. Letalo je prvič vzletelo na Silvestrov večer 1968, pa vzbudilo v svojo vrednost precej dvomov, potem, ko je na pariški letalski razstavi 1973 treščilo nepričakovano na zemljo.

Francosko-britansko nadzvočno letalo Concorde, ki ima slične sposobnosti in lastnosti kot sovjetsko TU-144, še vedno prekušajo in izpopolnjujejo. Vreden promet ne bo vključeno pred prihodnjim letom.

Vremenski prerok

Večinoma oblačno in hladno z naletavanjem snega. Verjetnost padavin danes čez dan 50%. zvečer in jutri 40%. Najvišja temperatura danes okoli 37 F (3 C).

Novi grobovi

John Pecon
Danes jutraj je v Euclid General bolnišnici umrl znani John Pecon, ki je s svojim orkestrom dolga leta razveseljeval in zabaval občinstvo na raznih prireditvah in svečanostih. Pogreb bo iz Grdinovega pogrebnega zavoda na Lake Shore Blvd. po vsem sodeč v ponedeljek. Podrobnosti bodo objavljene prihodnjič.

Anna Hochevar

Umrila je 75 let stara Anna Hochevar s 13826 Lake Shore Blvd. v Bratenahlu, Ohio, roj. Hribar v Sv. Jakobu ob Savi, od koder je prišla v ZDA l. 1920, vdova po l. 1970 umrlem možu Antonu, mati Alice Weidenkopf, stara mati Chris Weidenkopf, sestra Milana (Jug.), pok. Francka, pok. Johna in pok. Josepha Hribarja. Privatni pogreb bo danes, 28. februarja, iz Zeletovega pogrebnega zavoda na E. 152 St. na Lakeview pokopališču. Družina priporoča pokojno prijateljem v molitev za večni mir.

John Mauer

Nenadoma je preminul v sredo popoldne v Pensacola, Fla., potem, ko ga je zadela srčna kap. John Mauer, v starosti 78 let, rojen v Clevelandu. Zapuščica so-progo Mary (roj. Vrček). Družina Mauer je bivala v Newburghu in Clevelandu do leta 1960, ko je šel John v pokoj. Truplo je dospelo v četrti večer v Cleveland. Poleg žalujoče so-proge Mary, zapuščica hčere Beradit in Margaret Mead, 4 vnuki in sestra Mary Martinšek in Anno Kuhel. Pogreb je v oskrbi Ferfolia pogrebnega zavoda na Maple Heights. Čas in dan še nista določena.

Okoli 6,200 milj železniških prog bo opučenih

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Zvezni načrt za preureditev železniškega prometa na severovzhodu dežele predvideva opustitev okoli 6,200 milj železniških prog, na katerih je premalo prometa, da bi njegovi dohodki krili izdatke. Preostalih 15,000 milj prog bo prevzel nov sistem s prihodnjim letom in poskrbel za njihovo obnovo in vzdrževanje.

Ko je postala bodočnost Kambožje močno negotova in izginja upanje, da bi mogla vlada Lon Nola prevladati ali se vsaj ohraniti, dokler ne bi bilo mogoče na kak način najti konca sedanje državljanske vojne, poziva predsednik ZDA Gerald R. Ford Kongres, naj vendar odobri dodatno pomoč, s katero bo nato vlada ZDA sposobna oskrbeti vlado Lon Nola s strelivom in z drugimi potrebščinami.

Predsednik ZDA se sklicuje na pretekle obljube in na pariško pogodbo iz januarja 1973, ko utemeljuje potrebo po dodatni pomoči. Dodatno pomoč zagovarjata državni tajnik Henry Kissinger in obrambni tajnik James Schlesinger, četudi dvomita, da bo z njo mogoče vlado Lon Nola rešiti.

Vojna v Kambožji ima vsaj na zunaj značaj državljanske vojne, kajti naproti si stojijo sile ustavne vlade Lon Nola

Zahodna Nemčija noče prekiniti nasečnosti na "zahtevo matere"

BONN, ZRN. — Vrhovno sodišče v Karlsruhe je v razmerju 6:2 označilo zakon, ki dovoljuje prestop prekinitve nasečnosti do 3 mesecev na zahtevo matere, za neustaven, ker nasprotuje ustavnemu jamstvu pravice življenja vsakomur.

Zakon je bil izglasovan lani v juniju, pa ni bil praktično izvajen zaradi spornosti njegove ustavnosti. Ustava Zvezne republike namreč jamči vsakomur pravico do življenja.

Ko je predsednik sodišča Ernst Benda bral odločitev v močno zavarovani sodni dvorani, je kakih 1000 zagovornikov proste prekinitve nasečnosti demonstriral po mestu.

Četudi je vrhovno sodišče odreklo ustavnost zakonu o prosti prekinitvi nasečnosti do treh mesecev na zahtevo matere, je vendar priznalo pravico do prekinitve nasečnosti v slučajih posilstva, nevarnosti za zdravje matere in verjetnosti, da bo otrok rojen pohabljen.

Za obnovo vojaške pomoči ZDA Turčiji

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Demokratsko in republikansko vodstvo je v Senatu stavilo predlog, ki naj bi omogočil predsedniku Fordu obnoviti vojaško pomoč ZDA Turčiji, ustavljeno 5. februarja v zvezi s turško zasedbo dela otoka Cipra.

Ustavitve pomoči je povzročila v Turčiji ostro kritiko in sprožila zahteve po umiku ameriških vojaških naprav in oporišč v Turčiji. Sprememba sklepa Kongresa naj bi omogočila zgladiitev sedanjega spora, ki ni škodljiv le ZDA, ampak celotnemu NATO.

Cene olja ostanejo do junija nespremenjene

DUNAJ, Avstr. — Zveza izvoznice olja je na svojem sestanku tu odločila, da ostanejo cene olja nespremenjene do prihodnjega junija ne glede na to, kako se bo gibal tečaj dolarja.

V tem času bodo zastopniki članic Zveze proučevali položaj in izdelali predloge, če bi dolar, na katerega veljavi slone sedaj cene olja, znova padel.

Inflacija popušča

Cene vsakdanjih potrošnih predmetov so v januarju porastle povprečno za 0.6% ali na 7.2% letno raven.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Delavsko tajništvo je objavilo, da so povprečne cene blaga in izdelkov, ki jih potrebujemo v vsakdanjem življenju, porastle za 0.6% v januarju ali na letni ravni 7.2%. To je bil drugi zaporedni teden, da je inflacija začela vidno popuščati. Porast je najmanjši od lanskega aprila, ko je bil 0.5%.

Glavni vzrok popuščanju cen vidijo strokovnjaki v gospodarskem zastoju, ki je zmanjšal kupno moč potrošnikov in s tem povpraševanje po blagu.

Pretekli mesec so cene vsakdanjih potrebščin dosegle 156.1% cen, 100 v letu 1967, in so bile 11.7% višje kot pred enim letom.

Družba prekinila razgovore v zasedeni tovarni

SHIPROCK, N.M. — The Fairchild Company je izjavila, da se ne bo pogajala z oboroženimi pripadniki Ameriškega indijanskega gibanja, ki so zasedli elektronsko tovarno na rezervaciji plemena Navajo pretekli ponedeljek.

Oboroženi Indijanci v tovarni zahtevajo vrnitev na delo 140 odpuščenih delavcev in preiskavo o poslovanju zvezne zdravstvene oskrbe na njihovem področju.

Zastopnik Fairchild družbe je izjavil, da bo ta premišljala o novih možnostih svojega obrata, če do nedelje zasedba tovarne ne bo končana.

V Grčiji prijeli 37 vojaških zarotnikov

ATENE, Gr. — V zadnjih dneh je bilo prijeto skupno 37 vojaških častnikov, med njimi 6 generalov v zvezi s poskusom vojaškega prevrata sedanje ustavne vlade Konstantina Karamanlisa.

Med prijetiimi je večje število znanih pristašev gen. D. Ioannidesa, vodnika vojaške junte, ki je morala lani julija z oblasti po turškem izkrcanju na Cipru.

M. MIHAJLOV SODIŠČU: CE BI USTAVA VELJALA, NE BI BIL JAZ ZDAJ TU!

Tako je izjavil Mihajlo Mihajlov pred sodiščem v Novem Sadu, kjer je obtožen "sovražnega delovanja" proti Jugoslaviji. — Tito napadel Zahod in napovedal nove čistke.

NOVI SAD, SFRJ. — Mihajlo Mihajlov je poleg Milovana Djilas najboljši znan kritik komunističnega režima v Jugoslaviji. Med tem ko je bil Milovan Djilas dolgo let med samimi vrhovi jugoslovanskega komunizma in bil iz njega izključen, ko je javno nastopil proti razkošnemu življenju "novega razreda" in njegovim razvadam, je bil Mihajlo Mihajlov predavatelj na filozofski fakulteti univerze v Zadru, ko se je z objavo svojih zapiskov o "Moskovskem poletju" zameril režimu in bil nato obsojen na tri leta in pol zapora zaradi "sovražnega delovanja" in "zvez s tujino".

Istih grehov je bil obtožen lani, ko so ga novembra prijeli in zaprli. Pred sodišče je prišel šele pretekli torek. Državni tožilec mu je očital "sovražno propagando" proti Jugoslaviji in zveze s komunističnemu režimu v Jugoslaviji sovražno emigracijo ter celo s CIA — Osrednjo obveščevalno službo ZDA.

"V soglasju z našo ustavo ima Jugoslovanci pravico izraziti svoje lastno mnenje. Toda jaz ne bi bil tu, če bi bilo to tako," je dejal Mihajlov sodišču, pred katerim je tožen.

Predsednik tričlanskega sodišča Dragomir Cvetković je obtoženca pozval, naj bo "umirjen v svojih izjavah", ker utegnejo biti te uporabljene proti njemu. Mihajlov je kljub temu pripomnil, da, kadar govori Tito ali Stane Dolanc, glavni tajnik Zveze komunistov, tega "nihče ne imenuje propagando".

Javni tožilec je Mihajlova posebno prijel zaradi njegovih trditev, da je Jugoslavija enostrankarska diktatura, da obstoja nevarnost povratka stalinizma, da je novi voljni sistem sličen Mussolinijevi korporativni državi in da v Jugoslaviji ni svobode govora in izražanja.

Tito označil glasove o sovjetski nevarnosti za propagando Zahoda

BEOGRAD, SFRJ. — Na enodnevni seji Centralnega komiteja Zveze komunistov Jugoslavije je predsednik Tito pretekli torek izjavil, da so glasovi o tem, da bi mogla Sovjetska zveza nekega dne napasti Jugoslavijo, "samo propaganda reakcionarnih krogov na Zahodu, ki nas hočejo ostrašiti".

Tito je pravil, da je taka kampanja že nekaj časa v teku, da pa je postala v zadnjem času posebno močna. "Reakcionarni krogi na Zahodu in razni sovražniki socializma bi nas radi s tem prestrašili. Mi smo prepričani, da Sovjetska zveza nima niti najmanjšega namena nas napasti in da bi se mi morali tega bati. Še manj se bojimo tistih na Zahodu, ki imajo stvarno zlo namere in bi radi zlomili ali kako razdelili Jugoslavijo," je dejal Tito v govoru, ki ga je prenašala televizija po vsej Jugoslaviji.

Tito je povedal, da je z delom Zveze komunistov doma zadovoljen, pa jo opozoril, da preveč govori in premalo dela. Ni zadovoljen s premalo odločnim nastopom proti "negativnim pojavom", ki jih je treba po njegovem naglo in odločno odstraniti. Napovedal je v tej zvezi nove čistke v partiji, v kateri je še vedno precej takih, "ki tja ne spadajo", pa četudi so jih v zadnjih 4 letih pognali iz nje "na deset tisoče".

Precej na široko je skušal Tito zavrniti tuje kritike njegove politike preganjanja tistih, ki se ne strinjajo z uradno politiko komunističnega režima in to svoje stališče javno povedo. Trdil je, da se kritike o notranji politiki Jugoslavije pojavijo v tujini vselej tedaj, "kadar je razvoj v polnem razmahu k edinstvi in naraščajoči notranji trdnosti".

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Zadnje vesti

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Predstavniški dom je včeraj s 317:97 izglasoval zakonski predlog o znižanju davkov za 21.3 milijarde in za ukinitve posebnih davčnih ugodnosti oljnih družb. Predlog je bil poslan v obravnavo v Senat, kjer utegne imeti zaradi ukinitve davčnih ugodnosti oljnih družb težave.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Demokrati so izdelali svoj predlog za reševanje energetske krize in bodo skušali s predsednikom Fordom, ki je svoj zadevni načrt stavil že pred enim mesecem, doseči kompromis.

BERLIN, Nem. — Neka skupina teroristov je včeraj ugrabila Petra Lorenza, županskega kandidata krščanskih demokratov pri nedeljskih volitvah. Ugrabitelji doslej še niso objavili svojih zahtev.

CORDOBA, Arg. — Levičarski gverilci so ugrabili v sredo tu ameriškega častnega konzula Johna P. Egana in zahtevali štiri svoje tovariše, ki so izgi-

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Misijsko kosilo — Misijska znamskarska akcija pripravi to nedeljo okusno kosilo v šolskem avditoriju pri Sv. Vidu. Kosilo bodo servirali od pol dvanajstih dopoldne do dveh popoldne. Čisti dobiček te prireditve gre v korist slovenskih misijonarjev in misijonark.

Sestanek — Dramatsko društvo Lilijs ima v ponedeljek ob osmih zvečer sestanek v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue.

Balinarska tekma — Balinarski klub v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Waterloo Road ima jutri, v soboto, in v nedeljo ob dveh popoldne balinarske tekme.

Mesečna seja — Združenje st. clairskih trgovcev ima svojo redno mesečno sejo v torek, 4. marca ob pol osmih zvečer v Hofbrau House.

Šesta obletnica — V nedeljo ob 9.15 bo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete sv. maša za Vietnamcu padlega majorja Johna A. Petrica ob šesti obletnici njegove smrti.

Devetnajsta obletnica — V nedeljo ob pol enajstih dopoldne bo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete sv. maša za pokojnega Josepha Sustersicha Sr., 395 E. 161 St., ob devetnajsti obletnici njegove smrti.

Triindvajseta obletnica — V nedeljo popoldne bo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete sv. maša za pokojnega urednika Ameriške Domovine Jamesa Debeveca ob 23. obletnici njegove smrti.

V bolnišnici — Znan rojak Michael Telich, 64 E. 211 St., je moral v Euclid General bolnišnico. Obiski niso dovoljeni.

Nastavljena bomba ubila moža v Beachwoodu — Včeraj dopoldne nekaj po devetih je eksplodirala bomba, ki jo je našel 41 let stari Richard H. Moos v svojem avtomobilu v svoji garaži na 24728 Letchworth Rd. v Beachwoodu in ga na mestu ubila. Policijska preiskava je dognala, da je bomba nastavljen strokovnjak in sedaj priskuje, kdo naj bi to bil.

Elijaha Muhameda je nasledil sin kot vodja črnih muslimanov

CHICAGO, Ill. — V torek umrlega 77 let starega Elijaha Muhameda kot voditelja črnih muslimanov je nasledil pokojnikov sin Wallace D. Muhamed.

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Kambožja brez pomoči ZDA ne more vzdržati

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Kambožja bo "brezpogojno" padla v roke rdečih upornikov, če ne bo dobila dodatne ameriške pomoči, je izjavil obrambni tajnik ZDA J. Schlesinger.

Padec Kambožje bi imel usodne posledice za Južni Vietnam, ki bi bil na kopnem od vseh strani obdan od rdečih nasprotnikov.

nili v zadnjih mesecih do noč ob 6. Če jih ne bodo dobili, so zagrozili, da bodo ugrabljenca umorili.

TOKIO, Jap. — Cesar Hirohito je sprejel povabilo v ZDA in bo v Washingtonu 2. in 3. oktobra 1975.

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Oborožen boj za oblast - neizogibna stvarnost Latinske Amerike

V nedeljo, 9. februarja, je argentinska zvezna vlada, prvič odkar je maja 1973 zasedla oblast, poklicala oborožene sile, da se pridružijo policijskim oddelkom v boju proti gverili. To je storila v trenutku, ko je bilo razbitih večina gverilskih gnezдов po argentinskih mestih in so levičarski prevratni elementi le s težavo za silo povezovali niti svojih raztrganih mrež.

A vpkolic se je dogodil na drugem pozorišču. Vojaški oddelki (in v zadnjih dneh tudi oddelki žandarmerije), so bili poslani v hribovje in gozdne predele province Tucumana, kjer je po dolgih letih v novi moči vzplamtelo "žarišče" in z njim podeželska gverila. Dejstvo, da so prevratni elementi kontrolirali velik del malo obljudenega ozemlja, in da so se počasi bližali večjim naselbinam, ni presenetilo vojaških opazovalcev, ki od vseh početkov preučujejo pota in smeri gverilske strategije. Pravilno so precenili dejstvo tega "osvobojenega ozemlja", kjer je bila krajevna policija brez moči, in proti kateremu je bila možna le širša ofenziva oboroženih sil. Ta ofenziva traja že skoraj dva tedna. Zajetih je bilo precej prevratnih elementov. Tudi je prišlo do spopadov in smrtnih žrtve so bile na obeh straneh.

Spričo tega si nevede opazovalec presenečeno stavi vprašanje, če se ni morda vrnila doba, v kateri je bila deželska gverila smatrana kot edina možnost za nasilno zasedbo oblasti, tako s praktičnih, kot iz ideološko-teoretičnih vidikov. Vrnimo se za trenutek v tisto dobo, ki se je začela v letu 1959, ko je Fidel Castro zmagovalno vkorakal v Havano. Njegov uspeh je bil kažipot in njegova strategija "žarišča" vzorec, po katerem so se ravnale vse prevratne skupine Latinske Amerike. To vse dotlej, dokler ni njegov tovariš, revolucionar "stotih Vietnamov v Latinski Ameriki" Ernest "Che" Guevara padel v Boliviji 8. oktobra 1967. Tedaj je po navdihu vodilnega brazilskega gverilca (Carlos Marighela) in njegovega znanega "Priročnika" nastopila doba mestne gverile.

Ta nova smer je prišla v modo, čeprav njenih odtenkov ni bilo zaznati s kaj močnim odsevom v številnih južnoameriških državah. A dovolj je bilo, da se je pojavila v Brazilu, v Urugvaj (Tupamaros) in v Argentini (praktično vse prevratne skupine od peronističnih Montoneros do trockističnega ERP-a), ter delno v Čilu, da je po prvih uspehih obveljala kot najboljša, če ne edina pot revolucije. Vendar, čas je tekkel, in kot deželna, tako tudi mestna gverila nikdar ni prešla druge, razvojne faze. Varnostni organi so se kmalu prilagodili novemu načinu bojevanja in uspešno vračali udarce. Prvi uspehi gverile, čeprav za tedanje dobo velikepotezni, so se izkazali bolj propagandni kot učinkoviti. Tudi ljudje so se navadili na te nenehne udarce, a nikdar ni prišlo v vsej tej dobi do tretje faze revolucije, do splošne ljudske vstaje.

Kaj naravno je tedaj, da so tako teoretiki revolucije, kot prevratni elementi na terenu obupali nad to novo smerjo. Sam Marighela je tragično končal na ulicah Sao Paula, in brazilska vlada je kmalu razbila ostanke njegove skupine. Urugvajski "Tupamaros", ki so v začetku izgledali nepremagljivi na svojem terenu, so po ostrem posegu vojske, in potem, ko jim je zmanjkalo politične podpore levičarskih kongresnikov (po razpustu parlamenta in strank), tragično izginili s površja. V Čilu se je izkazalo, da ob državnem udaru vsi elementi MIR-a niso mogli prenesti napada vojaških oddelkov, čeprav so bili temeljito pripravljeni in so imeli na razpolago dovolj orožja. V Argentini pa je vsled ostrega policijskega nastopa prišlo med gverilskimi skupinami do velike krize. Prišel je torej čas, da revolucija poišče novo, bolj učinkovito pot. In do tega je že prišlo.

Ta "nova pot" sicer ni nič originalna. Njeno bistvo je le istočasen in vzporeden razvoj revolucije na deželi in v mestu. Torej kombinacija in sinhronizacija mestne in deželne gverile, ki bi prisilila varnostne organe, da istočasno posvečajo pažnjo in skušajo zatreti sovražnika na nešteti krajih. Revolucionarna žarišča na deželi naj bi se pojavila istočasno na različnih točkah notranjosti države, medtem ko naj oddelki mestne gverile nastopajo v vseh važnejših mestih. A isto so se pred odločitvijo za to pot imeli v vidiku tudi vojaški teoretiki protigverile. Poleg tega pa tudi, iz raznih vzrokov, sinhronizacija prevratnega delovanja ni kaj popolna. In v Tucumanu je gverila prav zaradi tega ponovno doživela poraz.

Tucumanski primer, ki še ni zaključen, bo posredoval nove elemente za študijo revolucionarne dejavnosti. Zaenkrat je že potrdil teorijo internacionalizacije revolucije. O "nacionalni revoluciji" je bilo možno govoriti v brazilskem primeru. Prav tako ob peronistični gverili v Argentini, in nekoliko težje v slučaju urugvajskih "Tupamarov", v Čilu in Boliviji se je izkazalo, da so, vsaj na vodstvu, prevladovali tuji elementi, zlasti kubanski. Prav tako je bilo že nekaj časa v Argentini zaslediti močan pritok inozemskih re-

volucionarjev, celo francoskega izvora. Poročila iz Tucumana dokazujejo, kljub veliki tajnosti, v kateri se celotna ofenziva izvaja, da je tudi dokončno nastopila doba internacionalizacije prevratnega delovanja v Latinski Ameriki. In to ne le z vidika revolucionarnih šol, kjer monopol izvaja Kuba, marveč tudi glede prevratnih oddelkov na terenu. Težko bo v bodoče še govoriti o "nacionalnih revolucijah" v zvezi z gverilo.

Vsekakor je v bodoče pričakovati novih izbruhov gverile. Verjetno po novem načinu dvojne ofenzive. Katera država bo sedaj na vrsti, je težko predvidevati. Zapišimo le, da se ne Brazilija ne Argentina ne bosta rešili iz te ofenzive. Kajti spomnimo se, kaj je že avgusta 1971 v Parizu zatrl teoretik revolucije Regis Debray: "Začeli smo se bojevati tam, kjer so bile okoliščine najbolj ugodne, da dospemo na oblast (nanašal se je na Čile in Peru — op. p.). A manjkata najtrša oreha, poslaščici, Brazilija in Argentina. Za ti državi je oborožen boj neizogibna stvarnost. Ljudska vojna je, pod specifičnimi oblikami, norma in prihodnost na tem kontinentu."

S. S.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

ZLATA POROKA



Zlatoporočenca Louis in Amelia Oswald

EUCLID, O. — V soboto, 1. marca, bosta praznovala zlatoporočno obletnico dobre plačnice, znana in spoštovana zakonca Louis in Amelia Oswald, 22261 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio.

Petdesetletnico poroke bosta najprej proslavila z zahvalno pismo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete na Holmes Avenue v soboto ob šestih zvečer, v nedeljo, 2. marca, pa bo ob enih popoldne zlatoporočna gostija v Slovenskem domu na 15810 Holmes Avenue.

Oswaldova sta se poročila 21. februarja 1925 v isti cerkvi v Clevelandu. Louis je rodem iz Jurjevice pri Ribnici, od koder

je prišel v Ameriko leta 1920, gospa Amelia, rojena Skerl, pa je doma iz Begunj pri Cerknici, od koder je prišla v Ameriko leta 1923.

Zlatoporočenca imata dva otroka, hčerko Wilmo Smith v Rochesteru, N.Y., in sina Walterja na Cleveland Heights ter sedem vnukov in vnukinj. Do njune upokojitve l. 1971 sta 45 let vodila gročarijsko in mestno trgovino na Groveswood Avenue.

K 50-letnici poroke zlatoporočencema Louisu in Ameliji Oswald najkrajše čestitke ter še mnogo sreče in zadovoljstva na skupni življenjski poti!

A. D.

"Slovenski fantje" se zahvaljujejo

CLEVELAND, O. — Pevski zbor "Slovenski fantje" se lepo zahvaljuje zlatoporočencema Mr. John in Mrs. Ana Hočevar za lep dar kot nagrado za naš pevski nastop ob praznovanju njune zlate poroke na banketu v avditoriju Sv. Vida.

"Slovenski fantje" smo veseli, da smo s slovensko pesmijo navdušili zlatoporočenca in vse goste in da smo z našim petjem doprinesli k veselemu in prazničnemu razpoloženju zlatoporočne slovesnosti.

"Slovenski fantje"

SPOROČILO

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Rojake v emigraciji, ki so tako plemenito in množično podprli zamisel o spominski plošči pokojnemu ljubljanskemu škofu dr. Gregoriju Rožmanu in drugim žrtvam slovenske komunistične revolucije, obveščamo, da je uresničenje tega načrta bilo preprečeno.

Skomni spomenik bi bil za tridesetletnico naše narodne tragedije moral biti odkrit v washingtonski cerkvi The National Shrine of America, kjer je ta braviča bila dana drugim evropskim katoliškim narodom podobne usode, kakor je naša. Uprava svetišča je že novembra 1973 privolila v naš predlog, potrdila besedilo napisu in sprejela celotno plačilo za ploščo, ne

da bi bila izrekla kakršne koli pomisleke, ali postavila kake spremembe in druge pogoje.

Vklesavanje spominskega besedila se je začelo sredi februarja lani, a je bilo čez teden dni ustavljeno brez poprejšnjega obvestila plačnikom. Vzrok za to prelom veljavno sklenjenega in z denarjem potrjenega dogovora je bil protest skupnice štirih ljudi, ki so z različnimi dvomljivimi, celo neresničnimi in osebnimi argumenti hoteli to zgolj pietetno dejanje prikazati kot nekakšen političen nastop, bajne škodljiv za Cerkev, in drugo.

Mi smo v letu dni razpravljali z direktorjem Shrine in z vrsto pismenih vlog trditve nasprotnikov dokumentirano izpošljali ter zahtevali čim prejšnjo končno odločitev. Predložili smo tudi dokazila o široki zaslubi, katero je načrt dobil med katoliškimi Slovenci v Ameriki in drugod po svetu ter pri naših organizacijah. Navzlic temu direktorja ni bilo moč pripraviti do kakršnega koli jasne odgovora. Tudi niso pri njem nič zalegle intervencije z duhovske strani. Ni bil niti voljan storiti kaj za izvedbo našega kompromisnega predloga, da bi bil napis v čast pokojnemu škofu nameščen v slovenski kapeli, plošča za ostale pa na steni spominske dvorane v kripti svetišča.

Ker je njegovo ravnanje kazalo, da hoče zadevo vleči v ne-

dogled, smo v začetku lanskega decembra v še enem pismu svoje argumente znova povzeli, zahtevali od direktorja, naj vztraja pri svoji prvotni, prostovoljno sprejeti odločitvi, ali pa vrne plačilo za spomenik. Po dveh mesecih molka smo morali zahtevo ponoviti.

Denar nam je bil poslan 20. februarja, ne da bi bila uprava cerkve z besedo omenila kak razlog za ta svoj sklep. S tem je stvar za nas in za toliko rojakov, ki so si želeli njenega uresničenja, končana. Od svobodne ameriške Cerkve smo dobili udarec, ki ga kot preživeli verniki naše lastne, preganjane, nismo pričakovali in še manj zaslužili.

Odgovornost vseh, ki so kakor koli pripomogli k onemogočenju te počastitve slovenskih mučencev za vero in svobodo, bo zapisana v izrpnem poročilu, ki ga homo čim prej pripravili.

Vsem darovalcem bo njihov prispevek v celoti vrnjen, kar pa bo zaradi njihovega števila vzelo nekaj časa. Prosimo jih torej za potrpljenje in jim izrekamo vso zahvalo za njihovo slovensko in katoliško zavednost in zvestobo.

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Zahvala

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Najlepše pozdrave vsem pri Ameriški Domovini in vsem njenim bralcem!

S spoštovanjem

Frank Zele

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CLEVELAND, O. — Društvo Najsv. Imena pri Sv. Vidu pripravljajo svoj vsakoletni zajtrk s klobasicami in ometami, oranžnim sokom, maslom, sirupom, s kavo ali mlekom, za nedeljo, 9. marca 1975, v velikem farnem avditoriju.

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Z. K.

IZ NAŠIH VRST

Indianapolis, Ind. — Cenjeno uredništvo! V prilogi Vam pošiljam naročnino za eno leto in dar v pomoč listu.

Ameriško Domovino imam rada in jo bom zelo pogrešala, kadar je ne bom mogla več čitati. Oči so mi namreč tako opešale, da moram rabiti posebno povečevalno steklo, da lahko berem. Za operacijo sem pa prestara.

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Vaša dolgoletna naročnica

Mary Gasnick

Euclid, O. — Spoštovani! Oprostite, prosim, zamudi nakazila. Priloženo pošiljam ček za poravnavo nadaljne polletne naročnine.

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S spoštovanjem

Silva Grasselli

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John Zele

Cleveland, O. — Cenjeno uredništvo! Priloženo je ček za enoletno naročnino in dva dolarja v Tiskovni sklad Vašega lista.

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Mary Lunka

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Frank Smole

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Z najlepšimi pozdravi uredništvu in upravi!

Frank Mlinar

Euclid, O. — Spoštovano uredništvo! Lepo prosim oprosteno, ker se je moje plačilo malo zakasnilo. Priložena je enoletna naročnina in dar v podporo listu.

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Spisi častite sestre Lavoslave so nama zelo všeč. Bog naj jo ohrani in čuva, da nas bo s svojim lepim pisanjem lahko razveseljevala še mnogo let!

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Prisrčno pozdravljava

Jože in Mary Miklavčič

Msgr. Jože Jagodic: "Moje življenje lek"

CLEVELAND, O. — Nedavno sem prejel iz Celvca od Mohorjeve družbe po letalski pošti to knjigo, ki je izšla že po smrti pisatelja v lanskem septembru v Lienzu na Tirolskem. Naj ob tej priložnosti napišem še nekaj spominov na pokojnega, ki jih posredoval župnik J. Pogačar, ki je živel od pok. msgr. J. Jagodica oddaljen le nekaj 10 kilometrov.

Rajniški kancelar, tako smo g. monsignorju starejši vedno rekli, čeprav te službe že skoraj tri desetletja ni več opravljal, je bil v zadnjih letih z velikim veseljem pisal to knjigo svojih življenjskih spominov. Nekaj časa je celo nekaj okleval in kar resno premišljal, ali naj bi knjigo pisal ali misel na njo opustil. Ko je g. Pogačarju nekoč omenil, da le misli to delo opustiti, mu je ta zelo prigovarjal, naj jo vendar napiše, ker bi bila zelo velika škoda za zgodovino slovenske Cerkve, če je ne bi napisal. Monsignor Jagodic je bil vsa medvojskna leta v vodstvu ljubljanske škofije in bi se veliko, veliko tega ali izgubilo ali pa se vsaj pozabilo, če ne bi bil napisal tega svojega značilnega življenjskega dela. Z velikim veseljem se je po tem pogovoru z g. Pogačarjem lotil dela ter skrbno zbiral gradivo za knjigo.

Zadnjo korekturo knjige je opravil še g. monsignor sam, in sicer 30. majnika 1974 v Celovcu, kamor ga je moral spremljati g. Pogačar, ker si sam ni bil več upal na pot. Takrat je bil tudi zadnjič v Celovcu.

V vednost širši javnosti bodi tu povedano, da je bila knjiga natisnjena samo v 400 izvodih, ker Družba sv. Mohorja nima odvečnih sredstev. Nekaj od tega je rajniški plačal še sam iz svojih sredstev, drugo pa sta pokrila g. župnik Pogačar in monsignorjeva sestra Johana. Brez pomoči g. Pogačarja bi sestra Johana le s težavo vse to naredila.

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J. S.

— Eno četrtino vsega jekla v ZDA izdelajo v Pittsburghu in okolici.

MISIJSKA SREČANJA IN POMENKI

247. "DRAGI PRIJATELJI,"



Rev. Charles A. Wolbang, C.M., v družbi z nekaterimi pionirji na vseh MZA prireditvah v Clevelandu (Mis. piknik 1973).

naslavlja nas vse v gibanju MZA nova misijonarka Mojca Karničnikova iz "Centre de Formation Feminine Popokabaka" 19. jan. in se zahvaljuje za dar \$50, iz zbranega za vse v MZA leta 1974. Ker je pismo zelo zanimivo, naj ga čitajo vsi.

"Najprej vsem prisrčen in topel pozdrav iz 'črne celine'. Ne veste, kako me je presenetilo. Vaše pismo! Vesela sem bila obojega: daru, ki bo izredno prav prišel, saj so potrebe zelo velike, in pisma samega, ker vem, da ga je narekovala ljubezen. Prisrčen 'Bog plačaj' za vse! Nemara bo najbolje, da se Vam potem, ko ste me že 'odkrili', še sama nekoliko predstavim.

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Doma ni bilo izgledov

za uresničitev mojega načrta, zato sem spomladi 1967 vstopila v Institut Misijonark Jezusa Kristusa v Španiji, skupaj s Marijo Sreš, ki jo že poznate in ki je že 3 leta v Indiji. Institut mi je dal vso garancijo za uresničitev mojega poklica, saj je to čisto misijonska družba. V Španiji sem končala noviciat, nato pa sem se za 3 leta vrnila v domovino zaradi študija. Pred dvema leti sem diplomirala kot socialna delavka, nakar sem odšla v Belgijo študirat francosčino. Konec lanskega poletja sem končno prišla v Zaire (bivši belgijski Kongo).

Popokabaka,

kjer živim in delam, je središče province in sedež škofije Kwango. Nahaja se približno 400 km od glavnega mesta Kinshasa (bivši Leopoldville). Ukvarjamo se z različnimi dejavnostmi; imamo bolnišnico in poročnišnico, gimnazijo za dekleta ter socialno šolo, ki se imenuje 'Središče za vzgojo ženske mladine'. Na tej šoli delam tudi sama in sicer poučujem francosčino, sociologijo, zoologijo in botaniko, vodim pa tudi nekatere praktične dela. Je 4-letna srednja šola, katere namen je: usposobiti dekleta za bodoče dobre gospodinje in matere. Poleg nekaterih splošnih predmetov, je tudi precej praktičnih stvari, kot n. pr. šivanje, krojenje, pletenje in drugo. Znanje, ki ga bodo gojenke tukaj pridobile, ne

bodo uporabile samo zase, ampak bodo, ko se vrnejo v svoje vasi, tudi same prirejale in vodile razne tečaje. V zadnjem letu se bodo na to pripravile s praktičnim delom, ki ga bo organizirala šola po raznih vaseh. Letos imamo šele 3 letnike, ker je šola pričela obstojati pred kratkim.

Ta šola ni navaden internat,

ampak je pravo naselje, ki me močno spominja na tiste SOS vasi, o katerih sem včasih brala. Dekleta živijo v majhnih hišicah, ki so zelo preproste, a praktične in snažne. V vsaki je kuhinja, obednica in 2 spalnice. Kuhajo dekleta sama in sicer po skupinah, ki se menjajo na tri tedne. Redimo tudi kokoši in zajce ter obdelujemo vrt in polje. Dan gojenk je tako razdeljen na pouk, študij in delo, največ je seveda pouka.

Zivljenje je tukaj še zelo primitivno in revščina silno velika. Nešteto otrok umre zaradi podhranjenosti. Temu pa ni krivo samo pomanjkanje, ampak tudi neznanje, saj še tega, kar imajo, ne znajo prav izkoristiti. Javni cestni promet — razen v Kinshasi — ne obstoja, prav tako ni pošte, razen v prestolnici. Vse je odvisno od prilžnostnega prevoza. Tukaj dobimo pošto po 3 do 4-krat na mesec, ker je treba v mestu nabavljati za internate vsega misijona; v nekaterih manjših in bolj oddaljenih krajih jo pa dobijo komaj nekajkrat na leto.

Molite — prosim — za Zairsko Cerkev

Prav zadnje tedne se je zgodilo toliko sprememb, da nas njeva bodočnost kar precej skrbi. Vse šole, ki so jih doslej vodile razne redovne ustanove, so te dni podžavili, verski pouk izključili, namesto njega pa se uvaja nova filozofija, ali nova 'vera', kakor jo nekateri imenujejo, 'mobutizem'. Predsednika Mobuta častijo z nazivi, ki grejo samo Bogu. Semenišča so zaprli. Njihov namen je, onemogočiti rast domače Cerkve, tuje misijonarje pa, ko ne bodo več potrebni, izgnati. Samo na srednjih in višjih šolah je namreč okrog 3000 misijonarjev; domače ga kadra, ki bi jih nadomestili, še zlepa ne bo dovolj, zato smo zaenkrat še potrebni. A Cerkev se sprašuje, kako dolgo bomo lahko še sodelovali, če se bodo stvari še naprej tako razvijale.

Hvala za božična in novoletna voščila. Tudi jaz Vam želim vse dobro, predvsem pa obilo božjega blagoslova v tem letu. Spominjamo se drug drugega pred Gospodom. Prisrčen pozdrav! S. Mojca.

V preizkušani afriški državi Zaire deluje že leta br. Marcel Kerševan, C.M., v Irebu, potem ko je njegov brat Karel, zaradi bolezni, odšel v Belgijo in smo z obema v stiku. Tudi hrvatska misijonarka Anka Luketič, v Kindu, pioniri v tej deželi in že leta zvesto sodeluje z gibanjem MZA, ki jo šteje med svoje pionirke in ji redno tudi po mož-

VELIMIR DEZELIČ:

KRAGULJ

ROMAN IZ 9. STOLETJA

Žalostni spreved se je počasi pomikal, a Konstantinu se je zdelo, da so tako brž zavili na poslednji ovinek, do onega velikega lesenega križa, odkoder se prvičkrat vidi mesto kneza Rastislava in prestolnica Morave.

Konstantin je bruhal kri, vendar je vstal, šel pod križ in pade na obraz. Molil je skrušeno in vroče. Molil je in zahteval od Boga, česar doslej še nikoli ni:

"Čudež! Gospod Bog, napravi čudež! Ko bom stopil pred svoje učence in pred slovensko ljudstvo, stori čudež. Bog, da se ne bodo zgledovali radi mene, grešnika, in zapustili Tebe, Kristusa, mojega Boga!"

V prestolnem mestu Moravcev je vladalo veliko veselje; zakaj ko je modri papež Nikolaj I. zvedel za lepo delo Konstantina in Metoda med Slovenci, je poslal ponju, naj pridelajo s svojimi učenci v večni Rim. Zato je Metod sam pričakoval brata na mestnem stolpu; in ko ga je v dalji zazrl, mu je sam pojezdil naproti in prvi naznanil to veselje.

A Konstantin je vstal z nosil, dvignil roke in vzdihnil: Blagoslovljen, Gospod Bog, ki te mi je poslal na pot! Blagoslovljene besede tvoje in ti, brat moj, bodi blagoslovljen!

In še je hvalil Boga:

Gospod, ti si moja priča, branilec moj in zatočišče! Izvlekel si me iz ptičje zanke in obrnil od nas nesrečo.

Pot v Rim je vodila Konstantina, Metoda in njune učence

nostih, ki jih imamo za vse, pomaga. Za vse pa zvesto molimo!

Ne podcenjujmo važnost misijonskega tiska!

Mnogokrat — tokrat v primeru s. Karničnik spet to jasno izgovorim — beremo in slišimo, kako izredno vpliva na mnoge misijonski tisk, posebno pisma misijonarjev s terena misijonskih dežel. V Misijonskih srečanjih in pomenkih imamo že od prvih početkov namen omogočiti dialog in izmenjavanje idej, izkušenj in dobrin, med onimi na terenu in njih sodelavci v zaledju. Ameriški Domovini je Misijonska Znamkarska Akcija in vrste sodelujočih v gibanju silno hvaležna za petkovo mis. kolono, ki sedaj že jasno in prepričljivo povezuje tisoče duš vseprek zemeljske oble, čeprav bo vedno kdo skušal dopovedati uredništvu, naj mis. tisk izgine ali bo objavljen v drugih verskih mesečnikih.

Glavna tajnica MZA, gđ. Sonja Ferjan, R.N., ki bo za MISIJONSKO KOSILO V CLEVELANDU 2. marca med našimi garači za dialog in razgovore ter izmenjavo izkušenj, skuša povezati in išče še nove misijonskega pisanja večje duše, ki bi v gibanju MZA redno objavljali kratka poročila o mis. sodelovanju v slovenske liste, ki dajo za to prostor na razpolago. AD je njen prvi članek že objavila. Ave Marija in Katoliški misijonari so prostor že obljubili. Prav tako Ognjišče, Družina, Katoliški glas in Misijonski list (priloga Nedelje) na Koroškem. MSIP so na razpolago vsaki tehni in misijonski misli. Kako lepo bo, če bodo kdaj tudi vsi naši listi odprti MSIP.

Rev. Charles A. Wolbang, C.M., St. Joseph's College Box 351 Princeton, N.J. 08540

skozi slovenske zemlje: od Moravcev do panonskih Slovencev in naprej med Slovence. A potovanje je bilo ko svatovanje.

Zakaj zbor mladih učencev, pripravljenih, da sprejmejo posvečenje iz rok samega papeža, se ni nehal veseliti v Gospodu. Mladi Slovenci so peli svoji domovini:

Ne bodi ti več rekli: zapuščen, in tvoji zemlji ne več: puščava, marveč boš: milina moja, in zemlja tvoja: poročena. Zakaj kot si mladenič vzame deklico, tako se bodo ženili sinovi s Cerkvijo; in kot se ženin raduje nad nevesto, tako se bo Gospod nad teboj.

Pa kot se za svatovskim prvencom nabira vse več svatov, tako se je za Konstantinom nabiralo vse več mladih Slovencev.

Ko sta Konstantin in Metod pripotovala s četo mladih Moravcev na panonsko zemljo, jih pričaka z veliko častjo Kocelj, panonski knez, in privede prednje štirideset učencev, da bi jih vzeli s seboj in učili slovenske knjige. A da bi proslavil ta dan, izpusti v svobodo devet sto vojnih ujetnikov in sužnjev.

Z enako ljubeznijo jih sprejmejo tudi Slovenci in vodijo po svojih planinah, od vasi do vasi; varujejo jih vseh nezdod; mnogi pa jih tako vzljubijo, da pustijo vse in gredo za njimi.

Domagoj, hrvatski ban, je željno čakal slovenskih apostolov, ker je poznal njuno delo, a od poslancev papeža Nikolaja I. je zvedel, da sta poklicana v Rim in da bosta od daljne Morave pa do Jadranskega morja potovala po slovenskih zemljah. In ko je slišal, da gresta ob meji njegove države, je prihitel k njima, a s seboj privedel odbranice hrvatske mladine; nekateri teh so bili že pripravljeni za posvetitev in mislili, da bo nanje položil roke hrvatski škof v Ninu, a prezgodnja njegova smrt je to preprečila.

Na neki goljavi se je pod košatim hrastom, ki mu je ljudstvo vzdalo ime Hrek, utaborila Konstantinova četa mladih Moravcev, panonskih Slovencev in Slovencev; zdaj pa je hrvatski ban Domagoj privedel še mlade Hrvate.

In Domagoj spregovori: "Ko je sveti oče, papež rimski Nikolaj, zvedel zate, Konstantin, te je zaželel videti ko božjega angela. Tudi jaz, ko so mi prišli apostolski glasniki, ki so prešli mojo zemljo, glas o tebi, sem te zaželel videti. In glej, zdaj doživljam srečni dan in prihajam pred te."

(Dalje prihodnjic)

V Nepal "nova doba"!

KATMANDU, Nepal. — Kralj Birendra, ki je bil ta teden kronan z vsemi slovesnostmi, je napovedal za svojo državo "novo dobo", ki naj odpravi revščino in poskrbi za razširitev pismenosti med prebivalstvom. Kralj je objavil prosto osnovno šolanje kot prvi korak v tej smeri.

Kralj Birendra, ki je star 29 let, je prvi nepalski vladar, ki je študiral na Zahodu, v Angliji in ZDA, pa tudi na Japonskem. V svojem govoru po kronanju je kralj posebno poudaril potrebo po trdni vezi med njim in narodom, govoril o potrebi napredka, pa odklonil vsako politično delovanje. Odločen je ohraniti absolutno oblast krone.

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Cecilia Dolgan is Slovenian Woman of the Year

Once again the time has come for the Slovenians of Greater Cleveland to honor their chosen "Man of the Year" and "Woman of the Year" for the nine Homes in the Federation of Slovenian National Homes with an awards banquet on March 16th, at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave., at 4 p.m.

There will also be a man or woman chosen from each Home to whom special honor and tribute will be paid.



CILKA

The "Woman of the Year" chosen by the Federation is our well known singer and radio broadcaster Cecilia Valencic Dolgan, who has been involved in Slovenian culture and music since she was eight years old.

Her first performance was in the lead role of Gretel in "Hansel and Gretel" in Slovenian with the Mladinski Zbor at the Slovenian Workmen's Home and she remained with this group until she entered high school.

As a teenager Cecilia, or Cilka as she is affectionately called by many people, became interested in opera and joined Glasbena Matica chorus at the Slovenian National Home. Under the direction of Anton Schubel she performed in a dozen operas and oratorios over a period of ten years. Upon Mr. Schubel's death she took the reins of the Slovenian Junior Chorus, Circle 2 of the Slovene National Benefit Society at the Home on Recher Ave., Euclid, Ohio. During her ten years as music director the children's chorus has presented musical programs in Chicago, Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C., Toronto, and St. Catharines, Ontario. It is the only American Children's chorus to be invited to present a concert tour in Slovenia, which they completed successfully in 1968.

Cecilia is in her fifth year of broadcasting the Slovenian Night Show weekly over WZAK-FM radio. As a professional singer she has been a soloist at many greater Cleveland churches, sang with the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra and has appeared on local television frequently. She has made five record albums and won first prize on a top rated television talent program on one of her visits to Slovenia, birthplace of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Valencic.

When the Slovene Home for the Aged was founded Cecilia appeared as a soloist in benefit concerts in Chicago, Waukegan and Cleveland and she has sung the Star Spangled Banner on at least 100 occasions. Cecilia has also been an officer of various organizations and is currently Secretary of the United Slovenian Society. She is married to Robert Dolgan, a well known Slovenian writer who works for the Plain Dealer and they make their home in Euclid.

The "Man of the Year" chosen by the Federation this year



FRANK ZUPANCIC

THE SOCIAL CLUBS

Prior to and immediately following World War II, the St. Clair neighborhood witnessed the emergence of many social clubs. Consisting mostly of men in their early adulthood, these organizations were an outgrowth of former sports teams that competed against one another in baseball, football, and basketball.

Wishing to continue their friendships with their one-time athletic comrades, they formed such social clubs as Copain, Ambassador of Sports, Bonnavets, Carltons, Golden Gophers, Sharps and others.

Their next step was to secure a non-profit charter from the State of Ohio. To raise money, they held dances at Slovenian National Home, picnics, and many other fund-raising events. A large portion of this revenue was contributed to charitable causes — a most commendable deed.

It wasn't long before an Inter-Club bowling league at the Grdina Bowling Lanes was organized and again the neighborhood's finest were again competing against one another — this time in a less physically demanding sport. A minor concession to the men's encroaching years.

During the fifties and early sixties, many of the members of these most active clubs married and left our St. Clair community for suburban residences, mostly to Euclid and eastwards. Surprisingly, these groups continued to exist and maintain their ties with the old neighborhood. Today more than 35 years have elapsed since the inception of these clubs. Although they are not as active as they once were, some of them, like the Golden Gophers meet socially once a month. And their ardor for the old St. Clair area still hasn't cooled to any noticeable degree.

The now middle-aged members still maintain contact with their old birthplace, and they often reminisce about "the good old days", when they were young in the St. Clair neighborhood.

These clubs today serve as a shining example to others. Despite the changing times, and the transient character of today's society, these clubs have demonstrated that old and cherished friendships can endure and that pride and love for one's place of origin can last through one's lifetime.

Next Sunday, March 9

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GET 'EM WHILE THEY'RE HOT! Chefs at St. Vitus Pancake and Sausages Breakfast cook some of the world's most delicious and mouth-watering pancakes, from left to right, Sam Reigler, Joe Avsec, Joe Cimperman and the in-charge cook culinary expert Joe Komat.

St. Vitus Holy Name Society will again sponsor the largest such event in City of Cleveland, and perhaps all of its suburban communities.

A record number of people are expected to attend the Society's 16th Annual Pancakes and Sausages Breakfast. As in the past, serving will be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the spacious St. Vitus Auditorium, E. 62nd and Glass Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. Donations are \$1.75 for adults and \$1.00 for youngsters 12 and under.

The 1974 event surpassed all records, when almost 1,300 people attended from near and far. Each passing year, more and more people invite their friends to this family type event, where good fellowship exists, and we meet old friends, acquaintances and new friends from other parts of Greater Cleveland and elsewhere. I, for one, have experienced this many times through this super event each year, and likewise, so have many others.

I believe it is appropriate to mention the members who have been involved in this endeavor in the past and are still going strong. Theirs has been a hard, time consuming job. Some public recognition is in order for this fine group of men in our Society, who have been so active in promoting this event. Joe

Gophers meet socially once a month. And their ardor for the old St. Clair area still hasn't cooled to any noticeable degree.

The now middle-aged members still maintain contact with their old birthplace, and they often reminisce about "the good old days", when they were young in the St. Clair neighborhood.

These clubs today serve as a shining example to others. Despite the changing times, and the transient character of today's society, these clubs have demonstrated that old and cherished friendships can endure and that pride and love for one's place of origin can last through one's lifetime.

Next Sunday, March 9

LARGEST PANCAKE SERVED AT ST. VITUS AUDITORIUM



GET 'EM WHILE THEY'RE HOT! Chefs at St. Vitus Pancake and Sausages Breakfast cook some of the world's most delicious and mouth-watering pancakes, from left to right, Sam Reigler, Joe Avsec, Joe Cimperman and the in-charge cook culinary expert Joe Komat.

Komat has been the Chef for all these past 15 years, aided in the kitchen by such capable assistants as Joe Strumbel, Sam Reigler and Frank Bisjak. Guys like Ted Zak, Joe Avsec, Eddie Avsec, Ed Kuhel, Ed Arhar and son Buddy, Joe Cimperman and others have been instrumental in preparing these breakfasts.

We've also had the loyal Pick and Win men such as Ulrich Lube and Louis Petelin, plus steady workers Mike Kolar, Frank Grdina, Anton Oblak, Joe and John Hovevar, Al Orehek, Frank Bogovich, et cetera.

An event such as this requires many workers, and we are grateful to our younger set in helping out — the fine bunch of teens from the Parish. One just cannot overlook a little hard working fellow at our breakfasts who is always there to dispense extra coffee to the guests. He is Johnny Skrabec, Jr., is ever willing to do his bit for the success of our event. His Dad is a very active member of our group.

Last I forget, allow me to mention a man whose work is never done. He is our ever faithful member and St. Vitus custodian, Vinko Rozman, whose biggest job with a few helpers, is just beginning when the crowds are leaving. This friendly guy performs a task that is never fully appreciated. One of his adult



TONY PETKOVSEK

JOHNNY PECON DIES

BULLETIN: Distinguished Orchestra Leader Johnny Pecon died at 4:10 this morning at Euclid General Hospital. Funeral will be from Grdina's, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd. Details at press time are incomplete.

Nostalgia reigned supreme last Sunday as polka fans from near and far gathered at the Slovenian Society Home on Recher Avenue in Euclid to pay tribute to a man best described as the "Babe Ruth" of Slovenian polkas in Cleveland.

Stan Pockar, secretary of the Hall, said it was the largest crowd ever to attend any one particular function at the popular ethnic establishment. The rainy weather did not deter the hundreds of people who walked a mile or two from parking areas as far away as East 200 Street and even East 185 Street.

While 26 well known orchestras played continuously in both the upper and lower halls, there was a button box player or other musician practically wherever you turned, all in special tribute to Johnny Pecon who retired after 40 years in the music business and who now has spent at least three months in Euclid General Hospital ailing with a serious illness.

Johnny Pecon's big day was highlighted by Mayor Perk's in person proclamation in behalf of the entire City. The Mayor said that "Johnny touched the lives of people and made living more pleasurable." The actual proclamation read, "The name of Johnny Pecon has been synonymous with international and Slovenian polka music. He has remained unaffected by the fickle commodity known as popularity and the designation as being one of the giants in the polka business. In addition, Feb. 22 marked the 21st anniversary since Johnny became an employee of the City of Cleveland. For the past twenty years he has served as the chief custodian at Cleveland City Hall."

A momentary flashback in time took place when a graying John Saunders alighted to the stage and stated, "Do you realize that a whole generation has grown up since Janez and Lojze and I used to try to entertain you on Channel 5. Saunders hosted Cleveland's premiere weekly polka television show in the early 1950's for the then Perme Furniture. It was the first time most fans saw Saunders in years since he now resides in Detroit.

Since Johnny could not be in attendance, his two musician sons, John Jr. and Jeff represented both him and wife Mary. In accepting the various proclamations from the cities of Cleveland and Euclid and the State of Ohio, a jam packed main auditorium of polka fans with tears in their eyes listened to the two boys.

John Jr. said in an emotional tone, "I don't really know what to say except from the very bottom of my heart, my brother's, my mother and my dad, I want to thank each and every one of you in paying tribute to my dad. My brother and I are going to try to follow his footsteps and do the very best we can giving the best music we can and I hope you enjoy us like my dad."

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JIM DEBEVEC

ARE YOU A COOL SLOVENIAN?



Are you a cool Slovenian? Do you know all the Slovenian jive talk? To test your knowledge, here is a little quiz. If you pass, you are qualified to amaze all your non-Slovenian friends with some real cool ethnic talk.

aides is Leopold Pretnar, a man who recently retired, but is always there when help is needed — another example of the caliber of men in the St. Vitus Holy Name Society. It is only with members such as these that an organization can survive and promote such activities.

The Co-Chairmen for the 16th Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast are: Joe Hovevar, John Hovevar and Gregg Hribar, assisted by Frank Zupancic, a regular columnist for this newspaper. Gregg, by the way, has done an outstanding job with the Junior Holy Name Group. Take a bow, all of you fine Holy Name Men!

St. Vitus Holy Name Society is inviting all friends from near and far, and is offering a special invitation to those who have not yet attended one of their breakfasts. Remember the date: March 9, 1975 at the St. Vitus Auditorium. Tickets are available at the Rectory, from the membership and also at the door.

Don J. Postotnik

1. A "Button Box" is:
 - A. Receptacle for unused buttons.
 - B. A round box shaped like a button.
 - C. An accordion.
2. A klobasa is:
 - A. Foreman in a coal mine.
 - B. Captain of a hockey team.
 - C. A sausage.
3. Chicken Village is:
 - A. Rest home for broken down daredevils.
 - B. A town with constant FOUL weather.
 - C. A former community on E. 55th north of St. Clair.
4. A Gostilna is:
 - A. Haunted House
 - B. Be quiet in the library.
 - C. An Inn
 - D. Traveling to an illegal liquor making area.
5. Polenta is:
 - A. The time before Easter when penance is performed.
 - B. A person of Polish extraction who lends money.
 - C. Food
6. Polka is:
 - A. An odorous little black and white furry animal.
 - B. Long stick used to hang telephone wires.
 - B. Form of music.
7. Smoke House is:
 - A. A building where a man can smoke his cigar in peace.
 - B. Burning building.

- C. A shed for smoking meats.
 - D. Store building for fire engines.
8. Balinca is:
 - A. Person walking a tightwire without falling off.
 - B. Girl walking on her tippy toes.
 - C. Lawn bowling.
 7. "In heaven there is no beer" is:
 - A. The sad truth.
 - B. A story about prohibition in Cleveland.
 - C. Title of a polka song.
 - D. An excuse for getting loaded.
 10. A Slovenian Home is:
 - A. Place where potica is made at Christmas and Easter.
 - B. A competitive paper to the "American Home".
 - C. Hall where good friends meet.
 11. Goulash is:
 - A. Rubbery cover for shoes worn during rainy days.
 - B. A ghoul-made whip.
 - C. A food.
- If you didn't answer "C" to all the questions, hand in your "Kiss Me, I'm Slovenian" button and read the American Home more thoroughly.
- To all those who correctly answered all eleven questions, consider yourself a member of one of the best groups of people in the world!

INCOME TAXES

By DENNIS SUSNIK

PART VI. — THE STATE INCOME TAX RETURN —A GENERAL DISCUSSION—

From a practical standpoint, it may be said that the state individual income tax return, both long and short forms, are the least difficult returns to file. In fact, the State of Ohio should receive special acclaim for the ease with which the return is calculated. Of all state income tax returns the Ohio State Return is simplified to a point where any rational person can figure his tax.

Let me explain the short form. First, from your federal income tax return, line 15 form 1040 or line 12 form 1040A write your adjusted gross income on line (1) of the state form. Second, fill in the number of exemptions on line (2). Use the same number of exemptions as you designated on your federal income tax return, except, subtract the exemptions of age 65 and over and/or blind. Third, deduct the number of exemptions times \$500 from line (1). The balance will be your Ohio Taxable Income and should be reported on line (3). When you have figured your Ohio Taxable Income, use one of the following calculation tables:

If your Ohio Taxable Income Is:	Your tax is:
\$-0- to \$5000	1/2% (.005) times taxable income
\$5001 to \$10000	\$25 plus 1% (.01) times income above \$5000
\$10001 to \$15000	\$75 plus 2% (.02) times income over \$10000
\$15001 to \$20000	\$175 plus 2 1/2% (.025) times income over \$15000
\$20001 to \$40000	\$300 plus 3% (.03) times income over \$20000
\$40001 and over	\$900 plus 3 1/2% (.035) times income over \$40001

After you have calculated your tax, enter the amount on line (4). Fourth, if you and your spouse are both working, and your spouse earns at least \$500 or more from a place of employment, figure your credit. (A credit is not a tax, but an added amount to your tax withheld.) To calculate your credit, do one of the following:

If your Ohio Taxable Income is:	Credit
\$10000 or less	20%
\$10001 to \$20000	12%
\$20001 or more	5%

Or, if your Ohio Taxable Income from line (3) is any one of three listed amounts, multiply the total tax amount from line (4) times 20%, 12%, or 5%, and enter the calculation on line (5). Fifth, from your W2 form received from work (earnings statement) enter the total you withheld for state income tax purposes. You will find the amount you withheld on Copy 2 of the W2 form at the center of the right hand side of the form. Sixth, add your credit (if you qualify), with your tax withheld and enter the amount on line (7). Lastly, either deduct line (4) from (7) to figure the amount which will be returned to you, and check, "refund"; or, deduct line (7) from (4) and report your balance due to the State of Ohio. (Note: If the balance due is less than \$1.01 the payment to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, need not be made, and vice versa, if the State of Ohio owes you less than \$1.01 no refund will be issued, but, you may credit the refund to next year's tax.)

Next, the long form is really not long at all, it consists of only one page. To file the long form simply go through the motions of the short form, but make these most notable changes for your benefit:

- (1) Deduct up to \$4000 of retirement income from your adjusted gross income;
- (2) If you or your spouse are 65 years of age or older, report the \$25 Senior Citizens Credit on line (7B);
- (3) If you worked in another state you may be due a tax credit.

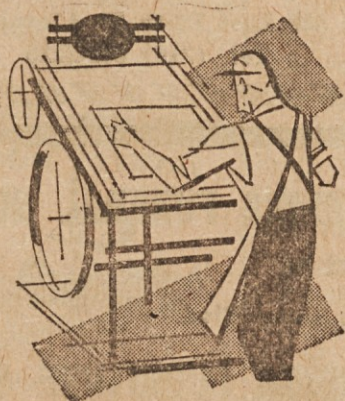
The above three benefits reduce your tax, but will only be reduced if you file the state individual long form.

Let me cite an example. A man and his wife are without children and worked the entire year. The man is 65 years of age, and his wife is 58. He earned \$5400 and she earned \$3800. From the man's previous employment he receives \$1400 a year from a retirement pension fund. The foregoing facts reveal the husband and wife should file a state individual long form.

Line (1), federal adjusted gross income	\$10,600
Less: line (2C), retirement income	1,400
Balance: line (3), Ohio adjusted gross income	\$9,200
Less: line (4), two exemptions times \$500	1,000
Balance: line (5), Ohio Taxable Income	\$8,200
Line (6), tax (see schedule mentioned earlier)	\$57.00
Less: line (7B), Senior Citizens credit	\$25.00
line (7C), Joint filing credit	11.40
	36.40
Line (8), after-tax benefits	\$20.60
Line (9B), tax withheld difference	62.00
Line (11), overpayment, check, "refund"	\$41.40

Next: Part VII. The Federal Retirement Income Tax Credit—
A General Discussion

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News from around town

★ A group of Slovenians who belong to a Yugoslav Club in North Miami, Florida sent greetings to friends in Cleveland. The following signed the card: Jennie Opalk, Joseph Demshar, Mary and Cyril Grile, Mary Kramer, John F. Callinis, Molly and Nicholas Gogus, Anne and Milan Safred, Mike Jankovic, Helen and Vlado Kocijan, and Mary Jankovic.

★ Married on Feb. 21st in St. Robert's Church on Lake Shore Blvd. were Louis L. Arko, son of Louis and Erna Arko, 20470 Goller Ave., and Miss Martha Ann Walmsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Walmsley, Euclid. Louis graduated last June from Ohio State University and has been commissioned with the rank of Second Lieutenant and in April he will be stationed at the Pilot Training Reese Air Force Base, Texas.

★ The well known Frances Piskur, formerly of E. 69 St., and now living with her son Joseph at 29777 Franklin Ave., Wickliffe, O., celebrated her 91st birthday on Feb. 20th. Congratulations and wishes for many more happy and healthy birthdays!

★ A baby girl, who was named Heather Marie, was born to Suzanne and Joseph Ferlin, 11910 Worthington Ave., Cleveland. She weighed 7 lbs. 12 ozs.

★ William K. Gabrenya received highest honors for the fall semester at the University of Missouri. He is a first year graduate student majoring in social psychology.

★ Mark A. Gabrenya, a freshman at Ohio University, is on the dean's list for the fall quarter.

★ Mr. and Mrs. William Ott announce the engagement of their daughter, Gail Joyce, to Dennis Jakse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jakse. Miss Ott is a graduate of Euclid High. Her fiancé is a Wickliffe graduate. Wedding plans are for Aug. 2.

★ Jim Hovevar, formerly of E. 61 St., now on Lake Shore Blvd., will undergo Open Heart surgery on March 14th at the Cleveland Clinic. Good luck and a quick recovery!

★ Nicky Peppers - owner of Nick's Factory Outlet at E. 60th and St. Clair Ave., will auction off his record setting crocheted blanket early next month.

Peppers who crocheted for 101 hours to set a world record between Feb. 10th and Valentine's Day, finished with a 7 by 9 foot blanket. All that remains to be done is the inserting of the satin material. The blanket has two hearts and the word love on it.

Chances are that the blanket will be auctioned either March 8 or 15th (Saturdays). Peppers will also auction off shawls - afghans - and purses that he has crocheted.

He can be reached at 391-5959.

Thanks

Madeline Debevec has returned home after a three week stay in Hillcrest Hospital. She would like to thank all her relatives, friends, and American Home subscribers for the numerous flowers, gifts, hundreds of get-well wishes and especially all th prayers.

A special thanks to Msgr. Gallagher from St. Francis of Assisi, Gates Mills and Fathers Victor Tome and Paul Krajnik from St. Mary's, Collinwood, for their inspiring visits.

The excellent care from the entire staff of Hillcrest Hospital was deeply appreciated.

The active wife of James V. Debevec, editor of the American Home prior to her accident has been a very busy homemaker, Medical Technologist, PTA Vice-President and involved in numerous charitable and civic organizations.

Letters To The Editor Promote Slovenian language and culture

Editor:

The Slovenian Heritage Foundation was founded in March, 1971 for the purpose of supporting Slovenian awareness, cultural and ethnic identity in America. To promote scholarly research, maintain academic ties and exchanges with all Slovenians wishing to promote scholarships to students wishing to learn the Slovenian language.

Years ago this was done by the many Cultural and Dramatic groups. That I well know, as I was taught it by the many stage directors under whom I have performed in dramatic plays throughout the years. Today I appreciate their teaching me, and am thankful to them for their effort.

The Slovenian Heritage Foundation will Co-Operate with all groups to unite our people in

language and culture. We will not duplicate any other groups, but will help them if asked.

We plead with any one wishing to join to help further the knowledge and Slovenian Language to join the Heritage Foundation. We have presently members of Professional, Politicians, Lawyers, Tradesmen and Housewives. You do not need a PhD to belong. All you need is good will.

In the next few weeks an announcement will be made of forthcoming events, which will be held at Cleveland State University. With the Society For Slovene Studies and other fine Slavic groups. We can be proud of the many fine organizations which have for many years promoted Slavic Identity in many areas of the Continental United States.

JACOB STREKAL

St. Vitus Christian Mothers' Club

CARD PARTY

Thanks to all who helped in any way for the huge success of our Mothers' Club Card Party. Especially our chairman MRS. LIL KRZYWICKI and co-chairman Mrs. Flo Jaksic, who worked very hard to make it such a success.

Recipients of the Special Handmade gifts are:

1st (afghan) Mrs. Frank Kern. It was made and donated by Mrs. Jennie Femc.

2nd (1/2 gal. spirits) Mrs. L. Ogrinc—Donated by the Mothers' Club.

3rd (Black Shawl) Mitzi Draganic. Made and donated by Frances Macerol.

4th (White Shawl) Marie Bronsky. Made and donated by Mrs. Mary Jo Rom.

5th (child Poncho) Vicki Kmet. Made and donated by Mrs. Marie Bronsky.

6th (Pillow) David Kern. It was made and donated by Mrs. Mary Vogel.

7th (Yarn Doll) Virginia Jernejic. Made and donated by Ann's Knit Shoppe.

Many thanks from the president Mrs. Mary Jo Rom and members to the businessmen of the area for their donations to the Card Party. And most of all a special Thank You to Zele's Funeral Home and James Slapnik Florist for donating the Card Party tickets and gift tickets.

MONTHLY MEETING

St. Vitus Christian Mothers' Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 5th, in the auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

We will celebrate our Pastor's birthday, Father Praznik. May the good Lord bless you with better health and a long life.

Hostesses for this evening will be the 2nd grade mothers.

Guest Speaker: Mr. John Kovacic, District Director of U.S. Customs.

Subject: How Customs office operates and DRUGS! Split the Pot will also be an added attraction.

We hope that many parents will attend this meeting.

Mass

Please remember this is a Holy year and come to church often during Lent and the 40 hours devotions. Mothers' Club Corporate Communion and Devotions, Friday evening, March 14, 1975, 6:45 devotions, 7:00 Mass.

Fund Raiser

Our Annual Chicken or Beef Dinner is scheduled for March 23. We will need workers and helpers in the kitchen. Let's make this a huge success. Show that you can sacrifice some time to help our parish and school. There will be a Special Give-

away — Chairman Mrs. Theresa Ortman and Mrs. Pauline Dodge.

1st Gift — Color Portable TV
2nd Gift — Mr. Coffee coffee-maker.

3rd Gift — Toaster oven

Also 50 cent Surprise package stand. Chairman Mrs. Marge Szymanski and Mrs. Anne Winter will gladly accept all donations for this surprise package stand 50 cents or over.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday wishes to the following members and our Moderator:

- March**
- 6 Mary Rapp
 - 13 Rev. Fr. R. A. Praznik
 - 14 Barbara Pavlovic
 - 15 Emiliy Petelin
 - 16 Phyliss Marchetta
 - 17 Helen Kerzisknik
 - 17 Josephine Nenstiel
 - 18 Ann Clemence
 - 18 Eleanor Prijatel
 - 19 Rev. Fr. J. Boznar
 - 24 Betty Bratovic
 - 27 Rosalia Palcic
 - 28 Theresa Novsak

Wedding Anniversaries

Many happy returns to the following who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this month:

Frank, Theresa Komat, March 14

Joe and Helen Smole, March 21

Please attend Mass during Lent, say our rosary and fast for the poor.

Mary Vogel, Publicity Chm.

Important wall switches

Your lighting fixtures — even expensive ones — cannot operate without that very inexpensive, but important wall switch.

Wall switches should always be located at the entrance to a room, so that you can light the way ahead of you and never have to grope in the dark for the control, advises The Illuminating Company. If the room has more than one doorway, then you need multiple-controlled switches, so you can turn the light on or off from any entrance or exit.

The old-fashioned pull-chain became obsolete because you had to find your way to the light fixture in the dark, before you could turn on the light.

There are several more sophisticated types of switches you may want to consider during home remodeling, depending on which advantages you want.



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Development of the Slovenian neighborhood

(Continuation)

Social Activities

The focus of social and cultural activities in the Slovenian community is the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair. It occupies three-quarters of a city block (with two of the buildings of the Peter Diemer estate still standing).

Activity started in 1903 to collect money to buy this property. The idea lay dormant until 1910, the time when new discussions were initiated by 35 lodges. The year 1914 again saw meetings regarding the creation of such a facility with about 42 lodges participating. It wasn't until March, 1916, however, that a conference was held to elect a board of directors and to pledge money. The first board of directors consisted of Dr. Frank Kern, Joze Kalan, Mihael Setnikar, Ignac Smuk, Zofka Birk, Frances Lausche, Anton Kolar, Rudolph Perdan, Louis Pirc, Frank Hudovernik, Primož Kogoj, Frank Cerne, Matt Petrovich, Joze Zele, and Frank Jaksic. Thirty lodges became members and over 7,000 in pledges were made.

By the end of 1916, the treasury had \$10,000 and over \$16,000 pledged. The property was bought in 1916 for \$45,000. In 1922, construction was started on a huge complex which covered the front part of the block facing St. Clair Avenue. By the time construction was completed in 1924, the building complex cost approximately \$326,000.

Approximately 35 to 40 organizations are located in these buildings. Dr. Kern, the first president, stated in the yearly report of 1916-1917, that this building would be a center for fraternal and cultural groups, a place where the Slovenian youth can have their plays, dances and clubs, and a center which would be a memorial by which future generations could remember

their heritage. The Slovenian National Home has undergone a "facelift" in preparation for the fifty year anniversary celebration in March, 1974.

The Slovenian neighborhood has been served by the St. Clair Recreation Center since 1919. This facility was originally known as the "Bath House". During World War I, 3,200 petitions were gathered by neighborhood members in order to ask the Cleveland City Council to provide them with a facility for bathing. This is one of the first efforts by the people to use their numbers for political purposes. Later, this facility was expanded to include a pool and a gymnasium. The area behind the recreation center, facing Glass Avenue, is presently in the early stages of construction of an outdoor recreational area. Three playgrounds were built in this community. Two of them are part of the two public elementary schools. The third is located on a section of the community (north of St. Clair and east of East 55th Street) which was devastated by the East Ohio Gas Explosion in 1944 killing 130 people and making 2,000 homeless. The Slovenian community leaders organized a private corporation to rebuild the one half square mile area which was demolished. Private money made it possible to completely rebuild this area and new homes were erected once the area was cleared. The playground was named after its greatest community leader, Anton Grdina.

In addition, St. Vitus Parish has a school playground and a gymnasium which is used for indoor recreational purposes. Baragov Dom, at 6304 St. Clair Avenue, was bought in 1953. It serves as a meeting place for community groups, conferences, and special cultural programs of post-World War II immigrants. (Next: Fraternal Organizations)

Help Save Our Environment

By MILDRED CROZIER
(President, Richmond Hts.
Environment Board)

CROOKED MECHANICS

The Senate Judiciary Subcommittee announced that at least a third of all auto repairs are either not necessary or not properly done. We pay about \$30 billion a year to keep our American cars in safe running condition but about \$5 billion of this is extorted by crooked mechanics.

Our lives may rest in the hands of 800,000 unlicensed, untested and possibly dishonest men.

Some of the so-called "Mechanics" will puncture tires, squirt oil to make it look as tho something is leaking or any number of other things. A crooked mechanic will put oil in your car with a half empty oil can. One must watch for all kinds of trickery and deception.

Isn't it a shame that workers are willing to use all sorts of ploys instead of becoming an honest skilled mechanic? Many of these crooks couldn't assemble an erector set.

A program was set up by the National Institute for Automotive Service Mechanics who were asked to take the test certifying their abilities. Thirty thousand mechanics were expected to take the test. Less than half showed up. If any passed, they would be virtually guaranteed a booming business. Of that number, only 8,808 attempted the first five tests to determine a master mechanic capable of

working on your whole car. Only 8,808 working mechanics out of 13,512 could pass even one test. Is this because we are not offering the right courses or training for our young people in our schools? Is it because of apathy of Americans in general?

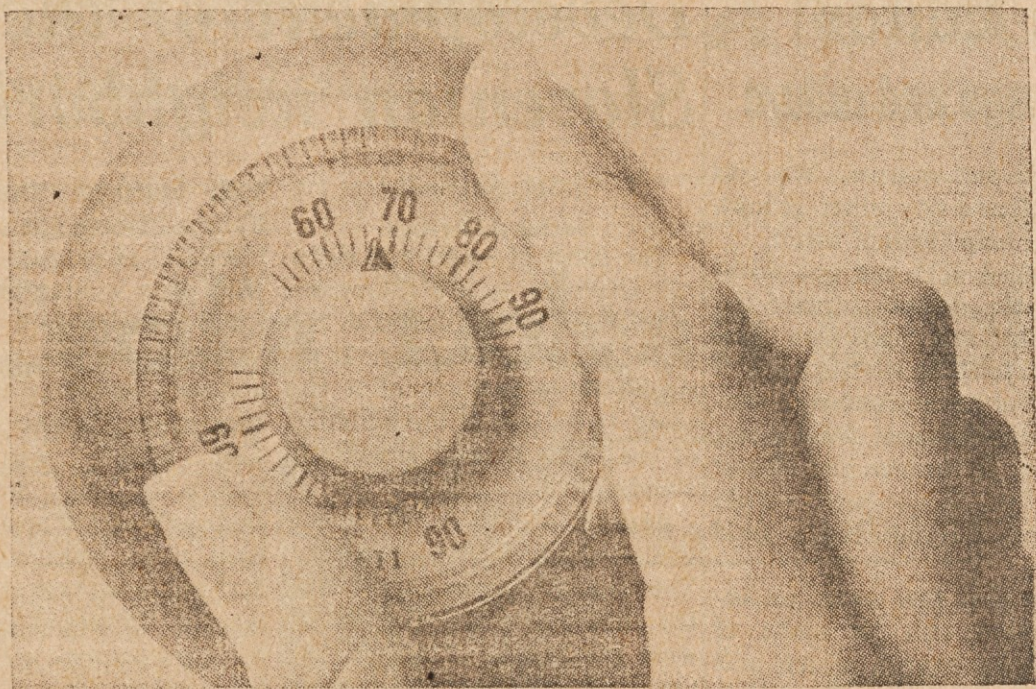
Everyone who owns a car should read, "The Great American Auto Repair Robbery" by Donald Randall and Arthur Glickman. One should go to a shop that is equipped to diagnose your car troubles. But even with all the equipment one must trust that the owner is honest and will not make "repairs" where they were never needed.

Let us all hope and trust that there are no "hoods" working under our hoods.

Boy Scouts Membership Fund Drive Begins

Hugh O'Neil, President of Leaseway Transportation Corporation and Enrollment Chairman for the 1975 Sustaining Membership Fund Drive for the Greater Cleveland Council, Boy Scouts of America, will kickoff the \$705,000 campaign during a 1/2-hour TV show on Saturday morning, March 1st at 9 a.m. on Channel 5.

The Greater Cleveland Council is a United Torch Agency and receives about one-third of the funds from them needed to operate the Scouting Program in Cuyahoga County. The remaining amount, about two-thirds, must be raised from friends of Scouting.



Industrija potrebuje vašo pomoč. Varčujte z naravnim plinom . . . pomagajte ohranjevali službe

To zimo ne bo dovolj naravnega plina za kritje vseh zahtev.

Dejansko bodo dobavitelji plina okrnili svoje kontraktne dobave Konsolidiranemu sistemu za približno 78 milijonov kubičnih čevljev. Sistem je moral zmanjšati dobave svojim obratovalnim družbam (od katerih ena je East Ohio) za približno 46 milijonov kubičnih čevljev.

Zato smo morali v soglasju s prednostmi, odobrenimi od Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, omejiti dobave našim industrijskim odjemalcem.

Toda vi lahko omilite ta udarec.

Če bi vsak rezidenčni odjemalec našega Konsolidiranega sistema to zimo premaknil številc-

nico za štiri stopinje navzdol, bi to pomagalo prihraniti 38 milijonov kubičnih čevljev plina. To bi veliko pomagalo pri znižanju industrijske redukcije.

Se važnejše, pomagalo bi obdržati ljudem delo in službe. Ali pomagalo, da bi se hitreje vrnil na delo.

Tako vidite, ste vi tisti, ki lahko napravite razlike. Razlika samo štirih stopinj udobnosti

lestvice v vašem domu, pa je res minimalna.

Pri tem postopku boste pomagali tudi sami sebi, kajti trošenje plina je trošenje vašega denarja.

Odpošljite za vašo brezplačno brošuro, ki vam bo pojasnila, na koliko načinov lahko varčujete s plinom v vašem domu. Samo izrežite spodnji kupon. In pomagajte zmanjšati omejitve plina!

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St. Vitus Men's League

Cimperman's Meats took three and high series (3005) with the help of Tom Godec 211, and Rudy Massera Sr. 212 over Mezik Insurance who boasted of Joe Cah and his 211 game.

Tony Zidonis 220, Joe Kovalchuk 201 and Tony Drobnik 211 led Grdina Lanes twice past Hofbrau Haus and Red Kuhar's 211 game.

Jerry Eckert managed 200 and 200 while Tony Maestle shot a 201 for Norwood Pharmacy team which captured one game from Splinters Ct. 1640 who had no 200 bowlers.

High Game of 1943 was the result of team effort by Lube's Lounge who won two from COF Central Chapter. Walt Stangry's 600 series tied for the high series along with John Marincek. Stan Merhar smashed 221 and Paul Vavrek 214 for Lube's.

John Marincek tied high series and bowled high game (231) for Kurtzner Radiator who managed only one victory from Sterle's who had no 200 shooters this week.

Norwood Men's Store zipped up two biggies from KSKJ No. 25. Bud Kovacic was commendable with 209, Tony Urbas 223 for Norwood. Stan Martincic helped KSKJ with 209.

Standings	W	L
Sterle's	15	6
Lube's Lounge	14	7
Mezik Ins.	13	8
Grdina Lanes	13	8
Cimperman's Grocery	12	9
Norwood Pharmacy	11	10
Kurtzner Radiator	10	11
KSKJ No. 25	9	12
Norwood Men Store	9	12
Splinters	8	13
COF Cent. Chapt.	6	15
Hofbrau Haus	6	15

Your Heart — And How It Works

For countless years, the attention of songwriters, poets, authors and movie-makers has been focused on matters of the heart — the "emotional heart," that is. The physical heart, that hollow, muscular organ beating 100,000 times a day to keep your body functioning, has not been quite so fortunate. The only attention it seems to get is when something goes wrong, notes the American Heart Association, Northeast Ohio Affiliate.

Few people even think of their heart during the course of a day and when they do, they think of it as fragile and delicate. This is hardly the case!

The heart is just about the strongest muscle in the body. It is a four-chambered double pump which moves the equivalent of 4,300 gallons of oxygen-rich blood through the circulatory system to the entire body.

An adult's heart is about the size of a man's clenched fist and weighs 12 ounces. It lies in the center of the chest, protected by the breastbone and rib cage and is made mostly of strong muscle tissue called the myocardium.

As the heart beats, contractions of the myocardium pump blood from the heart through 60,000 miles of blood vessels. The heart rests only a fraction of a second between beats. The normal adult circulatory system contains about eight pints of blood which is recirculated continuously.

The inside of the heart is divided into four chambers (two upper and two lower ones) and has a thin, solid wall of tissue separating the right side from the left. Each top chamber is called an atrium and each lower chamber is called a ventricle. The upper and lower chambers are connected by valves which allow the blood to flow in only one direction. In both sides of the heart, notes the Heart Association, blood is pumped from the atrium down to the ventricle.

A drop of blood that begins its journey in the right atrium would first be pumped through a valve into the right ventricle and then into the lungs. There, the blood takes on oxygen and gives up the carbon dioxide it was carrying. The oxygen-rich blood is now ready to nourish body cells but it must first return to the heart.

This time, the blood enters the left atrium and is pumped to the left ventricle. The left ventricle then pumps it out to the cells. Because the left ventricle must pump blood to all parts of the body, it is the largest of the four heart chambers, points out the Heart Association.

When the blood reaches the cell, it gives the cell oxygen and other vital materials and takes away carbon dioxide and waste

Intangible tax evaders face beefed-up enforcers

County Auditor George V. Voinovich said yesterday he is beefing up his enforcement program on intangible tax evaders, even though he feels the tax should be abolished.

"I propose to impose the maximum penalty of 50% on taxes due on those persons who fail to file intangible tax returns," Voinovich said.

The five percent tax is collected on dividends from stocks and interest on bonds. Deadline for filing is April 30. Since becoming Auditor in 1971 Voinovich has increased the intangible tax collection from \$14,476,000 in 1972 to \$15,266,000 in 1974.

Ohio libraries depend upon the intangible tax revenues for almost all operating expenses. Voinovich has been pushing the Ohio Legislature to kill the intangible tax and give libraries a guaranteed revenue base from the Ohio income tax.

"Dividends and interest on stocks and bonds should be taxed as income," Voinovich said. "The highest bracket under Ohio's income tax is three and one half percent. It is not equitable for earnings on stocks and bonds to be taxed at five percent."

Voinovich said that his Personal Property Tax Section is working on improved methods of catching up with non-filers.

"We are putting everyone on notice that intangible tax evaders are taking a big risk," Voinovich said. "The penalties are stiff and they will be enforced."



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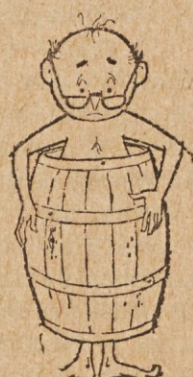
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Young Men's Teen — thru 19
Men's Senior — thru 45
Men's Old Timers — from 46 and older
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Ray Strumbly — 289-8100
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VOA Slovene Broadcasts Terminated February 1

Cleveland, O.—After 32 years and despite strenuous efforts to retain them, the Slovenian broadcasts of the Voice of America were terminated as of Saturday, February 1, 1975.

Among many interventions made in this matter, the effort of Senator Frank Lausche, Cleveland Mayor Ralph Perk, Congressman Joe Skubitz (Kansas) and Phillip Ruppe (Michigan), deserve special mentioning. Also helpful were many other senators and representatives as well as many prominent Slovenes and organizations. Recognition should be given also to "Ameriška Domovina", "Amerikanski Slovenec" and to "Dawn-Zarja".

However, James Keogh, Director of the United States Information Agency, without a persuasive argument, rejected all actions for the continuation of the Slovenian broadcasts in any form. Officially the budgetary reasons and inflation were cited as the reason for their termination. This seems odd, as the Slovenian language was the only one among 37 others, to be totally eliminated.

Some senators and representatives however, indicated, that they will restudy this problem in the near future, when Congress begins hearings on the USIA and VOA budget. It is therefore urgent that Slovenian organizations and individuals anywhere in the United States, write to their senators and congressmen, protest against this decision by the USIA and ask them to demand at the first opportunity that the Slovenian broadcasts of the VOA be reinstated.

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