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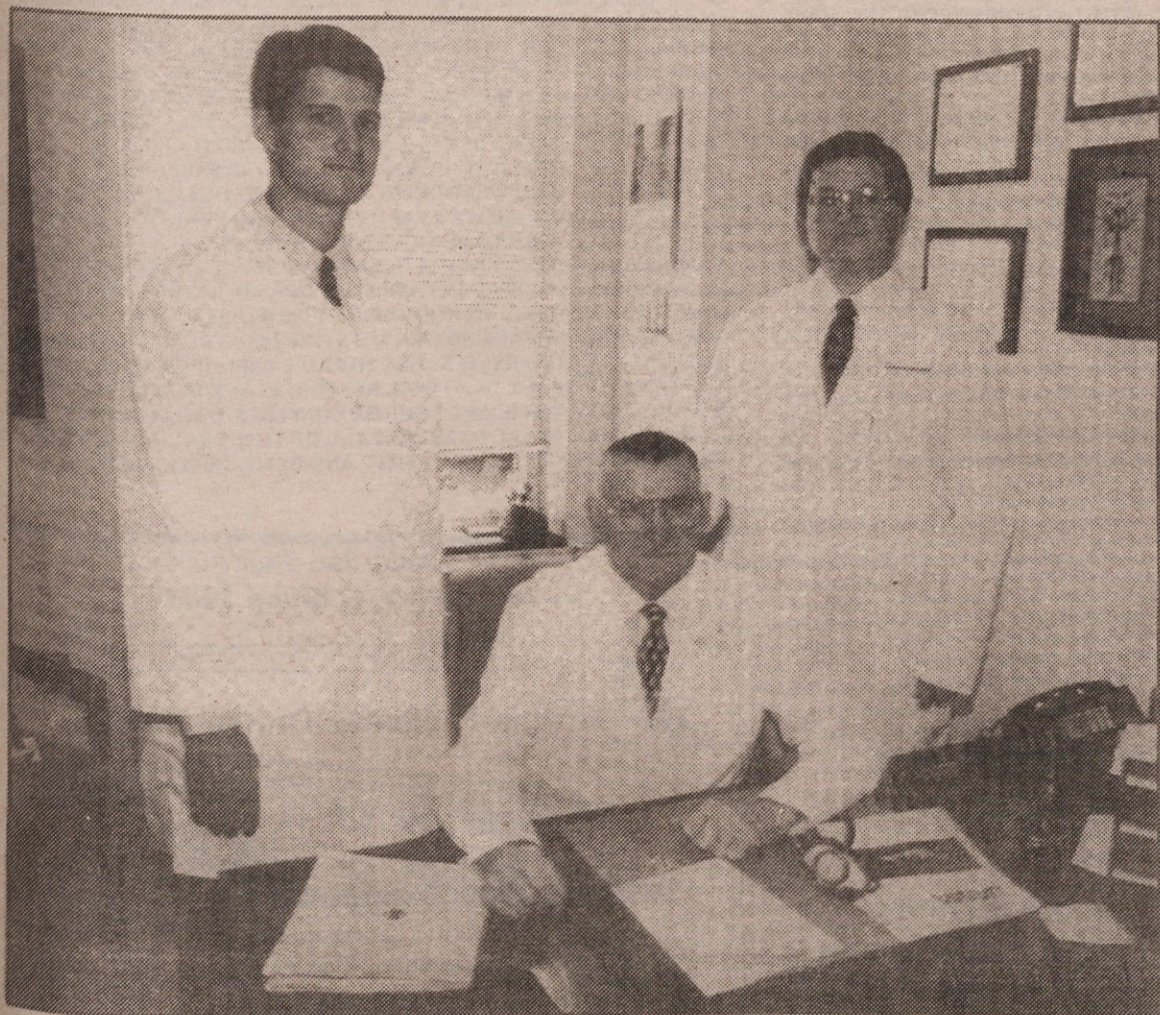
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Three Lukancics now practice at St. Margaret's Hospital and the Spring Valley Medical Clinic. They are (from left) Dr. Steve Lukancic, Dr. Louis "Luke" Lukancic and Dr. Louis "Louie" Lukancic. Steve and "Louie" Lukancic are the sons of Louis.

Three family doctors at same hospital

by Daron Walker

News Tribune Reporter

LaSALLE, IL — In some ways, the halls of St. Margaret's Hospital are looking more like a family affair.

With the recent addition of Dr. Steve Lukancic, three "Dr. Lukancics" are now on the staff at the Spring Valley hospital and its adjacent Spring Valley Medical Clinic.

There is the father, Dr. Louis P. "Luke" Lukancic, a physician for 32 years.

His oldest son, Louis R. or "Louie," 33, joined the staff two years ago. Two weeks ago, 32-year-old radiologist Steve joined the team.

"The word is out. Everyone knows we are all here," said Steve.

Having three doctors on staff in the same facility from the same family is not common, notes St. Margaret's Hospital public relations spokesman.

But the Lukancics aren't so sure.

"I don't know how rare it is. There are some families around. The doctors like to have their children go into medicine," Louie said.

Meanwhile, some special terminology is used to set them apart.

"He's Dr. Louie, I'm Dr. Luke," said the senior Lukancic, known for his dry sense of

humor.

Steve Lukancic is, well, simply known as Dr. Steve.

So far, everything has gone well, said Steve, stepping away from a lighted wall full of illuminated X-ray pictures for his interview.

But with the trio working in the same building, do they often run into each other?

"No, not that commonly. But whenever I read one of his (Luke's) cases I can call him," Steve said.

Steve recently finished a fellowship at Rush Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago. He applied for an opening in the radiology department and won it.

Ironically, he works with his aunt, radiologist Dr. Mildred Monroe.

Louie Lukancic joined the clinic after his uncle, Dr. Kent Monroe, Mildred's husband, retired.

"My uncle retired and I thought it was a good opportunity," said Louie.

Originally, Louie wanted to become a computer engineer but switched to medicine in college.

He now specializes in internal medicine while his father practices family medicine. Both work together in the clinic.

Louie said the relationship is nice because he can ask questions of his father at any time.

"There are no problems at all. It's easy to talk to your father," Louie said. "It is just nice. It's worked out really well. Dad is probably the smartest guy around."

The fact that all three are at the facility has not posed problems. The young guys don't seem to mind working with Dad, Luke said.

"I'm sure there are times when they wonder but it is fun," Luke said.

Luke notes his sons are not the only family members in the medical profession.

His wife, Barbara, originally from Peru, is a nurse.

A daughter, Mary Theresa, also a doctor, is doing her residency in Lutheran General Hospital in Chicago. She may stay in the Chicago area, Louis said.

Luke notes that local residents who go on to medical school often come back to their hometowns. That applies to his sons, too, he said.

"The thing of it is that they (Louie and Steve) grew up in a small town and they like it here," said the senior Lukancic.

After the interview, Luke heads down one of the clinic's halls. He then parts ways with a reporter.

"Don't charge him," he tells a secretary.

Kenik, Meisner earn lifetime polka honor

At Awards Show VII on Saturday, November 26, Wisconsin bandleader Verne Meisner and Cleveland Slovenian vocalist Eddie Kenik will each receive the coveted Lifetime Achievement crystal award from the Polka Hall of Fame.

Also to be recognized as All Time Great Polka and Waltz selections will be "Slap Happy Polka" and "My Alice Waltz."

The Polka Foundation, based in Euclid at the Shore Cultural Center, where the awards show takes place annually, also announced the following will be placed on the Honor Roll: Frank Kalik (Pa.), Frankie Mullec, Nettie Pecon Pecek, Floyd Castigner (Minn.), Joe White, Mary Dolsak, Steve Garchar (Youngs.), and the Collinwood Slovenian Home.

In addition, the winners will be announced during the exciting festivities that begin at 2 p.m. in the following categories: Recording of the Year, Best New or Young Band, Sideman, Individual, Band of the Year, Musician, Individual, Button Box Group, and Individual/Duet, Support/Promotion, and Cultural/Heritage.

Tickets for the two hour professional production are available in advance from the Polka Hall of Fame, 291 E. 222 St. in Euclid for \$10, or at the door for \$12.

The Awards Show is a great part of Tony Petkovsek's annual Polka Party celebration at the Marriott Society Center Hotel in downtown Cleveland on Thanksgiving Weekend, November 24-26. A "Meet the Winners Dance" takes place downtown Saturday evening.

For Slovenians in Italy, Rights Struggle Continues

by JOHN LIPOLD

On one of this old Habsburg port's most heavily-trafficked squares, the Piazza Oberdan, the Trieste Credit Bank is preparing to move into a newly-renovated headquarters building. Owned by members of Italy's Slovenian community, the bank is a symbol of the centuries-old Slovenian presence in Trieste and what is today northeastern Italy.

The bank sits across the street from another symbol. This, the one-time Slovenian National Home, is also under renovation. It functioned as the Slovenian cultural center in the city until it was set ablaze by Fascists in 1920.

These two monuments in the heart of Trieste represent the prominent but difficult position of the Slovenian minority, which, 50 years after World War II, still faces a host of unresolved issues regarding its place in the Italian state.

The Slovenian people continue to assert that they are not granted the same privileges as other ethnic groups in Italy — namely the French and the German minorities. Nor do they see the same entitlements that the Italian ethnic minority receives in Slovenia.

The situation in Italy is taking on special significance as the Republic of Slovenia finds its place in the new European order.

Recently, relations between

Slovenia and Italy have soured over citizenship questions, property rights and Italy's threat to keep Slovenia "out of Europe" — i.e., out of the European Union — until the new state accepts Rome's demands.

After the disintegration of Yugoslavia, Italy called for the renegotiation of several post-war treaties with Slovenia, suggesting that if the new state did not cooperate, it would not join other central European countries, including Austria, Hungary and the Czech Republic, as a new member of the European Union.

Concerns heightened further last spring on the emergence in Italian government of neo-fascists, whose agenda includes renewal of Italian claims to the Istrian peninsula.

Meanwhile, signs of ethnic intolerance are visible in and around Trieste. Visitors to the city over the summer were greeted by a billboard for the Slovenian language newspaper "Primorski Dnevnik" splattered with black paint.

Some see the assault on a more subtle level, however.

In an interview with this writer, Ivo Jevnikar, a member of Slovenska Skupnost, the political party representing the Slovenian community in Italy, said that legislative representation for

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Slovenians in Italy

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the Slovenians has been rendered all but impossible under a recent change in Italian electoral law.

The switch from a proportional voting system to a majority system has cut back in the visibility of the Slovenians both in the northeastern region of Italy and at a national level.

By contrast, representation of the Italian minority in the Slovenian Parliament is constitutionally guaranteed.

But the problem goes beyond political representation. In order to maintain a cultural presence and resist assimilation, members of the Slovenian minority have been pursuing Slovenian-language television programming, Jevnikar said. Despite overtures to the contrary, officials have repeatedly failed to permit Slovenian-language programming on state television in northeastern Italy.

Across the border, however, Italian-language television broadcasts have been permitted for years in the Slovenian port city of Koper.

Jevnikar, who works as a news editor in the Slovenian radio section of RTV Trieste, said that the difficulties of the minority are compounded by

the fact that Slovenians lack unity.

Through better organization, the German-speaking population in Italy's South Tyrol region has gained the right to conduct official business in its own language. But the Slovenes are divided among "five or six" political parties, which diffuses their power, he said.

Another factor that has helped the German-Italians has been the active support of their cause by Austria, Jevnikar said. In the former Yugoslavia, however, the Belgrade government largely ignored the plight of ethnic "Yugoslavs" who were stranded in Italy after the post-war borders were defined.

In spite of the circumstances, the Slovenian ethnic community remains a cultural and economic presence in the region.

It maintains social organizations, grade schools and high schools, and a radio voice at RTV Trieste.

Beside its banks and businesses, the "Vinska Pot Terana" is a sign of its economic success. Situated up on the plain near the Slovenian border, the "wine route" is a string of private wineries and tourist lodges promoted by the

Slovene Regional Chamber of Commerce. Promises of "farm tourism" and the dry red Teran wine attract an international clientele.

All in all, Slovenians exist in the area as they have alongside Italians and other national groups for centuries.

"The Slovenes, in my opinion, are still paying for their original sin, having been the first line of defense in the resistance against the Nazis and Fascists," commented Sandro Canestrini, an Italian civil rights lawyer in the journal "Social Justice." The Slovenian minority has been routinely "deprived of its rights and is the target of an unrelenting campaign to denationalize its culture," Canestrini wrote.

Whether Rome is permitted to ignore these issues as it attempts to increase its influence over the young state of Slovenia will be up to the Slovenian government in Ljubljana and the international community.

Obviously, much is at stake.

Asked what he thought the future would hold for the Slovenians of Italy, Jevnikar gave a resigned look. He then smiled and said things could turn out alright. "We're not going anywhere," he said.

(The writer visited Trieste in July.)

100 WORDS MORE OR LESS BY JOHN MERCINA

ALL SAINTS DAY 1994 !

MILAN STEPPED OFF THE EARLY AFTERNOON TRAIN THAT TOOK HIM FROM LJUBLJANA TO RAKEK. THIS WAS HIS FIRST TRIP TO THE LAND OF HIS PARENTS. IN HIS HANDS, MILAN HELD A DETAILED MAP THAT WAS DRAWN FOR HIM BY HIS FATHER. HE LEFT THE RAILROAD STATION WITH A VIEW OF THE JAVORNIK MOUNTAIN IN FRONT OF HIM AND THE SRNAK HILL BEHIND HIM. HE WALKED DOWN THE HEROJA ISTOKA STREET, NAMED AFTER A PARTIZAN HERO, PASSED THE LOCAL CHURCH, AND CROSSED THE PARTIZANSKA STREET. MILAN CONTINUED ON A NARROW LANE THROUGH THE FIELDS AND THE FOREST AND REACHED THE SKOCIJAN CAVES SOME ONE HOUR LATER. MILAN EASILY LOCATED THE NARROW PATH THAT SNAKED PAST THE RUINS MARKING THE LOCATION OF AN OLD CHAPEL. HE CAREFULLY WALKED TOWARD THE RAK RIVER UNTIL HE HAD A FULL VIEW OF THE NATURAL SKOCIJAN BRIDGE IN ALL ITS FALL SPLendor. WITH MEASURED STEPS HE COUNTED TO THE SPOT MARKED ON HIS MAP. HE LOCATED THE SMALL METAL ROD THAT MARKED THIS HOLY GROUND. THE RUSTY PIECE OF METAL MARKED THE BURIAL SPOT OF MILAN'S GRANDFATHER, MIRKO. MILAN REMOVED A SMALL CANDLE FROM HIS COAT POCKET, PLACED IT CLOSE TO THE MARKED SPOT AND LIT IT. HE KNELT DOWN AND SAID A PRAYER FOR HIS GRANDFATHER WHO WAS BURIED AT THIS SPOT DURING WORLD WAR II. KILLED BY THE COMMUNIST PARTIZANS, MIRKO'S EARTHLY REMAINS WERE NOT ALLOWED TO BE MOVED BY THE POST-WAR GOVERNMENT YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE SLOVENIJA GAINED ITS INDEPENDENCE. MIRKO'S SKELETAL REMAINS ARE STILL BURIED IN THE UNMARKED GRAVE, KNOWN ONLY TO GOD AND THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY. HOW MANY OTHER UNMARKED GRAVES STILL DOT THE BEAUTIFUL SLOVENIAN COUNTRYSIDE? LET MIRKO'S REMAINS AND THOSE OF OTHERS FIND PEACE IN A FINAL RESTING PLACE RESERVED FOR HEROES FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE CONFLICT. ONLY WHEN A CANDLE OF PEACE CAN BE LIT TO HONOR ALL OF THESE FALLEN SLOVENIANS WILL SLOVENIA BE TRULY A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC NATION.

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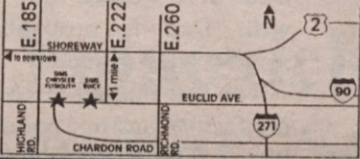
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Pursuit of happiness?

One of the biggest responses to any article ever written in the American Home came from the front page editorial last week, "We Demand Action — Now." An hour after the paper hit the streets on Thursday morning to Wednesday, people were calling in total support.

We have heard from people who live in the immediate St. Clair area to those living in far off suburbs, both the east and west side. The consensus is: "We must preserve the original Slovenian settlement along St. Clair Avenue." The business people have come out in reinforcement; and residents have strengthened their resolve to take the streets back.

At stake here are not only the Slovenian monuments such as the Slovenian National Home, and St. Vitus Church, but, if we may be so bold as to add the American Home Publishing Company and just about every other honest business in the vicinity.

As Father Evans spoke on television last week, "Don't be afraid to walk the streets. Be assertive."

As we saw in the East Ohio Gas Explosion edition, the Slovenian people were fair in dealing with the company. We likewise, have always been fair with the city. As a matter of fact, up to now we have been too humble.

But as Rev. Joseph Božnar said, "It is now the 11th hour and we must act decisively."

The residents and businesses have not asked the city for shelter; we have not asked for food; we have not asked the government's treasury for schooling; we have not asked anyone to pay for any part of our basic lives. Slovenians throughout history have put their shoulder to the plow and have been willing to work for their substance.

But at the same time, we are paying taxes for basic necessities, and one of them is what Thomas Jefferson wrote in the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, "... they are endowed with certain unalienable rights, that

among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

That's all we are asking. No not asking any more — but we are now demanding it.

Downtown developers have put money into the sports facilities and named sports entities after themselves and the city has gone along. But now it's time to put some funds into the neighborhoods.

There are elections now, and the mood of the people throughout the United States are suspicious of politicians. Why?

One of the immediate responses is: gerrymandering; that is, altering the shape of voting districts to the advantage of a political party. Throughout the United States look what political bosses have done. In Cleveland's east side, the St. Clair neighborhood encompasses downtown Cleveland. We in the neighborhood should have our own councilman to fight for us.

John Mercina wrote last week that Mrs. Marija Mrva was denied her right to a peaceful death. She survived the horrors of World War II only to be brutally murdered in her own home in the United States.

Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Jefferson's next words are, "that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men,..."

It doesn't say government was created to benefit political parties; it doesn't say government was instituted to pay for sports arenas. — It says government was instituted to give men the right of Life, Liberty, Pursuit of Happiness.

It is the 11th hour. The front line troops throughout the city are weary; some have died, some have deserted, some have surrendered. The brave fight on. But they wonder: where is the cavalry? Where are the replacements?

Meanwhile, crime continues its march to the sea as the clock moves ominously toward midnight.

James V. Debevec

Eucharistic devotions

St. Vitus parish will hold Eucharistic devotions on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 4, 5, and 6th. Everyone is urged to visit the church during the exposition in quiet adoration.

The homilist at the closing ceremony on Sunday at 4 p.m. will be Deacon Edward McCarthy and Fr. Joseph Božnar.

In Memory

Enclosed is a \$20.00 donation to Ameriška Domovina in memory of Frances and Jean Ambrosic.

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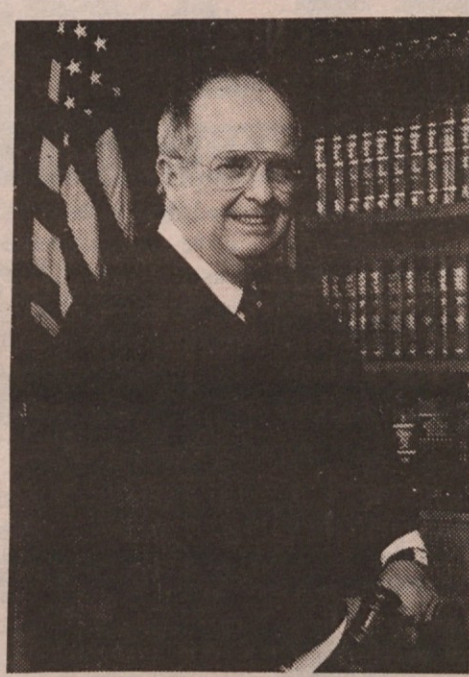
Goulash Dinner

St. Mary's (Collinwood) Holy Name Society is serving a goulash dinner on Saturday, November 12 beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00

Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine will sponsor a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 13, from 1 to 6 p.m. Dinner will be served in St. Ann Dining Room on the shrine grounds.

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4 **Senior couple finds love on McDonald's menu**

by Clifford Anthony
Sun Scoop Journal

It was love at first sight. The moment he laid eyes on her he felt that she was meant for him. "She is God's special creation," as he puts it.

Within a month of their first meeting, they became husband and wife on Sweetest Day. Their ride in the fast lane is very much in character with the fast food joint where they met.

The only difference in this fairy tale-like wedding is that the groom is 91 and the bride is 85, an ideal topic for love stories and songs.

"You are the sweetest thing God has ever made," Philip Gaeta, 91, cooed as he caressed Antonette Celesnik, 85, at McDonald's restaurant at Euclid Beach Park on Lake Shore Boulevard, their rendezvous.

Philip, a Willoughby resident, and Antonette, who lives in Euclid Beach Villa and Club behind the restaurant, have been visiting the restaurant for more than five years.

It was the cheese cake and the leisurely drive from his home that attracted Philip to that particular restaurant, a hangout for senior citizens in the neighborhood.

Through they were regular customers, the two never met until last month.

"I was sitting here having my coffee and cake as usual, and she came and sat there," said a starry eyed Philip, pointing to a table six to eight feet away. "An angel (Cupid) might have shot an arrow at her and she hit me with that arrow. That went right through my heart."

Philip said the next thing he knew he was asking her to dine with him. Antonette was hesi-

tant and replied that she hadn't been on a date since her husband, John, died six years ago.

"Then, I'm the right man to go with," answered Philip. "I'm a perfect gentleman." that remark quelled her fears and she agreed. Thus began their courtship, the envy of other regulars at the McDonald's restaurant. Occasionally, it also became a topic of hush-hush gossip among others who had seen their friendship quickly blossom into love.

This is the second wedding for Antonette and Phillip. He lost his wife six years ago, after 65 years of marriage. Antonette had been married for 60 years.

Philip's two sons, who are 76 and 71, are at a loss to understand their father's late remarriage, he said. But Antonette's 65-year-old son is enthusiastic and encouraging.

Philip and Antonette who are head over heels in love with each other, can't remember when he proposed. "He didn't kneel or do anything like that in the movies," Antonette said. "He asked me and I agreed. I never thought I would marry again."

Rev. Thomas Haren, pastor of St. Jerome's Church on Lake Shore Boulevard, wanted the couple to wait six months when he heard about their intentions.

"Father, we are too old. We can't afford to wait another six months," they replied.

For Haren, it was an interesting experience to officiate at their wedding, held on Saturday. He said he waived the customary six month waiting period and marriage preparation sessions because

"when I looked at them, what could I teach them?"

During his 21 years as a priest, Haren has officiated at more than 500 weddings. But this is the oldest couple he has married. "It's an experience to remember," he said. "I'm happy to celebrate their marriage."

Soon after the marriage, the couple hosted a reception at an aptly chosen venue — the McDonald's restaurant where they met.

The restaurant's staff baked a special wedding cake, decorated the area and distributed goodies to the large number of guests and curious onlookers.

The restaurant's manager, Angela Vaughan, said she was surprised to learn about their wedding. "Every day, we serve more than 300 senior customers here. They chat and laugh. But I had no idea that there would be romance and one of them would meet a life partner here."

Vaughan said that during her nine-year career with the restaurant chain she hasn't seen romance blooming among her customers. "This is pure love," she said.

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Thanksgiving Eve — Jam Session

With Thanksgiving Day fast approaching, the Board of Directors of the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue are happy to announce they will be holding their fifth annual "Jam Session" on Wednesday, November 23. It will take place at the Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Avenue. It will begin at 7 p.m. in the Eddie Kenik Room (formerly known as the annex).

General admission is \$1.

One of the featured bands will be the Lake Erie Button Box Club along with other well-known musicians. All musicians are warmly welcome and asked to bring their instruments. Free admission to all musicians with their instruments.

Why not "kick off" the holiday season by getting a group of your friends together for an evening of fun and entertainment. If you will be going to Tony Petkovsek's gala celebration, why not make it a point to also attend our "Jam Session?" We will look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, the 23rd.

—Sylvia Plymsser

In Memory

Enclosed is a check for \$30.00 for one year's subscription and \$5.00 in memory of my parents, **Joseph and Anna Doles**.

They were life-long subscribers to Ameriška Domovina.

It was a daily publication at the time and they eagerly awaited its delivery, to read local news and events happening in their homeland — Slovenia.

I also enjoy the news and articles in the 'Domovina.'

Cecilia Leskovec
Cleveland, Ohio

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Enclosed is a check for \$25.00, a donation for the paper in memory of our father, **John Grill**.

Rose A. Rodgers
Alma Tercek
Euclid, Ohio

Article 'Hits Home'

Editor:
I live in Chandler, Arizona and occasionally call my sister-in-law who lives in Euclid, Ohio. I mentioned reading an article about Jim and Madeline Debevec's trip to Slovenia this summer when they stopped in Novo Mesto and went to see the Pleterje Monastery.

It was the first time I had seen an article hit so close to home. My parents came from St. Jernej. My father and the boys in his class at Sv. Miklavš church, Vas Mihovo (circa 1904) were invited by the monks to be altar boys at the Christmas Mass. He always remembered that he and his classmates were excited and pleased to have such an honor bestowed upon them.

Getting back to my sister-in-law, she said to me, "How come you know so much about Slovenia, Cleveland and surrounding areas, while you live in Arizona and I live here." I told her it was because I get the Ameriška Domovina and you don't."

So... enclosed you will find my check to pay for my subscription and a gift subscription for her.

My husband, Frank, and I have lived in Chandler, Arizona since 1980 and we enjoy receiving the Ameriška Domovina very much, and hope it lives on forever.

M/M Frank Cecelic
Chandler, Arizona

Ed. Note: Thank you very much for your kind words and your action. The paper will never die with subscribers like you who are willing to help perpetuate Slovenian culture through letting others discover the history and beauty of being Slovenian through the pages of Ameriška Domovina.

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On Saturday, November 5th, St. Vitus School Class of 1934 will celebrate its 60th reunion with a 5 p.m. anniversary Mass at St. Vitus Church followed by dinner at Sterle's Slovenian Country House.

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Sunday, Nov. 6

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Friday, Nov. 11

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., 8-12 p.m., featuring Eddie Grech-Joey G.

Saturday, Nov. 12

Jadran Singing Society concert, dinner, and dance at Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Road. For tickets at \$16 call 951-1694 or 531-3979.

Sunday, November 13

Fall Concert of Slovenian Junior Chorus, Circle 2 at Slovenian Society Home.

Sunday, Nov. 13

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., featuring Joey Tomsick from 4 - 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 19

St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655 is celebrating its 45th anniversary with a banquet and dance in St. Vitus auditorium. Polka Mass in St. Vitus church at 5 p.m., followed by cocktails at 6 and dinner at 7. Music by Orcaes. Open bar. Guarded parking. Donation \$20.00.

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The St. Clair Rifle and Hunting Club will sponsor Turkey Shoots every Sunday until November 20, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at their grounds. Call 942-4025 for further information.

Wednesday, Nov. 23

Thanksgiving Eve Jam Session, St. Clair Slovenian National Home, 7 p.m. General Admission: \$1.00.

Thursday, November 24

Thanksgiving Day Polka Party from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. in Marriott Society Center Hotel, 127 Public Square at St. Clair, downtown Cleveland. Donation \$10.

Friday, November 25

Thanksgiving Friday Polka Party from 4 p.m. until 2 a.m. in Marriott Society Center Hotel, 127 Public Square at St. Clair, Cleveland. 7 polka bands. Admission \$10.

Saturday, November 26

Polka Awards Show 7 at Euclid Cultural Center.

Sunday, Dec. 4

St. Nicholas Day program in the St. Vitus parish auditorium, E. 62nd and St. Clair Ave. at 3 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

Children's Christmas Party for KSKJ St. Lawrence Lodge No. 63, St. Joseph Lodge No. 146, and St. Anne Lodge No. 150, 3 p.m., Slovenian Hall on E. 80th St.

— 1995 —

Sunday, Feb. 19

Kosilo (annual fund raising dinner) served in the St. Vitus school auditorium, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Mother's Day program, 6:30 p.m. in the St. Vitus parish auditorium.

Christmas boutique

A Christmas Boutique and Craft Show will be held in the St. Ann Dining Room at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, November 5 and 6 from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Political experts and public opinion believe Jerry Brentar will defeat and unseat incumbent Eric Fingerhut in the November 8th General Election. Jerry Brentar has always been the most likely candidate to defeat the incumbent. Brentar would bring back integrity to the office for the people of the 19th District. Brentar is by far the most respected, trusted and obviously the most experienced, particularly in the areas of business and foreign affairs.

Brentar is Not a politician nor a lawyer which we need less of. Brentar is a last of a breed that puts American, the Constitution and his community, the 19th District, first.

Brentar has no desire to make Congress a career and he is for term limits for all politicians. He stated, "The office of Congress is entrusted to you by the citizens of the District and you are employed by the voters of the District and when you betray the trust of the

voters you should be voted out or resign." Congress makes the laws and should be the first to abide by them.

Brentar is a graduate of Case Western Reserve University and Graduate Studies at University of Munich. Brentar has extensive world experience in business and travel and a person who is fluent in six languages and is Not for "One World Government." Brentar would definitely be an asset to District 19, Congressional

seat. There would be no one in the House of Representatives who has his overall capabilities. Brentar is well qualified to become the elected representative for District 19, which encompasses all of Lake, Ashtabula counties, and parts of many communities in Cuyahoga County.

Brentar is unusual in that nearly everyone speaks of him in so many positive ways. He will support, introduce and work to co-sponsor legislation

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John Demjanjuk with Jerome A. Brentar, defender of the innocent, in his home after seven years imprisonment in Israel and 17 years of persecution and prosecution by the OSI.



Jerome A. Brentar with Mr. Arthur Rudolph, the famous German space scientist, whose Saturn V rocket took Armstrong, Aldrin & Collins to the moon on July 20th, 1969; in the company of his wife. Mr. Brentar was Dr. Rudolph's defender at the 1991 legal proceedings in Toronto, Canada.



Earlier photo of Mr. Brentar's family with cousin Msgr. Milan Simic of the Office of the Clergy in the Vatican. Mrs. Brentar (missing) took this picture in the Vatican Gardens.

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On Wednesday, Oct. 12, the Holmes Avenue Pensioners meeting started promptly at 12:30 p.m. by President John Habat. In attendance were 141 members.

After minutes and treasurer's report, Antoinette McGrath gave her report of events in the neighborhood. Playground "Hope" is now open at Euclid Beach Park. Congratulations to our 6th District Police Chief Commander Rocco Polutro who was promoted Deputy Chief of Special Operation. Our new commander is Gary R. Payne. Welcome.

Congratulations to our President John Habat who was enshrined into the Euclid Sports Hall of Fame. Congratulations, also to Antoinette McGrath who was enrolled into the St. Vitus Alumni Hall of Fame.

Now some news about the Collinwood Slovenian Home on Holmes Avenue. Twenty new tables were purchased for the first floor and new ceiling lights were installed. Fish fries will begin in the near future.

St. Mary's Church will be celebrating its 90th anniversary next year. Any old photos or artifacts are welcome.

Our Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 1 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Nov. 9th meeting.

First trip in 1995 will be to the Tangiers in January for the polka party.

A program of slides of Slovenia was given by Frances Babic of Croatian Home, Eastlake.

Nominating committee members are Antoinette McGrath, Mary Lavrich,

Mary Gornick. No nominations from the floor. The slate for 1995 was presented. President: John Habat, Vice President: Matt Zabukovec, Rec. Sec.: Jennie Tuma, Financial Treasurer: Louise Fujda, Assistant: Ann Becker.

Music was played by Frank Vremel.

See you at the Wednesday, Nov. 9th meeting.

Ann Stefancic
Reporter

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My hometown newspaper, The Forest City News, in order to save costs of billing and postage, prints the expiration date above the mailing address each week. They seem to find it very satisfactory. Perhaps you would find it helpful as I am sure many of your subscribers are in different cities.

We enjoy the news from Cleveland and wish we could read a bit more of the Slovenian.

Mrs. Frank Furlan
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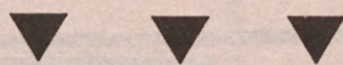
Explosion Edition almost gone

There are only about 50 copies left of the edition featuring the East Ohio Gas Explosion. We printed an extra 500, but they are going fast. They are 50¢ at the office, and \$1.00 each by mail.

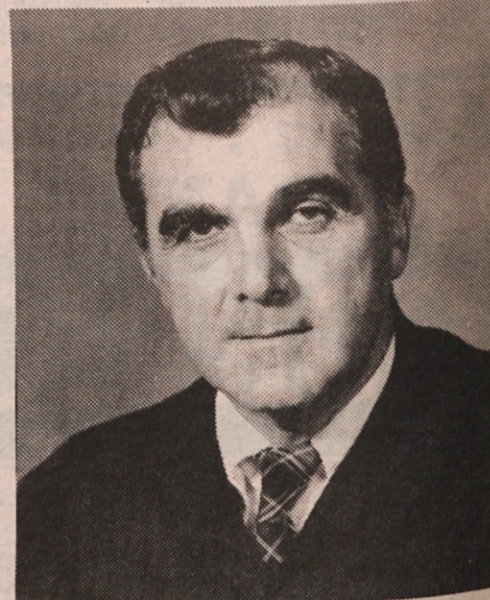
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Slovenia: a Feast for the Eyes and Palate

by Betty Rotar

(Continued from last week)

Part II

As most people realize, it takes a tremendous amount of work and detailed preparation to insure a successful tour. Hundreds of faxes, letters and telephone messages were exchanged between Kollander World Travel, who took care of the arrangements for of the arrangements for Jadran's Slovenian Tour and Slovenska Izseljenska Matica and Kompas Tourist Agency who handled all our concert tours and found hosts throughout our two week tour on the other side of the Atlantic.

Although the plane landed about one-half hour later than planned, all picked up their luggage in short order; we boarded our German-made bus and took off for a sightseeing tour of Munich.

We had a local guide who pointed out the Olympic Village, BMW headquarters and other points of interest including a stop at the Nymphenburg Palace grounds. We were able to get out and stretch our legs as well as have an opportunity to take pictures of the beautiful swans on the lake and exterior shots of the palace itself. Time did not allow for a complete tour, as this is one place where you can literally spend an entire day.

In 1990 when my husband Sonny, son Mark and sister Sophie Matuch and her daughter Jeanne made the trip, we boarded a tram at Marienplatz and headed for the palace. In addition to the Main Palace which features a ceiling fresco in the Great Hall, a "Gallery of Beauties" and a Blue Salon, there are also five smaller storybook-like castles on the grounds. The second largest is Amalienburg which boasts a Hall of Mirrors, a Pheasant Room and a Delft Tile Kitchen. Badenburger and Pagodenburg both have Chinese Drawing Rooms and a Swimming Pool (called a bath) while Magdalenklause is completely different with walls of stone encrusted with artificial coral, shells and colored pebbles throughout its interior. All are surrounded by beautifully landscaped and manicured gardens.

It also features a restaurant where one can rest between viewing the different castles and there is a museum in the main castle wing of old carriages and sleighs that were used for parades and weddings of the royalty of that era. If you ever find yourself in Munich for several days, it is well worth your while to spend the time visiting the Nymphenburg Palace.

We finished our sightseeing and joined the throngs of people who gathered at Marienplatz each day, awaiting the famous Glockenspiel Ringing of the Bells. We had an hour or so to wait, so we visited the nearby

market place and, of course, a ratskeller to partake of that famous "German beer."

We gathered for the 5 p.m. Glockenspiel show and for those who were viewing it for the first time, it was extremely intriguing and exciting to watch. It's a two part show on two levels; on one you see the two knights come charging on horses; on the lower level, there are dancers and merry makers.

After the show, we left the city of Munich and headed for Inzell where we were to spend our first night. This charming Bavarian village is just as clean and beautiful as you might expect. We had a delightful dinner at the Hotel Bayerischer Hof which included a delicious lettuce soup (very different) and then celebrated Tom Zab-

jek's birthday complete with sparklers. After dinner, most of us walked down the street and joined the villagers who were having a festival in a park nearby.

The next morning it was on to Salzburg for a visit to the Mirabell Gardens and a tour of the Old Town. We were blessed with a beautiful day, warm and sunny; perfect for enjoying Salzburg's quaint ornamental shop signs; the fountains and cathedral; Mozart's birthplace which is now a museum; and his residence as a child. There was a little time for shopping and lunch before we were off again to head for Slovenia.

As we crossed the border at Graz, all on the bus were excited as we were not far from our first Slovenian destination, Slovenj Gradec. We ar-

rived soon after 6 p.m. and said goodbye to our German bus driver, Gerhardt and were greeted warmly by a young sister/brother act playing their button boxes, as well as the members of the Lesna Octet and the president of the Opčina, Janez Komljanec.

What a happy reunion. So many of us had met and knew both the president of Slovenj Gradec and the Octet when they came to Cleveland under the auspices of the SNPJ in 1992. It was like old homeweek.

We were immediately greeted with songs by the octet and then, all sat down to yet another delicious dinner at the Kompas Hotel which would be our home for the next two nights. A few of us joined with Janez Komljanec (president of the Opčina, Slovenj Gradec),

Tadeja Šrekl (SIM), Mojca Sosterič (Kompas), Franjo Murko (Lesna Manager) and Marjana Stalekar (Dir. of the Cultural Home) at a nearby hilltop restaurant with a view of the whole city, to discuss the plans for the next day.

When we arrived back at the hotel, Jadran members and friends were in full swing, singing and dancing, and of course, drinking. What else? Wine!

Among other songs, we sang "Že dolgo nismo pili ga" where you call out a name and that person has to drink his glass of wine in one gulp and turn the glass upside down when finished. Well, I don't have to tell you what fun that was!

Wine flowed like water and the festivities went well into the night. About 2 a.m. some of our members who went to bed earlier came out on the balcony to remind us that we *did* have a concert to sing that night. Oh well, it was a night I'm sure many of us will treasure and remember for many years to come.

The next morning after breakfast, Florence Unetich and I along with Franjo Murko walked down to the local radio station for an interview in Slovenian where we talked about Jadran's longevity, what type of programs we perform and, publicity regarding our concert that evening.

We then boarded a bus for Velenje where we were greeted by Marjan Marinšek. Marjan was in Cleveland several years ago with an exhibit of Gaspari prints at the Mural Art Gallery at 65th and St. Clair. After a short drive through the town, we started to walk down a path that took us to Kavčnikova Domačija (Kavčnik house) which is approximately 400 years old.

We were greeted with "slivoka" and homemade bread which we dipped in salt as our welcome. The so-called "black kitchen" and all the amenities of the time are still in tact. As you enter the house you are welcomed by the smell and sight of the smoke still hovering below the low ceiling. In addition, there is a working corner for the master of the house complete with all the tools of yesteryear and the bed beside the working table which is covered with linen sheets, hand woven and taken from the mother's dowry.

Perhaps the most memorable experience of the visit will be seeing that elderly woman mending a pair of socks and singing "Slovenka Sem" in duet with Marjan Marinšek as he played on a zither. It brought tears to everyone's eyes.

The jaunt back to the bus was quite an experience. Although it was easy going downhill, the return trip was quite difficult for some of the less hardy members of the group. However, some were

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Chuck Crow/News-Herald

Paul Kosir, president of Mentor-based Pako, Inc., holds a very high quality jet tubing assembly with seven tubes for fuel and oil.

Jet engine parts maker plans to meet challenge

By Scott Suttell

News-Herald Business Writer

Paul Kosir likes a challenge.

Twenty years after coming to the United States to become a manufacturing engineer, the Slovenian native in 1973 struck out on his own by forming PAKO Inc., a manufacturer of jet-engine parts.

"It just started from nothing, really," said Kosir, who had worked at Midland Design Co. and Parker Hannifin Corp. before forming PAKO. "In those days, we were handling all sorts of things that came up. Then we started to grow, and every year we were adding people."

The boom times for the company reached a peak in 1990, when sales were increasing 30 percent a year, the number of employees had reached 65 and the company moved from Wiloughby into a 32,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art manufacturing plant at 7615 Jenther Drive in Mentor.

But new realities have set into the jet-engine parts industry, and Kosir's relish for a challenge is being tested again.

"The aerospace industry has been hit as hard as any in the recession," said Paula Campbell, who follows the industry for Mitchell Co. in New York. "The combination of a weak commercial sector and lower defense expenditures has made it very hard for suppliers to survive."

PAKO has not been immune to such problems. In the last year, a key customer, General Electric Co., has begun making virtually all its jet-engine parts in house. It now has 54 employees, down a bit from the high of three years ago.

"We were fortunate to be able to expand quite a bit from where we started," Kosir said.

"I'm glad we didn't go faster than we did. Other companies that went too fast aren't around today."

Kosir said the company is attacking the industry's troubles with a back-to-basics strategy emphasizing product quality and marketing and sales techniques.

"For a long time, getting jobs from GE was automatic, because our quality made us one of their top suppliers," Kosir said. "Now, we have to look other places to get work."

Recently, the company sponsored an open house for existing and potential customers to showcase the more than 500 engine assemblies it makes at the Mentor plant. PAKO handles the assemblies from birth to delivery, working from customer specs to design, manufacture and ship the parts.

Workers in PAKO's meticulously clean, air-conditioned manufacturing floor turn out tubs, tube assemblies, manifolds, brackets, oil nozzles and other parts that are subjected to a lengthy quality-control inspection.

"We know we'll get work, because we're structurally sound and the quality is there," said Michael Ussai, an engineering team leader at the company. "We are always willing to adapt to the changes in the market."

Those changes, Kosir said, have made it necessary for PAKO to expand its sales and marketing force. Since about 70 percent of its business comes from the commercial sector, Kosir said PAKO is focusing its efforts on that market.

As the nation's economy rebounds, Kosir said, the jet-engine industry should follow.

"This industry is experiencing a lot of changes, and we are too," he said. "We will be able to stay in the aircraft business. We are busy again, and we're tooling up for the future."

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driven back and somehow, the rest of us made it up the steep hill.

We had lunch at Tina's Tourist Home and were served among other delicious food, "Žgance" štrukle with nuts. The entire meal was prepared by members of the family and even the younger children were helping to serve and clean up when we had finished. You sure knew you were in the country because, right outside the home, there were several cows lying contently in the cool, green grass.

On the return to Slovenj Gradec, we were taken on a tour of St. Elizabeth's Church with its Romanesque nave and interior appointments in the Baroque style built in 1251; as well as the Church of the Holy Spirit which features a slate roof and a most remarkable presbytery with ribbed stellar vaulting from about 1420; and the birthplace of Hugo Wolf. Jozse Leskovar, President of the Hugo Wolf Museum and School of Music, gave us a brief history of Hugo Wolf's life in Slovenj Gradec and played us a beautiful Slovenian song on the piano.

It was getting dangerously close to our concert hour, so we hurried to our rooms to get dressed and walked the short distance to the Cultural Hall. We were honored to have the Lesna Octet join with us in singing our opening number, "Zdravljica" the Slovene National Anthem. They joined the rest of the audience for the remainder of the program who were all most generous with their wild applause. Both Dr. Mirko Jurak and Tedeja Šrekl

were there from Slovenska Izselska Matica as well as our local hosts who all gave appropriate talks and presented us with a giant "srček" and bouquets of flowers.

After the concert we all walked back to the Hotel where not only a beautiful but a scrumptious buffet awaited us. Again, we ate, sang and socialized till the wee hours of the morning with our hosts and friends.

We were all pleased to see that Janez Komljanec, the Lesna Octet Singers and others came to bid us farewell as we left the next morning. However, it would be only for a short time, as we were going to see them all again at the Slovenski Izselski Picnic in Postojna the following day, as they, too, were going to appear on the cultural program there.

(To Be Continued)

DEATH NOTICES

JOHN VARSEK

John Varsek was a member of the Yugoslav Olympic Gymnast Squad but could not compete because the Olympics were canceled in 1940 and 1944 because of World War II.

He had earned his berth by competing in world-class events throughout Europe. His specialty was the parallel bars. He was awarded the Medal of St. Sava, Yugoslavia's highest civilian honor, presented by King Peter of Yugoslavia.

Mr. Varsek, 90, of Euclid, died Friday at Gateway Health Care Center in that city.

He was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia, and came to Cleveland in 1949. He lived in Cleveland, Geneva, and Euclid.

He organized the Slovenian Gymnastic Youth Group, which had up to 100 pupils. He coached the students, and they traveled around the country performing in exhibitions.

Mr. Varsek practiced on the parallel bars until he was 70.

He was active in Slovenian cultural organizations such as the St. Vitus Lira Choir, Slovenian Drama Club, Slovenska Pristava in Geneva, and Tabor veterans group.

He also worked as a machinist for PMC Industries in Wickliffe for 15 years.

In his later years, he enjoyed playing balinca a Slovenian version of bocce.

Mr. Varsek is survived by daughters Josephine Merc and Blanca Tonkli, both of Euclid; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three sisters.

His wife, Josephine, died in 1989.

Services were Wednesday at 10 a.m. in St. Vitus Catholic Church, 6019 Glass Ave., Cleveland. Arrangements were handled by the Dan Cosic Funeral Home in Willoughby Hills, Ohio.

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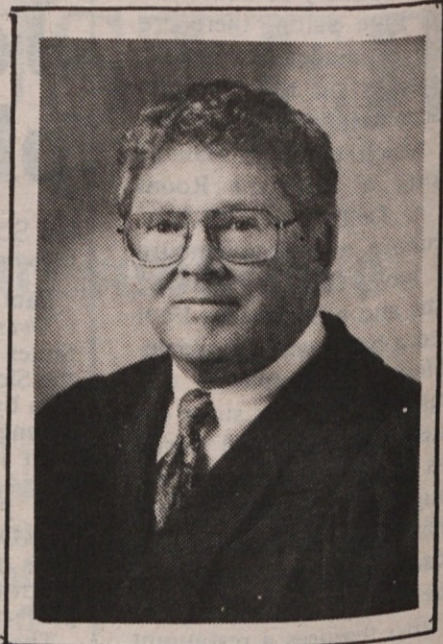
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Why Slovenia follows the EU rule book

by Joseph Dalby
The European

Finland, Austria, Norway and Sweden have yet to vote on whether or join the European Union.

However, speculation has already focused on which former Eastern Bloc countries will be in a position to join and when.

The most pressing need for these new states has been to put in place a legal order which is attractive to business

at home and abroad. Taking the plunge into capitalism is, however, no casual affair, as Slovenia, which won its independence from Yugoslavia with a ten-day war in 1991, knows well.

Slovenian law has come a long way. In the beginning, the new republic was forced to adopt most of the communist-inspired laws of Yugoslavia to give itself a starting point for reform, even though it had eschewed all political affilia-

tion overnight.

Three years later, it has a commercial legal system which is one of the most modern in Europe.

Sharing a border with the Union, Slovenia recognizes the trade and future membership possibilities. It is, therefore, no coincidence that in the overhaul of its commercial rules all new legislation has to be seen to reflect Union law.

From financial sector regulations to trade and customs requirements to the technical specifications for products, all fit in neatly with Union practices.

In the case of its recently adopted company law,

Slovenia has chosen to use German and Austrian laws as a role model.

Rules on incorporations are, in fact, a near-translation of the German law, although, as an attempt at improvement, Slovenia has preferred to follow the practice of France in respect to the legal status of partnerships.

Themes such as social ownership and state monopolies which were central to a controlled economy are, of course, not left intact.

As with other central and east European states, western European law firms have been brought in to dismantle these dinosaurs through privatization in programs overseen by the EU.



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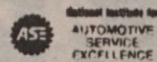
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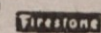
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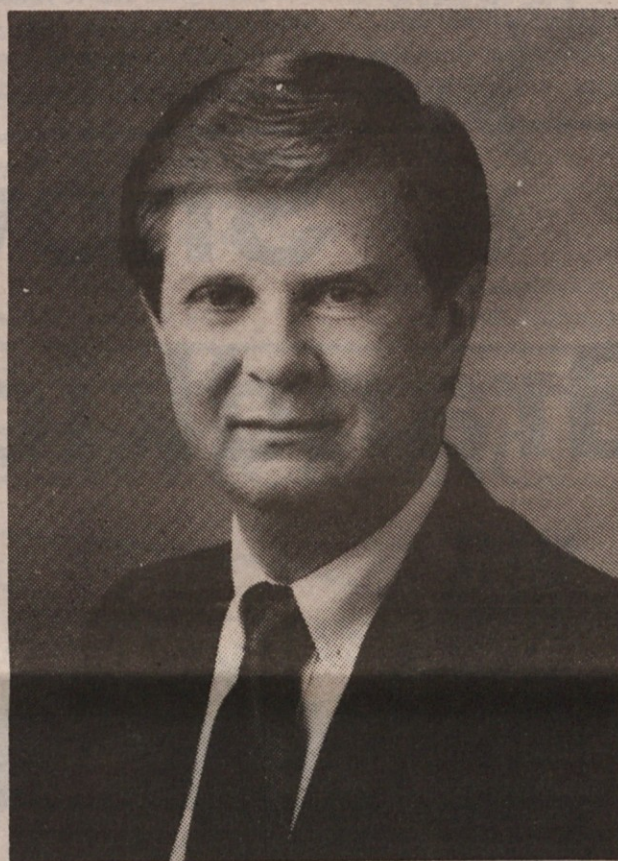
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Project coordinator John Vrhovnik, right, and project builder Hank Brass proudly display the Special Forces Association memorial exhibit for Green Berets.

(Photo by Stephen S. Counsel, News-Herald)

Mentor-Built Memorial Honors Sacrifice of Green Berets

by John R. Thorne
News-Herald

A Green Beret memorial built in Mentor will pay tribute to dead soldiers whose identities were kept secret since the establishment of the Special

Forces in 1953.

Veterans attending the 1994 Special Forces Convention in Independence, Ohio recently were the first to see the illuminated memorial wall, which honors those who died

in the line of duty.

The Army-issued parachute that covered the wall was lifted, revealing the names of 700 Green Berets who lost their lives fighting in such battlegrounds as Korea and Bosnia. The unveiling took place before some 600 Green Berets and their families. "The wall was more or less the keynote attention gatherer at the dinner," said Kirtland, Ohio resident Kevin Prendergast, an original member of the Special Forces division. "The heroes of the Green Berets are the ones who did not come home."

The memory of those who were killed has been kept only in the minds of their "brothers" until now, said Nick Godano, a Green Beret who drove in from New York to attend the annual convention, which is held yearly in different cities around the country.

The wall was constructed in Mentor, Ohio at Rogers Display by three employees

who volunteered four weeks.

"I just did it as a favor," said John Vrhovnik, a carpenter-turned-account-executive at Rogers. "I wanted to do something for our armed forces. They've fought for us. I just wanted to do something for them."

Vrhovnik was asked to do the project by a client who is also a Green Beret. If Rogers was contracted to build the display, it would have cost about \$14,000.

"I told John (Vrhovnik) depending on the size, I'd be willing to donate my time," said Hank Brass, a member of the Local 639 Sign and Display Buildings of Ohio and volunteer for the project. "I've always had a soft spot for veteran groups."

The wall, which stands over 7 feet tall, edifies the battlefields where Green Berets were killed or taken hostage. It was taken to Fort Bragg, NC after the convention.

John Vrhovnik is the son of

Vincent and Mary Vrhovnik of Mentor. Hank Brass is of Lithuanian heritage.

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Recent Deaths

JOSEPH J. MERHAR

Joseph J. Merhar, 72, a 38 year resident of Richmond Heights, formerly of Cleveland, passed away Friday, October 28 at Meridia Huron Road Hospital.

Mr. Merhar was born February 7, 1922 in Cleveland. He was a salesman for W. M. Pattison Supply Co. in Independence for 39 years, retiring in 1985.

Mr. Merhar belonged to the D.A.V., was awarded the Purple Heart during World War II while a member of the U.S. Army. He belonged to the Catholic Order of Foresters.

For 40 years he coached Class A baseball, Richmond Heights Little League and Willoughby flag football.

He is survived by wife Josephine (nee Rupar); sons Joseph J. (wife, Kathee), Mark F. (wife, Pamela); daughters: Cheryl Owen (husband, William), and Claudia M. Farkas (husband, Stephen). Grandchildren are Brian and Brandis Bednar; Amanda Owen; Jennifer, Michele, Justin and Megan Merhar; and Stephen Farkas.

His brother, Frederick, is deceased.

Funeral was Monday, Oct. 31 at 9:30 a.m. from St. Felicitas Catholic Church with Fr. Richard Bober officiating. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon Twp.

Friends were received at Brickman and Sons Funeral Home, 19000 Euclid Avenue in Euclid, Ohio.

MARTHA M. STRECKLEY

Martha M. Streckley passed away in Manor Care Lake Shore on Friday evening, October 28. Martha as the daughter of Louis E. Hedwig Streckley (both dec.); sister of Zella, Anna Miller and the following deceased: Louis Jr., Frances and Jacob; dear aunt, great-aunt and great-great-aunt.

Funeral services were Wednesday at St. Aloysius Church. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements by Zele Funeral Home.

MARGARET METLIKA

Margaret Metlika passed away in the Slovene Home for the Aged on Monday, October 31st. Margaret was 86 years old and the wife of Ludwig.

She was the dear sister of Anthony Hovevar and the following deceased: Joseph, Frank, August, John and William. She was the dear aunt of many.

A chapel service was held on Wednesday following visitation. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery. Zele Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SALLY BANDELOW

Sally Bandelow, 34, of Mentor passed away in her home on Thursday, October 27th.

Sally was the daughter of Robert and Marge (nee Zaletel) Sidak. She was the wife of Richard; and sister of Robert Jr., Debi Gamber and Jeffrey.

Prayer Service

On Saturday, November 19 there will be a thanksgiving prayer service at 6:30 p.m. in St. Christine's Church, 860 E. 222 St., Euclid, Ohio.

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Lovrenc Košir: father of the Postage Stamp

The following article appeared in the July 15 edition of "Naš Tednik" (Our Weekly) in Celovec, Austria for the Slovenian population there.

Lovrenc Košir was born on July 29, 1804. He was the son of Janez and Marija (nee Kalan). They were a farming family who resided in the village of Spodnja Luša by the town of Škofja Loka. At the time of his birth his calling in life was established (as a traveler). His baptism was in the neighboring parish of "Selce" where he was registered as a citizen of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. His home parish of St. Lenert did not at that time have a residing parish priest to perform the baptismal rite.

His childhood was uneventful although he began to display an endowment of gifted scholarly talents. This troubled his father that although Janez would fulfill his compulsory service and the other many burdens as a peasant farmer, how could he provide for his son's education. He eventually sent Lovrenc to school. (Note: In the early 1800s in Europe as elsewhere, the offsprings of peasant farmers did not usually have the resources much less the social status to have their children become educated. This was a harsh reality for many minority nationalities, especially in the Austro-Hungarian Empire for a small nationality such as the Slovenians).

The 15-year-old Lovrenc was taken by his father to the Ljubljana Gymnasium (pre-college school, a mixture of high school and junior college level grades). From the report of the "Investus Gimnasi Academici" we discover that Lovrenc was the best student from the years 1820 to 1825.

In 1828 Lovrenc sent a request to the Illyrian Academy in Trieste for employment

an instructor. His request was denied. Due to this rejection, he accepted employment at the official veterans institution in Ljubljana.

His specific duties and tasks related to work with accounting, possession, and calculating of business taxes relating to postal purposes.

He was finally assigned employment with the Austrian court postal office in Vienna. From November/December 1832 he was installed as a member for an Austrian commission to investigate the (possible) manipulation of the collection of postal taxes in Milan, Italy).

Košir was commended at least twice for his diligent and zealous efforts to reform the then postal service of the Austrian Empire.

During this time the "duty" or "custom" tax was employed for the delivery of mail. The tax had to be paid in cash. These taxes were considered high as the carrier charged a fee from the point of origination to the place of destination.

With such a system in place the management of these affairs provided the avenue for many erroneous or unjust activities (i.e., corruption by officials). These matters weighed heavily on L. Košir in his official capacity.

The constant accounting and bookkeeping, and recalculating of correct duties and/or taxes, was a great deal of work for this business activity.

Košir pondered how to make it more efficient, less complicated. He began to formulate his own ideas on improving such a cumbersome system for the delivery and payment of mail.

He began to present his ideas to the local municipality plus submitting his ideas to state officials in the Austrian monarchy.

Before the end of 1837

Rowland Hill in England presented his ideas on reforming the postal distribution system to the English national parliament. Rowland's request was debated and accepted.

To facilitate the change from duty taxes for a national postal system and service, the idea of an adhesive "postage stamp" was initiated in 1840.

Košir was quite upset at these developments in England and again requested his proposal for a practical postal stamp to be implemented in the Austrian Empire. Košir's idea and proposal were received with a negative response.

In 1840 Košir married Amalia Pluschk from the town of Beljak. This union was blessed with two children: a son and a daughter.

Thirteen years passed. Other countries such as Switzerland, the United States, and France imitated the postal reform from England. Due to the acceptance by these countries L. Košir was requested in 1848 by the Austrian finance ministry to again formulate and present a simplified postal tariff.

Košir replied that he had already in 1833 presented his proposal; and on September 22, 1848 the Austrian government accepted Košir's postal reforms and implemented the usage of the postal stamp in 1850.

In 1851 Košir was sent from Vienna to Zagreb (Croatia) and remained employed there until 1857. Košir was appointed as the head of all accounting and bookkeeping for all postage in Croatia and Slovenia.

Wherever it was presented that Rowland Hill provided the first simplified proposal for postal tariff through the usage of the post stamp, Košir (finally) in 1858 presented and asserted that he (Košir) was indeed the first to initiate this reform. The Austrian government finally sought to recognize Košir for his work because Košir had already by 1836 presented his proposal to simplify the payment for postal service via a postal stamp.

(Note: This reform, along with other ideas by Košir, greatly increased the flow of communication via letter and opened a new page for people in history for business and personal correspondence.)

Košir suffered various personal tragedies with his family. His beloved Amalia died in 1871; his daughter passed away in 1873 and his son died in 1875, all in Zagreb. In 1874 at the first Postal Congress Meeting of various nations from around the world in Bern, Switzerland, Košir presented a documented "white" paper on his proposal for a (universal adhesive) postage stamp (plus other ideas), thereby reaching a world audience (and also preserving documentation for historians in the future). His presentation is still today in the archives of the postal directories in Bern.

Upon the loss of his family, Košir left Zagreb and returned



Illinois governor greets Slovenians

CHICAGO, IL — Governor Jim Edgar sent greetings to the Slovenian community at the 43rd Annual Slovenian Day Festival. The festival promoted the Slovenian culture and heritage by presenting Slovenian dance and music.

Governor Edgar commends the Community for keeping up the Slovenian culture, tradition and heritage.

Pictured left to right: Pat Michalski, Stanley Simrayh, Stane Simrayh and Monica Razpotnik.

to Vienna. By the end of 1875 Košir returned to his native Spodnji Luši. His neighbor family, the Ravnikar family, reminisced fondly in 1940 about Košir's return to his hometown.

Košir finally settled and resided in the 4th district in Vienna. As Košir aged and became physically weak he was placed in a home for the aged where he died on August 7, 1879 at the age of 75.

In his memory in 1948 the government of Yugoslavia (and not the Republic of Slovenia) presented and printed a special collector's edition of Košir. On August 22, 1948 a special plaque was placed on his birth house, stating simply: "Father of the Postal Stamp."

More than 100 years have passed since that time when one person, such as Lovrenc Košir, who presented an idea to simplify the postal tariff with the introduction of the postage stamp, made a lasting contribution to the advancement of civilization.

Note: This year marks the 190th birthday of Lovrenc Košir. For the American Slovenian communities, as well as those around the world, we see evidence that one person can make a difference in the lives of many.

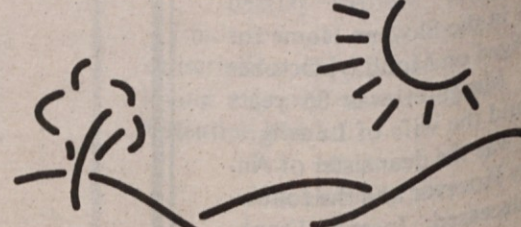
For more information and a more detailed account about L. Košir contact retired Professor and Dr. Edward Gobetz at Slovenian Research Center of America, Inc., 29227 Eddy Road, Willoughby Hills, OH 44092, USA. Or simply stop by the local library and ask for Dr. Gobetz's book, titled, *Slovenian Heritage I*, Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 78-56487.

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Diary of submariner

(Continued from last week)

Then one sound became two, then three. In a very short time they seemed to disappear to different bearings to sweep and maybe to return to where we were trying so hard to be as unobtrusive as a mouse.

To come at us from three different directions, criss-crossing their paths right above us spelled TROUBLE. That they had failed to achieve contact with us must have been due to the inefficiency of their hydrophone operators or to our early contact which provided us with ample time to prepare for the silent run.

The heavy silence in and out of the submarine followed their departure and I found the last hour and a half rather stimulating and rewarding. A complete opposite to the duties on the bridge where I felt naked, unprotected against the air attacks and cut off from my mates below. Here, deep in the dark depths of the sea I became totally oblivious to everything as the hydrophones became the eyes and ears of the submarine. To locate the propeller sounds, their bearings, to follow the volume growing from faint to strong, to calculate the speed of their approach becomes a great responsibility as the fate of the crew and the boat depends on how early the first detection is.

It was 0730 hours and the sea was still clear of any sounds. The presence and disappearance of the three ships could well have been just coincidental.

My watch was taken over at 0800 hours. I felt tired and fell asleep immediately. At 0820 the messenger woke me. I was wanted in the radio room. Chief Petty Officer Kursar, the duty hydrophone operator asked with a despairing look in his eyes: "Can you hear anything on this bearing or am I imagining a propeller sound?" On checking the screen, two more very faint sounds were detected. It did not take us long to realize the sounds and speeds of the three ships were identical to the ones that paid us a visit earlier that morning.

As they were rapidly converging upon us, the orders to stop the motors and the gyro compass were ringing. The Captain was called. The silence became heavy. The crew and even the submarine seemed to be tense. Listening.

Depth charges exploded nearby.

Fear crept into the submarine. More explosions followed. This time dangerously close. The three ships were now almost directly overhead. The swift drum, drum sounds of the propeller blades penetrated the thick hull, vibrating into the submarine, into our minds tortured with imagination of what was coming next. And like a man condemned to be shot by the firing squad

awaiting the order to "fire" — we now waited for the next explosion. For the end.

A minute passed. Then two. Then three. Silence. The bow tilted dangerously towards the bottom of the sea. The silence, disturbed cruelly with the crash of crockery and tools, momentarily caused each man aboard to freeze - the overwrought minds mistaking each sound for the depth charge to find its target.

The submarine lost her neutral buoyancy that kept

her, without the help of motors, at the desired depth. Now, she was heading with a severe bow angle straight for the bottom of the Adriatic Sea. The depth gauge trembled at seventy, her bow lazily sliding to 75 meters.

Instead of hearing the arrival of the harbingers of death we now listened with bated breath and open mouths to the creaks of every plate and rivet - waiting for them to snap.

(To Be Continued)

Jadran busy rehearsing for Fall Event Nov. 12th

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Kovacic Endorses Coyne for Judge



Former Cleveland Police Chief Edward Kovacic has endorsed William J. Coyne for Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Judge. Kovacic, who rarely gives his personal endorsement to judicial candidates, says he felt compelled to endorse Coyne, due to Coyne's extraordinary qualifications. "William Coyne was the finest prosecutor I ever saw in the courtroom. I have no doubt in my mind that he will make a tremendous judge," said Kovacic while endorsing Coyne.

Coyne's legal career began in the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office. As an assistant county prosecutor under John T. Corrigan, Coyne won over 200 criminal convictions — including all 20 murder cases he was responsible for trying. Kovacic believes that Coyne's skill in the courtroom is responsible for keeping numerous felons and violent criminals off

the streets of Greater Cleveland.

Following his successful career as a prosecutor, Coyne went into the private practice of law where he has been recognized as one of this country's top trial attorneys. Coyne has also been endorsed by the AFL-CIO, United Auto Workers, Building & Construction Trades Council, Teamsters, Fraternal Order of Police (Lodge No. 8 and Western Cuyahoga Lodge No. 25), and Cuyahoga County Firefighters, among many others.

In making his endorsement, Kovacic noted that Coyne, as a former prosecutor, was very aware of people's growing concern about crime and violence in their neighborhoods. Kovacic offered this concluding remark: "William J. Coyne is tough, honest and fair. Voters concerned about safety in their neighborhood should remember the name William J. Coyne this November 8, 1994."

Real Reform Verses Political Rhetoric

by **JOE SLOVENEK**,
*Independent Candidate for
U.S. Senate*

It seems no matter who we vote for we get the same old thing: more taxes and bigger government. Both result in stealing away our freedoms and making us servants to the bureaucrats. Our nation is sliding deeper into moral and economic decay. If we are ever going to stop this nation's descent into the abyss of socialism, we need to return to the basics of the Constitution.

Can we turn the ship of state around? You bet we can. But not with politics as usual. We must insist that our elected officials return to the confines of the Constitution of the United States of America. We need real solutions, not empty rhetoric. What are some of the difficult problems we must face to get back to the Constitution?

Abortion. God will never bless a nation that sheds innocent blood. We have devalued life in this country by passing laws that permit the killing of unborn children. It is no wonder why there is such crime and violence among our youth. They have no respect for human life because we, the generation before them, have led by example. It was our generation which stood idly by when Roe vs. Wade became the law of the land.

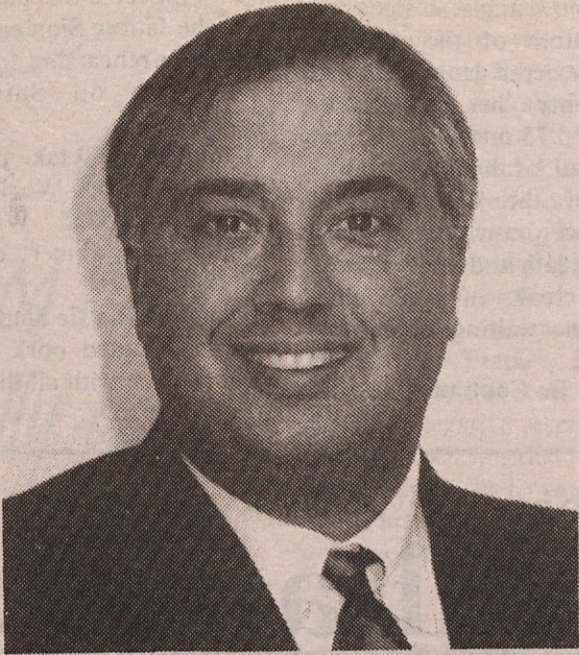
If elected to the U.S. Senate, I will do all that I can to eliminate abortion from our land. As Mother Teresa has said, "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion."

Education. In 1956 we spent \$294 to educate each student in America. Last year we spent, on average, \$5,563. Do we have a better system? We now have 23 million functionally illiterate adults in this country. Kids graduate from public schools who can't read or write but they know how to get a condom.

The public education system is broken. A new system must take its place, not just reform the old one. It's our children — our next generation — who are paying the price of the current failed one, and that is too high of a price to pay.

We need to return control of the education system back to parents and away from the federal government. There is no place in the Constitution for a federal Department of Education, and students were better educated without it.

Tax credits or a "voucher-like" system with **no federal government control** is a proven solution. You take your child to a school and present your voucher or dollars from a tax credit and tell them to educate your child. If they do a good job, they will get your voucher next year and stay in business. If they do a poor job, they will not get your



Joe Slovenec

voucher and they will go out of business.

Taxes. The mandatory progressive income tax is unconstitutional. The Constitution states, "No capitation or other direct tax shall be laid." The Sixteenth Amendment, which was ratified illegally in 1913, says the government can tax people directly but on a voluntary basis. Prior to this, there was no direct tax on Americans.

The federal government derives only one-third of its income from income taxes. The remaining two-thirds comes from duties, imports and exports. If the government would adhere to the Constitution, it would be able to function quite well without the income tax.

Imagine how much better our economy would be without money going to a bloated federal government, but staying in the private sector. Last year the government collected almost one-half trillion dollars from income taxes. If this remained in the private sector, people would spend more money, creating more jobs. We could virtually eliminate unemployment (thereby also lessening the "demand" for welfare).

National Debt. Our national debt is currently \$4.7 trillion. The Federal Reserve, which is a privately held corporation, creates money out of thin air then charges interest to the government for borrowing it. Last year the interest alone was \$360 billion. If we eliminate the Federal Reserve, we could eliminate the interest on the

national debt and therefore reduce the debt annually.

Welfare. The welfare system is a cycle of poverty. It creates dependence on government agencies, which justify their existence by keeping people in servitude to their hand-outs. Being our provider is not a legitimate function of government. The Department of Health and Human Services devours almost half of the entire federal budget yet there is no provision in the Constitution for it. The welfare state undermines and takes resources from truly effective charities. Unfortunately, politicians discovered they could buy votes and power by stealing money from the treasury and giving it to select groups.

Prior to Franklin Roosevelt's "New Deal," which gave birth to socialism and the welfare state as we know it today, we had what was known as the "Community Chest." It worked for over 160 years and I believe it can work again.

Crime. Every politician will tell you how strong they are against crime. But we need real solutions, not some anxiety-reliever before an election.

Gun control is not the answer to crime control. Our nation's Founding Fathers did not give us the Second Amendment so we could go duck hunting. Its purpose is to protect ourselves from a tyrannical government. Our Founding Fathers started a revolutionary war because the British came into Concord and Lexington

to confiscate their guns. Let us never forget that if we lose our Second Amendment we will lose the remainder of the Constitution.

To combat crime we need harsher sentences and truth in sentencing. That is, you do the crime, you serve the time. Also, criminals must pay retribution to their victims. They should work while in prison to pay back the victim for non-capital crimes. For capital crimes, we need capital punishment.

If you study the Constitution and the Communist Manifesto you will see that our

government is adhering more to the Communist Manifesto than to the Constitution. For example, the progressive income tax, forced public education and a central bank are all found in the Communist Manifesto. None are in the Constitution.

We can turn the ship of state around, away from the socialist agenda of Washington establishment which considers us their servants. If you believe we must get back to the Constitution, put principle first and **vote for Joe Slovenec for U.S. Senate.**

Feet are Mirror of Health

When the foot specialist looks at your feet, it's like looking into a "mirror of health." Not only can he see signs of foot discomfort, but if there are other problems he may notice those, too.

Dry skin, brittle nails, and any numbness or discoloration in the feet are signals that there may be serious health problems. These are some of the early signs of such conditions as diabetes, arthritis, and circulatory disease.

That's why preventive foot care is so important. It can put a stop to aches and pains in your feet. And if structural defects in your feet are causing other problems, such as pain in your hips and back, these can often be helped, too. Through a complete examination of your feet, using x-rays and other laboratory procedures if need be, your podiatrist may discover other problems and refer you to another medical specialist.

Foot comfort is important to your health. And when there are serious problems, prompt treatment is your best hope. That's why periodic foot examination should be one of your top priorities.

S. G. Cafini, DPM

Recipes

COUNTRY-STYLE SCALLOPED CORN
Servings: 10
Baking time: 35-40 mins.
1/2 cup butter, melted
2 eggs, beaten
1 16-ounce can whole-kernel corn, drained
1 cup sour cream
1 16-ounce can cream-style corn
1 9-ounce box corn-muffin mix.

Melt butter and beat eggs. Drain the whole-kernel corn. Combine all the ingredients together, adding the muffin mix last. Pour mixture into a greased 7 x 11-inch baking dish. Bake at 375°F. for 35 to 40 minutes or until lightly browned.

EASY CREAM CHEESE FRUIT SQUARES
(Makes about 24 squares)
1 cup sugar, divided
1/3 cup butter
1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
3 packages (8 oz. each) cream cheese
4 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla extract
1 (21 oz.) can blueberry filling or topping

Preheat oven to 325°F. To prepare crust: in a medium saucepan place 1/2 cup sugar and butter, heat until butter is melted, stirring occasionally. Stir in graham cracker crumbs; press mixture evenly over the bottom of a 13x9-in. baking pan. In a large bowl with an electric mixer beat cream cheese until smooth. Gradually beat in remaining 1/2 cup sugar. Beat in eggs, one at a time, and vanilla, until well blended. Spoon blueberry filling evenly over crust. Carefully pour cream cheese mixture over blueberries. Bake just until set, 45 to 50 minutes. Cool. Chill until cold, about 2 hours or longer. Cut into 24 squares. Serve garnished with strawberry halves or mint leaves, if desired.

The irrationality of a thing is no argument against its existence, rather a condition of it.
—Nietzsche

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VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

Italija vetirala slovensko prošnjo Evropski zvezi za pričetek pogajanj o pridruženem članstvu — Ali bo Drnovšku uspelo?

V ponedeljek je bil v Luxembourg se-stanek ministrskega sveta Evropske zveze. Na dnevnem redu je bila obravnava prošnje Slovenije za podelitev mandata za pogajanja o pridruženem članstvu Slovenije. Zaradi za-pletov v odnosih med Slovenijo in Italijo in to zaradi zavrnitve slovenske vlade tkim. sporazuma med državama, ki sta ga po se-stanku v Ogleju v oktobru parafirala ta-kratni slovenski zunanji minister Lojze Pe-terle in italijanski kolega Antonio Martino, je Italija vetirala podelitev mandata. Pred-stavniki članic EZ so italijansko razlago sprejeli bolj ali manj pasivno. Naslednji se-stanek ministrskega sveta naj bi bil konec tega meseca, v tem času pa bosta Slovenija in Italija nadaljevala pogajanja v želji, da naj-deta kompromisno rešitev.

Italija je v svoji akciji izkoristila očitno razcepljenost v slovenski vladi, ki dejansko ni podprla zunanjega ministra Peterleta, so-ni avtorja oglejskega sporazuma. Pretekli čet-tek je šel Peterle na kratek delovni obisk v Rim, z njim je bil Lojze Janko, minister brez listnice, odgovoren za zakonodajo. Obisk ni prinesel napredka. Pretekli petek je državni zbor stike z Italijo obravnaval za zaprtimi vrati. Peterle je rekel, da je bistvo zadeve v tem obračunavanje z njim samim in da so in-teresi Slovenije ignorirani.

Ker je Lojze Peterle s 1. novembrom prenehal biti zunanji minister, bo ta resor za-časno v rokah premiera dr. Janeza Drnov-ška. Drnovšek bo posle vodil največ tri me-sece, torej do imenovanja novega zunanjega ministra.

Nadaljnji obstoj koalicije med LDS in SKD v nevarnosti — Ministri SKD protestirali Drnovšku, ki je izrazil »začudenje« nad tem

Pretekli petek so ministri SKD, ki so v vladi dr. Janeza Drnovška premieru naslovili ostro protestno pismo, v katerem ga kritizi-ralo zaradi njegovega (pisali so sicer o »hiši predsednika vlade«) sabotiranja dela zuna-njega ministra Peterleta v prizadevanjih za izboljšanje stikov z Italijo. Pismo so podpi-sali sam Peterle ter Andrej Šter in Igor Umek. Drnovškovo delovanje je bilo »nepo-šteno in nepartnersko«, so še pisali ministri in dodali, da bodo svoji stranki predlagali, naj se odloči, ali naj v takih okoliščinah še sodeluje v Drnovškovi vladi.

Kako sprti so odnosi med Drnovškom in Peterletom je bilo jasno iz premierovega

odgovora, ki je bilo posredovano v poročilu v *Slovincu* preteklo soboto. Drnovšek je pač prejel pismo treh ministrov in bil nad vsebi-no in stališči »začuden«. Resnica je po Dr-novšku nasprotna od tiste, navajene v pi-smu. »Predsednik vlade se ni želel odzvati na sporne ocene in izjave zunanjega ministra Peterleta. Tako je hotel preprečiti, da bi no-tranjepolitična vprašanja prišla pred vpraša-nja nacionalnega pomena, v tem primeru glede stikov z Italijo.« Najhujšo Drnovško-vo oceno o Peterletu je poročilo v *Slovincu* tako predstavilo: »Zdi se, da je dosedanji zunanji minister podredil nacionalne intere-se strankarskim in osebnim.« Po telefon-skem pogovoru včeraj popoldne z virom v Ljubljani, SKD še niso izstopili iz vlade, ven-dar se zdi, da bi težko mogli nadaljevati, če so sedaj razmere med Drnovškom in Peterle-tom na takšni ravni.

Lojze Peterle zopet poslanec v državnem zboru — Zasedel mesto nove glavne tajnice SKD Vide Čadonič-Špelič

Ko je s 1. novembrom prenehal biti slo-venski zunanji minister, se je Lojze Peterle vrnil v poslanske klopi. Zasedel je mesto, ki ga je imela nova glavna tajnica SKD Vida Čadonič-Špelič. Peterle je bil v slovenski parlament izvoljen na volitvah decembra 1992, ko pa je postal član Drnovškove vlade, je svoje poslansko mesto moral opustiti. Za-sedla ga je bila Čadonič-Špeličeva. S svojo odločitvijo se je Peterle torej drugače odlo-čil, kot se je Janez Janša potem, ko je bil Janša odstavljen kot slovenski obrambni mi-nister. Janša je odklonil, da bi zopet postal poslanec v državnem zboru.

Slovenska ljudska stranka odstavila svojega glavnega tajnika Francija Feltrina

V poročilu v *Slovincu* 26. oktobra je razlaga o ozadju odstavitve glavnega tajnika SLS Francija Feltrina, do katerega je prišlo 20. oktobra. Novinar I.Ž. poroča, da se je SLS zelo zadržala na volitvah 1992. leta. Tkim. srbski lobi v Sloveniji naj bi to stanje hotel izkoristiti. Lobi je SLS ponudil vsoto milijon mark, v zameno pa zahteval eno od mest v izvršilnem odboru SLS in eno mesto v odboru, ki skrbi za denarno poslovanje stranke. Politična cena naj bi bila, da bi se SLS odrekla svojim stališčem glede proble-matike državljanstva. Proti tej odločitvi vrh stranke naj bi bil Feltrin, ki ga je skrbelo predvsem denarna zadolženost stranke. Ker naj bi prihajalo celo do nastopov proti pred-sedniku stranke Marjanu Podobniku, je bila stranka prisiljena ukrepati proti Feltrinu.



Vida Čadonič-Špelič, novi glavni tajnik stranke

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Belokranjsko martinovanje—

Belokranjski klub vabi na svoje martinovanje, ki bo v so-boto, 12. novembra, ob 6.30 zv., v SND na St. Clair Ave. Za rezervacije: 481-3308 ali 289-0843.

»Svoje glavlčec«—

Dramatsko društvo Lilija vabi na uprizoritev veseloigre »Svoje glavlčec«, in sicer v ne-deljo, 13. novembra, ob 3.30 pop. v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave. Vstopnina \$5.

Koncert

Pevski zbor Jadran vabi na svoj koncert, ki bo v soboto, 12. novembra, v SDD na Wa-terloo Rd. Vstopnica: \$16. Po kličite 951-1694 ali 531-3979.

Pri Spominski kapelici—

Preteklo nedeljo se je zbralo precejšnje število ljudi na Or-lovem vrhu pri Spominski ka-pelici na Slovenski pristavi. Obhajali so dan Vseh svetih in se v molitvi spominjali vseh pokojnih članov SP, gen. Leo-na Rupnika, škofa dr. Grego-rija Rožmana, vseh pomorje-nih domobrancev in žrtev komunistične revolucije v Slo-veniji.

Novi grobovi

Janez Varšek

Dne 28. oktobra je v Gate-way Health Care Center v Eu-clidu umrl 90 let stari Janez Varšek, rojen v Ljubljani, v Cleveland prišel l. 1949, vdo-vec po l. 1989 umrli Josephine, oče Josephine Merc in Blanke Tonkli, 2-krat stari oče, 3-krat prastari oče, brat Marije Do-lenc, Ivanke Rupnik, Tončke Cenčič ter že pok. Mile, Jože-ta, Anne in Cenke Ivančič, za-poslen kot strojnik pri PMC Industries 15 let, do svoje upo-kojitve, v mladih letih v Slove-niji in Jugoslaviji veljal za ene-ga najboljših telovadcev, po prihodu v Cleveland ustanovil Slovensko telovadno zvezo, v kateri je bilo pred leti do 100 učencev in učenk, član župnij-skega pevskega zbora Lira pri Sv. Vidu, Lilije, Slovenske pri-stave in Tabora. Pogreb je bil 2. novembra v oskrbi Dan Co-sic pogrebnege zavoda na 28890 Chardon Rd. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Vida in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Margaret Metlika

Dne 31. oktobra je v Sloven-skem domu za ostarele umrla 86 let stara Margaret Metlika, rojena Hocevar, žena Ludwi-ga, sestra Anthonyja ter že pok. Josepha, Franka, Augu-sta, Johna in Williama. Po-greb je bil 2. novembra v oskr-bi Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St., tam so bili tudi po-grebni obredi, pokopana je

(dalje na str. 21)

Za večjo varnost—

Sinoči je bil v društveni sobi svetovidskega avditorija sesta-nek, na katerem so bili pred-stavniki župnijskega sveta, St. Clair Coalition in drugih zain-teresiranih, med njimi AD. Se-stanek, ki ga je vodil John Zu-pan, je obravnaval možnosti za dosego večje varnosti v sent-klerski naselbini. Skupina se pripravlja na skorajšnji sesta-nek z načelnikom policije, ima namen tudi ostati aktivna.

Volitve v torek—

Ta torek bodo splošne voli-tve. Mnogi jih komaj čakajo, iz različnih razlogov. V Ohio se zdi, da bo guverner Voino-vich zmagal s kar ogromno ve-čino. Vsekakor je vaša držav-ljanska dolžnost, da greste v torek volit. O izidih bomo po-ročali seveda naslednjič.

Rojstni dan—

Jutri, v petek, bo praznova-la svoj 80. rojstni dan ga. Ce-cilija Žakelj. Čestitajo in ji že-lijo vse najboljše mož Anton, otroci, vnuki in vsi sorodniki in znanci, tem čestitkam se pri-družujemo tudi pri AD.

Na obisku—

Rudi Lovšin in Metka Klun sta prišla iz Ribnice, Slovenija na obisk k Mariji Perovšek tu v Cleveland. Dobrodošla med nami! Pozdravu se pridružuje tudi g. Jerome Brentar.

V bolnišnici—

V Cleveland Clinic bolnišni-ci se nahaja John Telich, dobri znan v naši skupnosti in tudi zvest podpornik našega lista. Želimo mu hitrega in popolne-ga okrevanja.

Zahvala Štajerskega kluba—

Štajerci in Prekmurci se zahvalujemo vsem, ki so prišli na njih martinovanje, ter vsem, ki so kakorkoli pomaga-li k tako lepemu uspehu. Po-sebna zahvala dr. Robertu Grasseli, ki je prišel iz Phila-delphije.

Krofi—

Oltarno društvo fare sv. Vida bo imelo prodajo krofov v soboto, 12. nov., od 8. zj. dalje, v društveni sobi.

Spominski darovi—

Frank Jeraj, Burlington, Ont., je daroval \$20 v podpo-ro našem listu, v spomin na Janeza Varška. John Meglen, New Middletown, O., je daro-val \$20, v spomin 8. obletnice smrti (26. okt.) žene Vere. An-gela Ambrosic, Euclid, O., je poklonila \$20, v spomin Fran-ces in Jean Ambrosic. Jennie Zakrajšek, Willowick, O., pa je darovala \$5, v spomin moža Franka. Vsem darovalcem za njih podporo najlepša hvala!

V tiskovni sklad—

Frank Hren, Richmond Hts., O., je daroval \$25 v po-moč listu. Iskrena hvala!

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Začasnost trajnega

Odločitev slovenskega premiera, da zunanje politični resor začasno prevzame v svoje roke, je na prvi pogled videti zelo dramatična, čeprav smo lahko že nekaj časa opazovali, kako svojemu zunanjemu ministru čedalje bolj omejuje svobodo odločanja. Pri odločitvi, do katere je prišlo le nekaj dni pred iztekom skupno določenega roka, pa zelo moti način, kako je do nje prišlo, saj bi bil v vsaki državi, kjer bi bila koalicijska razmerja zgledno urejena, postopek zamenjave ministra, ki sodi med pomembnejše koalicijske partnerje, manj spolitiziran. Prav zato Drnovškova odločitev vse preveč spominja na plačevanje glasovalnih računov, ki so jih pri glasovanju ob Školčevi izvolitvi na mesto predsednika državnega zbora izstavili Zmago Jelinčič in nekateri jastrebi znotraj same LDS. Takrat smo namreč lahko slišali zelo glasne trditve, da je bila podpora dana v zameno za Peterletovo odstranitev iz zunanjega ministrstva.

Popolnoma zgrešene so tudi sedanje ocene mnogih, ki precenjujejo težo premierove odločitve ni menijo, da je s to potezo naredil osebno pogumno in politično tvegano potezo, saj dr. Drnovšek - kot tudi v primeru prejšnjih podobnih odločitev - ni tvegala prav ničesar. V primeru, da bi se zgodil čudež in bi se v Evropski zvezi odločili za potrditev pogajalskega mandata za pogajanja o našem pridruženem članstvu, bo zasluga za to pripisala sebi. Če pa se bodo v Evropski zvezi odločili nasprotno, bo krivdo za neuspeh zlahka naprtil zamenjanemu zunanjemu ministru. (*Op. ur. — Kot poročamo drugje, je Italija vetirala slovensko prošnjo prejšnji ponedeljek, kar je bilo sicer tudi pričakovati.*)

Zato lahko odločitev dr. Drnovška, da začasno prevzame dolžnosti zunanjega ministra razumemo tudi kot spretno predvolilno potezo koalicije strank naslednic strankarskega enoumja. Ta bo z imenovanjem zunanjega ministra odlašala tako dolgo, dokler bo trajal predvolilni boj. V Sloveniji imamo namreč dovolj zunanje političnih strokovnjakov (ne le profesorjev), ki bi lahko takoj prevzeli izpraznjeno mesto. Tako pa je več kot očitno, da vodilna politična struktura s svojim kandidatom (njegovo ime že dolgo poznajo) ne želi v tem trenutku razburjati predstavnikov SKD ter s tem posegati v krhko ravnotežje, ki vlada na slovenskem političnem prizorišču. Z izbranim kandidatom bi jih gotovo porinili v naročje koalicije strank slovenske pomladi, ki prav zdaj oblikuje zadnje kandidate za skupen nastop na decembrskih območnih volitvah.

Seveda pa ob sedanjem dogajanju ne smemo zanemariti tudi vloge, ki jo je odigrala »oglejska deklaracija«, saj se jo vodilni politiki na obeh straneh slovensko-italijanske meje izrabili predvsem za domačo rabo. Tudi italijanska stran jo je potrebovala in je njegovo zavrnitev uporabila zato, da je preko Mirka Tremaglie, predsednika zunanje političnega parlamentarnega odbora, sporočila svoje prave zahteve: ozemlje, poseljeno z italijansko manjšino, naj postane samostojna regija, kjer ne bodo veljale državne meje. Je to poziv za oblikovanje nove balkanske konfederacije?

Marcel Koprol

Slovenec, 27. okt. 1994

Človek obrača, Bog pa obrne!

CLEVELAND, O. — Tako pravi naš pregovor, in kako res to drži. Dramsko društvo Liliya je imelo najboljši namen, ko si je nadelo nalogo, da za svojo 75. obletnico zaigra veseloigro »Svoje glavček« na Slovenski pristavi, obenem si je pa rezerviralo dvorano za slavnostno večerjo 13. novembra. Pa kaj se je zgodilo? Na dan, ko bi imeli igrati na Pristavi, je deževalo kot iz škafa in lahko bi rekli, da je »Svoje glavčka« odnesla voda. Pa ne samo to, mene je tisti dan prikrajšal za pečene piške, katere bi dobili servirane na slavnostni večerji, katere pa sedaj ne bo. Dramsko društvo Liliya je namreč sklenilo, da bo namesto slavnostne večerje zaigralo »Svoje glavčka« No, sem si mislil, človek obrača, Bog pa obrne. Ne spodobi se, da bi kulturno društvo priredilo večerjo, saj jo itak že vsa druga društva, ampak spodobi se, da Liliya svojo 75. obletnico proslavi s pravim kulturnim dogodkom. Res, ta pregovor drži, kot ste lahko vsi ugotovili.

Zato vas, dragi prijatelji, prav lepo vabim na veseloigro »Svoje glavček« v nedeljo, 13. novembra, v Slovenski dom na Holmes Avenue, in to ob 3.30 popoldan. Pridite in z nami proslavite 75. obletnico ustanovitve Dram. društva Liliya!

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SLOVENSKI FESTIVAL 1994

Slovensko-ameriški radio klub že leta skrbi za našo dobro voljo in nas vsak petek popelje po svojih stezicah na vedre poljane, češ, pozabimo vsaj za trenutek na vsakdanje težave. Če naj strnemo vse dejavnike v eno izhodišče, bomo pripisali glavno zaslugo za ta razvedrila gospe Corinne Leskova, ki ji vnema za žrtve nikdar ne poje. Bog ji naj podaljša sveža, poletna leta - nam v blagor.

Pod predsedstvom Staneta Simrajha si radio klub (SARC) prostovoljno nadeva še eno vidno funkcijo: organizacijo Slovenskega dne, vsako leto ob koncu meseca vinotoka (da bi z vinom zalili veselje). Dasi je glavna označba slovenstva radost in družabnost, smo zadnja leta tej značilnosti pridružili še eno bistveno obeležje: kulturo. Brez tega ne bi bili Slovenci popolni, priznani in

ugledni kot omikan narod. Sama razposajenost bi nas prikazala v napačni, celo poniževalni luči. Omika nam je pomagala do samostojnosti in pospešila poti do lastne državnosti. Zato smo pridružili to »spričevalo« k »Slovenskemu dnevu« in ga razširili v »festival« — dvodnevno praznovanje. Zaključili smo ga torej z nedeljskimi opravili in s kulturno prireditvijo. Večina čuti, da je tako prav.

Tradicionalni del

Starejša oblika proslave je bila opravljena v soboto, 22. vinotoka, v veliki dvorani pri Sv. Štefanu (1835 W. 22nd Pl., Chicago). Ugodje so dvignili mariborski godbeniki- pevci (»Štajerskih sedem«), ki so postregli s slovensko himno, dočim je ameriško himno odpel domači izbranec Herman Simrajh. Sledila je pozdravna beseda samega predsednika radio kluba, koj nato pa predstava nove Gospodične, ki bo »kraljevala« eno leto. Letošnja sreča je doletela prijazno Sonjo Sever, iz ene izmed tistih družin, ki ne zamujajo nobene naše prireditve. Sonja se je ganljivo zahvalila za počastitev in za zaupanje. Od srca ji je prišla obljuba, da bo ponosna in prispevna naši skupnosti skozi vso to dobo. Belokranjecem verjamemo in se na njih zanesemo!

Slovenska šola

Prikupen in obetajoč spored »Slovenske šole« oz. njenih malčkov je podal vrsto lepih točk, ki zanesljivo kažejo, da organizatorji čutijo, kam meri naša radovednost: Koliko znajo naši bodoči nosilci slovenstva že danes. Prijeten je občutek ob teh mladih glasovih, ki kažejo samo slovenske izraze. Kako prepričljivo je upanje, da ne bodo, ob trdnih mamicah, pozabili tega podedovanega blaga in potratili talente izključno za »environment«. Naštejmo te slovenske iskre: Erik in Kristina Nyberg, Lojzek in Mateja Schuck, Lidija Goršič, Martinek Puc, Kristina in Andreja Novak, Kristina in Marija Sovan, Mili Magajne, Lidija Kores, Julijana in Ale na Lavoie ter Katja Posega.

Prisebno in požrtvovalno učiteljsko vlogo sta opravili Fanika Goršič in Bernardka Simrajh, ki ju bo mladina rada pomnila po vnemi in vztrajnosti. Nam vsem pa je v izrecno veselje dejstvo, da je Slovenski dan res bil slovenskega duha na vsej črti. Pozdravljamo to očitno odliko prireditve.

Razvedrilo

Po trudu počitek, po delu užitek, bi veljalo kot pregovor. Vendar malo spremenjeno: Počitka ni bilo, užitka pa veliko, do pozne ure. Kdo bi le počival ob živahnih melodijah mariborskih mojstrov! Obremenili so občinstvo, s prijetnim taktom, iz pesmi v pesem, iz plesa v ples.

Te prijatelje pomnimo iz prejšnjih let, ko so nas zabavljali z enako vnemo, na istem mestu, ter sodelovali pri našem kulturnem programu naslednjega dne. (Tema je bila: »Zelena Štajerska« s posebnim pogledom na industrijski Maribor). Njihov tempo je živahen; nekaterim našim plesalcem se je polka celo zdela prehitra.

Godbenike je naš razigrani predsednik radio kluba posebej nagradil: povabil jih je na Lemont, da bi videli ogrožje Slovenskega Doma, se udeležili samostanske maše in se primerno okrepčali za dolgo pot nazaj. Verjetno so imeli prijetno nedeljo na ameriškem Brezju! Ali bodo kaj kmalu nastopili v novem domu?

Kulturni del

Kot zgoraj rečeno, smo dopolnili festival pri Sv. Štefanu z nedeljsko mašo in sporedom pod cerkveno ladjo. Maševal je skrbni in daljnovidni p. Kristjan Gostečnik. Navezano na evangelij o svetopisemskem slepcu, ki je po Jezusovem naročilu spregledal, je pater spretno prestavil to zgodbo med nas zemljane in naše družine, rekoč približno takole:

»Starši odpirajo otrokom oči v svet. Učijo jih spregledati v temi zmot, grehov in skušnjav, ki se vrivajo mlademu rodu prav od vseh strani. Ločiti dobro od hudega, resnico od laži, lenobo od pridnosti, pomeni vzgajati miselnost in utrjevati nedorasle zaupance, z namenom, da se izklesajo iz njih zanesljivi družinski in narodni stebri. Tudi ko nekoga spreobrnemo, smo posnemali Jezusa; nismo torej daleč od Njega, kadar nas vodi dober namen. Lahko je potemtakem razumeti odgovorno in častno vlogo staršev...«

Ob orgljah je bila taktana, prizadevna Branka Nyberg.

Po maši smo se zbrali pod cerkvijo v zaključitev festivala s primernim programom:

Prvo točko je prevzelo sedem malčkov (nič zaspanih!) iz prej imenovanega seznama, z otroško »Sijaj, sijaj, sončec«

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Datum odhoda iz Clevelanda bo 14. junija 1995. Zgoraj omenjena cena bo v veljavi, če se prijavi do 30. decembra 1994. S prvim januarjem bo cena zvišana. Koliko bo treba naplačiti in druge informacije, boste dobili od potniške agencije po pošti.

Povratak v Cleveland bo čez tri tedne; lahko pa se vrnete že čez dva tedna ali pa ostanete v Sloveniji za dalj časa.

Za mnoge nas bo to zadnja priložnost, da obiščemo za nas svete kraje v prelepi Sloveniji. Minilo bo že petdeset let od takrat, ko so naši očetje, bratje in sinovi bili mučeni in umorjeni, in samo zato, ker so ostali zvesti verskim in narodnim izročilom.

Poromali bomo na »Štajersko Kalvarijo« v Teharje, v Kočevski rog, v Škofove zavode v Št. Vidu nad Ljubljano, na Orlov vrh na Ljubljanskem gradu, k Mariji Pomagaj na Brezje, na Sv. Višarje, h Gospej Sveti na Koroškem, k Mariji na Ptujski gori in k

Mariji Kraljici miru na Kureškcu.

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»Ave« s Slovenijo v svetu

Med gostovanji slovenskih kulturnih skupin pri Slovencih v tujini je odmevala tudi turneja ljubljanskega Komornega zbora Ave pri rojaki v ZDA in Kanadi. To je bilo prvo večje gostovanje pri slovenskih izseljencih v organizaciji izseljenskega društva Slovenija v svetu.

Osemnajst pevk in pevcev komornega zbora Ave pod vodstvom Andraža Hauptmana je 28. septembra odpotovalo na tritedensko gostovanje pri Slovencih v New Yorku, Clevelandu, Washingtonu, San Franciscu in Torontu.

Prvi koncert je bil že 29. septembra v slovenski cerkvi v New Yorku. Nastop pred 120 obiskovalci je bil uspešen, po koncertu pa je bilo že družabno srečanje, ki ga je pripravil tamkajšnji župnik pater Krizolog Cimerman. Zbor Ave je pot nato vodila v Cleveland. Tam je zbor v soboto, 1. oktobra, pel v Slovenskem narodnem domu, nato pa še v nedeljo pri maši v slovenski cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete. Obisk v Clevelandu je pripravil Ameriški-slovenski svet. Ta je sodeloval tudi pri organizaciji drugih srečanj zbora z izseljenci.

nje, Modestov dom v Celovcu, knežji kamen in Globasnico.

To je samo grob opis našega romanja in izletov. Odbor leproprosi, da se vsi, ki se nameravate tega romanja udeležiti, takoj prijavite na naslov naše tajnice, gđ. Mary Ann Vogel. Za prijave uporabljajte prijavnico spodaj in jo izpolnjeno vrnite na naslov:

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Verjetno najpomembnejše je bilo gostovanje pri Slovencih v San Franciscu. Za tamkajšnjo slovensko skupnost so namreč nastopili težki časi, saj je škof zaprl slovensko-hrvaško cerkev. Obe skupnosti ogorčeno protestirata zaradi takega ravnanja, saj je bila cerkev najpomembnejše zbirališče za ti dve narodnosti.

Toliko večji pomen je zato imel nastop zbora Ave pri nedeljski maši v katedrali Svete Marije, pa tudi popoldanski koncert v slovenski dvorani - ta skupnost je namreč zaradi oddaljenosti in nepoznavanja v domovini zelo redko obiskana. V ponedeljek, 10. oktobra, je Ave zapel tudi v hrvaškem klubu.

Zadnja etapa gostovanja Komornega zbora Ave je bila v Kanadi. V četrtek, 13. oktobra, je zbor pel pri maši v cerkvi sv. Gregorija v Hamiltonu in imel nato še krajši koncert. Podobno je bilo v petek v cerkvi Marije Pomagaj v središču Toronta, v soboto je sledil

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(nadaljevanje s str. 18)

ce». Naučile so jih mamice po domovih, da se ni zataknilo tudi brez skupne vaje.

Sledila je dolenjska (iz Boštanja) »Sinoči sem slišal...«. Njena posebnost je bila petosminski takt, ki zelo redko pride na oder — kot bi ne bil primeren za našo pevnost. Po večkratni vaji smo se pa prepričali, da se mu ušesa docela prilagajajo in postane ta takt povsem navaden in prijeten. Melodičnost in barvnost je zvišal skladni flavtni duet (Mili Magajna, Štefka Šimatič), ob topli klavirski spremljavi Branke Nyberg. Otroško pesem (omenjeni »Sijaj...«) je popestril poseben flavtni vdevek, odkrit na Štajerskem, med posameznimi kiticami.

Zgodovina kmečkih uporov

Glavno temo je pomenil opis trpečega slovenskega kmeta iz davne preteklosti. Kako poniževalno jih je tiščala usoda in kako krvavi so bili poskusi, da bi se rešili iz brezupnega gorja! Kako vneto in složno so se pripravljali, vsaj na maščevanje, in kako klavirno so bili poraženi vsakokrat, s preslabo oborožitvijo, z minimalno premičnostjo, v ostudnem mrazu in s tragičnimi izdajami.

Ali so te krvavitve sploh pri-

spevale k njihovi rešitvi, kdaj in zakaj? Cesarji so kazali razumevanje, njihov dvor in plemstvo pa ne. Vendar je pravica končno zmagala, kot vsak razvoj v rokah Previdnosti, katera sicer ne plačuje vsako soboto, toda ne pozablja. Koroška, Dolenjska in Štajerska — vse, razen »razkošnega« Prekmurja — se je dvigalo v zaščito svojih elementarnih človeških pravic. Zmaga ni prišla direktno, marveč po dolgih ovinkih in strminah, in se pospešila šele ob razvoju vmesne družbene plasti, slovenskega meščanstva. Takrat pa — rama ob ramenu — z umom in orožjem, naprej!

Književnikom se je globoko vcepila tragika slovenskega trpinca. Močni Anton Aškerc je zapel o njihovih tegobah v svojih ironičnih baladah s strnjenim vencem nepozabnih stihov. Izbrali smo samo dve pesmi: Revolt kmetov pri cesarju (leta 1515) in zversko usmrtilitev vodilnega upornika Matije Gubca (1573), ki mu niti cesarjeva pomilostitev ni mogla pomagati. Prvo je podal Andrej Remec (»Pred cesarjem«), druga pa je izzvenela z Goršičevimi (dr. Jože, Olga, Helena): »Kronanje v Zagrebu«.

Udeležba je bila boljša, kot smo pričakovali; vsi sedeži so bili zasedeni, a pozornost idealno sprejemljiva. Kuhinja je nato povabila občinstvo na skromni, okusni prigrizek (po prizadevnosti Marije Remec) in na slastno jabolčno potico Marije Petkove. Takšnim mojstrovčinam se je težko upreti.

Festival je bil s tem docela zaključen in so se udeleženci po krajšem pomenku zadovoljno razšli.

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Ur. AD

Pred meseci je neki slovenski novinar okaral zunanega ministra Lojzeta Peterleta, ker je obiskal Slovence v San Franciscu, saj naj jih tam ne bilo. Trditev je takoj ovrgel znani slovenski strokovnjak za izseljenstvo, da naši rojaki tam res živijo; o tem so se pred dnevi lahko prepričali tudi člani komornega zbora Ave. Glavna beseda v pogovoru je pripadla Ivu Ravniku, glavnemu organizatorju obiska iz domovine, ter bratoma Aljošu in Toniju.

• **Bralce gotovo najbolj zanima vaša življenjska pot oziroma pot iz Slovenije do San Franciscu...**

V San Francisco je prišla vsa družina, in sicer ravno na božič leta 1951. Naša družina izhaja iz Kanala ob Soči, vendar smo živeli v italijanski Gorici. Oče ni več mogel delati v Jugoslaviji, zato so se razmere za nas zelo poslabšale. Kmalu se je ponudila možnost boljšega življenja v Ameriki in tako smo odpotovali. Oče je delal kot farmacevt in dosegel dovolj dober položaj, da smo kot družina lahko ostali skupaj.

• **Koliko Slovencev je takrat že bilo v San Franciscu? Kakšna je zdaj slovenska skupnost v tem mestu?**

V petdesetih letih je bilo tu

Uspešno gostovanje

(nadaljevanje s str. 19)

celovečerni koncert v univerzitetni dvorani Walter Hall (tudi za kanadsko občinstvo), v nedeljo pa je zbor gostoval pri Slovincih v slovenski župniji Brezmadežne Matere Božje.

Ave je v Torontu nastopil tudi na mestni televiziji, v katedrali sv. Mihaela in v dvorani poslovne stavbe Metro Hall. Mladi pevci in pevke iz Slovenije z dirigentom Andražem Hauptmanom na čelu so bili povsod izredno lepo sprejeti, kar je gotovo pomenilo pomembno spodbudo - motivacijo za doživeto in kakovostno petje.

Zvone Žigon

Slovenec, 22. okt. 1994

precej starejših Slovencev, ki so imeli celo »lasten« hrib — imenovali so ga Slovenski hrib, tudi cerkev je bila vedno polna. Počasi pa so se razselili, saj je mesto velikansko, tako da je težko govoriti v številkah. Po nekaterih domnevah nas je na tem območju blizu 500, vendar menimo, da je številka večja, saj se pojavljajo nova in nova imena, za katere doslej nismo vedeli.

Še pred kratkim se je pri nedeljski maši zbralo okoli 100 Slovencev, za večje praznike tudi več, sicer pa se včasih dobivamo v Slovenski dvorani, predvsem na družabnih srečanjih Družbe svetega Frančiška oziroma KSKJ (zavarovalniške družbe Kranjske slovenske katoliške jednote).

Glavno središče slovenstva pa je bila vendarle naša cerkev, ki so nam jo zdaj odvzeli. Kulturniških obiskov iz domovine tako rekoč nismo deležni, nazadnje je bil pri nas Slovenski oktet pred petimi leti, pa še takrat je šlo za koncert v nekem drugem mestu pri ameriškem občinstvu. Zbor Ave je pravzaprav prva umetniška skupina, ki je prišla prav k nam.

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• **Slovenci in Hrvatje v San Franciscu ste ostali pred kratkim brez cerkve.**

Tukajšnja nadškofija trdi, da se je število vernikov, ki bi redno obiskovali cerkve, v zadnjih letih zmanjšalo s 300.000 na vsega 50.000, čeprav ima mesto več milijonov prebivalcev, in da je zato nujno zapreti nekaj cerkva ter druge bolje uporabiti. K tej odločitvi je nekaj pripomogel tudi potres leta 1989, ki je nekoliko poškodoval tudi nekatere cerkvene zgradbe.

Ker pa vemo, da ima tukajšnja škofija velike denarne težave, menimo, da bi s prodajo nekaterih stavb predvsem rada odplačala nekatere dolgove. Poteza se škofiji gotovo ni posrečila, saj so bili protesti med verniki velikanski. Še posebej hudo je z našo cerkvijo, ki je drugačne vrste, saj igra vlogo ohranjanja identitete narodnostne skupnosti.

Prostor so Slovenci in Hrvatje kupili že leta 1903 in tam sami zgradili cerkev. Ta je dvakrat pogorela, a so jo vedno obnovili. Bila je središče narodnega dogajanja za tukajšnje Slovence in Hrvatje. Dokumenti o lastništvu pa so se razgubili, zato je nadškofija po potresu leta 1912 uradno zaprosila z cerkev, kar je edina uradna in torej veljavna listina, ki »dokazuje« lastništvo nadškofije. Tu ni pomagala nobena tožba.

Žal, tudi tukajšnji župnik, doma iz Istre, ni pripomogel k uspešnejšemu ohranjanju naše skupnosti in cerkve.

• **Kaj vse ste doslej storili, da bi cerkev vendarle dobili nazaj? So za to sploh še možnosti?**

Možnosti so, zato tudi vztrajamo. Najprej smo se obrnili na slovenske škofo. Nadškof dr. Alojzij Šuštar in tudi drugi slovenski škofoje so večkrat skušali vplivati na tukajšnjega cerkvenega voditelja, a vsaj doslej brez učinka. Pisali smo tudi v Vatikan, na duhovniško kongregacijo, od koder smo dobili odklonilen odgovor. Poslali smo tudi protest na vrhovno sodišče in zdaj čakamo še na ta odgovor.

Možnosti so majhne. Medtem opozarjamo na svoj problem tudi tako, da v pušico namesto denarja mečemo razmnoženo pismo škfcu, v katerem ga opozarjamo, da ne moremo darovati za ustanovo, ki nam je odvzela lastno cerkev.

Poudarimo naj, da je obdobje kritično, saj se lahko naša majhna skupnost hitro razdrobi in razprši in tako bo slovenstva v San Franciscu konec! •

P. Vendelin Špendov

L e m o n t s k i o d m e v i

Mesec november posvečamo spominu tistim, ki so odšli pred nami v večnost. Spominjamo se jih, ker so nam bili dragi in smo jih spoštovali in ljubili. Pri tem nam Cerkev sama daje zgled, ko je že od nekdaj rajnim izkazovala spoštovanje, saj je dan po prazniku Vseh svetnikov (1. novembra) vpeljala posebno bogoslužje za Spomin vseh vernih rajnih — Verne duše.

V Lemontu bomo obhajali »Spomin vernih rajnih« to nedeljo, 6. novembra. Ob dveh popoldne se bomo zbrali na pokopališču k molitvi za rajne sobrate in za vse, ki tu počivajo. Med molitvijo rožnega venca se bomo podali v cerkev k sv. maši za pokojne.

Vsak dan novembra opravljamo sv. maše in molitve za rajne, zlasti tiste, ki so nam bili posebej priporočeni. Da bi naročnikom (Ave Marije mesečnika), rojakom in prijateljem omogočili, da vključijo v te sv. maše in molitve svoje drage, smo razposlali posebna pisma. Že vnaprej Bog plačaj.

Letos so bile tiskane in izdane nove pesmarice. Vsebujejo pesmi, ki jih veren slovenski rojak rad prepeva pri sv. maši in pri pobožnostih. Poleg pesmi je tudi mašno berilo v slovenskem in angleškem jeziku. Pesmarice, ki jih je založila KSKJ za stoletnico obstoja, so na razpolago slovenskim cerkvam, po izredno nizki ceni. V Lemontu so stare pesmarice že pošle, kar jih je ostalo, so se pa skozi desetletja izrabile. Da bi mogli romarjem dati v roke knjižico, smo za avgustova romanja prejeli tristo knjižic, ki sta jih oskrbela in plačala Stane in Ivanka Markun iz Joliet. Bog plačaj za lep dar Mari-

ji Pomagaj!

Fr. Leonard Bogolin OFM je 21. oktobra obhajal 60-letnico mašniškega posvečenja. Na ta dan pred 60 leti (21. okt. 1934) je v Mariboru prejel mašniško posvečenje. Glavno slovesnost biserne maše je imel v Sloveniji 7. avgusta 1994. Medtem je pa žal, koncem septembra Fr. Leonard moral v bolnišnico zaradi srčnega napada. Ugotovili so, da ga je možno rešiti le s kirurškim posegom — triple by-pass. Pater je operacijo ugodno prestal in lepo okreva. P. Leonard, Bog daj popolno okrevanje.

P. Rafael Sešek OFM, ki upravlja župnijo Sv. Jurija (St. George) na jugu Chicaga, je z operacijo izgubil palec desne noge. Baje je to posledica sladkorne. P. Rafael, Bog Te ohrani!

P. David Šrumpf, kaplan pri Sv. Jožefu v Jolietu, je v septembru nadomeščal župnika Sv. Cirila v New Yorku, da si je P. Krizolog Cimerman mogel vzeti nekaj tednov za služenega dopusta.

V septembru nas je obiskal Fr. Danilo Sedlar, bivši frančiškan, sedaj škofijski duhovnik, župnik v škofiji Timmins, Ontario, Kanada. Hvala za obisk.

Chicago je letos v praznovanju obletnic. Tokrat nadškofija Chicago obhaja 150-letnico ustanovitve. Veliko slavlje pod vodstvom čikaškega nadškofa kardinala Jožefa Bernardina je bilo v nedeljo, 7. avgusta. Slovesne maše in prireditve se je na stadionu udeležilo blizu stotisoč vernikov. Slavnost je povzdignil tudi Chicago Symphony Orchestra z izbranim programom primernim za slo-

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Lojze Peterle ostal na čelu SKD

(Po Slovincu, 25. okt. — Ljubljana - Predsednik slovenskih krščanskih demokratov ostaja dosedanji vodja stranke Lojze Peterle, dozdašnjega glavnega tajnika Edvarda Staniča pa je zamenjala dr. Vida Čadonič-Špelič - prva ženska na vodilnem mestu v stranki. Takšna je bila odločitev 152 delegatov na tretjem kongresu Slovenskih krščanskih demokratov, ki je bil 22. in 23. oktobra v ljubljanskem hotelu Lev.

Za Lojzeta Peterleta je po uradnih podatkih glasovalo 134 od 152 delegatov, Vida Čadonič-Špelič je prejela 76 glasov delegatov, Janez Obreza, kandidat ljudskega krila za glavnega tajnika, pa je prejel le glas manj, to je 75 glasov.

Nova podpredsednika stranke sta postala dr. Peter Vencelj, državni sekretar v zunanjem ministrstvu, pristojen za Slovence po svetu, in Janko Deželak, direktor Agencije za sanacijo bank.

V nedeljo (23. okt.) so v poznih večernih urah sprejeli tudi spremembe in dopolnitve statuta ter program stranke. S statutarnimi spremembami so med drugim močno zmanjšali politično vlogo in samostojnost delovanja strankinih frakcij oziroma kril SKD. Niso jih sicer odpravili, izgubila pa so pravico do avtomatičnega zastopstva svojih predstavnikov v organih stranke in do postavitve samostojne organizacijske strukture. Njihov program mora biti skladen s programom stranke, potrjuje pa ga svet SKD. Delegati so še pred volitvami zavrnil predlog mandatarskega sistema, za katerega se je zavzemal Lojze Peterle in po katerem naj bi imel kot predsednik možnost predlagati svojo kandidatno listo za člane izvršilnega odbora stranke.

U.M.

Malo novega za druge stranke

Po Slovincu 25. oktobra, izpod perese Biserke Karneže.

Ljubljana — S kongresom SKD malo novega, tako bi lahko strnili stališča nekaterih parlamentarnih strank po kongresu, ki naj bi bil po mnenju večine brez »zunanjih sporočil«.

Janez Janša, predsednik Socialdemokratske stranke Slovenije, je dejal, da se na kongresu niso izrekli glede prihodnjega sodelovanja s strankami slovenske pomladi. Še vedno namreč ni jasno, kakšno bo strankarsko povezovanje občinskih odborov SKD na območjih volitev.

Stališče, da je šlo za kongres brez zunanjih sporočil, je zavzel tudi Marjan Podobnik, predsednik Slovenske ljudske stranke, saj naj bi se krščanski demokrati, ki na kongresu niso povabili predstavnikov drugih strank, ukvarjali predvsem z notranjimi vprašanji, ki ne bodo prinesla večjih sprememb v razmerju SKD do drugih strank.

Po mnenju Gregorja Golobiča, glavnega tajnika LDS, se na kongresu SKD ni zgodilo nič nepredvidljivega. Kongres je bil interne in organizacijske narave, saj se delegati niso posvetili načrtovanju programa.

»Gre le za organizacijsko

etapo stranke, podoben proces pa se bo nadaljeval tudi v drugih strankah,« je dodal Golobič in obžaloval izgubo glavnega tajnika SKD Edvarda Staniča, dosedanega političnega sogovornika.

Usklajevanje glede koalicijske pogodbe naj bi se nadaljevalo do 6. novembra, ko naj bi svet LDS dajal mnenja o kandidatih za župane. Medtem ko naj bi odprta vprašanja glede šolstva in denacionalizacije že dosegla želene učinke, še vedno ostaja poglavitna ovira odstop Lojzeta Peterleta s funkcije zunanjega ministra in v zvezi s tem kadrovski vidiki koalicijske pogodbe ter zakon o popravni krivic, o katerem poslanci razpravljajo ravno v času usklajevanja koalicijske pogodbe.

Kot drugi predstavniki strank je tudi Dušan Kumer, generalni tajnik Združene liste socialnih demokratov menil, da se na kongresu ni zgodilo nič »pretresljivega«, kritično pa je ocenil razmerje stranke do narodnoosvobodilnega boja. Izenačevanje s fašizmom nas, kot je dejal, oddaljuje od antifašistične Evrope. Hkrati je takšno stališče stranke dokaz, da ne gre za stranko centra oziroma evropsko usmerjeno stranko. •

Kaj se dogaja v Sloveniji? Berite Ameriško Domovino in boste vedno zelo na tekočem!

NOVI GROBOVI

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bila na pokopališču Vernih duš. Družina priporoča darove v pokojničin spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele.

Vera Korosec

Umrta je Vera Korosec, rojena Gregoric, žena Stefana, mati Stefana ml. in Tonyja, zapušča več sorodnikov v Sloveniji in Kanadi. Pogreb je bil včeraj s sv. mašo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Agnes Kantz

Dne 1. novembra je v Gateway Health Care Center v Euclidu umrla 82 let stara Agnes Kantz, rojena v Clevelandu, hčerka Johna in Agnes Kantz (oba že pok.), sestra Rose Bartlett, Louisa, Amelie Ingram ter že pok. Franka in Johna, zaposlena kot računovodkinja pri Addressograph Multigraph 30 let, vse do svoje upokojitve, članica SNPJ št. 158. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. jutri, v petek, dop. ob 10.30 na Lake View pokopališče. Ure kropljenja bodo danes, v četrtek, od 4. do 8. zv.

Joseph J. Merhar

Dne 28. oktobra je umrl Joseph J. Merhar, mož Josephine (r. Rupar), oče Cheryl Owen, Josepha, Marka in Claudije Farkas, 8-krat stari oče, brat Fredericka (že pok.). Pogreb je bil 31. oktobra s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Felicite in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Sally L. Bandelow

Umrta je 34 let stara Sally L. Bandelow, rojena Sidak, žena Richarda, hčerka Roberta in Marge (r. Zaletel) Sidak, sestra Roberta, Debi Gamber in Jeffreyja, 10-krat teta. Pogreb je bil 31. oktobra iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Roberta in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču. Družina priporoča darove v pokojničin spomin Cleveland Clinic Foundation-Cancer Research Center, 9500 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44195.

Helen Austin

Umrta je Helen Austin, rojena Zavrl, vdova po Royju, mati Janet Buchser, Linde Brown in Lawrencea, 11-krat stara mati. Pogreb je bil 26. oktobra iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St., kjer so bili pogrebni obredi, na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Lemontski odmevi

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vesno obletnico. Slovenski frančiškani se pridružujemo čestitkam s prošnjo, da bi Bog blagoslavljal vse podvige nadškofijskega vodstva in vsega božjega ljudstva.

Šolske sestre Sv. Frančiška Kristusa Kralja na Mt. Assisi v Lemontu so 11. septembra 1994, s slovesnim bogoslužjem pričele slavje 125-letnice obstoja kongregacije: 1869-1994. Čestitke in Bog naj blagoslavlja njihovo delo še vnaprej, zlasti z mnogimi poklici!

Zahvala tistim, ki so celo poletje pomagali pri romanjih: Brankotu Magajnetu in Jožetu Arku za pomoč pri petih litanijah in pri mašah, Stanetu Markunu starejšemu in mlajšemu za skrb osvetljava z baklami pri večerni procesiji in za ozvočenje pri groti. Bakle je darovala jolietška Slovenska Liga. Da je telovska procesija lepo uspela, gre med drugim zahvala vsem, ki so pripravili oltarje: Kreslinovim in Balažicovim; Andreju in Mariji Remec in Frances Martinčič; Ceponovim in Remsovim iz Jolieteta, pa še mnogim, ki so pripravili in krasili oltarje pri groti in v cerkvi. Pravtako nosilec križa in sveč in ministrantom. Zahvala Frances Fritz in njenemu možu za skrb in okras frančiškovega kipa pred samostanom in cerkvijo, kakor tudi za gredo ob ograji pri Domu. Vsem Bog plačaj!

V pretekli številke (Ave Marije) nismo mogli vsega objaviti, zato tu dodatek k »Romanju Oltarnih društev iz Clevelanda«: V procesiji na pokopališču je Ivanka Kete nosila križ, šopek za grob škofa Gregorija Rožmana je nesla Josephine Winter, spremljala jo je Kristina Rihter. - Pri pobožnosti »Kronanja Fatimske Gospe v rožnovenski dolini« so sodelovale vse z molitvijo in petjem, naslednjim je bila zaupana posebna vloga: Fatimsko

gospo je kronala Helen Krofl, spremljale so jo: Marie Amigoni, Paula Adamič, Kristina Rihter, Ivanka Kete in Ann Pirnat. Nageljčke so nesle in podarile: Josephine Klun, Frances Smolts, Mary Marsic, Francka Rigler, Ivanka Rozman, Marjanca Cugel in Olga Trinko. — Bog plačaj, romarice, za vse pobožnosti, za molitev in petje, pa zlasti še za lep zgled, ki ste nam ga dale. Bog Vas ohrani, da se bomo zopet sešli pri Mariji Pomagaj!

Dodatek k poročilu o »Medenem pikniku«: Ta prireditelj je znana po številu potic, krofov in drugega peciva. Pa seveda, medu ne more manjkati, zato naš čebelar, Janez Rems, pripelje med v prodajo, pa tudi v dar za nagrade. Tokrat je daroval 10 quartov. Dan pred piknikom se pridne gospe zgodaj zjutraj zberejo in prično s cvrtjem krofov. Treba je prireditelj zgodaj, kajti na stotine krovov vzame le precej časa. Sodelovale so: Ema Purkart, Ida Babic, Marija Jeretina, Margaret Rems in Tončka Rozman. V pomoč je kasneje prišla še gospodinja v našem samostanu Mihaela Simrayh, ki nam vsak dan opoldne postreže z domačo hrano. — Poleg krofov so bile na »medenem pikniku« na razpolago še potice in štrudli, kar so naredile in darovale: Margaret Rems (22 jabolčnih štrudlov), Ema Purkart (dve potici), Ida Babic, Pepca Bunšek (2 potici), Sophie Raseta, Joži Horvat, Josephine Zajec (2 potici), H. Burjek, Marija Jeretina, Frances Sefcik, Pepca Kores, Mary Hasenjaeger, Marija Glavac (\$5). »Punčko s \$25 - moneydoll« za žrebanje je naredila in darovala Margaret Rems. — Vsem Bog plačaj.

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Tretji kongres SKD

Buenos Aires, Ar. — Tretji kongres slovenskih krščanskih demokratov v Ljubljani je bil 22. in 23. oktobra v dvorani hotela Lev. Prisotnih je bilo 244 delegatov in volilnih upravičencev, pa tudi gostje iz tujine, ki so zastopali sorodne stranke iz Avstrije, Italije, Madžarske, Slovaške in Hrvaške. Iz zamejstva so prišli podpredsednik NSKS Marjan Pipp in bivši državni poslanec Karel Smolle; iz Trsta pa predsednik Slovenske skupnosti Marjan Terpin in tajnik Martin Breclj.

Iz zdomstva so bili prisotni vsi delegati, kolikor jih določa statut. Tako so poslala po enega delegata območja iz Anglije, Francije, Kanade in ZDA, iz Argentine pa 5 delegatov (pooblaščenec) in enega člana IO. Na ta način so imeli slovenski SKD iz zdomstva na kongresu 10 glasov, ki so jih pridno uporabljali.

Predsednik Lojze Peterle je imel prvi dan daljši govor, v katerem je poročal o strankinem delovanju v preteklem letu. Podpredsednik iz Argentine pa je imel pozdravni nagovor. Debata o spremembah statuta in programa ter volitve vseh strankinih organov so trajale vso soboto popoldne in se zavlekle preko nedelje do zgodnjih ponedeljkovih ur.

Pomembni sklepi so bili med drugimi, da stranka ohrani v svoji organizaciji programska krila; da se bo zavzemala, da država uspešneje sodeluje pri obnavljanju cerkva in drugih verskih objektov, ki so bili porušeni med revolucijo in po njej; da voli člane v IO kongres stranke iz odprte liste; da se skrči število podpredsednikov na tri, od katerih bo eden zadolžen za organizacijo in gospodarstvo, drugi za mednarodne stike, in tretji za zdomstvo. To je edini član IO, ki ga ne voli kongres stranke, temveč ga bomo izvolili direktno vsi člani SKD v zdomstvu in sicer v roku šestih mesecev na podlagi liste, kjer bodo kandidati iz vseh območij. Posebno pomemben dokument je 110. člen programa, ki je bil sprejet kljub nasprotovanju nekaterih z veliko večino. Na kongresu je odstopil glavni tajnik stranke Edvard Stanič, ki se bo zdaj posvečal tehničnemu usposabljanju članov SKD za javno delo. Predsednik Lojze Peterle je bil na volitvah ponovno izvoljen z veliko večino.

M. K.

Op. ur. AD: Pisec poročila je gotovo dr. Marko Kremžar, v poročilu omenjeni podpredsednik SKD iz Argentine. Poročilo je izšlo v argentinski Svobodni Sloveniji z dne 27. oktobra. V omenjeni številki sta tudi dr. Kremžarjev pozdravni govor in tekst 110. člena »popravljenega programa SKD«, slednji tekst pa je vključen v poročilo Igorja Kršinarja, ki ga posredujemo spodaj.

Narodna sprava po meri Združene liste

Gospode iz Amerike pošiljajo domov

Članek, ki sledi, je izšel v *Slovincu* pretekli četrtek, izpod peresa novinarja Igorja Kršinarja.

Ljubljana — Razburjenje zaradi nove programske listine Slovenskih krščanskih demokratov se še ni poglobilo. Včeraj (26. okt.) se je na njihovo programsko točko glede narodne sprave in poprave krivic od-

zvala Združena lista. Predsednik stranke mag. Janez Kocijančič je kongres SKD celo označil za škandal mednarodnih razsežnosti, saj naj bi bilo nedopustno razglasiti kolaboracijo za protikomunistični odpor.

Združena lista v celoti zavrača stališča o narodni spravi in popravi krivic, ki jih je spre-

jel kongres SKD, saj naj bi ta pomenila poskus spreminjanja zgodovine, zanikanja narodno-osvobodilnega boja in celostne rehabilitacije narodnega izdajstva. Na tem temelju po mnenju ZLSD nista mogoči sprava in poprava krivic. Združena lista si bo prizadevala, da stališča kongresa SKD ne bodo postala sestavni del vladnega programa.

»Zelo koristno bi bilo, če bi stari gospodje iz ZDA in Argentine odšli nazaj domov in pustili Slovenijo svobodno živeti brez travm,« je na včerajšnji tiskovni konferenci Združene liste dejal njen predsednik.

Kakšne »travme« naj bi torej Slovenski krščanski demokrati povzročili Sloveniji? V programski točki o narodni spravi in popravi krivic so sprejeli naslednje besedilo:

»Slovenski narod je bil grobo prizadet tako s fašističnim kot komunističnim totalitarnim sistemom. Še posebno je komunistična partija pod vodstvom kominterne začela v najtežjem času fašistične okupacije krvavo revolucijo v letih 1941-45 in s tem povzročila med nami bratomorno vojno, ki se je končala z množičnim pobojem tistega dela Slovencev, ki se je komunistični ideologiji in revoluciji uprl.

V slovenskem narodu je zato potrebna sprava, do katere bo mogoče priti po poti iskanja in ugotovitve resnice in na podlagi krščanskih vrednot priznanja in obžalovanja, dopolnjenega s popravo storjenih krivic. Poprava krivic mora obsegati vse žrtve revolucije in z njo povzročene državljanske vojne od leta 1941 dalje in vse žrtve totalitarne oblasti do demokratičnih volitev leta 1990, obsegati mora vso škodo, tako osebno, na časti in dobrem imenu, kot moralno in premoženjsko zaradi izgube življenja, zdravja in premoženja, obsegati mora tudi uradno odpravo vseh sodb in drugih pravnih določb, izdanih na podlagi revolucionarnih predpisov, ki so bili že tedaj v nasprotju s pravnimi načeli, priznanimi v mednarodni skupnosti, ali so zdaj v nasprotju z ustavnimi določbami o temeljnih človekovih pravicah in svoboščinah.

Poprava krivic pomeni tudi odpravo privilegijev, ki so jih na podlagi revolucionarnih predpisov nelegitimno pridobili posamezniki ali organizacije, na drugi strani pa uradno priznanje, da sta bila medvojni komunistični odpor in po vojno nasprotovanje nedemokratični oblasti legitimno in legalno ter častno dejanje, izhajajoče iz splošno priznane pravice do samoobrambe in iz naravne pravice do upora proti totalitarnemu režimu.

Združena lista, kot nič kolikokrat tudi Liberalna demokracija in njeni politični sateliti, se očitno ne more izviti iz lastnega monopola nad zgodovinsko resnico o dogajanju v Sloveniji med drugo svetovno vojno in po njej. To je tudi vzrok za to, da slovenski parlament v štirih letih »demo-

DR. MARKO KREMŽAR

Utrdimo svoje vrste

Pozdravne besede na kongresu SKD

Prinašam vam pozdrave iz Argentine, kjer slovenska demokratska skupnost zvesto spremlja dogodke v domovini.

Pozdravljam vse slovenske krščanske demokrate v imenu več kot 700 članov povezanih v območju za Argentino in južno Ameriko pod predsedstvom inž. Jerneja Dobovška. Vsi ti se zavedajo, da so v skladu s Statuti naše stranke za njeno delovanje soodgovorni.

Zavest o naši soodgovornosti pri vsem, kar je slovenskega, izvira iz globokega spoznanja, da stvarnost narodnega občestva presega vsako mejo in ni vezana na geografsko utesnjenost.

Slovenska država — naš tisočletni sen — je osrednji voz nevidne kulturne, gospodarske in politične mreže, ki naj sega po vsej zemski obli. Ves svet postane slovensko tržišče, po vseh deželah naj odmeva in se oplaja slovenska kultura, povsod naj bo ocenjena naša prisotnost.

To je pogled na novo — živo — univerzalno slovenstvo, ki je lahko toliko bolj univerzalno, kolikor je prisotnejše in kolikor globlje je zasedrano v našo narodno identiteto. Republika Slovenija, zamejska Slovenija in Slovenija v svetu so sestavni deli našega narodnega občestva, v katerem smo vsi odgovorni za vse.

In prav zato spremljajo slovenski krščanski demokrati iz zdomstva dogajanja v naši državi in stranki z upanjem, pa tudi z zaskrbljenostjo. Demokratična ureditev samostojne slovenske države jih polni z upanjem, zloraba demokracije, s katero poskušajo nekdanji nosilci totalitarizma ohranjati svoje privilegije in nad-

kracije« ni premogel izjave, s katero bi komunistični režim označil za zločinskega, ter obsodil vse njegove kršitve človekovih pravic.

Krščanski demokrati so prvi med slovenskimi strankami predstavili drugačno razmerje do preteklosti, oster odziv njihovih političnih nasprotnikov pa lahko primerjamo samo še z izjavami srbskega nacional-komunista Mihajla Švabića, v katerih je drugače misleče (Slovenec) pošiljal v Gradec in Philadelphio.●

zor nad družbo, pa so upravičen razlog za zaskrbljenje.

Ob branju programskih definicij SKD rojaki upajo, a so zaskrbljeni, ko slišijo, naj bi bila politična sredina pragmatično vodilo stranke. Ni mogoče govoriti o geometrični sredini med strankami, kjer so ene neprikrita kontinuiteta komunističnega režima, druge pa so, čeprav od nas različne, resnično demokratske.

Tako pojmovanje sredine lahko povzroči, da volilci izgube orientacijo in postanejo žrtev demagogov. Pri iskanju uravnovešene politične smeri pa nam ne morejo pomagati krščanske demokracije sosednjih držav. One imajo za seboj pol stoletja demokracije, medtem ko se nam pričenja štet povojni in porevolucijski čas — na začetku tega desetletja.

Člani SKD upajo, ko gledajo prizadevanje svoje stranke na polju gospodarstva, a so zaskrbljeni, ker se ta glasneje zavzema za položaje na ekonomskem področju kakor na področju šolstva in kulture, kjer morda ni neposrednih volilnih glasov, a je prihodnost slovenskega naroda.

Upajo, da zahteva po popravni krivic komunistične revolucije, ki je del strankinega programa, ni prazna beseda; skrbi pa jih, kadar vidijo, da poslanci njihove stranke ne dosežejo, da bi na primer, z zakonom preprečili zastaranje komunističnih zločinov.

Kdor se pri tem sklicuje na evropske standarde, naj se spomni, kako je Nemčija obžalovala zgodovinsko krivdo nacistov, to izločila iz državne uprave, njihovo ideologijo pa izbrisala iz šolstva in kulture. Mi na pravno obsodbo komunističnega totalitarizma še čakamo.

Upajo tudi, da bo postala Slovenija kmalu pravna država, a se zaskrbljeni sprašujejo, kako se bo to zgodilo, če za množico nepokopanih žrtev komunizma po vsej deželi ni odgovoren nihče in če se stare pa tudi nove afere vztrajno pometajo pod preprogo.

Z upanjem zro rast stoletnega drevesa slovenske krščanske demokracije, a čutijo težo odgovornosti ob pogledu na politično razcepljenost katoliškega občestva, ki presega

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Edvard Stanič se poslavlja iz vodstva stranke.

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politični okvir in sega že na moralno področje.

Vendar nam naj bo jasno, da smo slovenski krščanski demokrati, kljub vsem pomankljivostim, edina stranka, ki more doseči v teh prelomnih razmerah pravo ravnovesje pravičnih in odgovornih rešitev.

In zato rojaki upajo, ko slišijo odločno besedo svojega predsednika, ki zna reči »bobu bob«, a so zaskrbljeni, ker vidijo, da mu nekateri slede z navdušenjem kadar taktizira, pa gledajo stran, kadar spregovori načelno.

Člani SKD upravičeno upajo, ko vidijo, kako njihov predsednik brez hrupa sledi naročilu papeža Janeza Pavla II. »naj Slovenci varujemo mir, ki vlada v naši domovini«; vsi pa vemo, da je trajen mir lahko le sad resnice in pravice pa strpnega razumevanja najprej med tistimi, ki smo si najbližji.

Včasih se zdi človeku, ki gleda iz daljave, da je naša stranka tako zaposlena s krovnim političnim delom, da ne opazi, kaj se dogaja na tleh pod streho, katero pomaga graditi, pa tudi, da gradnja marsikdaj ne odgovarja prvotnemu načrtu. Nobena državna streha ni nikdar dokončno zgrajena, vsaka država prehaja iz krize v krizo. Če bi čakali, da bo naše delo v vladi opravljeno, da država na enem ali drugem področju ne bo v kriznem položaju, se bi krščanski demokrati izčrpali na državni strehi v družbi

strank, ki so zgodovinsko obremenjene in ki delujejo brez moralnih smernic, katere predstavljajo bistvo našega družbenega programa.

Vprašam se, ali ni potem, ko je slovenska krščanska demokracija uspešno opravila velik del svoje državotvorne naloge, nastopil čas, ko bo morala pomagati brezbržni množici pri iskanju poti do kvalitete življenja, katera sloni le na moralnih vrednotah? Gre namreč za globoko preobrazbo slovenske družbe in ne za golo upravljanje države. Pomembnejše kot to, če smo v vladi, je, kaj storimo za slovensko ljudstvo, bodisi v vladi ali mimo nje.

Delo v stranki, četudi le preprosto članstvo v njej, ni pasivno opazovanje dogajanj, ki jih usmerjajo drugi. Smisel sodelovanja v stranki je prav to — sodelovanje. Pritisnimo uho k tlorisu in slišali bomo dihanje ljudstva, ki si želi jasnih besed in globokih sprememb, a ne ve, kako in kaj, ker je bilo predolga desetletja zavajano v megleno neodgovornost.

Pogumno moramo začrtati slovenski narodni program, ki naj postane vodilo vsem delom našega narodnega občestva, katero išče potem, ko je doseglo za svojo državo novih ciljev in smislov. Ne bojmo se originalnih slovenskih poti! Brez pogumne samozvesti, ki jo uravnavajo visoki cilji, in brez tesnega sodelovanja strankinih temeljev z njenim vrhom, se lahko zgodi, da

bomo pod krščanskim imenom počasi kosteneli v centralizirano strukturo brez življenja. Stranka mora biti šola vzajemnega dela, v kateri je dana možnost vsakemu članu, da vidi ne le, kaj delamo, temveč tudi, kaj bi hoteli narediti pa zaradi okoliščin ne moremo; kje smo se zmotili in kje uspeli, pa tudi zakaj hočemo — kar hočemo.

Poleg poti do neposrednih koristi smo dolžni kazati ljudstvu, za katerega smo odgovorni, tudi v smer velikih vrednot, ki so edina zanesljiva vez celotnega narodnega občestva. In na čelu teh vrednot stoje: življenje, resnica, pravica in dobrot, brez katerih ni ne osebnih, ne družbenih — človeka vrednih — rešitev.

Smo sredi težav, a ni razloga za malodušnost. To je čas preskušanj, ki kličejo po razsodnem pogumu in notranji poglavitvi. Utrdimo svoje vrste s tem, da sežemo do temeljev svojih krščanskih načel, da posvetimo delo in skrb tehnični in idejni formaciji, pa osebni in družbeni vzgoji mladih. To ni defenziva, dragi moji, to je priprava na veliko ofenzivo, ki nas slovenske demokrate še čaka. •

KOLENDAR NOVEMBER

6. — **Ameriška Dobrodelna Zveza** priredi večerjo ob 84. obletnici ustanovitve, v SND na St. Clairju.

12. — **Pevski zbor Jadran** ima koncert, združen z večerjo in plesom, v SDD na Waterloo Rd.

12. — **Belokranjski klub** priredi martinovanje, v Slov. narodnem domu na St. Clairju. Igra Alpski sekstet.

13. — **Ob 75-letnici** ustanovitve poda Dramatsko društvo Liliya veseloigro »Svoje glavček« v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave.

DECEMBER

4. — **Slov. šola pri Sv. Vidu** priredi miklavževanje v šolskem avditoriju. Pričetek ob 3h pop.

4. — **SKD Triglav, Milwaukee** priredi miklavževanje.

9. — **Slovenian American Heritage Foundation** priredi že tradicionalno srečanje s škofom Edwardom Pevcem v nekdanjem Borroemo semenišču v Wickliffu. Sodeluje zbor Glasbena Matica.

31. — **Primorski klub** priredi silvestrovanje v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Ave. Večerja ob 7.30 zv. Igra Stan Mejač orkester.

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FEBRUAR

19. — **Slov. šola pri Sv. Vidu** priredi vsakoletno kosilo, v šolskem avditoriju. Serviranje od 11. dop. do 1.30 pop.

MAJ

6. — **Slov. šola pri Sv. Vidu** priredi materinsko proslavo, v šolskem avditoriju, ob 6.30 zv.

Izčrpen posvet o Londonskem memorandumu

TRST-GORICA, It. - Tržaška občinska uprava je ob 40-letnici podpisa Londonskega memoranduma in vrnitve Italije v Trst priredila dvodnevni posvet z naslovom Londonski memorandum: izvor in dediščina. Posvet je potekal v petek, 7., in v soboto, 8. t.m., v konferenčni dvorani tržaške Trgovinske zbornice.

Za predavateljsko mizo je sedla vrsta uglednih strokovnjakov, zgodovinarjev, politikov in diplomatov, ki so z različnih zornih kotov osvetlili mnogo aspektov sporazuma, podpisanega v Londonu leta 1954. Nastopilo je tudi več pričevalcev tistega časa.

Otvoritev posveta je bila v petek zjutraj, ko je po pozdravnih in uvodnih besedah župana Illyja in prof. Giorgia Connettija s tržaške univerze sedel za mizo zgodovinar Piero Pastorelli, ki je v daljšem posegu opisal dogodke izpred 40 let, za njim pa je svoje spomine na tiste čase podal diplomat Fausto Bachetti.

Zelo zanimiv je bil petkov popoldanski del, ko je bilo na vrsti predavanje tržaškega zgodovinarja Giampola Valdevita, za njim pa so se zvrstili posegi zgodovinarjev in časnikarjev. Valdevit je dejal, da je Londonski memorandum odprl tako Italiji kot Jugoslaviji možnost za poglobljene stike s svetom in tako tudi možnost širše zunanje politike, ni pa rešil njunih medsebojnih odnosov, kar je škodovalo zlasti tržaškemu mestu, ki je vsa ta desetletja živelo v stanju nekakšne začasnosti; vse kaže, da to stanje še traja.

Pomenljiv je bil tudi prispevek prof. Jožeta Pirjevca o tem, kako je doživljala podpis memoranduma slovenska narodnostna skupnost na Tržaškem, ki ji globoka notranja razcepljenost ni dopuščala organskega in usklajenega nastopa; to je italijanska stran s pridom izkoristila. Mnogi so se tudi vprašali, ali ima Italija do svoje vzhodne sosesčine sploh kako politiko, ki je vredna tega imena, saj so jo — vsaj do sedaj — dogodki na Balkanu redno prehitevali.

Sobotni jutranji del, ki je tudi sklenil dvodnevni posvet, je bil posvečen posredovanjem spominov in izkušenj iz tistega obdobja s strani italijanskih delavcev od Diega de Castra in Sergia Romana pa do Manlia Cecovinija, Arduina Agnellija in Guida Botterija.

Človeka nekoliko preseneča dejstvo, da je vladalo neko splošno vzdušje, ki je kazalo željo po odprtosti svetu, po tem, da Trst preseže zgodovinske, politične, narodnostne in miselne pregrade, ki so mu do sedaj onemogočale polno zaživet kot zares evropsko mesto; to tudi glede odnosov s Slovenijo in s slovensko manjšino na Tržaškem. Edini, ki je še vedno brenkal na nacionalistične strune, je bilo po mnenju opazovalcev bivši socialistični senator Arduino Agnelli, ki je sicer znan po svojih

iredentističnih težnjah in po prijateljstvih s srbskimi nacionalističnimi krogi v Krajini.

Splošna ocena posveta je vsekakor pozitivna. Priče smo bili pobudi na visoki strokovni in intelektualni ravni, daleč od dobro znane retorike, ki je pri nas označevala take in podobne obletnice. Razlike seveda obstajajo in bodo tudi obstajale; pomembno pa je, da so se skorajda vsi udeleženci posveta zavedali tega, da je treba stopiti v obdobje, v katerem bo treba gledati na določene stvari z dobro mero objektivnosti in zdravega čuta.

Ivan Žerjal

Kat. glas, 13. okt. 1994

Ameriški astronaut Ronald Sega in žena na obisku v Sloveniji

Ljubljana — Na povabilo predsednika Milana Kučana se od 31. oktobra do 5. novembra v Sloveniji na obisku mudi prvi vesoljec slovenskega porekla dr. Ronald M. Sega.

Prišla je tudi njegova žena dr. Bonnie J. Dunbar, vesoljska veteranka, ki je že trikrat poletela v vesolje.

Astronavt dr. Ronald M. Sega je vnuk slovenskega izseljenca Karla (Charleyja) Šege, rojenega 22.9.1876 v Šegovi vasi pri Loškem Potoku, in Marije Šege, rojene leta 1889 v Travniku pri Loškem Potoku.

Dr. Sega je v začetku februarja letos skupaj s petimi kolegi — član posadke je bil prvič tudi ruski kozmonavt Sergej K. Krikaljov — poletel z ameriškim vesoljskim raketoplanom Discovery. Vesoljka dr. Bonnie J. Dunbar je kot strokovnjakinja odprave sodelovala že na treh poletih ameriških vesoljskih plovil in je tako dosegla že 31 dni, 21 ur in eno minuto letenja in je s tem po času, prebitem v vesolju, v samem vrhu med ameriški vesoljci.

Gosta se bosta sešla tudi s člani slovenske vesoljske pobude in obiskala Astronavtsko-raketarski klub »Vladimir M. Komarov« v Ljubljani. V načrtu sta tudi strokovni predavanja na Inštitutu Jožefa Štefana 3. in 4. novembra na Vegovi 4 v Ljubljani in na Unescovem mednarodnem kemijskem centru.

Po Slovincu 25. okt., ki je podatke dobil od Slovenske tiskovne agencije. Po uspelem poletu je bil dr. Ronald Sega v Clevelandu na prireditvi, ki jo je sponzoriral Slovenian American Heritage Foundation. In, kot smo poročali, imajo slovenski Amerikanci že drugega astronauta.

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da je Kristus za nas vse na svet prišel in v Palestini oznanjal evangelij, veselo oznanilo, vsem ljudem dobre volje: »Pojdite, učite vse narode in kršćujte jih v imenu Očeta in Sina in Svetega Duha in učite jih spolnjevati vse, karkoli sem Vam zapovedal.«

Pred menoj je mnoštvo pošete, ki se je nabrala zadnje tedne, ko sem zaradi selitve v Princeton, čakal na moj čas, da jo pregledam, uredim in iz nje v MSIP objavim, kaj bi utegnili zanimati mnoge, ki jih redno in z ljubeznijo iz tedna v teden prebirajo.

Iz Pariza se je oglasila s. Cecilija Prebilova 17. oktobra z najnovejšimi novicami iz slovenskih usmiljenkah iz Ruande, o katerih nekaj časa nismo ničesar vedeli:

»Naše sestre iz Ruande so že nazaj na mestu. Sprva so vse delale med begunci v Gomi; sedaj je tam le še s. Vida. Sestre Bogdana, Anka in Vesna, pa so v Mukungu. Šle so v glavno mesto Kigali in so našle hišo prazno, oziroma nepoškodovano. Iščejo nove varuhe hiše, prejšnji so bili pobiti. Vse so zelo korajžne. G. Puhani je obhajal srebrni jubilej, 25-letnico mašništva. Je zelo dober misijonar. Prilagam Vam sliko, kjer je med njegovimi farani ob jubileju.« (Fotografija je bila priložena pismu, op.

CW.)

Naš Vrhovni predstojnik Robert Maloney v svojem okrožnem pismu vsem sobratom po svetu 1. oktobra med drugim piše o srečanju štirih usmiljenk z njim v begunskem taborišču, sredi silne bede in neurejenosti, ki so ga prosile, da bi smele nazaj v Ruando. Bile so naše Slovenke in ena mu je dejala, ko je o nevarnosti za življenje govoril: »Saj nekje bo moral enkrat vsak umreti. Počemu ne bi jaz smela v Ruandi?«

S. Cecilija istočasno pošilja, kot že leta, naročene »first day covers« in nove četvorčke lepих francoskih nerabljenih znamk. Za ljubeznivo žrtev smo ji vsa leta zelo hvaležni.

Mater Terezija

se 26. septembra zahvaljuje za »velikodušen dar \$500 za uboge. Bog Vas ljubi na poseben način. Hvala Mu, da Vas je izbral za Sebe in za celo življenje. Položite svojo roko v Marijino in dovolite Ji, da Vas vodi. Zagotavljam Vas o mojih molitvah za Vas in sodelavce. Bog Vas blagoslovi.

M. Teresa, M.C.«

Ta ček je bil nanovo vzet za delo njenih sester, ko je lanske ček zastarel in ni bil zamenjan. Potrdilo je bilo izdano v Kaluti.

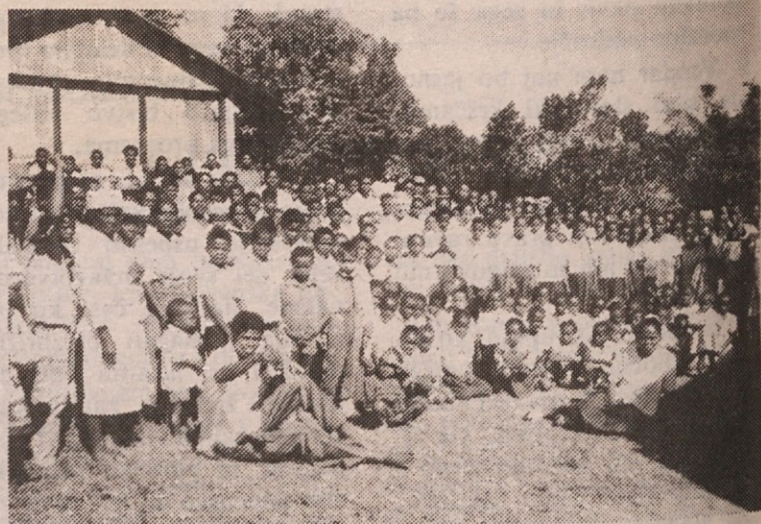
Iz Ljubljane piše 10. oktobra misijonar Lojze Letonja,

ki deluje na Madagaskarju in je doma na oddihu: »Prav lepo se Vam zahvalim za pismo, ki sem ga prejel sém v Sloveniji. Vidim, da ste zares dobro obveščeni o tem, kako je z nami in da veste za nas tudi, ko smo na dopustu. Danes sem se pogovarjal z gospodično Sonjo Ferjan in je povedala, da bo tudi v vsem sodelovala, in tako bomo ostali povezani.

Jaz še ostanem ta mesec v Sloveniji, potem pa nazaj na Madagaskar, v Manakaro. Imam namen začeti z gradnjo nove cerkve in hiše za duhovnika, po naše župnišče. To delo bom opravljal, skupno z našimi verniki, na eni podružnici, ki je oddaljena od Manakare 20 km. Gotovo bom rabil tudi denarna sredstva za nabavo stvari, ki jih tam na mestu ni, zato bom vesel vsake pomoči.

Ob tem, ko ste se preselili in pravite, da se boste sedaj še bolj posvetili delu za misijone, se Vam tudi iz srca za vse zahvalim. Bog naj Vas spremlja s svojo pomočjo in Vam daje moč za vse dobro. Prisrčen pozdrav od Vašega sobrata misijonarja Lojzeta Letonja, C.M. Ekar B.P. 55316, Manakara, Madagaskar.

Naš odbornik Janez Marentič se je z veseljem pripravil za vsakoletno tombolo Misijonske nedelje, ki v Torontu vsako leto privabi vsaj 400 rojakov in napolni dvorano župnije Marije Pomagaj na Man-



ning Avenue. Upajmo, da je bil tudi letos uspeh popoln.

Nadškof dr. Alojzij Šuštar

se iz Ljubljane 7. oktobra zahvaljuje za dve pismi, ko pravi: »Da Ti nisem prej odgovoril, je vzrok v tem, da sem hotel vprašati prof. Smolika zaradi knjig, ki si jih navedel v seznamu. Prof. Smolik je zelo hvaležen, če te knjige res dobimo v Slovenijo, bodisi za teološko knjižnico, bodisi za Škofove zavode. Ker praviš, da boš poslal po g. Karlu Ceglarju, bom zvedel, kdaj bodo knjige prišle. (G. Ceglar je obljubil 15 zabojev teh knjig odpaslati v tem mesecu oktobru, kot smo se dogovarjali. Op. Fr. W.)

Dobrotnikom, ki so darovali za Škofove zavode, sem se takoj zahvalil. Seveda pa se prav posebej zahvaljujem Tebi za vse delo, ki si ga opravljal in za vse dobrotnike pri MZA.

V novem kraju, kjer boš sedaj prebival v ZDA, Ti želim dobrega zdravja in obilo božjega blagoslova ter Te prisrčno pozdravljam

Tvoj + Alojzij Šuštar.«

Na pismu je bila lepa nova slovenska božična poštna znamka za 65 tolarjev, z nadškofom dr. Pogačnikom, s katerim sva dve leti v Marijanišču delala v letih 1938-1940. On kot ravnatelj in Stanko Lenič, Janko Moder, pesnik Čampa in akademik Jan kot prefekti. Sam sem bil odgovoren za učiteljsčnike, ki so dobili takrat nov Slomškov Dom za sebe in živeli posebej.

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