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Po obisku sv. očeta v Mehiki

Zakaj so latinsko-ameriški škofje in prelati izbrali na tretjo škofovsko konferenco ravno Mehiko, je vprašanje, ki si ga zastavlja marsiak katoličan po svetu prav tako kot ta pisek, in nanj ne ve odgovor. Lahko samo uglejimo, da so to napravili morda zato, ker je ta dejelza med vsemi neštetimi latinski državami na tem kontinentu edina, katere vlade so v nedavni preteklosti katališko Cerkev kruto preganjale, katere se sedaj veljavna ustava je očitno in izrazito protikatoliška in katera edina nima rednih diplomatskih odnosov z Vatikanom. Človek bi sklepal, da so s škofovskim zborovanjem v Pueblo sredi Mehike hoteli naravnost in aktivno poseči v te razmere z namenom, da bi sprožili in pomagali pri njih spremljaju.

Samo zelo na kratko bomo naslikali zdodovino Cerkev v Mehiki in pogledali na sedanje stanje, preden se je podal papež Janez Pavel II. v to dejelo, da pokažemo, kako zelo tvegana je bila ta pot in kako velika gorečnost za blagor Cerkve v Ameriki ga je morala spodbujati, da se je odločil za udeležbo na konferenci v Pueblo in ob tej prilikli za široko misijonsko akcijo v deželi s sovražno zakonodajo in neprijaznim režimom. Državnega predsednika Josea Lopeza Portillo so člani vlade kritizirali, zakaj je dovolil papežev prihod, če da bo odpril "poglavlje v naši zdodovini, ki ga ne želimo odpirati".

Luč sv. vere in kulture so prinesli v ta prostor španski misijonarji, ko se je pokrajine polastil l. 1521 Hernando Cortes s svojimi "conquistadores". Cerkev je lepo uspevala do srede 19. stoletja, si v tem času pridobila znatno bogastvo v zemljisčih in postala oblastna in tudi kruta (inkvizicija). Ko je Mehika dosegla l. 1821 neodvisnost od Španije, je bila Cerkev na višku svoje moći, a ta se je v državljanški vojni sred preteklega stoletja zrušila, ko je bil odstavljen in končno umorjen znani Habsburžan Maksimilijan, brat avstrijskega cesarja Franca Jožefa I. Predsednik republike Benito Juarez je odredil zaseg cerkvenega premoženja, vendar si je Cerkev pozneje spet opomogla, in ko se je v revoluciji leta 1910 pokazalo njen zavezništvo s premožnimi latifundisti, kar je povzročilo veliko sovrašto do nje, je zgubila premoženje in v ustavi l. 1917 pravico do sodelovanja pri vzgoji v celoti; vsa cerkvena poslopia so prešla v last države, duhovščini in redovnicam je bilo prepovedano nositi klerikalno obleko izven cerkve, tujih duhovnikov ne smeti pastirivati v deželi, vsak poseg Cerkev v politiko se strogo kaznuje.

Ko je takšno silno utesnjeno cerkveno delovanje leta 1926 predsednik P. E. Calles uvedel z vso strogostjo, se je pojavi močan odpor. Katoliška mladina se je združila v organiziran odbor pod imenom Cristeros, a je s svojimi akcijami zbudila strahotno preganjanje od strani Callesa, ki se ga starejši rod še živo spominja, saj je trajalo dolga leta.

Stotine duhovnikov je bilo pomorjenih, drugi so zbežali, tako da jih je ostalo v celi prostrani deželi komaj kakih 100. In ti so se skrivali in na skrivnem opravljal svoje duhovno poslanstvo. Nastal je v Mehiki pravi pekel na zemlji. Položaj se je pod naslednjimi predsedniki republike stopnje izboljševal, Cerkev je dobila nekaj svobode (npr. klub ustavnih prenovedi povratak duhovnikov v privatne šole) in prejšnji predsednik Echeverria Alvarez je hotel obnoviti diplomatske zveze z Vatikanom, na mu je lastna stranka to preprečila. Proticerkvena dolčila v ustavi iz l. 1917 so še vedno v polni veljavji, a sedanja vlada predsednika Lopeza gleda skozi prste, če se jih Cerkev v polni meri ne drži. Razumljivo je, da v takih razmerah versko življenje ljudstva ne more biti zgledno, vendar je znano, da je mehiško prebivalstvo (65 milijonov) še vedno 90% katoliško in je ohranilo klub vsem zaprekam značaj vernih in celo pobožnih ljudi, čeprav je njihovo delovanje deloma prepleteno s šegami in verskimi elementi domaćih Indijancev.

Pred takimi razmerami v Mehiki se je sv. oče Janez Pavel II. podal na pot, ki jo je na splošno imenujejo svenčno važno in bo v zdodovini zapisana kot velepomenben dogodek. Kaj takega je bilo mogoče, ker je papež telesno junak in športnik, ki prenese velike napore, posebno pa, ker je duševno izredno sposoben, silno učen, zdrav in jasnih pogledov na sodobne probleme družbe in Cerkev. Poleg tega podrobno pozna komunizem v teoriji in praksi in ima v borbi z marxizmom življenske skušnje. Navrh vsega ima njegova osebnost veliko karizmatično moč, njegovo znanje je fenomenalno (španščine se je naučil v kratkem času toliko, da jo je povšod gladiško govoril, kar je ogromne važnosti pri stikih z ljudskimi množicami!). njegova noveja in obnašanje je osvajajoče. Le osebnost takih dimenzijs je bila sposobna premagati vse ovire in zabeležiti triumf, kar ga vsa zdodovina papeštva ne pozna. V ozadju pa je žarela njegova

ponižnost, zaupanje v božjo pomoč, vodstvo sv. Duha in pokroviteljstvo čenstohovske Matere Marije.

Kamor je prišel in kjer se je pojavil, so ga sprejemala navdušene stotisočere in milijonske množice, pa naj je bilo v Santo Domingu, na povratku na Bahamski otokih ali pa v sami Mehiki, ki je plavala in valovala v navdušenem veselju, hkrati pa doživljala notranje, duhovno prenobljenje, segajoče v najtiše globine duše in srca. Ko je množice nagovarjal v njihovem materinem jeziku in jih spodbujal k ljubezni do Kristusa, Njegove Matere in Cerkev, so besede padale na rodotinata. V svojem času bodo pognale žlahten sad, da ga bo videl ves svet.

Govoril je posebej množicam študentov, delavcev, kmetov in celo Indijancev, kot svetovni misijonar je izrekel menda okrog 30 velikih govorov. Stiskal je k sebi otročice, nosil na glavi mehiške klobuke in s študenti v španščini prepeval "pesem veselja". Nikjer ni pozabil priti k najbolj revnim in ubogim!

Vsem je bil vse. Mogel je tak biti, ker je bila z njim moč sv. Duha in pomoč Marije, ki jo tako vneto časti. Ves katoliški svet se raduje njegovega zmagoščevanja.

L. P.

nam dobre letine up zasije.

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Veliko se govori o snegu in veliko s sliši o lanskem snegu. Sneg prejšnjega leta je v pregorovih prispoljba za minule skribi, ki so že zdavnaj pozabljene in nas ne razburajo več: Lanskega snega se ni batil. — Toliko mu je za to, kot za lanski sneg.

— Resnično pa je, da now sneg prinese nov mrz. Dosti snega, dosti sena. Pravijo, tudi, da padači sneg pobira prah in bakterije ter očiščuje zrak. To je edina korist za nas 'senior citizens'. Bela opojnost in veselje, pripada po naravnih zakonih mlajši generaciji. Vsem dober — smuk.

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Bral sem, da je v Tirkabandu v Azerbajdzanu umrl najstarejši prebivalec Sovjetske zveze, 144-letni Medžid Agajev. Strokovnjaki so potrdili, da je bil Agajev res rojen leta 1835, to je v Puškinovih časih. V tem kraju pride na vsakih sto tisoč prebivalcev kar 84 starcev, ki imajo več kot 90 let. Agajev je polnih 120 let ovčaril, ko pa ni več mogel tekati za ovčami po gorah, je delal na poljih in sadovnjakih. Življenjska modrost Medžida Agajeva je zelo enostavna. Verjetno je v plavinskem zraku, rad je imel čisto vodo in sonce. Trdil je, da v prvih sto letih življenja sploh ni treba k zdravniku, kot tudi sam ni šel, potem pa le v skrajni sili. Po njegovem mnenju se ljudje prehitro postarajo zato, ker vse preveč jemljejo in zaučajo tabletam in praškom.

Beograd je glavno mesto Srbije in politično središče Jugoslavije. Beograd je bil znan po čaršiji in političnih ter kulturnih sporih. Danes ni nič boljše. Pisatelji se tožarijo in pravijo med seboj, tako se prepirajo umetniški slikarji, igralci, advokati in prebivalci vseh vrst po-klicev. Iz vse te mešanice se redijo šale in smešnice, katerih je edino opisal znani beografski književnik in humorist Branislav Nušić. Beograd je danes velik lahko pa bi bil še večji, če bi se bolj potrudili s propagando. Veliko je neobvezenih ljudi, zlasti na podeželju, ki se ne vedo, kako lepo in lagodno se živi v Beogradu. Zato še vedno več ljudi živi v vseh kot v mestu.

Nastel bom nekaj prednosti velikega mesta: Na podeželju mora živeti varčno in skromno, saj lahko trosi samo svoje. V Beogradu pa je vse skupno družbeno ali od nikogar, zato res ni potrebo varčevanje. — Na podeželju te čaka delo že, ko se rodii. Se za otroke ga ni dovolj. V Beogradu pa ni potrebno delati niti vsem staršem. Vasi so majhne in neugledne zato, ker je naša kmetijska proizvodnja primitivna in ker dela brez administracije. Beograd pa je velik in lep, ker smo največja poslopja postavili prav za administracijo. Na vasi se vsi ženijo in može mladi. V Beogradu pa se poročijo samo tisti, ki nimajo ne sole ne službe. Na vasi delajo vse ženske povrsti. V Beogradu pa samo tiste, ki niso zaposlene. Beograd je prijeten tudi zaradi tega, ker je v mestu toliko slabših od tebe. V vasi si je lažje sposoditi kot v Beogradu, vendar je v Beogradu lažje kramti kot na vasi.

Ko je Grizelj takole našel še kup razlogov, zakaj je lepše živeti v Beogradu kot na vasi, je končal s pozivom vsem tistim, ki še žde na podeželju, naj pridaje čimprej okusit blagodati velikih mest, kot so Beograd, Zagreb in Ljubljana.

Pretekl mesec, 25. januarja dopoldne, sem na milwauškem TV 4 ujel razgovor med napovedovalcem in dr. Lazarjem Brkićem okrog novega dodatka "European Village" v mestnem muzeju Milwaukee. Med vprašanjem in odgovori sem dojel, da je dr. Brkić povojni emigrant, ki ima

Toronto, Ont. — Spoštovan uredništvo! Lepa hvala za obvestilo. Pošiljam naročnino, kar je več, je za tiskovni sklad. Z Ameriško Domovino sem prav zadovoljn. Kakor hitro jo dobim, jo grem brat. Iz nje zvem novice v vseh delov sveta, posebej pa še iz slovenskih krajev in naselbin.

Ameriški Domovini in vsem, ki se za njo trudijo, želim veliko uspeha pri tem delu!

Lepo pozdravljen!

Justina Petrič

ELY, Minn. — Kmalu mi poteka naročnina za Ameriško Domovino. Danes pošljem ček za enoletno naročnino in \$17 kot darilo listu. Zelo škoda je, da smo izgubili eno številko tedenško.

Kaj je novega pri nas v tem času? Imamo hudo zimo, nekaj časa se je temperatura držala na Ely med -32 in -38 F. V nekaterih hišah je zmrznila vodovodih. Da jo pridejo odtagat, je treba plačati \$20. Vse je drag!

Vse pri Ameriški Domovini lepo pozdravim, lepe pozdrave pa tudi vsem njenim čitaljem!

Jože Vrecar

Toronto, Ont. — Spozvan! Hvala za sporočilo o poteku naročnine. Prilagam ček za enoletno naročnino, kar je več, je z tiskovni sklad.

Z listom smo zelo zadovoljni. Škoda le, da se število njegovih izdaj vedno bolj krči. Upajmo, da bo vsaj pri tem ostalo.

Zelimo Vam veliko uspehov in vse lepo pozdravljam!

Janez Muhič

TORONTO, Ont. — Spoznavni g. uredniki! Želim Vam, da bi se dolgo vztrajali pri tem delu in da bi se držali zgleda naših pionirjev, ki so v dolgih desetletjih znali ceniti slovenski tisk in tej svobodni deželi in ga z velikimi žrtvami ohranili nam. Bili so v veliko težjih gospodarskih in socialnih razmerah, pa niso omahovali, žrtvali so za ohranitev svoje besede in svojega naroda.

Hvala vsem sodelujočim in pozdravljen!

Gilbert, Minn. — Oprostite, da naročnine nisem že preje obnovil. S prilozenim obnavljam naročnino za eno leto, ostanek je za podporo listu.

V svoje zadovoljstvo naj omenim, da nam je list všeč. Vsako številko težko čakava, zlasti še, kadar se kje zamudi.

Veliko bi rad napisal v po-hvalo lista uredništvu in upravi, ki list klub težavam ohrajanata. Kot mnogi, ki vzpostavljajo, da naj list ostane, milim tudi jaz. Vztrajajmo, ohramo ga, četudi so za to potrebne večje žrvte!

Pozdrav vsem pri AD in vsem njenim čitaljem!

Pavel Bajda

Hialeah, Fla. — Spoštovan! Prilagam naročnino za Ameriško Domovino v upanju, da bo ste list tiskali v slovenščini in ne samo 50:50. List je namenjen Slovencem in smo gotovo le Slovenci njegovi naročniki. Če ne boste to upoštevali, boste skoraj še v večjih težavah.

Lepo pozdravljen!

Frank Pecnik

Ledene gore za puščavo

Ze več let razmišljajo o možnostih za prevoz antarktičnega ledna na sušna področja v toplejših krajih. Kakor je napovedal profesor William Campbell z washingtonskega geološkega instituta, pripravljajo prvi poskus za letošnjo pomlad.

Potem ko bodo obdelali vse potrebitno za izvedbo zamisli, bo avstraliska ladja potegnila ledeno goro z Antarktike do avstraliskih obal. Poskus naj bi pokazal tehnično izvedljivost in finančno sprejemljivost takšnega pre-skrbovanja sušnih območij z vodo iz antarktičnega ledna.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

Maškare pri Liliji

CLEVELAND, O. — Vsako leto sredi zime praznjujemo Pušča, katerega hočemo po starini navadi čim bolj slovensko obhajati. S Pustom je povezana tradicija "nagradska maškarada" tudi letos na pustno soboto, 24. februarja 1979, v slovenskem domu na Holmes Ave.

Vse dobre spodobnega putovanja bodo na razpolago, kot običajno bodo najlepše maškare nagradene. Za posebno veselo razpoloženje in ples bo igral orkester "Alpski sekstet".

Se vidimo na "nagradska maškaradi"!

France Ancel

Koroški počitniški tečaj

(Zahvala Lige Slovenskih Amerikancev.)

NEW YORK, N.Y. — V Ameriški Domovini smo javili, da bomo tudi letos pomagali Družbi sv. Mohorja v Celovcu pri organizaciji študijskega in počitniškega tečaja za slovensko ameriško mladino. Ameriška Domovina je od vsega začetka spremila lanskoletno tečaj. S številnimi dopisi in članki je seznanjala bralcu in slovenske rojake v svetu s srečanjem naših mladih na Koroskem. Celovški tedni bodo tudi letos, kakor se bili lani, več kot le jezikovni tečaj. Udeležencem bodo posredovali vrednote in izročila v pomembnih krajih naše zdodovine, na Višnjah, v Gospu Sveti, na Brezjah, v Vrbi, Ljubljani, Marib

Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

429. Brat Valentin Poznič, F.S.C.

se 22. januarja iz Glen Cowie, v Transvaalu, Južna Afrika, zahvaljuje za MZA dar \$150, ki ga je prejel preko sobrata g. Kladnika: "Denar mi bo prav prišel let. Omenja, da je imel 'heart' za moje osebne potrebe, ker naš attack', a da se je stanje izboljšalo in se vraca koncem februarja dohodkov, odtar nam je arja nazaj na Korejo. Ni še govorila o tem, kaj nama je storiti."

"Misijonsko delo gre kar dobro naprej. V lanskem oktobru smo imeli sv. bi mo. Bilo je 311 birmanskih misijonov. Tukaj so 4 misijonske postaje, v kraju, kjer imajo črni svoj novo državo, 'Leboa' imenovano. Samo misijonarji lahko tukaj prebivajo, drugih belih pa ni seveda, tukaj ni 'apartheida' in smo zato vsi enaki."

Meni gre kar dobro. 13 februarja bom star 80 let. Zato sem sedaj v pokoju in mi ni treba več težko delati, kot vsa leta prej. Največ popravljam čevlje za sestre. Še enkrat najlepša hvala za vse, kar nam dobrega storite po MZA.

Iz srca japonskega velemesta Tokio

10. januarja piše o. Kos, S.J.: "Izkren 'Bog lonaj' za dar 250 dolarjev vsem MZA dobrotnikom, ki so zanj prispevali. Vsak cent naj jim postane zlato milosti s pravico takojšnje uporabe — po dobroti našega neskončno dobrega Gospoda. Obenem se iz srca zahvalim za vsako molitev v letu 1978 za naše japonske otroke in se vdano priporočam tudi za leto 1979. Posebno za takšno molitev, ki je ni zlahka darovati; pri kateri ne čutimo posebnega naravnega veselja, do katere se moramo potruditi, ker je Japonska tako zelo daleč od vsakdanjega življenga MZA in ker drugi problemi nekako silijo v ospredje. Prav za takšno molitev se priporočam, ker ima novebno vrednost v očeh našega Gospoda.

Vračemu članu MZA želim iz sira 365 blagoslovjenih dni: veselja v žalosti, moči v trpljenju, uspeha v neuspehu — za našo ravo je kaj takega težko, za mlajšo božo pa ni. Prisrčno podave vsem. Vzdržite, ker je boža romesa blizu! Vaš vdani admirir."

V Iratu so notranje

in počta ZDA je vrnila pismo Ce Iiji Rodetovi, češ da trenutno ni mogoče mednarodno poštno poslovanje. Molimo za njeno varnost, sredi gobavev.

O. Stanko Rozman iz Mumbwa, Zambia, pošiljal voščila za Božič in blagoslova polno leto 1979 vsem sodelavcem MZA. Pomoč je prejel preko br. Rovšaja, S.J.

Iz Kananga, v Zaire-u, se oglaša 27. novembra 1977 sestra Mojca Karničnik s kartico, na kateri je motiv pod Stolom in slika jaslic s fresko v cerkvi sv. Primož nad Kamnikom:

"Mnogo globokega doživetja in tih radosti ob jaslicah in blagoslovljeno leto 1979 želim vsem prijateljem MZA. Nahajam se še vedno v Kinshasi; tečaj za jezik 'kingala' končamo pred Božičem. Na mojo novo misijonsko postojanko odpotujem januarja. Prisrčno pozdravljeni! S' Mojca."

Dr. Janež se 6. januarja zahvaljuje za dar MZA, ki ga je v redu prejel in odposlal s. Miklavčič in s. Brilej njun delež: "Zadnje čase najbrže večkrat kaj o otoku berete v časopisu BESEDE, ki izhaja v Torontu in nima smisla, da sam o tem kaj komentiram, saj smo tuji le molčiči opazovalci. Sam se vedno delam kot običajno, leta pa pridno teklo in se moja kurirška leta itak proti večeru bližajo in si ne belim glave z raznimi možnostmi. Je pa zaenkrat kar precej temno na otoku postal. Pač 'carpe diem' (grabi dan). Za vse še enkrat lepa hvala in vda pozdrave dr. Janež."

Ti si moj edini, ko pod križem omahujem; ko globoko trnje v dušo sega in rani nemilo. Ti si moj edini, Jezus! Moje duše okreplijo — sveto obhajilo. Molimo za njen delo in dobrodošla med nami!

Rev. Charles A. Wolbang, C.M.
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BREZ DOMA

HEKTOR MALOT

V tem trenutku šva se skrila za zid in tekla ob njem do vino-grada, kjer sva bila na varnem. Ko sva se tukaj nekoliko pomnila, sva se začela pogovarjati in se dogovorila o tem, kaj nama je storiti.

"Dobro veš," mi je dejal Matija, "da nikakor nisem pripravljen čakati do jutri, da bi govoril z gospo Milligan. Medtem bi njen svak že lahko umoril Arturja. Nemudoma bom odšel h gospo in ji povedal ... vse, kar sva zvedla. Ker me James Milligan ne pozna, ni nobene nevarnosti, da bi misil nate in na družino Driscoll. Gospa Milligan bo potem sama odločila, kaj nama je storiti."

Jasno je bilo, da je bil Matijev predlog zelo pameten in vsega upoštevanja vreden. Dovolil sem mu torej, da je odšel in sem domenil z njim, da se snideva pod kostanji, ki so rasli nedaleč od vinograda, kamor sva se zateka.

Cakal sem zelo dolgo, ležeč na mahu. Postajal sem že nestrpen in več kot desetkrat sem se že vprašal, če se nisva zgresa, ko sem nedanoma zagledal Matija v spremstvu gospo Milligan.

Stekel sem jima naproti, prijel gospo za roko, ki mi jo je ponudila in ji jo poljubil. Ona pa me je objela, se sklonila k meni in me z vso nežnostjo poljubila na čelo. Bilo je že drugič, me je poljubila. Vendar pa se mi je zdelo, da me priviči ni takso privila k sebi.

"Ubogi, ljubljeni otrok!" je dejala. "Imate kolače?" je vprašal Matija.

"Kolač z rabarbaro, kolač z jagodami, kolač iz rdečega grozdija..."

"Prinesite nama torej te kolače."

"Vse tri?"

"Seveda."

"Kako predjed želite? Kako ečenko in kake prikuhe?"

Ob vsaki besedi je Matija boljširoko odpiral oči; vendar pa se ni dal spraviti v zadrgo.

"Kaj si vendar pripovedoval gospo Milligan?" sem vprašal tovariš.

"Vse to, kar ti je povedala, in še mnogo drugih stvari. Kako je dobra! Kako je lepa!"

"Si videl Arturja?"

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Še naprej sem izpraveval prijatelja, on pa se je izmikal med vprašanjem ali pa mi je odgovoril nejasno. Ko sem uvidel, da morem ničesar od njega izvedeti, sem začel govoriti o brezpomembnih stvareh. Pogovarjala sva se toliko časa, da sta minili dve uri, nato pa sva odšla v Alpški hotel, kakor nama je naročila gospa Milligan.

Čeprav sva bila oblečena zelo borno, naju je sluga v črnem fraku in belo kravato sprejel zelo vladljivo ter naju odvedel v stanovanje, ki je bilo določeno za naju. Kako lepa je bila nacija soba! V njej sta bili dve lepi postelji. Okna so se odpirala na verando, ki je bila tik nad jezerom. Od tu sva imela krasen razgled. Ko sva se po dolgem občudovanju vrnila v sobo, je sluga stal še vedno poleg vrat in čakal najnjen ukazov. Vprašal naju je, kaj želiva za večerjo. Dejal je, da bo pripravil mizo na verandi.

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"Vse tri?"

"Seveda."

"Kako predjed želite? Kako ečenko in kake prikuhe?"

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FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16, 1979

FRED KRIZMAN PONDERS NURSING HOME TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Memo: From Madeline

Fred Krizman, has a good thing going. Not only is he a prominent lawyer in his hometown of Cleveland, O., but he is also an educator, a teacher, and a community minded individual — all of which help to make his full-time job as Administrator of St. Augustine Manor Skill-ed Nursing Facility a little bit easier.

Since Krizman first entered the field of long-term care back in 1947, he has witnessed a revolution in the educational requirements for entry into the profession.

Once upon a time, the majority of states simply required that an administrator be a high school graduate in order to qualify as a licensed ad-

ministrator.

Today, however, Krizman notes that most states have implemented more stringent requirements and he predicts that by 1980 a basic requirement for nursing home administrators will be a bachelor degree, and that by 1985, a masters degree in the health field will be needed."

In his home state of Ohio, two years of college, completion of a 100 hour core of knowledge program at either Ohio State or Toledo University plus a 2,000 hour internship program at an approved nursing home are all prerequisites to being a licensed practicing administrator.

Mr. Krizman's facility, St. Augustine Manor, offers the

required internship program and has been certified as a training site for nursing home administration by the Ohio department of Health.

A proven leader who has participated in the development of numerous administrator in-training study programs, Krizman proudly points out that "twenty-seven interns have graduated from St. Augustine, having successfully completed the exam", twice as many graduates as

from any other nursing home in the United States.

Presently, five students, all of whom are members of the College, are enrolled in the internship program at St. Augustine. And, of the five, four have either a Baccalaureate degree in nursing or a Masters degree in Education.

Students with either a Master's or a Baccalaureate need only 1,000 hours or 1500 hours respectively in the intern program as opposed to the stan-

dard 2,000 hour internship.

Others have taken note of the excellent internship program offered at St. Augustine's. The Ohio State Board of Examiners, recognizing the excellence of the program, recently authorized the expansion of the number of students from the normal state imposed ceiling of two to five.

Long-Term Care Administrator Magazine

By

Madeline

Debevec

persons will meet at 7:00 p.m. *

Congratulations to Maria Cimperman, 1018 East 74 St., Cleveland, Ohio. Maria, an eighth grader at St. Vitus School is a Scholarship winner to Beaumont High School.

She is the daughter of Joseph and Majda Cimperman. Congratulations!

American Home subscriber Franc Grum of Rochester, New York is President of the Inter-Society Color Council Research Laboratories of Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y.

ON THE MOVE:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percic formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, have moved to Yosemitic Drive in Euclid, Ohio.

Best wishes in your new home.

Happy 33rd Wedding Anniversary to Ray and Esther Rossman, Edgecliff Dr., Euclid, Ohio. Ray is chairman of Midwest Bank and Trust. Their special day is February 23rd.

Fondest wishes are being sent their way from their family and friends especially Esther's mom Christine Verbic.

Glasbena Matica will present their Spring Concert Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 10, 1979 at the Slovenian National Home, 6409 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

The cocktail hour will be from 6:30 to 7:30 and dinner at 7:30 p.m. Jeff Recon Orchestra will also entertain you.

Dinner tickets are \$8.00. Balcony seats will be available at \$3.00 each.

Ticket Chairman is Cathy Hopkins, and can be reached at 884-6143.

NEW BIRTHS

Ann and Thomas Gornik, 1713 S. Red Rock Dr., Strongsville, Ohio, a daughter Lisa Ann on Jan. 23, weighing 7 lbs., 7 oz.

Nancy and Ken Perusek, 21250 So. Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid, Ohio, a daughter Heather Grace, on Jan. 13, weighing 7 lbs. 2 oz.

Congratulations!

The Ladies of St. Mary's Parish, Cleveland, Ohio will sponsor a Day of Recollection at St. Joseph Christian Life Center (E. 185 St. and Lake Shore Blvd.) on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 23), from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

All women are invited to attend this spiritual rewarding experience. The fee is \$5.00 including the luncheon.

For reservations and further information, contact Mary Petric at 481-3762. Reservations must be in by Feb. 23.

Lt. Edward Hocevar, a police veteran of 21 years, has been appointed Cleveland traffic commissioner effective Monday.

He will replace Henry Dobertson, who retired last week. Hocevar, working in the police chief's office, has served in many areas of the department.

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Gala social season sets Chicago Slovenians afire

by LUDWIG A. LESKOVAR

Chicago, Ill. — This month we have already enjoyed the Baraga and Mission Sunday Dinner as well as the 16th Midwest KSKJ Basketball Tournament in Joliet this Saturday and Sunday. Our Society No. 1 was represented by our young men and we hope this will encourage many others to follow in their example and participate in our society affairs.

On the last Saturday before Lent, on the 24th of February, we are planning our community event, the Mardi Gras, and all neighbors are invited. Good music by the Joe Pat orchestra, and special entertainments will be featured. Among the acts will be the traditional appearance of the Slovenian American Radio Club Folk Dancers.

We have a number of "Princesses" to be honored at the dance and among them is Miss Patty Zubek, the young and talented organist at St. Stephen's Church.

Highlight of the evening, with all our attention focused on them, will be the presentation of the Good Neighbors of the Year and one of them is our Vice-President; Frank Dolenc. Frank has earned his recognition for his true spirit of community good will. He is a director of our neighborhood council, is active with the Senior Men's Club of the parish who conduct the weekly games night at our parish, and we all know that this is one of the main financial supports for our church and school. We are proud that St. Stephen's remains one of the most solid parishes in the archdiocese.

Frank is also an officer of the Slovenian Radio Club and American Slovenian Social Club and in all ways signifies the true spirit of a "Good Neighbor". Congratulations.

\$50 for A.M.

Editor:

Enclosed please find check for \$50.00 — \$28.00 for the subscription, the balance to the sustaining fund.

You are doing a fine job. I look forward to your Friday English editorials, especially.

With kindest regards,
Nettie Mihelich

the trimmings. Knowing how much this young group means to our community and to support their work and dedication, we would like to see a large crowd at this dinner which is March 11th at St. Stephen's.

As we come to the spring season, we will be anxiously awaiting the big celebration of our Society on April 22nd as we celebrate the annual 50 Year Membership Recognition Day. This year we will have dinner served at 12:30 p.m., a delicious repast home-cooked by our great cooks. To entertain us will be the popular Chicago Button Box Club under the excellent direction of Ray Podboy. Tickets are only \$6 for adults and half for children under 12. You can pick up your tickets at the meeting, by our Secretary, Tony Gaber, any officer or in my office at 2032 W. Cermak. All members and friends are most cordially invited. We look forward to seeing you then.

Our officers and members wish to convey heartfelt sympathy to veteran officer, Frank Koporc who lost his dear wife, Helen in January. May she rest in peace.

Remember our meetings are the second Tuesday of every month at St. Stephen Lower Hall.

Favorite Recipes



PUMPKIN CAKE

2 cups sugar
4 eggs
1 cup oil
2 cups flour (Reg)
2 teaspoons Baking Soda
2 teaspoons Cinnamon
2 cups pumpkin
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup nuts (optional)

Sift dry ingredients. Mix eggs and oil and blend in dry ingredients and add pumpkin last.

Bake in 9 x 13" greased and floured pan for 35 - 40 minutes at 350 degrees. May have to be baked a little longer.

Alice Bozic
Cleveland, Ohio

War Vets Plan Big Dinner Dance Feb. 24

Music from 9:00 p.m. until ???

Mrs. Julia Zalar is the expert cook.

George Staiduhar will provide the dance music.

Tickets are available from Dan Reiger 881-8290, Dick Mott 431-6062, and Steve Piorkowski 431-6062.

Ten people comprise a full round table.

WINTER WONDERLAND DINNER DANCE

Admission — \$7.50 per person.

Place is St. Vitus Auditorium, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Correction

Josephine M. Ponikvar is not deceased as has been erroneously reported in her Mother Ursula Ponikvar's death notice.

Best wishes

Editor:

Best wishes for continued success. My hope and prayer is that the A.D. will grow rather than be curtailed by growing inflation.

Fr. Gabe Rus,
Dayton, Ohio

WANT TO HELP THE AMERICAN HOME?

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Cur cuisine was brought to us in a short time and I was impressed with the size of the large Breaded Pork Chop, done to perfection. Included also were cole slaw and beans, an iceberg lettuce salad with oil and vinegar and piping hot home fried potatoes.

Stanisha's dish of goulash

Memo... From Madeline ANN RANIK IS MAPLE HEIGHTS HONOREE

(Continued from page 5)

The appointment was made by Police Chief Jeffrey Fox. Congratulations!

The Slovenian National Art Guild will meet Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Tony's Polka Village (side entrance), 971 E. 185 St. at 7:30 p.m., Cleveland, O.

Frank Glicker will present a short program on "Yugoslav Native Art" following the business meeting. Refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome!

In the recent weekly Arthur Treacher/Pepsi-Cola Pick-The-Winners Game, Joe Zelle our expert electrician and Bishop Baraga Cinemaphotographer, was a seven time winner.

Then in its nationwide #1 Quarterback Club, he was a first prize winner which won him a Wilson O. J. Simpson Model Football... but Joe had his sights on the trip to the Superbowl, or at least one of the color TV sets.

Congratulations, Joe!

An "Old Fashion Sunday Afternoon Card Party" will be sponsored by the St. Felicitas Guild on Sunday, February 18 at 3:00 p.m. in St. Felicitas School auditorium.

Tickets are \$2.00 and can be purchased at the door on Richmond Rd.

Cleveland's Super Snow Shoveler Award goes to Marilyn Turk, 289 East 151 St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Every time there is a snowfall Marilyn not only shovels her parents drive etc., she also volunteers to shovel the snow for four ailing elderly neighbors.

Marilyn is truly a gem and her parents and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turk can be mighty proud of her.

St. Felicitas Parish is sponsoring an International Night on Saturday, March 3 at the school auditorium.

There will be booths of food, pastries and beverages from 16 countries highlighting this annual popular affair.

The delicacies will be from Germany, Italy, Croatia, Israel, Hungary, The Phillipines, Ireland, Austria, Canada, Lithuania, Czechoslovakia, Poland, France, America, and Slovenia.

Olga Klancher is chairman of the Slovenian booth. Mrs. Anne Hcevar is Slovenian Kitchen Chairman and promises many delicious Slovenian dishes.

On the menu will be Strudle, Buckwheat zgance, Ricet (barley soup), Potica, Krofje, Flancate, and Strudel.

Persons attending have an opportunity to sample all the food from the various countries.

Tickets are \$6.00 in advance and \$7.00 at the door.

Music will be by Eddie Stampfl and his fabulous Orchestra. Tickets may be purchased at St. Felicitas Rectory or by calling Ray or

Rosemary Grill at 261-1382.

CAMPUS NEWS:

Audrey L. Urbancic, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Urbancic, 1790 Braeburn Park Dr., Euclid, Ohio, made the Dean's List at Heidelberg College.

Mark Mahnic, a junior at Miami University is on the deans list for the third straight time.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mahnic, 350 East 272 St., Euclid, Ohio, Mark is majoring in urban planning and development and geography. He is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity where he resides and is 1979 pledge rush chairman.

Remember to patronize the Saint Vitus Slovenian School Roast Beef and Chicken Dinner Sunday, Feb. 18, 1979 at St. Vitus Auditorium. Serving time from 11:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Tickets will be available at the door. Hope to see you there!

Announcement is made of the engagement of Mary Ann Zakrajsek, daughter of Mrs. Karl Zakrajsek of Euclid, O., and the late Mr. Zakrajsek to Chuck Dostal, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dostal of Euclid.

Miss Zakrajsek, a 1974 graduate of Euclid High, is head teller at Euclid National Bank's Euclid Square Mall office.

Mr. Dostal was graduated from Euclid High and from Cleveland State University in 1978. He is employed as a sales management consultant for Noble News Co., Laurel, Md.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 25 at St. Christine's Church.

Congratulations!

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

TO:

Frances Okicki of Euclid, Ohio. She will be 70 years young on Feb. 20.

Minka Champa of Euclid, Ohio (Feb. 26).

Esther Rosman of Euclid, Ohio (Feb. 20).

Jennifer Norton of Canton, Ohio is celebrating her sixth birthday. Grandparents Matt and Margaret Kastelic and Aunt Sue of Wickliffe, Ohio will join in the celebration.

John Brodnick of Brodnick Bros. Furniture, Cleveland, O. (Feb. 18). Congratulations to John on the many honors bestowed upon him, especially, having Feb. 8, 1979 officially proclaimed as JOHN BRODNICK DAY IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS, OHIO.

Jimmy Brodnick (Feb. 19). Steve Opalich of Cape Coral, Florida (Feb. 22). Steve, former Mayor of Richmond Heights, Ohio, is founder of Non Ferrous Metal Fabricating Co. Inc. of Euclid, Ohio, and of various industrial plants in Cleveland, Euclid, Mentor, Ohio and Cape Coral, Florida.

By LOUIS C. FINK

Ann Ranik was selected as Woman of the Year for 1979 representing the Slovenian National Home of Maple Hts., Ohio.

Ann was born in the Newburgh area. She has been a resident of Maple Heights for 24 years.

Ann's mother is Mrs. Anna Molek of Maple Heights, her Dad was the late Ignac Molek. She has one sister Mrs. Albina Aspell of Peoria, Ill.

Ann and her husband Bill have four children, Mrs. Ken Menell of Macedonia, Mrs. Ken Kosinski of Twinsburg, Bill and Jim Ranik.

All the girls in the Ranik family are alumnae of St. Alexis Hospital School of Nursing. Their son Bill is an engineer for Firestone Tire and Rubber, and Jim is going to Maple Heights High School.

Ann and Bill have been married for 31 years and Bill is an accountant for Schweizer-Dipple, Inc.

Ann is a certificate holder

\$5 for A. M.

Editor:

The enclosed check is in payment of a one year renewal of Ameriška Domovina and a \$5.00 donation from Mr. and Mrs. John Lube, Sr., 1084 Addison Rd., Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Lube was thrilled with the birthday "announcement" in the A.D. He's being congratulated by folks as he walks down the street and has received many, many cards. Thanks for making this fine old man so happy!

Sincerely,
Eleanore C. Karlinger

for the Slovenian National Home in Maple Heights since a child. She holds certificate No. 9 and can still remember Mr. Rezin, Sr. coming to her home selling the certificate to her Dad. Ann has been a Director since 1975. She is the Recording Secretary since 1977.

She was instrumental in organizing Planina's Junior Chorus, and is a member of Planina Chorus since 1968. She is also a member of the United Slovenian Society and volunteers for the Red Cross Blood Mobile.

Ann is interested in painting, sewing and gardening. She is well known for her collecting of anything and everything Slovenian: example: books, plants, memorabilia, artifacts. Her future goals are to devote more time to painting and complete a book of Slovenian poetry.

Ann has been a great volunteer and a wonderful asset to our Slovenian Community and we are proud to honor her in this way.

Historical paper

Editor:

On behalf of the Trustees I have the honor to acknowledge with thanks the gift described below:

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Klub Ljubljana News

By RUDY LOKAR

KLUB LJUBLJANA news

On November 28th, Klub Ljubljana, Euclid's ever-active social and cultural club climaxed the year with the re-election of all their officers for another year of service which they richly deserved for their devoted and unselfish efforts in behalf of this successful group.

Elected for 1979 were:

Christine Kovach, president; Steffie Jamnik, vice president; Mae Fabec, financial secretary; Frank Fabec, treasurer; Ruth J. Stenger, recording secretary.

In other elections, Rudy Lokar, Cel Znider and Addie Humphrey will serve on the auditing committee. Caroline and Rudy Lokar will represent the Klub at Club Društvo of the Slovenian Society Home of Euclid. Christine Kovach and Steffie Jamnik were elected delegates to the Society Home's share-holders annual meeting in January. Incidentally, Rudy Lokar was elected to a two year term on the Home's board of directors.

Stan Laurich who guided our many successful tours last year, will again be our tour chairman.

Congratulations to this entire group and success is wished upon them for 1979.

On December 17, we enjoyed our annual Christmas dinner and meeting, again a very enjoyable and successful undertaking. Good food, many prizes, refreshments, dancing and above all, SOCIABILITY!

Our capable tour chairman, Stan Laurich has announced tentative dates and plans for some interesting tours for the forthcoming season. Mainly—June 12th to Tangiers Restaurant in Akron.

August 14th to Pittsburgh and Ogletree Park.

October 16 to Wheeling, West Virginia with glass factory tour plus much more.

A September date is being

selected for a 3-day tour to Nashville, Tenn., and to the Grand Ole Opry.

So you can see that Stan is not lying down on the job, and will have definite info at our next meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at the Slovenian Society Home. For further particulars and information about these tours, call Stan at 732-9415.

Klub Ljubljana will compete in the Klub Društvo's Euclid Balina Tournament over the weekend of June 8, 9 and 10th. The club will sponsor and back at least two men's teams and two ladies' teams. Any members interested in competing, please come to our meeting this Tuesday.

On behalf of Klub Društvo, sponsors of this balina tournament, any other clubs, lodges or organizations are invited to enter the tournament. Entry blanks will be available at the Slovenian Society Home or by calling Louis Fabec, tournament manager, at 486-1078. The tournament committee is anxious to enroll enough ladies teams to have a ladies division. Otherwise the gals will have to compete with the men. Complete details shall be announced in the near future. Watch these pages!

Maple Heights Home burns mortgage on March 4 with Dinner

A big Day for the Slovenian Community in Maple Hts. is coming on Sunday, March 4, at 4:30 p.m.

The Directors are sponsoring a dinner-dance.

Recently we had a deed delivered to us which was stamped "Paid In Full".

To celebrate this event, we are going to burn the mortgage on March 4.

Dinner will start at 4:30, but from 3:30 on you can hear the Maple Heights Button Box musicians.

After dinner and the program Eddie Buehner Orchestra will play.

Tickets may be obtained from the Directors, or at the Slovenian Club Room. Hope you all come to help us burn our mortgage.

Kind words

Editor:

We want to thank you for the kind words you printed about Tony in your recent article (written by Dan Postotnik.) It was a pleasant surprise!

We read Dan's column all the time for we find it interesting, informative, and very well written. May he continue writing it for a long time.

Tony and Dorothy Valencic Cleveland, Ohio

DAN'S DIARY

by Dan Postotnik
Recently, we laid to eternal

rest two well known individuals, both very active in their respective communities. They were interred two days apart. Tony on Jan. 29th and Jane on Jan. 31st, 1979.

I had known two of our beloved deceased personally for many years —

Anthony J. Vidmar and Jane Intihar Kaplan — from that never to be forgotten youth activity filled era of the thirties. Tony, or "Big Vidy" as we called him, and Jane Intihar were active members of the "ORELS" and "St. Vitus Theater Guild".

In fact, it was thru the Orels that Vidy, as so many others did, met his future spouse. Bertha Gregorac, my classmate, became his wife. Tony was also a star first basement in St. Vitus Holy Name Softball League in those days.

And in addition, he had the talent to lend his good "baso profundo" to the St. Vitus Church Choir. Aside from choir singing, he could do "Ole Man River" like a professional, and throughout his life was a devotee of the opera.

After their marriage, Tony and Bertha became active members of St. Francis Parish, where he was an usher, and for many years a choir member with his beloved wife Bertha. He still remained a very active member of the Catholic Order of Foresters at St. Vitus.

Tony had health problems for many years, but never complained. Besides being a devoted husband and father, he was always congenial and could forever entertain you with comedy and impersonations.

Several weeks before God called him, he was happily making plans, as a committee member, for the 50th Anniversary of the St. Vitus Class of 1929, which is to be held in April this year. I last saw him alive on the evening of Jan. 10th, when he attended one of those meetings in the St. Vitus rectory.

We'll miss you a lot, Tony, thru our earthly journey, but we all hope to meet you again someday in the land of eternal bliss!

To all the families of our deceased, we extend our heartfelt sympathy!

Mrs. Jane Kaplan was an officer of the St. Vitus Theater Guild, and later when she and her husband Tony moved to Warrensville Heights many years ago, became very active in numerous other clubs and organizations. Jane was very proud of her heritage. Even though her health was failing, and in much pain, she was still writing her column about our Slovenia artists for this newspaper, with the title of, "Be Proud To Be Slovenian".

We will miss you a lot, Tony and Jane, through our earthly journey, but we all hope to meet you again some day in the land of eternal bliss, where there will be no suffering and pain!

To their bereaved families, all of us extend our deepest sympathy!

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