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Obupna pozicija Nemčije

Notranja kriza, ki je grozila izbruhniti v Nemčiji še pred koncem letosnjega leta, je najbrže začasno ustavljenata se bo pojavila šele pozneje pozimi. To pa samo pomeni, da bo razvoj razsula, ko se bo slednji enkrat pričel, bolj nalogel in bolj temeljit.

Zadnja notranja kriza je bila preobvladana s strogimi odredbami nacijske organizacije ter z ojačeno vlado terorja. Tekom prihodnjih mesecev, ko bodo zavezniki ojačili svoje bombardiranje Nemčije in ko se bodo pričeli kopici njeni notranji problemi, pa bo dokazano, da je duh defetizma nedostopen "čistkam" ter da bo posledica notranjih čistk samo izkristaliziranje revolucionjskega duha.

Hitler je po vsej priliki srečno prestal svoj prvi velik riziko strmoglavljenja po "izdajalcih in defetistih," ki so izgubili vse, razen edine nadre, da utegnejo rešiti svojo kožo, ako se iznebe nacijskega glavarja.

Iz Hitlerjevega zadnjega govorja je posneti, kaj se v Nemčiji dogaja. Nemška notranja kriza je doseglia akutno stopnjo. Hitlerjeva presenetljiva izjava, da "ne misli znotri" in da ga "ne more nič zadeti," pomeni priznanje zarot, ki so obstajale, pa so bile razkrite in vsaj začasno obvladane.

Na rešitev Mussolinija po Nemcih je treba gledati bolj z vidika Hitlerjeve notranje pozicije kakor pa z vojaškega položaja Nemčije v Italiji. Celotna Mussolinijeva zadeva prikazuje tudi nevarno notranjo pozicijo Hitlerja, ki se bo poslužil vseh desperativnih sredstev, da se obdrži na površju. Zato Hitler nikar ni smel dovoliti, da bi postal Mussolinijev strmoglavljenje Nemčiji za zgled in sugestijo nemškemu ljudstvu, kaj naj tudi samo stori.

Hitler zdaj nič več ne upa, da bi mogla Japonska posredovati med Rajhom in Rusijo. Iz razlogov, glede katerih je menila, da bi bili nji sami v korist, je Japonska v preteklosti že prevzela to vlogo. Toda izprva je bilo samozaupanje nacijskih voditeljev preveliko, pozneje pa so pričele ruske armade potiskati Nemce nazaj. Danes so Nemci razočarani nad neučinkovito podporo, ki so jih bili deležni od Japonske. Japonci pa so od svoje strani zopet razočarani nad izjalovitvijo nemške podmorske vojne ter nad uspehi Združenih narodov, katerim se je posrečilo zopet odpreti Sredozemsko morje svoji paroplovbi.

Hitler dobro ve, da se bodo vezi med Nemčijo in Japonsko še bolj razrahljale, kakor so se že. Danes ni nobenega načina več, ko bi mogla Nemčija koristiti Japonski ali Japonska Nemčiji. Zato ni zdaj nobenega razloga več za vzdrževanje in nadaljevanje partnerstva med obema deželama, in Hitler ni v svojem zadnjem govoru niti z besedico omenil Japonske ali sploh vojne na Pacifik.

Politično zavzema nemška obramba doma obliko ojačega gestapovstva ter nove pogone proti onim elementom, ki utegnejo postati instrumentalni v delovanju za nemško kapitulacijo. Dvojni motiv je, da se ojači kontrola doma ter da se obenem ostraži zaveznička, všeči Rusijo, z nevarnostjo notranje revolucije ter popolnega razsula.

Vojna strategija Nemčije pa stremi za tem, da se ohrani te ali one vrste pogajevalno pozicijo. Zato se Nemčija že več mesecev izogiba vseh večjih vojnih kampanj. Njena akcija na vseh frontah je defenzivnega značaja in vojaštvo je žrtvovano samo v slučajih, ko je treba hraniti na času ali kriti umik.

Casovna ugotovitev končnega zavretja bo odvisna od brezupnosti nemške pozicije, od nadaljnega ojačanja bombardiranja, od razkroja morale ter od ekonomskih činiteljev v notranosti Nemčije, kakor tudi od dejstva, da je bila z uspehom moskovske konference tudi drastično reducirana možnost nemških političnih manevrov.

Končno zavretje bodo odločila sledča spoznanja:

1. Nemčija ne more zmagati in notranja ekonomija se mora brezusporno razsuti.

2. Nemški vojaški in civilni voditelji si bodo zato prizadevali izposlovati mir, preden zaide predaleč notranji razkroi.

3. Miru se ne more izvesti, dokler bo Hitler na oblasti.

4. Zato se bo Hitlerja odstranilo.

Na tej točki bo notranja kriza zavrela, nakar bo kmalu konec nemškega vojaškega odpora. Ta trenutek pa bo pospen z novo politično strategijo zaveznikov in izjavo oziroma proglosom, katerega bodo naslovili na Nemčijo predsednik Roosevelt, premier Churchill in maršal Stalin po zaključku svoje konference.

Nemci se še vedno trdovratno bore, da si ohranijo odprto pot umika, in umikajo se v red. Kljub temu pa se morajo njihovi umiki na ruski fronti deloma tolmačiti z vidika nemške vojne morale. Nemške čete so naveličane, da bi se še dalje žrtvovale v samomorilnih misijah ofenzivnega značaja. Kmalu bo napočil trenutek, ko bodo SS četniki s strelijanjem lastnih ljudi sami izvali revolto in državljanško vojno.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

Faranom sv. Vida

Kakor so že lansko leto tako bodo tudi letos priredila mladinska društva fare sv. Vida prireditve v korist vojakom iz naše fare. Vsi vemo, koliko je ta mladina že storila za naše vojake, koliko zavojčkov so že poslali vojakom. Pravijo, da že čez pet sto, pa še vedno pošljajo, tako da bodo vsi vojaki obdarjeni. To bodo tudi lahko storili, če jim bomo šli vsi farani vsaj toliko na roko, da se bomo udeležili njih dobrodelnih prireditvev s kartami.

Zakaj bi hodili po tuhij dvoranah, ko lahko v domači fari najdete isto zabavo? Mogoče bo kdo rekel: saj naš je že dobil . . . Dobro, če je že dobil, sedaj pa pomagajmo, da bodo dobili še drugi. Vsi vemo, kako je vojak vesel vsake tople besede, če jo dobri od svojih prijateljev in znancev in kako je vesel malega zavojčka, ko ga prejme, lahko vidi vsak iz zahvalnih pisem, ki jih naši vojaki pišejo na mladinska društva fare sv. Vida in ki so potem priobčena na angleški strani Ameriške Domovine.

Zato pa vam prav toplo priporočam, storimo vsak svojo dolžnost in pojdimo v nedeljo večer v spodnjo dvorano sv. Vida. Tako bodo marljivi in velikodušni prijatelji z lahko dosegli svoj namen. Poleg tega pa tudi noben vojak iz naše fare ne bo mogel reči, da so drugi dobili in on pa ne. Naj bodo vsi enako deležni. Kakor smo pomagali, da so dobili naši, tako pomagajmo sedaj, da bodo dobili še drugi. Pridite vsi, da bo dvorana polna. Lahko vam zagotovim, da vam ne bo žal, če pride. Saj boste tudi lahko vi deležni kakšne nagrade ta večer.

Vstopnice lahko dobite pri Mrs. Makovec v Slovenskem narodnem domu in pa v Novakovici slavičarni kakor tudi v župnišču. Pričetek bo v nedeljo 5. decembra ob pol devetih zvečer. Pridite! Pozdrav vsem čitaljem,

Prijateljica dobrodelnih zabav.

Napredek na Hubbard

Kar nekaj se mi je dozdevalo, da bo tako kot se je v resnici zgodilo, ko so ženske pričele nositi na glavi zopet rute in je "les" pričela prihajati kraljeva gospoda iz Evrope k nam na pojedine v Zed. države, pa sem takoj rekel, da se nekaj pravljiva, kar ne bo prineslo nič kaj prida in tudi ni. Saj vidi, kakšen polom je prineslo vse to in takega mnjenja je tudi moj prijatelj, s katerim sva se srečala oni dan.

Zdaj pa, kot čitam, se je pojavila neka propaganda, katera nadleguje mirne in lojalne ljudi, ki ljubijo svojo lepo novo domovino in hočejo živeti lepo v miru, pa jih hočejo prepričati, da je Rusija edina njih rešiteljica in da jim bo le ona

pomagala. Čudim se, zakaj oni sami ne gredo tja, če ne zaupajo tej naši novi domovini, da bi jim mogla ona pomagat več kot na Rusija. Bi rekel, če že nabirajo denar za revne v starci domovini, je to res lepo, da bi jim po vojni pomagali, če jih bo sploh še kaj ostalo. Kajti, če je res kaj resnice na tem, kot čitamo, da se pobijajo celo med seboj vsekrižem in ostalo pa da bo še Hitler pobil, potem pa podpore najbrže ne bo treba pomoči, ker je ne bo komu dat.

Potem pa tudi kakšne posebne vlade ne bo potreba, če ne bo ljudi in potem čemu sedaj tako ceremonije od strani takojšnjih partizanov, ki hočejo sedaj ves slovenski narod streljati k njim.

Zdi se mi, da bodo imeli prvo besedo pri tem naši zaveznički. Težko je verjetno, da bi Angličani pa Amerika dovolili kakšen boljševizem v Jugoslaviji ali kar že bo. Pa naj bo dovolj o tej politiki. Se reče, saj jaz se prav nič ne zanimam, kakšna vlada bo kje. Jaz vedno pravim, mi tukaj skrbimo za svoje zadeve, drugi bodo pa že uredili po svoje, kakor jim bo že bolje kazalo. Sami trpijo in sami naj si uredijo. Dobro pa je, če je mogoče kaj pomagat gmotno tistim, ki bodo še ostali.

Samo nezadovoljstvo in pritožbe so na dnevnem redu. Kot sem čital v angleškem časopisu, se farmarji jako pritožujejo čez prenike cene, kar jim potrdim tudi jaz, čeprav nisem kakšen farmar, pa vsem, da je res. Kajti farmar za svoj pridelek, kar ga ima naprodaj, ne dobi tiste cene kakor pa jo mora plačati sam. Dolžijo pa le farmarja, da bo napravil inflacijo. V tem se pa strašno motijo tisti, ki misijo to.

Farmarji pa pravijo, da so silno udarjeni s to vladno odredbo in kakor izgleda, bo šlo za glasove prihodnje leto precej trdo. Prav tako pa so tudi premogarji zelo nezadovoljni s to "regirungo." Seveda volk si in ovca cela, to pa ne more bit. Saj meni tudi ni vse prav, pa si ne morem pomagat.

No, vse tako izgleda, da po dolgem odkladanju slabega vremena, ga bomo pa le dobili, sneg se že nekaj sili in ne ve, kaj bi napravil. Predno se odloči, da bi padel na tla, ga že burja odnes v druge kraje, najbrže, nekam tja proti Charbonu, kajti pravijo, da ima tam neki glavni stan. Seveda ga pa tudi tukaj ob jezeru ne manjka, kadar se zažene v zso ihto. Posebno na našem borjaču pri vhodu ima pravo veselje. To pa samo zato, da ga moram potem odmetavat. Tako se bomo s sngom dolgočasili vso zimo, ki je menda ne bo hotelo biti konec. Dolgač bo pa povčevalo tudi to, ker se je letos trta tako slabo obnesla, da bi skoro rekel in djal, da ni bilo nikakega grozja, ki bi ga bilo vredno stisnit.

Tam na Bennett Rd. pa sonce vse lepše sije in tam ne pozna-

jo nikakega dolgčasa. Ko sem se oni dan ustavil tam pri Sterletovih, kjer sem si ogledal tisti moderni novi hlev, ki so ga zgradili v preteklem poletju. Rečem pa, da je res moderno urejen, saj imajo razsvetljavo v hlevu prav tako, kot v mestu v restavracijah. To se reče, da imajo krave res pravo udobnost.

Noja, potem ko sem si vse ogledal, so me povabili pa še v hišo, ki je prav tako jako moderno zgrajena in tudi opremljena z vsem, kar se tiče komodnosti. Pa so ga prinesli en literček ta novega, ki je pa že tako dober, da bi se ga ne braili tudi magari o polnoči in to je bila prva letosnja poskušnja.

Ob drugi priliki pa sem se bil ustavil pri Gergatovih tudi na Bennett Rd. Tam mi je pa povedal hišni gospodar George, da mu je trta prav dobro obredila in da je kar zadovoljen s pridelkom. Zato ga je pa tudi prinesel George in liter "flaščo," ki je bila namejena meni. Ko so mi povedali, sem potem kar naprej sline celjal, ker je Mr. Romich odnesel tisto dobrotno nazaj v Euclid. Vedno pa upam, da bo Mr. Ro-

bij, da bo imel besedno tam. Imeli smo pa tudi obiske, pa ne jaz, ker takrat slučajno nisem bil doma. Saj pravim, vedno se držim pri peči, ta dan sem bil šel pa malo v vas k sosedom, kar se mi še danes fržmag, pa še, če bi imel navado potepet se okrog, bi se še nič ne rekjal, pa ko sem navadno doma kot maček. Pripeljala sta se bila namreč Romichova iz Euclida, a ker sta se naveličala čakati, sta jo pa lepo odkurila dalje in to komaj par minut, predno sem prišel domov.

Zelo mi je žal, da ju nisem videl, posebno pa še zato, ker vem, da sta imela s seboj tisto lepo "flaščo," ki je bila namejena meni. Ko so mi povedali, sem potem kar naprej sline celjal, ker je Mr. Romich odnesel tisto dobrotno nazaj v Euclid. Vedno pa upam, da bo Mr. Ro-

Dalje na 3 strani

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Važno!

Ker se nagiblje leto h koncu in je zopet prišel čas glavnih ali letnih sej, zato se bo v poneljek, 6. decembra, vršila letna seja d r u š t v a s. Marije Magdalene, št. 162 KSKJ in sicer ob 8. zvečer v spodnjih prostorih stare šole sv. Vida. Ker se na letnih sejah začrta pot in smernice za poslovanje društva za leto naprej, zato pa je dolžnost vseh članic, da se udeleže vsaj te seje. Čim več nas bo, tem boljši zaključek se bo napravilo v splošno zadovoljstvo članic. Na dnevnem redu bo tudi volitev odbora, ki bo vodil društvo v prihodnjem poslovnem letu.

Opominjam pa tudi vse članice, da se potrudite in v mesecu decembru gotovo plačate svoj asesment o pravem času. Ker je to zelo velike važnosti in je zato najboljši čas, da to storite kar v poneljek, 6. decembra, ko bom pobirala ases-

O, seveda, da kuverto s "pedo" celo ženi da, za tobak in z priboljšek dolar je le obdržal.

In čez teden dol si v "bezmeden" pralnem stroju večkrat gre da opere vse perilo, babyta plenice vse.

Če je vreme, pa otroka peljevenkaj kam na zrak; poleg njega žena stopa; parček ta vam gleda vsak.

Če ponoči baby joka, Janez naš se prec zbudi, hitro mleka mu pogreje, sinčka nosi, da zaspí.

Zdaj, na zimo, mož se v šolo bo večerno vpisati dal, da šivanja se priuči, in da kuhat bo še znal.

Blagor ti, ženica taka biser v možu res imas; pa ne znaš ga prav cennit, ker lenariš—godrnjaš!

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ščice.

gledam, odkod prihajajo aplice, zapazim, da mu kapice s police na glavo.

Ivanka ga pa prijazno poča pod rebra in mu pravi: "Včeraj ste se pa moro posteno naleteli črnine, ker

črni pot."

Trešnik se zbudil, debelo seda, izvleče žepno ruto in

vrisi, rekoč:

"Pravim, pravim, kaj bo še Trstu, ko se že tu tako po-

pa odmakne ruto izpred nosa, nastane v vozu veči smeh. Trešnik je bil ves črn po obrazu.

Seveda že, pa se večkrat, laže se Ivanka silno resnega obraza.

"Imate li tudi ženina?"

"Tudi!"

"Je li lep?"

"Grozno!"

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"Vas ima li rad?"

"Pa še kako! Najraje bi me snedel od same ljubezni."

"Gotovo mu vselej zaledite pismo s teščo slino, kaj ne?"

"Vselej."

"Kdaj bo pa poroka?"

"Drugi mesec."

"Kam pa se peljete?"

"V Trst balo kupovat."

"Oh, kako ste srečni; jaz bom pa morala gotovo čakati prelom, preden si toliko prislužim, da kupim hišno opravo."

Kdo ve, kaj bi ji bila Ivanka še natvezla, ako bi se bili peljali dalj časa skupaj! Toda v Področici je morala Nacitova nevesta izstopiti. Zunaj se je pa še enkrat obrnila in zaklicala Ivanka:

"Kaj ne, gospodična, s teščo slino in opoldne, ko bije ura dvanaest? Lepa hvala se enkrat!"

Sedaj smo se pa smejni na njene stroške. Stric se je takodrili, da mu je trebuh kar poskakoval. Držal ga je krčevito z obema rokama in dejal Ivanka:

"Pravim, pravim, deklič, ti boš še visel za jekiz v peku."

"Zaradi te zaledebane dekljene že ne, če ne bom zaradi česa drugega," odvrne razdaljenivo Ivanka. "Torej to imam za zahvalo, da sem vas rešila. Ako bi je ne bila jaz potolažila, bila bi vam izkopalna oči od jeze, ker se si z njeno simpatično tinto namazali obraz. Čakajte..."

Tu ji je naenkrat vzela tema besedo. Vlak je namreč že preročil v Karavanski predor.

Veliko potu se je prelilo, preden je bila ta lukanja prevrata. Delo v gori pa ni bilo le težavno, marveč tudi nevarno. S strupenimi plini in krhkimi skalovjem so žugale mogočne Karavanke ugonobiti predzneže, ki so se pririli v njihovo osrčje. Zahtevalo so za rano, katero jim je vsekaj človek, tudi žrtve. In res je moral pušiti štirinajst krepkih mož sredi rova svoje življenje. Toda vključ vsem zaprekam in težavam drdra sedaj vlak varno skozi obokani predor.

Tudi "Velikonočni dan v Moskvi"

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na levit vojni krik ljudi, na

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Napredek na Hubbardu

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"Jaga je tudi že odprta, a jaz grom pa ni bogvedi koliko in tisti pa, ki pridejo, pa pravijo, da zajeve ni. Nek jager iz Clevelandu mi je pravil, da je videl teči tri zajce, a so jo tako zavijali, da ni mogel nobenega zadet. Pri tem sem se spomnil na našega urednika Jakata in pa Jimu Šepca, tistega železneča štacnarja iz Collinwooda, ki pravita, da imata take pušči, da zadeneta, pa naj streljata kamor že bilo in naj zavija kakšna kakor hoče. Svetujem jim, da bi prišla na lov v našem kraju, pa bosta gotovo zadele kakšnega lepega fazana, saj jih je precej, to pa vem, ker jih je tudi naša kokljiva valila, potem mora že nekaj bit.

Pozdrav, Frank Leskovic.

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FAR, FAR AWAY FROM HOME, IN A LAND OF MILK AND HONEY

Continued From Page 4 war. You see, Private Elmer, for us every semblance of freedom or even secluded living was forbidden. Our native tongue, which had been spoken for centuries and tolerated by the worst dictatorships, was stopped with one stroke. How much suffering and torture there was, too! You, on the other hand, were not only given complete freedom in America, you were actually encouraged to learn your parent's tongue, to learn of your ancestry and be proud of it. Altho you were supposed to be an American first, it was never forced on you, for it had to come from within! That's the difference of the two sides in the present conflict. Only our side can be right, Elmer, and only ours can win."

Fatur and Private Hocevar returned to find the Army truck already loaded and waiting for them. They piled in and the truck started lumbering back to camp.

It was dusk when they arrived at the barracks. They had barely started to unload when Corporal Johnson came up to Hocevar: "Did you hear the news? How did you like it?"

"What news?" asked Hocevar.

"Italy's surrendered, five days ago. It's official today from General Eisenhower in Africa."

"No!" Private Hocevar was incredulous. He spun around looking swiftly for Prisoner Fatur.

"Hey Janez," he shouted in Slovenian, catching sight of him. "Did you hear? Italy's surrendered! Do you know what that means? You're free! You're no longer a prisoner of war! You're going to be repatriated now!"

Hocevar was shaking Fatur's hand excitedly, pumping it, and slapping him on the back with his left. In Fatur there were mixed feelings of surprise, disbelief, joy and tears watering his eyes. He tried to speak, lips quivering, but Hocevar had deluged him with his words. Finally, with Hocevar's outburst ended, he uttered a few words, choked with emotion.

"Not Italy, but the Fascists have surrendered. The people of Italy have suffered as much as ours. But the old regime won't die that easy. First the empire, then Sicily, collapse of Mussolini, the invasion of European soil through Italy, now the surrender. But we shall move forward to spell doom for the entire Axis. We must and shall win."

In the growing darkness, there was a wistfulness in Fatur's eyes and in his speech. That was the wistfulness that Private Hocevar had detected so often on the field. It was the far-away look at the horizon, of happier climes and happier times, at home, with father and mother, sister and friends. This blessed land of ours reminded him so easily of what his own land should have been. It was the same wistfulness that came over Private Hocevar many a time before he had met Fatur, while longing for his home.

Under a big blue Texas sky they'd met, brothers two; far, far away from home, in a land of milk and honey.

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LEGION NEWS

are turning to the American Legion for that guidance which they feel only older men can furnish. As this meeting took place on Armistice Day greetings to all his friends and relatives and says that so far he has come through safely in spite of danger. His address is: Cpl. Wm. Eisenhardt, 513 Bomb Sk. 378. Bomb G. APO 681, c/o Postmaster New York N.Y.

exhibition that surprised every member and brought vivid memories of the past when they displayed various army equipment down from the lone uniform button and up to the steel helmet, various snap shots and letters tinged brown with age, the letters themselves told that they have been read over and over again by their own evidence of partly worn out words that have been written near the edges. Souvenir menu cards from Army Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners, also two silver tea pots out of dozen that have been captured by Ed Posch, our champion souvenir hunter, probably from the officers quarters on a German ship. The evenings' report consisted of baked beans, wieners, cold slaw salad, apple strudel, and coffee (and some strong coffee too) and was served army regulation style then taken over to tables decorated with red, white and blue candles, with table cloths and napkins, displaying same colors. At this event it was also revealed that one of our very active members, comrade John C. Vargo, who may be short in stature, but nevertheless is proud possessor of Gold Star Medal, one of the nine issued in Cleveland area in World War I for their valor. He also is our Post Commander and has two sons in this war. We also had pleasure of having with us this evening Scoutmaster and Skipper Mr. Felix A. Danton, who on behalf of the Boy Scouts of Troop 250 and Sea Scouts of the Ship Saratoga extended their appreciation to members of the Lake Shore Post for their presentation of a new American Flag. He also extended his thanks to the Post and especially to the Troop committee, consisting of A. M. Princic, chairman, John G. Vargo and John L. Michelic. This presentation took place on November 17, at the Intercultural Library, East 55th and St. Clair Ave. Throughout is TH AR OD ILNU. Though not being present, but having attended one of their last affairs, I am sure that in connection of the presentation these young men prepared an interesting program.

Joe Michelic, we missed you at the last meeting and you missed something too, so come to our next meeting which will be at Clair Recreation Center, Thursday, December 9th, at 8:00 p.m.

ST. CHRISTINE'S

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leaving Sonny invested \$4,000 into war bonds. He not only lends his life, but also his money, do you? That Joe Roberts will soon be leaving for the Marines . . . That Delores Petrick Irene Habic, and Diana Mrsnik have been elected into the Girls Leaders Club of their school . . . That while hunting Chuck Fox came upon the surprise of two rabbits. How'd he do it? Well after all, I'm just asking you, if you've heard . . . That Ed Ivanic will soon be leaving for the Navy.

That Harvey Blachek is expected home from the Navy this week . . . That Chris Intihar's choice of girls always manages to overpower the other five. You're doing all right, Chris, by your one-man ball club . . . That Tommy Lang's newest nickname is Tony Logar . . . That Notre Dame is well represented by our St. Christine's lassies, as is Benedictine for the boys . . . That Norman Kozan thinks Notre Dame has a mammot and unconquerable football squad. He meant the Notre Dame Academy. Ignorance is some people's heavenly bliss . . . That our favorite, Cathedral Latin won the Charity football game.

DEDICATED TO THE YOUNG
AMERICAN SLOVENE

NEWBURGH NEWS

COMING ATTRACTIONS:

JANUARY 1 and 2: The St. Lawrence Stage and Curtain Guild will present their star production of the season in the St. Lawrence Aud. The Guild members are zealously rehearsing under the able direction of Rt. Rev. J. J. Oman. This is sufficient assurance for a grand evening of entertainment.

JANUARY 8: Reserve this date for the first Annual Dance sponsored by the St. Lawrence CYO Basketball Team. Vadahn's Orchestra has been booked for this grand event. Let's boost this club 100 percent and give them our whole-hearted co-operation!

ECHOES OF PAST EVENTS

The response of the parishioners—the zealousness of the workers and the enthusiasm of the school children added another successful chapter to the history of St. Lawrence Parish—The Annual Church Bazaar. It was GREAT!

The "Lucky Winners" this year were:

\$25 cash prize (offered by school children) Ronald Hocevar (Eliz.), Live Pig (offered by Holy Name Society), Mrs. C. Hocevar (E. 81).

Cash winners are:

\$100 Joe Moynihan (Mediran), \$50 Anton Papez (Union), \$50 Joe Tekacic (Bancroft), \$25 Stephanie Miklavcic (E. 80), \$25 Paul and Auntie (E. 81), \$25 Joe Zelezniak (W. 22), \$25 Joe Ozimek Jr. (Ansel), \$15 Ann Maitas (E. 77), \$10 Mrs. Srbjanovich (E. 116), \$10 F. Kuznik (E. 82), \$10 Joe Kubec (Aetna), \$10 M. Strgar (E. 77), \$10 F. Jernejko (Astma), \$5 Joe Kovach (E. 82), \$5 Martha Marn (E. 80).

Congratulations to the winners.

CATHOLIC ACTION

A letter dated July 22, 1943 reached us from India Oct. 30, 1943. I reprint these lines from the Catholic Mission Center for the benefit of those who contributed.

From S. Poderzai S. J.

Catholic Mission

Raghabpur, BORAL P. O.

24-Parganas,

Bengal, India.

Dear Friend,

Your kind letter of the 15th of May 1943 arrived and I hasten to thank you for both the letter and the donations sent by cable on May 10, 1943. May O. Lord repay you a hundred-fold—even in dollars—for whatever trouble you and your generous helpers are taking upon yourselves in order to help the Mission. We are daily praying for all of you.

First of all: many thanks for the donations covered by your cable of Dec. 21, 1942. The letter containing the names of donors was not sent to me but to Fr. Ehrlich if I remember well so I must have relied on him to thank you for it. Unless—since your letters to me still being addressed to my former address at Kurseong—the letter was opened there. But I received the list and distributed the donations according to the donors' intentions, including all the Mass stipends. The same applies for the stipends sent on May 10, 1943. The total of all sent was duly received. I have already distributed the sum according to the list sent. Our "secretary" Fr. Ehrlich—who has in the meantime been freed from the detention camp, as he has acquired Yugoslav citizenship—will thank the donors as soon as he can. I realize that it must give you a good amount of extra work to manage it all so nicely. I wish I could do something in exchange, but I am afraid we shall have to stick to spiritual exchanges for the time being. Kindly let me know if we can do something for you.

In May Fr. Aloysius Demšar took charge of Morapai Mission Station. His assistant is Fr. J. Ehrlich. Fr. Seidej has been transferred from Morapai to the post of being in charge at Kharry. Fr. Joseph Bizjak, after returning from Krishnagar diocese,

where he was helping for want of missionaries (the Diocese is managed by the Salesians), has been posted in Raghabpur. I have got another Belgian Father here, but he is rather sickly. For three months I have had to manage it all practically alone.

At present we are very much taken up by social and charitable works, helping Government. Mission work has been slowed down somehow, partly for want of funds (we are cut off from everywhere and the cost of everything is higher owing to war conditions), partly for other reasons.

Let us hope this awful war is going to end soon. Since you Americans are determined to finish the job and are helping so much to strike hard and quick, there can be no doubt that we are going to have better times in some distant future. — The other day I met an American padre (Jesuit) somewhere. On hearing that I am a missionary he pulled out his purse and at once started counting—not dollars but—rupees. He said they came from his "boys" . . . I wish I could bump off into one of these padres . . . I wonder what the condition of our country will be when the war ends. The war is nearing the Balkans, so the day cannot be far when the Nazis will be running north and our country will again stand on its own legs. But with so much destruction I wonder how much leisure they will have at home for the Missions. I expect very little interest of this kind for many years even after the war is finished.

Hope you are all well.

With every kind wish and repeated most heartfelt thanks.

Yours very sincerely and gratefully,

P. Stanko Poderzai

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

The ecclesiastical year begins on the first Sunday of Advent. This is a season of penance and prayer in preparation for the coming of the Son of God in flesh and also for his second coming to judge mankind. This season, therefore, strikes a note of preparation and repentance mingled with joy and hope—a hope for a brighter future—an end of all wars—the return of our loved ones—reunion of families and friends at Christmas time. May we attain this goal and bury forever the memory of that fateful day of Dec. 7, 1941—the birthday of tears, and sorrow for all.

MILITARY FLASHES

A fond farewell to Johnny Prhne, Frank Mirtic and Oscar Debelak, our latest inductees.

Seaman Joe Prijatel, J. Kresse, Vicki Meljac and the boys in khaki: Cy Lekan, Frank Mike, Lefty Hrovat, Nick Pavich, Rudy Zagar, Lou Lepošek, Joe and Rudy Mismas were in town this past week visiting families and friends. May the day soon dawn when you can stay home forever, boys!

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Hello for a while.
Just found some news in the file.
And so to begin I'll ask.

DID YOU SEE?

Cpl. Tony Roberts who was home on furlough? Lieut. Fred Jazbic, who was seen accompanying his best girl friend, "His Mom," to church? Henry Waiters S 2/c, who was seen around the old town for a few hours? With his was Jon Tomasic also of the same rank. Twas nice seeing you around, sailors . . . Albert Ready, another seaman who also was seen escorting his very attractive wife to church. You all remember her, Mary Zdesar? Tony Tomasic, Pharmacist's mate 1/c, was also seen about town. He returned to his base at Norfolk, Virginia, this past week . . . 1st Lieut. Edward Fox our air cadet, viewing the old sights? Danny Novine, spied him also accompanying our most charming friend, Dolly Arko, to church. Incidentally, Dolly and Danny are engaged. Andy Repasky, USA, trying out his luck at bowling and I believe the Army did acquaint you with quite a shooting eye? ? Pfc. Al Hribar seen showing the finer arts of bowling. Purpose of the foul line, well, anyway don't ask. Al, he'd make quite a story of it all. Sgt. Frank Zupancic, was also home and looking very well at that . . .

HAVE YOU HEARD?

That Danny Praznovsky S 1/c is somewhere in the British Isles and the good news end of it is that he is expected home for Christmas. A fine bundle Santa will be bringing to the Praznovsky household . . . That our Grand Drawing held on the concluding night of our Bazaar resulted with

these winners: First prize of \$200 went to the Weiser family, second prize of \$100 was won by Mrs. Milavec and the third prize of \$100 also will be in the hands of Mrs. Sternburg. Next six prizes included the cash of \$50 each, few of these winners were A. Grdin, Mrs. Siliva and F. Vidmar. Next eight prizes of \$25 resulted with these winners: F. Drenik, M. Gerl, F. Fortuna, A. Gerl, A. Boich, Mrs. Tanko, F. Stico, and M. Pike. Ending ten prizes afforded \$10 to each winner. These names were mentioned: Mary Golinar, J. D'Arcy, J. Roberts and appologies to the other winners who weren't mentioned. A slim of the mind folks . . . That while Harvey Maček S 2/c, was home on leave he was honored at a party held at Bill Switala's home. Trying to keep an eye on everyone was quite a task, what with Ralph Hirsch holding everyone's interest. I guess he was in the mood, how about it Ralph? Anne Sprinzel acting as chaperon. What am I kidding! "Ore-Lock," that's Norman Maček springing those never-ending jokes on all. I'm still trying to figure 'em out. Jimmy Santon seemed to be in the "dancing mood." Others present hailed from Notre Dame, Tom Langa crashing the party. Bill Switala—the perfect host. All in all I'm sure everyone had a wonderful time, they must have, they all had hangovers. Sure, swell seeing you, Harvey. Harvey aims to be torpedo man for he will be attending service school for this purpose.

That Sonny Lipovac left recently for the Marines. Incidentally, before

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Intercultural Library

On Sunday evening, December 5th, at 8 o'clock, the Estonian Committee of the Intercultural Library, East 55th Street and St. Clair Avenue, presents Soloist of Boston Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Juht, an Estonian artist of rare ability, is well known for his fine performance, brilliant finger technic, and variety for his selections. This program will be most interesting, since it will include a number of Estonian folk songs, melodies and compositions, unfamiliar to the general concert public. Professor Walmo Mackey will accompany on the piano.

Mr. Hugo W. Murrell is the Chairman of the committee sponsoring the program and Mr. John Valley is in charge of the arrangements. There is no admission and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

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LAKE SHORE POST NEWS
AMERICAN LEGION
BY JOHN WENZEL, JR.

At our last meeting, Thursday, November 11th, 1943, with a brief inauguration John L. Mihelich was installed as Commander. Thereupon our new leader, partly outlined his program for the coming year, stressing mostly upon the comrades for cooperation and of maintaining better than the average in attendance for the coming sessions. He also reviewed the difficulties that arose upon the conclusion of World War No. 1, when the veterans came home without being firmly organized and that when the nation wide American Legion was formed, most of those obstacles were removed. This organization as it stands now is on firm grounds. It is estimated that the membership in Ohio alone in 1944 will reach more than 650,000. This vast membership is due to veterans, who have been eligible for membership but have never joined. With the war on, they feel the urge to do something to help, and naturally turn to some Post in their vicinity and join. Meantime, there is another group that is also joining up due to the war. They are the former members who for some reason or other have dropped out, but are again inspired to help. The third group is our comrades of this war who, in ever increasing numbers

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ARMY NEWS



From somewhere in the South Pacific, Cpl. Raymond A. Matasic writes to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matasic of 1182 Addison Rd., that he came unexpectedly upon a Slovenian, owner of the restaurant where Ray happened to be eating. Surprised at hearing the owner talking in Slovenian, he spoke to him and found that the owner and four other Jugoslavs have been there for over 20 years and that they have a Jugoslav club. Ray is attached to a photographic unit and his address is: Col. Raymond A. Matasic, USMC, Div. Hq., 2nd Marine Div. c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Cal.

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