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V točki 1 povzame Churchillovo mnenje, da bi bilo zdaj čas, da se hitreje ločijo od Tita, da je treba brez razmišljanja manjšati podpore in sploh ustanoviti mu pošiljanje oružja, hrane in druge. Na to je Eden odločil (točka 2), da maršal Aleksander vpraša odslej prej London, preden bi še poslal kakšno pomoč Titu. Točka ka 3: z vašim pismom je zvezano vprašanje naše dolgoročne politike v Jugoslaviji: Ali naj pustimo nekaj ali vse, na kar se opiramo v jugoslovanskih zadavah in naj prepustimo Jugoslavijo nji sami ali pa Titovim oz. ruskim našrom? Točka 4: iz pogovorov, ki smo jih v glavnem vodili mi, je izšla zedinjenja vlada, ki smo jo mi priznali na Krimu in je zdaj že v Beogradu. Stevenson (britanski veleposlanik) je eden botrov in varuhov tega režima.

Po nekaj tednih razgovorov, smo mi v smislu sporazuma 50:50 predložili jugoslovanski vladi, da se čutimo odgovorne za povojo obnovno in rekonstrukcijo jugoslovanske monarhije in letalstva, dočim bi Rusi bili odgovorni za jugoslovanske suhozemskie sile. Mi smo sedaj v važnih pogovorih s Sovjeti o jugoslovansko-bolgarskih odnosih in kakšno vlogo naj dobi Jugoslavija med balkanski silami. Točka 5: sedanje stanje nam ne dovojuje, da začnemo nesmotorno in postopno zapuščanje Jugoslavije in njenih zadav. Ne moremo sedaj začeti s takojšnjim preokretom naše politike. Največ je, da napravimo načrt za spremembe v prihodnji etapi. Točka 3 goveri o tem, koliko je mogoče aplicirati načelo 50:50 v Jugoslaviji. Za angleško politiko — pravi Eden — ima Jugoslavija samo drugovrstni strateški in politični značaj, ne prvovrstni kakor Grčija. Jugoslavija leži zunaj naših glavnih interesov... Naš cilj naj bo, da Jugoslavija postane nekakšen nevtralni prostor med britanskimi in russkimi vplivom... dobiti moramo vsaj toliko vpliva, da bi se "mogli postaviti po robu totalnemu russkemu vplivu" (n.o.: komunizmu). Točka 7: Če popolnoma zapustimo Jugoslavijo, bomo izgubili glavno sredstvo za vplivanje na Balkan kot celoto. — Točka 8: Eden ne ve, kako naj bi razložili našo novo politiko Amerikanec, ki "se niso nikdar navduševali nad britanskim političnim podpiranjem partizan". Vedno je bilo polno muk in slabe volje, da jih vlečemo v tej zadavi za seboj". In zdaj, ko je stopil sporazum Tito-Šubašić (n.o.: ki so ga ustvarili Britanci), naj stopimo prednje in jim recemo: Tito ni to, kar smo mislili, da je. In po tem spoznanju se začenjamamo mi umikati od jugoslovenskih zadav... To bi pomenilo, da obstoji v Jugoslaviji kakšna druga alternativa? Toda niti kralj niti Mihajlović nimata dovolj pristašev..." In zadnja točka, 9: Tito se je res ponosil nehvaležno in necivilno... poleg tega pa je videti, da bodo skoraj začeli Titovi oficirji z anti-britanskim razpoznenjem... Toda jaz (Eden) sem s tem računal... in me nič izmenadilo, kvečjemu "umirjenost, s katero je sestavil svojo vlad..." Nam ne ostane drugega, kakor da se "ukopljemo v Jugoslavijo, da pridemo tako do nekega vpliva, da lahko držimo Tita na pravi liniji... če se umaknemo, pustimo vse Titu in Moskvi..."

To pismo nosi št. Premier 3-513-9 in ima datum 18. marca 1945.

Churchill je na to reagiral — ne v pismu Edenu, temveč njegovemu stalnemu političnemu svetovalcu siru Ormu Sargentu 14. maja 1945 sredi najhujšej zastritve položaja v Julijski krajini:

"Dogodki so pokazali, da so Jugoslovani (Tito) polnoma v rokah Pusov. Še več: vsak hip moramo biti pripravljeni, da se z njimi zapletevamo v oboržen spopad, ceprav v srcu upam, da ne pride do tega... Sprememba v situaciji je ogromna... Jaz smatram stvar v tem predelu za povoljno v smislu utrjevanja Velike Britanije, Italije in Združenih držav v odporu proti jugoslovenskim zahtevam po avstrijskem in italijanskem predvojnem teritoriju."

Še enkrat se je Churcili dotaknil Edenvoga pisma, tudi iudi takrat ni odgovoril direktno njemu, temveč njegovemu osebnemu tajniku dne 20. maja 1945 in mu naročil, naj "obično popolnejše podatke o — Titu. Stavil mu je več vprašanj, med njimi te-te:

"Ali je res, da je bil Tito štiri leta vzgajan v komunističnih vsočih šolah? Ali je res, da je del svojega časa posvečal organiziranju štrajkov po dalmatinski obali? Ali je res, da Tito ničesar ni ukrenil za borbo Jugoslavije, ko je bila napadena od Nemcev in da je čakal še 22. junij 1941, ko je Kominterna izdala poziv svojim ljubljencem, da pomorejo Rusiji? Ali je bil kdaj ože-

njen in kolikokrat? Nam je znano vse o njegovem begu na otok Vis, ko mu je postal vroče v Jugoslaviji. Pa tudi o njegovem izginotju z Visa, po trimesečni naši zaščiti, da bi obnovil svoje zvezze z Moskvo... Za vse to sprašujem ker mislim, da je vredno pogledati v te stvari in videti, kam peljejo?" (Dokument Premier, 513-8.)

Po vseh teh dokumentih je jasno, zakaj zavezniki niso pustili Tita v Trst ter so rajši podprli Italijo v nasprotovanju jugoslovanskim zahtevam na Primorskem in tudi v Avstriji.

Zaradi — komunizma, da bi mu zaprli pot v Srednjo in Zahodno Evropo.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

Ob 20-letnici smrti Antona Grdine



CLEVELAND, O. — Dne 1. decembra je minilo 20 let, odkar je umrl Anton Grdina, dolgoletni voditelj katoliških ameriških Slovencev.

Dr. Miha Krek je ob njegovi smrti rekel: "On je vse svoje

začetki, pa vse dokler telesno ni obnemogel. Ves čas je bil trdnob strani p. Kazimirja

Zakrajška, ustanovitelja ameriške slovenske franciškanske province sv. Križa. Grdina je bil tudi tisti, ki je redno vsako leto organiziral v vodil slovenska romanja iz Clevelandova v Lemont. Če npr. kdo od romarjev sam ni mogel kriti vožnje, mu jo je poravnal iz svojega.

Anton Grdina je bil rojen 27. aprila 1874 v Preserjah pod Zalostno goro pri Ljubljani, in sicer kot najmlajši sin v družini. Njegovemu ocetu je bilo ime Luka in je bil doma v sosednjih Preserjih; mati pa je bila Marija; njen dekliški priimek je bila Jerebič. Dompa je bila iz Zirov.

Anton Grdina je prišel v Cleveland v ZDA leta 1897, tj. letos pred 80 leti. Najprej je dobil delo v neki clevelandski tovarni za cevi, kesneje pa v tovarni klobukov. Pa se je kmalu osamosvojil. Že leta 1903 je odprt na St. Clair Ave. in E. 62. cesti trgovino z zelenino. Leta 1908 je odprt na St. Clairju in E. 62 svoj slovenski pogrebni zavod, kateri še danes obstaja, le da je dobil še druge, nove moderne prostore na 17002 Lake Shore bulavarju. Oba zavoda vodijo sedaj njegovi sinovi.

Leta 1920 je Anton Grdina s nekaterimi podjetnimi sorodniki organiziral v Clevelandu prvi slovenski denarni zavod "The North American Bank". Ta zavod je veliko pripomogel k temu, da so si začeli Slovenci v Clevelandu kupovati hiše ter da se je prenemateri Slovenec gospodarsko pripomogel in uveljavil. Sam Grdina je bil dolga leta predsednik tega zavoda.

Anton Grdina spada dalje tudi med ustanovitelje Jugoslovanskega kulturnega vrta v Clevelandu. Pri tem je bil njegova desna roka njegov ožji sorodnik rajnik Jože Grdina. V Federaciji clevelandskih kulturnih vrtov pa je bil vse do smrti glavni blagajnik.

Pokojni je bil vrhovni predsednik Kranjske slovenske katoliške jednote v času, ki je bil zanjo zelo kritičen. V veliki meri je njegova zasluga, da se je

Malo po lepi slovenski Koroški ...

WICKLIFFE, O. —

postopki se nadaljujejo.

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poročilu. (T.K.)

Naj k

mu dodam,

da so bili pretekli dneki taki politični procesi v polnem teku.

V začetku decembra je bila obnovljena proti koroškim Slovencem Jožetu Millerju in Mirku Ferču, ki sta bila obtožena, da sta sodelovala pri napisih akcijah. 24. nov. pa je bila na dunajskem kazenskem sodišču razpisana obravnava proti tistim pogumnoim selskim fantom, ki so v Selah pod Košuto preprečili protislovensko štetje. Eden od teh fantov je tudi naš znanec brat duhovnika in dijake perfekta na Pleševcu (škofjelska gimnazija) Anton Olip, ki je bil med nimi ob prilik obnovljene Gallusa pred treh leti.

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"To mesto ima res nekaj nuditi. V Clevelandu je 90 narodnostnih skupin. Peoples and Cultures skušajo dati Clevelandčanom možnost njihovega spoznanja," pravi Constance Perotti, izvršni direktor Peoples and Cultures.

Peoples and Cultures je nepridobitvena organizacija, ustanovljena leta 1971 za poznanje ozadja mnogo narodnostnih skupin in ljudstev Cleveland. Eden njenih glavnih programov je Shop-in-the-Flats. "To je prostor, kjer obrtniki lahko razstavljajo izdelke svojega narodnognega izročila. Doslej je zastopanih že 50 kultur," pravi Connie.

Peoples and Cultures najnovejši podvig so World-in-Your-Backyard Tours, kar delno podpira Gund Foundation. "Mi predvidevamo letos kakih 100 tur v italijanska, slovenska in španska skupnosti, pa tudi v druga. Tepota ten tur je njenov oseben slog vključitve. Obiskovalci odnesajo dejansko del te kulture s ture s seboj domov." Cleveland Trust čestita k naporom Peoples and Cultures, katerih smoter je napraviti Cleveland za boljši kraj življenja.

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Prospect urada,
lesorez na razstavi v
Shop-in-the-Flats.



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Prišel je pažnik in, ko je videl set dni..." Anico za knjigo, je prikimal z Drugega dne je Anica zvedela, glavno in pripovedoval: da pride pred porotnike. Kmalu "Tri mesece je čakal na po-zatem so jo odpeljali v mesto rot nika. Pa miren je bil, zelo pred sodiščem.

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"Bil," je odvrnil mož in od-sel.

Anico je spreteleta groza, ve-nomer je mrlila le eno: Po ne-dolžnem je bil zaprt!

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Frances Gerbec

roj. KOMIDAR,

ki je v Gospodu za vedno zaspala
20. decembra 1966.

V božjem vrtu sladko spava,
kjer nežne cvetke valove,
naša ljuba, zlata mama,
za trpljenje več ne ve.

Srčna ljubljena nam mama,
šla prezgodaj si od nas,
dobra, skrbna si nam bila,
kako brez Tebe dolg je čas!

Gospod, daj jima večni pokoj in večna luč naj jima sveti!

Zalujoči ostali:

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ter ostalo sorodstvo.

Cleveland, Ohio 16. decembra 1977.

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Jakoba Gerbec

ki je v Gospodu za vedno zaspala
16. decembra 1961.

Kako pozabit to gomilo,
kjer Tvoje blago spi srce,
ki nam je vsem res vdano bilo,
vse do zadnjega je dne?

Zvesto Te bomo vsi ljubili,
in Te nikoli pozabili,
pri Bogu zdaj se veseliš,
a v srcih naših še živiš!



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DRUGE OBLETNICE, ODKAR NAS JE ZA VEDNO ZAPUSTIL NAŠ LJUBLJENI IN NEPOZABNI MOŽ, OCKA, STARI OCKA, SIN, BRAT IN SVAK

MAX A. ZELODEC

Svoje drage oči je zatishil 17. decembra 1975.

Leti sta odšli za vedno,
sanje je raztrgal čas,
vse je žalostno in bedno,
kar si Ti zapustil nas.

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ROSE — žena;
MAX — sin in VIRGINIA — snaha;
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njen mož RICHARD, SUSAN LEVANDUSKI in njen mož

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RICKIE, MATHEW, DANIEL, ROBY JEREB — pravnuki
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ODKAR NAS JE ZAPUSTIL
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OČE IN STARI OČE
IN TAST

FRANK ZALLER

ki je umrl 19. decembra 1957.
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DVAJSET LET,
Odkar si Ti zapustil nas in
svet
ali nismo na te pozabili:
spomine svetle vedno v nas
budis
v ljubečih srcih nam živiš.

Sladko spavaj, dragi naš,
mirno snivaj večni san,
tam, kjer ni krijev in ne ran.
Pa prišlo bo vstajenje,
ko zdržuši se bomo vti,
pri Bogu, skupaj srečni bili,

V RAJU TAM — NAD ZVEZDAMI!

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dne 17. decembra 1976.

V miru božjem zdaj počivaj,
dragi, nepozabni nam,
v nebesih večno srečo uživaj,
da svidenja na vekomaj.

Zalujoča družina:

William Gothe in
ostalo sorodstvo.

Cleveland, O. 16. decembra 1977.

ušla. So rekli, da sem neumna,

ki vem več, ko vsi zdravnik.

Luka je znajal z glavo. On je rit.

bil, ki je sedel nasproti materi

nekdanje svoje zaročenke.

In no, za tvojo, hčer naj bo, poj-

dasi je vedel, da govori Hanca dem in povem, da sem ji zavdal

v zmedenosti in se istoveti z jazi!

Naj izpuste Anico!

osebo, ki je že davnno umrla, je

"Kakor hočeš," je odvrnila

pripomnil čez nekaj hipov po-polnoma resno:

"Neki svet bi rad, mati."

Hanca je dvignila glavo in rekel:

"Če imas naduho, nič boljšega

ko lapuh."

"Nimam naduhe!" je dejal Luka.

"Potem piж lipov čaj," je odvrnila žena hladnokrvno in zanosno.

"Hanca," je skoraj kriknil sedaj Luka, "Jerčina hči živi."

Kakor blisk je prešlo nekaj temnega pre ženinega lica in je dejala:

"Umrla je! Niso me pustili k

njej, za vnetjem kosti je umrla

in tega ne zna ozdraviti noben

zdravnik!"

"Hanca," je obupaval Luka,

"daj mi svet! Glej, tako je: Pre-

ganjalja jo je, pa zapodila jo je,

pa sem ji mišjaka v žganje na-

rezal, da je umrla. Mi ni žal,

ne! Le miru ni. So neki zaprili

tisto siroto Anico in jo bodo

obsodili."

Hanci je krožil premeten nas-

meh na ustnicah.

"Le nič se ne boj!" je govo-

rla, "kdo Hanca zaupa, zida na

skalo. Sojera pa ne bo! Kaj

misliš! Hanca zna vse. Ali veš,

kako sem naredila, da sem sama

ušla? Tule pri tem oknu bom

skočila dol in uidem, sem rekla,

pa sem ušla pri drugem, ko so

me tam čakali." In Hanci je

krožil venomer samozavesten

nasmeh ob ustih. Luki pa je

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Christmas is for Thanksgiving

KLAUS IS ONLY SLOVENIAN MAN SAVED FROM SINKING

by DANIEL J. POSTOTNIK

"with fire," said Klaus. "Aviation gas was stored there causing immediate fire. I climbed be thankful for this Christmas through the turret to the communications deck and hollered to the officer of the deck, that

it would be like to be stranded in a small life raft on the Pacific Ocean for four days and nights, 550 miles from the nearest point of land. — As you picture this, then try to visualize yourself being baked by a hot July sun, subsisting on a slice of spam, a couple of hard cookies, a small portion of water, and some vitamin tablets each day, being subjected to salt water sores, and wondering how long it would take, if ever, for someone to come to your rescue.

Oh, yes, the ever present sharks would not make you very comfortable either.

The tension and fear could even affect your sanity... Klaus was fortunate that he was not seriously injured.

"After the first day, some of the 21 men in our group of rafts were terribly burned. One

All of this was not just a young Ensign died, and we had

dream, or a figment of imagination, but stark reality for Seaman First Class Joseph F. Klaus, 22600 Euclid Ave., Euclid, Ohio, who was one of 316 survivors in the ill-fated sinking of the USS Indianapolis on July 31, 1945.

There were 1,196 men aboard this cruiser only a short time before World War II ended, when Japanese torpedoes caused 60 feet of the ship's bow to blow away, and the ship sank in a matter of 10 to 12 minutes.

This disaster was the greatest catastrophe in U.S. Naval history, claiming the lives of 880 men. Most of our veterans are reluctant to talk about a horrible experience, such as this, but Joe nevertheless related some of the high points.

"It was about midnight, and I was sleeping in Turret 2 (8" gun), when I was awakened by an explosion. I opened the door, and the passageways were filled

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Klaus recalls that he lost 20 pounds in those four days.

"I was lucky to be in a raft," he stressed. "We had four rafts strung together about 10 feet apart, and the sharks would come swimming real lazy be-

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Kathy Guist receives Enika Zulich Painting



KATHY GUIST, right, smiles with genuine excitement as she heard her name called proclaiming her the recipient of the Enika Zulich oil painting at the recent Slovene Home for the Aged Ladies Auxiliary Card Party. Also pictured are Auxiliary officers (left to right) Justine Girod, Fran Mauric, and Jean Krizman. (Photo by Jim Debevec.)

The world has not been the same since SILENT NIGHT

by FATHER EDWARD PEVEC life. The world has not been It was quiet in Bethlehem the same since.

that first Christmas night. The birth of Jesus was hardly noticed then. Mary and Joseph knelt silently in the presence of travelers who had come to obey this miracle. A few shepherds

an edict of the emperor. It wasn't easy to be far away from home, and yet this is what had to be done. Yellow rays of lantern-lights stabbed through the darkness as strangers searched through narrow unfamiliar streets, hopefully looking for relatives or even casual acquaintances. Animals snorted uneasily.

From what seemed to be so far away, there was the sudden shrill cry of a new baby, gasping for his first breath on this day a Savior had been born

own. A new child had come into the world, but what a child! Little did the rest of the world realize how much history would change because of the birth of Jesus.

Gently fold in the soft touch of a thumb, aske for a moment, while you catch a bit of laughter from under the mistletoe.

Marinate this in love before you add it to the above mixture.

Form all ingredients into a warmth of good will and set aside to bubble. Keep this bubbling in a surrounding of happiness for days while you address your cards, wrap gifts,

clean the house and prepare for the day when it is to be served on a platter of lasting memories.

Then surround by the aroma from the Christmas tree; garnish the above mixture with silver, gold, red and green trimmings, which have been dipped in the love of mankind.

Serve December the 25th, after you have offered a prayer of gratitude.

Christmas Recipe

NAOMI GAY

Take the early days of December and add a generous portion of snow over which a



sparkling of ice has been sifted.

Next take some brisk winter air and the blush of early morning sunlight; cream these two ingredients until the days tingle with expectation. Add to this the joy of a generous heart, blended with the wonder of a radiant-eyed child.

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CHRISTMAS CHEER RECIPE

Take a bushel of tinsel, sprinkle well throughout the house. Add two dozen stars and one graceful Christmas tree. Take a generous spray of mistletoe, an armful of holly, and a measure of snow laid in curved hills along the window sills.

Toss in a Christmas carol, and season well with good will and friendly laughter.

Light the candles, "one for



adoration, two for celebration."

Let the first burn brightly, and may those you love be near.

The yield: One Happy Christ-

mas.

C. Paddleford

Submitted by Sally Furlich.

1,000 Krofes for the Slovene Home for Aged



1,000 KROFES (doughnuts) were served at the recent Card Party for the benefit of the Slovene Home for the Aged sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary. Doing the baking were Jennie Trennel, Johanna Perko, Milka Perko and Sophie Person. Pictured above with some of the delicious pastries are (left to right) Steffie Gricar, Nancy Miklavic and Jennie Trennel. (Photo by Jim Debevec.)

The Case of the Suspicious Stranger

by DR. IVAN STOUT dow. He was watching down

The world's greatest detective the street a little. Slovenian Homes walked down St. Clair Avenue on a typical glance where Stan was looking.

fall day in Cleveland. It was five below zero and snowing. Then the friendly shoe man asked the sleuthing duo to come and blowing with seven inches into the store.

of the powdery on the ground. "See that man coming out of A car skidded by. It had a sign the American Home?" he asked.

on a bumper sticker, "Think Well, every day that same gent

rushes out carrying three items

under the cover of an Ameri- Ivan Stout, muttered, "Bunch can Home newspaper. The first

of jibberish, eh Homes, all that is a small jar of feathers. The

wishing for more snow. Utter nonsense!"

third is a red lobster tail.

"Not at all, my dear fellow. Is suspect some foul play," said Stout.

"Exactly," said Stan.

"He comes out every day with these three exact items?" Homes

inquired.

"Yes," said Stan. "I know he'll stealing something, but we just can't seem to figure it out.

"Something smelly alright,"

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THE CASE OF THE SHOT-DOWN SLEIGH

by JIMMY DEBEVEC alley, bowling on lanes 12 and 13. After I bowed I went to the snowmobile and drove to the gas station because I was in need of petrol. I got lost and ended up here."

Santa Claus said, "You're lying! You're the one who took a shot at us."

The man admitted his guilt and he was turned over to the snow patrol.

"How did you know he was lying, Cupid asked.

"Very simple," Santa replied. "You can bowl on alleys 1 and 2, 3 and 4, 5 and 6, 7 and 8, and 10, 11 and 12, 13 and 14."

The end.

NOTE: This was the third Rudolph Christmas mystery which were printed once each year for the last three years. The first said, "Are you all right?"

Blitzen remarked, "How in was, 'The Mysterious Light' blazes did you get here?"

The man said, "At a bowling Nose Conked Out," and this one.

Memo... From Madeline

by Madeline

Debevec

Slovenian Women's Union Branch 41 will meet Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1977 at 1:30 p.m. at the Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd. All members are urged to attend, as this is the yearly meeting and election of officers will take place.

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Congratulations to Dr. A. Michael and Julie Broenne, 37 Oak Hill Circle, Malvern, Pa. on the birth of a son, Ian Robertson Broenne, born Nov. 7 and weighing in at 8 lbs. and 2 ozs. Happy grandparents are Sutton and Justine Girod of Cleveland.

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Beverly R. Skur, a University of Evansville student from Euclid, participated in the recent capping ceremonies for the sophomore class of the baccalaureate degree nursing program.

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adoration, two for celebration."

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C. Paddleford

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KLAUS IS SLOVENIAN SURVIVOR

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tween them. Me and another War 1. The prelude in the program booklet for the event mentions that "the loss of this gallant ship was one of the tragic events of the war. As the flagship of the powerful 5th Fleet, she had served with honor from Pearl Harbor through the last campaign of the war, and had gone down just two weeks before the war's end."

Klaus went on to say the sharks stole the small fish they caught, and had hanging over the side of their raft. He stated he could have put a hatchet through one 15 footer, but the guys felt it might cause trouble.

"I think most of the men who died at sea were victims of drinking salt water. This would drive you nuts. Some of them would suddenly say, 'I'm going for an ice cream soda or a beer', and swim off."

"You'd never see them again."

No radio distress message had gotten out, and the ship's failure to arrive at Leyte in the Philippines, went unnoticed.

On the evening of the 4th day, a plane came over and spotted them by accident. They were floating over a four to five mile area. The next day ships came to their rescue, and I am sure all of them praised the Lord for their deliverance from the jaws of death.

The first ship on the scene was the USS Doyle, the commander of which is our present Secretary of the Navy, Hon. W. Graham Claytor, Jr.

I asked Joe Klaus what his thoughts and feelings were throughout his ordeal, and if his hope for survival wavered at any time. Joe answered he always held hopes for his eventual rescue.

The commander of the USS Indianapolis was Captain Charles B. McVay, who was court-martialed in 1946 for losing his ship. The reasons were: 1) he did not steer his ship on a zig-zag course as required during war time, and 2) he was sailing under modified conditions, which left passageway doors open, and did not seal off compartments. Also court-martialed were the Port Commanders at Guam and the Philippines.

In 1958, a book titled "Abandon Ship" was published, covering the disaster of the USS Indianapolis, and the subsequent court-martial proceedings against those in authority. Its author is Richard F. Newcomb. Prior to its publication, Joe Klaus was requested by the author to give an account of his experiences, but Joe declined. His name, however, does appear in this book as one of the 316 survivors.

About this time he was interviewed by Forrest Allen of the Cleveland Press. In July, 1975, when the popular film "Jaws" created such an impression on movie goers, our own Robert Dolan, Cleveland Plain Dealer reporter, wrote an article on Joe Klaus and another buddy, in connection with that movie. The substance of the article relates to the contention by an old sailor named Quint, that most of the men lost in the sinking were devoured by sharks. Klaus and his fellow survivor from the Cleveland area were not in agreement with Quint's appraisal.

On Aug. 5, 1975, Joseph F. Klaus was interviewed for one half hour on the TV 5 "Morning Exchange" program, where he related to the viewers his memories of 30 years ago.

In July, 1977, Joe and his wife traveled to Groton, Connecticut for the launching of a nuclear submarine, the Indianapolis SSN 697, named in honor of the sunken ship in WW II. Many high ranking military and civilian dignitaries attended this event. The history of the USS Indianapolis goes back to 1918, when she was used as a transport in World

Our readers are glad to have shared this account of your experiences, Joe, and you are deserving of a "Big Salute". You have undergone much more than many of us who served our country. May the Lord grant health, peace and happiness to you and your family on this holiday season and for many more years!

Tell it to the Mayor

Editor:

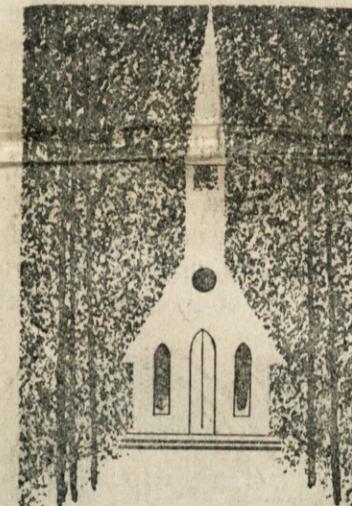
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SILENT NIGHT...

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But in only a few more years, his successors would be using every means in their power to stifle the eternal kingdom preached by the humble Jesus who was born this night.

Entire nations, and even the mighty Roman Empire, would soon bow in homage before Him as they accepted the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. Despite the humility of His birth and despite the atrocity of His death, Jesus was the Savior who had been promised. Tonight, on His birthday, He was hardly recognized, but never would anything ever be the same.

Isaiah spoke of the Wonder-Counselor, the God-Hero, the Prince of Peace. It was hard to believe that this helpless child could be any of these. After all, in the past, God came on more strongly. To Moses on Sinai He thundered, "I am the Lord your God! You shall not have strange gods before me!" To men of Noah's time, He threatened, "I will wipe out from the earth the men I have created!" And He made it rain for 40 days and 40 nights. Blatantly the citizens of Sodom and Gomorrah sinned, and God totally destroyed their cities. His own chosen people, so often so unfaithful, He allowed to be led into slavery and exile, and dreadful plagues He sent on those who would not listen to Him. God was a God of majesty and might, of power and vengeance. It did not seem likely that this was the God who now had taken on flesh and lay peacefully asleep—a tiny, helpless, unknown baby.

There were many who thought this way then. All they had heard from the prophets, all they had read in God's word, all they had known fell on stony hearts. They had ears but would not hear; eyes but would not see. This Jesus was not their God, they claimed. Once again, reliving the disobedience of the fallen angels, so many defiantly uttered, "I will not serve!" Jesus came to His own, and even His own would not receive Him.

History is a good teacher, but we don't always learn the lesson. Almost two thousand years later, so much of the world is caught up in the sweetness and loveliness of the baby Jesus, and they forget that He is the almighty God whose word alone was enough to quiet storms, whose gentle touch cured the blind, the deaf, and the lame, and who had power to raise men from the dead.

What do I see and experience at Christmas? Simply a baby's birth? Or the coming of the all-powerful God into the world? Only a childhood memory of what can never be again? Or the genuine worship of a God who lives even now? An empty emotion that never really influences our daily life? Or the total acceptance of a Savior who alone gives meaning to my life? It is not enough for us only to coo lovingly at a plaster figure of our newly-born Savior. If Jesus came to us, we must receive Him and make Him a part of our life. Jesus may have smiled beautifully and winningly as a baby, but as a grown man, He revealed His divinity and lovingly and insistently called us to follow Him. Because of Him, I can't ever be the same.

For us, what I do on Christmas is not enough. If I honestly believe that I celebrate the birth of my redeeming God on this day, there must be a tomorrow very much like this day, next week very much like this day, next year—all the rest of my life very much like this day. My daily life must be one of faith in Him who came to redeem me. Jesus has come and He continues to come daily. His

loving demands are daily demands, and my faith-response must be a daily response, or else I fool myself into thinking that Jesus Christ, that baby in Bethlehem, was only a helpless child who grew up to die a horrible death and was known no more.

How blessed we are! It is upon us that His favor rests, and to us He gives the peace that the world cannot give. Jesus has come to be ours, and we must make ourselves His. Because of that first Christmas, because of this Christmas of 1977, I can't ever be the same!

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Looking back, we may think that Christmas was a more wonderful time then. But today we can find even more of beauty and wonder to appreciate in Christmas. The age-old story of Jesus' birth has renewed meaning for us. We know that Christmas is a time of rejoicing in the birth of Jesus into the world, and it is a time of rejoicing in the birth of Christ in our hearts.

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MEMO FROM MADELINE

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Miss Skur is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Skur of Johanna Jadrich (Dec. 4) from 26130 Elinore Ave., Euclid.

The Richmond Heights High School annual Sports Awards night was held recently. Receiving football awards were Jim Jarm and Chris Novish.

Kathy Bezich received honors for girls volleyball and the cheerleaders team.

Marine Lance Corporal Joseph L. Troha son of Mr. and Mrs. Milan Troha Sr. of 22021 Miller Ave., has been meritocratically promoted to his present rank while serving at the Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C.

A 1975 graduate of Euclid High School, he joined the Marine Corps in September, 1976.

Congratulations!

The Slovenian Youth Choral Group under the direction of Mike Vrenko will sing Saturday, Dec. 17 at The Euclid Sq. Mall at 6 p.m. Mario Zipple will accompany the group with the organ.

This fantastic youth group was formed one year ago. The members are residents of the greater Cleveland area including the suburbs.

Charles Petrick has been named vice president - finance for Lucas Machine division of Litten Industries, it has been announced by division president John H. Stephan. Petrick has served as Lucas controller; he came to the company in 1974.

A Euclid resident, Petrick resides with his wife Carolyn and their five children at 25637 Brookdale Ave.

Congratulations!

Frank J. Taucher of Euclid, Ohio sent greetings to all his friends from Florida. He says "Having a swell time in the land of sunshine."

Please support the Radiothon for the Slovene Home for the Aged Saturday, Dec. 17. The event will take place at Tony's Polka Village, 971 East 185 St. Call in your pledges to (216) 692-2222.

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ETHNIC NOTES FROM FATHER GABE RUS

Editor:

It was encouraging to read in last Friday's edition about the initiative taken to organize a summer school in Slovenian Carinthia for American and Canadian students of Slovenian origin. I fervently hope that the project will succeed and that last Sunday's meeting at St. Mary's in Collinwood was well attended. As former Director for Study Abroad at the University of Dayton, I can assure your readers that there is no better way than this to promote an appreciation of a national heritage among the young. I would therefore urge the Slovenian lodges to get behind this project for their own ultimate benefit. Please keep us informed on the progress of this undertaking.

Here in Dayton we are doing what we can to promote our Slovenian cultural heritage. First of all, we now have 14 members in our Slovenian Class, among them two Croatians and one Slovak. Our teacher is Margie Kokal, daughter of the Joseph Kokals of Collinwood. She is doing a super job, proof of which is that we have very little absenteeism. The basic text is the Gobec-Lončar "Slovenian Language Manual," I can't recommend it too highly, whether for individual or for group study. Incidentally, Volume II has just come out.

As we went along we noticed that there were chapters on St. Nicholas and on Christmas in the text. So, what could be more natural than to decide on our own Slovenian Christmas party, — Slovenian Carols, poëta and all. We enjoyed the delicious dinner greetings and the music played by Ron Luzzar, Steve Vogrin and our own Bill Zatorsky.

We hope to do the same for you when you come to see us.

Dec. 4 was our last meeting with dinner and Christmas Party. We had gift exchange and Santa Claus. Everyone joined in singing Christmas carols and dancing.

Mae Radomski who came from California, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson L.I., N.Y. and Ronada Bell, Leroy, Ohio, were our guests.

Then we had a surprise visit from Cleveland's Kenny Bass and Frank Mahnic group who are visiting in Florida this week. It was nice to see them all.

Next meeting, dinner and New Years Party will be Jan. 8th, 1978 at regular time.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

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Frank Debevec provided the accompaniment on his accordion while the ladies provided the goodies. We learned "Sveta Noc" and "Glej, Zvezdice Božje" well enough to sing them on our own at home. This was supplemented by the playing of the record, "Christmas in Slovenia."

Now we're getting ready to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the founding of our Yugoslav Club of Greater Dayton and, of course, the Slovenians will be playing a prominent role in this celebration. February 11th is our Foundation Day. Since this happens to be a Saturday, it was perfectly natural to choose that date for the commemoration. A local pastor is graciously giving us the use of his facilities for the evening. We shall first have a Mass in which Sts. Cyril and Methodius, the apostles of the Slavic nations, will be invoked, and that will be followed by a typical Slovenian-Croatian get-together. Anyone wishing to join us for the occasion will be most welcome. We'll even try to provide overnight accommodations.

A Blessed Christmas to you, your staff, and to all your readers. May the New Year see a renewed interest in your fine publication.

Cordially,
(Fr.) Gabriel J. Rus, S.M.

St. Ann 150 Annual Meet

St. Ann lodge No. 150 KSKJ will hold its annual meeting Sunday, December 18 at 1 p.m. at Slovenian National Home on E. 80th St. Refreshments will be served.

Christmas Party for lodges 63, 146 and 150 K.S.K.J. at 3 p.m. on the same day and same place, Dec. 18.

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knead. Add more flour if the tract, $\frac{1}{2}$ of lemon rind (grated). dough sticks to your hands. Put it in a greased bowl and refrigerate over night. Take it out in the morning for about 1 hour

Filling:
Raisins (approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ lb.)
3 beaten egg yolks
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. of sour cream
1 table spoon of almond ex-

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup of sugar.

In a pint jar, let the raisins soak in 2 oz. of rum. This you do overnight (shake often). Put all this on the rolled dough and sprinkle $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. ground nuts over and pot it into the filling.

Bake 325 degrees for $\frac{3}{4}$ hour or until you see that it is done.

Mrs. Louis Oswald

CASE OF SUSPICIOUS STRANGER

(Continued from Page 1)

remarked Stout, "especially when you consider the lobster tails."

Homes and Stout went to the Slovenian Home in Maple Hts. to think about the mystery. That's how Slovenian Homes got his name, because he always goes to a Slovenian Home to try and think about the solutions to his most baffling cases.

"I like it there," he always says.

The two sipped on some beer and thought about the mysterious man. Presently, Stout fell asleep.

"Wake up, Stout," Homes shouted at the top of his voice, startling all the patrons including their excellent publicity writer, Louis Fink.

"Quick, Stout, let's go to the American Home where we can catch the culprit in the act."

Homes waited by the St. Clair Business Association office window while Stout paced excitedly in front. When the man came out Homes grabbed him.

"Stout hollered, "Let me see what you've got wrapped in the American Home this time." He unraveled the paper, but only found the same three items: horse hair, duck feathers, and a red lobster.

"That's it," Homes exclaimed, "we can wrap up this case now, so to speak."

"What do you mean," de-

manded Stout. "We can't arrest a man for stealing these items. They were his all along. They don't belong to the publishing company."

"No, but the newspaper does. Every day he walks in and swipes a paper, then wraps up his items in it and walks out without paying."

"Excellent, Homes," Stout cried. "Where did you learn to be so observant?"

"In school."

"John Carroll University?"

"No, elementary, my dear Stout, elementary."

Ribnica 12 meets Dec. 18

Lodge Ribnica No. 12 will hold their meeting on December 18th. Members are cordially invited on this yearly meeting to be held at 9:30 a.m. in the old building of St. Clair Slovenian National Home.

There is much on the agenda, election for a new board etc. After the meeting there will be a social. For those who are unable to attend due to sickness we wish all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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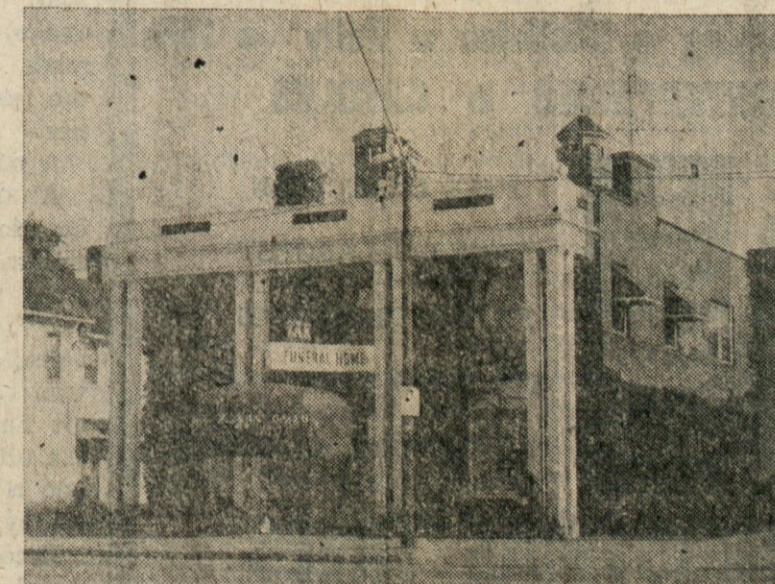
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CHRISTMAS WEEK SCHEDULE—BOŽIČNI SPORED MASSES / MAŠE

Monday, December 19th to Friday, December 23rd:
6:30 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 24th (Christmas Eve): - Božična vigila

6:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 8:15 a.m. *5:00 p.m.
*The 5:00 p.m. Mass will be a special liturgy
for all children in our parish, but everyone is
invited to participate. — Posebna božična
maša za šolsko mladino, h kateri je vsakdo
dobrodošel

Sunday, December 25th (Christmas Day): - Božič

Midnight - Concelebrated Mass, Slovenian and English—Koncelebrirana slovensko-angleška polnočna
6:30 a.m. - Slovenian—Slovenska
8:00 a.m. - Slovenian—Slovenska
9:15 a.m. - Concelebrated Mass, English—Koncelebrirana angleška maša
10:30 a.m. - Concelebrated Mass, Slovenian—Koncelebrirana slovenska maša
11:45 a.m. - English—Angleška

At 3:00 p.m. there will be the sung Litany and Eucharistic Benediction.—Slovenske pete litanije Matere Božje in blagoslov z Najsvetješim

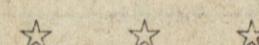
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION—SPOVEDOVANJE

Friday, December 23rd:

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m. Slovenian Communal Reconciliation Service—Slovenska spravna pobožnost

Saturday, December 24th:

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. to noon
3:30 p.m. English Communal Reconciliation Service—Angleška spravna pobožnost



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

That little baby in Bethlehem, seemingly so helpless and so unconcerned about the world around Him, was God, all-powerful and all-loving, born into the world that all mankind might truly live. The birth of Jesus reminds us how deeply God loves us.

A one-way love, however, is wasted. We must love God fully in return, or even His attempts to make us His will end in failure. Our Christmas celebration must continue every day of our life, not simply be stored away for another year with all the lights and ornaments. Daily we have to return our love to God by living as a proof of what we really believe. Unless the loving and joyful spirit of Jesus' birthday reaches meaningfully into each day of our life, we tell God that we just don't love Him that much.

We pray that all the peace of this holy season may be with you always. May this be a holy and love-filled Christmas for each of you in our parish family. May the joy of this birthday celebration be forever yours. From all of us, a very merry Christmas and a most blessed new year!

Your priests at St. Vitus,

Fr. Edward Pevec

Fr. Joseph Boznan Fr. Joseph Simcic
Fr. Allen Bruening Fr. Julius Slapsak

Dragi bratje in sestre v Kristusu!

Betlehemske Dete, na videz tako slabotno in brezskrbno za svet okrog sebe, je vsemogočni Bog, ki ljubi vse stvarstvo, in je prišel na svet, da bi mogli resnično živeti. Jezusovo rojstvo je za nas opomin neizmerne božje ljubezni.

Toda enostranska ljubezen je brez haska. Bog nas ljubi in mi mu moramo vratiči ljubezen z ljubezni, drugače bo vsak njegov poskus, da nas napravi za svoje otroke, končal v neuspahu. Božično praznovanje mora polniti vse dni našega življenja. Nikakor ga ne smemo odložiti in shraniti kakor okraske in lučke za prihodnji Božič. Vero v Boga moramo dnevno izpričevati z ljubezni. Če veselo, z ljubezni prežeto božično razpoloženje ne polni vseh dni našega življenja, to pomeni, da Boga ne ljubimo dovolj.

Duhovniki pri Sv. Vidu molimo, da bi bil božični mir vedno z vami in, da bi bili letošnji prazniki Gospodovega rojstva za vsega našega župljana res sveti in polni ljubezni. Naj bo božično veselje vedno z vami. Vsi skupaj vam želimo vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto!

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Rev. Louis Tomz (Visitor)

SATURDAY, CHRISTMAS EVE, December 24

MASS at 6 p.m. — Father Victor N. Tome

SUNDAY — CHRISTMAS DAY — December 25

MASSES:

7 — Father Victor N. Tome
8 — 10:30 Father L. Tomz
9:15 — 12 Father Anthony Rebol
Our Church Choir will sing Christmas Carols beginning at 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, and will also sing at the Midnight Mass and at 10:30. Our School Children's Choir will sing at the 9:15 Mass. The Young Adults Choir will sing at the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Dec. 24. The Slovene Children's Choir will sing at the 8:00 Mass.

Choir Director, our Organist, John Rigler. Director of the Slovene Children's Choir, Miha Vrenko. Slovenian Sung Litany of the Blessed Virgin at 2 p.m. Brother Kenneth Tempelin, SM., will give the homily at the 6 o'clock Mass on Christmas Eve.

OUR BLESSING

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Opposes Sending St. Stephen Crown back to Hungary

Editor:

Like thousands of Americans across the country, I am appalled that the Carter Administration would even consider turning the historic Crown of St. Stephen over to Hungary's Communist government.

To demonstrate the importance of keeping this Holy Crown out of the Communist hands, I am proposing that we place a veil over the state of Cardinal Mindszenty on Lakeside Avenue. This symbolic gesture will demonstrate the shame that would infest the hearts of all Americans if the crown is turned over to a Communist regime.

I feel this symbolic veil should remain over the statue until we receive President Jimmy Carter's personal assurance that the crown is no longer in jeopardy.

Perhaps if similar demonstrations are accomplished in a dozen American cities to the President and members of the Congress.

We must let our government leaders in Washington know that Americans of many heritages feel as strongly about this issue as the Hungarians.

In the past few years, our government seems to have softened on the issue of human rights of people. Take for example the Lithuanian sailor who was denied political asylum in this country a few years back; the threat the Czechoslovakian gold would be returned earlier this year; the two refugees who are currently fighting to stay in this country.

Americans of all heritages must band together and stand firm on our belief and feeling that the sacred Crown of St. Stephen must remain in this country as a symbol of the freedom that we all cherish.

James B. Cunningham
1374 S. Lyn Circle
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Euclid Slovenian Pensioners News

Even though the weather held back quite a few of our members from attending our Christmas party on Dec. 7th, those who did attend enjoyed a most delicious meal. Three cheers for Mary Ster who did all the cooking and her helpers. I can still taste the dumpling soup (like mother used to make) and the warm homemade doughnuts, along with the rest of the full course dinner.

A nice social followed.

At this time election of officers for 1978 was held, and the following were elected: Joseph Birk, President; John Kausek, 1st V. Pres.; Ann Mrak, 2nd V. Pres.; John Hrovat Sec. Treasurer; John Troha, Sec'y.; Jennie Fatur Recording Sec'y. All the officers then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Recommendations from the members of the Board were presented. All were approved and passed for the coming year.

A vote was taken to accept new members next March, but not to exceed 1,000 at any time. There is a waiting list. Women must be 62 years and men 65 years of age, no exceptions. It

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CONFESIONS: FRIDAY, DEC. 23

3:30 — 4:30 p.m.

6:00 — 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

3:00 — 5:00 p.m.

MASSES: SATURDAY, CHRISTMAS EVE, DEC. 24

MIDNIGHT MASS

OUR CHOIR WILL START SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT 11:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25

MASSES

6 — 8 — 9:30 — 11:30 a.m.

Slovenian Singing of Litany of Blessed Virgin

2 p.m.

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Confessions:

Monday through Friday, Dec. 19-23

After the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Dec. 21-23

3 to 4 p.m. and after the 7:00 p.m. Mass

THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY (CHRISTMAS EVE)

Mass Schedule:

Saturday (Anticipated) 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Solemn services at Midnight

Blessing of the Crib and Singing of Christmas Carols at 11:30 p.m.

MIDNIGHT MASS (Traditional Choir will sing)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

6:30 - 8 - 9:30 - 11:00 - 12:30 p.m.

(Folk and Children's Choirs will sing at 11:00 a.m. Mass)

was also decided no one can join if they already belong to another pensioner group.

Announcement was made of our coming annual banquet to be held Feb. 25th at Recher Hall, with Eddie Buehner Orchestra.

Member Katherine Plemel,

who is 98 years of age, is ill in

the hospital, and we all want

to wish her well. She is now

living in Florida.

Sympathy to families of our

deceased members who passed

away in November. They are:

Joseph Gorensek, Louise Sever,

and Emillia Medved.

Funeral attendants who vol-

unteered for December are:

Joseph Petelin, Alice Graben,

Mary Miklavcic, and Andrew

Champa.

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Your friendly reporter

Mae Fabec

The officers of lodge Napredni Slovenci No. 5 AMLA, urge

all members to attend the an-

nual meeting, Sunday, Dec. 18,

at 9 a.m. at the home of the