



Vietnamski napad na begunska taborišča v Tajski se nadaljuje

ARANYAPRATHET, Taj. — Vdor vietnamskih enot v Tajsko, kjer so napadli begunska taborišča vzdolž meje med Tajsko in Kambodžo, se nadaljuje in ima že podobne omejene vojne med Tajsko in Vietnamom. Vietnamski vojniki še prodirajo v notranjost Tajske in odbijajo protinapade Tajcev. Kako dolgo bo trajal ta vdor, ni jasno.

Po mnenju zahodnih opazovalcev, je imel vietnamski napad dvojni cilj. Najprej je hotel Vietnam kaznovati Tajsko, ker ta država ni preprečila delovanja kambodžanskih gverilcev. Gverilci so rabili svoja taborišča v Tajski kot zavetišča.

Drugi cilj napada je pa bil prisiliti kambodžanske begunce, da bežijo v notranjost Tajske. Ta namen ni uspel in poročila govorijo o več kot 100.000 Kambodžanih, ki zapuščajo taborišča ob meji.

Tajska vlada je kritizirala Vietnam in zagrozila, da se bo uprla prodiranju vietnamskih čet s silo. Tajska je že poslala bombnike na letališča v vzhodnem delu države.

V napadu je izgubilo življenje najmanj 130 tajskih vojakov, o izgubah Vietnamcev in kambodžanskih beguncev pa ni nobenih podatkov.

Tajska ima zelo dobro odnos z ZDA, toda tudi s Kambodžano in bi torej lahko računala na pomoč obeh teh držav, ako bi Vietnam ne odpoklical svojih vojakov nazaj v Kambodžo.

Tajska vlada še ni prosila za neposredno ameriško pomoč in najbrž tudi ne bo.

Demokrati sestavljajo strankin program za letošnje konvencijo

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Poseben odbor demokratske stranke se sestaja v tem mestu in sestavlja program stranke za letošnje volitve, ki bo predložen konvenciji stranke in tam sprejet, morda z nekaterimi dopolnili.

V odboru je večina članov naklonjena predsedniku Carterju, a tudi sen. Edward M. Kennedy ima svoje zaupnike, ki se prizadevajo, da bo program najbolj liberalen. Carterjevi pristaši so odbili skoraj vse predloge, ki so jih predložili Kennedyjevci, z le eno večjo izjemo.

Sen. Kennedy nasprotuje gradnji jedrskih elektrarn in bi rad videl, da bi zaprli tudi tiste jedrske elektrarne, ki že obratujejo. Kaj takega pa niso hoteli sprejeti v program predstavniki predsednika Carterja, ki je dokaj naklonjen jedrski energiji.

Dosegli so sporazum tako, da bo program stranke podprl predlog, naj bodo jedrske elektrarne zaprte šele potem, ko bodo našli druge vire energije.

Kennedyjevi podporniki v odboru trdijo, da pomeni ta izjava zmago za senatorja in s tem soglašajo tudi nepriestranski analitiki. Carterjevi ljudje pa vedo povedati, da so čutili potrebo, dati sen. Kennedyju navidezno, a nepomembno "zmago".



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4. julija!

Spopadi med Izraelci in Palestinci sedaj skoraj na dnevnem redu

TEL AVIV, Iz. — V najnovejših izgredih na zahodnem bregu Jordana, ozemlju, ki ga zasedajo Izraelci, je bilo ranjenih 5 Palestincev. Izraelski vojaški policaji so streljali na izgrednike šele nato, ko so ti metali kamenje na vojaške, pravi uradno poročilo vojaške policije.

Palestinci so organizirali demonstracijo, da bi protestirali smrt 19 let stare Tagreed Butmeh, študentke na univerzi, ki je bila nedolžna žrtev nesreče, ki jo je zakrivil nek izraelski vojak.

Vojak je namreč nehoti sprožil rafal iz svoje avtomatske puške in pri tem smrtno ranil mimoidočo študentko. Preiskovalci izraelske vojske še preiskujejo zadevo, priznavajo pa, da vojak ne bi smel imeti puške pripravljen na strel.

Ministrski predsednik Menahem Begin je povzročil novo krizo s svojo izjavo, da namerava premestiti svojo osebno pisarno v vzhodni del mesta Jeruzalema, to je, v arabsko četrt mesta.

Udarec Beginu je pa izjava dveh članov njegove koalicije v parlamentu, da ga ne bodo več podpirali v Knesetu. Beginova večina v parlamentu je sedaj pičila.

Volkswagen že začel graditi drugo tovarno avtomobilov v ZDA

STERLING HEIGHTS, Mich. — Predstavniki firme Volkswagen of America, države Michigan in ZDA so podpisali sporazum, ki bo omogočal Volkswagnu gradnjo druge tovarne avtomobilov v Združenih državah. Svojo prvo ameriško tovarno je Volkswagen odprl v Pennsylvaniji pred dvema leti.

Tovarna v Michiganu bo v prostorih, ki jih je prej lastovala ameriško obrambno tajništvo. V tej tovarni so pred leti izdelovali tanke.

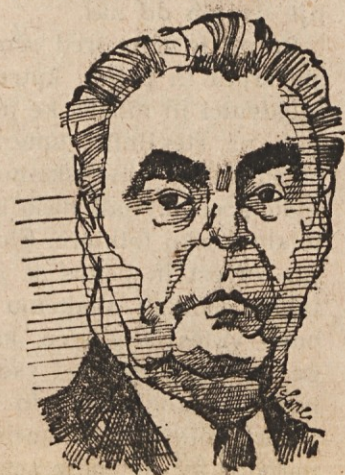
Po pravih sporazuma bo

Leonid I. Brežnjev govoril o Afganistanu na seji CK KPSZ

MOSKVA, ZSSR. — Sovjetski voditelj Leonid I. Brežnjev je govoril na seji centralnega komiteja sovjetske komunistične stranke, ki je bila v Moskvi. Take seje imajo v ZSSR običajno dvakrat na leto. Zunanji minister Andrej A. Gromiko je tudi imel govor na seji, a podrobnosti o tem govoru niso objavili v sovjetskem tisku.

Brežnjev je povedal 238 članom centralnega komiteja, da so imperialisti utrpeli velik poraz v Afganistanu. Bratska pomoč Sovjetske zveze afganistanski vladi bo omogočala tej državi nadaljevanje svoje revolucionarne poti, je dodal Brežnjev.

Govor Brežnjeva in resolucija o Afganistanu, ki jo je sprejel centralni komitej, sta jasen dokaz, da Sovjeti ne nameravajo popustiti v svojih odnosih z Zahodom.



Leonid Brezhnev

Moskovski radio je povzel poročilo iz radia Kabul, v katerem je bilo povedano, da bo ZSSR odpoklicala domov eno redno divizijo vojakov ter 108 tankov. Radio Moskva ni komentiral o tem.

Na seji centralnega komiteja so tudi sprejeli resolucijo, ki je določila, da se bo začel prihodnji kongres sovjetske komunistične stranke 23. februarja 1981. Glavni govornik na kongresu bo Brežnjev.

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Lojze Slak bo zopet gostoval v Clevelandu in okolških mestih!

CLEVELAND, O. — Desetletnico prvega obiska ansambla Lojzeta Slaka, med nami priljubljene glasbene skupine, bomo praznovali v Clevelandu in okolici med 3. in 9. julijem letos. Ansambel pride k nam na povabilo organizacije "United Slovenian Society", ki bo imela v svoji oskrbi več nastopov Slaka in njegovih fantov.

Prva prireditev bo v četrtek, 3. julija, ob 7.30 zvečer v avditoriju Euclid višje šole na E. 222. cesti. Vstopnice so napredaj po \$6 in \$5 na osebo.

V petek, 4. julija, in v soboto, 5. julija, pa bo slavnostno praznovanje na izletniškem središču Ameriške dobrodelne zveze v Leroyju, O. Začetek vsak dan bo ob 2. popoldne. Vstopnina je le \$3 za odrasle in \$1 za otroke.

Naslednji koncert Slakovega ansambla bo v nedeljo, 6. julija, ob 3. popoldne v Slovenskem domu (Slovene Center) v Barbertonu, Ohio. Vstopnina v predprodaji je \$6, pri blagajni na dan koncerta bo pa \$7.

Naj še omenimo, da so vse zgoraj omenjene prireditve povezane s plesom!

V torek, 8. julija, bo ansambel Lojzeta Slaka priredil koncert za upokojece vseh Klubov slovenskih upokojecev. Koncert bo ob 2. popoldne v Slovenskem društvenem domu na Recher Ave. Vstopnina za upokojece je \$3 na osebo.

Zadnji nastop Slakovcev v Clevelandu bo v sredo, 9. julija. V znanem Sterletovem "Slovenian Country House" na E. 55. cesti in Bonna Ave. bo namreč poslovinli koncert z domačo zabavo in plesom. Koncert se bo začel ob 8. zvečer, vstopnina je \$5 in za rezervacijo lahko pokličete na tel. 881-4181.

Za vse podrobnosti v zvezi z nastopi ansambla Lojzeta Slaka se lahko obrnete na Tony's Polka Village, 971 E. 185 St., Cleveland O. 44119. Telefonska številka je (216) 481-7512. Pri Tony's Polka Village sprejemajo naročila za vstopnice na vse omenjene prireditve, razen tiste, ki bo v Sterletovi restavraciji.

Obiskovalci znane Tivoli Imports prodajalne na 6419 St. Clair Ave., ki jo lastujeta in vodita Josephine ter Andy Turkman, lahko tam dobijo vstopnice za koncert v Euclidski višji šoli in na izletniškem središču ADZ.

JIMMY CARTER KONČAL OBISK V JUGOSLAVIJI; IZID RAZGOVOROV DOBER



Jimmy Carter

BEOGRAD, SFRJ — Predsednik Jimmy Carter je končal svoj enodneven obisk v Jugoslaviji in odletel proti Španiji. Med obiskom se je imel več razgovorov z jugoslovanskimi voditelji. Ni bilo časa za ogledanje raznih turističnih zanimivosti in predsednik se je zadržal z ženo Rosalynn in drugimi člani ameriške delegacije le v Beogradu.

Carter je poudaril, da želi jo ZDA enotno in neodvisno Jugoslavijo, kakor si jo je ustvaril pokojni predsednik Tito, ki ga je ameriški predsednik močno hvalil kot enega največjih mož tega stoletja. Takšna Jugoslavija je Titova dediščina in jo moramo ohraniti, je rekel.

Take besede so bile zelo dobrodošle jugoslovanskim voditeljem, ki so se izkazali v počaščenju Carterja. Ko se je ameriški predsednik pokazal v javnosti v Beogradu, je bil njegov sprejem topel.

Letošnji jugoslovanski predsednik Cvijetin Mijatović je priredil večerjo v čast predsedniku Carterju v torek zvečer, na kateri sta imela nagovor oba državnika. Večerje so se udeležili vsi člani ameriške delegacije in najvišji predstavniki jugoslovanske vlade in družbe.

V svojem nagovoru je predsednik Carter ponovil svoje besede v pohvali Tita ter o važnosti neodvisne Jugoslavije za ves svet. Nato je pa govoril o Sovjetski zvezi in o zasedbi Afganistana. Tu je bil Carter dokaj previden, ker ni hotel vznemiriti jugoslovanskih

ske voditelje, ki nočejo dati Sovjetski zvezi nobenih razlogov za razburjenje napram tej državi.

Carter je rekel, da še vedno podpira proces popuščanja napetosti na svetu in detant s Sovjetsko zvezo. Detant je pa dvosmerna ulica, je dodal, in tudi Sovjeti morajo prispevati k detantu, ne samo ZDA. S tem v zvezi je omenil Afganistan in rekel, da bi ZDA sprejele načrt, potem katerega bi lahko na mednarodni način vrnil Afganistanu mir in neodvisnost. Sestaven del takega načrta pa bi moral biti skorajšen odpoklic domov prav vseh sovjetskih vojakov, ki so sedaj nameščeni po Afganistanu.

O jugoslovansko-ameriških odnosih je rekel predsednik Carter, da so v treh letih njegovega predsednikovanja ti odnosi močno in vidno poglobili in da želi ne samo nadaljevanje tega procesa ampak njegovega poglobljanja. V člankih, objavljenih v jugoslovanskih časopisih že pred prihodom ameriškega predsednika, je bilo poudarjeno, kako važno za jugoslovansko gospodarstvo je tesno sodelovanje z ZDA.

V svojih razgovorih s predsednikom Mijatovićem, zunanjim ministrom Josipom Vrhovcem in drugimi voditelji, je Carter govoril tudi o drugih mednarodnih problemih, med njimi o izidih nedavnega sestanka na vrhu v Benetkah, krizi na Srednjem vzhodu, Iranu, o jugoslovanski vlogi v gibanju neuvršenih držav itd.

Dva priseljence v ZDA obložena sodelovanja v vojnih zločinih

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pravosodno tajništvo ameriške vlade je začelo s pravnimi ukrepi, potem katerih bo lahko zahtevalo izselitev iz ZDA 79 let starega Mikea Paskerja zaradi vojnih zločinov, ki jih je zagrešil zoper judovske civiliste med drugo svetovno vojno.

Pasker je litovskega rodu in se je naselil v ZDA leta 1950. Njegovo pravo ime je Mecys Paskevicius. Obtožba pravosodnega tajništva trdi, da je Pasker prikrival svoja medvojna dejanja, ko so ga o tem spraševali uslužbenci Vselitvenega urada ob prihodu v Ameriko.

Podatki, ki jih ima na razpolago tajništvo, kažejo, da je Pasker sodeloval pri obsežni in ustreljenju kakih 100 judovskih civilistov med drugo svetovno vojno. Paskerju so že odvzeli ameriško državljanstvo.

Tajništvo pa želi odvzeti državljanstvo tudi 70 let staremu Arnoldu Trucisu, ki je letonskega rodu, ker je sodeloval v vojnih zločinih, storjenih zoper judovske civiliste v Letonski v letih 1941-1943. Trucis je postal ameriški državljan leta 1956.

Pasker in Trucis nikakor nečeta govoriti z novinarji.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

URAD AD BO ZAPRT—

Urad Ameriške Domovine bo zaradi počitnic oboja zaprt od petka, 27. junija, do ponedeljka, 14. julija, ob 8.30 zjutraj. Ameriška Domovina bo po počitnicah prvič redno izšla 14. julija 1980. Številka AD za petek, 27. junija, bo tiskana že v četrtek, 26. junija.

Romarjem v Lemont—

Tisti, ki so prijavljeni za Vseslovensko romanje v Lemont iz okolice Marije Vnebovzete, naj bodo pred cerkvijo na Holmes Ave. v soboto, 5. julija, ob 6. uri zjutraj, iz okolice Euclida pa naj bodo na E. 203 cesti in Miller Ave. ob 6.15. Tisti, ki so iz okolice sv. Vida naj bodo nasproti Baragovega doma na St. Clair Ave. ob 6.30 zj. Lepo prosimo, bodite pravočasni!

Občni zbor MZA—

Misijska Znamkarska Akcija ima letni občni zbor v sredo, 2. julija, ob 7. zvečer v prostoru pod staro cerkvijo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti v Collinwoodu. Vsi člani in prijatelji so iskreno vabljeni.

Ga. Lavriševa že doma—

Med svoje domače se je po prestani operaciji vrnila iz Euclid General bolnice ga. Marica Lavriša in se vsem, ki so jo obiskali, molili za njeno zdravlje ter poslali cvetlice in kartice, prav iskreno zahvaljuje.

Dodatek—

V zahvali za pokojnega Michaela Klemenčiča, ki je bila v petkovi številki Ameriške Domovine, 20. junija, je bilo pomotoma izpuščeno ime snahne Doris, žene od sina Rudija Klemenčiča.

Skupno sv. obhajilo—

Članice Oltarnega društva pri Sv. Vidu imajo v nedeljo, 6. julija, pri osmi sv. maši skupno sv. obhajilo. Vse članice so naprošene, da se skupnega obhajila udeležijo. Sestanka ta mesec ne bo.

Rojstni dan—

Ga. Louise Lican, ki je dolga leta bivala na E. 45 St. in ki sedaj stanuje v Pleasant Valley starostnem domu na Ridge Rd. v Parmu, bo v nedeljo, 29. junija, praznovala svoj 90. rojstni dan. Ga. Lican je bila naša naročnica, dokler ji oči niso odpovedale. Zelimoj ji še veliko zadovoljnih let!

Oltarno društvo pri Mariji Vnebovzeti—

Vse članice Oltarnega društva pri Mariji Vnebovzeti so naprošene, da se udeležijo skupnega sv. obhajila v nedeljo, 6. julija, ob 8. sv. maši. V mesecih julij, avgust in september ne bo ne ure molitve ne sestanka. Naslednji sestanek bo torej na prvo nedeljo v oktobru, ko bo tudi sprejem vseh novih članic.

Vse, ki bi rade šle na romanje v Lemont 9. avgusta, naj se prijavijo čimprej. Za pojasnila lahko pokličete go. Rose Bavec na 531-6167.

Seja—

Podružnica Slovenske ženske zveze št. 25 ima svojo mesečno sejo v torek, 8. julija, ob 1.30 popoldne v društveni sobi svetovidskega avditorija.

Festival pri Sv. Vidu—

Vsakoletni festival pri Sv. Vidu bo v dneh 11., 12. in 13. julija.

Milovan Djilas ob sovjetskem napadu Afganistana

Djilas: Afganistan ni zadnja dežela v moskovskih obojevalnih načrtih. V sovjetskem svetovnem nazoru veljajo "signali do poslednjega spopada" vsega sveta.

Strateški cilj sovjetske politike je Zahodna Evropa. Afganistan je pomemben korak, da zabranijo Zahodni Evropi dostop do surovin in virov olja in jo tako prisilijo k popuščanju in samopredaji.

Sovjetsko vodstvo ve zelo natančno, da Zahodne Evrope tehnično ne more dohite. Tu izvira njegova odločnost, da jo podminira in ji potem pusti, da bo delala zanj.

Trenutni cilj Moskve je seveda Pakistan. Smo pa lahko gotovi, da bodo Sovjeti, kjer koli na Bližnjem vzhodu izbruhne kakšen nered, tega javno ali prikrito izrabili v svojo korist.

Jugoslavija je nadaljnji cilj sovjetskega razširjenja. In mi smo posebno ranljivi predmet napada, ker smo dejansko najbolj osamljena dežela v Evropi.

Napad na Afganistan je pri nas mnogo ljudi več kot vznemiril. Ljudje se neprimerno bolj bojijo, kot so v času "priključitve" Avstrije in Hitlerjevega napada na Češkoslovaško.

Jugoslovansko-uradno ravnanje ni dovolj odločno in se izgublja v splošnostih. K sreči je — vsaj trenutno — jugoslovanskemu tisku dovoljeno poročati ne le o golih dejstvih, marveč smejo — in to tudi počno — navajati tuje glasove.

Očitno je, da Jugoslavija ni našla v svetovnopolični igri sil trdnega mesta. Gibanje "neuvršenih" je divja zmešnjava. Edina dejavna in uspešna člana sta napadalca, ki ju plačujejo Sovjeti, Kuba in Vietnam.

Sovjetska zveza ima različne možnosti, kako pritiskati na Jugoslavijo — prek Bol-

garije in drugih dežel. Sovjetski voditelji mislijo, da imajo svetovnonazorsko pravico vmešavanja v Jugoslavijo, ker je ta tudi "komunistična dežela".

Ob zasedbi Češkoslovaške (1968) sem bil mnenja, da je to lahko začetek obračunavanja do tretje svetovne vojne, če Zahod ne bo enoten in zopet oborožen.

Po Afganistanu je postal strah pred tretjo svetovno vojno še bolj resen. In nujnost, da Zahod znova pretehta svoj položaj in se zedini in spet oboroži, je še večja kot prej.

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Nekaj misli o slovenski skupnosti

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Ocena o stanju slovenske skupnosti zavisi deloma od tega, kaj smatramo za res "slovensko". Glede tega vprašanja so pa mnenja deljena.

Nekateri menijo, da brez znanja slovenščine oz. brez uporabe materinega jezika ne more biti pravega "slovenstva". Ali more biti slovenska tista kulturna prireditev ali družabno srečanje, morda celo predavanje, ki se res imenuje slovensko, v katerem pa ni niti ene slovenske besede?

Na drugi strani so pa tisti, ki trdijo, da moramo vključevati v slovensko skupnost prav vse izraze slovenstva. Ako skupina v Ameriki rojenih ljudi slovenskega porekla želi organizirati kakšno prireditev, potem katere bo izpričala na en ali drug način svojo vdanost slovenski dediščini in svojo zavednost le-tej, čeprav popolnoma v angleškem jeziku, ali ni tudi to izraz slovenstva? Morda je takšen izraz večkrat iskrenjši kot tisti, ki je izražen v pristni slovenščini.

O točnem pomenu besede "slovenstvo" ne bo nikoli doseženo splošno priznan odgovor, posebej ne glede na to, ki smo se ali rodili v ZDA ali vsaj preživeli pretežni del svojega življenja v tujini, vstran od rodne, matične domovine. Kar je pa nezogibno, je to, da bo odstotek tistih, ki ne znajo materinega jezika, raste. Res je sicer, da se nekateri v Ameriki rojeni Slovenci še učijo slovenski jezik. Koliko jih je, ki ga bodo res obvladali, je pa odprto vprašanje. Za tiste, ki ne obiskujejo slovenske šole, skoraj ni nobene možnosti, da bi se naučili kaj slovenščine. Kot povsod, so seveda izjeme, a jih ni in jih ne bo veliko.

Problem, s katerim se soočamo, je torej ta, da bo v prihodnjih letih veliko več tistih v slovenski skupnosti, ki govorijo samo angleško. Razne prireditve, med njimi tudi koncerti pevskih zborov, bodo imele več angleških točk, napovedovalci pa bodo prisiljeni govoriti v angleščini. Tu v Clevelandu lahko opazimo ta razvoj pri nekaterih pevskih zborih in na radiu. Najbolj poslušan slovenski radijski program vodi g. Tony Petkovšek, ki govori samo angleško, čeprav ima sodelavce, ki obvladajo slovenski jezik.

Vdanost in požrtvovalnost teh ameriških Slovencev svoji slovenski preteklosti je pa globoka in iskrena. Obiskujejo koncerte in druge prireditve in s svojo prisotnostjo, navdušenjem in gmotno podporo prispevajo k ohranjanju tistega, kar še imamo.

Se vedno obstoji med ameriški, kanadskimi in drugimi Slovenci v tujini razdor glede političnega sistema v domovini in v Jugoslaviji, deloma tudi zaradi vere. Nekateri zaradi tega spora ne obiskujejo kulturnih in drugih prireditev nasprotno misleče skupine. Včasih dobi človek vtis, da lahko ugane, kateri pevski zbor bo pel na odru, kar po tistih obrazih, ki jih vidi v dvoranah!

Nadaljevanje in napredovanje tega stanja utegne biti ugodno režimu v Sloveniji. Doslej so se mogli ameriški Slovenci zadovoljiti s kulturnimi prireditvami, ki so jih prirejali domači pevski zbori, igralci itd. To je veljalo tudi za tisti del skupnosti, ki ni imel, ali vsaj in glasno izražal pomislekov glede komunistične diktature v domovini. Res so bili izjeme, kot so bili obiski Slovenskega okteta pred leti, potem pa ansambla Lojzeta Slaka. A taka gostovanja so bila postranskega pomena.

Ko je pa vedno manj ameriških Slovencev, ki zmorejo petje v razumljivi, razločni slovenščini, publika za take prireditve pa ostane precejšnja, je prav tu ugodna prilika za Slovensko izseljensko matico, in v njenem zaledju, za slovensko in jugoslovansko vlado. Kulturno vrzel bodo lahko vsaj deloma polnili s povečanim številom gostovanj raznih pevskih zborov, folklornih skupin in drugih kulturnih organizacij ter posameznikov po ZDA in Kanadi in drugod.

V poročilih, objavljenih v ljubljanskih časopisih v zadnjih mesecih, teh namenov niti ne prikrivajo. Kot kaže, nameravajo organizirati vrsto prireditev v zvezi z življenjem in smrtjo pisatelja Louisa Adamiča, v katerih bodo sodelovali tudi ameriški Slovenci. Preko Matice ponujajo štipendije mladim Amerikancem slovenskega rodu in to potom organizacij in posameznikov, ki jih v Ljubljani smatrajo za zanesljive. Med drugim nameravajo tudi povečati število naročnikov mesečnika Rodna gruda, v katerega bodo najbrž vključevali vedno večji angleški del. Zelo aktivni so

Bogastvo slovenskih tradicij med ameriškim svetom

*Slovenska misel, vzpluj, vrži se do nebes!
Razpni se. Po razponu tvojih kril
bo meril narod čilost svojih sil.*

(Oton Župančič)

Vedno bolj raste zanimanje, naklonjenost in ponos za etnične skupine v širokem ameriškem svetu. Saj je bilo priseljencu še nekako pred dobrim desetletjem zelo težko uporabiti svoje sposobnosti in zmožnosti, pa naj si bo to na kulturnem ali profesionalnem področju. Zato je marsikdo celo tajil svoje poreklo ali spremenil svoje ime. Danes pa skoro ni Amerikanca, da ne bi posegal v preteklost in izvor svojega rodu. Zato se ustvarja več organizacij in skupin, katere se zanimajo in propagirajo etnične skupine.

Iz področja Velikega Clevelanda tako prihaja že zadnjih par let v slovensko šolo pri Sv. Vidu številna skupina učiteljev iz ameriških šol, da proučuje, spoznava in tako bolj razume in spoštuje v tem primeru našo slovensko narodnost, našo preteklost in tako tudi naš slovenski življenjski slog v Clevelandu in Ameriki.

Skupina ameriških učiteljev najprej obišče pouk v razredih Slovenske šole, nato pa se udeležijo predavanj, katero jih na kratko seznani s slovensko zgodovino, literaturo in bogatostjo ljudske umetnosti ter z geografskim položajem in do prinosom našega slovenskega človeka ameriški narodu in svetu. Predavanje je povezano z razstavo in predstavo slovenske ljudske obrti, umetnosti, literature in slovenskih značilnosti. Predavanje pa se konča z živahno debato, vrsto vprašanj in odgovorov, ogledom slovenske naselbine in slovenskim kosilom.

Največja značilnost in razveseljivost je v tem, da se obiska udeležuje veliko število mladih ameriških učiteljev in učiteljic iz različnih, a v glavnem evropskih narodov. Tako med njimi srečujemo učitelje nemškega, irskega, škotskega, romunskega, madžarskega, litvanskega, angleškega, italijanskega, švedskega, slovaškega, češkega, afriškega in francosko kanadskega porekla. Vsak izmed njih pa išče svojo identiteto, narodno preteklost, podobnost in primerjavo med različnimi narodi.

Ker sem prepričan, da je poznanje in tako tudi boljše razumevanje našega slovenskega naroda in naše bogate preteklosti v ameriškem svetu veliko ne samo za naš slovenski narod, pač pa tudi za vsakega posameznika, sem se povabilu za predavanje upravitelstvu Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu zopet zelo rada odzvala.

Nad 200 milijonov Amerikancev je, in ti veliko premalo poznajo in tako tudi razumejo naš mali in tako skromni slovenski narod. Saj jim je treba s pomočjo zemljevidov razložiti naš geografski položaj, kajti marsikdo nas sploh ne pozna, ali pa nas zamenjuje z drugimi slovanskimi narodi. Malo jih ve, kje je Slovenija in kakšen obseg je imela nekoč.

Redki so, kateri vedo, da je naš narod imel svobodno demokracijo državo že pred tisoči leti; da je naš sistem demokracije povzel celo največji narod sveta, kateri je postavil našemu malemu slo-

venskemu rodu slaven spomenik kar v središču ameriškega velemera-Clevelanda. Častno je naš rod predstavljal v Washingtonu, D.C. večkratni senator in guverner države Ohio, naš rojak Frank Lausche. Premalo je poznan naš misionar Baraga, kateri je oblikoval kulturo, vero in značaj tedaj še divjemu indijanskemu rodu.

Majhen je naš rod po številu toda, kot pravijo, je prvi na svetu v številu publikacije knjig in sedmi na svetu v poeziji; vsak štirideseti Slovenec igra instrument in vsak tretji je pevec. Neskončno pestre so naše tradicije in značilnosti, saj ima na Slovenskem skoro vsaka vas svoje šege, običaje in navade skozi celo praznično leto.

Edinstvena je arhitektura slovenskega kozolca, barvitost in pestrost naših ljudskih narodnih noš in vezenin; prazničnih običajev in jedil; edinstvena je panorama slovenske zemlje, posute s cerkvami in obcestnimi znamenji; značilna je tudi velikonočna butara, lectovo srce ali poslikane skrinje in panjske končnice.

S svojo pridnostjo in poštenostjo si je naš človek pridobil ugled in spoštovanje. Prinesel je s seboj svojo preteklost in svoje poreklo, katerega ohranja in razširja v velikem mozaiku prostranega ameriškega morja. Velik in vsestranski je doprinos naših ljudi Ameriki, morda zaradi prevelike skromnosti veliko premalo poznan širšim ameriškim krogom.

Velika Amerika nam nudi neskončne možnosti na kulturnem, profesionalnem ali osebnem področju, če si le upamo in znamo pridobiti njeno zaupanje in prijateljstvo. Slovenska zavest, ponos in predstavljanje naše preteklosti ameriški narodu gotovo pripomore tudi k samozavesti in osebnemu življenju. Toda prevelika skromnost našega človeka, ga velikokrat omejuje le na ožje kroge. Ker nas je kruta zgodovinska preteklost vedno tlačila le k tlom se naš človek ni in se še ne upa s ponosom dovolj predstaviti in povedati svetu, kdo je in kako bogato dediščino so nam zapustili naši pradedje.

Ameriška kulturna zgodovina je v primeru z našo šolo v razvoju. Njeno ustvarjanje tudi oblikuje pester mozaik raznih etničnih skupin in gotovo ima svoj doprinos tudi naša slovenska manjšina — posebno v Clevelandu, kjer je center slovenskih priseljencev. Ameriški narod je na splošno usmerjen v tehnologijo, mehanizacijo in trgovino, si izposoji in uporablja talente in znanje z vsega sveta, zato nima dovolj časa, da bi sam razvil svojo tradicijo in si jo zato izposoji od drugih narodov.

Vsak imigrant je v to deželo prinesel del svoje domovine in svoje narodne preteklosti, katero tu lahko uporablja in jo razširja. Na srečo velikodušni in širokogrudni svobodni ameriški duh nam to dovoljuje. Dejstvo pa je, da se je v Ameriki lažje uveljaviti v narodnem ali poklic-

tudi jugoslovanski konzuli, posebno tu v Clevelandu, v Chicagu in drugod.

Torej za nadaljnji obstoj slovenske skupnosti v ZDA in drugod se ni treba bati, vsaj v tem novem desetletju ne. Bolj odprta je pa vprašanje, kako se bo ta slovenska skupnost razvijala, in to v obeh: kulturnem in političnem oziru.

Rudolph M. Susel

nem oziru in si pridobiti enakopravnost, kot v kateri koli deželi na svetu, posebno v deželi, ki jo, za Evropo,

Moderna komunikacija, velika prostranost in razkošje, je delno vzrok enoličnosti in enotnosti ameriškega značaja, kakor tudi njene velikodušnosti v nasprotju z malim in vedno izrabljenim slovenskim narodom, kateremu je zgodovina pustila strah, bojazn in skromnost, a zato kremenitost in ljubezen do življenja. Odtod taka pestrost naše kulture.

Spoznavanje in zanimanje iz ameriških krogov za našo kulturo gotovo pelje k zblizanju, razumevanju in enakopravnosti nas imigrantov v tujem svetu, saj želja vsakega je, da se čim bolj uživi v veliki svet, kar mu gotovo prinaša zadovoljstvo in zadoščenje, posebno kadar pri tem lahko še širi svoje poreklo. Saj je prav gotovo vsak Slovenec v srcu čutil srečo, ko je donela slovenska pesem v clevelandski katedrali ali washingtonski prestolnici!

Zdi se mi, da bi Slovenci ameriški narodu lahko predstavili našo kulturo še v veliko večjem merilu. Se v veliko večjem merilu bi nas lahko predstavljali po ameriških velemedstih kot ambasadorje slovenstva, saj bi se ob tem vsakemu vzbudil slovenski ponos in samozavest, obenem pa tudi večje spoštovanje drugih do nas.

Se mi je živo pred očmi tista sreča in ponos, katero so mladeniči in mladenke doživljali na številnih ameriških odrih, ko so ameriški narodu predstavljali našo bogato slovensko folkloro. Slovenska zavest in ponos se je ob takih prilikah vsakemu globoko vklesala v srce, katerega spremlja povsod vse življenje. Ozkoglednost in omejenost gotovo ni v korist ne narodu in ne posamezniku. Neskončna prostranost Amerike gre lahko mimo nas in našega naroda, a mi ne moremo mimo nje, kajti ozkost srčnosti posameznika ali skupine samo zapira vrata v svet. Zato skušajmo v čim večji meri v korist nas vseh slediti nazoru teh besed:

*Za vse je svet dovolj bogat
in srečni vsi bi bili,
ko kruh delil bi z bratom
brat
prav s srčnimi čutili.*

EDA VOVK-PUSL

Eden izmed mojih najlepših spominov iz Bridgevilla, Pa.

CLEVELAND, O. — Že se je pisalo o 60-letnici poroke Jakoba in Anne Vrtačnik, ki se je vršila v soboto, 14. junija t.l. v Bridgevillu, Pa. V cerkvi sv. Barbare se je vršila slavnostna sv. maša, ki se je darovala za Jakoba in Anne Vrtačnik, ki sta v krogu svojih sorodnikov in prijateljev praznovala 50-letnico svojega skupnega zakonskega življenja. Nadvse lepo in ganljivo le bilo v cerkvi sv. Barbare, ko je č.g. Jože Cvelbar daroval sv. mašo in sta pri tem sodelovala še dva druga duhovnika. Č.g. Jože Cvelbar je v svojem govoru omenil lepo življenje, ki sta ga na zadovoljiv način skupno preživela Jakob in Anne Vrtačnik. Zares sam božji blagoslov je oba omenjena spremljal skozi njuno življenje, da sta lahko vedno živela Bogu povoljno in da sta se vedno počutila zadovoljna v krogu svoje družine.

Po končani slavnosti sv. maše smo bili vsi povabljeni na dom Jakoba in Anne Vrtačnik. Med nami so bili č.g. Jože Cvelbar, č.g. Ed-

Clevelandski škof James A. Hickey imenovan za nadškofa v Washingtonu, D.C.

Cleveland, Ohio — Papež Janez Pavel II. je 17. junija 1980 imenoval clevelandskega škofa James A. Hickey-a za nadškofa v Washingtonu, D.C. Novi nadškof bo 5. avgusta uradno umeščen v katedrali sv. Mateja v Washingtonu.

Nadškof Hickey bo nasledil v Washingtonu kardinala Williama Baum, ki je bil preteklega januarja imenovan za vodstvo Vatikanske kongregacije za katoliško vzgojo.

Nadškof Hickey je bil rojen 11. oktobra 1920 v Midlandu, Mich. Njegov oče je popravil hiše in sin James mu je pridno pomagal ter je bil dobro izurjen v tem poslu. Toda njegova največja želja je bila postati duhovnik.

Graduiral je iz Sacred Heart Seminary College v Detroitu. Po končanih študijah na Catholic University of America v Washingtonu, D.C., je bil leta 1946 posvečen v duhovnika v Saginaw, Mich. Pozneje je doktoriral iz kanonskega prava na Pontif. Lateranski univerzi v Rimu in je prejel doktorat tudi iz teologije na Rimski Pontif. Angelicum univerzi.

Leta 1969 je bil imenovan za rektorja Pontif. North American College v Rimu, kjer je bil odgovoren za bogoslovce iz 80 ameriških škofij, ki so v Rimu na tem kolegiju študirali bogoslovje.

5. junija 1974 je bil imenovan za škofa clevelandske škofije z 254 župnijami.

Škof Hickey je mnogo poto-

val po Evropi, bil je tudi v Sloveniji. Slovincem je bil zelo naklonjen in udeleženci na Baragovem dnevu v Clevelandu se dobro spominjajo njegovega govora po programu v Slovenskem narodnem domu, kako je vzbudil Slovence, naj ostanejo zvesti svojim pristnim verskim in narodnim tradicijam, na katere moramo biti vedno in povsod ponosni.

V nedeljo, 27. julija 1980 bo nadškof Hickey daroval v katedrali sv. Janeza v Clevelandu poslovlino sv. mašo. Po maši bo sprejem v parku med škofijo in Katoliškim Centrom.

Washingtonska nadškofija je najbolj prestižna nadškofija v ZDA, dasi je razmeroma majhna po obsegu in številu katoliških vernikov na svojem področju; Washingtonska nadškofija ima 400.000 članov, clevelandska škofija 950.000.

Sedež nadškofije je v katedrali sv. Mateja. Nadškofijski uradi so le tri bloke od Belih hiš. Apostolski delegat v ZDA stanuje v nadškofiji, tam je tudi sedež Ameriške škofovske konference; bazilika Brezmadežnega Spočetja, Georgetown University in Catholic University of America se nahajajo na področju washingtonske nadškofije.

Kakor je po preteklih izkušnjah možno sklepati, je imenovanje škofa James A. Hickey-a za nadškofa Washingtonske nadškofije prvi korak k imenovanju za kardinala.

Jože Vrtačnik

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O krstnih proslavah bi se dalo še marsikaj povedati, toda da ne smem biti preobširen. Omenim naj le še eno slabo navado, ki jo imajo nekateri starši. Ta nelepa navada je odlašanje krsta.

Neki oče je prišel za nedeljo napovedat krst. Navada je namreč, da se že naprej v župnišču izpolni za krstno knjigo listek z vsemi potrebnimi podatki. V zakristiji se zapiše le dan, ko je bil otrok krščen.

"Kako bo otroku ime?" sem vprašal očeta.

"Ime mu bo Franc Jožef," se je odrezal ponosno.

"Tako? Torej mu boste dali cesarjevo rojstno ime. Dobro. Kdaj pa je bil rojen?"

"Rojen je bil pred štirimi tedni. Ravno včeraj je bilo štiri tedne, kar smo ga dobili."

"Štiri tedne? Kje ste pa bili tako dolgo z njim?" sem se začudil in ga naravnost v oči pogledal. "Kaj ne veste, da ni lepo ne prav otroka tako dolgo držati brez krsta? Kaj bi bilo, če bi bil otrok zbolel in umrl?"

"O, če bi bil bolan, bi ga bili že prej krstili. Čakali smo, ker je bila mati še v postelji."

"Saj niste prinesli h krstu matere, ampak otroka. Otroka držati doma brez krsta je nevarno. Komaj par mesecev je tega, odkar se je dogodil tale slučaj: starši so zvečer zdravega otroka položili v posteljo, zjutraj so ga pa našli mrtvega. Otrok je bil dva tedna star in ni bil še krščen. Kdo bo pred Bogom odgovoren za dušo, ki je za vedno pahnjena izpred božjega obličja? Ali ne starši?"

"Da, imate prav! Toda nekateri pravijo, da je otrok bolj moder in razborit, če je pozneje krščen."

Ta odgovor je prišel od očeta, ki se je ponašal s svobodomiselnostjo in ki je večkrat zatrjeval, da nič ne veruje. Resnica je namreč: kjer manjka prave vere, je polno

praznoverja. Prav tako je tudi res, da je že marsikateri slovenski otrok zaradi malomarnosti staršev umrl brez zakramenta sv. krsta.

Poroke

"Človeku ni dobro biti samemu, je rekel Bog Adamu v raj. Naredil mu je tovarišico Evo in od takrat, tako pravijo skoraj vsi Adami, je prišel "prepir" na svet. Vendar pa tudi takemu govorjenju nihče ne verjame. Če bi bil res z Evami tak križ, bi si nihče ne iskal druge, če prvo izgubi.

Slišal sem pa še kot otrok, da mož, ki mu žena umrje, stopi pri pogrebu na najvišji grob, da bi se tem bolj po ženskah razgledal. Torej je vse govoričenje zoper uboge Eve brezpomembno in mora biti res, kakor je Bog rekel, človeku ni dobro samemu biti.

Seveda se gornje mnenje o Adamih prav tako prilaga tudi Evam, to pa zato, ker je Bog tako odredil. "In Bog je ustvaril človeka po svoji podobi... moža in ženo je ustvaril. In Bog ju je blagoslovil in rekel: množita se in polnita zemljo." Tako govori sv. pismo. Od tistega dne pa do danes je po božji odredbi tako, da se imajo Adami in Eve radi in da se ženijo in množijo.

Ko so Slovenci začeli prihajati sem čez morje, so prihajali povečini samo moški. Vsak je samo to mislil: Ko si prislužim nekaj stotakov, se brž zopet vrnem domov. Če je bil oženjen, je gradil v zraku gradove okoli domačega ognjišča. Računal je, kako bo doma dolgove poplačal, kako bo hišo popravil, da bo lepša kot sosedova, ki se zdaj tako oblastno ozira čez plot.

Če pa ni bil oženjen, je pa videl samega sebe, kako se vrača v svoj rojstni kraj v novi obleki in z žepi polnimi cekinov. Se v spanju je vrgel desetak na mizo prav v isti gostilni, iz katere so ga še pred letom dni domači fantje kot "negodnika" vrgli ven. Zdaj jim bo že pokazal!

Vse bo poklical na kozarec vina in še klobase jim bo naročil. Samo tistega prevzetnega Masnikarjevega Toneta in Frjanovega Tomaža ne bo povabil. Niti ozrl se ne bo nanju.

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and his courage to see it as such
And tho' we are grieved that he left us
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JULY 4, 1776

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness —

Slovenian Is Proud To Be American

By THOMAS STEPEC

As the Fourth of July draws near, more than likely, our personal plans of how to spend the holiday begin to slowly develop. Typical activities such as visiting friends and relatives, enjoying a family outdoor picnic, relaxing in the cool waters of a swimming pool, or just plain lazying under the warm rays of the sun are a few examples of plans being made.

Besides being an extra day of the week to relax and enjoy doing whatever we please, the Fourth of July also serves as a reminder to all Americans of the greatest event in our nation's history, our independence.

So, while most of our time will be spent in enjoying ourselves on the Fourth of July, we must not let the real reason for celebrating the holiday escape our attention. Perhaps the best way to keep this in mind is to spend a few moments alone in reflection on the surrounding events that have made the Fourth of July an important holiday.

Let your mind travel back into time and try to imagine being present at those famous, historic events. Just picture yourself among our Founding Fathers of the Continental Congress signing the Declaration of Independence on that July 4, 1776. The intense feelings of pride and joy within the room are overwhelming and beyond description.

A new nation is born! All throughout the country new Americans rejoice. After all the long years of surviving through severe hardships imposed by a tyrannical government which would not let them be free, the colonialists are independent, a nation of their own, and free to govern themselves.

As you continue in your reflection, think of the seemingly insurmountable task faced by our Founding Fathers in trying to form a government for the new nation. How difficult it must have been to form the Constitution of the United States of America with its complex structure and guarantees of freedom.

By now you are most likely progressing in time and focusing your thoughts on some of the other great events in our history. As you dwell on some

of these prouder moments, recall the pain and anguish which helped bring them about.

Shift your thoughts to the battle scenes of the wars our country has fought and reflect for a moment on the bitter thoughts of all the Americans who died and suffered while defending their country's precious freedom and striving to insure that future generations of Americans live in peace.

Let yourself think of what our fate would be today had it not been for those brave Americans who sacrificed their lives for their beloved country.

As the Fourth of July brings me thoughts on my American heritage, it does not let me forget my Slovenian heritage. I can remember, when as a child, I sat at the family dinner table listening attentively to my parents as they told us of the hardships they encountered while leaving their homeland, Slovenia, during World War II, and finally arriving in the United States. As I recall their story, I can feel my pride and admiration for my parents and all Slovenian people swell as I notice the success and happiness they share despite the difficult times they have struggled through.

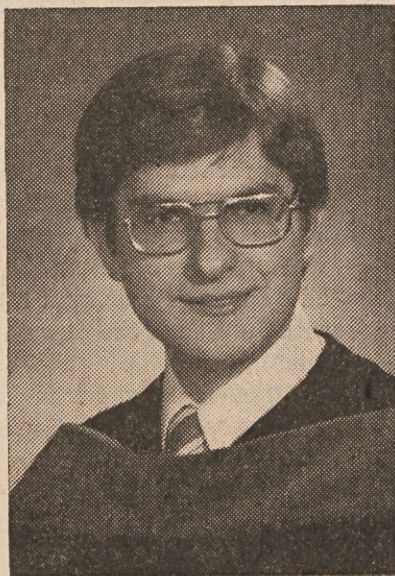
As I continue reflecting, I look back at all the happy moments my Slovenian heritage has given me. To say the least, every last moment is cherished and will always be remembered. I can only hope and pray that the future will hold opportunities to form more memories.

Yes, the Fourth of July is a special day for me. No wonder I look forward to it. It makes me feel especially proud to be a Slovenian American.

Vacation

The American Home newspaper will be on vacation from June 27 to July 13. Normal publication will begin again on Monday, July 14.

New Podiatrist



Dr. Cyril Gostich

Dr. Cyril M. Gostich graduated May 30 from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine.

The young doctor is the son of Ivanka and the late Martin Gostich. With his wife, Joan, they moved to Milwaukee, Wisc., where Dr. Cyril will serve his residency at the New Berlin Memorial Hospital in the division of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery.

Favorite Recipes



CANADIAN POTATOES

5 medium potatoes, cut in pieces
2 medium carrots, sliced
2 Tbsp. butter
Salt and pepper to taste
3 green onions, chopped
½ cup sour cream

Boil potatoes and carrots. When tender drain and add other ingredients. Mash well. Place in 1½ qt. casserole. Heat in 300° oven for 30 min. Serves 6. This dish can be made ahead and frozen.

Candy Urbancich
South Euclid, Ohio

Nine Day Shrine Pilgrimage

A nine day Pilgrimage to five famous shrines (Our Lady of the Cape, St. Joseph's Oratory and Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Canada, the Jesuit Martyrs Shrine in Auresville, New York and Our Lady of Fatima in Youngstown, New York).

In connection to the pilgrimage there will be a boat ride around the Thousand Islands and sightseeing tour of Montreal, Quebec and Niagara Falls.

The Pilgrimage will be from July 3rd to July 11th. The price of the tour is \$228.50, which includes bus fare, eight (8) nights lodging, boat ride and sight seeing tours.

Those interested in this Pilgrimage should make reservations soon.

For reservations call, Angela Winter 641-6575 or Sister Albina, 341-1235. (Call Sister Albina after 7 P.M. in the evening.)

Angela Winter
Sister Albina

The Spirit of the Fourth of July

By STAN ZUPAN

We often miss that which has been taken from us; however, before it was taken, we took it for granted. In our daily lives we are prone to be distracted by our social, economic, and technological environment and thereby give little concern to our intangible assets. That is, we usually take America for granted.

America, as we know it today, with the help of Divine Providence, made its formal debut in the world with the acceptance of the Spirit of '76.

For 204 years, this beloved country of ours and all that it represents, has been the beacon for our past, present, and future generations. There have been times of prosperity and there have been times of trial and tribulation.

America to us is not so much land or wealth; it is the Spirit, the same as that of '76. America is our ideal, a way of life symbolized in our flag by the blue of sincerity and the white of the truth that our forefathers and our relatives have upheld even to

shed their blood to give us the red of sacrifice in our banner.

For us, the Spirit of '76 should be our guide to remind us to maintain a continuing vigilance over ourselves and over our governments. That Spirit and vigilance will protect our freedom of speech, worship, and action.

Let us remember that America was born of that Spirit. With time and aging, there have been hardships, bloodshed, and heartaches which have been overcome by many people toiling and cooperating in a genuine display of teamwork.

America has demonstrated that peoples of all walks of life and backgrounds can live and work together, each with his own belief and background but with respect for others, thereby setting an example for the world.

America and its Spirit will live as long as all Americans, together, are willing to toil and fight for it in thought, word, and deed.

WILL FREEDOM SURVIVE?

By ROSEMARY SUSTARSIC

Staney Creek, Ont., Canada — The world in which we reside today is known for its incredible complexity, and for its attendant dilemmas and crises. The spread of technology in the twentieth century has brought into question whether or not mankind is able to maintain meaning and value in an era of vast and rapid social change. This article will focus on this concern from the point of view of a second generation Slovenian who takes pride in the heritage of her parents and in being a Canadian citizen.

The fact that such traditional western goals as individualism, liberalism, and even Christianity are in serious jeopardy is an important consideration to which we must all speak. Ultimately, it seems that mankind, as a whole, bears responsibility for the world in which we live, and that the task of all of us centers around making it better. In the end, it will be noted that young people still possess an urgent need and desire to hold onto lasting values despite the seeming amorality of society as a whole.

Despite the fact that we live in a society known for its secularism and materialism, there is still a need for mankind and young people, in particular, to maintain meaning and spiritual value in their lives. Young people in contemporary society are still touched by idealism and by the incredible energy expended by those who stand up for the principles of social justice, honesty and truth. In short, what young people are clamouring for is more of this type of leadership — leadership and guidance that is consistent with the need to see that what is being preached about morality and similar topics is being placed into practice.

Standing up for what is right and acting on the basis

of sincerity is still held in high esteem by today's youth. Yet, the fact that politicians, church authorities, and educators, have often neglected to demonstrate commitment to ideals and sound moral and ethical principles has caused them to become severely disillusioned and disappointed. Their initial enthusiasm and idealism has all too often turned to pessimism and caused them to opt out of community concerns.

Consequently, what lies before us has to do with revitalizing a sense and spirit of idealism among today's young people. To be specific, they need to be provided with challenging opportunities to effect the nature of their society and to work at its improvement. The true mark of a society can best be measured in terms of the extent to which its people are permitted to have an impact upon it. We must maintain within the hearts of young people their natural sense of responsibility and desire to do something "good."

The fact that youth may challenge the status quo, at the same time, should not be considered a grave threat to the established order; conversely, it should be viewed as a source of hope. Without commitment to social change and without ideals there can be no hope of society's betterment and then we would be left in a hopeless blind alley.

Slovenian youth today can look for inspiration to the past. They can look with pride on the achievements of their ancestors, and on the fact that their parents remained deeply committed to high ideals in the midst of turmoil and confusion in their lives. Slovenians were able to maintain a distinctive culture despite the threat of assimilation posed by strong foreign influences.

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Memo: From Madeline

By

Madeline

Debevec



Lad J. Vidergar, son of Mr. and Mrs. John, Vidergar of Cleveland, was awarded his P.D. degree in Clinical Psychology from Wayne State University during commencement exercises held Tuesday night, June 17, in Detroit's Cobo Hall.

The new Dr. Vidergar, who also holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Dayton, is a clinical psychologist for the Veterans Administration Hospital in Allen Park, Michigan.

Married, he and his wife, the former Janet Koloa, are the parents of one daughter. The family resides in Sterling Heights, Michigan.

Dr. Vidergar was among 3,449 graduates receiving degrees from WSU President Thomas N. Bonner at the commencement program.

Congratulations!

The American Slovene Club is sponsoring a handicapped child to attend Camp Cheerful this summer. The monetary donation was made in memory of member Jane Kaplan.

Happy Anniversary To: Lud and Albina Savel of Cleveland, Ohio are celebrating their special day on July 19th.

Edward and Daniella Avsee of Cleveland celebrated their 27th anniversary on June 25.

Vince Zupan, formerly of Cleveland, was named "Volunteer of the Year" of the Missouri State Hospital Association.

Marian (Zupan) Gallagher has been appointed trustee of the Theater for the Deaf in the Cleveland Heights area. She is also active in the "Christ Child Guild."

Vince and Marian's proud brother is well known Stan Zupan of Wickliffe, Ohio.

Thomas Stepec has received a \$250.00 award for scholastic achievement at Cleveland State University. The award was presented by Arthur Anderson and Company Accounting Firm at the annual awards banquet of the Accountants Association.

Tom is the son of Tony and Tina Stepec of Richmond Hts., Ohio.

Allen J. Pestotnik, 23, recently graduated from Kent State University with a bachelor of science degree in secondary education. He plans to teach industrial arts and coach on the high school level. At Kent, he was a member of the soccer team, industrial arts club, Ohio Education Assn. and Ohio Industrial Arts Assn. He was also on the dean's list and participated in intramurals. A 1974 graduate of Euclid High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Pestotnik of E. 272nd Street, Euclid, Ohio.

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TRIANGLE CLEANERS of Cleveland will be closed the entire month of July. Owner, Rose Jaklic will travel to Greenville, South Carolina to visit with her son Stan Meglic and family.

The cleaners will re-open on August 1.

Glenn R. Knific, son of John and Mary Knific was promoted to Manager of National City Bank at Playhouse Square. Glenn has been with the bank for 5½ years. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Knific of Neff Rd.

Diana Maslar graduated on May 28, 1980 from the Monongahela Valley Catholic High School in Pennsylvania. She will attend Kent State University next month.

Andrea Maslar was a Dean's List scholar both semesters at Mount Aloysius College, where she is studying occupational therapy.

Both girls are the daughters of Steve and Marlene Maslar of Pittsburgh, Pa., and granddaughters of Marge Maslar of Cleveland, Ohio.

A short note on radio interference caused by an old gas clothes dryer appeared in a recent issue of QST. It was written by radio amateur George C. Alich, who operates WLNT. George lives at 924 Bayard Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102.

On August 14th of this year, during the Gordon Research Conferences to be held at Plymouth State College, in Plymouth, N. H., Umberto Kucich is scheduled to deliver his paper, entitled, Detection of Elastin Products in Body Fluids.

In the motion picture, "Von Ryan's Express", Emil Kosa, Jr., was in charge of special effects.

Many thanks to Joseph Zelle of Addison Rd., Cleveland, Ohio, for keeping us informed of the latest developments and contributions in the field of Science by Slovenians throughout the world.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Josephine Ambrosic of Euclid, Ohio celebrates on July 8. Josephine is an ardent supporter of AMLA and numerous organizations.

Terry Hovevar, vice president of The American Slovene Club (July 6).

Alyce Royce (July 6).

Martha Sudadolnik (July 10).

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INDIA MISSIONARY SEEKS AID FOR POOR



Dear Mr. James Debevec,

As I see that you did not receive my letter, written a long time ago in the Slovenian language. I do not know whom to thank for sending me the Ameriška Domovina, to my old address, though I have received it always a little late. Please will you be so kind to send it to my new address.

I am from Yugoslavia, Slovenia and am already 79 years old, and a missionary in India.

This year on the 5th of August I will celebrate my golden jubilee of my profession and I would like to help at least 50 poor families with some food and make better huts for them. I am quite sure that American Slovenian friends will come to give me

this consolation.

Will you be so kind to recommend my care to the readers of your wonderful newspaper. I am enclosing some photos so you will see me and the children, happy after getting some treats to eat.

If you would like to know more particulars of our work and life, I will be very happy to comply in any language you prefer. Be sure God will abundantly reward anything you will do, by helping these poor people and especially the children to smile.

Wishing you our prayers and wishing your God's Blessing, I remain yours.

Sr. Teresa Medvesek H.M.P.
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P.K. 10. Guha Road
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WILL FREEDOM SURVIVE

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Moreover, our parents fought against communism, an ideology and form of government which seriously deprives mankind of fundamental human rights and personal freedoms.

At the present time, it is crucial that we do not forget the many who were ruthlessly intimidated, imprisoned and massacred for opposing communist forces led by Marshal Tito.

The values that our parents brought with them to the New World are still of utmost importance today. Like them, we must remain steadfast supporters of just and humanitarian causes. We must be willing to reach out to members of society who seem to be irremediably damaged — children who have been deprived of human contact; individuals who dwell in fear and loneliness.

Furthermore, it is important to remember that it may not be possible to enjoy tomorrow if we ignore what happens today. We must speak out against such things as the Soviet Union's recent aggression into Afghanistan.

North America remains the best hope for freedom and prosperity, but such freedom and prosperity can only be guaranteed if we are willing

to unite against oppressive forces with a sense of moral indignation.

Individuals outside of North America, especially dissenters found in totalitarian states need to be offered moral encouragement and support by the West since it is very unlikely that communist states are capable of reforming themselves at all, without accompanying outside influence and pressure. In the West we must be careful to remain united and to refrain from allowing the fragmentation of our position against totalitarianism. Otherwise totalitarian practices of communist states will eventually undermine and lead to the collapse of Western institutions.

Mankind's sole salvation lies in becoming more concerned about the world, and in actively supporting the cause of social justice and human rights. We must take to heart our responsibility to act on the basis of moral precepts, to remain faithful disciples of Christ and to capitalize upon the natural zeal of young people to better the world.

Help your club or lodge have free publicity in the American Home for any event or activity by ordering admission tickets or other printing work or ads for the event from the American Home Publishing Co.

Memo From Madeline:

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Lud Savel (July 19).

Tom Stepec of Richmond Hts., Ohio July 4.

Eugene Kogovsek of South Euclid, Ohio celebrates on July 14. Gene is on the National Board of Directors of K.S.K.J.

Alma Lazar, treasurer of the Slovene Home for the Aged Board of Trustees, will celebrate her day on July 13. Alma volunteers many hours of her time to numerous organizations.

Louise Lican will celebrate her 90th on June 29. She resides in a nursing home in Parma.

If you can operate a sewing machine and do repair mending and would like to volunteer your time for a worthwhile cause, there is a great need for you at the Slovene Home for the Aged at 18621 Neff Road, Cleveland.

Join the group that is already giving time to this cause. The specific need is for Tuesdays and Thursdays. To arrange a schedule to fit your time please call the Home at 486-0268 leave your name, address, and telephone number and one of the volunteers will call you to invite you to visit the S.H.A. and arrange for your volunteer repair mending hours.

Special Bus to Slak Concert

Tickets for special bus transportation to AMLA Recreation Cent for the "Super Slovenian Festival" on July 4th and 5th are now available. Departures will be at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on July 4th and 12:00 Noon and 2:00 PM on July 5th.

Round trip fare will be \$5.00 per person.

Through the courtesy of St. Joseph High School, parking facilities for cars and boarding of buses will be in the St. Joseph High School parking lot, E. 185th and Lake Shore Boulevard.

Tickets will be sold on a first come first serve basis. For further information and tickets, call Josephine Trunk from 8:00 AM till 1:00 PM Monday thru Saturday at 481-5004.

T. P.

Death Notices

ANGELA ROGEL

Angela Rogel (nee Laushine), age 86, died Monday, June 16, 1980 at Sunny Acres Hospital.

She was the wife of the late Charles; mother of Raymond and Stanley; grandmother of Debra; great-grandmother of Tammy; sister of Cela Knofels and Anton Lausin, both deceased.

She was born in Ribinica, Yugoslavia and came to Cleveland in 1910. She resided at 1064 East 61st Street for 25 years.

Her husband Charles, operated the Rogel Tailor Shop at 6526 St. Clair Ave. from 1933 to 1955. She was a member of A.M.L.A. No. 2.

Friends received at Zele Funeral Home, 6502 St. Clair Ave., where services were Thursday at 10:30 A.M. Interment Lake View Cemetery.

ST. VITUS HOMECOMING FESTIVAL SET JULY 11, 12, 13

Cleveland, Ohio — Come to the annual 1980 St. Vitus Church Homecoming Summer Festival, which will be held from Friday, July 11 through Sunday, July 13. The event will be held at the Parish Auditorium, E. 62nd and St. Clair Ave.

This year on Oct. 20, will mark the 50th Anniversary of the ground breaking ceremony of the new St. Vitus Church. To prepare for the 50th Anniversary of the blessing and consecration of the new church, a two year program for the renovation of the church will be in progress. The 1980 Summer Festival will benefit renovations costs, which will be very extensive.

The Festival will be opened each evening at seven, and on Sunday all afternoon and evening with a children's matinee from 2 to 5. Strolling musicians will be at the Festival in the evenings. Scotty, the clown, will be there with goodies and fun for the youngsters.

For the hungry we will have delicious food on the menu. A Fish Fry or Stuffed Cabbage (pigs in the blanket) dinners will be served in the Social Room from 5:00 PM Friday.

Saturday we will have Slovenian fresh or smoked sausages and Sauer Kraut dinner from 5:00 P.M. on.

On Sunday, a dinner will be served in the auditorium from 11:30 A.M. You will have a choice of Roast Beef or Chicken. Takeout orders will be available on all three days.

In addition to the dinners, sandwiches of all kinds will be on hand. Slovenian Krofe (rasied doughnuts), will also be available on Friday and Saturday.

Attractive stands and games as well as refreshments of all kinds will be at your disposal.

Free off street parking will be available for patrons at the large Cleveland Trust Bank parking lot on E.60th and St. Clair.

All parish organizations are cooperating with our pastor, Father Joseph Boznar, in preparing this event. Messrs. Jim Slapnik and Jim Logar, old standbys from past festivals, will again serve as co-chairmen.

The Annual Summer Family Festival will come to a close late Sunday night with the awarding of \$4,000.00 in cash.

GRADUATE RECITAL

A graduate voice recital for the degree of Master of Music was presented by Mary Patricia Hribar, a member of Lodge 52, Massillon, on June 8, 1980 at 2 PM at Bowling Green State University.

Included on the program were works by Scarlatti, Rossi, Bononcini, Dvorak, Adam, Ned Rorem, and three Slovenian folk songs arranged by Ravnik. The Slovenian works are Jaz 'Mam Pa Konjca Belega, Oj, Te Mlinar, and Je Pa Davi Slan'ca Pala. Translations for the program were provided by Dr. Boleslav Povsic, a professor at Bowling Green State University.

Kathryn Johnson accompanied Miss Hribar on piano and harpsichord. Also assisting were Paula Fiegelist of Parma, flute and David Wilson of Toledo, violin.

Miss Hribar is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph F. Hribar of Massillon, Ohio.

Our St. Vitus School is among the largest and best in our Cleveland Diocese and very expensive to maintain. All proceeds of our Annual Homecoming will go for the huge expenses in connection with the renovating of the church, in preparation for the 50th Jubilee of the new church opening in 1982.

All parishioners, friends and former parishioners are invited very cordially to this Homecoming Event.

ZVON RECORD

We are witnessing a continuous reduction of compact Slovenian communities as well as a lesser and lesser use of Slovenian language within the family itself. We are thus inevitably less involved in the Slovenian public and community life.

Yet, while the Slovenian pioneers gave much priority to the use of the Slovenian language and were sustaining Slovenian communities with much greater impetus, we have a tremendous advantage in the possibility of making the Slovenian song known to everybody.

Dr. Nielsen, in his articles which were only recently published in the Ameriška Domovina, is telling us about the Sunday gatherings of the Slovenian men at the time of his youthful years. They met on Sundays regularly and sang. Others met even more frequently and they, too, have sung. Then and then only could the young Slovenes appreciate the marvels of the Slovenian song.

Today we have the records at our disposal: all kinds of records and all kinds of singing. There is no doubt that among the very best records of Slovenian song is the record "V DEŽELI MOJI" prepared and published by the Slovenian octet from Bridgeport in Connecticut. Whoever will acquire this record will be pleased. The record is also an excellent gift for any other occasion and we should all take advantage and buy a sample at this time. It is available from all Slovenian outposts and can be ordered from:

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The cost is \$6.50. By purchasing this record we also assist this great Slovenian American singing ensemble that deserves our support particularly since it earned high recognitions wherever it took the Slovenian song.

Cyril J. Mejac

NEW BOOK

"TABOR" ZDSPB, Slovene Anti-Communist Veteran Association, recently published a book titled, "THE ORCHARD" by Dore Sluga.

It is a story of three lives, written against the background of war and revolution in Slovenia.

The price is \$6.00 plus \$1.00 for postage and handling.

The book can be purchased from any member of Tabor or write to:

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15613 Holmes Ave.
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SLOVENIANS VISIT AUSTRALIA

By JOE GORNICK

(Continuation)

In view were Kangaroos with their young in their pouch. Koalas and a variety of birds were there including Kiwi, cockatoo, sheep, chickens and duck. Ferocious wild dogs called Dingoes were contained in thick wire cages. After more sightseeing, we returned to the hotel.

From our room on the 20th floor, we have a panoramic view of the city of Sydney.

A section of town is called Woolloomooloo. It is an aboriginal name, means Woolly Bear.

After breakfast today, we are on our own.

Strolled along Williams Street with Frank Luksic to George Street. Here is the Queen Victoria Building, built during the depression of 1890. It took four years to construct, costing about \$500,000 dollars. The edifice is 610 feet long, and 94 feet wide at the center. Built of waverly sandstone, ground floors are of polished bowral trachyte. The interior structure is of cast iron columns, and steel beams; all encased for fire protection. All the woodwork is Australian cedar. The building is being renovated at a cost of about 20 million. All ethnic groups participating.

Then we visited Sydney Square, bounded by George, Bathurst, Kent, and Drutt streets.

As well as unifying two historic buildings, the Town Hall House, and St. Andrews House, it is situated over an arcade containing many small shops which links the square to the railway station. The trains underground take you to all parts of the city.

Leaving here, we visit Hyde Park. It was presented to the city by the Grand United Order of Oddfellows in memory and appreciation of the members who enlisted for active service in the Great War of 1914-1919 and other conflicts.

Overlooking Hyde Park is the largest museum in Australia, and one of the ten best in the world. It contains displays which include artifacts, fossils, minerals, and a variety of animal specimens. Featured are exhibitions on New Guinea and the life of Aborigines, who first settled here.

Australia, the smallest continent, but one of the largest nations, is located below the Southeast Asian Archipelago, and is bounded on the East by the Pacific Ocean, and on the West by the Indian Ocean. Most of the continent is a long irregular plateau. The center is generally flat, barren, and arid. Much of it resembles the Sahara Desert.

Authorities estimate Australia's aboriginal inhabitants a hunter gatherer people, arrived about 30,000 years ago.

Nobody can say for sure who discovered it. References to "Terra Australis", the great South Land, were made by geographers of the second century. Most likely, Portuguese shipmasters exploring the Archipelago of the East Indies came within the sight of the Australian coast before 1542.

A dominion of the British Commonwealth of Nations, which consisted of the federated states of Australia and Tasmania.

The only continent in the

world occupied by one nation. Australia contains 5.2% of the world's land area. It is 11,000 miles from Cleveland, Ohio.

The population of Australia is over 14 million, of which about 80% are native born. The language is English, but so many speak, from habit, or choice, a delightful, distorted form called Strine. It comes out as a colorful combination of cockney and unadulterated Australian.

The majority of Australians are of caucasian origin. Anglo-Saxon and Celtic strains came from the British Isles mainly since WWII.

Many Europeans have migrated to Australia, about 20% of the population. Principal nationality groups include British, Italian, Greek, Yugoslav, and Dutch. They are centered in the larger cities.

Australia has a great variety of Marsupials. Across the continent bounds the major Marsupial clan; over 50 kangaroo species range in size from the one pound musky rat kangaroo to the nearly 200 lb. Red. Curious creatures, the females carry their young in an external pouch on the abdomen. On highly developed hind legs, they leap across the countryside at 10 to 15 miles an hour.

The next morning some of our group took an optional tour on Sydney's marvelous and the world's largest and most beautiful waterways.

Departing on this 2 1/2 hour cruise from Circular Quay, we passed the Sydney Harbor Bridge named coathanger (it resembles a coat hanger).

Next in view is the Sydney Opera House. At the time of its opening the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra performed first concert here.

In dock here was a Russian ship, "Ivan Franko". Passed an area called "The Rocks," at one time a mecca for criminals, sailors, and harlots.

Situated here now is a complex of Terrace Homes, Bond Stores, Art Galleries, craft centers and restaurants.

Cruising along we view the stately Government and Admiralty houses. You can purchase a lot in the Eastern suburbs for \$300,000; not many are left. The homes in this exclusive area are in the \$750,000 class and upwards.

Cruising along Main Harbor we travel into the upper reaches of Magnificent Harbour. We viewed many secluded caves and inlets. A delightful sight in every direction. Frank Novak played several selections aboard ship. Enjoyed the cruise.

Following, we returned to the hotel.

Next morning, we boarded a bus to Trans Australian Air Lines. Following a coffee break and several tunes by Frank Novak, we boarded a DC 9 and arrived in Canberra at 12:20 p.m. We are bused to our hotel Lakeside International.

Canberra is the National Capital City of Australia. Population is about 220,000. The original aboriginal name for Canberra means Meeting Place.

In the evening a get together is held in one of the upper rooms. Refreshments were served, music by Frank Novak, Honored guest is Radovan Cobeljic, Counselor, Embassy of Yugoslavia.

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