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Vrenje v satelitskih državah

Po koncu druge svetovne vojne se je Stalinu posrečilo uvesti in utrditi komunistično oblast vse do črte Stettin-Trst, ki je bila med vojno dogovorjena kot meja "operacijskih con" med zahodnimi zaveznički in Sovjetsko zvezo. Vse pred vojno svobodne države med Baltikom in Sredozemskim morjem vzhodno od te črte je Stalin trdno priznal na Sovjetsko zvezo, jih spremeni v nekake ruske protektorate. Poseben ruski protektorat je postal tudi ruska zasedbena cona Nemčije. Stalin je nad vsemi temi državami gospodaril po svoji volji, pa se mu ni nihče upal upirati.

Prvi se je dvignil proti Stalinovi samovladi Tito v Jugoslaviji, ki je tekom druge svetovne vojne hodiš svojo pot in dosegel svoje uspehe v glavnem z materialno podporo zahodnih zaveznikov. Ti so opremljali in oboroževali njegove partizanske oddelke, odkar je bil jeseni 1943 Tito uradno priznan za zaveznika. Stalinova samopasnost je žalila samo zavest Tita in njegovih partizanskih bojevnikov. Tako je prišlo do preloma in junija 1948, pred 20 leti, do izključitve titovcev iz Kominforme. Stalin je bil prepričan, da bo Tita in njegove naglo zlomil, pa se je urečunal. Tito se je obrnil na Zahod in od tam dobil pomoč, ko je pokazal, da u-tegne biti koristen v boju proti sovjetskemu imperializmu.

Titovemu zgledu ni upal nihče slediti, Stalin je imel vajeti trdno v rokah in jih je po prelomu s Titom še bolj nategnili. Stalinova smrt je prinesla nekaj olajšanja, posebno še, ko so spravili s poti Berijo. Junija 1953 je prišlo do nemirov in izgredov, nato pa skoraj do pravega upora v Vzhodni Nemčiji. Upor so naglo zlomili ruski tanki, ko je bilo očitno, da zahodne sile ne misijo iti preko besednih protestov v podporo vzhodnim Nemcem.

Počasi je prišlo do popuščanja komunistične diktature pod Stalinovimi nasledniki v sami Rusiji. Hruščev je Stalina javno obsodil na kongresu Komunistične partije in razkril komunističnemu svetu nasilja, ki jih je Stalin vršil. "Kult osebnosti" je bil zavrnjen in uvedeno "kolektivno vodstvo", da bi samovlast v bodoče preprečili.

Spomlad in poleti 1956 je prišlo do vrenja na Poljskem. Delavske demonstracije v Poznanju so bile strte z vojaško silo, toda poljska "revolucija" v oktobru je le potisnila z oblasti zasovraženega Beiruta in postavila na njegovo mesto Gomulko. Ruski maršal Rokosovski je bil odstavljen od veljstva poljske vojske in Poljska je kljub britisku in grožnjem Moskve začela uveljavljati bolj svojo državno neodvisnost. Gomulka je s podporo nadškofa Višinskega pomiril narod in postopno tudi Moskvo prepričal, da se lahko nanj zanesi. Vedel je dobro, da mora ohraniti dobre stike s Sovjetsko zvezo, ker je ta edini porok za poljsko mejo ob Odri in Nisi proti Nemčiji.

Pod vplivom nemirov na Poljskem je prišlo do vretja na Madžarskem, kjer je tlelo staro sovraštvo ne le proti komunistom, ampak tudi proti Rusom. Koncem septembra in v oktobru 1956 so bili stalinisti pregnani v oblasti, ki je prevezel "nacionalni" komunist Nagy. Temu madžarske revolucije ni bilo mogoče zavreti, šla je svojo pot in spravila v nevarnost sam komunistični sistem. Moskva je tedaj poslala v Budimpešto svoje tanke in revolucijo strla. Na tisoče madžarskih "borcev za svobodo" je našlo pri tem smrt, na deset tisoč pa jih je pobegnilo na zahod.

Trd nastop na Madžarskem je vplival "pomirjevalno" v ostalih satelitskih državah. Komunistična diktatura na Češkoslovaškem, v Romuniji in Bolgariji je ostala trdno v sedlu. Nemir se je pojavi znova šele, ko je prišlo do razkola med Moskvo in Peipingom. Tedaj so se od Moskve ločili Albanci, ki Rusov sicer niso nikdar marali. Počasi se je opogumila tudi Romunija in začela pod Ceausescum naglo uveljavljati svojo državno neodvisnost. Šla je celo tako daleč, da je javno postavila vprašanje Besarabije, ki jo je moral odstopiti Sovjetski zvezi. Romunija je poudarila svojo neodvisnost lani, ko ni marala slediti Sovjetij in ostalim komunističnim državam v obsodbi Izraela in letos na posvetovalni konferenci v Budimpešti, ko je to zapustila.

Na Češkem se je stalinizem držal trdo in ni popuščal, četudi je predsednik vlade Lenart skušal tu in tam iskat nova poto. Razmere v Češkoslovaški republiki so bile obupne, razpoloženje mrko. Ko je prišla lani skupina jugoslovanskih inženirjev v Prago, so češki inženirji blagrovali svoje jugoslovanske tovariše za njihovo "svobodo in blagostanje". Iz Prage so gledali na razmere v Jugoslaviji tako kot Jugoslovani na razmere na Zahodu. Odpornost se je pojavit v Zvezni pisateljev, nato pa segel na univerze. Letos v začetku januarja je nezadovoljnost dosegla tako mero, da se je odločil za spremembo sam politbiro Komunistične partije. Novotny je bil odstavljen kot vodnik partije in nadomeščen z liberalnim Slovakkom Aleksandrom Dubčekom. Pretekli teden je Novotny odstopil tudi kot predsednik repub-

like, ko je spoznal, da nima nobene prave opore več ne v deželi ne v Moskvi.

Češkoslovaška je začutila novi čas, svoboda hoče zlomiti vse stare vezi in okove. Obstaja nevarnost, da gre kot leta 1956 madžarska revolucija predaleč. V Dresenu so konec preteklega tedna Dubčeka vodniki Sovjetije in vseh satelitskih držav z izjemo Romunije svarili, naj pazi, da mu vajeti ne uidejo iz rok. Dubček je izgrajen komunist in brez dvoma skušal ohraniti komunistični režim. Ker so Čehi "previdni in pametni", mu bo nemara uspelo. Prevročne glave bodo umirjene spomnili na Budimpešto novembra 1956, pa se bodo pomirili.

Večja svoboda na Češkoslovaškem je vaba za Poljake, pa tudi za Madžare in Vzhodne Nemce. V Dresenu so govorili razpravljalni o tem. Gomulka je na Poljskem nastopil odločno proti študentom na univerzah, ki zahtevajo svobodo. Povedal je jasno njim in vsem drugim, da je svoboda dovoljena, dokler ne spravlja v nevarnost "komunističnega reda" in dokler ni proti temu naperjena. Da bi svarilo bolj veljalo, so čez 1200 demonstrantov zaprli in več njih vihnih zagovornikov odstupili iz služb, četudi so bili na visokih položajih v državni upravi in profesorji na univerzah.

Sila utegne biti nekaj časa uspešna, toda svoboda bo prej ali slej zmagala, ker stremljenje po njej tiči v človeški naravi in ga zato ni mogoče zadušiti.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

"V ČASU OBISKANJA"

Nekaj važnih navodil!

CLEVELAND, O. — V nedeljo, 31. marca, ob 3. uri popoldne Slovenski oder s sodelovanjem Lilije za zaključek slovenske misijon pri Sv. Vidu podal osem postaj o Jezusovem poslanstvu — "V času obiskanja".

Zaradi globokoverske vsebine in izredne dolžine prireditelji naprosojo vse obiskovalce, da se drže naslednjih navodil:

1. Pričetek bo točno ob treh. Zasedite prostore do tretje ure, prosimo Vas, bodite točni. Vsi eventualni zamudniki naj počakajo do prvega odmora in naj si še takrat poštejo prostor. Nikar naj ne motijo med dejanjem gledalcev in igralcev.

2. Vse rezervirane vstopnice so numerirane. Opazujamo starše, da morajo na rezervirane sedeži imeti tudi otroci vstopnice, izvzemši onih, ki jih držite v naročju.

3. Vsi otroci do 12. leta v spremstvu staršev imajo prost vstop. Naprošamo starše, da poškrbe, da bodo otroci ves čas pod njihovim nadzorstvom in naj nikakor ne dopuste, da bi ti letali po dvorani in motili one, ki žele v miru slediti dogodkom na održi.

Le z resnim sodelovanjem bomo lahko dosegli lep uspeh. Gledalce, prerojene s svetim misijonom bo drama na Golgoti še bolj utrdila, igralec pa dala svoje zadoščenje ob spoznanju, da so njihove žrtve padle na "rodovitna tla".

Za konec še tole. Ves čisti dobrček bo razdeljen med obe slovenski šoli v Clevelandu. Zato pride v čim večjem številu. In točno!

M. P.

Mladi rod za slovensko spominsko kapelo

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Po vsed so se Slovenci, v Ameriki a še prav posebej, zelo radi odzvali s svojimi darovi vsakemu klicu za pomoč v vabilu, podpreti potrebne in pametne ustavne. Skromni darovi nepoznanih darovalcev so pozidali naše najlepše cerkve in dali življenje ustavom, ki se z njimi radi ponosamo. Nihče ni pričakoval zahvale ali priznanja; dejstvo, da je vsakdar bil namenjen dobrim stvari, je zadovoljilo.

Prav pa je, danes nič manj kot kdajkoli, če so imena darovalcev, ki jih imata v svojem arhivu in seveda slike krajev v Sloveniji, kjer je delovali božji služabniki Anton Slomšek.

Danes je vedno bolj v navadi, in pri nas v Ameriki še prav posebej, da imena vseh, ki sodelujejo pri raznih zbirkah in pomagajo s svojimi darovi, ostanejo zapisana, javnosti v vednost, mnogokrat pa tudi darovalcem

samim v majhno veselje. Drugi bi seveda spet raje ostali neimenovani.

Eno najdražjih podvzetij v Ameriki, ki je navezano izključno na darove posameznikov, je National Shrine of Immaculate Conception v Washingtonu. Stane štirideset milijonov in ameriški katoliški cerkev, po vseh škofijah in farah, nameni ravno tej cerkvi eno izmed rednih nedeljskih nabirk, skupno z darovi za katoliško univerzo. Imena darovalcev, vsaj začetnih, so vključeni v marmornate stebre v svetišču samem. Tudi med temi bi gotovi nekateri rajše ostali neimenovani.

Slišati je bilo več predlogov, da bi imena vseh darovalcev za Slovensko spominsko kapelo v National Shrine bila zbrana in vpisana v posebno spominsko knjigo. Imena tistih, ki so darovali tisoč dolarjev, kot tistih, ki so darovali le v dollar. Tudi med temi bi morda kdo raje ostal neimenovan; drugi pa bodo zelo ponosni, da je njihovo ime bilo vključeno v spominski knjigi.

Nek otrok, ki še ne razume vsega tako kot mi, je postavil vprašanje nekako v tej obliki: Če dam jaz svoj denar za Slovensko spominsko kapelo, bom tudi jaz vključen v seznam darovalcev?

Otroci bodo morda še posebej veseli, če jih vključimo v nabirk za slovensko spominsko kapelo.

Rad bi izrazil predlog, da bi za naše mlade bilo prihranjeno posebno mesto, ki naj se imenuje kakorkoli, morda mladinska-otroška zbirka za slovensko spominsko kapelo. Njihov celokupni prispevek bo neznan, saj so le otroci. Bodo pa zelo veseli, če jim mi pomagamo, da bodo lahko darovali in znali darovati ter tako našli svoje ime v spominski knjigi. Veseli bodo morda še prav posebno takrat, ko bodo vse tako razumeli, koton razume en rod starejši od njih, kot razumemo mi. Pa tudi, da jih učimo podpirati dobra dela, koristne ustavne in slovensko ime.

C. J. Mejac

Slomškov krožek vabi

EUCLID, O. — V nedeljo, 31. marca, po pobožnosti križevega pota bo ob treh popoldne kazal v šolski dvorani pri Mariji Vnebovzetji g. Anton Jeglič slike z romanji in izletov, ki smo jih v preteklih letih skupno napravili. Med njimi so slike z romanja v Lemont na Slomškovo proslavo in z romanja v Michigan. G. Jeglič bo pokazal tudi nekaj drugih slik, ki jih ima v svojem arhivu in seveda slike krajev v Sloveniji, kjer je deloval kralj Anton Slomšek.

Veselo bo tudi snidenje vseh udeležencev teh romanj in izletov. Pomlad je tu. To sem videl oni dan, ko je prišel naš kos, robin, zopet ogledovat, kje bi postavil dom. Pa sem mi dejal takole: "Let pa hrano imas za stojni. Hišo si pa sam postavi, toda pazi, da te šolska mladež ne zaloti. Ta bi takoj hotela popraviti in izboljšati tvojo hišo in si 10. uro je dvanaest avtobusov

priteljalo v Dobrnič okoli 600 romarjev. Maševal in pridigal jemljivo hvaljenje Baragove skupnosti, ki je ljubljanski pomožni škof dr. S. Lenič. V prisrčnih besedah je očital glavne Baragove kreposti, posebno njegovo ganljivo hvaljenje Bogu za milost sv. krsta in dar sv. vere. Ljudje so bili prevzeti in res romarsko razpoloženi. Cerkev je odmevala od navdušenega petja. Bila je namreč polna do zadnjega kočička. Obhajila ni hotelo biti konca. Nogomig je še po maši uspelo priti do krstnega kamna, kjer je bil krščen Baraga. Globoko zatopljeni v molitev so nekateri molili tudi za svoje, ki so se veri odtulili, da bi jo zopet našli.

Matthew Tekavec

Zahvala Mihaela Zevnika, župnika in dekanu v Dobrniču

DOBRNIČ, Slov. — Spoštovani g. urednik! Dolžnost hvaljenosti mi narekuje, da se Vam prisrčno zahvalim za objavo mojega pisma v Vašem listu. Naj Vas ljubi Bog podpira s svojim obilnim blagoslovom pri Vašem plemenitem delu, da bi še v večjih uspehom ohranili med ameriškimi Slovenci narodno zavest in jih vzpodbujali k medsebojni ljubezni in slogi. Na poti k temu lepemu cilju jim bo brez dvoma luč sv. vere, ki so jo, kot najdragocenije dediščino, oddnesli s seboj iz stare v novo dobrovinu. Kako se v vsakdanjem življenju po veri živi, nam je v prelep zgled ravno veliki misijonar ljubezni do Boga v bližnjega — Baraga. Njegov vzgled je tako plemenit in nesebičen, poln kreplosti in prave krščanske ljubezni, da bi ga morali spoznati in posneti vse iz kraja. Za to se moramo potruditi zlasti sedaj ob stoletnici njegove smrti.

Zato bi Vas najlepše prosil, da bi to pismo objavili in obvestili svoje bralce, kako bomo to skušali izvršiti v domovini. Obenem pa tudi Vas, dragi rojaki, vljudno vabimo, da nas obiščete in se tudi sami udeležite glavne proslave, ki bo v Dobrniču konec julija.

Kakob obhajamo leto vere, tako obhajamo Slovenci še posebej v Baragovem letu, ki se je začelo na 100-letnico Baragove smrti 19. januarja letos. Kdo je bolj poklican, da ga spozna, ga vzljudbi in se zave, kako presentljivo sodoben je Baraga, če ga studiramo v luči koncilskih odlokov, kot mi Slovenci?

Da bi se duhovščina in ljudstvo razgibalo ter vskladilo delo, je ljubljanski nadškof že lani jeseni imenoval posebno komisijo, ki naj skrbi za vse, kar je mogoče, da bi bilo Baragovo leto čim bolj plodovito za Baragovo stvar in duhovno obnovno vernikov. 1. Baragovo leto smo začeli v Dobrniču 18. jan. 1968, torej dan pred dnevom njegove smrti, s posebno slovensko službo božjega in sodalno konferenco duhovniške žužemberške dekanije, v kateri spada tudi Dobrnič. Množica vrnikov je z velikim zanimanjem poslušala priležnostni govor v spomin stoletnice. Skoraj vse so hoteli tudi prejeti sv. zakramente, vsed česar so moralni spovedniki spovedovati skoraj vse dopoldne. Očitno je bilo, da so govornikove besede odpirela srca božjim milostim, a gotovo tudi Baragova priročnja.

2. V nedeljo, 21.



OTROŠKI KOTIČEK

Pomlad je in velika noč z vsemi skrivenostmi se naglo bližja. Prve rože bodo kar kmalu in po drevju se bo napelo popje. To je najlepši čas, ker človek lahko opazuje čudovite zakone, ki jih je Bog položil v vsako stvar. Vse Zahrepni po rasti, po cvetju in po lepoti. Ne bi bilo prav, dragi otroci, če bi vas ne spomnil svedega misijona v fari Sv. Vida. Zadnji dnevi bodo tekli, ko bo ste brali te-če vrstice. Stopite v cerkev vi in Vaši starši. Bog, ki se pripravlja na zadnjo pot v Jeruzalem, ki pojde pred velikega duhovnika in pred Pilata, je tam in nam po besedah misijonarja prihaja bližje. Velika noč ne sme nikoli biti le praznik lepih oblek in razkovanja, velika noč je največji praznik krščanstva in njegovo veliko upanje. In na nedeljo, na zadnji dan misijona, pojrite na pasijonsko igro. Po človeško predstavljeni boste videli to, kar je v svetem pismu z mogočno božjo besedo zapisano.

Dragi Kotičkov stric!
Jaz imam več priateljic. Najboljša mi je Marta. Skupaj hodiva v šolo. Kar naredi, naredi vedno tako, da sem vesela. Če kaj ne vem, mi pomaga. Vesela sem, da me ima Marta rada. Tudi jaz jo imam in želim, da bi vedno bili v šoli skupaj. Kar imata ona, imam tudi jaz. Kar pa ona ne mara, tisto tudi meni ni všeč. Saj ne znam prav povedati kakšna je. Samo to vem, da je ravno tak, kakršno sem si želela za priateljico. Mislim, da imaš tudi Ti kakšnega prijatelja, da si ga vesel in da Ti kaj pomaga. Lepo Te pozdravlja
Metka Rihter

Draga Metka!

Lepo prijateljstvo na tem svetu je zlata vredno. Na svetu so različni ljudje z različnimi značaji in različnimi mislimi. Vedno pa je tako, da človek najde sočloveka, ki enako misli, ki ima iste cilje in iste želje. Sicer je marsikdaj tako, da imas dosti prijateljev, ko se Ti dobro godi, pa malo ali nič, ko te obiše ne-sreča. Tisti prijatelj, ki Ti bo blizu tudi tedaj, ko ne boš nič imela, tisti je najboljši. V svojem življenju sem imel veliko prijateljev. Postaral sem se, mnogi so odšli k Bogu, nekatere na druge konce sveta. Vendar se mi vselej zdi, da imam še vse v svoji šendici. Če hočem z njimi govoriti, molim zanje in vem, da jih moj šepet doseže, kjerko so. Mnogokrat mislim, da bomo resnične prijatelje odkrili na sodnji dan, ko bodo vse misli in vse dela v našem življenju pred nama razgrnjena. Tedaj bomo videli, koliko je bilo iskrenosti in koliko hinavščine.

Pozdravi tudi Marto in naj vajino prijateljstvo ostane trdno in lepo. In lep pozdrav Tebi.

Dragi Kotičkov stric!

Moji starši so bili rojeni v lepi Sloveniji. Dosti so nam povedali, kako so se imeli doma. Ata in mama sta bila rojena v Ribniki dolini. Tam so delali suho robota, rete, žlice in tudi lončeno posodo. Žene in otroci so delali na polju, ato pa je šel po svetu prodajat suho robota, da so lepše živeli. Vsa družina je bila vesela, ko se je ate vrnil s potovanja in obdaril vsakega v družini. Inata je bil zadovoljen, ker je ne-kaj zaslужil. Posebno pa je bil vesel, da so lahko uredili domačijo. Lepo Te pozdravlja
Marjanca Petelin

Poznam Ribnico. V mladih letih sem hodil tam okoli. Lepa dolina in slavni ljudje so živeli tam. Morda ne veš, da so nekoč imeli tam dobro šolo in da je ce-

gozd in jezero. Spali smo na tleh, le starši so spali na postelji. Drugi dan sem šla s prijateljico in sestro na spreho. V trgovini smo kupili sladoled. Drug dan smo šli gledati Statue of Liberty. Sli smo skoraj čisto na vrh. V New Jersey smo ostali štiri dni. Domov smo se odprljali zgodaj zjutraj in vsi smo bili žalostni. Drugo leto nas pridejo oni obiskat. Lepo Te pozdravlja
Rozika Meglič

Draga Rozika!

Daleč si bila. Lepo je potovati in obiskovati prijatelje, slovo je pa vselej težko. Nekaj sveta si videla, spoznala pa tudi, da dolga pot človeka tudi utrdi. Ko sem bila majhen, je bila zame že dolga pot na Brezje, pa je bilo od Podbrezij komaj dve uri hodila. Svet v mojem času je bil hudo majhen. Tu pa so velike dajave in človek vidi, kako je svet dolg in širok. Vedno glej, da se v njem ne zgubiš. Pridno se uči, da ga spoznaš, kaj ima dobrega in kaj slabega. In še kdaj mi piši, čeprav se bo kmalu pričel časigranja. Lepo Te pozdravljam.

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Dragi Kotičkov stric!

Hotela sem iti v New York. Po dveh letih smo šli. Vozili smo se deset ur. Obiskat smo šli prijatelje. Ko smo prišli do hiše, smo bili vsi veseli. Za hišo je bil

kveni dvorani predpustno zahavo, katera je za \$266.93 zboljšala blagajno.

Vsem v tem dopisu imenovanim, kateri so pomagali, sodelovali ali drugače podpirali pri organizaciji in ustanovitvi slovenske šole, gre velika zahvala in priznanje za njih žrtve, katere so vložili v to dobro in koristno delo.

Z dopisi bomo nadaljevali. Lepo pozdrave vsem Slovencem po celem svetu!

Anton Lagoja

V skandinavskih deželah zgubljamo simpatije

KOPENHAGEN, Dan. — Skandinavske dežele se odmikajo od levičarskih struj, v Kopenhagenu in Oslu že ni več socijalističnih vlad; mislijo, da je do konca leta ne bo več tudi v Stockholm. Tu pa so velike dajave in človek vidi, kako je svet dolg in širok. Vedno glej, da se v njem ne zgubiš. Pridno se uči, da ga spoznaš, kaj ima dobrega in kaj slabega. In še kdaj mi piši, čeprav se bo kmalu pričel časigranja. Lepo Te pozdravljam.

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Zadnja pisemca potekajo. Mislim, da imam še tri, pa smo spet pri koncu. Če boste imeli čas, se spomnite starega strica.

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V zadnjem dopisu sem omenil, da bomo o delu in razvijanju glede bodočnosti svetokrižke cerkve v Bridgeportu z dopisi še nadaljevali.

O poteku farnega sestanka, ki je bil sklican po g. župniku za

11. februar 1968, smo že nekaj čitali v AD od 27. februarja t.i.

K temu dopisu bi le še lahko dodal, da je bila udeležba fara-

nov popolna, katerih večina je

je odločila, da se za nje napravi

samo cerkev in župnišče. Že od

davnaj je znano, da se Slovenci

sploh ne spuščajo radi v večje

posle, posebno ne v finančne,

kateri zahtevajo dolgoletna od-

plačila dolgov. Zadovoljivo se v

takih primerih tudi s skrom-

nostjo, kot je pri njih že od roj-

stva v navadi.

Ker se še do danes prevzv-

gospod škof in mestna uprava

prijevale v. Postaral sem se,

mnogi so odšli k Bogu, nekatere

na druge konce sveta. Vendar se

mi vselej zdi, da imam še vse v

svoji šendici. Če hočem z njimi

govoriti, molim zanje in vem, da

jih moj šepet doseže, kjerko so.

Mnogokrat mislim, da bomo res-

nične prijatelje odkrili na sodnji

dan, ko bodo vse misli in vse

delna v našem življenju pred na-

mi razgrnjena. Tedaj bomo videli,

koliko je bilo iskrenosti in

koliko hinavščine.

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kako so se imeli doma. Ata in

mama sta bila rojena v Ribniki

dolini. Tam so delali suho robota,

rete, žlice in tudi lončeno

posodo. Žene in otroci so delali

na polju, ato pa je šel po svetu

prodajat suho robota, da so lepše

živeli. Vsa družina je bila vesela,

ko se je ate vrnil s potovanja

in obdaril vsakega v družini. In

ata je bil zadovoljen, ker je ne-

kaj zaslужil. Posebno pa je bil

vesel, da so lahko uredili doma-

cijo. Lepo Te pozdravlja

Marjanca Petelin

Draga Marjanca!

Poznam Ribnico. V mladih le-

tih sem hodil tam okoli. Lepa

dolina in slavni ljudje so živeli

tam. Morda ne veš, da so nekoč

imeli tam dobro šolo in da je ce-

Ulbrichtu se mudri z novo ustavo

BERLIN, Nem. — Tovariš Ulbricht je že davno mislil, da je treba dati Vzhodni Nemčiji novo ustavo, dokler je še čas. Sedaj veljavna je bila izglasovana 1. 1949, je torej že močno zastrela. Novi ustavni načrt je bil dolge mesece predmet javne razprave, ki se je udeleževala pretežno le komunistična stranka. V začetku januarja je bil o-snutek poslan v parlament. Tam je tudi obležal, dokler se ni Ulbricht spomnil, da ga je treba na hitro roko dati na glasovanje narodnemu plebiscitu, ki naj se vrši 6. aprila.

Nova ustava daje Vzhodni Nemčiji pečat "socialistične države nemške narodnosti". Njen namen je torej potegniti jasno ločnico z zahodnonemško ustavo. Nova ustava je še zmeraj prežeta od staljinista; konstitucionalni vetrovi iz Prage in Beograda jih torej ne bodo mogli bliži. Ulbricht bo lahko služila kot politična trdnjava, ako bi satelitski reformisti hoteli vnašati svoje ideje tudi v Vzhodno Nemčijo.

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SAMO ZARADI SPOMINA — Douglas Fairbanks Jr. pri nastopu v Robin Hoodu, kjer je igral še njegov oče v času nemega filma.

molil in kakor strela so jo prešinile besede: "In tudi ti, božja Porodnica, poglej name in oti me pogube!"

Tako jo je pretresla njega molitev, da so ji solze zailile oko.

"Ubogi, zapuščeni siromak!"

Stekla je tja, kjer je stal ležišče. In v vsej njegovi zapuščnosti je ugledala kanonika Amanda in tudi videla, kako se je od mraza tresel pod tanko odoje.

"Oh, moj Bog, in sedaj še skoraj mraza ni! Kako bode šele proti jutru!"

Stopila je k njemu in se sklonila nad njim: "Ali vam je hudo, gospod?"

Spoznal jo je precej in ji odgovoril: "Ti si, Katarina? Sveti mučenice ime imas, ali kaj so moje muke proti tistim, ki jih je prebila sveta Katarina! Posvečeno bodi njeniime! Mraz mi pretresa ude in prav dobro čutim, da so šteti trenutki mojega življenja. Tebi, Katarina, dasi si krivoverka, naj bodo odpušcene pregruhe tvoje hiše. Usmiljeno in mehko ti je sreči!"

Ob teh besedah bolnikovih jo premaga bolest in k njegovemu licu ji omahne glava. In nje lice se pritiska k njegovemu obrazu in to lice je voljno in mehko, kakor je mehko in voljno žametoško lice dozorele breskve. Čustvo je imel Amandus — in tudi naše stoletje jih pozna, ta milobna čustva! — kakor bi prijetna gorkota kipela iz dekletovega lica v njega trpinčeno telo. Niti mraza ni čutil tedaj, nego samo svilnato mehkoto ženskega lica. Nje solze so mu kropile obraz in bilo mu je, kakor da mu padajo iskre po licu.

"Dvigni glavo, deklica!" izpregorovi naposlед rahlo. "Ne trdim, da bi bilo greh, ker tiste, čemur pravijo učenjaki animus pecandi, niti ni v tebi in mora otiči bolnika, ker bi sicer umrl v nočnem mrazu. Ali od kod pridi rešitev? Ozrla se je po ozkem prostoru, toda nikjer ni opazila pomočka v tej stiski. Poizkuša odpreti vrata, vendar trudi se brez uspeha. Ali tam je edino okno; morda je toliko, da bi se nje vitko telo dalo iztežka potisniti skoznje. In v spominji pride, kako je v otroških letih časi skozi to okno lezla na skladanico tam zunaj. Tudi sedaj so bila dryva zložena pod njim. Deklica odpre okno in se po nekaterih poizkusih prepiriča, da se ji tukaj nudi izhod. Dzadci nabere, kar bi dajalo odejo bolniku; vzame obleko in pograbi tudi svoje ubožno ležišče na tleh. Kar ji pride pod roko, vse pomeče skozi okno, dokler že ne ostane ničesar v stanici.

"Bogu bodi hvala, da je okno široko! Sicer bi umrl!" Rekši se potisne skozi okno na drva tik stene. Polagoma se spusti na tla, pazeč, da bi skladanica ne zaropata pod njim. Stopivši na zemljo, odhiti okrog hiše. Ker pa so bili bolnika odnesli nekoliko v stran, ga ne opazi takoj. Prav tedaj je glasno

ž njimi, da bi ne mogla do njega sem dobila! Res je, burja piše in nočna sapa.

"Dobro mi de tvoje delo," jo pojavlja Amandus, "in mraz je izgubil svoje moči do mene."

In ko nekaj časa molčita, še dostavi: "Samo na tej strani, kjer stojiš, me zazebe časih, če zabilješ sapa od severa. Ali imaš še kaj odej, da me na tem mestu zavaruješ mrlže burje? Bog mi je priča, da še nikdar nisem trpel toliko mraza, kakor ga trpim nožem drezel v ramo. Vzdihnil je:

"Hudo trpim, Katarina hudo trpim!"

"Bog se me usmili!" odgovori dekle; "ničesar nimam več in vse sem vam že prinesla, kar deviške sramežljivosti na nje

sem dobila! Res je, burja piše in ostra je, to vem sama."

"Ne jokaj se zaradi tega! Dobro voljo imam in to voljo ti zaračunava nebeški Oče prav tak, kakor da si me zavarovala vsake sapice."

Prav v tistem hipu zabuči po bližnjem bukovju in kanonik Amand nehotje zaječi; zdi se mu, kakor da bi ga kdo z ostrim nožem drezel v ramo. Vzdihnil je: "Hudo trpim, Katarina hudo trpim!"

"Nekaj bi vedela" — in obravornje od njega, da bi ne opazil deviške sramežljivosti na nje

nedolžnem licu — "nekaj bi že vedela gospod, in to bi vam morda pomagalo. Ali čudili se boste, če vam nasvetujem kaj takega."

"Govori!"

"Na tej strani vam prihaja hlad do telesa in odeje ni, da bi vas zagnila. Jaz pa sem dobro vedela, da je kaj takega nedobrinočena in mraza sem vajena, pustno in nemogoče!"

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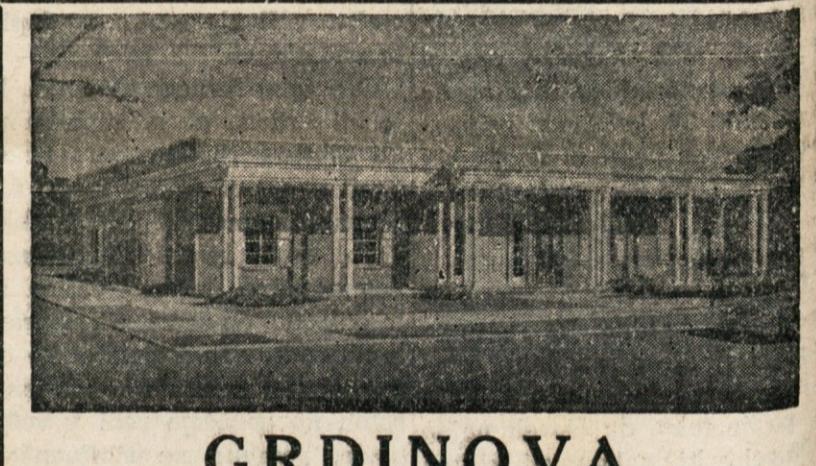
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CONDENSED NEWS FROM OUR HOME FRONT

★ Our subscriber of many years, John Zakrajsek, who lives with his son, Louis J. Zakrajsek in Leroy, Ohio, celebrated his 87th birthday on March 17th. Congratulations and wishes for many more years of healthy and happy birthdays!

★ Mrs. Mary Sporar of 18305 La Salle Rd., celebrated her 83rd birthday on March 20th. Congratulations and wishes for many more happy and healthy birthdays!

★ Fred V. Strnisa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred V. Strnisa, 797 E. 156 St., who lives with his wife and two daughters in Scotia, N.Y., formerly with the Miniature Lamp Department of General Electric Co., here, has joined the staff of Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, Schenectady, N.Y., as a physicist. Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory is operated by General Electric in cooperation with the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. He received the following degrees: Bachelor of Science at Case Tech, Master of Science at John Carroll University, and Doctor of Philosophy (Doctorate) at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Strnisa, 1161 Norwood Rd., and Mrs. Josephine Paik of Edina Ave. Congratulations!

★ A visitor from Yugoslavia is Stanko Zajic, who is visiting his sister, Mrs. Louise Vokko at 1146 E. 66 St. Welcome and have a good time!

★ The Grajzl Jewelry store at 637 E. 185 St., is closing its doors and is selling everything at very low prices.

★ The mission being held all week at St. Vitus Church, will conclude on Sunday, March 31st, with the Passion Play being given in St. Vitus Auditorium at 3:00 p.m.

★ Hill Air Force Base, Utah — "Photographic division — Camera speaking." "People think I'm trying to be funny and hang up," says 1st Lt. Jan P. Camera of Lorain, O., an officer in Hill Air Force Base's photographic division.

★ Washington, D.C. — The House recently passed a bill to permit federal regulation of gadgets used in everyday life capable of causing radio interference. The federal communications Commissions would be authorized to set standards for such things as electronic garage door openers, some electronic toys, high-powered electronic heaters, welders and remote controls devices for such equipment as industrial cranes.

★ Cedar City, Utah. — A Utah rancher returned Social Security checks totaling \$4,437 to the U.S. Treasury because he said he could think of no church or charity which needs the money more. Lehi M. Jones of Cedar City wrote: "I am able to carry on the small livestock operation I have been able to put together over the years since my discharge from the Army in 1919. So far I have been unable to think of any place which needs this money more than the U.S. Treasury." He said if he is ever unable to earn his living and support his wife he might request assistance.

★ Annapolis, Maryland — Gov. Spiro T. Spiro of Maryland, outspoken foe of wiretapping, revealed he has his telephone wires checked periodically. Mysterious wires that could have been part of a bugging system were discovered in his Anna-

SHORTS on
SPORTSSpitter Rule Is Revised
Second Time

Miami, Fla. — Baseball's controversial spitball rule was revised for the second time this spring in a special meeting of the Playing Rules Committee on March 19.

Charles Segar, committee chairman, said rule 3.02a (1) was revised to read:

"The pitcher shall not bring his pitching hand in contact with his mouth or lips while in the 18-foot circle surrounding the pitcher's rubber."

"PENALTY: for violation of this part of this rule, the umpire shall immediately call a ball. However, if a pitch is made and the batter reaches first base on a hit, error, hit batsman, or otherwise and no other runner is put out before advancing at least one base, the play shall proceed without reference to the violation. Repeated offenders shall be subject to fine by the league president."

Hurlers Wising Up,
Issue Passes to Yaz

Winter Haven, Fla. — In the excitement surrounding the final weekend of last year's hectic American League pennant race, it was easy to forget things. Forgotten was the name of the Minnesota player who said it, but never to be forgotten in his description of how the Red Sox won both weekend games and the pennant.

The difference was, the Twins' player said, "that we pitched to Carl Yastrzemski but the Red Sox did not pitch to Harmon Killebrew."

Yastrzemski got seven hits in eight trips in that two-game series, and a pennant flew over Boston.

This year may be different. In fact, the difference is showing already. The pitchers are walking Radatz more than ever before this spring, and they will continue to do so until the strategy hurts them.

Monster Misses the Plate With 24 Pitches in a Row
Scottsdale, Ariz. — Manager Leo Durocher's efforts to harness the pitching power of Dick (The Monster) Radatz ended in a flurry of scatter-arm hurling when the Cubs met the Indians in a "B" game in Tucson March 15.

The Monster started the game and had to be removed after he threw 24 successive balls.

In three appearances, including a camp game, Radatz found the plate only 12 times in 22 pitches.

His future in doubt, Radatz was returned to the Cubs' minor league camp, since he was on the Tacoma (Pacific Coast) roster.

"I just can't understand it," said the crestfallen Radatz, who throws strikes on the sidelines. "It's like turning a light switch on and off."

Basketball's No. 1 — UCLA
UCLA, last Sunday proved to the world that it is still No. 1. What was to be the rematch of the season, turned out to be the mismatch of the tournament.

UCLA, which in January lost 71-69 to Houston, with an injured Lew Alcinder, smothered Houston Saturday night 101-69, with a healthy Alcinder. Then Sunday night UCLA knocked off the Tar Heels of North Carolina with the greatest of ease, 78-55 to win the National Championship.

Lew Alcinder also proved he is Mister No. 1, not Houston's Elvin Hayes by being chosen the tournament's most valuable player.

Slovan Presents Spring Concert
You can tell that Spring is here again by the fact that the men's singing club "SLOVAN" is having its Spring concert on Sunday, April 21st, at the Slovenian Society Home on Recher Ave., Euclid, Ohio, at 4 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from club members or at the Club Room at the Home on Recher Ave.

Our men will sing your old favorite Slovenian songs, as well as some new ones, under the able direction of Mr. Frank Vauter.

After the concert you can enjoy a delicious supper and dance to the popular Grabner's orchestra.

Try to come and hear our guys sing on "Bela Nedelja" and then enjoy meeting your friends after the program and do a little dancing to get you in shape for Summer. Stanley Pockar, sec'y.

"That Texas oilman was sure lucky when his car went out of control and smashed into nine other cars."

"What's lucky about that?"

"It happened in his own garage."

John Ray Candidate For Judge, Court of Appeals



John F. Ray, Jr., veteran Cleveland attorney and former Law Director of the City of Euclid, entered the race for a Court of Appeals judgeship on the Democrat ticket.

Mr. Ray is married and has four children, namely Margaret, 17; Colleen, 16; Susan, 14; and John 11.

A lifelong resident of Greater Cleveland, Mr. Ray is well known beyond law circles for his active participation in community affairs as Past President of the Euclid Kiwanis Club, member of the American Legion Euclid Post 343, Advisory Board of Catholic Family and Children's Services and Rose Mary Home, and the Legal Committee of Euclid-Glenville Hospital.

Mr. Ray graduated from Euclid Shore High School, John Carroll University and Western Reserve University. He was an instructor of law at John Carroll University, and has sat as Acting Euclid Municipal Court Judge.

From 1962 to 1965, Mr. Ray was Democratic Ward Leader of the City of Euclid, and has been an active Democrat for over 25 years.

During his richly varied legal career, Mr. Ray has played many roles in a variety of courts, representing clients, associations and groups.

It was stated by Mr. Ray that, "As long as men have had government, it has been necessary to make and enforce laws for the common good, to remain on constant guard against confusion and anarchy. Respect for law and order must be maintained; it can be increased only as we remain alert, always willing to learn it ourselves and teach it to others."

Glasbena Matica Concert Set for Sunday

Glasbena Matica's concert is Sunday afternoon, March 31. Come out to hear a fine group of singers perform at their best. Familiar Slovenian folk tunes cleverly arranged for choral singing will be accompanied by the Ben Silverberg String Ensemble.

Glasbena Matica always offers its best to her listening audience.

Treat yourself to the best and attend the concert this Sunday, March 31, at four o'clock in the afternoon, at the Slovenian National Home auditorium, 6417 St. Clair Ave.

Ice Follies Heads Into Final Week

Having reached the three-quarter mark of their current engagement at the Cleveland Arena, that internationally-famous family favorite, the Ice Follies, remains through Sunday, March 31.

The latest Shiptads and Johnson produced ice frolic delighted capacity audiences in the shows. It again provides top entertainment for patrons of all ages — and, as usual, everything is in good taste.

Newcomers Uschi Keazler, of Germany, Buddy Zack the Harvard Brothers and the Casey Twins blend their talents superbly with those of the Williams Family, Mr. Frick, The Scarecrows, Smith and Thomas, Ken and Paulette Ormsby, Willi and Inge Schilling, Lois Walters, The Beattys and Richard Dwyer and his sparkling new partner, Susan Benders. Specialty acts include Charles Horse, Inky the Bear and Gary Johnson's clever "Fat Man" number.

Every performance is a milestone in this oldest of touring ice shows.

It has entertained more than sixty-six million fans in 32 years of Ice Follies tradition.

Show times this week at the Cleveland Arena are Friday, 8 p.m.; the final Saturday, March 30th, 3 p.m. shows will be offered, at 1, 5 and 9 p.m. The final day, Sunday, March 31st, performances will be at 2 and 6 p.m.

Ask those who have seen this year's edition of the Ice Follies — great show — "It's really something else."

Tickets for all remaining perfor-

Slovenian Chapel Campaign

Cleveland, O. — Latest reports by Frank Turek, secretary for the Slovenian Chapel Fund indicate that the half-way mark has just about been reached. This is a fine record, considering that barely three months ago this campaign had gotten under way. Even more remarkable is the fact that no concentrated door-to-door collection was made. It testifies well to the Slovenian spirit and the pride of the Slovenians for their American heritage.

The following of our lodges donated \$100.00 each: St. Stephen Society No. 1 KSKJ, St. Florian Society No. 44, KSKJ, and St. Ann's Society No. 170 KSKJ. St. Mary's Society No. 80, KSKJ donated \$75.00. Society of the Blessed Virgin of Help No. 176 KSKJ of Detroit, Mich., sent along \$25.00. From Aliquippa, Frances Gentile, secretary of the Holy Name Society, KSKJ, sent \$32.00 contributed by the following. Mrs. Alex Gentile, \$7.00, Mrs. Sam Evans, Mrs. Michael Gaydos, Mrs. Frances Derglin, and Mrs. Albert Ciclone each gave \$5.00. Mrs. Nello Di Tommaso and Mrs. Mary Flasko each gave \$2.00, and Mrs. Ralph Progar gave \$1.00.

On Wednesday evening, Mar. 6, 1968 our president, Joseph Nemanich, signed the formal agreement, witnessed by several members of the fund committee.

Thus the Slovenians and Slovenian Americans are now committed to the chapel in the Immaculate Conception Shrine, Washington. The chapel should be completed in two years at a cost of \$70,000.00. This amount includes the architectural designs and construction as well as all future maintenance.

Anyone wishing to contribute his share to this memorial of Slovenian pioneers in America should make his check payable to: "Slovenian Chapel Fund". It should be mailed to: Mr. Frank Turek, secretary, 986 Bryn Mawr Ave., Wickliffe, Ohio 44092. All contributions are acknowledged by the secretary.

J. Z.

Duquesne University Tamburitzan's Concert

The internationally famed Duquesne University Tamburitzans come to Cleveland Public Music Hall on Sunday, March 31, at 3 p.m., to present their 31st consecutive concert here.

A collegiate group of 30 highly talented folk artists, the Tamburitzans are dedicated to the preservation of Slavic Folk arts in the U.S. They take their name from the musical instrument used in their concert — the tamburitz.

Tickets for this year's performance are now available at all Burrows stores in the Greater Cleveland area. All concert proceeds go to the Tamburitzans Scholarship fund, which pays for the college education of the student performers. Ticket prices are \$3.50, 3.00, 2.50, 2.00 and for youth groups of at least 10 per group the special ticket price is \$1.00 per student.

Youth group orders may be made by calling Mr. Peter Shimrak at Home Federal Savings at 226-0510 or by calling Mrs. James Malone at 732-8707 or Mr. John Petkovic at 731-6018.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Galaska, 1024 E. 77th St. celebrating 8 years on April 19th.

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The Tamburitzans concert is an unmatched musical experience based on authentic reproduction of costumes, songs and dances. Nearly a 1000 costumes are used in a concert.

This year's program features the captivating songs and dances of Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia, Russia, Poland, Romania and Hungary.

Remember the date — Sunday,

March 31, at 3 p.m. in Public Music Hall!

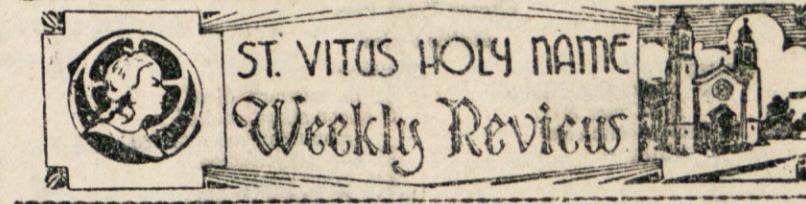
mances are on sale at the Arena, 3717 Euclid Avenue (phone 361-3700), and at Richman's downtown ticket office, 736 Euclid Avenue.

A BIG SURPRISE

Mount Angel, Oregon, is a peaceful rural community of 1,600 persons lying in the lush, rolling hills of the Willamette Valley. It is a religious and agricultural center. The visitor is immediately struck by the neatness of the community and its environs. There are thousands of similar communities throughout the United States. No one was more shocked than the residents of Mount Angel when they were advised by poverty officials that 40 per cent of the people living in the community were poverty-stricken.

It seems that the people of Mount Angel are on the wrong side of the arbitrary line that officialdom has drawn between poverty and affluence. So now, Mount Angel is officially classed as a blighted area. The first step, apparently, is to establish a poverty office for which the residents of the Mount Angel area must put up one third of the cost. Then, the people must be educated, they must develop a new attitude, they must learn to ask for help — whether they need it or not. The good federal shepherd is ready to take them under his wing.

Not surprising, as a poverty official found, "Most of these people don't know where to find help. We point them to the employment office, welfare, to the abundant foods program or wherever they qualify..." The good people of Mount Angel didn't even know they needed help, but they will learn, as will all the inmates of the welfare state, as times goes on.



Holy Name Society

News

BREAKFAST A BIG SUCCESS

The 8th Annual St. Vitus Holy Name Pancake and Sausage Breakfast which took place on March 17th was attended by over 1000 people.

Among the multitude was our No. 1 Slovenian, Senator Frank L. Laušec, who renewed his acquaintances, and also attending was Judge August Pryatel. We were honored by their presence.

Thanks are in order to our local florists, Jim Slapnik Jr. and the Star Florists for their donations of flowers which permeated the hall with a spring-like atmosphere.

Many comments were heard about the hall decorations. Thanks also to Helen Lyons, clerk of Municipal Courts, and to the East Ohio Gas Company for their financial backing in our ticket and publicity promotion. And another thanks to Mr. Tony Petkovsek Jr. on the continuous publicity over radio WXEN which certainly paid off in such fine attendance.

And last but not least, thanks to our famous chef, Mr. Joseph Komat who again scored another triumph in the culinary field. And of course our appreciation to all the Holy Name and Sodality workers who responded so faithfully to the Committee's plea. And also a sincere thank you to all our many customers who attend our events year after year. God Bless you all.

St. Vitus Christian Mother's Club

MONTHLY MEETING

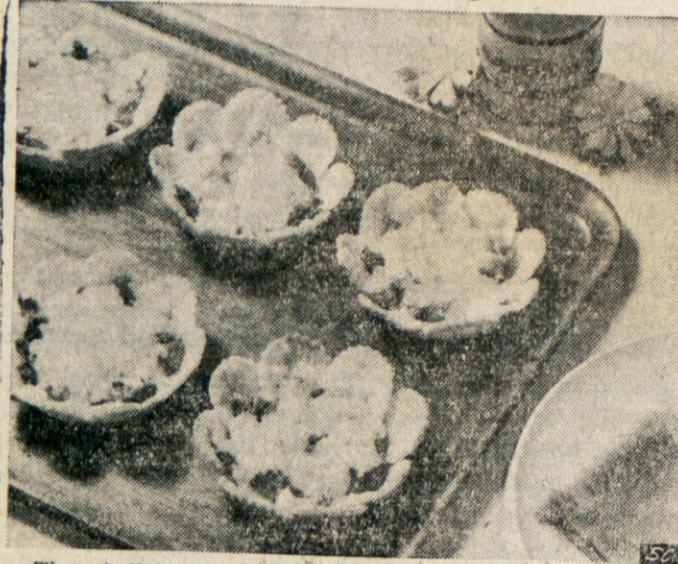
The St. Vitus Christian Mother's Club will have their meeting Thursday, April 4th instead of Wednesday this month — at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Special feature of the night will be a "Wine-Tasting" with "Dover Chalet Wine".

Dot and Beanies swept three games from CWV Post 1655. Don Mihelic's 221-585 topped the victors.

Dot and Beanies 894-884-849-2627 CW.V. Post 1655 84

Petal Pies Grace Spring Menus



These individual main dish pies provide fresh menu inspiration. Cheese Petal Pies are themselves as fresh as the proverbial spring flower. The flower theme is carried out in the pretty, yet easy, petal pastry shells made with convenient pie crust mix.

Fashioning the shells is a neat 'n simple trick. A circle of pastry fits in the bottom of each 5-inch pie tin and smaller circles overlap around the sides to form the "petals." The savory filling of wieners and bacon, topped with a mayonnaise-cheese combination, proves to be irresistible. Serve Cheese Petal Pies for your next luncheon and see for yourself!

Cheese Petal Pies

Makes 6 pies

Pastry:
One 10-oz. pkg. Flako
Pie Crust Mix
4 tablespoons cold
water

Filling:
½ lb. wieners, diced
6 bacon slices, cooked,
crumbled and drained
½ cup mayonnaise
1½ cups grated
Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to hot (425°F.). For pastry, empty contents of package into bowl. Sprinkle water by tablespoonfuls over mix. Stir lightly with fork until just dampened. (If necessary to make dough hold together, add another tablespoon cold water.) Form into ball. Divide dough in half.

Roll each half on lightly floured board or canvas to ½-inch thickness. With floured cookie cutters, cut three 3½-inch circles and twenty-four 2¼-inch circles from each half.

For each pie shell, place a large circle in the bottom of a 5-inch pie tin. Moisten edges of 8 small circles, one at a time. Overlap the small circles slightly and press edges together to form sides of pie shell. Press bottom edges lightly into large circle. Prick bottom with fork.

Bake in preheated oven (425°F.) about 10 minutes. Remove from oven. Reduce heat to 325°F. Spoon diced wieners into each pie shell. Top with crumbled bacon. Combine mayonnaise and grated cheese. Spoon over bacon. Bake in preheated oven (325°F.) 12 to 15 minutes.

Reporting from Washington

By R. BREWER • Correspondent, AMERISKA DOMOVINA, MARCH 29, 1968

THE RISE IN THE COST OF LIVING. The national cost of living except for the average urban family has advanced nearly nine percent in the three years since President Johnson was inaugurated for a full term on January 20, 1965. This is the impact on the average city family of the inflation that has been generated and fanned by the extravagant spending of the Federal Government in recent years, during which domestic spending has increased on an expanding number of fronts while the nation has been fighting an escalating war in Vietnam. Here are a few examples of what all this means: your dollar of three years ago is now worth about 92 cents. A ten dollar bill of three years ago, is now worth about \$9.12. If you had \$500 in a savings account three years ago, and if it is still there, it has depreciated in value to \$459.10, a loss of \$40.90. A \$10,000 insurance policy of three years ago is now worth \$9,182, a depreciation of \$818. In many cases, this loss is equal to or greater than the premiums you have paid on the policy in those three years. If you are retired, and if you had a retirement income three years ago of \$2,500 a year which has not changed since, you are now down to \$2,295.50, a loss of \$204.50.

That is a rather severe tribute to pay for inflation, but it is happening now to thousands of retired persons and families throughout the nation. What can be done? Let me emphasize again, as I have on numerous occasions in the past, that a key step in checking inflation's growth is to exercise restraint in government spending. As you know, the Congress not long ago received another budget request from the President. But, instead of setting priorities in a time of war, instead of putting a damper on non-essential Federal spending, the new budget is the largest in history — approaching \$200 billion. Moreover, just as it has been since 1960, this budget calls for another deficit — upwards of \$20 billion. A recent Daily Statement of the U.S. Treasury revealed that our national debt reached a new high of \$355 billion on February 28 — an increase of \$27 billion over exactly one year ago. The interest charge on this debt is about \$15 billion annually. The only items in our budget that exceed interest charges are the funds for the Departments of Defense and Health, Education and Welfare.

Members of Congress—from both political parties—have expressed grave reservations about such massive spending while the war rages in Vietnam and inflation stalks the grocery counter at home. It is our hope that since the President refuses to cut spending, the Congress will!

DEATH NOTICES

Ave, John — Father of Joanne Dolenc, Robert (Miami, Fla.), James (Riverside, Calif.), brother of Anne Lindsey, Marian Swaney, Eleanor Cerne. Residence at 859 E. 140 St.

Babuder, Mary (nee Opara) — Mother of Michael and Frank, sister of Louis Opara. Residence at 838 E. 144 St.

Bradac, Louise (nee Golob) — Mother of Alice Arko, Frank, aunt of John Polz, sister of Matthew (Kansas City). Residence at 3562 E. 80 St.

Dular, Jennie — Friend of Mary Rozman. Residence at 1256 E. 61 St.

Kaley, Peter — Brother of Josephine Kalasinski. Residence at 922 Wheelock Rd.

Mauer, Ralph—Husband of Mary (nee Rosman), father of Jacqueline, Maureen. Residence at 1339 Laurel Dr., Macedonia, O.

Modic, Katherine (nee Leskovec) — Mother of Josephine Vraneza (Modic Grocery), Edith Kuhar (Beirut, Leb.), sister of Mary Brencic (Illinois). Residence at 15510 Huntmore Ave.

Primosch, Joseph — Husband of Frances (nee Klopchic), father of Marian, Marjorie, Carl, Edward, Frank, Henry. Residence at 1428 E. 45 St.

AUTO THEFT PREVENTION

The House recently passed by voice vote a bill to prevent master keys to automobile ignitions from being sold by mail orders and being trans-

Schultz, Anna — Mother of Bernard, Theresa Menko, Marie, Dolores Johns, Evelyn Kuhn, Gertrude Modic, Dorothy Steinle, sister of Joseph Tacher, Elizabeth Weaver, Agnes Valent, Helen and Mary Jambik. Residence at 1266 E. 61 St.

Turk, Frank — Husband of Caroline (nee Kmet), father of Clarence, Frank, Elmer, Richard, Dorothy Strumbel, Eleanor Knuff, Irene Petrulis, Esther Keevar, Theresa Rakar, Constance Zelko, Joan Woc, brother of Marian Zakrajsek. Residence at 1103 Addison Rd.

Collinwood Slovenian Home News

Tony and Elinore Bokal are having a Sausage and Sauerkraut Dinner in the Clubroom, this Saturday, March 30th, from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. Music by Gil Hrvatin and John Kristoff will follow starting at 9:00. All members and friends are invited to enjoy an evening out along with a delicious meal. Attendance gifts will also be awarded.

Our Annual Appreciation Day was a whopping success, as over three hundred fifty people turned out for this gala event.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Caldorian Pipe Band and dancers. Under the direction of Jack Thompson, they put on a sparkling display of pageant and skill. I am sure everyone who witnessed this colorful program enjoyed the three wee lasses who performed the Sword Dance so proficiently. Our hats are off to these fine people who make our Home their home.

Joining Dick Spilar and his Orchestra were Eddie Buehner, Hank Bekal, Ray Champa, John Debevec, Ray Griff and Gil Hrvatin. They are to be commended for the outstanding job they did. The incomparable Eddie Kenik honored us with his fine renditions of our favorite Slovenian songs. Ed is certainly a vocalist in a class by himself, and we thank him a thousand fold. Giving Eddie Kenik competition was a grand guy, Rudy Menart of WXEN-FM.

My good friend, Tony Petkovsek of WKEN-FM was up to his old tricks again as he joined our board of directors and Social Club in presenting me with a lovely plaque and other fine gifts. Being honored two Sundays in a row is just too much. Many, many thanks, Tony! I also want to convey my gratitude to my buddies Al Marn, Hank Bokal, Cy Stepec and our fellow directors for their thoughtfulness in presenting me with a desk set. To Lil Godec and the Social Club, all I can say is thanks a million. If ever there was a surprise, this was it.

Plaudits are also in order to Gene March and John Jevnikar and Hank Bokal for the fine job they did as co-chairmen of this event. Thank you to our wonderful kitchen help and the bartenders for a grand job they did.

Last and certainly not least, to all the other directors who pitched in along with Tony Bokal, thanks! Remember there's a Fish dinner this and every Friday. We also serve shrimp, steak and chicken dinners. The price is only \$1.25.

Thank you to Frank Yankovic for your timely wire and also for your gift of the record albums. George Voinovich, our State Representative in the 53rd District, had a resolution passed honoring Cleveland as the "Polka Capitol". Thanks, George!

Ed Grosel, President

Reduction in Long Distance Phone Rates

Ohio Bell customers will save an estimated \$800,000 a year from the reduction in intra-state long distance rates announced by the Public Utilities Commission.

This has not been a perfect program but its objectives are desirable and I would like to see it continued. On the other hand, in view of our critical budget situation, this is not the proper time to expand such programs and go far beyond the spending of the current fiscal year.

The new schedule will include a new "Night Owl" special which will permit subscribers to dial a three-minute, station-to-station call anywhere in the state for 35 cents or less between midnight and 7 a.m. In addition, the present 40-cents-or-less night rate on station-to-station calls within the state will start at 7 p.m., instead of 8, and the same reduced rate will be in effect all day Saturday, as well as Sunday and on five major holidays.

The new intra-state schedule also will reflect adoption of the more precise method of computing long distance mileage now used on interstate calls and in other states.

"Technological advances and efficient operation have made possible the long series of long distance rate reductions," Esler said, "and we have been happy to pass along the savings to our customers. In this case, however, the rate cut comes at a time when our overall earnings are declining, and the outlook for the months ahead is for a still sharper decline."

BUY SAVINGS BONDS!

WEIGHS AND MEANS



A few centuries ago, King Charles of England stuck out his arm, measured the distance from his noble nose to his outstretched fingertips and pronounced that a yard! Means of measurement went to all lengths in those days.

The "rule of thumb" was no idle catch-phrase. In those times, an inch was the width of a man's thumb. The weight of things was just as loosely defined. In early England, it was well known that bakers gave short measures to their customers because there was no way of checking weight. Consequently, a law also was passed decreeing that any baker who sold 12 cakes to one person had to add a 13th (the original baker's dozen) to make up for the loss.

Housewives who were determined to bake their own, soon found themselves caught up in an avalanche of ambivalence when they tried to follow a recipe. To make one of Martha Washington's famous cakes, for instance, the First Lady advocated a "fistful of butter," a "nutshell of sugar" plus the proverbial "pinch of salt."

So it went, with one man's inch being another's foot, until the 1900s—when measurements really came to grips with reality. The adoption of basic units of measurement that are standard throughout the United States, plus protection of consumers by frequent checking of scales have made weights and means much easier. Betty Furness' appointment as Special Assistant to the President for Consumer Affairs has further insured that the buyer will be protected — from getting less than the full weight of a box of crackers to getting less than the full value of the car he pays for.

Science and research, too, have played an important part in the quality control of consumer products. Lederle Laboratories, one of the world's leading pharmaceutical houses in the development and manufacture of prescription medicines, believes that quality control is so important they use instruments delicate enough to measure a fingerprint or a period at the end of a sentence.

Because quality control and research requirements are so precise that a mere millionth of an ounce can make a difference and often a critical one — micro-balances are used in a specially designed new laboratory at the drug company's research center. These micro-balances are a necessity in working on the development of any new drug. Since the supply of material is often so scarce, no work is practical without the balances to measure minute amounts for further study.

Such means of measurement are so ultra-sensitive that the tiniest speck of dust can affect them. Therefore, a highly effective laboratory air filtration system removes dust from all incoming air.

Direct sunlight, touching these balances, can also upset them because of the heat of the light. Room temperature, humidity, air movements and even door arrangements are other factors that must be rigidly controlled.

To screen the micro-balances from any movement of air caused by people moving about in the general laboratory area, opening and closing of doors, air conditioning currents, and even the currents and temperature from human breath, each measurement rests in a carefully designed cubic of its own.

The greatest enemy of any instrument so sensitive is vibration. Almost anything can create a disturbing vibration — from a truck rumbling by outside to a heavy object being set down in the building.

Engineers calculated long and carefully to design vibration-proof bases for the Lederle instruments. First, the ground was excavated down to the bedrock, then tons of reinforced concrete were poured. Lead-asbestos shock absorbing pads were placed atop the concrete base and other slabs of concrete went on top of the shock pads. Finally, concrete blocks were used to build up tables holding the balances.

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Junior Soccer Tournament

Sixteen junior soccer teams with more than 200 boys have been chosen to play in the first annual Cleveland Stokers Invitational Soccer Tournament.

The tournament is being organized in cooperation with the Ohio State Soccer Football Association.

The games will be played at Cleveland Stadium beginning April 27 as preliminaries to the Stokers games in the professional North American Soccer League.

Competition will be in two separate age brackets. In the 15 to 18-year-old bracket will be Broadview Heights, Cleveland Magyars, Danube Swabians, Rocky River, Ukrainian Americans, Ukrainian Skala, and Zagreb.

Those same seven clubs will field teams in the 12 to 14-year-old bracket which also includes Bedford and ISDA (Italian Sons and Daughters of America).

Bringing herds to husbands is, thankfully, not a concern of the American bride-to-be — and dowries in general are not customary in this country. But the bride's gift of sterling silver flatware from her parents has been traditional for generations.

According to a recent survey of 900 brides, the engaged girl's parents are the biggest donors of sterling silver flatware, followed by her friends, aunts and uncles, sisters and brothers, and grandparents.

REINDEER DOWRY? IN SIBERIA—DA!



Reindeer can do a lot for a Koryak girl in Siberia when she starts looking for a mate. The most marriageable girl in the tribe is the one who can bring the largest herd to her husband at the time of her wedding!

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Life Expectancy

New York — Average life expectancy at birth of two-thirds the world's people is 30 years, compared to 74 years in advanced countries.

Help Wanted — Female

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