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Slovenska Pristava Opens June 6

The trees have turned green and the days are getting longer and warmer. Summer is drawing near and so is the time for the Slovenska Pristava to come to life again.

Opening day this year will be Sunday, June 6. This will be an extra special day, since this will also mark the opening day for the completely remodeled kitchen.

Again, the Pristava will open on June 6. There will be a Mass at 12:00 Noon. After the Mass a lunch will be available, to be followed by a dance and social, with musical entertainment by our popular Alpine Sextet. You're cordially invited!

Milan Ribic

Update on PECA Tour

by Stane J. Kuhar

Plans are moving ahead for the proposed USA trip and tour July 28 to August 12 by the Mesani Pevski Zbor PECA (Mixed singing chorus group Peca) from the village of Globasnica in the province of Carinthia, Austria.

Three visitors from Globasnica were in the Greater Cleveland area during the weekend of May 7-9 to review plans and expectations with representatives from northeast Ohio, Indianapolis and Pittsburgh.

The three visitors were Bernard Sadovnik, Lojze Gregorič, and Janez Havel. Only Mr. Sadovnik will return this summer with PECA members.

An estimated 55 persons will be part of the tour. Members of PECA will number 38 with an additional 14 members from a dance folklore group plus two additional musicians and one person affiliated with the Austrian radio-TV system to video, document, interview persons and places during the two-week stay in the USA in our respective communities.

The purpose of the three-day visit was to see the proposed places of lodging, performances, and the general facilities and points of interest in northeast Ohio plus meet with other city representatives to have realistic expectations of the stay in the USA.

Points of interest visited were downtown Cleveland, a local hotel in Lake County, parishes of St. Mary's and St. Vitus Saturday Slovenian Language School, Sterle's Slovenian Country House, Slovenian National Home (on St. Clair Avenue), and Slovenska Pristava, a recreational facility in Harpersfield, Ohio.

All three visitors were impressed with the amount of activity and vitality just in northeast Ohio. According to the spokesperson for the group, Mr. Sadovnik, very little good information exists in populated areas where Slovenian minorities live in Europe, such as Carinthia (i.e., Koroška) — about American Slovenian communities.

More impressive, Mr. Sadovnik stated, was the fact for over 10 years our communities have been able to provide so

much volunteer effort to maintain parishes, fraternal, cultural and social organizations and other entities without the financial support of public funding. The situation is just the opposite in Europe whereby the state provides public funding for various institutions and/or organizations.

Mr. Sadovnik was overwhelmed by the amount of private initiatives and projects undertaken by individuals and/or organizations such as the signature gatherings for the past Slovenian plebiscite, collection of funds for flood victims in Slovenia, and the drive for independence and monetary support for the Republic of Slovenia.

A rather startling announcement during some discussion about life in Koroška was the amount of financial support provided by the former Slovenian/Yugoslav Communist Parties to sympathizers of the former regimes in Koroško. Approximately \$40 million shillings (Austrian currency) on an annual basis for many years was funneled to such sympathetic organizations in Koroško while denying the same means to Catholic affiliated groups. The \$40 million translates to an estimated \$200-to-\$400,000 per year in U.S. dollars. This funding, however, has dried up with the beginning changes in government in Slovenia but also hampered efforts by Slovenians in Koroško to have their legal and civil rights respected with ties to the Slovenian Communist Party.

The general meeting on May 8 proved beneficial as responsibilities and financial obligations were addressed. The tour members will be responsible for the overall financing with our respective communities providing assistance through formal and informal concert performances only. A portion of the net proceeds from the concerts will also remain with our respective communities as there are so many needs to be addressed. Mr. Sadovnik concurred on this matter.

After leaving northeast Ohio Mr. Sadovnik met with the Slovenian and Austrian consulates in New York City.

From the meetings in



On the weekend beginning April 24 the American Slovenian Catholic Union (KSKJ) kicked off a round of activities celebrating their 100th anniversary with a bowling tournament held in Cleveland which drew almost 100 teams. At the bowling dance held at the Collinwood Slovenian Home that evening, Madeline and James Debevec, center, presented KSKJ President Eugene Kogovsek with a check in the amount of \$2,500 from The Frances and Jane S. Lausche Foundation for a graduate college student who is a KSKJ member; the recipient will be chosen by the KSKJ. They are surrounded by a large number of national officers who were in town for the festivities including Chief Executive Officer Robert Verbiscer (behind Gene), and National Treasurer Tony Mravle (right). First National Vice President, Joseph Baskovic, is at left and beside him in the background is Regional Director Joseph Hocevar in whose territory the events took place.

Cleveland and New York the following tentative schedule should be completed in June with specific times:

- July 28 — Arrive in Chicago. Drive to Indianapolis.

- July 28 - Aug. 2. Stay and perform in Indianapolis as part of the KSKJ Family Fest V.

- Aug. 2 - Aug. 8 — Leave Indianapolis and arrive in Greater Cleveland. Stay and perform in northeast Ohio. Formal concert on Thursday, Aug. 5 at Slovenian National Home (St. Clair). Informal concert with Korotan on Aug. 7 at Slovenska Pristava. Tentative religious choral performances of Slovenian Marian hymns only at a local Catholic parish with social to follow. Tour of Cleveland by Lolly the Trolley, Rain Forest (Cleveland Zoo), Goodtime III Cruise, and Niagara Falls are planned. General public invited, especially fraternal organization members.

- Aug. 8 — Leave Cleveland. Arrive in Pittsburgh. Formal concert. Stay overnight.

- Aug. 9 — Leave Pittsb., arrive in Washington, D.C. Stay in DC, New York, and Fairfield, Ct. areas through Aug. 12. Possible concerts in

White House, United Nations Building, Austrian/Slovenian embassies or other facilities, and community/church concerts.

- Aug. 12 — Leave New York for Celovec, Austria.

We thank the following persons for this endeavor and partaking in the May 8 Peca Ad Hoc Committee: Paul Barbarich (Indianapolis), Violeta Ruparich (Pittsburgh), Joseph S. Baskovic and Joseph V. Hocevar (KSKJ-Ohio Federation), Cirila Kermavner, Marjanca Vogel, and Rudi Knez (Korotan), Milan Ribic (Slovenska Pristava), Dr. Mate Roesman (Slovenian American Council and long associated with Slovenians in Koroško), and this writer. John Srsen and Paul Lavrisa (Fantje na vasi) and Ivan Cugelj (St. Vitus) were unable to attend due to other commitments. Additional persons will be added to this Ad Hoc Committee.

—Stane J. Kuhar

Baraga Day in Slovenia

On Saturday, June 26, Slovenia will celebrate Baraga Day; the great missionary's birthday (June 29, 1797).

This cultural-tourist event in Slovenia will revive the memory of Bishop Baraga with a series of cultural, entertainment, religious, and other events as well as showing the life and work of the people of Suha Krajina and the Trebnje District. It is hoped this celebration will become a traditional cultural-tourist event for the local Slovenians and for all visitors to the birthplace of Friderik Baraga.

Bishop Baraga was born in Mala vas. The manor house besides the Trebnje-Dobrnjč highway still stands. There is a plaque on the wall showing this is the place where Baraga was born. His room in the upstairs is kept just the way it was when he was born.

With his character, virtues, self-sacrifice, and knowledge, Friderik Baraga was one of the great Slovenian names of the past century. He was not only a religious writer but also a graduate lawyer, ethnologist, linguist, and renowned missionary of simple and generous nature who gave everything he had to others.

Vacation

Because of vacation, there will be no American Home on July 8 and 15.



Jerse also pledged to modernize the Court. "While the rest of City Hall had word processing, work at the Court is still largely done by hand or on typewriter," Jerse said. "Things simply have not been modernized. This next term will end on December 31, 1999 and we need to prepare our Court for the 21st Century. We obviously need to make a change to do that."

Jerse, 35, has been a Euclid resident since 1966. He is a graduate of St. Joseph High School, Georgetown University, and Harvard Law School. He has been with the Cleveland firm of Arter & Hadden since 1983, with his focus on trial and appellate law. He is a member of the Adjunct Faculty at the Case Western Reserve University School of Law, where he is an instructor in Trial Tactics.

Long active in Democratic politics, Jerse was elected Councilman-at-Large in Euclid in 1989 and re-elected in 1991. He previously served on the staff of Congressman Charles A. Vanik and is a long-time assistant to State Representative Ron Suster. He also served on Euclid's Planning & Zoning Commission, to which he was appointed by Mayor David Lynch.

Jerse has written a number of articles for the *Ameriška Domovina*, including one describing his interview with the late Senator Frank Lausche. In 1985, he traveled to Slovenia to visit his grandparents' birthplaces, near Zuzenberk and Meniska vas.

Ed Jerse Seeks Euclid Judgeship

On April 27, two-term Euclid Councilman Ed Jerse announced his candidacy for Euclid Municipal Judge. He plans to wage an aggressive campaign leading up to the November 2 election.

"I firmly believe it is time for a change," said Jerse. He will face incumbent Robert Niccum, who has held the post since 1969 and not had an opponent since 1975.

"I believe a Judge, like other elected officials, must be accountable to the people," Jerse said. "Our current Judge refused to let a citizens task force review his court operations and refuses to appear before Council to answer questions about his budget. His bailiff told the press that the Judge 'doesn't talk to the media.' We cannot let public officials hold themselves above public scrutiny."

Jerse criticized Niccum's court operations. "Most people really don't know what goes on at the Court," he said. "I am very disturbed by repeated reports from professionals that Niccum is unreasonable and dictatorial. In a Bar Association poll, Niccum received only a 26% ap-

proval rating. Euclid deserves better than that."

Jerse pledged strict law enforcement. "People expect rules to be kept," he said. "I know from deep personal experience the consequences when people break those rules, whether through violence or drunk driving. We need to send a very clear message that our laws will be enforced."

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(Ironically, he stayed with relatives in Domzale, which has since become Euclid's "sister city.") Jerse is a Trustee of the Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation and a member of St. Joseph's Lodge, KSKJ.

Jerse is married to Shannon Fogarty Jerse and they have a five-month old son, Teddy. Jerse is the son of Joseph and Mary Jerse of Euclid. He is the brother of Father William Jerse, formerly assistant pastor of St. Vitus Church and currently in residence at St. Mary's (Collinwood). He is also the brother of Joseph Jerse, a lawyer with the Cleveland Law Department, and the late Dr. Mary Ann Jerse-O'Connor.

Grum wins marathon

Milwaukee, WI — Dr. Clement Grum won the 12th Annual running of the "Ice Age 50" Ultramarathon. The 50 mile race was run through Kettle Moraine State Forest, Palmyra, Wisconsin on May 15. He is the 1st ultra marathoner to win this race three years in a row.

Dr. Grum's winning time was 5 hours, 59 minutes. Congratulations on your 1st place finish!

—Ivan Hauptman

Sims brothers also sell Chryslers

If you plan to purchase an American car in Euclid, the Sims brothers now have twice as many cars from which to choose.

Saying this was the perfect opportunity to expand, Tom and Charles Sims have purchased Euclid Chrysler/Plymouth, 20941 Euclid Ave. The brothers also own Sims Buick, which is located a quarter-mile east at 21601 Euclid Avenue.

Nationalities Service Center changes name

The Nationalities Services Center, which has been providing resettlement, immigration, literacy and job find services to refugees and other newcomers to our country for the past 77 years, has changed its name to: International Services Center.

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Death Notices

ALBERT NOVINC

Albert Novinc, 65, died Sunday, May 30 in Lake West Hospital of a heart attack.

Albert was a former resident of Euclid and Richmond Heights; he lived in Mentor for the past three years.

Mr. Novinc was employed as a Tool & Die Maker at General Electric for the past 18 years. He was a member and president of Euclid Pensioners. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Slovene Society Home in Euclid for more than 17 years.

He was a member of SNPJ No. 156, Loyalites, KSKJ Lodge 191, SS Cyril and Methodius and AMLA Lodge No. 61. Albert served in the Coast Guard and Army during WW II.

Albert was the husband of Frances (nee Somrak); the father of Gary, Carol McNeill (Tenn.), and Kathleen Sims (Chesterland). He was the grandfather of six and the brother of Thomas of NC.

Visitation was Wednesday at Zele Funeral Home. Burial is today (Thursday, June 3) in All Souls Cemetery.

FRANCES PEKLAY

Frances Peklay (nee Pecek), 98, a resident of Euclid for 64 years, died in Madison Health Center Inn on Tuesday, June 1st.

Frances was born in Vilka Blocka, Slovenia. She came to the U.S. in 1904.

Frances retired in 1966 after 10 years in domestic service at Lubrizol Co. She was a member of AMLA Lodge 6 and PSWA No. 3.

Frances was the widow of Jacob Peklay and the late Anton Oblak. She was the mother of Frank and Anton Oblak (dec.), William, Stanley, Frances Pluth and Lillian Dombrowski; grandmother of 14; great-grandmother of 23 and sister of Helen Semich and Mary Milavec (both dec.).

Friends may call at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St. Thursday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., where services will be Friday, June 4 at 9:15 a.m. and at Holy Cross Church at 10 a.m.

Burial will be in All Souls Cemetery.

ANTON PUCEL

Anton Pucel, 80, a former resident of Euclid for 25 years, died Tuesday, June 1st at the Garfield Manor in Painesville.

Mr. Pucel was retired from Black & Decker where he was employed as a machinist. He retired in 1974.

Anton was the father of George (Chardon) and Judy Sieracki (Orwell); grandfather of nine and great-grandfather of seven. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary (nee Hribar) and sister Mary Turk.

Friends may call at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St., Thursday, June 3, 2-4 and 7-9., where services will be at 9:45 on Friday and at St. Christine church at 10:30 a.m. Interment All Souls Cemetery.

Contributions to the American Heart Assoc. of Northeast Ohio, 1689 E. 115th St., Cleveland 44106 in his memory, would be appreciated by the family.

ANTONIA STOKAR

Saturday, May 29, Mrs. Antonia Stokar, (roj. Cvelbar), died in Bedford Community Hospital.

Her husband Frank is deceased. She was also preceded in death by sons John and Robert. She is survived by two daughters Mary Pelc and Ann DeSatnik and five sons: Joseph, Frank, Anthony, William and Richard. She is grandmother of 19 and great-grandmother of seven.

Antonia also leaves behind a sister Ann Cecelic. There are other brothers and sisters deceased in Europe. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Antonia was a member of S.Z.Z. No. 42, St. Cecilia No. 37, Dr. Nas Dom No. 5 of the A.M.L.A., the Altar and Rosary Societies of St. Lawrence Parish, and St. Michaela Parish in Independence, Ohio. She was also a member of the Newburgh and Maple Hts. Pensioners Club, and past member of St. Lawrence parish council.

For all her efforts in the past many years, she was elected as the Slovenian Woman of the Year at the E. 80th Slovenian National Home in Newburgh and also as the Slovenian Woman of the Year among all the Federation of Slovenian National Homes.

For many years she owned and operated the Hilltop Tavern on Dille and Broadway Ave.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 1 at 9 a.m. in St. Lawrence Church with interment in Calvary Cemetery, under the direction of the Fortuna Funeral Home, 5316 Fleet Avenue, Cleveland.

RUDOLPH CHAMPA

Rudolph (P.D. Rudy) Champa, formerly of Cleveland, died Sunday, May 23 in Oceanside, California.

He is survived by his wife Elinore (roj. Vacha) and two sons: Rudy and Wayne and two grandchildren.

His father Louis Champa and mother Ann (roj. Musič) and a brother Edward are deceased. He is survived by brother Lou Champa of Maple Hts., and two sisters Anna Dolenc and Josephine Koron. He was uncle and great-uncle.

He was retired from the Hauserman Manufacturing Co.

Interment was in Oceanside, Calif.

EDWARD MATUSZEWSKI

Edward Matuszewski, 48, of Euclid died May 25 in Meridia Euclid Hospital from cancer.

He was born Feb. 16, 1945 in Cleveland and lived there until moving to Euclid one year ago.

He was past president of Cleveland Society of Communicating Arts and a former member of the Board of Directors at the Cleveland Advertising Club, a long time supporter of Cleveland Neighborhoods. He was instrumental in developing a \$2,000,000 endowment fund-raising campaign for historic St. Stephen Church on Cleveland's near-west side.

He was owner and president of Matuszewski's Marketing. Since 1972 he worked either for his own agency or for other area advertising agencies such as the Jayme Organization, Carr-Liggett, and Shick

& Wesley. During the 1970s he taught English at Cleveland Central Catholic High School.

Mr. Matuszewski was also a musician playing drums and guitar in various local bands for over 20 years.

He is survived by his wife Bess (nee Gombach) of Euclid; sons Aaron, Adam, Peter, Jack and Ted, all of Euclid; brothers Casimir of Willoughby, John of Londonderry, New Hampshire, Thomas of Brooklyn, Ohio, Michael of Garfield Heights, sisters Mary Ann Geist of Huron, Ohio and Sr. Kathleen CSFN of Cleveland, and Carol Missler of Wakeman, Ohio. His mother-in-law is Marie Gombach of Lyndhurst, Ohio. Parents John and Catherine Matuszewski are both deceased.

Funeral was Saturday, May 29 at St. Andrew Abbey Chapel, 2900 Martin Luther King Blvd., in Cleveland. Burial in All Souls Cemetery,

Chardon, Ohio.

Zele Funeral Homes, Inc., 452 E. 152 St., was in charge of arrangements.

LOUISE SCHUBERT

Louise Schubert, 78, nee Slak, wife of the late Joseph; sister of Angela Skufca, Florence Cunningham, and the late Tillie Keller. Aunt of many nieces and nephews.

She lived in the E. 55th Street and St. Clair Ave. area before moving to Kirtland 42 years ago.

Services were held Wednesday, June 2 at St. Noel Church. Interment was in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon.

Arrangements were handled by The Dan Cosic Funeral Home in Willoughby Hills.

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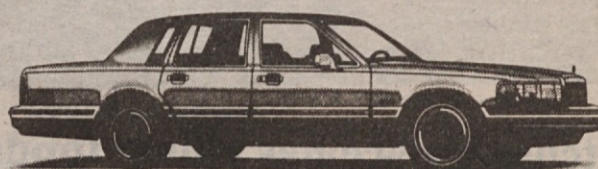
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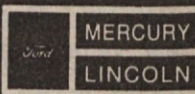


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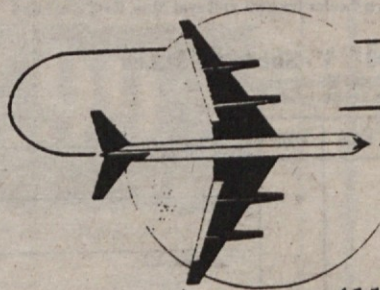
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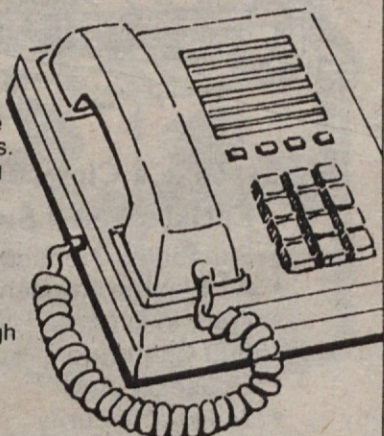
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Canada's Archbishop Ambrozic is main Baraga-days celebrant

from the Baraga Bulletin
Most Rev. Aloysius Ambrozic, Archbishop of Toronto, will be the celebrant and homilist for the Saturday Slovenian Mass at Baraga Days in L'Anse, Michigan on Sept. 4.

Archbishop Ambrozic was born on January 27, 1930, in Gaberje, Slovenia. The second of seven children born to Aloysius and Helen Ambrozic, he attended elementary school in Dobrova and high school in Ljubljana. In May, 1945 the entire family fled to Austria, where they lived in the displaced persons camps at Vetrinje, Peggez and Spittal an der Drau. In these camps he completed high school.

In 1948 the family emigrated to Canada near Toronto. Soon afterwards he entered St. Augustine Seminary. James Cardinal McGuigan ordained him on June 4, 1955. After two years of parish work Fr. Ambrozic's ministry consisted of graduate studies, particularly scripture and especially the New Testament, and teaching at St. Augustine Seminary.

He was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto on May 27, 1976, appointed Coadjutor Archbishop on May 22, 1986 and Archbishop on March 17, 1990.

As Auxiliary Bishop he administered the central region and the ethnic communities. Both in the Toronto archdiocese and on the national level he has been heavily involved in education. He was one of the four Canadian bishops at the 1990 Synod on the Formation of Priests.

Currently Archbishop Ambrozic serves on the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People and the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy.

In 1979 then Bishop Ambrozic spoke at Baraga Days in

Cleveland. At that time he said about Bishop Baraga:

One of his characteristics which has never failed to impress me is his sovereign and calm self-confidence, viz., his social, academic and intellectual, as well as spiritual self-assurance. He is quite free of any kind of ostentation, of any need to impress. He goes to the ordinary people, and he is quite happy among them; he goes into the missions and is perfectly content to live among... the poorest of the poor... Throughout his missionary career in North America his serene sense of purpose holds out and never seems to waver.

The Association extends a warm welcome to Archbishop Ambrozic.

The Association has also learned that Cardinal James Hickey, Archbishop of Washington, DC, plans to be present in L'Anse for the celebration. Bishop Kenneth Povish, Baraga's faithful friend from Lansing, Michigan, will also attend.

First Slovenian entry in Eurovision contest

"Every year I would dream about singing in the Eurovision Song Contest," said Sandra Zupanc. "My dream has come true."

Last Saturday night, in a converted equestrian center in the middle of rural Ireland, Sandra, though only a backing singer, sang her heart out for her newly created country, Slovenia.

The song, "Tih Dezeven Dan" (Quiet Rainy Day) was written by Cole Moretti — who admits that he was inspired to write it by a dream. It contains the lines: "How would the world exist / Without fantasy?" Cole says his song is about being very optimistic in the face of adversity, and before the event he was indeed very optimistic about its chances.

The song picking up just nine points (one from Bosnia-Herzegovina), and coming second from last.

Though Cole, quite the eastern European rock musician with long black curly hair and fancy waistcoat, was visibly disappointed, he claimed that it was an honor enough to be Slovenia's first entry.

Death Notices

JOHN J. SKORICH

Services for John J. Skorich, 78, of Euclid, a former president and part owner of H&M Supply in Cleveland, were Wednesday, May 26 at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 175 E. 200th St., Euclid.

Mr. Skorich died of congestive heart failure Saturday, May 22 at Meridia Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield Heights. Born Dec. 20, 1914 in Cleveland, he lived in Euclid since 1958.

He was a member of Holy Cross Church, Croatian Catholic Union, Croatian Fraternal Union and JCC.

He retired from H&M Supply in 1980 after 50 years of service.

Survivors are his wife, Mildred (Phillips); daughter, Arlene Nicastro (Nick) of Chester Township; sons, John Jr. (Theresa) of Cleveland and James of Eastlake; stepdaughter, Donna Forrest (William); sister, Mary J. of Michigan; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and step-grandchildren.

His wife, Sally (Kovach); and brother, Michael, are deceased.

Friends were received at Golub Funeral Home, 17010 Lake Shore Blvd., Cleveland. The Rev. John P. McNulty and the Rev. Monsignor Leo S. Schumacher officiated at services. Burial in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon Township.

JOHN J. KUHLE

John J. Kuhle, 84, passed away in Wickliffe Country Place on Sunday, May 16th.

John was a Cleveland resident. He was a self-employed meat cutter and ran his own business Kuhle Bros. He retired in the early 70's.

John was the husband of Anna (nee Dolinar) (dec.); father of Gerald, Ronald and Susanne Igler; and grandfather of six. Private services were held.

Memorials to St. Mary Church, 340 N. Main St., Hudson, OH 44236 would be appreciated by the family.

ALVIN J. ZDESAR

Alvin J. (Jimmy) Zdesar, 33, was the beloved son of the late Albin and Dorothea (nee Turchik); brother of Marcia Ginnard, Albin Jr. (A.J.), Allen (Joey), Lisa and Laura Mason; dear uncle of nine.

Family received friends at the Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Avenue. Funeral Friday, April 30 with an 11 a.m. Mass in St. Mary (Collinwood) Church. Interment All Souls Cemetery.

In Memory

Dragica Pust of Cleveland donated \$25.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of (Irena) Ivanka Primožic.

Picnic

The Holmes Avenue Pensioners annual picnic will be held Wednesday, July 14 at the KSKJ Picnic Grounds on White Road (between Bishop and Rockefeller) beginning at 12 noon continuing until 6 p.m. Food, music

Coming Events

Saturday, Sunday, June 5, 6
Arts and Crafts Show at Slovenska Pristava. Saturday from 12 to 6 and Sunday from 1 to 7.

Sunday, June 6

Opening of Slovenska Pristava with noon Mass celebrated by Rev. John Kumse; dinners following Mass, music for dancing to Alpine Sextet in afternoon.

Sunday, June 13

St. Mary's Slovenian School celebrates 40th anniversary with 10 a.m. Mass and Corpus Christi procession at St. Mary church in Collinwood. Then at Slovenska Pristava a delicious dinner from 1 to 3 p.m. and dancing to Alpine Sextet.

Sunday, June 13

Pilgrimage from St. Vitus parish, Cleveland, to Our Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Frank, Ohio. Bus arrives at 7 a.m. at St. Vitus school and returns by 7 p.m. \$10 round trip. Dinners are optional but by reservation only. For tickets call 431-2521 or 361-1444.

Sunday, June 27

Ohio KSKJ Picnic at Slovenska Pristava. Music by Maple Heights Button Box Club. Food and refreshments. Everyone invited.

Wednesday, June 30

Waterloo Pensioners Club Annual Picnic at SNPJ grounds, Heath Rd. Dinner 1 -3 p.m. Dancing to Lenny Andexlers orchestra from 3 -6. Dinner \$8.50 includes gate. Gate only \$3.00. For tickets call Tillie at 486-1505.

Saturday, July 3

Club of Associations Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Annual 4th of July "Jam Session" Annex, 7 p.m. until...?

Wednesday, July 14

The Holmes Avenue Pensioners Annual Picnic at KSKJ Picnic Grounds on White Rd. from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Free admission for all recycled teenagers (Senior Citizens).

Wednesday, July 21

Euclid Pensioners annual summer picnic at SNPJ grounds.

Saturday, July 24

Newburgh Day Picnic at AMLA Recreation Center in Leroy Township, Ohio.

Sunday, July 25

St. Ann Lodge No. 150 KSKJ 80th Anniversary Mass at St. Lawrence Church followed by dinner at Sterle's at 1 p.m.

Sunday, August 15

AMLA Family Day Picnic at AMLA Recreation Center in Leroy Township.

Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 4, 5
Bishop Baraga celebration in L'Anse, Michigan.

Sunday, Sept. 19

St. Vitus Altar Society Annual Dinner.

Sunday, Oct. 3

Friends of Slovenian National Home, St. Clair, Fall Brunch.

Sunday, Oct. 10

AMLA Clambake/Steakbake at AMLA Recreation Center in Leroy Township.

Wednesday, Nov. 24

Club of Associations of Slovenian National Home "Pre-Thanksgiving" Jam Session, S.N.H. Annex, rear entrance — 7 p.m. until ?

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Editor:
My father, John Zech, of Tuscon and I traveled to Slovenija for two weeks last October. We said hello to Gospod (Lojze) Peterle who was on the plane from Zurich to Ljubljana.

Zakrajsek, our family farm, is in Škofče (Bloke) and have lived there since before Columbus discovered the Americas. The Skofče Zakrajšeks still live the old way.

The local priest, Father Brace Zadnik, drove us from the airport to Bloke and to Domžale where we met my and my mother's relatives (family Vozel).

Everyone treated us as long-lost royalty — so much kindness.

Slovenija is truly a beautiful country and I hope to visit again soon.

John Zakrajšek
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Our Trip To The House On The Rock

by Eleanor Pavey

The Slovenian Pensioners Club of Euclid, Ohio had a most enjoyable tour to The House on the Rock at Spring Green, Wisconsin, under the capable leadership of Rose Lewis our Tour Director.

We left Cleveland on Friday, May 21 and returned Sunday, May 23. It was a long 10-hour drive but the scenery was beautiful and the members congenial.

We arrived at our destination, the Chalet Landhaus Motel on Highway 69 New Glarus, Wisconsin 53574 (phone: 608 / 527-5234) — information you may use should you decide to take this trip. That evening we went to the New Glarus Hotel where we enjoyed fine dining and dancing to the music of Roger Bright. His recording orchestra played enjoyable Swiss, Slovenian polkas and waltzes and American music.

The next day we left for a visit to Alex Jordan's renowned masterpiece The House on the Rock in Spring Green about 40 miles from the Chalet Landhaus. Built in the early 1940s, it overlooks the breathtaking view of the Wyoming Valley 450 feet below. The 14-room house, sculpted atop Deer Shelter Rock, is the original structure of what is now an extraordinary complex of rooms, streets, buildings and gardens covering over 200 acres. There is a total of 29 exhibits. The House opens at 9 o'clock and closes at 4:30. The descriptions (in part) are taken from the map each of us received.

Infinity Room is a unique room with walls of glass and projects over the Wyoming Valley 218 feet. A cocktail glass table provides visitors with a breathtaking view of the forest floor 156 feet below. The room juts out over the rock and contains 3,264 windows.

Gate House serves as a lobby or foyer from which we proceeded up a ramp going from one exhibit to the next. The total tour including up one ramp and down another covers a distance of two and one-eighth miles. There are many places to rest for those who wish to take it easy.

Mill House displays antique guns, dolls, mechanical bands, suits of armor, music machines, paperweights and an enormous fireplace.

Streets of Yesterday recreates the 18th century with a sheriff's office, carriage house, woodcarver's shop, grandma's house and more. A whole street of shops and homes and the road is bricked and lighting simulates the old-time gas street lamps.

Heritage of the Sea Building highlights a 200-foot sea creature engaged in a gigantic struggle involving an enormous octopus and a whaling expedition. Over 200 museum-sized model ships are on display.

Music of Yesterday contains the greatest collection in the world of animated music machines and gigantic pipe organs. The Blue Room contains the world's only mechanically operated symphony orchestra. The most popular of all is The Mikado. Its facade has two animated

"Japanese instrumentalists" at its center — one operates an elaborate flute, the other a kettle drum. As the music plays, their bright eyes scan the room, eyebrows raise and mustaches bob up and down.

World's Largest Carousel in history contains over 20,000 lights and 269 handcrafted carousel animals and not one is a horse! It is 35 feet tall, 80 feet wide and weighs 35 tons.

Organ Building features three of the greatest theatre organ consoles ever built. Spiral staircases, 13 bridges and walkways and a 45-foot high perpetual motion clock can be found here.

Doll House Building contains more than 250 doll houses. Furnishings are

perfect in every detail down to the interior lighting.

Circus Building has over one million pieces of miniature circuses. The Circus Band plays in concert with an 80-piece orchestra.

Weapons Exhibit features beautifully cased pistols and one of the more interesting weapons is a derringier concealed in a lady's wooden leg.

Oriental Room collection is highlighted by superbly carved ivories. Also featured are handcarved cork exhibits, enormous porcelain vases and numerous other examples of the fine arts of the Orient.

Armor Collection was made by the curator and staff of the Tower of London. The recreation of Hannibal crossing

the Alps seems to be the most popular diorama.

Crown Jewel Collection features replicas of the Tower of London's Crown Jewels.

Cannon Building displays a cannon of colossal proportions, along with a three-level and two-level fantasy doll merry-go-round with hundreds of bisque dolls, many riding ponies and the world's largest Doll Castle.

We concluded the tour by visiting the Refreshment Gardens, the gift shops, and the village shops.

We then proceeded to the **Creative Center** as part of Tour II. This was a behind the scenes look at how this great attraction came to be and is a tribute to the genius Alex Jor-

dan who made it all possible. Information on The House on the Rock is available by writing Spring Green, WI 53588 or calling (608) 935-3639.

At the conclusion of our tour we returned to New Glarus and our motel to freshen up before another dining, dancing and fun evening at the New Glarus Hotel.

Sunday morning after a hearty breakfast we departed for Cleveland. The suggestion was made by one of the tourists that the same group go on another trip together and that we get the same driver since he was so obliging. He agreed that we could ask for him and said he was ready to go right away since this was such a "wild" group — fun all the way!

St. Mary Slovenian School plans 40th anniversary picnic at Pristava

School's out — Slovenian School that is. That means summer must be here, and with it, the beginning of a great picnic season at Slovenska Pristava.

And so it is that we invite you to spend a fun day dining and dancing at the St. Mary's

Slovenian School 40th anniversary picnic on June 13 at Slovenska Pristava in Geneva (Harpersfield), Ohio.

We invite you all to participate in the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Church in Collinwood where we will celebrate Corpus Christi Sunday. Mass

will include a procession through the neighborhood streets with stops at altars set up outside various homes.

Then on to Pristava where a delicious dinner will be awaiting you, served from 1 to 3 p.m. Of course, the bar will be open to quench your thirst.

The afternoon air will be filled with Slovenian polkas, waltzes, and other favorites played by the Alpine Sextet. And when you aren't dancing, you can try your luck to see

"what the cat's got in the bag" — The Slovenian version of a grab bag raffle.

Refreshments will be available from the bar, kitchen, and grill for any thirst and appetite you can work up.

Last year's visitors had so much fun, they were sorry to see the day end. So mark your calendars for next Sunday, June 13. Come early and spend the day. See you there. —S.S.P.

350 attend St. Vitus class reunion

Some 350 former students of St. Vitus School gathered in the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue in Cleveland to renew their fourth annual class reunion on Sunday, May 16. To begin, Classmate Rev. Victor Cimperman said the benediction.

In true traditional SVA style festivities started with a sumptuous family-style Slovenian dinner. It was served by Julia Zalar, our own Slovenian "Julia Childs," and her assistants. It was truly a banquet fit for a president.

After dinner, SVA president, Dorothy Stanonik, briefly outlined the significance of the reunion this year. The club was celebrating the centennial of the founding of St. Vitus parish. She also remembered all of the former members who passed away during the past year. In addition, she announced the SVA scholarships for 1993, although student selection could not be made until the end of the present school year.

Rev. Frank Godic, another SVA member, gave the thanksgiving.

Then the members were entertained by Ray Gobec on the accordion. Lovely Agnes Koporc and her husband, Al, led in the group singing. First came the class song of Carol Schmuck Traven, class of '26 written to the melody of "God Bless America" made famous by Catholic convert Kate Smith.

Among the Slovenian songs were Gor čez jezero, Tam v dolu rože raste, and Angelsko češčenje. And of course "Let the rest of the World go by" and "School Days" had to be sung to please the crowd.

One novelty this year was that members of the late Father Matija Jager's famous Baraga Glee Club came forward to sing some of these traditional songs. Also the class of '35 and the most active

SVA class of '93 were specially invited groups.

Guests were greeted at each round table with a replica of a church. It was the work of Josie Perpar and created a stir among the visiting guests. Favors beautifully prepared by Albina Pozelnik was a thrilling surprise and evoked pleased comments everywhere.

Staff photographers Tony Grdina and former SVA president Matthias Perpar were very much in evidence.

There followed the socializing and renewing acquaintances. It was a fitting conclusion to another happy SVA general class reunion.

—Joseph Zelle

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West Pa most feared judge now among the missing

by Michael de Courcy Hinds
(The New York Times)
EBENSBURG, Pa. — Judge Joseph F. O'Kicki, once the most feared man in this western Pennsylvania town, has become its most wanted fugitive, last seen having his Visa card repossessed by a bank in Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia.

The judge fled to Slovenia last month from Ebensburg, where he had been a Judge on the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County for 17 years before his conviction in 1989 on charges of demanding bribes and concessions from banks, lawyers and businesses, as well as sexually harassing his two secretaries.

The jury found that Judge O'Kicki had held a campaign fund-raiser to pay off personal debts, demanded what he called loans and commissions from lawyers who appeared in his court as well as payments from employees for promotions. He ordered court officers to chop his firewood, trim his lawns and chauffeur him around.

Two of his secretaries testified that several times the judge had called one or the other into his chambers when he was nude or wearing only yellow bikini underwear. When she refused his sexual advances, one secretary said, he began treating her badly.

Demands Put in Writing

The prosecutor said the judge had become so arrogant that he even put illegal demands in writing. "I think the most bizarre thing he did was to write, on court stationery, to a bank demanding that his auto loan be forgiven or else he would deny them access to the court," said Lawrence N. Claus, the state's chief deputy attorney general. The bank reduced the interest rate on the loan and made other concessions.

Some people here celebrate the judge's downfall as poetic justice, while others poke fun at the jurist on the run. At his tavern near the courthouse, Bernie Tirabassi has a lively trade in "Where's the Judge" T-Shirts. Another bar, Dempsey's Irish Pub, offers "Slovenian Buffet" happy hours.

But experts on rural justice say this is neither a laughing matter nor an isolated case of corrupt judge in the Allegheny Mountains. Of the nation's 5,000 county judges, there are probably hundreds of corrupt ones like Mr. O'Kicki and thousands of others who blatantly abuse their power, said Maurice D. Greiger, a co-founder of the Rural Justice Center, a public interest group in Montpelier Vt.

In many small counties he has studied, he said, few lawyers or residents dare complain to the authorities about a judge, or appeal a judge's decisions, or challenge his re-election. If they do, they risk alienating the judge who might one day rule on their divorces, custody cases or contract disputes.

Judge O'Kicki apparently fled the county to avoid a court hearing on March 8 to determine where he would serve his prison sentence of two to five years and how he would finish paying \$249,000 in fines and restitution. The court had already seized

\$156,000 from him. Judge O'Kicki also faces a second criminal trial that deals with his private investments. The 16 charges range from forging documents to operating a beer distributorship illegally.

Judge O'Kicki was born in nearby Franklin to a very poor family of immigrants from Slovenia. His mother cleaned houses and his father was a stonemason. After his father died and his mother became too ill to work, Joseph became the family's sole wage earner, mining coal after school.

He won a full scholarship to the University of Pittsburgh and, after graduation, served two years in the Navy and enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh Law School. His first marriage, which produced seven daughters, ended in divorce in 1986. He married again and had two sons, and his second wife recently filed for divorce.

Even after his conviction on corruption charges and his suspension from the bench with pay, he ran for re-election in 1991 and lost in a landslide. The judge has always maintained his innocence. "My trial is a classic example of abuse of police power and prosecutorial power," he said after his conviction. "I see conspiracies everywhere." He also said he might be killed in prison by some of the criminals he had sent there. "I have a general fear of going to jail," he said.

Wealthy families as the Vanderbilts and the Carnegies visited Cambria County when it was considered a resort. Mary Todd Lincoln went there to recuperate after her husband's assassination.

The style of the courthouse suited Judge O'Kicki. In June 1988, while a grand jury was investigating 76 charges against him, he had a lavish ceremony to commemorate his swearing in as presiding judge. He wore purple robes and when he entered the magnificent domed courtroom, about 10 trumpeters, standing among the pink marble pillars, played a fanfare.

"It was more like a coronation than a swearing in," said June Fether, a copy editor at the Mountaineer-Herald, a 140-year-old weekly newspaper. In the last month there have been several sightings of Judge O'Kicki in Slovenia, an island of calm amid the blood bath taking place elsewhere in the former Yugoslavia. Slovenia might

not be the place of choice for many fugitives, but Judge O'Kicki apparently went there because his Slovenian ancestry gave him the right to citizenship and a passport. What's more, his two small sons and

his second wife, Sylvia Onusic, are in Slovenia.

Authorities are trying to bring the judge home to prison, but the United States does not yet have an extradition treaty with the newly independent

Slovenia.

On April 16, Mr. O'Kicki telephoned a television station in Johnstown, Pa and said he would stay in exile until a higher court agreed to hear his case.

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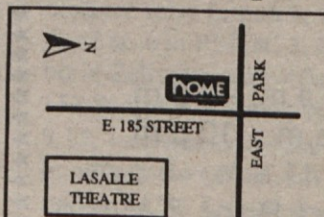
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Slovenia sees peaceful future

The following letter was printed in the Thursday, May 20 edition of the Washington Post.

In "Flirting With Disaster" (op-ed, May 11), David Broder suggests that the Bosnian crisis shouldn't be seen only in terms of the developments in the last two years but rather as "the latest chapter of a tragic history of bloody struggle among Serbs, Croats, Slovenes and Muslims."

I cannot speak for others, but this is simply not true of Slovenians. Throughout history there has never been any armed struggle between Slovenes and Croats or Slovenes and Serbs. Even the 10-day fight between Slovenian territorial defense and the aggressive Yugoslav people's Army in July 1991 cannot qualify as a struggle between Slovenes and Serbs. And the last time Slovenians fought the Muslims was during Turkish raids more than 300 years ago.

Let me add that tens of thousands of Slovenes, victims of Hitler's "ethnic cleansing" (parts of Slovenia were annexed to the Third Reich and a substantial part of the population expelled), were warmly accommodated in thousands of homes in Croatia and Serbia. Also, more than 100,000 Serbs, Croats, Muslims, Albanians and Macedonians live in

Slovenia today with their individual and ethnic rights fully respected.

Everybody has the right to see and interpret the tragedy in Bosnia in his own way and to suggest possible ways to solve the problem. But nobody should misinterpret historical facts and label whole nations as burdened by traditional hatreds and ancient bloody struggles.

Slovenia sees a future of peaceful coexistence among nations in the region once aggression is halted and perpetrators and war criminals are punished, just as other European nationals live in peace only five decades after the continent was enmeshed in the bloodiest struggle in history. After the aggressors were defeated and punished, reconciliation could start. We hope that the same will happen in the Balkans.

Ernest Petric
Ambassador, Republic of Slovenia
Washington, DC

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Sincerely,
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Vprašanje meje s Hrvaško razburja duhove v Sloveniji — Vlada pod kritiko radi »premeškega« stališča

V zadnjih tednih prednjačijo na prvih straneh slovenskih časopisih poročila o spornih odnosih med Slovenijo in Hrvaško, trenutno predvsem zaradi meje (na kopnem in na morju). Zelo je jezilo Slovenijo, ko so Hrvatje meni nič tebi nič začeli graditi mejni prehod v Sečovljah, a na slovenskem ozemlju (slika spodaj). V akciji je seveda slovenska vlada, glavni nosilec aktivnosti je tu zunanji minister Lojze Peterle, zraven je pa še parlament, tu pa v prvi vrsti njegov odbor za mednarodne odnose. Dne 26. maja je odbor po dolgi in polemični razpravi sprejel stališče do odnosov s Hrvaško. Slovenec je stališče, ki je v obliki osmih točk, pretekli četrtek takole posredoval:

»Prvič, odbor znova poudarja temeljno opredelitev Slovenije za enakopravne in prijateljske stike s sosednjimi državami; uspešna in pravična ureditev odprtih vprašanj pa je osnova za poglobitev vsestranskega sodelovanja med Slovenijo in Hrvaško.

Drugič, odbor izraža prepričanje, da je urejanje vprašanj za ugotavljanje državne meje ključno za stike med državama, hkrati opozarja na celovitost problematike ureditve meddržavnih stikov in nalaga slovenski vladi, da v razpravi v državnem zboru predloži tudi načrt in različne scenarije slovenske politike do sosednje Hrvaške.

Tretjič, temeljna ustavna listina o samostojnosti in neodvisnosti Slovenije določa, da so naše državne meje mednarodno priznane državne meje nekdanje SFRJ z Avstrijo, Italijo in Madžarsko v delu, v katerem te države mejijo na Slovenijo, ter meja med Slovenijo in Hrvaško v okviru nekdanje SFRJ. Ob razglasitvi neodvisnosti sta se Slovenija in Hrvaška priznali in hkrati zavezali, da bosta glede razmejitve spoštovali stanje na dan 25. junij 1991.

Četrtič, odbor ugotavlja, da Slovenija v celoti izvaja svoje ustavne in mednarodno prevzete obveznosti glede obravnavanega vprašanja, hkrati pa zaskrbljeno in ogorčen meni, da je mogoče nekatere izjave in dejanja hrvaške strani v zadnjem času, ob siceršnjem zavlačevanju reševanja odprtih vprašanj in nespoštovanju dogovorov, razumeti kot izraze ozemeljskih zahtev do Slovenije.

Petič, odbor spominja na meddržavne pogovore in dogovore najvišjih predstavnikov, da se bodo o vseh spornih vprašanjih vzdrževali javnih izjav in dejanj, ki bi vnaprej pogojevala končno odločitev in s tem onemogočala sporazumno rešitev. Ostro protestira tudi proti gradnji mejnega prehoda v Sečovljah, s čimer želi hrvaška stran očitno vnaprej določiti končen potek državne meje na tem območju.

Šestič, odbor meni, da so najpomembnejše merilo za določitev meje na kopnem občinske meje oziroma meje katastrskih občin; ugotavlja, da se Hrvaška ne strinja z upravičenim predlogom Slovenije o poteku državne meje v Istri, tako po kopnem (južna meja katastrske občine Sečovlje) kot po morju (memorandum Slovenije z dne 5. maja 1993) v skladu s 3. in 5. točko teh stališč. Če bo Hrvaška vztrajala pri sedanjih ozemeljskih zahtevah na kopnem in na morju, naj slovenska vlada na podlagi zgodovinskih dejstev postavi zahteve, ki bodo zagotovile spoštovanje nedotakljivosti našega ozemlja in uresničitev interesov Slovenije.

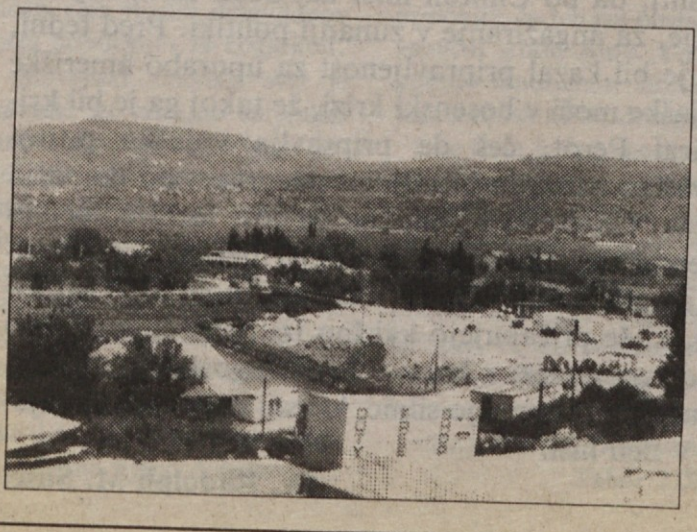
Sedmič, odbor glede Piranskega zaliva vnovič poudarja, da je imela Slovenija v novejši zgodovini nesporno jurisdikcijo nad njim. S Piranskim zalivom je ustrezno upravljala ter skrbela za njegovo varovanje in ohranjanje. Zato zaliv pripada Sloveniji tudi po načelu mednarodnega prava »uti possidetis« (latinsko: v mednarodnem pravu načelo, ki priznava vojskujočim se strankam dano teritorialno stanje ob koncu vojne); glede dostopa na odprto morje pa odbor poudarja, da je Slovenija nesporno imela v vsej zgodovini prost neoviran dostop do odprtega morja, zato je prehod do mednarodnih voda njena izvirna pravica.

Osmič, odbor bo od slovenske vlade zahteval, da v primeru nesprejemljivih enostranskih dejanj hrvaške strani - na osnovi načela recipročnosti - diplomatsko, politično in gospodarsko ukrepa ter zavaruje nacionalne interese Slovenije.

Sredi preteklega tedna je bil v Ljubljani predsednik hrvaške komisije za meje in pooblaščenec predsednika vlade, dr. Davorin Rudolf. Pogovarjal se je z zunanjim ministrom Peterletom, nato sta imela tiskovno konferenco. Soglašala sta o tem, da bo vsak svoji vladi predlagal ustanovitev skupnih organov, katerih končni cilj naj bi bil določitev meje med državama. V pogovoru je Peterle zahteval takojšnjo ustavitev gradnje objekta v Sečovljah. Iz poročila Slovenca 26. maja:

»Minister Peterle je v nadaljevanju potrdil informacijo, da je hrvaška stran v času pogovorov začela ustavljati dela na spornem ozemlju in da delavci pospravljajo gradbišče. Dr. Davorin Rudolf pa je povedal, da te informacije iz Sečovelj še nima, ker ni imel priložnosti za pogovor z vlado v Zagrebu.

Na vprašanje novinarjev, zakaj je Hrvaška začela graditi sporni objekt in zakaj se ni že prej odzvala na proteste slovenske strani, je odgovoril: »Naš edini namen je bil zgraditi objekt, ki bo omogočal prijetnejši pretok ljudi in blaga. To smo želeli izpeljati že pred šestimi meseci, toda tedaj ni bilo denarja. Slovenske note pa smo dobili šele pred nekaj dnevi. Nanje bomo odgovorili, vendar priprava odgovorov zahteva nekaj časa.«



Posnetek kaže gradbišče v Sečovljah, Slovenija, na katerem nameravajo hrvaške oblasti graditi mejni prehod s Slovenijo. Ta objekt, ki stoji, trdi Slovenija, na slovenskem ozemlju, naj bi bil le eden številnih spornih točk v odnosih med državama. Po izjavi zunanjega ministra Lojzeta Peterleta 25. maja, naj bi bila sporna gradnja ustavljena, vendar je to, če drži, lečasna rešitev.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Pričetek sezone na SP—

S to nedeljo bo Slovenska pristava odprta za letošnjo sezono. Sv. maša bo ob 12. uri opoldne, sledilo bo kosilo, nato še ples oz. zabava, za katero bo igral Alpski sekstet. Dalje, že to soboto in nato še v nedeljo bo na SP »Arts & Crafts Show«, na katerem bodo sodelovali razni umetniki in izdelovalci ročnih del. V soboto ste vabljeni med 12. in 6. zv., v nedeljo prav tako. Pridite in se veselite!

Članski sestanek—

Dramatsko društvo Liliya ima članski sestanek v ponedeljek, 7. junija, ob 8h zv., v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue.

Novi grobovi

Emma Grk

Umrla je 57 let stara Emma Grk, rojena Poles, žena Stanleya, mati Emme in Johna, 2-krat stara mati, hčerka Marije Poles, sestra Silve Božič in Mirkota (vsi v Slov.). Pogreb bo v soboto, 5. jun., iz Dan Cosic pogrebnege zavoda, 28890 Chardon Rd., v cerkev sv. Felicite dop. ob 9.30 in od tam na Vernih duš pokopališče. Ure kropljenja bodo jutri, v petek, pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

Anton F. Pucel

Umrli je 80 let stari Anton F. Pucel, vdovec po Mary, roj. Hribar, oče Georgea in Judy Sieracki, 9-krat stari oče, 7-krat prastari oče, brat Mary Turk (že pok.), zaposlen kot strojnik pri Black & Decker do svoje upokojitve 1. 1974. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. jutri, v petek, dop. ob 9.45, v cerkev sv. Kristine ob 10.30, in od tam na Vernih duš pokopališče. Ure kropljenja bodo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9. Družina bo hvaležna za darove v pokojnikov spomin American Heart Association.

Frances Peklay

Dne 1. junija je umrla 98 let stara Frances Peklay, rojena Peček v Velikih Blokah, Slovenija, od koder je prišla v ZDA l. 1904, vdova po Jacobu Peklayu in prvem možu Antonu Oblaku, mati Franka in Antona (pok.) Oblak, Williama, Stanleya, Frances Pluth in Lillian Dombrowski, 14-krat stara mati, 23-krat prastara mati, sestra Helen Semich in Mary Milavec (obe že pok.), članica ADZ št. 6 in PSA št. 3. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. jutri, v petek, dop. ob 9.15, v cerkev sv. Križa ob 10. in od tam na Vernih duš pokopališče. Ure kropljenja bodo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

(Osmrtice tudi na str. 12)

Spominska svečanost—

Tabor ZDSPB vas vabi, da se udeležite spominske svečanosti na Slovenski pristavi, ki bo v soboto in nedeljo, 19. in 20. junija. Sv. maša bo v nedeljo, 20. jun., ob 10.30 dop., govornik po njej bo pa dr. Stanko Kociper iz Argentine. (Gl. str. 10 in 11.)

Skupno sv. obhajilo—

Oltarno društvo sv. Vida ima to nedeljo pri 8. sv. maši skupno sv. obhajilo. Takoj po maši so članice naprošene, da se zbere pred cerkvijo za slikanje. Slika bo namreč za v spominsko knjigo, ki bo izšla ob 100. obletnici župnije. Popoldan ob 1.30 bo pa sestanek v družabni sobi.

Tarok turnir—

V nedeljo, 13. junija, bo na Slovenski pristavi turnir taroka. Začetek bo ob 3h pop. Vsi prijatelji te igre vabljeni.

Žalostna vest—

Dne 15. maja je v Pliberku na Koroškem umrl č.g. Franc Jančar. V Sloveniji zapušča sestro Matildo, v Euclidu sestro Mary Suman, pokojna sta že brat Peter in sestra Amalija Peklar. Zapušča več sorodnikov v Ameriki in Sloveniji.

Opravičilo—

G. Milan Ribič se želi opravičiti, ker ni v opisu o nabiranju prispevkov za prenovu kuhinje na Slovenski pristavi omenil, da je ga. Anica Breznikar sodelovala z go. Žnidaršič pri prireditvah, ki so prinesle lepo vsoto za prenovu pristavske kuhinje.

Prodaja krofov—

Oltarno društvo sv. Vida bo imelo prodajo krofov v soboto, 12. junija, od 8. zj. dalje, v društveni sobi farnega avditorija.

Številni obiski—

V faxu danes zjutraj omenja Jože Prešeren, urednik revij »Rodna gruda« in »Slovenija« pri SIM, med drugim, da se že nahaja v Ljubljani več rojakov in rojakinj iz Clevelanda in okolice. Med drugimi sta tam Florence Unetich in Charles Ipavec, ki se bosta srečala z različnimi osebnostmi, tudi s predsednikom Milanom Kučanom.

Spominski dar—

Sylvia Mocnik, Cleveland, O., je darovala \$25 v podporo našemu listu, v spomin matere Louise Močnik. Hvala lepa!

V tiskovni sklad—

John Zupan, Osoyoos, Britanska Kolumbija, Kanada, je obnovil naročnino in obljubil, da lista ne bo nikoli odpovedal, priložil pa še dar \$30 za tiskovni sklad.

Helen Fonda, Cleveland, O., je podarila \$25 in se zahvalila za zanjo dober časopis. Darovalcema najlepša hvala!

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Zopet o Clintonovi politiki

Katera politika? bi lahko na začetku vprašali. Pretekli teden smo na tem mestu pisali o Clintonovi domači politiki, pri tem pa med drugim povzeli mnenje komentatorjev, da bo Clinton kaj kmalu zamenjal nekatere osebe v svojem štabu v Beli hiši. To je tudi že storil. Imenoval je Davida Gergena za svojega direktorja za komuniciranje z javnostjo. Gergen je bil nekaj let v službi v Beli hiši za — predsednika Reagana. Gergen naj bi bil zunanji, prepričljivi znak, da se Clinton želi zopet premakniti proti politični sredini, kajti je Gergen znan kot zmerni konservativec. Poleg prihoda Gergena, ki bo imel po vsem sodeč veliko večjo vlogo v Beli hiši kakor naznanja njegov uradni naslov, napovedujejo dobro poučeni krogi, da bo Clinton potrdil usmeritev proti sredini še z imenovanjem dokaj sredinskega kandidata za odprto mesto v Vrhovnem sodišču, prav tako naj bi bil pripravljen umakniti imenovanje ženske za vplivno mesto v pravosodnem tajništvu, ki pripada skrajno liberalni struji v demokratični stranki in ki poleg tega zagovarja spremembo večinskega principa v ameriškem sistemu v korist rasnih in drugih manjšin. Že vplivni demokratični senatorji so bili Clintonu dali vedeti, da bi senat po vsej verjetnosti te kandidature ne potrdil. Kot kaže, popušča Clinton še pri svojem ekonomskem programu, kjer naj bi bilo manj novih oz. povišanih davkov, veliko večje pa zmanjševanje ali vsaj omejevanje rasti proračunskih izdatkov. Tudi v zelo sporni iniciativi glede dovolitve služenja v vojski homoseksualcev in lezbijk naj bi bil Clinton na poti h kompromisu, ki ga je predlagal konservativni demokratični sen. Sam Nunn, ki sicer načeljuje vplivnemu odboru za vojaške zadeve in uživa izredno velik ugled med svojimi kolegi. Končno, išče Clinton razne kompromise s strani bolj konservativno usmerjenih kongresnikov glede poglobitvenih točk prihajajočega načrta za temeljito spremembo sistema zdravstvenega zavarovanja v ZD. Ta načrt je Bela hiša želela izročiti javnosti v razpravo že ta mesec, sedaj pa kaže, da bo objavljen šele septembra, če takrat.

Naslednji tedni bodo pokazali, ali bo Clintonu s temi spremembami v svoji politiki uspelo zaustaviti njegov nagel padec v priljubljenosti. Najnovejša anketa javnega mnenja je ta teden pač dokazala, da ga podpira le 37 odstotkov Američanov, kar je najnižja številka za katerega koli predsednika tako zgodaj v novem, predsedniškem mandatu. Poleg navadnih težav, s katerimi se soočuje vsak predsednik, ima Clinton dodatno breme v obliki lanskega pred-

Piknik Slovenske šole pri Mariji Vnebovzeti

CLEVELAND, O. — Slovenska šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti nadaljuje praznovanje svoje 40-letnice obstoja, tokrat s prijetnim piknikom na Slovenski pristavi v nedeljo, 13. junija.

Ta dan je praznik Sv. Rešnjega Telesa in bo procesija pri sv. maši ob 10. dop. pri Mariji Vnebovzeti. Zaradi tega maše na Pristavi ne bo. Lepo ste pa vabljeni, da se udeležite tega lepega slovenskega obreda pri zgoraj omenjeni maši.

Po maši se pripeljite na Slovensko pristavo. Tam bo vas čakalo dobro kosilo in živahna zabava. Kosilo bo servirano od 1. pop. do 3. pop., pripravljeno bo iz servirano iz prenovljene pristavske kuhinje. Žejo bodo gasili pri bari očetje-natakarji.

Celo popoldne bodo igrali za ples naši priljubljeni muzikanti, ki jih poznamo kot Alpski sekstet. Pri tej glasbi je vedno tako lušno, da ko muzikantje zaključijo nastop, bi še vsi radi plesali ali pa poslušali še in še!

Lahko boste na pikniku poiskali še »mačka v žaklju«, in seveda še kaj drugih daril, ako bo vam sreča naklonjena.

Vsem mladim — in vsem pri srcu mladim — se obeta prav lep dan v domačem, slovenskem vzdušju. Pridite vsi!

SSP

Spominska svečanost ob 50-letnici

CLEVELAND, O. - Vsako leto obhajamo spomin na pobite protikomunistične borce. Letos teče že 48. leto.

Spominjamo se vedno še posebej naših slovenskih domobrancev, poklanih v Kočevskem Rogu in Teharjih. Del nas so bili in del nas ostanejo. Borili so se za isto slovensko svobodo in za isto neomadeževano slovensko zastavo, kot smo se borili mi; vedeli so o svoji borbi isto, kot vemo danes mi.

Naše spominske svečanosti pa doslej niso imele svojega pomena samo v počastitvi spomina. Bile so tudi pričevanja in klic slovenskemu Kajnu: *Kje so naši bratje?* Prvih 40 let smo morali poudarjati, da so se te morije v resnici izvršile. Uradna domovina jih je tajila, obiske množičnih grobišč pa prepovedala in preganjala. Razna mednarodna društva za obrambo človekovih pravic se zanje sploh niso menila. Vsa ta tajinstvenost, vsa ta hinavščina je bila pokrita z lažno ofarsko in partizansko propagando o njihovi borbi proti fašizmu, o njihovem upor proti nacizmu. Kot da bi zaradi tega partizani morali zahrbtno moriti zavedne Slovence.

Potreben je bil svetovno propad komunizma, da so se razmere v Sloveniji vsaj malo premaknile.

Sedaj je vsaj za malenkost

drugače. Sedaj uradna Slovenija te pokole vsaj priznava. Teror pozabe je v Sloveniji moral odnehati. Pokolov ni več mogoče tajiti. Že nekaj let se obhajajo spominske svečanosti tudi v Kočevskem Rogu in Teharjih, po načinih bivših komunističnih vodilnih krogov. Tudi bivši begunci se jih smejo udeleževati. Toda partizani ne priznajo, kdo je pobil domobrance.

Toda to so samo žalne, pogrebne svečanosti. Uradna domovina jih v svojo korist dovoljuje, dovoljuje, da somišljeniki in sorodniki domobrancev pomolijo na njihovih grobovih, obenem pa želi, da bi tudi domobransko ime obležalo tam doli v breznu, med »starimi košmi«. To zato, da ne bi domobransko ime še naprej bodljalo v oči, da ne bi trkalo na slovensko uradno vest in še naprej spraševalo slovenskega Kajna. Stara partizanska prevara.

Sedaj vemo, kje so naši padli soborci, ne vemo pa še, kje so njihovi stoteri ali celo tisočeri morilci. Kje so tisti, ki so streljali domobranske ranjence ob Brezarjevem breznu, kje so tisti, ki so pobili nemške vojne ujetnike, ki so potem praznili Brezarjevo brezno, in so bili postreljeni, da se stvar ne bi nikoli izvedla? Množični zločini se niso izvršili sami od sebe.

sedniškega kandidata Ross Perota. V zadnjem času sicer nič kaj stabilen Perot kritizira Clintona na levo in desno, kar nekateri opazovalci politične scene smatrajo za pripravljanje terena za Perotovo predsedniško kandidaturo l. 1996 — morda, menijo nekateri, celo na republikanski listini. Ob teh in še drugih nakopičenih domačih političnih težavah ni misliti, da bo Clinton imel kaj dosti časa, kaj šele volje, za angažiranje v zunanji politiki. Pred tedni, ko je bil kazal pripravljenost za uporabo ameriške vojaške moči v bosenski krizi, že takoj ga je bil kritiziral Perot, češ da pripravlja vojaško pustolovščino zato, da bi odvrnil pozornost od domačih težav. Clintonova politična šibkost torej odločilno preprečuje kakršni koli močnejši njegovi in s tem tudi ameriški navzočnosti v zunanji politiki. Tisti torej, ki še pričakujejo kakšno izstopajočo ameriško vodstvo v zvezi s krizo v bivši Jugoslaviji, ali tudi drugje, ne razumejo silnic, ki vsaj ta čas prevladujejo v Beli hiši.

Dr. Rudolph M. Susel

NAVODILA

za Spominsko proslavo na Slovenski pristavi

Vsem, ki se boste udeležili avtomobilske povorke ob pri- liki spominske proslave Tabora ZDSPB iz Clevelanda na Slovensko pristavo v nedeljo, 20. junija, sporočamo, da bo zbirališče v Gordon parku na E. 72 St. ob jezeru. Povorka bo krenila točno ob deveti uri po že ustaljeni poti in se ji bodo pridružili oni, ki se bodo zbrali na Lakeland Blvd., med Babbit Rd. in E. 260 cesto, ter nato vsi ostali na običajnih mestih, kot vsa dosedanja leta. Ameriške in slovenske zastavice boste dobili na zbirališčih.

Maša, ki jo bo daroval pri spominski kapelici na Orlovem vrhu č.g. France Kosem, ob somaševanju č.g. Jožeta Mejaka, bo ob 10.30 dopoldne.

Vsi, ki imate narodne noše, naprošamo, da jih oblečete in se nam pridružite, da se čim svečaneje oddolžimo spominu onih, ki so darovali svoja življenja za Boga, narod in domovino!

Tabor ZDSPB - Cleveland

Kot domobranci imamo tudi dolžnost, da vprašujemo: Kje so trupla domobranskih častnikov, podpolkovnika Peterlina, majorja Križa in Ilovčarja, ki so se uprli nacizmu pa so jih morilci iz nacističnega taborišča v Dachauu s pretezo pripeljali v Ljubljano in jih tam obsodili na smrt? Zakaj njihova obsodba še ni bila razveljavljena?

To je samo eno tako vprašanje, takih vprašanj slovenskemu Kajnu pa imamo na stotine. Za nas je pa najbolj pomembno vprašanje: Kje je truplo našega zaupnika in našega voditelja, generala Leona Rupnika? On je bil na vrhu edini, ki nas je razumel in se za nas žrtvoval. Razumel je slovensko stisko pred partizani in se izpostavil za nas pred nacisti. Njegova obsodba je bila tudi obsodba nas vseh. V njem smo videli, da opravlja to, kar smo mi želeli in mi hoteli za obrambo slovenskih življenj. Ne bomo odnehali prej, dokler ne bo preklicana njegova obsodba, dokler tudi on ne bo dobil spomenika v Sloveniji. Partizani in nova slovenska vlada priznavajo zločin, nočejo pa priznati, da so Titovi slovenski partizani pobili slovenske domobrance brez vsakega sodnega postopka.

V Berlinu, na Wittenbergplatzu, stoji črna tabla z napisom: »Kraji groze, ki jih nikoli ne smemo pozabiti.« Pod tem stavkom sledijo imena 10 nacističnih uničevalnih taborišč. Take table o partizanskih moriščih v celi Sloveniji ni, samo na našem Orlovem vrhu, na Slovenski pristavi v Ohio, to je zunaj Slovenije, jo imamo.

Nemška država obstoja in preganja nacistične vojne zločine. Majhna Slovenija pa daje potuho partizanskim morilcem in se boji domobranskega imena.

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TABOR ZDSPB V CLEVELANDU

Vas vljudno vabi na Spominsko proslavo na Orlovem vrhu Slovenske pristave

SOBOTA, 19. JUNIJA 1993:

1. — Popoldne sprejemanje gostov
2. — Predvajanje trakov BBC iz Londona - British Betrayal - vračanje slovenskih domobrancev
3. — Od šeste do sedme ure bo na voljo večerja
4. — Krajši večerni program pri Spominski kapelici
5. — Prižiganje kresa in petje domobranskih pesmi

NEDELJA, 20. JUNIJA 1993:

1. — Ob deveti uri zjutraj odhod avtomobilske povorke iz Clevelanda
2. — Ob 10.30 dopoldan slovesna sv. maša, daroval jo bo č.g. župnik France Kosem
3. — Slavnostni govor pisatelja dr. Stanka Kocipra
4. — Po končani komemoraciji bo na voljo kosilo
5. — Srečanje in pogovor z borci, prijatelji in znanci iz Argentine in Kanade

Spomenica Slovenskega ameriškega sveta predsedniku Slovenije in njegov odgovor

EUCLID, O. - Pretekli mesec je bil v Washingtonu, D.C., odprt muzej v spomin žrtvam holokavsta. K slovesnemu odprtju so bili povabljeni predstavniki držav, ki so pretrpele največja nasilja in morije Hitlerja, med njimi tudi predsednik Slovenije g. Milan Kučan. Prisotnost predsednika Slovenije v prestolnici ZDA je uporabil veleposlanik Slovenije, dr. Ernest Petrič, za srečanje predsednika g. Kučana, najprej z rojaki iz Washingtona, nato pa še s predstavniki Slovencev iz Clevelanda. Na večerjo s predsednikom za rojake iz Clevelanda sta bila med drugimi povabljena tudi dr. Mate Roesmann in prof. Vinko Lipovec, člana Slovenskega ameriškega sveta.

Po daljšem razpravljanju je Slovenski ameriški svet na svoji seji 20. aprila sklenil, naj se povabljeni povabilu odzove in predsedniku Slovenije izroči posebno spomenico o stališčih in pogledih Slovenskega ameriškega sveta na razmere v Sloveniji. V soglasju s tem sklepom sta se povabljeni 22. aprila t.l. obenem z drugimi povabljenici iz Clevelanda udeležila večerje s predsednikom Slovenije. Predsedniku sta izročila spomenico in nato v kratkih nagovorih po večerji pred kakimi dvajsetimi gosti tudi ustno navedla glavna stališča Slovenskega ameriškega sveta.

Dr. Mate Roesmann je poudaril, da je Slovenska emigracija že od samega začetka vseh 45 let gojila prepričanja in de-

lala za slovensko svobodo, demokracijo in samostojno slovensko državo, navkljub temu, da zanje dolgo časa ni bilo nobenih izglede in so stvari izgledale brezupne. Bog ji je naklonil milost, da je doživela uresničevanje teh ciljev. Nato je navedel poglobitve točke spomenice.

Prof. Vinko Lipovec je, kot bivši politični jetnik v KZ Dachau, predsedniku Slovenije, ki je bil povabljen v Washington, da se spomni in počasti spomin milijonov žrtev nacističnega holokavsta, dejal, da je prav, da se ob tej priložnosti spomnimo tudi tisočev Slovencev, ki so umrli v Hitlerjevih taboriških smrti Dachau, Mauthausen, Auschwitz, Buchenwald, Belsen in drugih. Prav posebej se naj spomnimo tudi žrtev slovenskega holokavsta, tisočev, ki niso zagrešili nič drugega, kot da so ljubili svobodo in domovino. Dokler to ne bo popolnoma razjasnjeno, dokler ne bo prišla na dan vsa resnica o tem holokavstu, ni mogoče pričakovati notranjega miru in trdnosti države Slovenije.

Predsednik g. Milan Kučan se je s predstavnikom Slovenskega ameriškega sveta dalj časa pogovarjal, pazljivo sledil njunima govoroma in sporočil naslednji dan preko veleposlanništva, da bo na spomenico pismeno odgovoril. Ta odgovor je 17. maja t.l. prišel v Cleveland in ga v naslednjem s spomenico Slovenskega ameriškega sveta vred objavljamo.

Spomenica Slovensko ameriškega sveta

21. april 1993

Spoštovani gospod Milan Kučan

predsednik republike Slovenije

Spoštovani g. predsednik!

Slovenski ameriški svet, ki v velikem ameriškem prostoru povezuje organizacije in ustanove katoliško mislečih ameriških Slovencev in združuje največji del ameriških Slovencev, ki so bili rojeni v Sloveniji in so po zakonu o državljanstvu slovenski državljani, je podpiral in pomagal in še vedno podpira in pomaga vse napore in delo za slovensko svobodo, za samostojno slovensko državo, za demokratizacijo slovenskega političnega in javnega življenja, za preureditev slovenskega gospodarstva v tržno

gospodarstvo na osnovi privatne iniciative in lastnine, za socialno in pravno urejeno slovensko državo, ki naj bi varovala osnovne človečanske in državljanske pravice in svobosčine ob popolni enakopravnosti vseh njenih državljanov brez privilegijev za kogarkoli.

Slovenski ameriški svet je zavzeto in vztrajno spremljal in podpiral boje in delo za dosego gornjih ciljev in to dela še danes. Z delom za mednarodno priznanje samostojne slovenske države je Slovenski ameriški svet začel takoj, že 27. junija, in ne šele po 3. juliju ter nosil najtežje breme tega dela. Vesel je bil nove slovenske ustave, čeprav se ne strinja s sleherni njeno določbo, ker

ustava ni le popravek, ampak je popoln prelom z neposredno preteklostjo.

Spoštovani g. predsednik, ker stoji slovenska domovina na pragu nove dobe, ki terja novega duha, novo miselnost, nova pojmovanja in nove prijeme, zaskrbljeni opazujemo današnje stanje v slovenski domovini. Preveč je še zatopljenosti v neposredno preteklost, preveč je še realsocialistične miselnosti, ki še vedno nagiba dejanja in nehanja slovenskih ljudi v javnem življenju in na javnih službenih mestih. Ni še resnične sprave, ni še poprave težkih krivic, zavlačuje se vračanje krivično odvzetega premoženja, zavlačujejo se postopki priznanja državljanstva

Spominska svečanost

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Po padcu nacizma so si Nemci zopet pridobili nazaj svoj narodni ponos. Slovenski domobranci pa slovenskega ponosa nikoli nismo izgubili. Slovenija si ga mora na novo pridobiti, če želi res obstati na »sončni strani Alp«. Toda, s potuho množičnim morilcem, tega ponosa ne bo dosegla.

Vse to in še več nam bo prihajalo na misel na domobranski spominski proslavi na Slovenski pristavi v dneh 19. in 20. junija, ob petdesetletnici pokola branilcev Turjaka in Grčaric, in ob petdesetletnici ustanovitvi slovenskega domobranstva.

»Bog, Narod, Domovina«

Tabor ZDSPB

v Sloveniji rojenim Slovincem, državni organi na vseh stopnjah so še vedno pristranski, ko bi vendar po črki in duhu ustave že morali postati nepristranski in uveljavljati enakopravnost vseh državljanov. Zaradi zdravega gospodarskega razvoja Slovenije smo silno zaskrbljeni zaradi kraje in nezakonitega lastninenja premoženja, ki še nima pravega lastnika.

Spoštovani g. predsednik, prepričani smo, da Slovenija ne more v boljšo bodočnost, »v čisto in jasno ozračje prihodnosti«, brez resničnega in popolnega preloma z nasilnim in brezpravnim sistemom preteklih desetletij, katerega ostanke in usedline so še danes navzoči v slovenskem javnem življenju, in ne brez sprave v državljanski vojni razprtih strank, temelječe na resnici in

pravičnosti, ter odprave krivičnih posledic revolucije.

Spoštovani g. predsednik, vemo, da urad predsednika republike ni pristojen za reševanje vse te problematike. Vemo pa tudi, da gre s predsedniškim uradom tudi velik ugled in veljava. Naša želja je, da boste zvesti svoji obljubi ob izvolitvi, da boste nadstrankarski predsednik, delovali za blaginjo Slovenije in boljšo bodočnost naroda v duhu ustave, demokratičnosti in nepristranosti ter zahtev bodočnosti.

Spoštovani g. predsednik, želimo vam obilo zdravja ob težkih nalogah in prosimo božjo Previdnost, da bi vodila vašo roko na krmilu države.

Za Slovenski ameriški svet:

Mate Roesmann

predsednik

Vinko Lipovec

podpredsednik

Kučanov odgovor Slovensko ameriškega sveta

Ljubljana, 12. maj 1993

Slovensko ameriškega sveta
Spoštovani gospodje.

Na zelo prijaznem in po moji sodbi tudi uspešnem in koristnem srečanju s predstavniki ameriških Slovencev iz Clevelanda, ki ga je ob mojem obisku v Washingtonu ljubeznivo pripravil naš ambasador gospod dr. Ernest Petrič, sta mi gospod dr. Mate Roesmann, predsednik in prof. Vinko Lipovec, podpredsednik Slovenskega ameriškega sveta izročila kratko spomenico. Štejem to

spomenico, ki govori predvsem o skrbi v Slovensko ameriškega sveta povezanih organizacij in ustanov katoliško mislečih ameriških Slovencev za dokument, ki je izredne važnosti za našo skupno slovensko bodočnost in za prihodnje sodelovanje Slovenij po svetu s svojo domovino in matično državo slovenskega naroda. Ta nam je dana vsem, izročena nam je v upravljanje z izidom demokratičnih volitev v Sloveniji in odprta do vseh, ki

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Izredni in pooblaščen veleposlanik Združenih držav Amerike v Republiki Sloveniji Allan Wendt je 26. maja v predsedniški palači v Ljubljani predsedniku Republike Slovenije Milanu Kučanu izročil poverljivo pismo. Wendt je kopijo tega pisma oddal tudi na ministrstvu za zunanje zadeve. ZDA so Slovenijo priznale 7. aprila 1992, sporazum o navezavi diplomatskih stikov pa je bil sklenjen 11. avgusta 1992. Wendt je bil že lani imenovan predsednik Bush, novi predsednik Bill Clinton pa je Wendtovo imenovanje tudi podprl. Allan Wendt je pač poklicni diplomat, ki je že imel več pomembnih funkcij v svoji karieri.

Kučanov odgovor Slov. ameriškem svetu

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se kot njeni državljani ali Slovenci čutijo odgovorne zanj, za njeno prihodnost in prosperiteto ter za blaginjo njenih ljudi. Vašo spomenico berem kot izraz takšne Vaše skrbi, odgovornosti, zavzetosti in prizadetosti.

Dobro mi je poznano zavze-manje, delo in podpora Slovensko ameriškega sveta ter tudi drugih združenj, skupin in posameznikov med ameriškimi Slovenci, v ameriški javnosti in pred ameriškimi oblastmi. Ta velika in odgovorna naloga, ki jo je zgodovina naložila sedanjim rodovom Slovencev, nas je trdo preizkusila in povezala ter utrdila občutek skupne odgovornosti. Slovenska država, ljudje pri nas doma visoko cenijo to Vaše delo, sta ste ga opravili takrat, ko je bilo najtežje in ko je imelo največji učinek. Ta Vaš patriotski prispevek tudi sam zelo spoštujem in cenim.

Razumem zato toliko bolj Vašo skrb zaradi razmer, s katerimi smo zdaj soočeni v domovini. Zdi se na trenutke, da upravljanje z državo ni nič lažja naloga od tiste, s katero smo si jo priborili in dosegli njeno mednarodno priznanje. Zdaj, ko imamo svojo državo, je nadvse pomembno, kakšna bo vsebina življenja v tej naši državi, prvi v naši novejši zgodovini, kakšno dušo ji bomo zmogli in znali vdihniti, da bi bili v njej zagotovljeni, kot pravite, »slovenska svoboda, samostojna slovenska država, demokratizacija slovenskega političnega in javnega življenja, preureditev slovenskega gospodarstva v tržno gospodarstvo na osnovi privatne iniciative in lastnine, socialno in pravno urejena slovenska država, ki naj bi varovala osnovne človečanske in državljanske pravice in svoboščine ob popolni enakopravnosti vseh njenih državljanov brez privilegi-

jev za kogarkoli«.

To je delo in naloga vseh nas, ki se nam je v teh nekaj letih strahovito zgostila vsa naša nacionalna zgodovina. Zavedam se te težje te naloge. Tudi sam nisem povsem zadovoljen s tem, kar smo dosegli, a vem, da je to žal zelo zahteven in trd, a hkrati nujen proces, ki zahteva svoj čas. Bolje od mene poznate izkušnje desetletij in desetletij utrjevanja in razvijanja ameriške demokracije ter uveljavljanja državljskih in človekovih pravic za vse ljudi brez razlik. Verjamem, da bomo to zmogli in da bo to dosežek nas vseh — Slovencev doma in Slovencev po svetu. Dobrodošla je Vaša pomoč in podpora pri tem.

Zaradi naše nesrečne preteklosti je nujen pogoj, na katerem mora temeljiti naša bolj prijazna prihodnost, njeno objektivno, z merili zgodovinske stroke merjeno vrednotenje in naša sprava z njo in sprava med nami. Kolikor je že bilo težko in je marsikaj težko razumeti in še težje opustiti, je vendarle pomembnejša naša odgovornost za današnje življenje Slovencev in za prihodnost slovenskega naroda. Verjamem, da je to dovolj velik motiv in napotilo za spravo med nami. V to sem trdno in iskreno verjel tudi kot sem si zapisoval besede za pravno slovesnost na Rogu, zdaj že daljnega 1991. leta. Smem biti po vsem, kar se je zgodilo od takrat, pesimist? Ne, vem, da se sprave ne da zapovedati, dozoreti mora v vsakem od nas, kar zahteva veliko strpnosti, spoštovanja različnosti vsakršnih prepričanj in pripadnosti.

Zavedam se, da besede niso dovolj. Potrebna so dejanja, na obeh nekdanjih ostro sprtih straneh, katerih dediči smo. Slovenska država je že in bo v prihodnje pripravljena storiti še več za odpravo krivic na temelju spoštovanja zakonitosti, pa hkrati tako, da s tem ne bo povzročala novih krivic. Trdna bo ta država le, če jo

bodo po prijaznosti kot svojo prepoznavali vsi naši državljani in rojaki po svetu.

Vsa ključna dejanja nove slovenske države pričajo o njeni trdni nameri, ustvariti družbeno razmerja, ki bodo drugačna od prejšnjih. To je tudi razumljivo, saj so nosilke sprememb demokratične sile našega naroda, ki so se kljub dostikrat neprijaznim razmeram rojevale in razvijale v preteklih desetletjih naše zgodovine, globoko v osrčju sistema, kakršen je nastal po grozotah druge svetovne vojne in v nasilnih poskusih, podrediti družbeni razvoj utopičnim socialnim teorijam.

Slovenska demokratična država je zrel sad dolgotrajnega in dostikrat tvegane demokratizacijskega procesa in zorenja nacionalnega ponosa. Vsi se zavedamo, da prelom s preteklostjo terja tudi prelom z vsakršno politično in duhovno izključljivostjo, z ideološko prevlado, s katero je zaznamovana vsa slovenska politična zgodovina. Ta zavest terja od nas strpnost in potrpežljivost; nenatančno ocenjevanje preteklega, nastalega in nastajajočega bi nam otežilo življenje v racionalni vzajemnosti. Naša zgodovina je obremenjujoča, a je naša. Druge nimamo. Vzeti jo moramo takšno, kot je. Iz nje ni mogoče izluščiti in posvojiti samo tisto, kar je prijazno. Težnja po strpnem usklajevanju interesov je očitna tudi iz pogledov, zapisanih v Vaši spomenici, iz česar sklepam in pričakujem, da bo tudi z Vašo pomočjo prišlo do prijazne povezanosti vseh ameriških Slovencev, ne glede na njihovo politično in duhovno različnost. Čas je tak in razmere, v katerih živimo Slovenci vsepovsod, to od nas zahtevajo. Verjamem, da smo za to vendar dozoreli.

Tak je bil tudi duh srečanja v Washingtonu. Z veseljem se spominjam prijaznega vzdušja in Vas vse, posebej gospoda predsednika dr. Roesmanna in podpredsednika prof. Lipovca, lepo pozdravljam.

S spoštovanjem

Milan Kučan

Slovenski ameriški svet odgovor predsednika države Slovenije sprejel z zadovoljstvom

Slovenski ameriški svet je odgovor predsednika Slovenije g. Milana Kučana na svojo Spomenico, predano mu 22. aprila t.l., sprejel z zadovoljstvom, ker je ta v njem:

1. to spomenico označil za dokument »izrednega pomena za našo skupno slovensko bodočnost in za prihodnje sodelovanje Slovencev po svetu s svojo domovino in matično državo slovenskega naroda«,
2. ker je zapisal, da »ljudje doma visoko cenijo Vaše delo, ki ste ga opravili takrat, ko je bilo najtežje in ko je imelo največji učinek«,
3. ker razume našo »skrb zaradi razmer v domovini«, se zaveda pomembnosti, »kakšno dušo bomo mogli in znali vdihniti« slovenski državi, da bodo v njej zagotovljene človekove pravice in vse drugo,

kar navaja Spomenica, in ugotovi, da »je to delo in naloga vseh nas«,

4. ker priznava, da je »zaradi naše nesrečne preteklosti nujen pogoj, na katerem more temeljiti naša bolj priznana prihodnost, njeno objektivno vrednotenje in naša sprava z njo in sprava med nami«, ter
5. ker ugotavlja, »da besede niso dovolj, da so potrebna dejanja«.

Slovenski ameriški svet sodi, da »objektivno vrednotenje naše nesrečne preteklosti« res lahko prepustimo zgodovinarjem in to onim prihodnjega rodu, ki ne bodo obremenjeni s komunistično miselnostjo, moramo pa brez odlašanja ugotoviti objektivno polno resnico o nasiljih in pomorih med vojno in revolucijo ter

34. Slovenski dan v Kanadi

Dr. Ludvik Toplak govornik

TORONTO, Ont. — Slovensko-kanadski svet je povabil kot glavnega govornika na 34. Slovenskem dnevu, ki bo 27. junija na cerkvenem letovišču pri Boltonu, univerzitetnega profesorja **dr. Ludvika Toplaka**. Dr. Toplak je istočasno podpredsednik Slovenske ljudske stranke (SLS) v Sloveniji.

Dr. Toplak se je rodil 3. julija 1942 v Mozirjih pri Ptuj. Gimnazijo je obiskoval v Mariboru. Pravne vede je začel študirati v Mariboru in jih je dokončal v Ljubljani. Svoje študije je dopolnjeval na več svetovnih univerzah vključevši New York univerzo.

Na ljubljanski Univerzi poučuje naravno pravo, gospodarske vede, mednarodno gospodarsko zakonodajo, in zakonodajo, ki se nanaša na poljedelstvo.

V Torontu se bo mudil več dni. Poleg glavnega govora bo na Slovenskem dnevu, v nedeljo, 27. junija 1993, na cerkvenem letovišču pri Boltonu, bo dr. Toplak govoril tudi v Slovenskem domu, 864 Pape Avenue v Torontu, v petek, 25. junija, ob 8. uri zvečer. Na ta širši sestanek so vabljeni vsi Slovenci, ki bi radi srečali dr. Toplaka.

V ponedeljek, 28. junija 1993, zvečer se bo dr. Toplak sestel s predstavniki Slovensko-kanadske gospodarske zbornice.

Pokažimo z našim obiskom dr. Toplaku, da smo živo zainteresirani na slovenskih problemih.

Peter Klopčič

Novi grobovi

Antonia Stokar

Dne 29. maja je v Bedford Community bolnici umrla Antonia Stokar, rojena Cvelbar, vdova po Josephu, mati Mary Pelc, Ann DeSatnik, Josepha, Franka, Anthonyja, Williama, Richarda ter že pok. Johna in Roberta, 19-krat stara mati, 7-krat prastara mati, sestra Ann Cecelic, več let lastovala in vodila Hilltop Tavern na Dille in Broadway Ave., izredno aktivna na društvenem polju, članica ADZ št. 50, SZŽ št. 42, Oltarnega društva pri Sv. Lovrencu in pri sv. Mihaelu, Klub upokojencev v Nevburgu-Maple Hts., pred leti izbrana za ženo leta od Federacije slovenskih narodnih domov in za ženo leta SND na E. 80. cesti v Nevburgu. Pogreb je bil 1. junija v oskrbi Fortunovega zavoda na 5316 Fleet Ave. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Lovrenca in pokopom na Kalvarije pokopališču.

Louise Schubert

Umrla je 78 let stara Louise Schubert s Kirtlanda, O., kjer je živela zadnjih 42 let, prej pa v okolici St. Clair Ave. in E. 55 St., rojena Slak, vdova po Josephu, sestra Angele Skufca, Florence Cunningham in že pok. Tillie Keller, teta. Pogreb je bil 2. junija v oskrbi Dan Cosic pogrebnega zavoda na Willoughby Hillsu s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Noela in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Albert J. Novinc

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Pojedel je že skoraj pol klobase, ko je zagledal debelušastega moža, ki je stal med vrati v kuhinjo in ga opazoval. Od kod ga le poznam, je pomislil Lojze in takoj vedel, da ga je on že spoznal.

»Lojze, ali ne?« je vprašal možki in počasi, lahkotno začel stopati proti mizi. »Lojze, Kocjanov hlapec. Od kod si se pa vzel?« se z dlanmi naslonil na mizo in se razsežno sklonil nad njega.

Lojze je pogledal v njegov obraz in se začudil:

»Matevž?« je vprašal. »Pa si res Matevž!«

»Seveda sem,« se je zasmel Matevž in nekako prezirljivo pogledal Lojzeta v obraz. »In tudi za hlapca nisem več. Sedaj sem tudi jaz gospodar. Tole gostilno imam čez,« je hitro in s ponosom razložil, kakor da se mu mudi dokazati, koliko je v teh letih napredoval.

»Pa ni tvoja?« je vprašal Lojze in vgriznil v klobaso, da bi prekril neprijeten občutek nejevolje ob pogledu na Matevža.

»Moja res ni, je pa ljudska, državna. Jaz sem pa gospodar.«

»No, potem si pa že,« je rekel Lojze in se navidezno zadržal v opravilo pred sabo, da bi preprečil nadaljne besede.

»Kaj pa ti delaš tukaj? Ali nisi v domu za ostarele?« ga je vprašal Matevž in kar naprej slonel na mizi.

»Smrt sem prišel oznanit,« je povedal Lojze.

»Smrt? Kdo je pa umrl?«

»Minkica je včeraj umrla. Hčerki sem šel povedat,« je razložil.

»No, če pa smrt oznanjaš, moraš pa spiti kozarček žganja. Polda, prinesi kozarec za Lojzeta,« je zaklical Matevž proti vratom in se debelo zasmejal.

»Ne! Ne bom pil,« je hitro odklonil Lojze.

»Seveda boš. Ti si ga vedno rad pil. Ob taki priliki pa še posebej.«

»Saj imam že pivo,« se je hotel izgovoriti Lojze in dvignil svoj kozarec piva.

»Kaj boš pivo! Za tako pot je primerno žganje. Daj, nagni ga,« je ponudil Matevž potem, ko je natararica prinesla kozarec in pomenljivo pogledala svojega gospodarja. »Spodobi se,« je še pristavil, kakor da mu je res mar, kaj se spodobi.

»Raje ne,« je rekel Lojze z zadnjimi močmi.

»Kaj ne boš, da bodo ljudje rekli, da ne vem kaj je prav. Če smrt oznanjaš moraš dobiti kozarček.«

Samo da ni bil kozarček temveč kozarec, poln do roba. Lojze še sam ni vedel, kdaj ga je sprejel med prste. Nerodno ga je držal pred sabo in žvečil grizljaj kruha, ki se kar ni hotel zmehčati.

»No, daj, spij ga, da boš lažje jedel,« je dobrovoljno silil Matevž.

Lojze je dvignil kozarec in pozabil, da ni mislil piti.

»No, vidiš, kako lahko to gre. Polda!« je zavpil novi gostilničar. »Še enega prinesi in še meni ga nalij!«

»Za mene ne več,« je v obupu rekel Lojze.

»Za mene in za tebe. Da bova skupaj spomine obujala,« je rekel Matevž in se vsedel na drugo stran mize.

Matevž je bil dve leti hlapec pri gospodarju. Prišel je poleti enainštiridesetega in ostal do spomladi drugega leta. Bil je skoraj trideset let mlajši od Lojzeta, len za težko delo in nepripraven za kmečka opravila. Sonce in mraz sta ga enako utrujala. Na Lojzeta je gledal z nekim pomilovanjem in prezirljivostjo in ga ob prilikah klical za večnega hlapca. Potem je nekega dne brez besede izginil. Pozneje so ljudje govorili, da je odšel v partizane.

Kot da je hotel potrditi govorice, se je še tisto leto pojavil v skupinah, ki so prihajale v vasi rekvirirati hrano. Proti koncu leta je že nošil puško. Oblečen je bil v uniformi neznanega kroja in v zimskih mesecih vodil majhno četo, ki je izsiljevala svoje privilegije med prebivalstvom.

Drugo leto je za nekaj časa odšel iz teh krajev in se nato vrnil z večjo samozavestnostjo in krutostjo. Njegova skupina je požgala Ivančkov domaćijo, ugrabila gospodarjevega mlajšega sina in skozi vse naslednje leto ustrahovala prebivalce vasi in naselja okoli Zlatega polja, dokler ni bila v Lukovici ustanovljena domobranska postojanka.

Le kako, da je tako malo slišal o bojih, ki naj bi jih imela Matevževa skupina z Nemci, je pomislil Lojze. Med ljudmi sta postala najbolj znana dva podviga te četice. Prvi, ko je oropala nemško patrolo uniform in orožja na stranski ce-

sti pred Moravčam, in drugi, ko je nastavila bombo na železniško progo med Kamnikom in Domžalami, ki pa ni eksplodirala.

»No, zvrni ga,« je silil Matevž, ko je natararica prinesla pijačo.

Lojze je vzel svoj kozarec piva in s ponarejeno radovednostjo pogledal po prostoru.

»Pa ti kaj nese, tale gostilna?« je vprašal, da bi Matevža odvrnil od pijače in namere, ki se mu je tako jasno odražala v nasmehu in drobnih, kakor prašču zalitih očeh. Čutil je, kako se mu je žganje z vso močjo razlilo po telesu, v roke in prste, v možgane in prsa. Prostor in pohištvo so v njegovih očeh dobili ostre, krhke oblike resničnosti. Robovi miz in stolov so se odtrgali od sten z nenavadno močjo prisotnosti. Njegova glava je postala lahka in kot ločena od telesa. V ušesih je čutil neprekinjen šum valov. Postajam pijan, je pomislil.

»O, nese, nese. Zdajle popoldne bodo pričeli prihajati. Zvečer moram imeti kar dve natararici,« je zadovoljno razlagal Matevž in spet pogledal Lojzeta s tistimi zvedavimi in vednimi očmi, ki so se že v naprej veselile nastavljenih mrež. Pol skrite pod krinko gostoljubja so iskale znake slabosti v Lojzetovem obrazu.

»No, jaz bom moral iti,« si je Lojze obrisal usta, porinil krožnik in pribor od sebe in poskusil vstati.

»Le kam boš sedaj šel! Saj se ti nikamor ne mudi. Pa še spil nisi,« je Matevž porinil poln kozarec prav do njegove roke.

»Še dolgo pot imam pred sabo,« se je skušal izgovoriti Lojze.

»Kam pa?« je vprašal njegov gostitelj. »Ali greš h Kocjanu?« je rekel z malomarnim glasom, kakor da ni vprašal temveč samo ugotovil, kar je samo po sebi umevno. Vendar so ga zopet izdale oči. Neprevidno so mu namreč ušle proti oknu, kjer sta sedela dva gosta in z zanimanjem opazovala dogajanja pri tej mizi.

»Slišal sem, da je doma.«

»Seveda je doma. Izpustili so ga, čeprav bi moral sedeti še tri leta. Pomilostili so ga. No, pa ga dajva še na njegovo zdravje,« je vzdignil svoj kozarec in ga hitro izpil.

»Na gospodarjevo zdravje,« je rekel Lojze in poskusil žganje, ki je dišalo po brinju in slivah. Potem je spil do konca.

»Naj ga vrag vzame,« je rekel Matevž. »Po mojem bi moral sedeti do konca, če ne zaradi sebe pa zaradi otrok, ki jih je tako vzgojil. Ampak mi smo dosledni,« se je napihnil z novo besedo, ki jo je rabil nepravilno. »Daj,« je spet porinil poln kozarec pred Lojzeta, »pij na zdravje belčka!«

»Bil je dober gospodar,« je v nenadni jezi, kakor da mu je nekdo oklevetal lastno družino, zagotovil Lojze. »Dober!«

»In ti ga še vedno kličeš za gospodarja,« je rekel Matevž izzivalno.

»Saj tudi je.«

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Pretekli teden smo objavili članek, v katerem je bil pojašnjen nastanek tega društva v Sloveniji. Dr. Jože Bernik nam je poslal dodatno informacijo, ki bo zanimala predvsem tiste, ki bodo v naslednjih mesecih na obisku v Sloveniji. Redni občni zbor SVS bo v soboto, 26. junija 1993, ob 10. uri v škofovih Zavodih v Št. Vidu. Iz »Informacijskega lista SVS« posredujemo sledeče:

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»Ni ne! Ne moj in ne tvoj.«

»Vse moje življenje-« je hitro odgovoril Lojze in prenehal, ker je v ustih začutil odpor in vedel, da se mu zapleta jezik. »Bil je dober gospodar, več kot gospodar-« se je prizadeval, da bi našel pravo besedo.

»In ti si bil vse življenje hlapec. Nič drugega kakor hlapec.«

»To ni nič takega, nič slabe- ga,« se je pričel izgovarjati Lojze.

»Hlapec Jernej. Hlapec si bil in hlapec boš ostal,« je začel kričati Matevž, kot da je komaj čakal na to priliko.

»Plačal bom,« se je vzdignil Lojze in takoj omahnil nazaj na stol.

»Še stati ne moreš. Nikdar še nisi znal stati na lastnih nogah, še sedaj ne, ko nisi več za hlapca,« je nadaljeval Matevž in se začel smejati s suhim, bobnečim glasom.

»Koliko?« je Lojze začel vleči denarnico iz žepa. Temu ne bo dolžan.

»Saj se ti ne mudi. Spij še enega,« je Matevž spet porinil kozarec pred njega. Lojze se ni mogel spomniti, kdaj je prišla natararica. Potem je v Matevževih rokah zagledal steklenico.

»Saj nimam dovolj, nimam dovolj za vse,« je nerodno razlagal Lojze in vlekel denar iz denarice.

»Vidiš, nič nimaš. Jaz pa imam kolikor hočem. Zato ker nisem hlapec.«

»Pa si, si bil!« je v izzivalni trmi rekel Lojze. Izvlekel je ves svoj denar in ga položil na mizo.

»Zato ker sem moral delati,« je spet zakričal Matevž in pogledal po sobi. »Pridi sem, Janez, pa poglej pravega hlapca,« je zavpil proti oknu.

»Pravega hlapca, a? Hlapca Jerneja?« se je zasmejal eden od gostov in s komolcem dregnil svojega soseda.

»Pravega reveža, hlapca, ki še vedno ne ve, da danes ni več gospodov in gospodarjev. Po-

glej ga, reveža pijanega,« se je krohotal Matevž. »Zmeraj se ga je rad napil, vsaj enkrat ali dvakrat na leto. Ali smo imeli špas!«

Lojze se je vzdignil, stopil korak od mize in se opotekel. Zakrilil je okrog sebe, našel rob mize in se ga oprijel kakor človek, ki se potaplja. Ves prostor se je v počasnem valu zazibal okrog njega. Nekje ob strani, izven območja njegovega pogleda, se je sukal vrtnec in je pretel, da ga potegne k sebi in pogoltne. Previdno, namerno je obrnil glavo od previda.

»Moram,« je rekel, »moram iti.«

»Pojdi! Le pojdi, hlapec Jernej! Pa se udinaj kakor si se udinjal vse življenje!« je zakričal za njim Matevž.

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begunske odisejade. Vse je bilo neznano pred nami in nihče ni vedel, kako, kaj in kam. V begunskem taborišču Treviso, kjer sem bil od župnika Alojzija Košmerla izbran za kaplana, istočasno kot rajni Lado Lenček, v pomoč pri dušnem pastirstvu slovenskih protikomunističnih beguncev, je rajni prelat dr. Alojzij Odar, naš profesor cerkvenega prava na ljubljanski teološki fakulteti, poklical k sebi rajnega g. Janeza Dolšina in mene. Naročil nama je oditi na Koroško v taborišče rojakov in pripeljati v Italijo vrsto študen-

tov, ki so kasneje nadaljevali svoje študije v begunstvu.

Ponoči smo šli skozi tirolske vasi v tišini in previdno. Le molitev rožnega venca, ki smo jo slišali skozi odprta okna domačinov skoraj pri vsaki hiši nam je bila v tolažbo in oporo. Med nekako 12 študenti sta bila tudi Vladimir Kos in Franc Turk, danes oba duhovnika v različnih koncih sveta.

O. Kos je bil poslan od rajnega škofa dr. Gregorija Rožmana študirat v Rim, kjer je v Germaniku živel in na Gregorijanski univerzi študiral. Seveda, za ljubljansko škofijo.

Ko je študije končal, ni hotel v domovino zaradi komunizma in je prosil za vstop k jezuitom, da je mogel kasneje v misijone na Japonsko. G. Lenček je bil tedaj v Rimu lazaristovski vice-vizitator za slovenske sinove sv. Vincencija v begunstvu. O. Kos ni nikdar šel z Japonske. Po svoje tudi rekord, ki ga zlepa ne bo nihče več med našimi misijonarji dosegel. O. Poderžaj mi je ob obisku ZD v Princetonu, N.J., dejal, da je prvič iz Indije ven, menda je imel za seboj že 50 let misijonskega garanja.

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Na drugem mestu Kristus obnavlja starozavezno zapoved, drugo največjo zapoved, o ljubezni do bližnjega, celo do sovražnika. Svojem kristjanom je položil na srce še posebej ljubezen do otrok in zvesto zakonsko ljubezen do smrti; sploh se je istovetil in se še istoveti z vsakim trpečim človekom, tako da svet ni več tako brezčuten in brezbržen, odkar so vanj odjeknile Njegove besede: »Kadarkoli ste izkazali dobroto tudi najmanj vrednemu človeku, ste to storili Meni.« (Mat 25:40). »Kadarkoli se podobno niste izkazali dobre nasproti tudi najmanj vrednemu človeku, se niste izkazali dobre nasproti Meni.« (Mat 24:45)

V prvem pismu evangelista Janeza beremo, da prava ljubezen izhaja iz Boga (1 Jan 4:7-8). Čim tesneje je kdo povezan z Božjim Sinom Kristu-

som, tem bolj se v takšnega človeka lahko izliva božja ljubezen in tem bolj je takšen človek zmožen ljubiti, tako najbližnjega kot bližnjega, na negrešen način — in ali ni šele tista ljubezen prava, ki »je zmožna trpeti, je blagohotna, ne pozna zavisti, se ne baha, se ne dviguje nad drugimi, je spoštljiva in ne išče svoje koristi, ne zapade v jezo, pozablja prejetu zlo, se ne veseli krivice, resnica jo zadovoljuje.« (1 Kor 13:4-6)

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Meetings are held every first Wednesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. in school hall of St. Lawrence School on E. 80th St.

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Duhovni Vodja: Rev. Joseph Božnar; Preds.: Frances Nemanich; Podpreds. in Zapisničarica: Betty Orehek; Tajnica: Maryann Mott, 760 E. 212 St., Euclid, OH; Blag. in Redateljica: Rosalia Palcic; Nadzornice: Frances Macerol. Mary Palcic in Josephine Gorencic Zastopnice za Ohio KSKJ Fed.: Betty Orehek, Frances Nemanich.

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Društvo SV. JOŽEFA št. 169

Duhovni vodja Rev. John Kumse; preds. Eugene Kogovsek; podpreds. Anthony Tolar; fin. taj. Anton Nemec, 708 E. 159 St., Cleveland, OH 44110, tel. 541-7243; pomožna taj. Anica Nemec; bol. taj. Helena Nemec, tel. 541-7243; blag. Jennie Tuma; zapis. Mary Okicki; nadzorniki: Frank Znidar, John Obat, Charles Erzen; direktor za atletiko John Obat, tel. 481-6129; dir. za ženske aktivnosti Jennie Tuma; vratar John Jackson; zdravniki: dr. Maks Rak in vsi družinski zdravniki; por. v angleščini Helena Nemec; por. v slovenščini: Tone Nemec.

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Duhovni vodja: Rev. Jože Božnar; Presednik: Joseph F. Rigler, tel. 585-4749; Podpredsednik: Raymond Zak; Tajnik & blagajnik: Frank Šega, 2918 Emerald Lake Blvd., Willoughby Hills, OH 44092-2718, tel (216) 944-0020; Zapisnikar: Eva M. Verderber; Nadzorni odbor: Anthony L. Rigler, John Zupančič in Robert McDonough; Director mladinskih aktivnosti: Judy A. Ryan; Športni referent: Ronald Zak; Vratar: Antonia Šega; Zastopnik z SND, 6417 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Meetings the second Wednesday of the month at Secretary's Home, 6:30 p.m.

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Lodge SLOVENSKI DOM št. 6

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Meetings: First Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at the Slovenian Society Home, Recher Ave., Euclid, Ohio.

Društvo NOVI DOM št. 7

Predsednik Anton Švigelj; podpreds. Anton Škerl; taj.-blag. Franc Kovačič, 1072 E. 74 St., Cleveland, OH 44103, tel. 431-7472; zapis. Jennie Antloga; nadzorniki: Jože Gabrič, Marija Gabrič, Ana Mihelich. Zdravnik: vsak po zakonu priznani zdravnik v Ohio. Seje: prva nedelja v mesecu, ob 10. dop., na domu tajnika.

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Meetings the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., Slovenian Home on Holmes Avenue.

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Meetings at the home of the President, 30417 Oakdale Road, 2 p.m., on April 18, July 18, Oct. 17, and Dec. 19, 1993.

Društvo KRALJICA MIRU št. 24

Preds. Anna Perko; podpreds. Frances Cazin; taj. Alice Arko, 3562 E. 80 St., Cleveland, OH 44105, tel. 341-7540; blag. Rosemary Pozarelli; zapis. Angela Musil; nadzornice: Dolores Hrovat, Angela Musil, Harriet Fashinpaup; mlad. koordinatorka Alice Arko. Seje so vsako drugo sredo v mesecu ob 2. pop. v SND na E. 80 St.

Društvo SV. CECILIJA št. 37

Preds. Anna Šilc; podpreds. Frances Stepic; taj.-blag. Florence Zak, 24085 Glenbrook Blvd., Euclid, OH 44117 Phone: 481-6681; zapis. Marie Bond; nadzornici: Anna Ribic, Bertha Vidmar. Zdravniki: vsi slovenski. Seje so vsak prvi torek v mesecih feb., apr., jun., sept. in nov., ob 1.30 pop. v šoli sv. Vida.

Slovenska Ženska Zveza Slovenian Women's Union

PODRUŽNICA ŠT. 10

Spiritual director: Rev. John Kumse; President: Stephanie Segulin; Vice-president-Secretary-Treasurer: Ann Stefancic. Sunshine Leader: Ann Stefancic. Auditors: Helen Suhy, Mary Prinse; Sgt.-at-Arms: Lucy Romik.

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PODRUŽNICA ST. 25 SZZ SWU

Duhovni vodja Rev. Jože Božnar; preds. Josephine Mohorčič; podpreds. Mary (Mitzi) Mihalic; taj.-blag. Cirila Kermavner, 6610 Bliss Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103 tel. 881-4798; zapis. Janet Krivačič; nadzornici: Mary Turk, Frances Kotnik.

Seje se vrše vsak drugi torek v mesecu, ob 1:30 pop. v društveni sobi avditorija pri sv. Vidu. Asessment se pobira pol ure pred sejo. Sej ni v mesecu Januarju, juliju in avgustu.

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DRUŠTVO SV. CECILIJA ŠT. 37

Preds.: Anna Šilc; podpreds. Bernadine Savjovic; taj.-blag.: Florence Zak, 24085 Glenbrook Blvd., Euclid, OH 44117, phone: 481-6681; zapis.: Marie Bond; nadzornici: Anna Ribic, Bertha Vidmar. Zdravniki: vsi slovenski. Seje so vsak prvi torek v mesecih feb., apr., jun., sept. in nov., ob 1.30 pop. v šoli sv. Vida.

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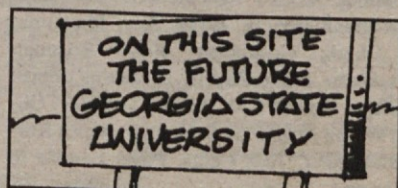
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WATERLOO PENSIONERS CLUB

15335 Waterloo Rd., Cleveland, OH 44110

President: John Phrne, Vice. Pres.: Don Gorjup; Sec. Treas.: Ralph Urbancek; Rec. Sec.: Helen Vukcevic; Auditors: Tillie Vranekovic, Dorothy Silc, Justine Phrne. Fed. Reps: John Phrne, Don Gorjup, Ralph Urbancek, Justine Phrne, Jean Urbancek, Dot Gorjup (alternate); S.H.A.: Dorothy Silc, Tony Silc; Waterloo Hall Reps.: Jean Sclaris, Fred Sclaris; Cook: Mary Frank; Publicity: Helen Vukcevic; Trip coordinators: Adolph Somrack, Dot Gorjup; 50th Wedding Ann.: Mitzi Yeray; Sunshine ch. person: Dorothy Silc; Ref. tks. at meet.: Jo Tomsic; Name Tags: Alice Bozic; Split Raffle: Rose Silva, Tillie Vranekovic, Ann Otonicar (alternate); Justice of Peace: Louis Prebevsek; Sgt.-at-Arms: Adolph Somrack; Attendance: Dorothy Silc, Helen Joca (alternate); Speakers: Justine Phrne; Sandwich tickets: Jo Minello, Elsie O'Hara; Bartenders: Al Martinich, Frank Sadar

Board meetings held the first Tuesday of each month. Regular meetings held the second Tuesday of each month at the Waterloo hall at 1 p.m.

AMERICAN SLOVENE PENSIONERS CLUB

Barberton, Ohio

President: Joseph Yankovich; Vice President: Tilden Steiner; Sec'y.-Treas: Jennie B. Nagel, 245 - 24th St., N.W., Barberton, OH 44203; Recording Secretary: Martin Kumse; auditors: Mary Kovacic, Mollie Zdravje and Mary Paje; Fed. Reps: Theresa Cekada, Mary Kovacic, Jennie Nagel, Joseph Yankovich, Jeanette Yankovich; alt.: Josephine Platner.

Meetings every first Thursday of the month at 12 noon in the Sacred Heart Hall, 1263 Shannon Ave., Barberton, OH 44203.

KLUB UPOKOJENCEV SLOVENSKE PRISTAVE

Slovenska Pristava Retirees Club

Predsednik: August Dragar; 1. podpredsednik: Anton Vogel; 2. podpredsednik: Pepca Kastigar; Tajnik: Frank Zalar, tel. 486-3570; Blagajničar: Jože Koren; Zapisnikarica: Marica Lavriša

Odborniki: Stane Vidmar, Lojze Hribar, Angelca Hribar, Jože Sojer, Julka Mejač; Franciska Kristanc, Mary Vrhovnik, Tončka Urankar, Tone Oblak, Marija Koren, Štefan Rezonja.

NEWBURGH-MAPLE HEIGHTS PENSIONERS CLUB

President: John Taucher; Vice Pres.: Mimi Stibil; Secy.-Treas.: Josephine Rezin; Rec. Secy.: Clara Hrovat; Auditors: Louis Champa, Frank Urbancic, Tony Kaplan.

Meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. alternating at the SNH E. 80th St., and the SNH in Maple Hts.



SLOVENSKA PEŠEM

1400 Main St., Lemont, IL 60439 (708) 257-2494

President: Philip Arko; Vice President: Lillian Cepon; Corr. Secy.: Nandi Puc; Rec. Secy.: Mojca Magajne; Treasurer: Michael Vidmar; Director Rev. Dr. Vendelin Spendov.

Rehearsals: Every Sunday, 5:30 p.m. in Lemont, IL.

GLASBINA MATICA

President: Bob Hopkins; First Vice Pres.: Vicki Tabernik; Second Vice Pres.: Bob Kastelic; Treasurer: John Vatovec, Tele: 524-4053, 5403 Hillside Rd., Independence, OH 44131; Auditors: Joe Penko, Matt Dolenc; Publicity: Betty Resnik, Bob Kastelic, Lori Sierputowski; Librarian: Sylvia Plymsser; Music Director: Marja Ashamalla; Pianist: Reginald Resnik

— Fall Concert: October 24, 1993 —

PEVSKI ZBOR KOROTAN

Predsednica: ga. Cirila Kermavner; podpredsednika: g. Frank Lovšin in gđ. Mary Ann Vogel; tajnica: ga. Paula Hauptman (25922 Highland Rd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143); blag.: gđ. Marjanca Tominc; nadzorniki: gdc. Nada Gregorc, g. Janez Nemec, g. Miro Odar; Odborniki: g. Ivan Haputman, gđ. Mimi Kozina, g. Pavle Lavriša, gđ. Mari Nemec, ga. Maruša Pogačnik, g. Tomaž Sedmak, g. Silvo Staniša, ga. Milena Stropnik, g. Zdenka Zakrajšek; pevovodja g. Rudi Knez.

JADRAN SINGING SOCIETY

President: Betty Rotar; vice-president: Don Gorjup; recording & corres. sec.: Dolores Dobida; treasurer: Frank Bittenc; auditors: Clarence Rupar, Dorothy Gorjup and Valerie Traska; librarians: Dolores Dobida, Mary Frank and Josie Kapla; musical director: Reginald Resnik; accompanist: Alice Cech.

Rehearsals every Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the SWH on Waterloo Rd., room 3.

1993 Concert Dates: April 17th and November 13th.

SLOVENIAN SINGING SOCIETY

ZARJA

President: Edwin M. Polsak; 1st Vice Pres.: Vicky Kozel; 2nd Vice Pres.: Jennie Fatur; Rec. Sec'y.: Jennie Mramor; Corr. Sec'y.: Sophie Elersich, 1755 Spino Dr., Euclid, OH 44114 (531-8402); Sec'y. Treas.: Barbara Elersich, 988 Chelston, S. Euclid, OH 44121 (382-2258); Director: Douglas Elersich; Asst. Directors: Edwin Polsak, Dick Tomsic, Jo Turkman; Auditors: Rudy Kozan, Irene Kelley, Vern Perme; Stage Managers: Ed Ozanich, Don Mulec, Jim Kozel; Planning Committee: Orelia Meden, Irene Kelley, Frank and Ann Kokal, Bea Pestotnik, Mimi Stibil, Jim Kozel, Emma Delach, Andy Elersich.

Rehearsals every Wednesday 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Avenue, Euclid, Ohio.



OFFICERS OF YOUTH CIRCLE 2 SNPJ

Jennifer Skrajner, President
Jennifer Trebec, Vice President
Ann Dolgan, Recording Secretary
Patrick Kelly, Attendance Secretary
Brian Blanchard — Treasurer
Bob Dolgan — Historian
Rehearsals: Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid, O.
Chorus Director: Cecilia Dolgan, 2892 Istra Ln., Willoughby Hills, OH 44092.

MISIJONSKA ZNAMKARSKA AKCIJA

Cleveland, Ohio

Duhovni vodja: Rev. Charles A. Wolbang C.M., predsednica: Marica Lavriša; podpredsednica Jelka Kuhelj; tajnica in zapisnikarica: Mary Celestina, 4935 Gleeten Rd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143, tel. 381-5298; blagajnik: Štefan Marolt, 5704 Prosser Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103, tel. 431-5699; nadzorniki: Ani Nemec, ing. Joseph Zelle, Vida Švajger; odborniki: Rudi Knez, Anica Knez, Agnes Leskovec, Tončka Urankar, Ivanka Tominec, Marica Miklavčič, Viktor Tominec in Nežka Tominec. Namestnika: Vinko Rozman in France Kuhelj.

OLTARNO DRUŠTVO SV. VIDA

Duhovni vodja Rev. Jože Božnar; častna preds. Mary Marinko; preds. Amalija Košnik; podpreds. Lillian Zelesnik; taj.-blag.: Kristina Rihtar, 990 E. 63 St., Cleveland, OH 44103, tel.: 391-6545; zapisnikarica Gabriela Kuhelj; rediteljica Ivanka Pretnar; nadzornici: Frances Kotnik, Ann Brinovec.

Vsak četrtak ob 6.00 zv. ima društvo uro molitve, vsako prvo nedeljo skupno sv. obhajilo pri sv. maši ob 8. zjutraj, ob 1.30 pop. pa sejo v društveni sobi farne dvorane pri Sv. Vidu.

OLTARNO DRUŠTVO FARE

MARIJE VNEBOVZETE

Duhovni vodja Rev. John M. Kumse; preds. Pavla Adamič; podpreds. Marija Ribič; blagajničarka: Cilka Tominc, 25920 Highland Rd., Richmond Hts., OH 44143, telefon 531-8855; tajnica: Marica Lavriša; zapisnikarica Ivana Kete; nadzornice: Tončka Urankar, Mary Podlogar, Amelia Gad; zastavonošinja Josephine Zežun. Skupno sv. obhajilo vsako prvo medeljo v mesecu pri sv. maši ob 10. dop. Isti dan popoldne ob 1.30 ura molitve, po blagoslovu pa seja v cerkveni dvorani.

ST. MARY'S P.T.U.

Holmes Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

Spiritual Advisor: Rev. John M. Kumse; Spiritual Chairperson: Sr. Nina Vitale O.S.U.; Honorary President: Marcia M. Mlachak; President: Connie Novak; Vice-President: Charmaine Fitzpatrick; Recording Secretary: JoAnn Sams; Correspondance Sec.: Lisa Johnson; Treasurer: Rose Sokolowski.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

of ST. MARY'S PARISH

Spiritual Director: Rev. John Kumse; President: Anthony Miklich; Vice Presidents: Victor Nemec and Rudy Knez; Secretary: Frank Putrich; Treasurer: Henry Skarbez; Right to Life: Lou Koenig; Sick and Vigil: Frank Sluga; Corresponding Secretary: Lou Jese; Marshall Bill Kozak; Social Apostolate: Ed Kocin; Retreat Chairman: Joe Sajovic.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS

BARAGA COURT No. 1317

Spiritual Director Rev. Joseph Boznar; Chief Ranger Rudolph A. Massera; Vice Chief Ranger Dr. Anthony F. Spech; Past Chief Ranger John J. Hocevar; Fin. Secy.: Anthony J. Urbas, 1226 Norwood Rd., Cleveland, OH 44103, tel. 881-1031; Treas.: John J. Hocevar; Trustees: Albert Marolt, Dr. Anthony F. Spech, Joseph C. Saver; Youth Director: Angelo M. Vogrig; Field Rep.: Frank J. Prijatelj, tel. 845-4440. Meetings held the 3rd Thursday of the month. Social Room, St. Vitus Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS

ST. MARY'S COURT 1640

Fr. John Kumse - Spiritual Director; Kathleen Spilar - Chief Ranger; Jennie Jese - Secretary; John Spilar - Financial Secretary; Mary L. Jese - Vice Chief Ranger; Alan Spilar - Past Chief Ranger; Vicki Skarbez - Treasurer; Harold White - Sentinel. Auditors are Gerry White, Alan Spilar and Hank Skarbez.