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New Slovenian Flag



Ameriška Domovina editor Dr. Rudolph M. Susel, center, front, shows the new Slovenian flag which he brought back from Slovenia on Tuesday night. The colors of the flag are white, blue, and red on the bottom. Taking a look at the flag which features a shield and the three peaks of Triglav mountains and the two rivers which flow through Slovenia are Euclid, Ohio mayor David Lynch, left, and the entire Euclid City Council. Among them are Slovenians Jerry Sustarsic, third from left, and Ed Jerse, second from right. At far right is State Representative Ronald Suster. Other Councilpersons are Cervenik, Farrell, Dallos, Flowers, Gudenas, Herak, and Miller.

The special session of Euclid City Council met on Wednesday evening, July 10 and unanimously passed a resolution "Urging the President of the United States to recognize and support the Republics of Slovenia and Croatia in their efforts to gain independence."

Talks were given by Dr. Rudolph M. Susel, Ivan Nogalo, Frank Korosec, Eda Vovk, Councilmen Joseph Farrell, Ed Jerse and Jerald Sustarsic. Ron Suster also spoke on a broader level saying the support of Slovenia's bid for recognition as an independent nation could also be applied to all other nations which want to be sovereign.

Americans unite to support Slovenia

In Cleveland an umbrella group was formed 10 days ago to support Slovenia. The Ad Hoc Committee consists of representatives of a broad group of Slovenian organizations and call themselves "United Americans for Slovenia."

The chairman is attorney Edmund J. Turk. To enlist the total support of all Slovenian organizations the bylaws were kept simple to which everyone could agree. It states, "The United Americans for Slovenia support the declaration of independence of Slovenia. We urge the government of the United States of America to give immediate recognition to the new democratic government of the Republic of Slovenia."

The immediate representation of the group consists of all fraternal groups, priests from the Slovenian parishes, and just about all Slovenian-oriented organizations in the Greater Cleveland area. It is hoped that they will be able to claim membership of all American Slovenians in the United States.

The first project of United Americans for Slovenia occurred on July 4th when they gathered to send a mailing to

every member of the United States Congress, every U.S. Senator, Secretary of State James A. Baker, and President George Bush. In the mailing were a cover letter and an Ameriška Domovina dated Monday, July 1 which showed a united American support for recognition of Slovenia and urged the United States to give recognition to the Republic of Slovenia.

The United Americans for Slovenia is recognized by the Republic of Slovenia as a leading lobbying group. For further information write United Americans for Slovenia, 19424 So. Waterloo Road, Cleveland, OH 44119, or call (216) 391-4000.

It is estimated that over 400,000 Americans are represented by the group and more will be added.

Ameriška Domovina editor Dr. Rudolph M. Susel returned Tuesday evening from Slovenia and reported the Slovenians are determined to be a sovereign state. They need our active, determined and constant support without letup to achieve their goal which is also the legitimate goal of all freedom-loving people everywhere.

But, please remember, that

the United Americans for Slovenia is mainly a coordinating organization. We cannot emphasize enough that each individual and every organization is desperately needed to be continuously active and call the Washington hotlines every day and call your Congressmen and Senators and write them letters every few days and let them know your feelings. Everyone must work on this project for it to be a success.

Every organization and every individual is urgently needed to help Slovenia in her struggle to become recognized as a sovereign Republic of Slovenia. Don't count on others to do the work. **WE NEED YOU!**

—James V. Debevec

Speedy Recovery

Our prayers and best wishes for a speedy recovery to bubbly Sally Furlich of Cleveland who is recuperating at home following surgery. Her address is 18709 Kewanee Ave., Cleveland 44119.

Sally is Director of Youth and Women's Activities for the American Slovenian Catholic Union (KSKJ) and very active in the American-Slovenian community always lending a hand to worthy causes. Her winning personality and warm-hearted concern has endeared her to everyone. We eagerly await her active return.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Večerja na Slov. pristavi—

To soboto ste vabljeni na Slovensko pristavo, na večerjo, katere prebitek je namenjen kritju stroškov za posodobitev pristavske kuhinje. Na voljo bo stejk ali na ražnju pečen prašiček. Cena stejk večerji bo \$12, za drugo pa \$10. Večerja bo deljena med 6. in 8. zv. Igral bo tudi orkester.

Krofi—

Oltarno društvo pri Sv. Vidu ima to soboto prodajo krofov in sicer od 8. zj. dalje v društveni sobi šolskega avditorija. Pridite!

Prvorojenka—

Dne 11. maja se je rodila Molly Elizabeth Edelman. Ponosna na prvorojenko sta Eric in Joyce (r. Zabukovec) Edelman s Kapel Dr. v Euclidu. Prvič sta s tem postala stara starša Joseph in Antoinette Zabukovec z Willowicka, že devetič pa Jack in Mary Edelman z Gates Millsa.

Lep uspeh—

Letošnji sicer enodnevni svetovidski farni festival, ki je bil 30. junija, je lepo uspel, kajti znaša čisti dobiček 15 tisoč dolarjev. Pri žrebanju ob zaključku festivala, so nagrade prejeli sledeči srečni kupci listkov: Prvo nagrado, \$1000, je dobila Marija Mrva; drugo, \$750, Carol A. Kovach; tretjo, \$500, Cathy Minor. Nagrade, vsaka po \$250, so dobili: Edward Wayda, Norman J. Reser, Elvira Jelercic, Miha Sršen, Edward Golinski in Marija Zupan. Nagrade po \$100 so pa dobili: Nada Videgar, Gabriel Drobnick, Mr. in Mrs. William Null, Mitzi Jerman, Juliet Slapnik, Louis Loncar, Frank Lovšin, William Suhadolnik, Catherine Sigmund in Frances Skrab.

Festival pri Sv. Jeromu—

Od danes do nedelje poteka letni farni festival pri Sv. Jeromu na Lake Shore Blvd. Ta fara tudi ima več slovenskih faranov. Vsak večer bo glasba za ples, razne igre in okrepčila. V soboto ob 5.30 pop. bo škof Edward Pevec daroval tkim. »polka mašo«.

Vrnili se v Slovenijo—

Pretekli petek se je vrnil v Slovenijo č.g. Drago Ocvirk, ki je bil med nami v Clevelandu tri mesece ter stanoval pri Mariji Vnebovzeti na Holmes Ave. G. Ocvirk je profesor Teološke fakultete v Ljubljani, poleg tega redno objavlja članke in komentarje v Družini in gotovo bo to tudi delal pri novem dnevniku Slovincu, ki je pričel izhajati s 25. junijem. Hvaležni smo, gotovo tudi bralci, da je g. Ocvirk objavil več daljših člankov tudi v našem listu.

MZA piknik to nedeljo—

To nedeljo je na Slovenski pristavi letni piknik Misijonske Znamkarske Akcije. Navzoč bo tudi duhovni vodja MZA, č.g. Karel Wolbang. Članek o pikniku je na str. 8, na str. 12 pa MSIP in dopis g. R. Kneza o g. Wolbangu. Na piknik to nedeljo ste vsi vabljeni, v ponedeljek bo pa letni občni zbor MZA pri Mariji Vnebovzeti.

Članski sestanek—

Dramatsko društvo Liliya ima članski sestanek v ponedeljek, 15. julija, ob 8. zv. v Slov. domu na Holmes Ave.

Upokojenci Slov. pristave—

Mesečni sestanek kluba Upokojencev Slov. pristave bo v sredo, 24. julija, ob 2. pop., na SP. Vsi člani vabljeni.

Zopet na delu—

Tako urednik kot lastnik lista se vrnila s počitnic, tako bo AD zopet redno izhajala vsak četrtek.

Balincarji SP vabijo—

Balincarski klub Slovenske pristave vabi na svoj letni piknik, ki bo v soboto, 20. julija, na SP. Začel se bo ob 5. pop. Dopis na str. 8.

Belokranjski klub piknik—

V nedeljo, 21. julija, vabi Belokranjski klub svoje člane in prijatelje na letni piknik. Ob 12. uri bo maša, nato kosilo, igral Tony Klepec orkester. Dopis na str. 8.

Naročnino poklonil—

Franček Toplak je poklonil enoletno naročnino za potrebne rojake in to v spomin pristrčnemu Slovincu Rudolphu Kolariču. Za lepo podporo se našemu prijatelju g. Toplaku srčno zahvalimo.

Spominska darova—

G. in ga. Frank Hribar, Cleveland, O., sta darovala \$50 v tiskovni sklad Ameriške domovine, v spomin staršev ge. Hribarjeve, Antonije in Josepha Ogrinca.

Ga. Anna Jesenko je darovala \$20 v podporo našemu listu, v spomin ob 19. obletnici smrti moža Jakoba Jesenka.

Darovalcem se za lepo podporo iskreno zahvalimo.

V tiskovni sklad—

G. Frank Šega, Willoughby Hills, O., je daroval \$50 v podporo Ameriški domovini.

Neimenovani dobrotnik, prav tako iz Willoughby Hillsa, je pa poklonil \$20.

Obema dobrotnikom se najlepše zahvalimo.

Predstavniki—

Dosedanji jugoslovanski generalni konzul v Clevelandu Matjaž Jančar, je bil imenovan za predstavnika R. Slovencev v tem mestu.

Slovenia Relief Fund

The Slovenia Relief Fund is collecting for humanitarian assistance for the families and children of Slovenia hurt by the recent violence. Donations are coming in from coast to coast to help offset the destruction that has shattered our beautiful homeland during its struggle for democracy and independence.

The Slovenia Relief Fund is being coordinated by the Slovene National Benefit Society (SNPJ), America's largest Slovenian organization. For 75 years, the SNPJ has led humanitarian support efforts for the children and

needy families of Slovenia. You can make your contribution with confidence that your dollars will reach the people of Slovenia trying to rebuild their lives.

Support the families and children of Slovenia now, in their time of need. Make your check out to: **Slovenia Relief Fund, c/o SNPJ, 166 Shore Drive, Burr Ridge, IL 60521.**

Your generosity can make a difference for a Slovenian family in distress.

Sincerely,
Joseph C. Evanish
National President
Slovene National
Benefit Society

To All Slovenian American Organizations and Americans of Slovenian Descent:

Because of the fierce struggle of the Slovenian people and Slovenian troops; and because of the organized and spontaneous massive movement of Slovenian Americans and others, who are freedom loving Americans and who support the Sovereignty and Independence of Slovenia, (we urge) the administration of the United States of America to change their position regarding the existence of Slovenia. Slovenia has made strides at being internationally recognized as a sovereign and independent nation. As a representative of the Republic of Slovenia please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for the help you have extended and we ask for your continued support until our goal of peace and the acknowledged independence of Slovenia is accomplished. Yugoslav army of occupation continues to threaten Slove-

nian freedom. Slovenia is still not diplomatically recognized by the United States of America and other nations of the world community. Because of the brutal action of the Yugoslav army there has been many casualties and much property damage to the Slovenian people. The overwhelming majority of Slovenian American organizations such as fraternal, religious and others, decisively support Slovenia. As a representative of the Republic of Slovenia and personally I am appealing to you to follow the example of Slovenians in Cleveland and to join with them in your efforts, irregardless of some differences which may exist. Let us form committees to work for humanitarian assistance for our people. Let us support the diplomatic recognition and acknowledge the Republic of Slovenia. Let

us demand an end of brutal armed aggression on the people of the Republic of Slovenia. As Americans, please confirm your commitment to the ideals of American Democracy.

Matjaž Jančar

July 2 status report of invasion of Slovenia

Government Liaison Office of the Republic of Slovenia
Washington, D.C.
8:30 a.m., July 2, 1991

1. All commercial flights in Yugoslavia are cancelled.
 2. There is heavy fighting near the Krško nuclear power plant (planes are flying in a threatening way over the plant).
 3. There is fierce fighting near the Cerklj military air base.
 4. The radio station on Krvac has been bombed, as well as two TV towers.
 5. Air attack alert sirens are blaring all over Slovenia; massive air strikes are expected.
 6. The American Cultural Center in Ljubljana has closed and the U.S. flag has been removed - which sadly symbolizes the stand of the United States government.
- The Communist Yugoslav army has become a loose cannon. — We plead for your help!

8:30 a.m., July 3, 1991

Hell broke loose in Slovenia. The Communist army is determined to crush Slovenia so it can never get up again. Yugoslavia army is coming with the full force like a wounded animal. Let us help and not just stand on the sidelines.

Keys for Success in Slovenia are in Washington

July 2, 1991.

As you were informed from news reports, units of the Yugoslav army intended by force to prevent the realization of independence and sovereignty of the Republic of

Slovenia. This independence and sovereignty was achieved in a legal manner and confirmed by a plebiscite of the people with a majority of more than ninety percent. Instead of constructive negotiations regarding future relations between the sovereign Republic of Slovenia and the Yugoslav Government, the Yugoslav army precipitated violent aggression and bloodshed in its attempt to occupy the Republic of Slovenia. It will certainly be a dark hour for the proponents of

democracy to honor or abet the cynical political calculations and subterfuge designed to annihilate one of the oldest European nations - Slovenia. The keys for the existence of my nation and for peace in Europe and the entire Balkan area, are and will be in the White House. I am appealing to the American Slovenians and the entire democratic lobbying public to raise their voices for peace, democracy, individual and collective human rights, and to let my people and all other peoples in the world live in peace and dignity.

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St. Clair Pensioners Report

Last month I reported that I could envision some of our St. Clair Club's coming events. Today I can tell you that the first, a bus tour to Niagara Falls is set for July 30th. Fran Karnak, our tour coordinator, told me to remind those who signed up, to bring their payment to our coming meeting on July 18th.

Of course I did tell you that the second event is the Federation of Pensioners Clubs annual picnic, which will again be held at the SNPJ Picnic Grounds on Thursday, August 8th.

Remember, the picnic is not limited to pensioner members. **ALL ARE INVITED, pensioners and everyone else.**

Because we wish to give everyone the opportunity to attend, we of the St. Clair area plan to charter a bus. So no excuses for anyone. We can get you there. Those who have car transportation, why not leave your car at home for a change. Enjoy the ride by bus and leave the driving hassles to the bus driver.

Yes, full course dinners will be available, but you must make reservations in advance, so that the cook can prepare enough food.

Treat yourself for a change and enjoy a day in the company of friends. You deserve it.

For bus transportation and or dinner tickets, call me at 391-9761. CALL NOW.

And now news of our ailing members.

Kati Plavan who had broken her hip in a fall, as reported last month, is currently staying with her daughter, and doing amazingly well. Believe it or not, she is ready to hang up her cane. How wonderful! I will not be surprised if she makes it to our meeting in a month or two. Your cards will reach her if mailed to her home.

Another hip victim was Jennie Kuret. She too is doing well and is at home and receiving therapy. We regret the news of her accident, but happy to hear of her excellent recovery progress. In addition, Jennie's sister, Frances Innocenti, also our member, underwent serious surgery recently, and is now convalescing and staying with relatives in Connecticut.

Member Stella Strauss underwent serious surgery also and is now recuperating at home.

And then there is Caroline Rozic, the faithful and ever-ready chauffeur of the ailing ladies of our area. And now she has had a set-back and is under doctor's care and is convalescing in The State of Washington. Caroline, you are missed here in the St. Clair area.

Gosh, what a list! Let us remember these members in our prayers, and cards of cheer will be appreciated, I am sure.

Last month after submitting my article I received the news of the death of member Rose Grmsek, on June 12th. Less than two months prior, Rose called me and expressed the desire to come to our Annual Dinner on April 28th. Unfortunately, she was not able to make it due to her failing health. Rose was a faithful member, and very seldom missed our meetings. We will

miss seeing her there.

And now an announcement of the death of Frances Phillips, on July 4th. Frances was a long time member. For the last ten years her residence was the Neff Road Home. About 5 years ago, she let it be known that she wished to remain a life-time member of our St. Clair Club. Her wish has been granted.

We extend our condolences to the members of both families of the above deceased, and may both Rose and Frances rest in peace.

How nice it would be to report only "good news" to you for at least a year. But good news or bad news, I need to give it all to you. So feed me all good news.

Of course my report cannot go without some good and happy news. Our congratulations to two very nice persons, and also important members of our Club. They are Frances and Edward Karnak, who just celebrated their 50th anniversary. May God bless them with good health and many more years of happiness. Their participation and involvement has helped make our Club a success. They Care.

A reminder that our coming meeting date is Thursday, July 18th — and per your request — meetings are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. We will have a speaker who will give a brief talk on the subject of Medicare. Don't miss it. Be on time.

See you there.

—Stanley J. Frank

Donations

Thanks to Frank Segal of Willoughby Hills, Ohio who donated \$50.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

Thanks also to "anonymous" of Willoughby Hills who donated \$20.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

Courteous Staff

Sirs:

You can be proud of your staff, they are always so courteous. I called on the Monday when you were all on vacation, fortunately someone was there. I requested copies of the special edition and in a few days they were in my mailbox. Unfortunately, I didn't ask for her name, kindly express my deep appreciation. (Mary says thanks.)

Dr. Edward J. Floyd

AND

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Also, a check is enclosed for \$25.00 for a year's subscription.

Also am enclosing a copy of a letter mailed to President George Bush from my son John with his permission.

God has blessed me with 17 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, four more great-grandchildren expected this year. They are all so proud of their Slovenian heritage. Quite a number are pursuing their careers in other states. My phone has been busy with long distance calls from them about Slovenia. Now Gram can send them copies of the Domovina.

Mrs. Frances J. Cimperman
Cleveland, Ohio

Sent letter to President Bush

I am sending you the letter and the article which appeared in the Ameriška Domovina on Dec. 20, 1967 which I have sent to The President, 16 policymakers and three California newspapers. You can use any, all or none of the material as you see fit. (Ed note: the articles were about Senator Frank J. Lausche reading into the Congressional Record the Slovenian's historic role in the formulating of the Declaration of Independence by Thomas Jefferson who based his theory from the Installation of the Dukes of Carinthia in Slovenia who recognized the power to govern comes from the people.)

Thank you for the excellent coverage of the events and the cause of the Slovenian people so dear to us all. God bless you for your work.

Sincerel yours,
Fr. Milan Hlebs

Our Lady of Peace Church
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Slovenian books translated

Editor:

English translations of Slovenian classics can be loaned from the Literature Department of the Cleveland Public Library.

Two recently acquired titles are *My Life* by Ivan Cankar, and *Antigone* by D. Smole.

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Slovenia on Nightline Program

Wednesday night, July 3rd, Nightline program was entirely devoted to the Slovenian crisis. Ted Koppel targeted Dr. Dimitri Rupel, Slovenian foreign minister to describe Slovenia's position in the current crisis. He spoke from Ljubljana.

Professor Mark Wheeler, of the University of London, spoke from London. Dr. Wheeler has been making a study of the Yugoslav problem for several years.

The third guest on Koppel's Nightline was the Yugoslav ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Darko Silovic in New York.

The opening segment included scenes from Slovenia, showing tanks, airplanes dropping bombs, fires, and in particular dramatic scenes of civilians. In one scene a child was heard plainly asking repeatedly in Slovenian his hysterical mother what was the matter.

The discussion was held on a restrained level, considering the emotions involved. Ted Koppel was his usual graceful composed self. It was very consoling and comforting to see Slovenia getting national attention on the prestigious ABC Nightline program. It was reassuring that Slovenia was beginning to get the world attention which it so deserves in its death-struggle for sovereignty and independence.

A transcript of the broadcast can be obtained from ABC-TV, 77 W. 66th St., New York, NY 10023. Similarly, a video cassette of the Nightline program is available.

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Recent Deaths

JENNIE STRUKEL

Jennie Strukel (nee Koprivec), 81, died at the home of her nephew Allan Koprivec on Monday, July 8th.

Jennie was born in Cleveland and lived in the Greater Cleveland area all her life. She was a member of the Fairport Slovenian Retirees Club, and SNPJ No. 576 Spartans.

She was the widow of Louis, the sister of Nettie Birtic (Maryland), Emily Svigel (Fla.), Alice Spehek (Fla.), and aunt and great-aunt of many.

Visitation and funeral services were Wednesday, July 10 at the Zele Funeral Home. Burial in All Souls Cemetery.

JOSEPHINE M. FIER

Josephine M. Fier (nee Zaplata), 85, a 52 year resident of Alhambra Road, died in the Emergency Room of Meridia Euclid Hospital on Monday, July 8.

She was born in Pennsylvania and came to Cleveland as a young lady. She was a member of Slovenian Women's Union Branch 10, and Holmes Avenue Pensioners.

She was the widow of August, the mother of Betty Kershaw, Lillian Starman and Donna Ruse, grandmother of 12, great-grandmother of 27, and great-great-grandmother of one. She was the sister of Frances Lawicki and Sylvia Hovance.

Funeral services are Friday, July 12 at 8:45 a.m. at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St., followed by Mass at St. Mary Church, Holmes Ave. at 9:30 a.m. Burial will be in All Souls Cemetery. Visitation is Thursday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Contributions to the Slovene Home for the Aged would be appreciated by the family.

ROSE MARIE MARIN

Rose Marie Marin (nee Kramer), 76, died Saturday, July 7 in Lake Hospital West. She was a ten year resident of Willowick, formerly of Cleveland.

Rose was employed as a nurse's aid for 25 years at Euclid General Hospital, retiring in 1979, but continued to work as a volunteer. She received the Volunteer of the Year Award - 1990 from Meridia Euclid Hospital. She also volunteered at the Red Cross for 20 years.

Rose was a member of the Squeezeboxers of Euclid, and the Polka Hall of Fame, and the Fairport Harbor Pensioners.

She was the mother of Robert (Chardon), Judy (Kirtland), and Roger (Eastlake), grandmother of four and sister of Edward Cebular (dec.), Joseph, Stanley (Geneva), and Dorothy Nemura (Wickliffe). Rose was the dear friend of George Stoces.

Anton M. Lavrish

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Funeral services were at St. William's Church on Tuesday, July 9. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery. Donations to the In Memorium Fund of Meridia Euclid Hospital, in her memory would be appreciated by the family.

ZeLe Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

LOUIS URBAS

Louis Urbas, 71, a 16 year resident of Euclid, formerly of Cleveland, died in Wickliffe Country Place on Tuesday, July 2. Louis was born in Cleveland.

Mr. Urbas was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp., a member of VFW Post 2926 Collinwood, KSKJ Lodge No. 169 and St. Mary Holy Name Society.

He was the owner/operator of Urbas's Market on Grovewood for 45 years. He also worked at Zaucha and Giunta Stop & Shop.

Louis was the husband of Louise (nee Kapel) who died in 1988, the father of L. Christine Burtin (TX), L. Gregory, James (NY), Gerard USAF (Japan), Donald, Mary Frances Burns (TX), and Michael; grandfather of six, brother of Sue Marie Urbas (Akron), and brother-in-law of Lewis Kapel.

Friends were received at Zele Funeral Home on Thursday, July 4 from 3-9 where services were Friday, July 5 at 8:45 and at St. Mary Church at 9:30 a.m. Interment All Souls Cemetery.

The family suggests donations to the Slovene Home for the Aged or St. Mary Church.

FRANK R. NOVAK

Frank R. Novak, 85, a resident of Willoughby for the past four years, formerly of Miami Road, Euclid, died in Wickliffe Country Place on Sunday, June 30 of apparent heart failure.

Frank was a member of the United Slovenian Society and Modern Crusaders. He was recently inducted into the National "Cleveland Style" Polka Hall of Fame in November, 1990.

Mr. Novak was well known for his accordion playing and often was the entertainment on bus trips which he and his late wife, Ann, were active.

Frank was retired from TRW where he was employed as a supervisor for 48 years.

He was the husband of Ann who died in 1988, the father of Dr. Robert L., Norman T., and William R. He was the grandfather of eight, great-grandfather of seven, and brother of John, Paul, Mary Kokal, Dorothy Rosnack and the following deceased: Charles, Louis, Joseph, and Florence.

Funeral services were Wednesday, July 3 at 10 a.m. at St. Justin Martyr Church. Burial in All Souls Cemetery. The family suggests donations to the Slovene Home for the Aged, 18621 Neff Rd., Cleveland or the Polka Hall of Fame, 291 E. 222nd St., Euclid, OH.

Picnic

Slovenian Mission Aid Society (MZA), will hold its annual picnic at the Slovenska Pristava on Sunday, July 14.

This organization supports Slovenian missions and missionaries throughout the

world. All friends of the missions are warmly welcome to the picnic.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine will hold their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, July 17 from 4 to 7 p.m. in St. Ann's Dining Room at the shrine.

Adults \$5.25, children under 12: \$3.00.

Picnic

The Slovenian Pensioners Club of Euclid, is holding its Annual Picnic and Dinner on Wednesday, July 17 at the SNPJ Farm on Heath Road.

Additional duties

Rev. Francis R. Sterk was given an appointment to Chaplain, Immaculate Council No. 3767 of the Knights of Columbus. Father accepts this additional responsibility in addition to being Pastor of St. Christine parish in Euclid.

In Memory

Enclosed is our check to cover our subscription and a donation in memory of my parents, **Peter and Anna Kozan**. We look forward to receiving each issue of the Ameriška Domovina.

Sincerely
Charles and Marge Bokar

Donation

A big thank you to Wencel Frank of Cleveland who donated \$25.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

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Of Our Beloved Mother,
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lingers
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true,
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mother,
That we do not think of
you.

Of Our Beloved Father,
Grandfather, and Great-
Grandfather



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way
A helping hand to all he
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and true.
On earth he nobly did his
best,
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Franciscans Statement on Slovenia

We, religious ministers and representatives of 19,500 Franciscans (Order of Friars Minor), who live in over 90 countries throughout the world, gathered at the General Chapter of our Order, are deeply moved and concerned over the grave difficulties and suffering of innocent people in Slovenia, Croatia and other parts of Yugoslavia.

We have heard from recent reports that there has been much violence and bloodshed initiated by the Yugoslav army in these lands.

We support our brothers, the Catholic Bishops of Yugoslavia, who state in their official statement (June 27, 1991) that "the constitutional changes which have taken place did not come about because of any unilateral governmental decree by the officials but rather it came about because of the will of the people who opted for democracy in free elections as well as through a recent plebiscite. It is therefore imperative that in accordance with all moral and legal principles of international law and life, that these decisions be respected and accepted as the legitimate will of the people."

We urgently call upon the Security Council of the United Nations, the European Community, and all governments who respect democratic aspirations to help find an immediate, peaceful and lasting solution to this terrible conflict.

We send our Franciscan greetings of peace to all women and men of good will.

Hermann Schalick, OFM

Minister General, Order of Friars Minor

(On behalf of the 151 representatives of the Franciscan Order gathered at the University of San Diego, California June 28, 1991)

Holmes Avenue Pensioners News

On Wednesday, June 12 the meeting of the Holmes Avenue Pensioners was called to order by President John Habat. The minutes were read by Jennie Tuma. The Treasurers report was given by Louise Fujda who also introduced the new members. There were 155 members in attendance.

Our arts and crafts were displayed by Frank Krivec on Woodcraft. His wife Agnes displayed her needlepoint work and Florence Zaman her decorative afghan. Our thanks to Justine Skok and Doris who have been in charge.

Antoinette McGrath gave her report on the Slovene Home for the Aged. She also gave her civic report. Please support your police. She reported on the progress of Humphrey Field, and the new library at

Villa Angela.

Get well wishes to our bartender Cass Kozinski, Jennie Kapel, Sylvia Jansa and to all other sick members.

Welcome back to Cleveland Mary Marinko.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Rose Avsec and Mary Volchak.

On July 18th a trip is planned to Columbus.

The annual Federation Picnic will be on Aug. 8th. Dinner will be served from 1-3 p.m. at the SNPJ Farm on Heath Rd. All are welcome to attend.

We thank our musicians who play before and after the meeting: Chuck Krivec, Doris Sadar, Millie Budnar, Dan Liskovec, Justine Skok, and Mary Gornik for her singing.

Ann Stefancic

Slovenians and Croatians united at New York City demonstrations

by Kathy Tepesh

New York, NY June 30 — More than 5,000 Slovenians and Croatians demonstrated in front of the United Nations against Yugoslav Army invasion of Slovenia.

Demonstration was organized by Croatians. This event was unique since two Catholic churches (Slovenian and Croatian) which even have the same name - St. Cyril - but they barely ordinarily acknowledge each other's existence, marched side by side.

Beside many Croatian speakers, four prominent Slovenian women also spoke. First was Dominica Lango sang "Zdravljica" written by France Preseren. Next was Judita Prelog, the best organizer in our Slovenian community, who made an elo-

quent speech about hard-working Slovenian people and our need for freedom. Then Mia Pirnat, a former ski champion of Yugoslavia from Maribor, read her letter published in the New York Times.

For the finale, Marinka Zupancic sang "Slovenija, odkod lepote tvoje."

Also, our capable seamstress, Cilka Petek, overnight made and brought to the demonstration six Slovenian flags and another big sign which simply said, "Slovenija."

Since Slovenia proclaimed its independence, our Slovenian church in New York also took a giant step forward by expanding its services with a progressive sign at the entrance of the church which now reads the "Slovenian Center."

'Slovenia attacked' letter in NY Times

The following letter appeared in the New York Times recently.

My beautiful country, Slovenia, has been attacked.

I never dreamed it could happen. Since earliest childhood I was taught to fear attack from abroad. I never dreamed our own "Yugoslav" army would attack us.

We always knew that, as one of the "prosperous northern republics", we were paying for the less-productive south. Who could know they would send tanks to roll over us; just like Saddam Hussein did in Kuwait?

The most frustrating part is to sit helplessly in America while the death toll mounts in Slovenia and see so many articles and letters to the editor miss the entire point.

They talk about stubborn "Slovenian separatists" never happy no matter how much "autonomy" they're given by the central government.

Slovenians aren't interested in a pleasant prison, no matter how spacious. We are a nation!

We have as many characteristics and qualifications and as much right to nationhood as Norway, France, England, America, or any other sovereign nation.

How dare the great free world pat us on the head and counsel us to get back to the table and negotiate! Negotiate, indeed, with "brothers" who pay their debts by secretly printing money our diligent workers eventually pay for. Negotiate with those whose tanks and planes terrorize our peaceful and productive people?

Yugoslavia was always the "liberal" communist country. How bitterly ironic it is that this criminally insane Serbian aggression is European communist's last desperate act of evil.

Mia L. Pirnat,

Former Ski Champion of Yugoslavia

An Appeal for Support

TO ALL SLOVENIANS:

Slovene Immigrants' Society (Slovenska izseljenska matica) appeals to all Slovenian organizations and individuals around the world that in these difficult days, which the Slovene nation is experiencing, they support Slovenia's efforts to preserve the independence of the Republic of Slovenia and to support its international recognition.

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"Serving the Slovenian Community."

We request that you inform your government about the critical situation in our Republic and you appeal to your government to help preserve peace in the world.

We are convinced that you will do this as energetically as possible and that you will again stand with us as you have done so many times in the past.

Dr. Mirko Juras
President

Slovenska izseljenska matica

Washington March

Croatians of the U.S.A. and Canada will demonstrate in Washington, D.C. on Friday, July 26th.

We ask Slovenians of the United States to join us.

Ivan Nogalo

Prayers for Msgr. Baznik

Monsignor Louis B. Baznik, former pastor of St. Vitus parish, is requesting your prayers. He is a patient at Mount St. Joseph, 21800 Chardon Rd., Euclid, OH 44117. We wish Monsignor better health.

—Dan J. Postotnik

Overwhelmed

We were completely overwhelmed with letters and comments concerning Slovenia that came in the last couple of days. We have printed a few, and will publish more in the future. Keep the letters coming, we have to keep up the pressure to preserve what Slovenia has so boldly and gallantly declared — their independence.

Joseph Zelle has sent in what looks like radio transmissions directly from Slovenia from a radio ham, Marko Bonac from the Jozef Stefan Institute of Ljubljana who is describing the action there. It is six typewritten pages long but very interesting and we will print most of it in the weeks that follows. One significant point, on page 5 says, "We hear from foreign reports that a civil war is in Slovenia. To be precise — it is not a civil war — but a war between Slovenia and the federal army."

Thank you everybody who took the time to write the president or your representative and sent in a copy. The people of Slovenia really appreciate your work.

—James V. Debevec

Coming Events...

July 13, 14

St. Clair Hunting and Rifle Club shooting competition with our Canadian friends at the club grounds on Ravenna Rd. in Concord, Ohio. Pork roast & steak dinner serving 5 to 8 p.m. Music by Tony Klepec.

Saturday, July 13

St. Vitus Altar Society krofe sale from 8 a.m. on in social room of auditorium.

Sunday, July 14

Catholic Mission Aid picnic at Slovenska Pristava with morning Mass by Father Wolbang of Scarborough, Canada. Dinners and plenty of food. Everyone invited.

Wednesday, July 17

Spaghetti dinner 4 to 7 p.m. \$5.25 (adults) at our Lady of Lourdes Shrine on Chardon Rd., Euclid, Ohio sponsored by Knights of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Wednesday, July 17

Slovenian Pensioners Club of Euclid Annual Picnic and Dinner at SNPJ Farm on Heath Rd. Donation \$8.50, admission only \$2. Dinner 1 to 3 p.m. Music by Chuck Krivec Orch. from 3 to 7 p.m. For tickets call 481-5004 or 531-4445.

Thursday, Aug. 8

Federation of Slovenian Pensioners Clubs Annual Picnic at SNPJ Farm. Dinner tickets \$8.50, gate "admission only" for social \$2.00.

Sunday, Aug. 25

Collinwood Slovenian Home Annual Homecoming.

Saturday, August 17

Slovenian American National Art Guild Art and Craft Display under the big tent at Chalet Debonne Winery, Madison, Ohio.

Labor Day Weekend

Bishop Baraga Days, Washington, D.C.

Information on 'Pepca's Struggle'

Editor Great issue on June 27. Too bad you're on vacation now.

Just a helpful hint: Anyone who has tried to order *Pepca's Struggle* from Vantage Press, their order dept. has a toll-free number: 1-800-882-3273. Postage and handling is \$1.50.

Good luck, Slovenia!

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Eckart's Congressional Input

The following speech by Congressman Dennis Eckart was part of the Congressional Record for Thursday, June 27. **SUPPORT DEMOCRACY AND MARKET REFORM FOR ALL PEOPLES**

(Mr. Eckart asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. Eckart. Mr. Speaker, today, in a far away part of the globe, we are witnessing tragedy and triumph. We see, on one hand, the triumph of democracy and market reform. That has occurred, of course, in the Republics of Croatia and Slovenia.

We see, on the other hand, the tragedy of suppression, where another large ethnic majority in that country, through the use of force of its army, threatens to suppress the freely expressed hopes, wishes, and aspirations of a new day and a new dawn for democracy in that troubled country.

Slovenia, Yugoslavia, is the home of my parents and grandparents. I still have many family and friends who reside in that now troubled land.

This Nation, which preaches and, indeed, practices democracy and an open economic opportunity for all, must stand more four-square for those same principles when aspired to by other nations and other peoples who seek to emulate our success.

Mr. Speaker, I urge our State Department, I beseech our President, to speak more forcefully in support of democracy and in support of market reform, and more vigorously against the threat of violence which will suppress it.

A Letter to the President

(copy) July 4, 1991

The Honorable George Bush
President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500
Dear President Bush:

On this day that the United States celebrates its independence, it is incumbent upon us to assist those in need of support in striving for their independence.

My parents immigrated from Slovenia many years ago. They were more proud of their American citizenship than any person born in the United States. I have traveled to Europe several times, and have had the pleasure of meeting cousins who live in Slovenia. They are a happy, hard-working people. My heart is saddened when I see on TV and in the newspapers what is going on there.

I urge you to do all in your power to assist this freedom-loving Slovenia in its pursuit of independence.

Thank you for your help in this time of need for Slovenia, as well as Croatia.

Sincerely,
Josephine Leufkens
Mentor, Ohio

In Memory

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hribar, Cleveland, donated \$50.00 to the Ameriška Domovina in memory of her parents, Antonia and Joe Ogrinc.

UNITED AMERICANS FOR SLOVENIA

Please reply to:
Edmund J. Turk, Chairman
United Americans for Slovenia
19424 So. Waterloo Road
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216/391-4000

8 July 1991

The Honorable George Bush
President
The White House
Washington D. C. 20500

Dear President Bush:

The destruction in response to the declaration of independence of the Republic of Slovenia has united Slovenian-American community leaders to appeal to you and the United States government to recognize and accept Slovenia as a sovereign nation.

The representatives of the United Americans for Slovenia speak for more than 300,000 Americans who trace their roots to Slovenia. We were chosen by the nation's largest Slovenian-American fraternal associations, cultural institutions, support groups and parishes to urge you to welcome Slovenia among the democratic nations of the world.

Slovenia is trying to meet the requirements to be a part of your New World Order, just like the other emerging democracies of Eastern Europe. Yet, Slovenia's aspirations are being met with violence and bloodshed. Secretary Baker has indicated you would consider recognition of the declaration of independence of Slovenia. Your support is critical at this time. Please do not reject the hopes of the Slovenian people for democratic self-determination.

Take the lead, Mr. President. It is only fitting that the world's oldest democracy, the United States of America, recognize the independence of the Republic of Slovenia, the world's newest democracy.

Sincerely,

Edmund J. Turk
Edmund J. Turk, Chairman
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July 3, 1991

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

I implore you to speak out publicly and forcefully about your concern for the people of Yugoslavia.

During your 1988 campaign, you spoke eloquently of the cause of the captive nations at the rally we arranged at the Lithuanian Hall and again at the rally we held on your behalf at the German Farm right after the Republican convention. I have been bombarded by calls from people crying, "Why won't President Bush speak out like he did on Iraq?"

The Yugoslav army, at the direction of the government in Belgrade, is beginning to rear out of control. Our government sold out Yugoslavia at Yalta in 1944. History cannot record that in 1991 George Bush sold them out.

Please, Mr. President, do not let Yugoslavia's central government snuff out freedom in Croatia and Slovenia.

You are in my prayers.

Respectfully,

George V. Voinovich
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President George Bush
United States of America
The White House
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June 28, 1991

FAX 202-456-2461

Dear President Bush:

Slovenia declared its independence on Tuesday, June 25, 1991. The adverse reaction from the federal army of Yugoslavia was swift.

Slovenia has been a member of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia since the end of World War Two, as a sovereign republic within the federation. The sovereignty of the Republic of Slovenia is founded upon the fact that at the end of World War Two, it became an independent nation and then joined the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia with the understanding that Slovenia would remain a sovereign state within the federation. The federal government of Yugoslavia is now reneging on such initial understanding.

The question of independence was placed on the ballot on December 23, 1990 and the electorate approved a move toward independence by an overwhelming majority of 95%. The United States must support independence for Slovenia because our country is the citadel of democracy in the world and always supports the idea of self-determination for all people. Slovenia originated the concept of "government by the consent of the governed", which then Thomas Jefferson adopted and incorporated into our glorious Declaration of Independence in 1776. Let us now support that concept by acknowledging that Slovenes are entitled to a form of government of their choosing.

A 95% vote in favor of independence rings loud and clear as a mandate of the people. Our Nation cannot turn a deaf ear to such a clamor and desire for a democratic Republic.

All American Slovenes beseech you to exert your influence in our Government to make sure that a tragic disaster does not take place. Give recognition to the new democratic government of Slovenia. Do not allow the anti-freedom forces to extinguish the flame.

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
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July 3, 1991

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Bush:

As you are aware, civil war has broken out in Yugoslavia. Despite a cease-fire last Friday, federal army forces continue to besiege the republics of Slovenia and Croatia. These republics voted for self-determination in free elections and the federal army is denying them that freedom.

The real rebels in Yugoslavia are the defiant army generals who by their unilateral action have abrogated Yugoslavia's responsibilities under international law. Yugoslavia's constitutional government is no more. It is folly for the United States to persist in recognizing a Yugoslavia which continues to be dominated by old-line, communist-inspired army generals.

It is time for the United States to stand up for democracy, self-determination and market economies. I urge you to reconsider your decision on recognition of the new republics of Slovenia and Croatia. It may be the only thing that will save their lives.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Dennis E. Eckart
DENNIS E. ECKART
Member of Congress

SHORTWAVE ON SLOVENIAN CRISIS

BY JOHN MERCINA

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Slovenia, Croatia deserve our support

Increasingly, the spectre of communism around the world is shrinking.

In the Soviet Union, it is ashes. The people don't want it. In free elections, they have said so. Their choice is freedom!

In much of Eastern Europe, the same choices are being made. Communism is being booted out. The people want to be free!

Isn't this a great time — one day before the birthday of the freest country in the world — to be able to make that observation?

And much closer to the hearts of many people living in our area is the battle being waged for freedom by Slovenia and Croatia.

The people of Slovenia and Croatia don't want to be treated as subjects of Yugoslavia. They desire freedom. They want to be independent of that communist leadership. They wanted what those early Americans wanted. They want to be free!

The central Yugoslavia government is communist-dominated. Slovenia and Croatia want to be ruled by democratically elected governments that are non-communistic.

The good guys are the people who want what the colonists in America wanted — freedom of choice, freedom to choose their own leaders, freedom to congregate and assemble and live as they please, not as some ruthless leader who holds authority only through military power tells them they will live.

The lessons of history should not be lost on Bush. He should make clear to the Yugoslavian oppressors and to the Slovenian and Croatian freedom fighters that America stands on the side of freedom.



VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

Slovenski parlament odobril »mirovni sporazum« — Veljal naj bi za tri mesece — Evropska skupnost igrala posredovalno vlogo — Slovenska stran ima še pomisleke

Včeraj je slovenski parlament po daljši razpravi sprejel besedilo tako imenovanega mirovnega sporazuma, ki je bil dosežen po večdnevni pogovori na Brionih med štirimi stranmi: slovensko delegacijo, tremi zunanjimi ministri, predstavniki Evropske skupnosti, zvezno jugoslovansko vlado in zveznim jugoslovanskim predsedstvom. Glasovanje v parlamentu je bilo 189 za, 11 proti, 7 vzdrževanih glasov.

Najvažnejša točka sporazuma je, da se je Slovenija obvezala, da bo za tri mesece oziroma 90 dni suspendirala nadaljnje ukrepe pri realiziranju neodvisnosti. Slovenska stran je sicer vztrajala, da odstopanja od že storjenega, v prvi vrsti seveda razglasitve slovenske neodvisnosti 25. junija, ne more biti. V tem trimesečnem obdobju, naj bi potekala pogajanja o »prestrukturiranju« Jugoslavijske skupnosti. Če bosta na sporazum pristali še zvezna vlada in zvezno predsedstvo, bi v Slovenijo prišli mednarodni opazovalci, ti bi pa imeli nalogo, nadzorovati premirje med Jugoslovansko vojsko in slovensko Teritorialno obrambo.

Slovenska stran je imela tudi po dosegu kompromisa glede sporazuma močne pomisleke. Besedilo sporazuma namreč med drugim ne garantira izrecno, da ne bo prišlo do ponovnega napada na Slovenijo s strani JA, politični komentatorji pa menijo, da v sedanjih razmerah je težko pričakovati tak napad, kajti so države Evropske skupnosti že izjavile, da bi v slučaju takega napada utegnile priznati Slovenijo (in tudi Hrvaško), s takšnim priznanjem bi pa bil najverjetneje združena tudi podpora, tako politična in gospodarska kot vsaj možno vojaška, vsaj v obliki posredovanja orožja obrambnega značaja.

Slovenski voditelji so izrazili upanje, da bo odobritev sporazuma prinesla Sloveniji učinkovitejše delovanje s strani EGS za razreševanje jugoslovanske krize, obenem pa tudi pomagala pri pridobivanju mednaro-

dnega priznavanja Slovenije kot neodvisne države. V svojem govoru na zasedanju slovenskega parlamenta včeraj je predsednik Republike Slovenije Milan Kučan dejal, da Slovenija sicer mora sprejeti dosežen sporazum, istočasno pa brezkompromisno zagovarjati na plebiscitu izraženo zahtevo slovenskega naroda, da želi živeti v neodvisni, svobodni in demokratični državi, ki bo poleg vsega drugega svetu odprta.

Slobodan Milošević in Veljko Kadijević o možnosti slovenske odcepitve od SFRJ

Preteklo soboto je predsednik Srbije Slobodan Milošević pozval prebivalce Srbije, naj bodo pripravljeni »za obrambo svoje države«. Izgleda pa, da je imel Milošević pri tej izjavi bolj v mislih Srbe, ki živijo na ozemlju Hrvaške, manj ali nič pa Slovenijo. Tako je srbski voditelj, ki je sicer tarča vse glasnijih napadov s strani domače opozicije, ki je pa v glavnem še bolj šovinistična kot on, rekel, da se »vsi spori, tudi najtežji spor okrog odcepitve narodov in republik, lahko rešijo po mirni poti«. Tisti, ki si v Jugoslaviji ne želijo ostati in ki imajo JLA za okupatorsko vojsko, naj v prihodnje sami skrbijo za svojo obrambo in varnost, je dejal Milošević.

Obrambni minister v zvezni jugoslovanski vladi gen. Veljko Kadijević je v izjavi za javnost preteklo soboto pa tudi rekel, da bi JA ne protivila odhodu Slovenije iz jugoslovanske federacije. Sicer pa njegove besede jasno kažejo, s kakšnimi ljudmi ima Slovenija opraviti v vojaškem vrhu: »Štab vrhovnega poveljstva bi zlahka pripravil in izpeljal operacijo, ki bi Slovenijo spravila na kolena. Toda zakaj bi to sploh počeli? Zakaj naj bi v Sloveniji umirali vojaki in starešine drugih narodnosti, če so za Slovence tujci in okupatorji? Tudi do tega nam ni, da bi umirali Slovenci, čeprav ne želijo živeti v Jugoslaviji. Ali je to naša napaka ali ni, naj presodi javnost.« Slovenska javnost je sicer že.

Nato Kadijević nadaljuje: »Ker se vodstvo Slovenije ne meni za sklepe predsedstva in se napadi na pripadnike JA nadaljujejo, bo štab vrhovnega poveljstva v skladu s tem predlagal predsedstvu SFRJ ustrezne ukrepe.«



Da je šlo zares v napadu JA na Slovenijo potrjuje ta posnetek, ki kaže uničen tank JA. Nekaj časa je tank zastraševal ob cesti v Mostah pri Komendi, stražili so ga še vojaki JA. Z raketo so ga uničili teritorialci in je tank postal kup razvalin. Kupola tanka s cevjo leži v polju, dvajset metrov stran od vozila.

NOVI GROBOVI

Josephine M. Fier

Dne 8. julija je umrla 85 let stara Josephine M. Fier, živeča na Alhambra Road 52 let, rojena Zaplata v Pennsylvaniji, vdova po Augustu, mati Betty Kershaw, Lillian Starman in Donne Ruse, 12-krat stara mati, 27-krat prastara mati, 1-krat praprastara mati, sestra Frances Lawicki in Sylvie Hovance, članica SZZ št. 10 in Kluba upokojencev na Holmes Ave. Pogreb bo iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. jutri, v petek, v cerkev Marije Vnebovzete dop. ob 9.30 in nato na Vernih duš pokopališče. Ure kropljena so danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9. Družina bo hvaležna za darove v pokojničin spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele.

Jennie Strukel

Dne 8. julija je umrla 81 let stara Jennie Strukel, rojena Koprivec v Clevelandu, vdova po Louisu, sestra Nettie Birtic, Emily Svigel in Alice Spehek, članica SNPJ št. 576 in Kluba upokojencev v Fairportu. Pogreb je bil 10. julija v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda s pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Rose Marie Marin

Dne 7. julija je umrla 76 let stara Rose Marie Marin z Willowicka, prej živeča v Clevelandu, rojena Kramer, mati Roberta, Judy in Rogerja, 4-krat stara mati, sestra Josepha, Stanleyja, Dorothy Nemura in že pok. Edwarda Cebular, članica Euclid Squeezboxers, Polka Hall of Fame in Kluba upokojencev v Fairport Harborju. Pogreb je bil 9. julija v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Viljema in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču. Družina bo hvaležna za darove v pokojničin spomin Memorium Fund pri Meridia Euclid Hospital, kjer je bila pokojna zaposlena 25 let, do svoje upokojitve 1. 1979, nato je pa služila kot prostovoljka in bila izbrana za prostovoljno delavko za 1. 1990.

Frances Phillips

Dne 4. julija je v Slovenskem domu za ostarele umrla 91 let stara Frances Phillips, rojena 27. jan. 1900 v Sloveniji, v Cleveland pa prišla 1. 1922, vdova po Franku Phillipsu in Franku Lipoldu, mati Franka, Albina, Anthonyja, Williama, Lucy Glavac in Ann Fratianna, 13-krat stara mati, 9-krat prastara mati, sestra že pok. Stephena, Josepha in Ann Benniger, v Sloveniji pa sta pok. dva brata in sestro, članica SZZ št. 25, PSA št. 2, SNPJ št. 5, ABZ št. 173 in Kluba društev pri Slov. nar. domu na St. Clairju. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda 8. julija s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Vida in pokopom na Kalvarije

pokopališču. Darovi v pokojničin spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele bodo s hvaležnostjo sprejeti.

Louis A. Urbas

Dne 2. julija je v Wickliffe Country Place umrl 71 let stari Louis A. Urbas iz Euclida, rojen v Clevelandu, vdovec po Louise, oče L. Gregoryja, Jamesa, Gerarda, Donalda, Michaela, L. Christine Burton in Mary Frances Burns, 4-krat stari oče, brat Sue Marie Urbas, veteran druge svetovne vojne, lastoval in vodil Urbas Market na Grovewood Ave. 45 let, nato zaposlen pri Zauha na E. 185 St. in Giunta's Stop & Shop, član DNIJ pri Mariji Vnebovzeti in KSKJ št. 169. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda 5. julija s sv. mašo v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču. Družina priporoča darove v pokojnikov spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele na Neff Rd.

Frank R. Novak

Dne 30. junija je v Wickliffe Country Place na posledicah srčne bolezni umrl 85 let stari Frank R. Novak z Willoughbyja, vdovec po l. 1988 umrli Ann, oče dr. Roberta, Normana in Williama, 8-krat stari oče, 7-krat prastari oče, brat Johna, Paula, Mary Kokal, Dorothy Rosnack ter že pok. Charlesa, Louisa, Josepha in Florence, zaposlen pri TRW 48 let, član ADZ št. 45 in U.S.S., znan harmonikar, ki je bil imenovan za člana National Cleveland Style Polka Hall of Fame novembra lani. Pogreb je bil 3. julija v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi St. Justin Martyr in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču. Družina priporoča darove v pokojnikov spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele ali pa Polka Hall of Fame, 291 E. 222 St., Euclid, OH.

Jennie Wick

Dne 27. junija je v Slovenskem domu za ostarele umrla 96 let stara Jennie Wick, rojena Krebel na Ostrožnem brdu, Slovenija, od koder je prišla v ZDA pred 81 leti, vdova po Charlesu, mati Charlesa ml., stara mati Virginie Jerele, 2-krat prastara mati, članica ADZ št. 2, PSA št. 2 in SNPJ št. 5. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda s pokopom na pokopališču Lake View. Družina priporoča darove v pokojničin spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele na Neff Rd.

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Slovenija med Skilo in Karibdo

V času po razglasitvi neodvisnosti Republike Slovenije 25. junija, še posebej pa po vojaški intervenciji s strani JA, ki se je pričela že v zgodnjih urah 27. junija, je slovensko vprašanje predmet intenzivnega obravnavanja pri najbolj pomembnih državah sveta, tistih torej, ki razpolagajo z najbolj odločujočo besedo. Mišljene so seveda ZDA in Evropska skupnost, v zvezi z najnovejšimi dogodki v prvi vrsti Evropska skupnost.

Evropska skupnost ni mogla stati mirno ob strani, ko so čete JA intervenirale v Sloveniji, še najmanj potem, ko se je Slovenija tako povsem nepričakovano hrabro in učinkovito branila. Na začudenje vseh opazovalcev, in pri tem tudi znotraj Slovenije same, je JA doživela sramoten poraz. Ni samo, da je po zadnjih razpoložljivih podatkih utrpela 39 mrtvih, slovenska Teritorialna obramba le 4 in še dva policista, zajetih je bilo več kot 2400 vojakov JA. Pri »zajetih« gre seveda za izredno veliko število tistih, ki so se prostovoljno vdali TO. Ti so bili v glavnem Slovenci, Hrvati, Albanci in drugi, ki sploh niso hoteli sodelovati v tej pustolovščini. Že obsežnost te slovenske zmage je vsebovala nevarnost, da bo vojaški vrh skušal svojo čast braniti z novim, splošnim napadom na Slovenijo.

Da bi preprečila tak razplet, se je angažirala Evropska skupnost. Sledili so obiski diplomatov, pogovori na najvišjih ravneh, kompromisni načrti, vse to pa se je končalo ob koncu preteklega tedna s krogom pogajanj na Brionih med predstavniki ES, Slovenije, zvezne jugoslovanske vlade in tudi zveznega predsedstva. Izdelan je bil kompromis, ki ga je po hudem razpravljanju odobril slovenski parlament.

Za Slovenijo in njeno vodstvo so nastopili nevarni časi, ko bo res treba previdno voziti med Skilo in Karibdo. Države Evropske skupnosti in ZDA še vedno želijo videti rojstvo nove, »tretje« Jugoslavije, rade bi spravile svojo politiko nazaj na ustaljene tirnice. Pri svojem ravnanju Slovenija ne sme dati vtisa, da sabotira pravkar dosežen sporazum. Po drugi strani mora paziti, da ne stori nič, kar bi dalo vodstvu JA povod, da znova intervenira s silo. Kajti, če bi do ponovnega vojaškega napada na Slovenijo res prišlo, ni dvoma, da bi to bil napad z uporabo vseh razpoložljivih sredstev.

In še tretja nevarnost je: Hrvaška. Znaki kažejo, to že pri izjavah tako srbskega voditelja Miloševića, kot pri obrambnem ministru Veljko Kadijeviću, da je Srbija in tudi vojska pripravljena sprejeti

Piknik Misijonske Znamkarske Akcije

CLEVELAND, O. — Pred nami je piknik Misijonske Znamkarske Akcije, ki bo to nedeljo, 14. julija, na Slovenski pristani. Piknik se bo pričel s sv. mašo opoldne, katero bo daroval zlatomašnik lazarist g. Karol Wolbang iz Scarborough, Kan.

Po maši bo na razpolago kosilo in druge jestvine, kar bo kdo želel. Popoldan bomo preživeli v senci smrek med prijatelji in znanci, ali pa se podali v hladni bazen. Okrog pete ure bomo zapeli litanije Matere božje pri kapelici ter jo prosili varstva na poti proti domu.

Gospodinje lepo prosimo za domače pecivo.

V ponedeljek, 15. julija, bo ob 7. uri zvečer sv. maša v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete, nato pa letni sestanek združen z občinim zborom, kakor vsako leto. Vsi sotrudniki in prijatelji misijonov ste prav iskreno vabljeni!

Po božji dobroti živimo v deželi blagostanja. Na to nedeljo se spomnimo, da veliko narodov trpi pomanjkanje, lakoto, in položimo vsaj mali dar v pomoč bližnjemu. Bodimo usmiljeni, da bomo usmiljenje ob času prejeli!

Iskreno Vas vabi na misijonski piknik to nedeljo na Slovenski pristani

MZA - Cleveland

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NEW YORK, N.Y. - Od zadnjega mojega kroniškega zapisa pa do današnjega se je v prostoru večnega časa in na mojem koledarju na steni nanašalo kar mesec dni, tako pomembnih kot nepomembnih. Iz pomladnih smo prešli v poletne.

S svojo kroniko sem z občasnimi zapisi začel že pred slavljenjem 50-letnice fare sv. Cirila. Takrat je izšla Janeza Arneža knjiga Slovenci v New Yorku. Ker pa je v njej precej manjkalo iz dogajanja plodnega delovanja v letih med 1950 in 1965, sem se odločil za stalno dopi-

sovanje življenja slovenske njujorške srenje, ki je osredotočena ravno pri Sv. Cirilu.

Sam sem se uklenil v prostovoljno tlako, ki je pravzaprav nevhvaležno in pri večini faranov neupoštevano delo. Vendar vršim ga vsa ta leta v narodni zavesti. Zato kroniko pišem v materini govorici, ker sem se že kot mlad, kmalu po prihodu v očetnjo zapisal med tiste, ki nam je bila naložena dolžnost ohranjevati svoj narod. Orodje in orožje v tem bojnem ohranjanju je predvsem sveta materina beseda, kot je dejal v prejšnjem stoletju škof Anton M. Slomšek.

Da je temu res nam dopoveduje vsa naša zgodovina od Trubarja s prvimi slovenskimi knjigami vse do današnjih dni. Tega zgodovinskega dejstva se vse manj zavedamo ravno Slovenci v ZDA. Zato slovenska beseda očitno plahni med nami. Z njo pa se trgajo tudi naše medsebojne vezi.

Posledica tega trganja vezi me sili, da naknadno poročam nekaj, kar nisem vedel za npr. moj marčevski dopis, čeprav se je zgodilo že v februarju. Šele ob začetku aprila sem zvedel, da je na prvo postno nedeljo umrl v Brooklynu samo angleško govoreči rojak Frank John Thomas.

Pokojni zapuška dve hčerki in sina, umrl pa je v svojem devetdesetem letu. V našo srenjsko skupnost je bil vključen po Jednotinem društvu sv. Jožefa. Zadnja tri leta, predno se je pred parimi leti društvo razšlo, je bil celo njegov predsednik. Otroci, ker se doma ni nikdar govorilo slovensko,

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odhod Slovenije, nikakor pa ne Hrvaške. Izgleda, da pretesna povezanost glede vprašanja neodvisnosti oziroma mednarodnega priznanja neodvisnosti Slovenije s Hrvaško ni v korist Slovenije. Razmere na Hrvaškem so narodnostno veliko bolj zapletene kakor v Sloveniji. Zato se mora Slovenija boriti za priznanje svoje neodvisnosti kot osrednji cilj svoje politike, ne pa v nekakšnem »paketu« s Hrvaško. Ni pač nujno, da zahodne in druge države morajo istočasno priznati tako Hrvaško kot Slovenijo. Zato naj tudi Slovenci v ZDA in drugod po svetu sicer sodelujejo s Hrvati, vendar naj se zanimajo v prvi vrsti za cilj priznavanja neodvisnosti Slovenije pri vladah v državah, v katerih živijo.

Dr. Rudolph M. Susel

niso ob smrti očeta obvestili njegove nekdane družbene sočlane. Ob tem slučaju želim spet poudariti svoje trdno mnenje, da se na Ameriškem med nami ne da utrjevati narodne zavesti brez učenja slovenske besede. Mnogi so pač drugega mnenja, ker so gluhi za to dejstvo.

V tej zvezi bi rad navedel nekaj iz zadnjega cerkvenega farnega oznanila. V njem je župnik p. Robert, predno je odšel v Ljubljano na Slovenski svetovni kongres, zapisal tole: »'Zunanje' praznovanje naše 75 letnice je sicer za nami. Vedno pa je, da takšna obletnica rodi tudi duhovne sadove: postanimo boljši slovenski verniki, obiskujmo večkrat kot do sedaj svojo slovensko cerkev in tudi s svojo pomočjo se ravnajmo po tistih, ki so tako lepo pred 28. aprilom očistili naše cerkvene prostore, in v sem, ki so nam pripravili tako uspešno družabno prireditve.«

Moj predzadnji kroniški zapis je nekaj več povedal o prireditvi ob 75-letnici sv. Cirila na Osmi. Priprave je izvršila le peščica faranov. Vse to je zdaj za nami. Kdaj bo spet kaka družabna prireditev, že vem. Po tretji majski nedelji smo glede nedeljskega obiskovanja spet padli v dolgotrajno oseko pasjih dni. Razpršili smo se. Pri Sv. Cirilu bo plima prišla šele s tretjo septembrsko nedeljo. Vsaj takšno je naše življenje, in hvala Bogu tudi za to in takšno življenje, ki ga še zmoremo pri fari. Takšno življenje bomo zapustili našim otrokom.

Pisanje o naši obletnici in dogajanju po njej me je ob zadnjih kroniških zapisih odvrnilo od omembe smrti skoraj do nedavnega delovne v naši srenji Edith Capuder. Njeno dekliško ime je bilo Palčić. Srečal sem jo kot mlado dekle prvi dan svoje vrnitve v Ameriko. Tedaj je bila članica pri Tamburici in še v mladinskem odseku Jednotinega društva Marija Pomagaj. V zadnjih le-

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Belokranjski klub vabi na piknik

EUCLID, O. - Letos smo se pri Belokranjskem klubu ponovno odločili, da priredimo piknik v lepi poletni naravi na Slovenski pristani 21. julija.

Na ta naš piknik vabimo naše prijatelje in znance, da se nam pridružijo. Ob 12. uri bo na Pristani daroval č.g. Viktor Tomc sv. mašo za vse pokojne člane Belokranjskega kluba. Po maši bo na razpolago okusno kosilo, po njem pa se bo razvil, vsaj tako upamo in pričakujemo, vesel popoldan in večer. Za zabavo in ples bo igral orkester našega člana Toneta Klepca iz Girarda, Ohio.

Torej, dragi prijatelji in znanci, pridite 21. julija na Slovensko pristani v velikem številu. Poleg kosila bo tudi za žejna grla poskrbljeno, tako, da boste zares imeli veselo nedeljsko popoldne. Nasvidenje! Belokranjci

Kje so bili v Sloveniji večji spopadi



Na jambolu pred slovenskim parlamentom je 26. junija zvečer zaplapolala zastava najnovejše države na svetu, dan preje razglašene neodvisne Republike Slovenije. Na desni je zbrana častna straža. Med praznovanjem rojstva nove države — ta večer je bilo središče Ljubljane preplavljeno z navdušenimi Slovenci in Slovenkami, med njimi je bilo tudi večje število rojakov in rojakinj iz slovenskih skupnosti po svetu, mnogi zbrani za Svetovni slovenski kongres — ni še bilo znano, da se v vojašnicah Jugoslovanske armade po Sloveniji in sosednji Hrvaški pripravlja na izvedbo že dolgo načrtovanega poskusa okupacije Slovenije. Karta na desni dokazuje obsežnost te akcije, ki pa se je za JA tako hitro in tudi tako temeljito izjalovila.

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ti je bila tudi odbornica, dokler se ni tudi to društvo razšlo.

Edith je bila stara 64 let. Vse svoje življenje je preživela v Ridgewoodu. In tako je tudi ležala na mrtvaškem odru v pogrebni zali Geis. Umrta je 18. maja. Molitve tod in pogrebno mašo je opravil naš župnik Robert, kot je to opravil na istem mestu leto dni po prej za njeno mater Mary Palčič.

Tudi Edith je imela veliko kropilcev. Ne toliko starostnih kropilcev kot takih iz srednjih in mladih let. Vse molitve so bile v angleščini. Prav tokrat mi je bilo močno žal za našo odtujeno slovensko kri, utripajoče ne več, kot utripa meni ob zavesti slovenske besede.

Takšno bolečino sem občutil tudi na zadnje junijsko soboto ob poročni maši v naši mali cerkvi. Na ta dan se je namreč poročila vdova po Joe Klunu, ki je bil ravno tako delaven Jednotar, Frances Klun. Poročila je Fred Kluna, bratranca bivšega moža. Na ta dan je prišlo v našo cerkvico precej mladih ljudi. Skoraj vsi slovenske krvi, ki jih ne srečujem v srenjskem ali farnem življenju.

Vse se je opravilo v angleščini. Poročni obred in Gospodo-

vo daritev je namesto odsotnega p. Roberta opravil že kar naš duhovni voditelj, č.g. Alojzij Jenko. Lep in izreden dogodek v naši cerkvi, ki sta nevesta in ženin oba slovenskega roda in oba osemdesetletnika. Bog naj zares oba blagoslovi s srečo in zdravjem, kot sta si pri teh letih obljubila zvestobo do smrti.

Na zadnje junijsko nedeljo nas je bilo pri slovenski Gospodovi daritvi malce več kot je naša navada. Daritev je opravil gost iz Ljubljane, p. Kristofer Cimerman. V dvorani je bila neka živahnost zaradi dogodkov na Slovenskem. Vendar so bili navzoči tudi nekateri, ki jih sicer ob nedeljah v cerkvi ne srečujem.

Ob tem sem jaz doživljal svoje. Vznemirjalo me je moje občutje na dan Velikega petka 1941, ko sem se ob jutranjem svitu razjokal nad Novim mestom, kot se je Jezus nad Jeruzalemom. Pa tisto počutje, ko sem 9. maja 1945 stal v Ljubljani med od navdušenja razgreto množico, žalosten, sluteč nesrečo, ko so drugi vpili: Živel Tito, živel Kardelj. In potomci teh, mnogi od njih priganjači prejšnjega komunističnega režima, mojemu narodu obljubljajo svobodo, pa ne takšno, za kakršno so



Karta zgoraj označuje kraje, kjer so potekali največji spopadi med Jugoslovansko armado in pripadniki slovenske Teritorialne obrambe med 27. junijem in 3. julijem. Za lažje razumevanje znakov, ki so na karti in mnogim bralcem niso čitljivi, navajamo, kaj pomenijo. Na spodnji desni strani sta dve vrsti znakov, uporabljenih na karti, v vsaki vrsti 6 znakov. V prvi, levi vrsti, od zgoraj navzdol so sledeči: glavni garnizoni

JA v Hrvaški; vojaška letališča JA; glavne cestne barikade; glavni letalski napadi; letalski in helikopterski desanti; kršitve meje z Avstrijo. V desni vrsti pomenijo znaki sledeče, zopet od zgoraj: glavne vojašnice in garnizoni JA v Sloveniji; civilna letališča; napadeni RTV oddajniki; večji spopadi; najhujši spopadi; mednarodni mejni prehodi. Upoštevajoč obsežnost vojaških akcij je sreča, da ni bilo že več človeških žrtev.

mnogi moji prijatelji dali svoje življenje.

V tej svoji novi boli se klaniam spominu borcev za narodno, resnično svobodo, pred kratkim umrlih Jožeta Melaherja in sokolskega brata Dušana Svetliča.

V tem trenutku mi je bolečina še večja, ko se spomnim besed nadškofa Šuštarja, objavljenih v Družini, ki jih je bil izrekel ob Gospodovi daritvi na Brezjah 23. maja: »Našemu narodu danes manjka vere, poštenosti, iskrenosti, zaupanja.«

Njegov tajnik, Tone Jamnik, ki je o tem dogodku poročal, je pristavil: »Največji dogodek, ki ga lahko Bog na Marijino priprošnjo naredi med nami, je ta, da bo slovenski narod spet sprejel krščansko izročilo, da se bo zgodil čudež v srcih, da bodo ljudje hodili po vere, dobrote...«

Jaz bi k tem mislim dodal še to, da bi mi vsi imeli tisto ljubezen v sebi, da bi zadostili Gospodovi predsmrti želji, da bi bili vsi eno. In to Njegovo željo ponavljamo pri vsaki daritvi tudi pri Sv. Cirilu na Osmi.

Tone Osovnik

Izjave — Pozivi

Vsem Slovencem po svetu

Slovenska izseljenska matica ponovno poziva vsa slovenska društva, klube, šole in posameznike po svetu, da v teh težkih dnevih, ki jih preživlja slovenski narod, podprete njegova prizadevanja za ohranitev samostojne, neodvisne Republike Slovenije in za njeno mednarodno priznanje.

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Dr. Mirko Jurak, predsednik Slovenske izseljenske matice
Ljubljana, 3. julija 1991

Slovenski krščanski demokrati —

Dragi rojaki

V dneh težke preizkušnje za slovenski narod in za rojeno slovensko državo v času, ko nevarnost še ni mimo, vas prosimo, da uporabite vsa svoja poznanstva in zastavite ves svoj vpliv pri predstavnikih vseh političnih strank, poslancih, funkcionarjih v vladnih organih v deželah, kjer bivate, za naslednje cilje:

a) Obveščajte o dejanskem stanju v Sloveniji in Jugoslaviji po napadu jugoslovanske armade.

Po naši presoji je zvezna oblast v Beogradu dejansko v rokah vojske, zvezno predsedstvo na čelu z Mesićem ter zvezna vlada na čelu z Antejem Markovićem pa sta samo legalo pokritje za početje armade.

b) Zahtevajte mednarodno arbitražo pri mirovnih pogajanjih, ker drugače ne bo mogoče vzpostaviti potrebnega zaupanja za sklenitev premirja in poznejšega dogovora o nadaljnji ureditvi razmer.

c) Zahtevajte nevtralnost zračnega prostora nad ozemljem Republike Slovenije in mednarodno zagotovilo te nevtralnosti.

d) Zahtevajte mednarodno priznanje Republike Slovenije.

Zapleteni medetnični spori v ostali Jugoslaviji se še dolgo ne bodo uredili, samostojna, mednarodno priznana Slovenija pa je lahko tampon miru med balkanskim kriznim žariščem in zahodno Evropo.

Prosimo, dopovejte svetu, da Slovenci po vsem tem, kar se je zgodilo, ne moremo več ostati v kakršnikoli obliki v državnem okrilju Jugoslavije, ker bi bili s tem izpostavljeni maščevanju z vsemi mogočimi sredstvi.

Slovenski krščanski demokrati

Ljubljana, 5.7.1991.

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SKLEPNA IZJAVA Slovenskega narodnega odbora ob slovenski državni samostojnosti

Republika Slovenija je proglasila svojo samostojnost. Slovenski narod je prestopil enega najpomembnejših mejnikov svojega obstoja; po dolgih stoletjih si je pričel krojiti usodo sam.

Slovenci imamo lastno državo osnovano na demokratičnih načelih. Narodni program o združenju, svobodni in samostojni Sloveniji, sen, ki smo ga prejeli od naših prednikov, se zdaj uresničuje.

Ob tem velikem trenutku gre naš spomin nazaj v leto 1941, ko so slovenske demokratične stranke pod okupacijo treh sovražnih sil organizirale proti okupatorju Slovensko zavezo. Proti tej združitvi slovenskih demokratov je postavila KPS, ob napadu Nemčije na Sovjetsko zvezo, svojo fronto in začela revolucijo proti lastnemu narodu. V najtežjih časih revolucije pod okupacijo je bil ustanovljen v ilegali Narodni odbor za Slovenijo, današnji Slovenski narodni odbor, kot politični poskus demokratičnih strank, ob povezavi z zahodnimi zavezniki, okrepiti narodni odpor proti okupatorjem in Slovenijo obvarovati pred komunizmom. Usoda, ki so jo krojile velesile, nam ni bila naklonjena. V okviru Jugoslavije, smo bili skupaj z ostalo srednjo in vzhodno Evropo prepuščeni totalitarnemu marksizmu.

Nesreča se je zgrnila nad naš narod, katerega velik del je bil doma zatiran, zunaj izdan, deloma vrnjen v mučenje in smrt, deloma razseljen po svetu. Velik del slovenskega ozemlja in ljudstva je bil ponovno prepuščen Italiji in Avstriji, zaradi slepe podvrženosti slovenskih komunistov koristim Sovjetske zveze.

Od tiste dobe se je SNO posvetil, najprej v begunstvu in nato v zdomstvu, nelahki nalogi, tolmačiti domači in tuji

javnosti nelegitimnost komunistične totalitarne vlade, ter opozarjati na nevzdržno stanje v domovini in na težke posledice tega režima na političnem, gospodarskem in socialnem področju. Kakor smo med vojno neomajno upali na poraz tujih okupatorjev, smo bili tudi vseh petinštirideset let zdomstva prepričani o končnem propadu komunističnega sistema v Sloveniji in po svetu.

Ves čas svojega delovanja v tujini je SNO, ob sodelovanju organizirane slovenske skupnosti v svetu, pospeševal poleg pričevanja o resničnem poteku revolucije na Slovenskem tudi seznanjanje svetovnega javnega mnenja s celotno slovensko narodno problematiko. Politična emigracija je brez vsake podpore in le s sredstvi, ki so si jih pritrkali po svetu razseljeni rojaki, živela naprej svoje demokratično slovenstvo. Nešteto spisov, stotine knjig izpričujejo to delovanje. Vsa ta dolga desetletja je bil SNO edini politični predstavnik slovenstva v tujini.

Zdaj, ko so naši rojaki v domovini dosegli politično svobodo in suverenost, je naloga SNO izpolnjena. Plamenico slovenske demokratične ureditve in državne samostojnosti, katero je dolgo vrsto let osamljeno hranil po vseh kontinentih sveta, predaja v roke legitimnih slovenskih oblasti.

Ob tem pomembnem trenutku se člani SNO s spoštovanjem spominjamo vseh tistih, ki so dali življenje, da bi bil slovenski narod prost vsakega totalitarizma. Spominjamo se rojakov, ki so se med prvimi v Evropi zavedali nevarnosti komunizma, se mu uprli in v tem boju dali svoje življenje, ter vseh, ki so med revolucijo in po njej bili zvesti svojemu narodu, veri in demokratičnemu prepričanju. Spominjamo se slovenskih parlamentarcev, ki

so dne 3. maja 1945, ob prisotnosti škofa Gregorija Rožmana na zasedanju slovenskega parlamenta razglasili narodno državo Slovenijo, takrat še v okviru federativne Jugoslavije; predvsem pa oživljamo spomin na nepregledne vrste vaških stražarjev, četnikov in domobrancev, ki so združeni v Slovenski narodni vojski, vojaško nikdar premagani, a naposled izdani, odšli na pot zadnjega junaštva in mučeništva.

Izrekamo zahvalo vsem rojakom, ki so podpirali in omogočali naše delo skozi skoraj pol stoletja zgolj iz zavesti, da med Slovenci krik po svobodi ne sme zamreti, da je treba ohranjati v tujini slovenski glas in prisotnost, dokler ni dano Slovincem doma, da bi spregovorili. Pri tem mislimo še posebno na sodelavce, ki jim ni bilo dano dočakati dne, zaradi katerega so prevzeli nase težo in trpljenje zdomstva. Med vsemi javnimi delavci, katerih edina gonilna sila je bila ljubezen do slovenstva, naj omenimo bivše predsednike SNO, Jožeta Basaja, Miha Kreka, Miloša Stareta. Posebno priznanje gre učiteljem in vzgojiteljem, ki so sledili eni prvih prošelj SNO in se žrtvovali za slovensko mladino od vetrinskega polja pa prek begunskih taborišč in izseljenstva vse do danes; zahvala pa tudi duhovnikom, ki so nas ta čas spremljali, nas vzpodbujali in duhovno podpirali.

Čutimo dolžnost, da izrečemo priznanje tudi rojakom, ki so v domovini na kakršnemkoli področju s svojim delom ali le s tiho zvestobo ohranjali med ljudstvom živ čut za svobodo in slovenstvo.

Zavedamo se, da gotovo nismo storili vsega kar bi morali, da je bil način našega dela lahko kdaj manj primeren, vendar vemo, da se nismo motili v načelih. Niso se motili tisti, ki

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ZASAJENE SO LOPATE

CHICAGO, Ill. — Dne 23. junija 1991 je bil priklican blagoslov, ob zbranem ljudstvu in vodilni duhovščini, na zemljišče, na katrem bi se naj postavil Slovenski Dom, kot žarišče naše kulture, tempelj božje vdanosti in hram vzdrževanja slovenskega jezika. Očetje frančiškani so izročili svoj veliki delež.

Pred samostanskim oltarjem se je začelo, ob ljudskem petju in zgodovinski pridigi ččeta Blaža Čemazarja. Natančno nam je naštel dogodke, ki so približevali to zemljišče visokemu namenu. Po maši je krenila procesija proti začrtanemu shodišču, častljivo, v molitvah in zaobljubah. Naše prošnje je podprl še oče Andrej Vovk, iz domovine, ki je naša prizadevanja tudi posebej pozdravil.

Pestra simbolika

Prazničnost so utemeljile še geografske značilnosti: Prekmurje, Štajerska, Koroška, Kranjska in Primorska, a izrazitost so poudarile posamezne narodne noše. Gosposvetsko polje s knežnim kamnom je posebej omenjeno kot simbol sprave med ljudstvom in poveljstvom. Zapeta je legendarna spominčica »Gor čez izaro« iz vseh navzočih grl. Oddani so »darovi ljudstva« in izprošen je blagoslov; najprej na udarniško vodstvo, in nato še na množico. To naj pomeni sprejetje žezla nad organizacijo za potrebne dejavnosti, ki vodijo k uresničenju tvornega

projekta. Pater Fortunat Zorman je kasneje pripomnil, da današnji dan, se pravi 23. junija, meji še na eno zgodovinsko značilnost. Menil je, da po božji preudarnosti gre za simboliko v zvezi s tistimi časi, ko so, prav na te junijske dni, netili kresove po slovenskih hribih, dvigaje na noge borbeno moštva proti Turkom.

Zavihani rokavi

Opravljeni blagoslov je sprožil še zadnjo, »najdelavnejšo« točko, v kateri naj spregovorijo orodja, roke in mišice. Zasajene so prve lopate, pričeni s predsednikom Martinom Hozianom in za njim, zapovrstjo, njegovi najbližji sotrudniki. (Arhitektske dlani so, žal, naletele na skrhanopato, tako je vsaj bilo videti, in so uspele šele ob dodatnem trudu.). Sledili so prostovoljci, ki jih ni manjkalo... Dišeči travnik je dobil prve brazde.

Ob vsem tem so se strnjene vrste že razsule in le še miselno ostale skupaj. »Po trudu počitek, po delu užitek« se je oglašilo pri vseh in vzpeli so se nazaj na hrib, kjer so v sproščenem veselju našli zaključna zadoščenja.

Ves pestri potek ceremonialnega dogodka je vodil pater Kristjan Gostecnik, s svojim tehtnim, vnetljivim in prepričevalnim besediščem.

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Iz svečanih trenutkov izbran prizor blagoslova nad vodilnim osebjem

V NEPOZABEN SPOMIN prve žalostne obletnice odkar si odšel v večno življenje 12. julija 1990.



FRANK LEMUT

*Preteklo je leto že,
ko hladna zemlja krije Te.
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in prezgodaj izgubili.*

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V BLAG SPOMIN

Ob prvi obletnici smrti
Vinca Sfiligoj



Leto dni že počiva Vincetovo truplo na pokopališču Vseh Svetnikov na Chardonu, O. Spomin na njega je še močno živ! Razcvetele so se na njegovem vrtu rože, ki jih je še on posadil. Njegova hiša je še zbirališče njegovih primorskih prijateljev, ki žive v duhu njegovih dobrih del. S svojim življenjem nam je zapustil bogato dediščino, ki je ne bomo pozabili.

žena Vida

sin Joško z ženo Patricijo

vnuč Erik z ženo Shelly

Izjava Reda Manjših bratov - Frančiškanov San Diego, Kalifornija, 28. junija 1991

Provincialni ministri in predstavniki okoli 19.500 frančiškanov (Reda Manjših bratov), ki živimo v več kot 90 državah po vsem svetu, zbrani na generalnem kapitlju našega Reda, smo globoko pretreseni in zaskrbljeni zaradi kritičnih dogajanj in trpljenja nedolžnih ljudi v Sloveniji, na Hrvaškem in v drugih delih Jugoslavije.

V zadnjih poročilih smo slišali, da je bilo v Sloveniji in na Hrvaškem veliko nasilja in prelivanja krvi, ki ga je v teh deželah povzročila jugoslovanska armada.

Podpiramo naše brate, katoliške škofove v Jugoslaviji, ki v svoji uradni izjavi, 27. junija, ugotavljajo: »do ustavnih sprememb, ki so se izvršile, ni prišlo zaradi nobenega enostranskega odloka vladnih uradnikov, ampak je do njih prišlo zaradi volje ljudi, ki so glasovali za demokracijo tako na svobodnih volitvah kakor na nedavnem plebiscitu. To je zato ukaz, ki mora biti v soglasju z vsemi moralnimi in zakonskimi načeli mednarodnega prava in življenja spoštovan in sprejet kot zakonita volja ljudstva.«

Nujno pozivamo Varnostni svet Združenih narodov, Evropsko skupnost in vse vlade, ki spoštujejo demokratična prizadevanja, naj pomagajo najti takojšnjo, mirno in trajno rešitev v tem grozljivem konfliktu.

Vsem možem in ženam dobre volje pošiljamo naše frančiškanske pozdrave miru!

Herman Schalück

Generalni minister Reda Manjših bratov
v imenu 151 predstavnikov frančiškanskega
Reda, zbranih na univerzi v San Diego, Kalif.

Obvestilo iz Kanade

Slovenski dan — 28. julija

Že od vsega začetka so SLOVENSKI DNEVI na istem kraju: na Slovenskem letovišču pri Boltonu. Tudi letos bo prav tam kot prejšnja leta.

Za nami so že kar tri desetletja Slovenskih dni. Marsikaj lepega in vzpodbudnega smo videli in slišali na tem kraju. Lansko leto smo imeli priliko slišati predsednika Kmečke zveze g. Ivana Omana, ki nam je zelo lepo in jasno govoril o razmerah v Sloveniji. Letošnji govornik je pa marsikaj raziskoval in tako prišel resnici do dna. S tiskano besedo je to tudi razširil med ljudi in tako je resnica zagledala beli dan.

Upajmo, da bo g. Ivo Žajdela lahko prišel in nam povedal marsikaj zanimivega in vzpodbudnega 28. julija na 32. Slovenskem dnevu pri Boltonu!

SKLEPNA IZJAVA

(nadaljevanje s str. 10)

so tvegali življenje v prepričanju, da je bil komunizem tedaj od vseh družbenih zmot za narod najbolj nevaren. Danes spoznava to ves svet, ljudje pa, ki so odgovorni za narodno tragedijo in njihovi nasledniki, se sprenevedeno skrivajo za praznimi besedami.

Za naš narod je nastopila doba demokracije in politično delo postaja dolžnost vseh državljanov. Vsakemu Slovencu, doma in po svetu, je na prosto dano, da deluje tudi na tem področju po svojem prepričanju in vesti.

Prepričani smo, da bo slovenska demokratična oblast nekoč priznala pomembnost delu, ki ga je za širjenje slovenskih interesov v svetu opravila politična emigracija. To so temelji slovenske prisotnosti v svetu, ki so lahko za naš narod srečna posledica velike nesreče. Od modrosti slovenskih državljanov je odvisno, da se ta enkratna priložnost za narod ne izgubi.

Čeravno je končana naloga zdomstva kot opozicija totalitarnemu in centralističnemu režimu, vaša naloga, rojaki, ki živite v svetu, ne bo nikdar končana. Ne bo konca sodelovanja pri gradnji slovenske narodne skupnosti, ne bo konca odgovornosti za pričevanja o tem, kar ste preživeli vi in vaši predniki, pa tudi ne za nadaljevanje slovenske prisotnosti v svetu. Ohranjajte in predajajte zavest, da ste s svojimi potomci del slovenskega naroda, da imate pravico in dolžnost uveljavljati se v slovenski narodni skupnosti kot njen enakovreden del. Politično sledite strankam, ki so vas vodile skozi vsa leta zdomstva in se po njih vključite v slovensko politično stvarnost. Še predno je z zakonom o dvojnem državljanstvu dana možnost, da posežete aktivno v slovensko politično življenje, je slovenska zdomska skupnost lahko izredno pomemben dejavnik za razvoj celotnega narodnega občestva.

Združeni v svoje organizme, ki ste si jih ustvarili v petinštidesetih letih prisilnega zdomstva, bodite sicer povezani z vsemi rojaki po svetu in v domovini, a ohranjajte vendar svojo posebno dragoceno identiteto. Ostanite samozave-

sten subjekt v slovenskem in v svetovnem dogajanju in skrbno bdite, da ne bodo našemu narodu nikdar več zavladaale protinarodne in neslovenske sile.

Naloga Slovenskega narodnega odbora je opravljena in podpisani s to izjavo zaključujemo skoraj polstoletno obdobje njegovega delovanja. Sloveniji, domovini vseh Slovencev želimo vse dobro! Odslej je naša skupna naloga, da jo gradimo in branimo, ne glede na kraj našega bivanja. Slovenski demokratični vladi, ki je legitimna oblast na Slovenskem, izrekamo svoje priznanje in vdanost kdo svobodni in svobodoljubni državljanji.

V zdomstvu, junija 1991

Rudolf Smersu (SLS) predsednik, Anton Komotar (SDS) (podpredsednik), Peter Urbanc (SDS) tajnik, Katica Cukjati (SLS), Peter Klopčič (SLS), Marko Kremžar (SLS), Marjan Loboda (SLS), Jože Melaher (SLS), Vladimir Menart (SDS), Julij Savelli (SLS), Feliks Urankar (SDS), Ljenko Urbančič (SDS).

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21. — Belokranjski klub priredi piknik na Slovenski pristavi. Igra Tony Klepec orkester.

28. — Slov. šola pri sv. Vidu priredi piknik na Slovenski pristavi.

AVGUST

4. — Dan upokoencev na Slovenski pristavi.

10. — Pevski zbor Korotan priredi večerjo na Slovenski pristavi, ob priliki zborove 40-letnice. Večerja bo servirana med 6. in 8. zv.

25. — Slovenska pristava praznuje svojo 30. obletnico obstoja.

SEPTEMBER

15. — Vinska trgatev na Slovenski pristavi.

22. — Društvo SPB Cleveland priredi vselovensko tradicionalno romanje k Žalostni Materi božji v Frank, O.

29. — Oltarno društvo fare sv. Vida priredi kosilo v šolskem avditoriju.

OKTOBER

5. — Fantje na vasi prirede letni koncert v SND na St. Clair Ave. Po koncertu ples, igra Alpski sekstet.

13. — Klub upokoencev Slovenske pristave vabi na »kolone« na SP.

MALI OGLASI

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Broken pallets. Call 881-4604 and ask for Tony.

(28-29)

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(28-29)

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Glavni odbor Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa
S prve seje, v Ljubljani, 7.7.1991

Odprto pismo Predsedstvu SFRJ

Spoštovani!

Delegati na ustanovnem zasedanju Svetovnega slovenskega kongresa v Ljubljani, 27. in 28. junija, državljani dvajsetorice evropskih in prekomorskih držav, so bili osupli priče oboroženega napada na suverenost Republike Slovenije in presenetljivega molka vojski nadrejenih političnih oblasti.

Vtem ko izrekamo rojakom v Republiki Sloveniji, vsem njenim državljanom ter njenim legitimno izvoljenim oblastem globoko solidarnost in podporo pri izvrševanju plebiscitne odločitve slovenskega naroda za samostojno in neodvisno Slovenijo, Vas želimo seznaniti z našim najodločnejšim protestom zoper tako brezobzirno in neodgovorno početje ter z namenom, da o nevarnostih in nevšečnostih, ki so jih kongresniki zavoljo tega prestali, poročamo pristojnim oblastem držav, katerih državljani so. Vendar še daleč ne gre zgolj za to.

Oborožen nastop vojske zoper demokratično oklicano suverenost Republike Slovenije in zoper njeno izpričano pripravljenost na dialog, postopnost in sporazumevanje v procesu razdruževanja in novega utemeljevanja svobodnega, enakopravnega sklepanja razmerij v Evropi je naložil težavno preizkušnjo zaupanju svetovnega javnega mnjenja v večkratno svečano proglašeno pravico narodov do samoodločbe po demokratični, mirni in sporazumni poti. Tej pravici ni ugovarjala že notranja ustavna ureditev SFRJ, pristaviti pa velja, da je SFRJ s podpisnicami ustreznih listin OZN, sklepne listine iz Helsinkov ter pariške listine KEVS.

Svetovni slovenski kongres zaupa multilateralnim mednarodnim sredstvom in postopkom za mirno reševanje sporov v Evropi v okviru KEVS in ceni napor, ki je bil na sestanku na Brionih vložen v iskanje skupnih izhodišč za mirno razreševanje odprtih vprašanj. Pri tem sodi, da si interesi miru in varnosti v Evropi ter težnja slovenskega naroda po mirni in varni suverenosti niso v najmanjši opreki.

Evropa je na preizkušnji. V času, ko postaja vse bolj jasno, da ne bodo demokratične

spremembe zadnjih dveh let v Vzhodni Evropi mogle čez noč odpraviti gospodarskih in socialnih posledic prejšnjega razsula, bi utegnili videz ali skušnjava, da je reševanje zapletene gospodarske, socialne in narodnostne stiske mogoče prepuščati politično neobzdanemu nastopu oboroženih sil, pognati vetra v jadra silam, ki se jim odkrito ali prikrito toži po starem bipolarnem redu v Evropi in ki vztrajno strežejo po življenju prenovitvenim prizadevanjem v Vzhodni Evropi in v Sovjetski zvezi. Ni si mogoče zamisliti mirnega razreševanja krize, če ostaja politični nadzor nad oboroženimi

Kratici v besedilu

OZN = Organizacija Združenih narodov

KEVS = Konferenca o evropski varnosti in sodelovanju

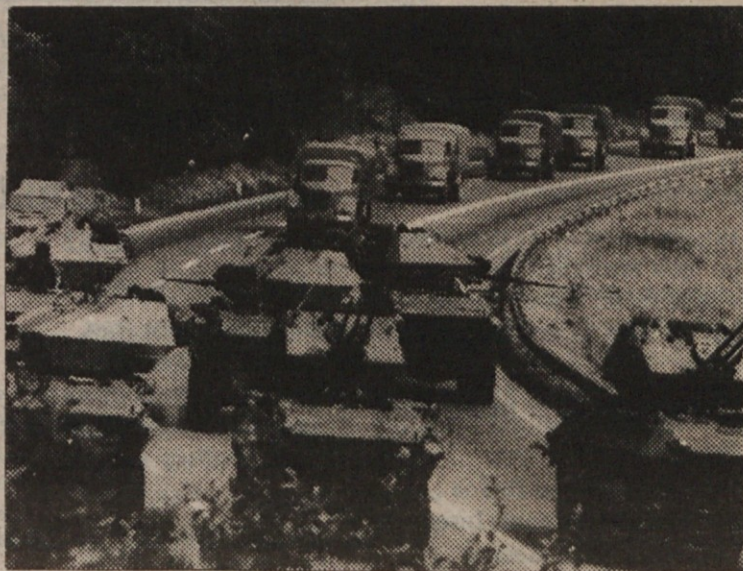
silami neznanka. Svetovni slovenski kongres se pridružuje mednarodni demokratični javnosti, ko od pristojnih oblasti terja, da z besedo ali dejanji postreže z nedvoumnimi odgovori na splošno zaskrbljenost glede zakonske pokorščine vojaških vrhov.

Kot narod, ki sta mu evropski kataklizmi tega stoletja dvakrat zagrozili z izkravitvijo in ki ga je razklanost Evrope v dva tabora oropala žlahtnega prirodnega poslanstva v osrčju kontinenta, Slovenci zgroženi odklanjamo misel na hladno in vsakršno vojno. Žal si iz istih razlogov ne moremo in ne smemo privoščiti, da bi nas presenetila. Svetovni slovenski kongres zato zaupa v modrost, strpnost in odgovornost bodisi neposredno v spor vpletenih strani kot mednarodnih dejavnikov in ustanov, ki jim je naložena zahtevna naloga pospeševalcev miru.

Svetovni slovenski kongres pri tem podpira svobodno, demokratično in suvereno državo Slovenijo ter zavezuje vse svoje člane, da o tem obvestijo vladne oblasti držav, kjer sami živijo.

**Svetovni slovenski kongres
Predsednik
Bojan Brezigar**

**Delajmo vsi za priznanje
Republike Slovenije!**



Kolona oklepnikov in vojaških tovornjakov pri Medvedjeku, kjer jo je ustavila cestna zapora.

Misijonska srečanja in pomenki

903. Krasno vreme je zelo pripomoglo

k zlatomašni slovesnosti v župniji Marijinega Brezmadežnega Srca v Scarborough. Iz vseh koncev so se zbirali pred pol dvanajsto uro dopoldne farani, rojaki in prijatelji župnije na zahvalno sv. mašo za 50 dragocenih let duhovništva.

Procesija je šla izpred župnišča v cerkev. Vodili so ministrantje, sledili so iz glavnega odbora MZA: predsednica Anica Tusharjeva iz Gilberta, Minn., ki je nesla novomašni križ in ga postavila na oltar; glavna tajnica Sonja Ferjanova s prelepim novim kelihom z ingraviranimi 12 apostoli in 4 evangelisti, ki je bil rabljen za zahvalno sv. mašo; glavni blagajnik Rudi Knez in njegova žena Anica, ki sta prihitela med nas iz Clevelanda, Ohio, s prelepo svečo, poslano kot dar Karmeličank v Sori za to priložnost in je bila postavljena na posebno stojalo za veliko-nočno svečo pod glavni oltarni križ.

Sledil je pomožni škof Leonard Wall, ki je imel v prezbitariju posebno mesto in klečalnik. Škof Wall je pridigoval o duhovništvu. Povzel je nekaj lepših misli iz pisma sv. očeta na veliki četrtek tega leta mašnikom celega sveta. Poudaril je, kako je mašnik vzet iz ljudstva, da služi ljudstvu in ga vodi k Bogu v času za večnost. Na koncu je prebral brzojavko sv. očeta za zlatomašnika: »Sv. oče kliče Kristusovo veselje in mir nad gospoda Karla Wolbanga ob srečni priložnosti zlatomašnega jubileja mašniškega posvečenja in mu podeljuje pristrčno papeški blagoslov.« Podpisan nadškof Sodano, iz Vatikanskega državnega tajništva.

Med duhovniki, ki so kon-

celibrirali, so bili: srebrnomašnik Franc Turk, župnik v Phelpstonu pri sv. Patriku; najstarejši duhovnik v škofiji mons. Ralph Egan, v pokoju, star 91 let; upokojeni drugi najstarejši škofijski mašnik Patrick Sullivan, 88; sosednji župnik Thomas McCann od St. John's fare na Kingston Road; upokojeni župnik Janez Kopač, CM; predstojnik slovenskih kanadskih lazaristov Ivan Plazar; salezijanec Karel Ceglar iz slovenske župnije v Hamiltonu; lazarist Patrick Fleming, hišni duhovnik 34 usmiljen v pokoju v Albany, N.Y.; provincialni prokurator Joseph Marron iz Philadelphia, Pa.; predstojnik lazaristov na Niagara univerzi, Louis Drotta, Niagara Falls, N.Y.; podpredsed iste univerze Francis Prior in, še iz te univerze, lazarist James McGlinn.

Mogočno je donelo

ljudsko petje, ko smo vsotopili v cerkev. Albert Colaris je bil kantor in gdč. Theresa Moreau organistka. Trompeto za himno »O, Canada« na koncu sv. maše je igrala Mary DeFreitas. Cerkev je bila nabitopolna in večina je pristopila k sv. obhajilu. Med gosti je bil poslanec Wappel z družino, šef torontske policije McCormick z ženo, counsellor Barron z gospo od mesta Scarborough, ter še trustee za katoliške šole Carol Devine.

Po maši je bil v cerkveni dvorani sprejem in vsak je bil povabljen vzeti, kolikor je kdo potreboval in želel, da se s hrano pokrepča. Devet strani podpisov v knjigi za goste je bilo popisanih. Vsak je lahko dobil angleško ali slovensko spominsko podobico. Ko so se ljudje nahranili, so bile prebrane čestitke jubilaru od ministrskega predsednika Briana Mulroneya iz Ottawe; voditelja liberalne opozicije Jean Chretien; predsednika vlade v Ontariu Boba Rea; poslanca v Ottawi za Scarborough West Thomasa Wappela; županje in članov mestnega sveta v Scarborough.

V imenu organizacij so čestitali: predsednik pastoralnega cerkvenega odbora Charles Morrison; predsednica Katoli-



REV. CHARLES A. WOLBANG, C.M.

CLEVELAND, O. — V nedeljo, 23. junija 1991, je g. Wolbang obhajal 50. obletnico mašništva s slovesno sv. mašo v cerkvi Immaculate Heart of Mary v Scarborough, Kanada, kjer je župnik zadnjih 15 let. Z njim je somaševalo 12 duhovnikov, med njimi gg. Janez Kopač, Ivan Plazar, Frank Turk in Karel Ceglar. Cerkev je bila lepo okrašena, izražajoč pomembni dan zlate maše. Slovesnost je povzdignilo ubrano in mogočno petje, saj je z zborom na koru navdušeno prepevala vsa cerkev. Na oltarju je stal križ, katerega je bratu novomašniku pred 50 leti izročila sestra Vida. Po vojni, ko se je moral g. Wolbang umakniti iz Šmihelske fare in iz Slovenije, so vse njegove stvari zaplenili, le križ se je dobri faranki posrečilo skriti in ga pred nekaj leti poslati gospodu v Kanado. To je g. zlatomašnik omenil v svojem govoru in pomembno dostavil: Komunizem je propadel, križ pa je ostal.

Med sv. mašo je zlatomašniku pridigal pomožni škof Leonard Wall. Škof je v pridigi opisal življenjsko pot zlatomašnika, zlasti njegovo misijonsko poslanstvo na Kitajskem (1947—1951), požrtvovalno delo med študenti v St. Joseph's Seminary v Princetonu, N.J. (1959—67), in njegovo uspešno delo na tej fari, kjer se že 15 let neumorno in goreče trudi za duhovni in vsakovrstni napredek fare. Presenečen sem bil, da je bilo med gosti tudi veliko mestnih in državnih zastopnikov.

Po sv. maši so bili vsi povabljeni v okrašeno cerkveno dvorano na bogat in okusno pripravljen prigrizek. Nato pa so zlatomašniku čestitala številna farna društva in zastopniki mestne in državne oblasti. V imenu MZA je gospodu izrazila čestitke glavna predsednica ga. Anica Tushar iz Minnesote in mu poklonila plaketo z Apostolskim blagoslovom sv. očeta. Bil je res nad vse lep in vzpodbuden dan tako za zlatomašnika kakor tudi za farane, ki so se zgrnili okrog zlatomašnika in mu pokazali, da so mu hvaležni za njegovo vneto, požrtvovalno in nesebično delo v prid fare.

Rudi Knez

ške ženske lige Gloria DeFreitas; predsednica Marijine Lige Chrystal Schneider; predsednik Konferencije sv. Vincencija Marin Portier; za evharistične delivce sv. obhajila je spregovoril Nelson MacDonald, za čitatelje pri liturgiji Irene Dale, za pevce in otroški cerkveni odbor Valentina Daigle, za »ushers« Fred DeFreitas.

Predsednica Anica Tusharjeva je prebrala papeški blagoslov, ki ga je njej poslal mons. Jezernik iz Rima: »Papež Janez Pavel II. ob 50 letnici duhovništva g. Karla Wolbanga 29. junija 1991, v znak priznanja za njegovo 40 letno delo za misijone v Združenih državah in Kanadi, za ustanovitev 'Misijonske znamkarske akcije', ter ustanovitev misijonske štipendije ter posebej za njegovo delo v misijonih na Kitajskem podeljuje svoj apostolski blagoslov.«

Veliko starih znancev in dolgoletnih sodelavcev

sem srečal pri sprejemu. Z mnogimi je bilo mogoče izmenjati nekaj lepih misli in obnoviti stike. Od sorodnikov sta prišla Vid in Marija Rovanské iz Sudburyja in njegov sin Vid, z ženo in otroci iz Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. Sestra Vida iz Slovenije mi je sporočila, da zaradi zdravja ne more priti.

Mnogi so osebno izročili čestitke in dajali darove. Po pošti je zadnje tedne prišlo veliko pismenih čestitk in med njimi precej z osebnimi darovi za jubilaranta ali za misijone. Vsem

bom skušal v kratkem prejem potrditi z zahvalo in podobico v spomin, s prošnjo za molitev. Sem in tja je prišlo kako nepričakovano pismo. Tu in tam pa na vabilo ni bilo odjeka, kar je tudi treba človeško razumeti. Dolenčeva mama nam je spekla za to priliko 20 slovenskih potic za skromno ceno.

Čeprav sem mnogo torontske rojake srečal nedeljo popreje na Slovenskem letovišču, jih je precej prišlo to nedeljo med nas. Opazil sem Osredkarjeve, Julko Zarnikovo, K. Kolenko, Bančičeve, Blasove, M. Ferkulj, Kvasove, Kosarjeve, Žižekove, Želkove, in nekaj drugih iz torontskih slovenskih župnij.

Številni so se opravičili, da bodo v molitvi in duhu z nami, a zaradi oddaljenosti niso mogli sem. Dobili smo že izdelan video, ki v dveh urah pokaže celotno slovesnost, v cerkvi in dvorani. Stal bo samo \$25 kan. Prav gotovo je vsak — imam že pripravljena od dveh — vreden veliko več, ker so

posnetki in glas zelo lepi in jasni. Prvega bomo poslali karmeličankam v Slovenijo, ki so zanj prosile in me dejansko pripravile, da sem se za video odločil. To bo mala zahvala za krasno umetniško izdelano svečo, ki so mi jo poslale za jubilej. Ono, ki sem jo dobil za 25 letnico, ima sedaj g. Turk.

Nekdo mi je pred leti dejal, da je praznovanje jubilejev znak staranja, če človek preveč nanje da. Na prejetih čestitkah sem našel tole misel: »Anniversaries celebrate the successes we've had, the wisdom we've acquired and the person we've become.« V duhu teh misli je prav, da jubileje cenimo in praznujemo.

Bogu gre vsa hvala za vse,

kar se je v zvezi s tem jubilejem zgodilo. On bo povrnil vsem, ki so se ga udeležili ali kaj storili, da je lepše uspelo. Osebno obljubljam dnevni memento pri sv. maši in vključevanje vseh in vsakega posebej v vse misijonske napore MZA-CMA.

Uredil sem lahko, da me bo prišel nadomeščat na faro s bratom iz Philadelphije, ki je bil z menoj v nedeljo na slovesnosti. Tako sem se odločil, da pofrčim za piknik MZA v Cleveland 14. julija v Cleveland za tri dneve, da bom lahko prisostvoval tudi letnemu občnemu zboru MZA. Takrat bom lahko srečal še mnoge, ki zaradi daljave, obveznosti v službi ali starosti, bolezni, niso mogli do mene zadnjo nedeljo.

Precej smo že brali v Ameriški Domovini o rajnem Jožetu Melaherju. Naj v miru počiva po tolikih letih mnogih žrtvah za dobro bližnjega. Ko se v domovini borijo sedaj za svobodo, bomo še posebej molili za vse, ki so zanj umrli leta 1945 in preje ali kasneje. Rajni Jože in ga Marija Kacijan sta poskrbela, da je MZA dobila iz zapuščine župnika Varga krasno vsoto za MZA in naše misijonarje in misijonarko. Dobra dela gredo z nami v večnost. V večjo srečo in tolažbo so mu sedaj, ko je že dal Bog odgovor za svoje življenje. Po smenjajmo ga!

Rev. Charles Wolbang CM
131 Birchmount Road
Scarborough, Ontario
Canada M1N 3J7

MALI OGLASI

Hiše barvamo zunaj in notraj. Tapeciramo. (We wallpaper). Popravljamo in delamo nove kuhinje in kopalne ter tudi druga zidarska in mizararska dela.

Lastnik TONY KRISTAVNIJ
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V BLAG SPOMIN

25. OBLETNICE



JOHN SAURICH

Izdihnil je svojo plemenito dušo dne 14. junija 1966.

Kako pozabiti to gomilo, kjer Tvoje blago spi srce, ki vsem nam vdano bilo prav do zadnjega je dne.

Pri Bogu srečen Ti prebivaj, po letih zemskega gorja; v raju večno srečo uživaj, naj bo lepo Ti vrh zvezda!

Dad, we will always love you
And we will never forget you!

Žaluojači:

sinova John in Joe
hčerki Mary Jane Jusek
in Ursula Zebkar
vnuki in vnukinje
ter ostalo sorodstvo

Cleveland, 11. julija 1991.

V BLAG SPOMIN

DEVETE OBLETNICE
NAŠE DRAGE MAME
IN STARE MAME

MARY E. TREBEC

1902 — 1982

ki je umrla 8. julija 1982.

Žalost naša srca trga,
solze lijejo iz oči,
dom je prazen in otožen,
ker Tebe več med nami ni!
Počivaj v miru!

Žaluojači:

Hčerka, Dorothy por. Tushar
zet, Frank
vnuka, Robert in Joseph
Will. Hills, O., 11. julija 1991

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