



NOVO LETO

O naglo, naglo čas beži,
v brezmejno večnost gine!
Naj tudi kdo vesel živi,
vse časno hitro mine.
Ko leta tek je dokončan,
nazaj nam nikdar več ni dan,
to sreča naj prešine!

O Bog, dobrotljiv nam si bil,
naj bo ti hvala peta
za milosti, ki jih delil
preteklega si leta!
Za zdravje, srečo, sladki mir
in vseh dobrot bogati vir,
te hvali duša vneta!

Da srečno novo leto bo,
le sveto vsi živimo!
Podpira Jezus nas z močjo,
da vredno ga častimo.

Naj vse nam odpusti Gospod
in varuje nas novih zmot,
prisrčno ga prosimo.

Matija Tomc

Filipinska vlada se povrnila z muslimani

MANILA, Filip. — Predsednik Fernando Marcos se je pretekli teden po posredovanju arabskih držav pomiril s muslimanskimi uporniki v južnih pokrajinah republike in pristal na ustanovitev samoupravnega muslimanskega področja.

Muslimani se upirajo vladi že več let in vodijo uspešno gverilsko vojno. Poskusi upor strela niso uspeli in vlada Marcosa se je odločila za pogajanja. Pri teh je zlasti posredovala Libija, ki je upornike v zadnjih letih finančno podpirala.

Predsednik Marcos je obljubil izvedbo ljudskega glasovanja v predelih z muslimanskim prebivalstvom, ki naj bi služilo kot temelj za organizacijo samouprave za muslimanska področja. Ta naj bi dobila lastno zakonodajo, lastna sodišča in šole.

Brežnjev je za sestanek s Carterjem

MOSKVA, ZSSR. — Leonid I. Brežnjev je v razgovoru s Hearst novinarsko službo dejal, da je za sestanek s Carterjem, kakor hitro bodo razgovori o omejitvi strateškega orožja — SALT II pripravljene za podpis.

Predsednik Ford za proste cene plina

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Napovedujejo, da bo predsednik Gerald R. Ford predložil Kongresu predno bo zapustil Belo hišo 20. januarja 1977, odpravo nadzora nad ceno prirodnega plina.

Vremenski prerok

Delno oblačno z verjetnostjo naletavanja snega danes in jutri. Danes zjutraj ob šestih je kazal toplomer v Clevelandu -8 F (-22 C), čez dan se bo dvignil na kvečjemu 10 F (-12 C).

ZDA še močnejše

Izvoljeni predsednik ZDA Jimmy Carter trdi, da se ZDA še vedno daleč močnejše od Sovjetske zveze "v večini sredstev merje nja vojaške moči".

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Ko so vprašali Jimmyja Carterja glede resničnosti poročila, da so vodniki obveščevalne službe ZDA v skrbih zaradi poskusa Sovjetske zveze prehiteti ZDA v moči oboroženih sil, je ta odgovoril, da je oborožena moč Sovjetske zveze res bistveno porasla, da pa "smo mi še vedno daleko močnejši v vseh sredstvih", po katerih se meri vojaška moč.

Vodniki obveščevalnih služb ZDA so na temelju nove študije prišli do prepričanja, da Sovjetska zveza ne išče ravnotežja sil z ZDA, kot so splošno sodili doslej, ampak da je njen smoter ZDA v oboroženih silah prehiteti in postati prva vojaška sila na svetu.

Poročilo s takimi zaključki naj bi bilo pripravljeno za Jimmyja Carterja, ko bo prevzel prihodnji mesec kot predsednik ZDA odgovornost za varnost naše dežele na znotraj in na zunanje.

Sovjetska zveza ima v svojih oboroženih silah preko 4 milijone moč, skoraj eno tretjino več kot ZDA. Njene kopne in letalske sile so številnejše, pa po sodbi strokovnjakov zaostajajo za ameriškimi po izvežbanosti in kakovosti orožja ter opreme. ZDA imajo v glavnem premoč samo v jedrskem orožju in to tako po kakovosti kot po številu.

— Bodočo zico so začeli izdelovati s stroji okoli leta 1870.

Libija kupila ponarejeno vojno opremo

PARIZ, Fr. — Francoske oblasti preiskujejo goljufijo skupine trgovcev z vojno opremo, ki je stala Libiji kakih 15 milijonov dolarjev. Libija se je zanimala za nakup "startron" daljnogledov, s katerimi je možno videti ponoči. Te so uporabljale ameriške oborožene sile v Vietnamu, posebno uspešno pa Izraelci v vojni z Arabci jeseni 1973.

Prekupčevalci so Libiji dobavili najprej 110 pravih startronov, ko pa teh niso več mogli dobiti, da bi ustregli Libiji, so dali napraviti 3.000 na zunanji slikih, toda popolnoma brez vrednosti. Libija jih je baje sprejela in za nje plačala 15 milijonov dolarjev.

Brilanske izbire pri pogajanjih v Rodeziji

Konferenca o bodočnosti Rodezije je do 17. januarja na počitnicah, njen načelnik uporablja te za iskanje rešitev.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Konferenca o Rodeziji v švicarski Ženevi je na odmoru do 17. januarja. Njen načelnik britanski diplomat Ivor Richard išče in tehta možnosti za sporazum med belo vlado Rodezije in predstavniki črne večine, ki hoče čim prej dobiti vlado Rodezije v svoje roke.

Ivor Richard se je razgovarjal z Rodeziji z državnim tajnikom Kissingerjem, pa nato tudi s C. Vancejem, ki bo Kissingerja nasledil v državnem tajništvu prihodnji mesec.

V Rodeziji naj bi bile sledeče izbire:

Da vlada Velike Britanije prevzame neposredni nadzor nad ministrstvi za obrambo in pravosodje v Rodeziji, ko se sedanja bela vlada in zastopniki črnece ne morejo sporazumeti o tem, kdo naj jih vodi.

Da obe ministrstvi vodi poseben odbor, sestavljen iz enakega števila belih in črnih Rodezijcev pod načelnost Britance.

Da vodi eno ministrstvo beli Rodezijec, drugo pa črni.

Da vodi obe ministrstvi beli Rodezijec, ki ni član sedanje vladne stranke Iana Smitha.

Vprašanje o tem, kdo naj ima v rokah nadzor nad oboroženimi silami, sodnjami in organi notranje varnosti v času prehoda od bele na črno vlado, je bistveno in najbolj kočljivo.

Ian Smith trdi, da je v Kissingerjevemu načrtu nadzor teh prikladi beli vladi, predstavniki črnece pa na to nečejo pristati.

Pokojnina predsednika ZDA Geralda R. Forda

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Po zakonu znaša pokojnina predsednika ZDA \$63,000 letno z določilom, da raste v sorazmerju z življenjskimi stroški. Tekom prvih 6 mesecev po odhodu iz Bele hiše ima bivši predsednik ZDA pravico do 1 milijona dolarjev za kritje stroškov prehoda, nato pa ima letno na razpolago do \$96,000 za plače pomoči v svojem uradu.

Če je bil predsednik ZDA prej v Kongresu, ima tudi pravico do kongresne pokojnine. Predsednik Ford, ki je bil v Kongresu 25 let, bo dobil letno na ta račun \$40,500 pokojnine. Skupno bo torej dobival Gerald R. Ford, ko se bo poslovil od Bele hiše 20. januarja 1977, letno \$103,500 pokojnine.

Ta vsota bo rastle v skladu

Woodcock naslednik Meanyja v AFL-CIO?



Predsednik Unije avtomobilskega delavstva pripravlja vrnitev te v AFL-CIO.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Leonard Woodcock, predsednik Unije avtomobilskega delavstva, je imel na pobudo mesto v novi Carterjevi vladi, pa ga je, kot trdijo, odklonil, ker je odločen posvetiti svoje energije ponovni združitvi svoje unije z AFL-CIO.

Ponovna vključitev Unije avtomobilskega delavstva naj bi Woodcocku omogočila naslediti sedanjega glavnega predsednika AFL-CIO g. Meanyja, ki je v očeh prenekatih delavskih vodnikov preveč konservativen. Prav zaradi tega je pred leti pokojni W. Reuther potegnil Unijo avtomobilskega delavstva iz AFL-CIO. Zanj je bil Meany veliko preveč konservativen, ko je bil sam znan po svoji liberalni miselnosti, ki je šla včasih kar res daleč na levo.

Leonard Woodcock je veliko umirjenjši kot njegov prednik in upa, da bi bil sposoben združiti razne smeri v delavskem gibanju v tesnejše povezano skupnost.

Kaj želi AFL-CIO od novega predsednika ZDA

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Glavni tajnik-blagajnik AFL-CIO Lane Kirkland je dejal, da pričakuje organizirano delavstvo od novega predsednika ZDA, da bo pripravil in predložil Kongresu programe za zaposlitev brezposelnih in skupni vrednosti vsaj 30 milijonov dolarjev.

Prav tako želi organizirano delavstvo povišanje minimalne urne plače na \$3, ker da je to najmanj, kar je potrebno za količjak spodobno, skromno preživljanje.

Tretja zadeva, ki je vodnikom AFL-CIO posebno pri srcu, je sprememba nekaterih določil Taft-Hurtley zakona. Za to spremembo se prizadevajo vse, odkar je bil zakon stopil v veljavo pred več kot četrt stoletja.

Rudolph G. Perpich guverner Minnesote

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Guv. Wendel Anderson je odstopil in njegovo mesto je prevzel dosedanj podguverner Rudolph G. Perpich. Ta je nato imenoval W. Andersona za senatorja na mesto W. F. Mondaleja, ki bo nastopil 20. januarja 1977 službo podpredsednika ZDA.

s porastom življenjskih stroškov. Ne bo torej nevarnosti, da bi moral trpeti pomanjkanje.

SADAT NAVEDIL NOVE POGOJE ZA KONFERENCO O SREDNJEM VZHODU

Predsednik Egipta je navedel nove pogoje za pogajanja o pomiritvi sporov med Arabci in Izraelci, ki bi se naj začeli prihodnjo pomlad. To bo "zadnja bitka" v 29 let dolgi vojni med Izraelci in Arabci, je dejal Sadat.

KAIRO, Egipt. — V arabskem svetu, na Zahodu in v Izraelu priznavajo, da obstoji prvič, odkar je Izrael nastal, možnost za uspešno pogajanja za doseg pomiritve med Arabci in Izraelci, za končanje spora, ki ga je povzročila delitev Palestine med Izrael in Arabce. Arabske države, zlasti Egipt in Savdska Arabija, se prizadevajo, da bi se v prihodnjem marcu zopet sestala konferenca o Srednjem vzhodu v švicarski Ženevi in odstranila nevarnost nove vojne med Izraelom in njegovimi arabskimi sosedi.

Egiptski predsednik Anvar Sadat je v sredo navedel nekaj novih zahtev v zvezi z obnovno konferenco v Ženevi, h katere ponovnemu sklicanju je pozvala že preje tudi Sovjetska zveza. Težava je v vprašanju, kdo naj bo vse pa tej konferenci uradno zastopani. Leta 1973 so bili na seznamu uradnih udeležencev konference ZDA, ZSSR, Izrael, Egipt in Sirija.

Obe stališči
Arabska stran zahteva, da dalj časa, da morajo biti na konferenci uradno zastopani tudi Palestinski Arabci potom Palestinske osvobodilne organizacije, ki jo vodi Yasir Arafat. Izrael to trdo odklanja, češ, da je to teroristična organizacija, katere uradni cilj je uničenje Izraela. Izrael v tem stališču podpira ZDA.

Arabski se zavedajo, da brez podpore ZDA ne morejo doseči sporazuma z Izraelom, ker brez močnega pritiska Izrael ne bo pristal na umaknitev z vsega arabskega ozemlja, ki ga je osvojil junija 1967. Sadat je dejal: "Če so ZDA pripravljene doseči mir na tem področju, je to mogoče storiti v enem mesecu." To stališče zavzemajo tudi druge arabske države od arabskega posveta na vrhu v Riadu v preteklem oktobru, ko so izdelali načrt za končanje državljanske vojne v Libanonu.

Sadat zahteva, da mora biti na konferenco v Ženevi povabljen tudi Libanon. Kakršnakoli arabska palestinska država mora biti formalno povezana z Jordanijo. Izrael pa se mora umakniti z vsega junija 1967 zasedenega arabskega ozemlja. Predsednik Egipta je poudaril svojo željo po pomiritvi Srednjega vzhoda, ki bi naj rešila tako Egipt kot Izrael težkega bremena oboroževanja in vzdrževanja oboroženih sil, ki si jih nobeden od njiju stvarno ne more privoščiti.

Resolucija ZN 242 temelj

Anvar Sadat vidi sporazume med Arabci in Izraelom na temelju resolucije Varnostnega sveta Združenih narodov 242, ki je bila sprejeta po arabsko-izraelski vojni 1967. Ta poziva arabske države, da priznajo Izrael kot stvarnost, mu priznajo pravico do obstoja, Izrael pa naj se nato umakne z zasedenega arabskega ozemlja na "varne meje". Ko Arabci vstrajajo na popolnem umiku Izraela z vsega zasedenega arabskega ozemlja,

tudi iz starega dela Jeruzalema, poudarjajo Izraelci "varno mejo", kar da s popolnim umikom ne bi bilo doseženo.

"Zadnja bitka"
Egiptski predsednik Sadat se zaveda, da pogajanja v Ženevi ne bodo lahka. Označi jih je včeraj za "zadnjo bitko" v 29 let trajajočem boju med Izraelom in Arabci. Arabci so se na njo pripravili z ustanovitvijo "združenega političnega vodstva".

Arabsko stališče bo razložil prihodnji mesec predsedniku ZDA Carterju savdski preetolonaslednik princ Faud, ko bo šel na obisk v Washington.

Neposredni poleti iz notranjosti ZDA preko Atlantika odloženi

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Predsednik Gerald R. Ford je odredil ponovno proučitev načrta za neposredne polete iz 12 mest v notranjosti ZDA preko Atlantika, ki ga je priporočil v preteklem juliju Odbor za civilni letalski promet.

Predsednik pravi v svojem pismu omenjeni zvezni agenciji, naj načrt ponovno prouči in predloži svoja priporočila do 1. septembra 1977. Pri proučevanju naj upošteva gospodarski položaj in želje vlad tujih držav, s katerimi bi bile uvedene nove letalske zveze.

Med mesti, ki bi naj dobila neposredne letalske zveze z Evropo, je tudi Cleveland.

Zadnje vesti

PRAGA, ČSR. — Nesreča v promogovniku na Moravskem je zahtevala vsaj 45 smrtnih žrtev, pravi prvo uradno poročilo.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Kongres bo imel prihodnji mesec brez dvoma možnost odločiti o poviškini svojih plač, kot jih je predložila posebna komisija. Skupaj s poviškom plač članov Kongresa je predložena tudi prepoved raznih postranskih in drugih zaslužkov, ki so sedaj v navadi za kongresnike in senatorje. Predložen je povišek plač za 28%, od sedanjih \$44,600 na \$57,500.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Vodnik demokratske večine v Predstaniškem domu Jim Wright iz Teksasa je dejal včeraj, da bodo demokrati v Domu predložili vsaj dodatna 2 milijona dolarjev za javna dela, ki naj zmanjšajo zaposlitev. Svetovalci Carterja so izdelali predlog za poživitev gospodarstva v obsegu 15 milijonov dolarjev. Delno naj bi bila ta vsota porabljena za neposredno ustvaritev delovnih mest delno za posredno z zmanjšanjem davkov tako industriji kot posameznikom.

SAN FRANCISCO, Kalif. — Dežni nalivi so končali včeraj dolgoletno sušo v delu Kalifornije. V višjih predelih Siere Nevade je zapadel sneg. San Francisco je dobil včeraj svoj prvi dež od 14. novembra.

iz Clevelanda in okolice

Urad zaprt—

Urad Ameriške Domovine bo zaprt od danes, v petek, ob enih popoldne do ponedeljka ob 8.30 zjutraj. List v ponedeljek, 3. januarja ne bo izšel. Prihodnja številka bo šele v torek, 4. januarja.

Skupno obhajilo in seja—

Oltarno društvo fare sv. Vida ima v nedeljo, 2. januarja, pri sv. maši ob osmih zjutraj skupno sv. obhajilo, popoldne ob pol dveh pa sejo v društveni sobi Avditorija.

Seja—

Društvo sv. Marije Magdalene št. 162 KSKJ ima v sredo, 5. januarja, ob 1.30 popoldne sejo v društveni sobi avditorija pri Sv. Vidu.

Seje v januarju ne bo—

Podružnica št. 47 Slovenske ženske zveze v januarju ne bo imela seje.

Skupno sv. obhajilo—

Oltarno društvo fare Marije Vnebovzete ima v nedeljo, 2. januarja, pri osmi sv. maši skupno sv. obhajilo, popoldne ob 1.30 uro molitve, po njej pa sejo in božično zabavo. Vse članice vabljen!

Silvestrovanja—

Silvestrovanja so v vseh slovenskih narodnih domovih in na Izletniškem središču ADZ v LeRoyju. Vstopnice so povsod v glavnem razprodane. Vsem veselo silvestrovanje in srečno pot po njem domov! Ne pozabimo: Alkohol in gasolin ne gresta skupaj!

Omejitev plina za
industrijo in šole—

Columbia Gas of Ohio je objavila nadaljno omejitev dobave plina industriji in šolam. Zaradi zgodnje zime je omejitev večja, kot so predvidevali. Industrija in drugi veliki potrošniki bodo dobili od jutri dalje le 50% svoje običajne porabe v preteklih letih. To bo verjetno vodilo do omejitve industrijske dejavnosti, pa tudi šolskega pouka.

Prosto parkiranje
za silvestrovanje

v Convention Centru—

Namesto na Public Square bo letos silvestrovanje v Convention Centru. Za starejše bo to od 1. do 4. popoldne ob brezplačnem vstopu, za vse skupaj pa od 9. zvečer do 1. zjutraj. Za zadnje je vstopnina \$2, prost vstop imajo stari in otroci izpod 12 let v spremstvu odraslih. Obe silvestrovanji sta pod pokroviteljstvom župana R. J. Perka, ki se jih bo osebno udeležil. Za udeležence teh silvestrovanj v Convention Centru je na razpolago tam brezplačno parkiranje, prav tako tudi v Willard Park garažah in na mestnih parkališčih.

Dobrodolna večerja in ples—

Pod pokroviteljstvom Kluba mater, nekdanjih učenk Villa Angela, bo v soboto, 8. januarja v avditoriju St. Joseph High School na Lake Shore Blvd. in E. 185 St. večerja in po njej ples. Večerjo bo pripravila Julie Zalar, za ples od 9. zvečer do 1. zjutraj pa bo igral Jeff Pecan orkester. Darilo \$6.50. Za rezerviranje kličite tel. 481-0799 ali 531-9451.

Portugalska zateguje pas

LIZBONA, Port. — Parlament je izglasoval program varčevanja, ki naj pomaga na noge narodnemu in državnemu gospodarstvu. To trpi pod 23% inflacije in pod 15% brezposelnosti.

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Nekaj misli k slovenskemu položaju ob koncu leta 1976

Življenje v SR Sloveniji se tekom leta 1976 ni bistveno spremenilo. Svoboda ni omejena le na političnem polju, ampak prav tako tudi pri duševnem in kulturnem delu, ki se morata držati po režimu določenih tirov. Na verskem polju je novi republiški zakon o verskih skupnostih strožji od starega zveznega, ki ga je nadomestil.

Komunistično miselnost ali kot to imenujemo "socialistično zavest" tišče na vsa področja javnega in celotnega življenja. Letos so se posebej prizadevali, da bi jo čim bolj razširili in uveljavili v šolstvu in to od otroških vrtcev pa do univerzitetnih predavalnic in seminarjev. "Znanstveni svetovni nazor" naj bi nadomestil vero, zatir krščanskega duha, ki je v nasprotju s svojim naukom ljubezni do bližnjega s komunističnim vnanjem za razredni boj. Vera je še vedno mamilo — "opi", ki ljudske množice zadržuje pred revolucionarno dejavnostjo...

Na duhovnem in kulturnem polju vodniki komunističnega režima skrbno pazijo, da ne bi kdo škodoval njihovim načrtom, kaj šele, da bi se jim naravnost uprl. Komunistem hoče celega človeka, celega hoče zaslužiti svojim načrtom.

Na gospodarskem polju so se prizadevali v SR Sloveniji za omejevanje inflacije, ki je v zadnjih letih zdvajala v večji meri kot drugod v komunističnih državah. Uspeli so le delno in še to — kot se boje — le začasno. Tudi najtrajnejši sklepi ostajajo na papirju, ko pride do delitve dohodkov... Podjetja delijo dohodke, ki jih ni so ustvarila, in se pogrezajo v dolgove, katere mora nato poravnati skupnost. Samoupravljanje utegne biti zelo nerodna reč, če ga prizadejati začno jemati zares...

Ljudje si pomagajo na vse mogoče načine, vse se zadolžuje, kjer in kadar se more, ker je prepričano po pretekli skušnjaji, da bo dolg manjši in manjši, če ga bo odplačeval ali ne, ker denar izgubi vsak dan nekaj svoje vredenosti.

SR Slovenija ima sedaj dve univerzi, poleg one v Ljubljani še eno v Mariboru. Obe sta na dostojni evropski ravni, kar zadeva tehnične in prirodne znanosti ter zdravstvo, v liberalnih znanostih pa sta enostransko usmerjeni in tendenčni.

Četudi je sedanji položaj v SR Sloveniji daleč od rožnatega, se ljudje boje, kaj bo prineslo novo leto. Le redki si obetajo kaj boljšega, velika večina se boji, da se položaj ne bi še poslabšal. Največja skrb vsem je: Kaj se bo zgodilo, ko bo Tito šel?

Slovenci na Koroškem so šli skozi težko preskušnjo, ko jih je vlada v novembru preštevila. V boju za svoje pravice, zapisane v avstrijski državni pogodbi, se naši rojaki na Koroškem naslanjajo na Ljubljano in Beograd, ki jim v besedah res nudita močno podporo, v dejanjih pa — nobene.

Slični je položaj naših rojakov na Goriškem in Tržaškem, tudi ti uživajo v besedah močno podporo Ljubljane, v dejanjih pa je ta zelo pičla in omejena na one ki odobravajo komunizem in komunistični režim v SR Sloveniji.

Radi ali neradi moramo ugotoviti, da Ljubljana ne vodi slovenske politike, da se za slovenstvo in slovenske narone koristi meni zelo malo, ker postavlja vedno in povsod na prvo mesto koristi svojega komunističnega režima in svetovne komunistične revolucije.

Na nesrečo tega prenekateri slovenski rojaki na Koroškem, Goriškem in Tržaškem, pa tudi v izseljenstvu ne vidijo, oziroma nočejo videti. Vse preveč je takih, ki jim nesvoboda v SR Sloveniji ni mar, dokler jih tekom obiskov tam režim pusti pri miru in jim omogoča mirne, prijetne počitnice. Ko te minejo, se oni vrnejo v svobodni svet, kjer lahko živijo, kakor sami hočejo in seveda morejo, na Slovenijo in razmere tam pa se spominjajo le ob prostem času z obujanjem prijetnih spominov, kje in kako dobro so se imeli...

Slovenci v izseljenstvu se z leti bolj in bolj življamo v razmere svojih "novih domov", spomini na "stari kraj" blede, navezanost nanj gine celo pri onih, ki hodijo tja redno na obiske. Slovenske naselbine v tujini se drobe, redčijo in izginjajo, slovenskih "getov" skoraj ni več, v kolikor ponekod še obstoje, so se močno spremenili. V takih razmerah postajajo časopisi edina vez; njihov pomen v tem pogledu raste, njihov boj za obstanek pa je vedno težavnejši. Pa vendar, dokler jih imamo, smo skupnost, ko jih ne bo, bomo le še raztreseni drobci.

Vsem rojakom in rojakinjam srečno novo leto!

BESEDA IZ NARODA

Rev. L. Kristanc:

BOŽIČNI SPOMINI

I. STOCKTON, Kalif. — So lepi, zanimivi in vredni, da jih obujam in oživim. Čim bolj ti-pam, kopljem in brodim med njimi, tem več jih je in se med seboj povezujejo. Zdi se mi, kot da je bilo in se dogajalo lanski Božič, pa je že skoraj 48 let, ko sem prvokrat slišal nastanek in zgodovino čudovite, večno lepe pesni "Sveta noč — blažena noč, vse že spi, je polnoč..." Naj v naslednjem popišem, kako je do tega prišlo.

Po enoletnem kaplanovanju v Sodražici in dekaniji Ribnica na Dolenjskem, pod čudovito lepo božjepotno Novo Štifo in pod prijaznim in lepim Sv. Gregorjem, z obširnimi Slemenji ter ob vnožju Velke Gore z neprodinimi gozdovi, kjer so se množile čele črede jelenov in so strajšili medvedji, — ribniški graščak Rudež je od časa do časa priredil lov na vso tisto divjad in zverjad — kjer sem poleg obilnega farnega delala upravljal in oskrboval še oddaljeno župnijo Gora nad Sodražico, sem bil v avgustu l. 1927 proti pričakovanju prestavljen v Višnjo goro na Dolenjskem. Iz hribovite fare v še bolj hribovito, kjer je bilo poleg farne cerkve še osem podružnic, od katerih jih je bilo šest v hribovih. Edina prednost je bila bližina železniške postaje in pa lastna kaplanija, ker v župnišču je bilo dolgočasje. Prvi župnik je bil družaben, dober pevec, se moj krstitelj je bil kot kaplan v moji rojstni fari. Žal je radi težko pokvarjenih nog hodil le ob palici in se vozil ter je vsa potrebna pota večinoma prepuščal kaplanu. Ob slovesu na železniški postaji Zlebič mi je z levico segel v rep, z desnico me je stisnil ter s solznimi očmi rekel: "K novi službi Vam čestitam, ste jo zaslužili, mi Vas bomo pa vsi pogrešali. Ko bi Vas ne bilo, bi se ne podstopil zidanja nove cerkve, kateri ste veliko pripomogli, da bo kmalu že pod streho. Prosim, kmalu se oglasite!"

Novi župnik g. Konrad Tekster je bil tudi dober predstojnik, po značaju in obnašanju pa pravo nasprotje g. Francu Travnu, svojevrsten mož, redkobeden, in sem bil kar vesel, da nisem stanoval v župnišču, tam sem bil le na hrani — proti plačilu. Fara je bila zelo obširna, dve podružnici poldrugo uro oddaljeni in visoko v hribovih. Dopolnansko službo božjo ob nedeljah in praznikih sem opravljal v četrt ure oddaljeni, hriboviti Višnji gori, kamor sem dnevno hodil tudi v šolo. Farna cerkev sv. Tilna je bila zunaj "Višnjanskega mesta", tudi v hribočku. "Pri fari", kjer je bilo župnišče s prostornimi gospodarskimi poslopji ob oširnem posestvu, kaplanija in mežnarija ter Prosvetna dvorana in pokopališče okrog cerkve.

Ko mi je župnik pri mizi suhoparno razkladal farno življenje, mi je naročil: "Skušajte družbeno življenje poživiti — Orlovski odsek in Orliški krožek — društveno godbo za kratkoma razpustite in bando ukinite." Začuden sem ga gledal, utrlj je cigaro, "je že dovolj škandalov in napravite konec cimpreje tem bolje." Ubogal sem ga le deloma; godbo smo obdržali in sem uspešno vplival na godbenike, da prava prosveta ni popivanje po vajah in raznih prireditvah, na katere so bili povabljeni in naprošeni, ne spada skupaj. Kmalu sem pa že uvidel, zakaj je bila možna godba tri v peti. Vseposvoda ob obširnih poslopjih je imel zasajeno vinsko trto in zlahko grozdje je vabilo ne le godbenike, se

bolj hribovske šolarje in bližnjo otročad, da so na skrivaj hodili pokušat in zobati farovško grozdje in je bil tako župnik prikrajšan na domačem vinu, katerega je gospodinja, že priletna Ančka, po naročilu dajala poslom in delavcem. Vsak prepovedan sad je sladak.

Lotil sem se dela in tudi Prosvetna dvorana je oživela. In že v nedeljo pred praznikom Vseh svetnikov so tako odlično vseh časa primerno igro "Mlinar in njegova hči", da smo jo naslednjo nedeljo ponovili pri polni dvorani. Se župnik, ki je v veliko začudenje vseh prišel k ponovitvi, je bil zadovoljen in se je že pozanimal, kaj je v načrtu za božično sezono. Omenil mi je, da bo v Adventu misijon, kot priprava za praznike, in da bi se spodobilo tudi v dvorani prirediti na Sveti večer kaj res Božiču primerne. Pripomnil sem, da na tak večer ne kaže ljudi spravljati v dvorano, naj ga preživijo doma pri jasilah in v družinski molitvi, "midva bova pa itak morala po starih pravilih peti božične "jutrarnjice" v cerkvi pred polnočnico." "Tiste molitve — brevir — bi pela v prazni cerkvi in le svetnikom na oltarjih," me je zavrnil, "in se nihče ne bo pritožil, če jih ne bo. S primerno božično predstavo boste pa vsem ustreli. Z "Mlinarjevo hčerjo" ste pokazali, da ste še kaj več zmožni."

Omenil sem mu, da imamo za Stefanovo v načrtu "Desetega brata", pa se je namrdnil, utrlj cigaro in pihnil proti stropu, da sem uvidel, da moram ubrati druge strune. Dopovedoval sem mu, da ni Božiču primerne ničesar na razpolago; naj mi pokaže dobiti kaj podobnega. Pa se nasmehne in seže po Sv. pisnu. "Zakaj pa ne bi faranom za Božič podali nekaj verskega, res božičnega. Poskusite nekaj prizorov na podlagi Sv. pisma, še jaz Vam bom pomagal in bomo vsi zadovoljni. Če se boste vsi potrudili, se bom tudi jaz pridružil in bom igralce tudi primerno nagradil." Vsemu sem se čudil, ker vse to ni bila njegova navada. Ni bil skop, pač pa zelo varčen in tudi zase skromen. Prisiljen pod težo razmer sem se lotil priprav za "Lepoto prve Svete noči".

Dolge večere sva presedela pozno v noč in iskala po Sv. pisnu primerne besedila. Tudi že kar priletni organist mi je obljubil pomoč, ko sem mu razložil, da bomo skušali oživeti tudi že stare in skoraj pozabljene božične pesmi. Saj je bil vesel, da se bo tako rešil mučnega prezebanja, ker bi tudi on moral sodelovati pri petju Jutrarnje polne župnika, ki ni imel ne glasu, še manj pa posluha. Ni bila majhna skrb, sestavi primerno besedilo v tako kratkem času ter ohraniti pri dobri volji župnika, ki je preje vse prosvetno delo ignoriral. In izbrati primerni osebi za Marijo in Jožefa — značaj igralcev in igralska zavist. Za angele in svetnike nisem bil v zadregi. Preskrbeti Jezuščka — ošlička in kravico! Pa je šlo vse po sreči. Jezuščka mi je ponudil sodnik dr. Franc Močnik, s katerim sem se že dobro seznanil kot sodelavcem v posojilnici, katero je župnik zelo vestno in uspešno vodil in upravljal in sem tako večkrat imel opravka pri Zemljiški knjigari na sodnji. Z njim in z ženko smo si bili dobri, kar zaupni. Bila sta redno gosta pri naših prireditvah; tudi pri nedeljski maši sta bila redna v 'mestni cerkvi sv. Ane'. Z družino nista bila oblagodarjena, kar sta mi večkrat potoži-

Prelepa je božična noč...

Prelepa je božična noč...
Snež po gorah se lesketa —
kako je blizu do Boga,
kako je blizu On nočoj,
ki nosi srečo, mir s seboj...

V bornih jasilah leži,
zazri se Detecu v oči,
ki ljubijo, ki mir dele,
osrečijo nam spet srce,
da je kot pesem borni svet,
z ljubeznijo Boga objet...

Presveta je božična noč...
Vse zvezde trosijo z neba
ljubezen, blagoslov Boga,
ki v jasilah ubog leži,
in prosí: pridite še vi...

Marjan Jakopič

la. Ko sem jima omenil božično predstavo in da ne morem dobiti primerne Jezuščka, je ona kar padla v besedo: "O, midva ga imava, v spalnici imamo primerno punčko s steklenimi očmi, katere se po želji premikajo. Joj, kakšna sreča," je vesela drobila z žarečimi očmi. Oba sta bila tudi glasbeno visoko izobražena in sta odlično igrala vijolini ter sta mi obljubila vso pomoč in še kaj drugega. Vam bova prinesla, še pred Božičem," sta mi ob slovesu segala v roko.

Osla sem tudi z lahkoto dobil pri ubogem kajzarju Tilnu pod "Vrhom", pol ure oddaljenem od "Fare", s katerim je širokoral svoji njivici. On je držal za plug ali brano, kar sta vlekla živalec in pa — žena. Radevolje sta mi obljubila osla in jima je bilo kar ustrezno, ko sem ga prosil, naj ga žena kar prižene v farovski hlev, da se mu sestrada rebra ne bodo tako poznala. Tudi za kravico nisem bil v zadregi. V prostornem farovškem hlevu jih je bilo po 12 in je tako župnik z veliko kmetije zalagal z mlekom vso višnjijsko gospodo, mi smo pa tako tudi z novicami bili na tekočem, ko so gospodinjice in gospe proti večeru prihajale po mleko vedoč, da je pristno, župnik je pa v njih imel zanesljive in redne plačilke. Pa v strahu, da se ne bi živalec na odru "počedila", sem si izposodil leseno kravico, skoraj v naravni velikosti, pri stiskih "belih menihih" ki so jo imeli za reklamo v njihovi mlekarici. Oslček se je po nekaj tednih vidno omopogel v oskrbi farovškega hlapca in so fantje z njim vadili, da je pohlevno stopical po odru, saj je večkrat nastopil. Da ne bi stresel kake "fige", mu je hlepec zadnje popoldne dal strogi, popolni post.

(Dajle)

Vabilo na letno sejo Oltarnega društva fare Marije Vnebovzete

CLEVELAND, O. — Kakor vsako leto bomo tudi letos imeli letno sejo prvo nedeljo v novem letu, torej 2. januarja 1977. Vse članice prosimo, da se te seje udeležijo, ker je, več važnih reči treba rešiti. Izvolite bomo odbor za leto 1977 in poslušale poročila o delovanju našega društva v preteklem letu.

Kakor vsak mesec bo ura molitve ob pol dveh in blagoslov. Po blagoslovu in seji se bomo malo pozabavale. Imele bomo nekaj prav lepih daril in malo okrepčila. Tako bomo začele novo leto v veseli družbi. Vedno je tako prijetno, da kar prehitro mine čas, zato je drage sestre, prosim, pridite v velikem številu! Se posebej vabim vse novo pristopile in tiste, ki se niste udeležile naših sestankov v zadnjih letih.

Ob tej priliki se vsem članicam želimo zahvaliti za vse, kar ste nam dobrega storile skozi celo leto, vsem, ki ste pomagale pri vsaki prodaji peciva in za vsa denarna darila, za vso darovano pecivo in vsem, ki so tako

SLOVENSKIM IZSELJENCEM

Pismo škofa dr. Stanka Leniča za izseljenjsko nedeljo, ki smo jo obhajali 26. decembra.

Ob izseljenjski nedelji se mora vznemiriti naša vest. Toliko naših bratov in sestra, ki so z nami povezani z vezmi narodnosti in vere, živi daleč od domače zemlje in tudi daleč od domače Cerkve. Ob izseljenjski nedelji jih v duhu iščemo in obiskujemo po vseh celinah sveta. Življenja val jih je raznesel iz vseh mogočih vzrokov. Včasih so "zdomali" samo ribniški krošnjari, o katerih so rekli, da jih spomladi ni bilo mogoče obdržati na domači zemlji, tudi če bi jih privezali. V skrbi za družino in vsakdanji kruh so raznašali svojo robo daleč naokoli in tudi čez mejo. Danes je takšna mrzlica zajela mnoge ljudi med nami.

Ko se jih ob letošnji izseljenjski nedelji z ljubeznijo spominjamo, jih bomo pač najlažje našli in se z njimi srečali v Bogu, pri naših skupnih molitvah in daritvah. Le kaj naj prosimo Boga zanje? Morda boste rekli: Kaj bomo zanje molili, saj se mnogim morda bolje godi kot nam! Pa vendarle so potrebni naših molitev. Prosili bomo Boga za njihovo varstvo na duši in telesu. Prosili bomo predvsem za to, da bi ob vseh gmotnih pridobitvah dobrin ne pozabili na duhovne vrednote, na svoje versko in moralno življenje. Še vedno je v veljavi Jezusova beseda: Kaj pomaga človeku, če si ves svet pridobi, na svoji duši pa trpi škodo!

Danes imamo tudi lepo priložnost, da pomislimo, s čim bi jim lahko pomagali pri ohranjanju teh duhovnih vrednot. To so predvsem naši pisemski prijateljski stiki z njim; naročanje verskih časopisov in dobrih knjig. Se tako neznačajna vez je lahko dragocena in morda tudi tista odrešila nitka, ki bo marsikoga obvarovala pred katastrofo.

Slovenski kristjani pošiljamo danes svojim bratom in sestram v tujino iskrene pozdrave z domače zemlje, z ognjišča domače Cerkve. Pozdravljamo njihove duhovnike, ki se trudijo za njihovo oskrbo. Zahvaljujemo se jim iz srca za vse korake, ki jih naredijo v ljubezni do svojih rojakov. Ob tem se z bolečino in srcu spominjam naših ljudi na Švedskem in po drugih skandinavskih državah, ki še vedno nimajo svojega slovenskega dušnega pastirja, čeprav jih je samo na Švedskem nad 6.000. Od tam prihajajo pretresljive prošnje za slovenskega duhovnika. Vključimo v svoje molitve ob letošnji izseljenjski nedelji tudi ta žgoči naš problem! Sedaj jih dvakrat na leto za nekaj tednov obišče slovenski jezuit o. Janez Sodja iz Muenchna. Hvaležni so mu, a radi bi imeli še kaj več, posebno ko vidijo, da imajo na primer. Hrva-tje že kar pet svojih duhovnikov.

Ob tej nedelji prisrčno pozdravljamo med nami bivajoče in delujoče brate in sestre iz drugih jugoslovanskih republik, ki so tudi zdomci svoje vrste. Kakor želimo, da je Cerkev v kraju, kjer bivajo naši ljudje, odprta zanje, in da jih z ljubeznijo sprejema in razumeva, tako moramo tudi mi imeti odprto srce za te naše brate in sestre, posebno še za tiste, ki se približujejo tudi našim verskim hramom.

Vsem zdomcem kličemo ob njihovi nedelji s svetim Pavlom: "Pozdravljajo vas 'naše' cerkve. Pozdravljajo vas vsi bratje Milost Gospoda Jezusa z Vami! Naša ljubezen z vami vsemi!"

STANISLAV LENIČ

delegat slovenskih škofov za dušno pastirstvo med slovenskimi izseljenci in zdomci

hitro vse pokupili in s tem pomagali spraviti skupaj kar lepo vsoto denarja za našo cerkev. Priporočamo se vam še za naprej! Bog vam poplačaj tisočkrat!

Sedaj bi se rada še osebno zahvalila za vse usluge, ki ste jih meni osebno izkazale, ko ste mi zaupale tajništvo in blaginjo v preteklih letih, s točnim plačevanjem članarine, z lepim sodelovanjem ob romanju v Lomont, vsem, ki ste hitro vrnilo odrezke in denar za listke, ki bodo v nedeljo na božičnici izbrani za podelitev daril. Hvale vam za vsa božična voščila, ker se ne morem vsaki posebej zahvaliti.

Drage članice, sestre, držimo skupaj in delajmo za napredek in dober uspeh našega društva! Vabim vse tiste žene in dekleta naše fare, ki niste še članice, da se nam pridružite!

Vsem želim obilo božjega blagoslova in zdravja v novem letu 1977. Naj bi res vladal pravi mir po vsem svetu! Naša nebeska mati nas ne bo zapustila, če jo ne bomo me zapustili. Biti članica Oltarnega društva je čast za vsako ženo.

V imenu vseh odborice se enkrat hvala za vse!

Rose Bavec, tajnica

Smrti rojaka v Lorainu

LORAIN, O. — Ko zaključujemo letošnje leto 1976 in premišljujemo o uspehih in neuspehih, ugotavljamo, da nam je bilo to leto še kar naklonjeno. Seveda enemu bolj, drugemu manj. Upajmo, da nam prihodnje leto ne bo prineslo kakih večjih sprememb.

Predramila nas je novica, da se je pojavila bela žena in dne 11. decembra pretrgala nit življenja našemu rojaku Tomažu Zelezničarju. Pogreb je bil 16. decembra z mašo v cerkvi sv.

Črčila in Metoda. Župnik rev. F. Krajnc je opravil pogrebne molitve za pokojnega, nato je pogrebni sprevod krenil na pokopališče Kalvarija.

Pokojni je bil rojen 21. dec. 1884 v vasi Dobrava, fara Skočjan pri Novem mestu. Ako bi mu bilo prizanešeno še 10 dni, bi praznoval 92. rojstni dan. Bil je samski in tudi pravi samotar. Njegova življenjska knjiga je zaprta. Le skromni podatki nam povedo, da je l. 1913 stopil na ameriška tla in se naselil v državi Wisconsin. Od tam se je pa l. 1926 preselil v Cleveland in baje prebival v okolici E. 175 ceste. Mogoče se ga tam kdo spominja.

Zadnjih 25 let je živel v Lorainu skoraj nepoznan v svoji okolici. Letošnje leto je bil v starostnem domu. Tam sva ga z g. Markarjem spoznala in ga večkrat obiskala. Ko so se mu stekali dnevi življenja, je bil prepeljan v St. Joseph bolnico in tam čez dva dni umrl. Za pogreb sta poskrbela njegova rojaka John Grm in g. Mlakar.

Bog bodi milostljiv njegovi duši in naj mirno počiva v ameriški zemlji!

J. G.

ZA SMEH

"Zelo hripavi ste gospa. Ste se prehladili?"

"O ne, samo moj mož je prišel sinoči zelo pozno domov!"

Učitelj: "Mihec, za kazni bi bil moral napisati dvajsetkrat 'znam slabo brati', napisal si pa samo dvajsetkrat."

Mihec: "Gospod učitelj, znam tudi slabo šteti!"

Sodnik stari gospodični: "Ali vam je moje vprašanje, koliko ste stari, neprijetno?"

Gospodična: "Vprašanje ne, toda odgovor!"

Avgust Senoa:

ZLATARJEVO ZLATO

"Estote sapientes sicut serpentes, to se pravi: imejte sol v glavi, kakor ukazuje sveto pismo. Samo večna postava je čista in jasna kakor to vince na mizi. V njej stoji vsaka pika kakor klin, a kdor z neumnim upanjem dreza v ta klin, temu je obsedel dušo Lucifer, id est hudič. Ius humanum, id est zakon, ki ga je napisala slaba človeška roka, je krhko in plitko delo. Ins humanum, čeprav priznavam samo določbe svete matere cerkve, ius humanum je po moji misli bat na dve strani in, kdor ima prvo polovico v roki, ta obvlada tudi drugo polovico in lahko neusmišljeno oplazi svojega nasprotnika po hrbtu. In kadar se dva spreta, je naravno, da ima nekdo prav, drugi pa mora biti krivec. In niti malo se ne čudim, ko je kraljevska kurija prvega oprostita, drugega pa je morala obsoditi, ker stoji tudi to, da mora biti volk sit, a koza ne more biti cela. In da je zgubilo plečeno mesto, ni nič drugega kakor navaden slučaj, ki se je pripetil samo zato, ker je dobil pravdo gospod Gregorijanec."

"Res je, res," je Arbanas važno potrdil. "Nego, admodum reverende, je poskočil rdeči notar proti kaplanu, ki je od začudenja raztegnil obrvi in izbuhal oči. "Slovesno oporekam vse, kar ste sedaj trdili. Jaz sem kot branilec pravice prisiljen da resnica povedati tudi s preprašati: kako, zakaj in čemu? Titulus, titulus, za tem čepi zajej! To je tisti kavelj, ki ga držita krepko v roki, kakor zdaj je zapisano, da je Medvedgrad



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Hear, O Lord, the sound
of my call; have pity
on me and answer me.

(Psalm 27, Verse 7)

1894

1975



Anthony J. Fortuna

who succumbed to a heart attack on Sept. 15, 1976 at Mt. Sinai Hospital.

He was born on Oct. 15, 1894 at Smartno pri Litiji, and later lived at St. Vid pri Stični, Dolenjsko, Slovenia, from where as a lad of 9, he emigrated to America in 1903 with his mother and two sisters to join his father in Cleveland.

He attended St. Vitus School and in 1922 became a field representative for the "American Home", Slovenian daily newspaper, serving in this capacity for 24 years until 1946. Ill health, brought on by the loss of his only son in World War II, caused him to resign.

Our beloved was a member for over 50 years of the following fraternal societies: St. Vitus Society No. 25, KSKJ, where he was Secretary for 25 years; Baraga Court No. 1317, C.O.F., St. Cyril and Methodius Lodge No. 18 ADZ, and the Maccabees Lodge No. 1298, T.M. He was also a long time member of St. Vitus Holy Name Society.

Services were held on Sept. 20, 1976 from the Zak Funeral Home, with a concelebrated Mass at St. Vitus. His final resting place is at Calvary Cemetery.

We want to express our deep gratitude to Rev. A. Edward Pevec, Pastor of St. Vitus, for administering the last rites, his prayers at the funeral home and at graveside, for the concelebration of the Mass, and his touching eulogy. Special thanks to the other concelebrants, Rev. Joseph Boznar, Rev. Anthony Rebol and Rev. Joseph Simcic.

Many thanks to the following clergymen for their visitations and prayers: Msgr. Louis Baznik, Canon Raymond Hobart, Pastors Edward Pevec and Victor Tomc, Rev. Joseph Boznar, Rev. Joseph Simcic, and Deacon Joseph O'Donnell; also to Sisters Mary Lydia and Mary Carmelita, S.N.D. from our Lady of Lourdes Parish, and to the Sisters at St. Vitus: Principal, Sr. Mary Donnalee, Sisters Mary Alicemarie and Mary Gertrude. Our cordial thanks go to Judge August Pryatel, Dr. Anthony Speech and to all other friends and acquaintances, who in such large numbers came to pay their respects, and who prayed for the repose of his soul.

We are deeply grateful to the members of these organizations: St. Vitus Holy Name Society; Baraga Court No. 1317, COF,

Sadly missed by:

ANNA (nee SODNIKAR), wife;
DOROTHY KIRK, daughter and JOHN KIRK, son-in-law;
ROSEANNE PIORKOWSKI, granddaughter and her husband

Cleveland, Ohio, 31 December, 1976.

IN MEMORIAM

With deep sadness, we
announce to all relatives,
friends and acquaintances
that God has called unto
Himself from our family
circle, our beloved husband,
father, grandfather, great-
grandfather and brother

St. Vitus Christian Mothers Club, and Ladies Auxiliary, St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans, for the recitation of the Rosary, and to the clergy who led them in prayer: Edward Pevec, Joseph Boznar, Joseph Simcic and Joseph O'Donnell.

A warm thank you is extended to our Councilman Robert Novak, who expressed special sympathy to us from the City of Cleveland.

May God bless all for their beautiful floral pieces, for the many Mass offerings, donations to the Missions, and other charitable contributions in his memory.

Hvala lepa to Mr. Frank Kamin, representative of St. Vitus Society No. 25 KSKJ, for his tender words of farewell.

With deep appreciation, we thank all who extended to us their sympathy in writing, via telephone or in person, and especially to our friends and neighbors, for all their help in these trying days. Thanks to Joseph and Maria Lusnar for their consoling message from Austria.

Heartfelt thanks to organist Mr. Martin Košnik, and the male quintet, who sang so beautifully during the church services; likewise to the Zak Funeral Home for all their assistance.

From the depth of our hearts, we thank all who attended the church service, and accompanied our loved one to his final resting place. Special thanks to those who provided their cars for the funeral procession.

We are thankful to everyone who remained with us for some time after the funeral, and shared in the delicious luncheon prepared by Mrs. Vera Hlad and her assistants. The pastries donated by our good friends were greatly appreciated.

Thank you cards were sent to all who remembered us and our beloved in any way. If, accidentally, we have missed anyone, please accept our apology, and may this public notice serve as a special thanks to you.

Dearest and never to be forgotten husband, dear father, grandfather, greatgrandfather and brother! Your hasty and unexpected departure from us fills our hearts with deep sadness. Your loving heart beats no more. Almighty God has destined the span of your earthly life, and called you to your just reward. We will fondly cherish you always in our hearts, and pray that we may someday join you in heavenly bliss. Rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon you!

STEVE PIORKOWSKI;

DONALD, JOHN and THOMAS KIRK, grandsons;

JEFFREY and STEVEN PIOROWSKI, great-grandsons;

FRANCES GORDON, sister

also relatives in Cleveland, O., Forest City, Pa., and Joliet, Ill.

naš in da je naša vsa medved- je skleda brez jedi, kost brez
grajska gosposčina. Ze mogoče; mesa. Na vsak način bi bilo lep-
to bo učeni gospod notar bolje še, če bi vse to imeli, še lepše
vedel kot jaz. Vprašam pa vas, pa, če bi bil naš ves svet. Toda
če smo Medvedgrad sploh kdaj dobri Bog je ukazal, da ne sme
imeli? Nismo! Vidite. To vam vse v eno samo torbo. Naša



ZELE FUNERAL HOMES

MEMORIAL CHAPEL

452 E. 152nd Street Phone 431-3118

ADDISON ROAD CHAPEL

6502 St. Clair Avenue Phone: 361-0583

Mi smo vedno pripravljeni z najboljšo postrežbo

gospoda se je zaradi te pravice zelo razpihovala nad starim Gregorijancem in se razpihuje še sedaj. Jaz sem vedno govoril: iz te moke ne bo kruha, zato pustimo vso stvar v miru! Zmrdovali ste se nad menoj, češ da tega ne razumem, da je naša pravica jasna in da nam bo pomagal stari Tahi. Jaz sem, se tiho umaknil v kot. Pravili ste mi, da ima Tahi mnogo prijateljev pri kraljevem sodišču. Toda mislil sem si, če so sodniki taki, kakršni morajo biti, morajo pravico voditi po zakonu; a zakon nima ne prijateljev ne sovražnikov. Medtem je sodišče sodilo. Mi smo zgubili. Tako je in nič drugače! Toda Gregorijanec je ohol, bogat, maščevalen in nagel. Odkar stoji prvi kamen v Zagrebu, še ni imelo plemenito mesto takega krvnega sovražnika, kakor je medvedgrajski gospodar. Če bo prilika, se bo maščeval, če je ne bo, jo bo Stjepko gotovo našel. Trn smo mu v peti, sodišče je trn izvleklo, a rana je ostala. Ne silite v rano, ker zna biti še huje. Pustite ga v miru! Če bi silil v mesto, na našo zemljo, v naše pravice, takrat da! Tedaj z batom po glavi, tedaj bi, čeprav sem star in slab, tudi sam skočil in bi ga, ne s peresom in s papirjem, temveč s pestjo, gospoda, da, s pestjo! Zato ne tratimo časa! Treba je delati, da bomo močni v nevarnosti in da bomo imeli prijatelje, ki nam bodo pomagali. Saj sami dobro veste, kako je pokojni ban Nikola besno planil nad nas. A zdaj je drugače. Njegov sin Gjuro nam ho-

če dobro. Še sami ste sklenili, naj mu izkažemo čast, da mu na mesne stroške poklonimo srebrno kupo za njegovo svatbo z Anko Erdodijevo. Naročili ste mi, da jo izdelam. Držimo se njega in pustimo Gregorijanca rite kakor knjiga, ker vam je v miru, držimo se Gjuro, a naj-
prej se držimo svojega! Tako mislim jaz." "Tako je!" je pritrdil sodnik Teletič in potrepjal zlatarja po rami. "Vi, mojster Peter, res niste brali učenih knjig, a govornega v pustimo Gregorijanca rite kakor knjiga, ker vam je dal Bog zdravo in pravo pamet."

Some
research
"experts"
say you can't
taste the
difference
between
beers ...
blindfolded.

What do you say?
WHEN YOU SAY BUDWEISER,
YOU'VE SAID IT ALL!



PICTORIAL HIGHLIGHTS OF 1976



Photostory by JIM DEBEVEC
The first Inaugural Ball in honor of Tony Sustarsic taking over as Mayor of the City of Euclid was held on Sunday, Feb. 8, 1976 at Charterhouse Motel. In the top photo Tony Sustarsic is introduced to the crowd and receives a warm round of applause. Next is the committee who worked tirelessly to present the ball. In the

COLLINWOOD HOME CELEBRATES



FRANK J. LAUSCHE (center) proudly marches with his fellow Slovenians in the Collinwood Slovenian Home big celebration Sunday, Aug. 22. Also taking part in the stroll are (from left) Johnny Kovacic, State Rep. Dennis Eckart, Judge August Pryatel, and (right) Cleveland Mayor Ralph Perk. (Photos by John M. Urbancich.)

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



ZARJA SINGING SOCIETY float is clearly one of the best entries in the big Memorial Day parade and they have the First Place Trophy to prove it. The big parade was sponsored by United Slovenian Society. (Photos by Jim Debevec)



THE FABULOUS DUKE MARSIC (right) and his orchestra.

Memo... From Madeline

By
Madeline
Debevec

Mayfield does a big job in preserving the elements of the respective ethnic heritage organizations by teaching foreign languages. Often it is not easy to find a course in some languages, yet Mayfield is in its 6th year of offering Slovenian and other foreign languages to the community.

Residents from various sections of Greater Cleveland continue to enroll at an unprecedented rate for all types of ethnic courses including breadmaking, desserts, crepe cooking, Ukrainian Pysanky or Easter Egg decorating and gourmet cooking.

Classes in beginning and intermediate foreign languages begin the week of January 10. Classes meet once a week for ten weeks. Registration is being accepted now. For a free brochure, call 442-2200, Ext. 303, or send a self-addressed, stamp envelope to Adult Community Education Division, 784 S.O.M. Center Road, Mayfield, Ohio 44143.

In-person registration begins at the Board of Education Office on January 3rd. Evening registration will be conducted on January 3, 4 and 5th between 7 - 8:30 p.m. Tuition is only \$14 for residents and \$16 for non-residents for any language course.

Joseph S. Bokar is the Director of the Mayfield City School District - Adult Education Division.

MAYOR PERK holds sign given to him by St. Clair Business Assn. which will be displayed in the area seeking new members for the Civic Aid Patrol. Perk promised his personal help in recruiting new members.

Merry Christmas

Year 1977 is already a blessing for me and I would like to share this blessing with you. The Diocese is sending me to the Eternal City for studies from March to June. I will have an opportunity to offer Mass at St. Peter's in Rome and in a number of Basilicas as well as in a number of Holy Places in Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem. I will remember you and your loved ones at these altars.

May Christmas and New Year also bring God's blessings to you.

Father Rebol

Cancel Jan. meeting

Slovenian Women's Union No. 47 will not have a meeting on January 9th. Members please take note.



ST. CLAIR BUSINESSMEN in the Red Room of Mayor Perk's office question him about the safety in ward 23. From left to right, Dick Mott, Mrs. Charles Jezerinac, Jim Debevec, Bill Hrastar, Mary Sustarsic, Vladislav Hyvnar, Gerald Radinaker, and Perk. The meeting took place on Feb. 18, from 4 to 6 p.m. (Photos by John Shimrak Studios, 1397 E. 47 St., phone 391-4698 or 391-1154).

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krann of 723 E. 156 St., on their recent 40th wedding anniversary.

They were married in St. John Church in Larksville, Pa. They are the parents of six children, Edward of Westerville, Maryann deceased, James of Cleveland, Joseph of Parma, John of Willowick, and Michaelene McNulty of Willowick. They are also the grandparents of four grandsons and four granddaughters. Mrs. Krann is the former Mary Kolodosky. Mr. Krann is retired from Lincoln Electric after 32 years of service.

There was a Mass for them in honor of this special occasion. (Continued on Page 6)

Slovenian Sports Club Dinner-Dance Jan. 3

The annual Slovenian Sports Club Dinner-Dance will be held on Saturday, January 3, 1977 at the Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave. starting at 7:00. Feast on a good meal and then dance the night away to the sound of Duke Marsic and his orchestra.

Tickets are \$5.00 for the dinner dance and \$3.00 for just the entrance without the meal. Tickets will be slightly more at the door so buy in advance and save. Tickets can be obtained from Frank Leben (361-0377), Lou Sef (432-2446), and Lou and Mary Petelin (943-5294).

Besides a good meal, good entertainment, and an overall fantastic time, various attendance gifts will be given. The gifts consist of ski apparel, compliments of Joe Lah's "Sociable Sport", which is located on Wilson Mills Drive; wines and other drinking delights from the always friendly Frank Sterle, who is the proprietor of the Slovenian Country House, which is located on E. 55th St.; and also a gift for the winner of the Mexican Hat Dance Contest.

So extend your Holidays and bring a friend and come to Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave. on January 8th and have a night you'll never forget. Advance sale tickets are going quickly so hurry and get yours today.

Christmas Greetings From Formosa

The Catholic community of Yuanli and our two mission stations want to express their gratitude to all of you, benefactors and missionaries at home, for your support this year.

At Christmas time we think of offering ourselves as a gift to Christ, the whole Christian world has that opportunity, but you through support have also brought Christ and his gospel to many who otherwise would not know the Lord.

I want to thank you for your gifts, Mass intentions, and letters of encouragement. Our Mission exists because of the Slovenian Priests and people who for the most part are our benefactors.

May the blessings of Christmas be with you today and always. We remember you weekly at God's altar.

God's Blessings and Merry Christmas
Rev. Francis Rebol, M.M.
Catholic Mission
Yuanli (Miaoli)
Formosa

Rev. Francis Rebol
c/o Rev. Anthony Rebol
15519 Holmes Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44110

SUDDEN PASSING OF FRED OREHEK

By Lud and Corinne Leskovar

On the day before Christmas, we buried our friend, Fred Orehek, well-known Chicago Slovenian who left a legacy of devotion and dedication to his Slovenian American heritage.

As a top newspaper reporter and editor for over 33 years, Fred was one of the most knowledgeable interpreters of the Chicago political scene.

He covered a variety of "beats" including city hall and the county and federal buildings and was on a first name basis with all the well known leaders of Illinois government and politics. We often saw his by-line on the front page of the Chicago Tribune, one of the world's most influential newspapers with which he was affiliated for the past three years. On the day before his death, Dec. 22nd, he spent his work day reporting the evolving story of the selection of a successor to Mayor Richard J. Daley who had died Dec. 20th. The Chicago Slovenian community was especially shocked by the loss of their good mayor and when hearing of the sudden passing of Fred Orehek, it was a double blow to many.

The Slovenian American Radio Club members relied on Fred's good judgement in many programs and activities as he was a firm supporter of the Slovenian Radio Hour. He was a strong example of the second generation Slovenian-American as his nature was so like that of his pioneer father and mother who after coming to America, particularly Cleveland, O., believed it their duty to contribute all the best they could offer to their new home in work, in loyalty and in dedication to its freedoms.

Fred was named Slovenian Man of the Year by the S. A. Radio Club in 1967 and often said it was his prized possession, even surpassing a first place newspaperman's citation in 1973 for his articles on suburban problems. He was also active with the Marine Corps Combat Correspondents Association of World War II when he covered the Pacific theatre of operations and the occupation of Japan with General MacArthur.

He was a life-long member of K.S.K.J. and was with St. Stephen's Society for the last 40 years, and a great supporter of the KSKJ all the time. Fred is survived by his widow, Frances, nee Purkart, a native of Kitzville, Minn., a son, Fred Jr. who is an attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Chicago, and two daughters, Mrs. Gloria Ekerman and Rose Marie, a student at the University of Illinois, also two brothers, John and Albin of Cleveland. Al is the secretary of St. Vitus Society No. 25 of KSKJ.

But there are many more who mourn Fred, who respected and liked him for the man he was, his humble approach to life, his dauntless Slovenian spirit, and optimism, his direct way of reaching into the heart of matters in discussion, his ever-present search for truth.

Fred was proud to be named after Bishop Frederick Baraga, the Missionary Bishop of the Great Lakes. Baraga's life was an inspiration to Fred; he referred often to Baraga's simple ways and his acceptance of human experience. On the subject of Baraga, we could not find a more dedicated follower. He appreciated so much the work of Joseph Gregorich, the elder Baraga historian, that he, thru

sheer persuasion, founded the new Chicago Chapter of the Baraga Association in Chicago and brought in representatives of all the Slovenian societies to work for the Cause of the Canonization of Bishop Baraga.

In the last two years of the Chicago Chapter's existence, two major trips to Baraga-land and an annual Baraga Sunday observance at St. Stephen's Church were organized.

Currently, he was actively forming plans for Baraga Day in 1977 at Lemont, Ill., a special place for Fred since his early days as a student there. In his memory, the seventh successor to Baraga, Most Rev. Charles A. Salatk, Bishop of Marquette offered a special mass simultaneously with the funeral mass in Chicago and a third commemorative holy mass was arranged at the Slovenian Chapel of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. where Bishop Baraga is also remembered in sculpture and stain glass.

Fred Orehek made his mark in this world by publically living a life of virtue and kindness that makes him one to be remembered with great pride and gratitude.

Concelebrants at the funeral Mass were Rev. Blaz Chemazur of Lemont, Rt. Rev. Msgr. M. J. Butala, Hon. Spiritual Dir. of KSKJ, and Rev. James Fitzgerald, Pastor of St. Dionysius Church in Chicago.

St. Stephen's church choir sang Slovenian hymns. Pallbearers were fellow members of St. Stephen's Society No. 1 KSKJ. Present at the funeral were Edward J. Kucic, National President of KSKJ, County Assessor and Treasurer officials of Cook county, representatives of Chicago City Council and representatives of the Chicago Tribune.

Enjoys A. H.

I am really paid up till May for the Friday Edition but I see where you need financial help right now, so I am sending \$14 for which please make me a daily subscriber for a half year. It would be a sad day for Slovenians all over the world if the A.H. paper would cease to exist. The Debevec family is to be highly commended for being so deeply involved in putting out this paper.

I find Madeline's column most interesting among many other fine contributors. And that "Recipe Corner" is a fine addition, too.

With many Good Wishes to all involved in the Great Work.

Mary Winter,
Cleveland, Ohio

Enclosed is our check for the yearly ad (Our Lady of Fatima Society No. 255 KSKJ). Our lodge roster is the same for '77. Here's best wishes ever for the brand New Year.

Your Christmas issue was really the best ever. Thanks to you the hard working editor. Hope all goes smoothly from here on.

Happy Holidays to all your staff, too.

Josephine Trunk

Meeting

Lodge Mary Magdalene No. of Baraga, we could not find a 162 KSKJ will hold its regular more dedicated follower. He monthly meeting Wednesday, Jan. 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the Social Room of St. Vitus Auditorium.

FAVORITE RECIPES



— NEW FEATURE —
Please send your recipes to
"Recipes", American Home Pub-
lishing Co., 6117 St. Clair Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio 44103.

Rainbow Ribbon Salad

2 unflavored gelatin
½ cup water
1 cup sugar
2 cups milk, scalded
1 pint dairy sour cream
1 pkg. (3-oz.)

lime, lemon, cherry
flavor gelatin
4 cups boiling water
2 cups cold water

Dissolve unflavored gelatin,
according to pkg. directions, in
first ½ cup water; set aside. Add
sugar to scalded milk; stir until
dissolved. Stir in sour cream un-
til smooth. Stir in unflavored
gelatin mixture; set aside at
room temperature.

Beginning with lime flavored
gelatin, dissolve crystals in 1
cup of the boiling water, then
add ½ cup of the cold water.
Pour into a 13x9-inch pan and
refrigerate 30 minutes.

Stir sour cream mixture, then
add 1½ cups to pan in a layer
over lime gelatin. Refrigerate
again for 30 minutes. Repeat
procedure, in order.

Sally Furlich

PIONEER CHRISTMAS

By FRANCES PERENCEVICH

Always glad to read some-
thing about the old days. As you
know E. 55th Street was the
boundry line. West was Zuzem-
berk, East was Ribnica.

It seems that not much is
written about Zuzemberk, al-
though the majority first came
to Zuzemberk from 1908. This
was the Slovenian colony.

My father, Frank Zavrsek
and mother Marija Opalt was
the first Slovenian couple mar-
ried by Rev. Vitus Hribar, Aug.
1893. Then they started to col-
lect to build the church.

My father had a saloon on E.
39 (Clifton Street). On this
street between St. Clair and Su-
perior were five saloons. My
father - Cugel - Turček - Au-
gust Budan opened their first
before he moved on St. Clair
and E. 39th Skebe (Maresic)
it was across the street on the
corner of St. Clair and 39th was
Furlan. Below St. Clair going
west was Jerman's where their
daughter still runs the business.
Tenetov (Widmar) across the
street on St. Clair. Sudadoo
Charley (Kuhel) Mrs. Cimper-
man's father Rosman; next was
Mrs. Hren, the Slovenian mid-
wife. She had a dry goods store
when her daughter married Lo-
gar, he took over before he went
to Euclid.

On East 36th Breskvar and
on 34 Spelko, on 33rd my uncle
Anton Završek, on 31st Lukec;
on 26th St. Alabama was a mo-
vie theater. On the corner of E.
39 was Glucks Mens store where
most of the men bought their
first black shiny suit.

Behind was a Judov house
where most of the old timers
first lived there in a 12 family
frame house. Near was the
Braugh pop company where Joe
Lazar worked. No one knew him
by his name, only Popar.

East of 39th and St. Clair was
Jaksic. He died Mrs. Jaksic re-
married Kmet where they still
reside. Next was Obermanca
saloon - Turkov John Blatnik,
then later opened on E 63 where
Baraga dom is now. There was
Case Theater on the N.W. cor-
ner of E. 40. Just a little east
of E. 40th was Ideal theater.

How many can remember
when we had a podružnica cer-
kev between E. 41 and 43 on St.
Clair where St. Vitus church
was getting crowded and to ac-
commodate us so we didn't have
to go far.

Next to it Mr. Potokar first
started his bottling works.
Charles Slapnik first opened
his florist shop on 4015 St. Clair.
I can remember when the boat
was due and my father would
go to the depot with his horse
and wagon to bring some of the
new arrivals.

Knaus first started his milk
dairy on St. Clair and E. 39th,
then turned it into a winery.

My father came here about
1881. Very few Slovenians.

There was stari Stenc as he
called him, Turk in Newburg.
Mr. Fortuna that died recently
(working for American Home)
and myself would talk about
the old days when my father
would give us a ride to St. Vitus
school. The good old days!

Could write so much more.

Hope you can make out my
penmanship, it's getting weak.
My husband had the pool room
in Lausche's place during the
depression days. I was operat-
ing Fanny's Confectionery on
E. 40th across from St. Paul's
Church for 42 years until I re-
tired in 1960.

Forgot to mention Al Milner,
the ball player, was from East
39th street where he started not
long ago. I read somewhere that
he was from Collingood, but it
was the old 39th Street.

Zak funeral home - Zeno's
grandmother lived on E. 39 (Clif-
ton Street) when she first came
to Cleveland.

John Zorman Sr. - John Zor-
man the poet. His father came
to Cleveland and was living on
E. 40th street until he died, and
John Jr. till he got married.

John Zorman Sr. was organ-
ist and Mešnar them days tak-
ing care of church bells and St.
Paul's Croatian church.

George Malovrh was organist
and mešnar, janitor after Zor-
man died. till he died in 1932.
Also lived until his death on E.
40th.

John Jadrich and Victor Jad-
rich working for Ameriška Do-
movina lived on E. 40th.

Enclosing some pictures to
show you how many years the
Završek and then Perencevich
families were subscribers to the
paper.
(EDITOR'S NOTE: It was a
Holiday issue (in color yet) dat-
ing back to 1903). — We thank
you very much for recalling the
history and writing this fine
article about the pioneer Slo-
venians in the E. 40 St. area—
JVD).

S.C.B.A. Recipients

St. Clair Businessmen's give-
away held Dec. 29 results:

\$350: George Germack, 10406
Bernard. Seller: Mary Sustarsic
of Hecker Avenue.

\$25: Ann Marie Zak, 6016 St.
Clair; and Helen Perencevich,
1071 E. 68 St.

\$15: Salter Printing, St. Vitus
Post C.W.V.; and Wayne Sny-
der, 6120 Glass.

\$10: Carl Stwan, 24151 Yose-
mite Dr.; Edward Mishic, 1166
E. 74 St.; and Pauline Progar,
19900 Mohican.

Special Sellers Gifts:

\$25: Clayton W. Bosh of Pick-
n' Pay
\$5: Min Kader of Min's Beau-
ty Shoppe

St. Vitus Christian Mothers' Club

Before I tell you about our
next meeting, I would like to
thank everyone who helped at
our Christmas party, especially
the 6th and 7th grade mothers.

The holidays will soon be over
and things will be back to nor-
mal. I hope that 1977 will be a
good year.

Our first meeting of the New
Year will be held Jan. 5 in the
school auditorium at 7:30 p.m.
At this meeting we will be cele-
brating everyone's birthday
from January to December.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

The guest speaker for the
evening will be Ms. Tab Porgac;
her topic will be "Nutrition for
the Growing Child". Split the
pot will be featured. The hos-
tesses for the January meeting
will be the 5th grade mothers.

The annual Card Party will
be Jan. 16 at 3 p.m. Admission
is \$1.50. We hope for a very big
attendance and need volunteers
as usual. It takes cooperation of
everyone to have a success!

St. Vitus Church is planning
a Bloodmobile on Dec. 28 from
1 to 7 p.m. in the Auditorium.
We hope everyone will donate
blood.

On behalf of the officers and
Board members, we would like
to wish all of you a Merry
Christmas and a Happy New
Year.

Happy Anniversary wishes:
Louis and Marie Azman, 12-4-43
Sylvester, Mary Sekne, 12-26-46

Happy Birthday greetings:

Nancy Avsec — Dec. 5
Jennie Fernc — Dec. 7
Millie Odar — Dec. 7
Francine Snyder — Dec. 9
Frances Modic — Dec. 9
Amelia Pegritz — Dec. 17
Ernestine Jevac — Dec. 17
Virginia Mishic — Dec. 13
Frances Spelic — Dec. 21
Nettie Mahnar — Dec. 21
Dorothy Avsec — Dec. 23
Daniella Avsec — Dec. 23
Josephine Zupancic — Dec. 26
Elizabeth Dorsey — Dec. 28

On behalf of the officers and
Board Members, we would like
to wish all of you a Merry
Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year.

Pat Talani
Publicity Chmn.

Slovenian Courses at CSU

During the Winter Quarter,
Cleveland State University will
offer for the 1st time two cour-
ses in Slovenian language.

One, for beginners, will be on
Tuesdays and Thursdays from
1 to 3 p.m. and one for advanced
students from 4 to 6 p.m. on
Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Instructor will be Prof. Milena
Salehar.

For further information, call
Dept. of Modern Language at
687-4645.

\$17,000 Raised at Old Age Home Marathon

By TONY PETKOVSEK

It was the most enthusiastic
response to date at last Satur-
day's day long marathon for the
Slovene Home for the Aged
building fund on Neff Road.
Hundreds of people jammed the
Collinwood Slovenian Home at
15810 Holmes Avenue from the
time the doors opened at 12
noon till 12 midnight. Taking in
to account all of the cash dona-
tions, pledges, concessions, and
the drawing, the total amount
is in excess of \$17,000 and per-
haps as high as \$20,000 when
the final tally will be made.

The fifth such event was stag-
ed by our Radio Committee,
John Pestotnik chairman, in co-
operation with the Board of
Trustees of the Home, the
Ladies Auxiliary and the Col-
linwood Hall. It seemed the
weather was perfect and the
location of the Hall was favor-
able to keep things rolling for
a good 12 hours.

Mayors Ferk and Sustarsic
led the hundreds of donations
with their \$100 cash donation
each. Largest contributors were
St. Clair Savings and the Zele
Family with \$1,000 each. It
seemed there were considerable
more \$500 and \$100 pledges espe-
cially by Slovenian organiza-
tions than in the past.

A good average pledge by in-
dividuals or families was a \$20
donation.

We broadcast highlights of
the 12 hour event on WXEN ra-
dio and this included the pre-
sentation of approximately 10
orchestras, numerous vocalists,
and button box players. Cilka
Dolgan of WZAK, Kenny Bass

So. Florida Slovene Club

By ANNIE STANONIK

Our Dec. 5 meeting and
Christmas Party is over, but it
will linger in our memories for
a long time. The hall and ta-
bles were neatly decorated for
the occasion by the committee.
Mrs. Hermine Race and Mrs.
Frances Drenik brought baskets
of fresh fruits, Grapefruit, or-
anges and bananas growing in
Drenik's backyard for table
decorations and later for each
of us to take some home.

We all enjoyed our bus trip
to Samsula, Fla. on Nov. 21st. It
was one continuous picnic. A big
Thank You to lodge 603 SNPJ
and American Slov. Retire Club
for all their hospitality.

Newly elected officers for
1977 are: Thomas Konchar, Pre-
sident — Ed Strumbel, Vice-
Pres. Sophie Phillips, Recording
Sec. — Paul Tucker, Treasurer
— Mary Michalac, Financ. Sec.
— Ann Konchar Corres. Sec. —
Ivon Willis, John Hribar, and
John Ribic, Trustees.

Several guests were introduc-
ed: Victor Chase, Rose Forbas
and Helen Bendzsak. It was
good to see Paul Bartel again
(Miami), and Eddie Blatnik of
Cleveland is back for the sea-
son.

Before closing, we sang Xmas
carols with Ann Konchar at the
organ. Then we were served
roast chicken with rice and a
variety of salads, plus all the
Slovenian holiday pastry.

Then singing and dancing to
the tunes of Bill and Gregg Za-
torsky and Andy Mazur.

Then to top it all off, we were
joined by Kenny Bass, Ed Gros-
sel, Frank Mahnic, Eddie Stam-
fel and Corky Godec group stay-
ing in nearby hotel for the First
National Slovenian Open Golf
Tournament. So the party was
extended for at least another
hour. What a happy bunch of
people.

Next meeting and New Years
Party is Jan. 2nd, 1977 at 1 p.m.
Goulash and polenta are on the
menu for that day.

Wishing you all Happy Holi-
days and healthy and Prosper-
ous New Year.

of WLYT; Sandy Kozel of WE-
OL; Eddie and Denay Bucar of
WELW joined with us in an-
nouncing the telephone pledges
throughout the day. State Re-
presentative Dennis Eckart also
lent a great hand.

The atmosphere at the Hall
together with the Holiday en-
thusiasm and spirit of all in at-
tendance made this a truly
heartwarming Christmas pro-
ject. You can be sure there'll
be another Radiothon next year.

More Polka Mass Record

Father Frank Perkovich of
Evelath, Minnesota came to
town last weekend to the Mara-
thon and also was here promot-
ing his second volume of the
most popular recording in the
ethnic and polka field, the
"Polka Mass".

The new album features the
Joe Cvek Orchestra once again
with religious lyrics adapted to
such melodies as Slak's "Glas
Harmonike"; the German
"Mountain Flower" or "Erika
Waltz"; a few Polish melodies
and a couple of very catchy
Croatian Dalmatian numbers.

His first album was a best
seller in the ethnic music busi-
ness having sold some 60,000
copies. The new and old vol-
umes are available exclusively
at the Polka Village.

Memo From Madeline:

(Continued from page 5)

at St. Mary's Church, Collin-
wood, O.

Happy Birthday to Alice Opa-
lich of Richmond Heights, Ohio
and Cape Coral, Florida. Her
special day is January 1st.

Alice and Steve celebrated
Christmas with their family and
friends in Ohio, then off to sun-
ny Florida to keep up with
their golf games.

Marie Shaver, 1288 East 167
St. enjoyed a wonderful vaca-
tion in Florida with Tony Pet-
kovsek's group. She wished she
could have stayed in Florida
longer. Marie is a member of
the Board of Trustees of the
Slovene Home for the Aged.

Anne Zele of Arbor Ave. en-
joys this quotation, "Friendship
is like china — costly, delicate
and rare. When once broken it
can be mended but the crack
is always there."

Miss Mamie Belle stopped in
to visit us at the American
Home office to wish everyone
a Happy Holiday Season. She
mentioned the Ameriška Dom-
ovina has been in her family
since her mother came to Amer-
ica in 1901.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Seles-
nik announce the engagement
of their daughter, Marian, to
Dominick Catanese, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Dominick Catanese of
Wickliffe.

Miss Selesnik, a 1974 gradu-
ate of Villa Angela Academy,
is a senior at St. Vincent Char-
ity Hospital School of Nursing.
Her fiancé, a 1974 graduate of
St. Joseph High, attended John
Carroll University. He is a sales
representative for Lustra Co.

A September wedding is plan-
ned. Congratulations!

Dorothy Slak was sent by the
U.S. Government to open a U.S.
Information Office in Ljubljana.
Her address there is U.S. Infor-
mation Service, Cankarjeva,
ulica, #11, 61000 Ljubljana, Yu-
goslavia, phone 061-23500.

She is formerly from the Cle-
veland area and recently was
stationed in Washington, D.C.

This information was called in
by Marie Zietz in a communica-
tion from Fr. Gabe Rus.

A HAPPY AND HEALTHY
NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

Slovenian Society Home Year End Notes

We will have our annual New
Year's eve party on Dec. 31st, kets
can be obtained in our
Club Room and will also be sold
at the door until the Halls are
filled. We will also have an
New Year's eve with your
friends and relatives. The Joe
Room for members only.

The officers of the Slovenian
Society Home and our Directors
wish to extend their sincere
thanks to everyone who has
helped or been active in our
Home during this past year and
we would like to extend happy
holiday greetings to all of them
as well as to all the nice people
who make use of our facilities.
May you all have a wonderful
Christmas and a happy and pros-
perous New Year!

Stanley Pockar, Sec'y.

Meeting Jan. 9

Cleveland, O. — Christ the
King lodge No. 226 KSKJ will
have a meeting on Sunday, Jan.
9th at 2 p.m. at the Slovenian
National Home on St. Clair, rear
building, Rm. 1.

Installation of officers will
take place also with Rev. Fr.
Boznar doing the honors.

Frank Segal, our secretary,
will give his financial report for
the year, and Ray Zak, our
lodge's athletic director, will be
on hand to enlist players for the
Basketball Tourney which we
are sponsoring on Feb. 19th and
20th, at St. Vitus Gym. He will
fill us in on the latest details,
also. If there is anyone inter-
ested in playing basketball, come
to the meeting and discuss it
with Ray Zak or Marie Skorich.

Our 50th anniversary plans
will be discussed also and we'd
welcome any new ideas for this
event.

After the meeting, we will
have our annual New Year's
party for all members, so we

will be discussed also and we'd
welcome any new ideas for this
event.

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