

VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

OBSODBE V KOPRU. — Jugoslovanske oblasti vidijo povsod zločince in vohune. Ne samo v Jugoslaviji, ampak tudi v svobodni tržaški državi. V tej državi je pravica razdeljena med zapadne zaveznike in Jugoslovane. Mesto samo in zapadni kraji države so pod ameriško in angleško vojaško upravo, vzhodni del pa je pod jugoslovansko vojaško upravo. In ta se je tako ustrašila vohunov, da so jim vpriporili proces v Kopr. Ne bi pisali veliko o

tem procesu, ker je takih in hujših obsodb v Jugoslaviji sami na kupe, toda želimo opozoriti pri tem na par stvari, ki mečejo čudno luč na vso to tržaško državo in upravo.

V delu tržaške države, kjer poveljuje Jugoslavija, je seveda tudi nekaj Lahov. Nočemo jih zagovarjati; istrski Italijani so bili vedno hudi zagriženi proti Slovincem in Hrvatim. Toda te Lahe sodi jugoslovanska uprava, kakor da so nekaki ju-

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IZ RAZNIH NASELBIN

CHICAGO, Ill. — Društvo Najsv. Imena je imelo 12. dec. pri pol osmi maši skupno obhajilo. Udeležba je bila prav velika. Zlasti gre našim mladim vse priznanje, ker v tako lepem številu pristopajo k miši Gospodovi. Lahko rečemo, da vera ne peša.

Surprise party so priredili sorodniki in prijatelji naši ugledni družini Mr. in Mrs. Frank Kocak. Udeležba je bila prav velika. Vsi so jima želeli še na mnoga leta. Tako tudi vsi drugi, čeprav nismo bili navzoči.

Brata Louis in Frank Kovacich bosta v kmakem odprla gostilno, kjer bosta postregla tudi z raznimi jestvinami. Oba sta dobro poznana in jima želimo prav lep uspeh.

Mlad slovenski par, Mr. in Mrs. Joe Cerjak, sta tudi odprla gostilno na Blue Island cesti, 2352. Tudi njima želimo obilo uspeha. — J. M. zast.

Novi slovenski doktor modroslovja

Trst: Gospod Jože Velikonja, profesor na tržaški slovenski gimnaziji in znan geograf je te dni na rimski univerzi promoviral za doktorja z odličnim uspehom. Mlademu znanstveniku iskreno čestitamo!

Tri na dan

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt poroča o kongresu v Budimpešti, katerega se je udeležilo tudi 25 delegatov iz Zed. držav, ki da so sprejele resolucijo, v kateri obtočujejo svojo domovino Ameriko, da zasleduje napadalno politiko in mrzlo vojno proti Sovjetski Rusiji. Kakopak!

Med delegatijami je tudi Slovenka, znana žosi Zakrajšek, za katero so zbrali ameriški tovariši in tovaršice do \$1.000, da je mogla potovati na Madžarsko, da bo od tam pljuvala na Ameriko.

Mi še toliko ne zamerimo tistemu "kongresu," ki je šel proti na Madžarsko zmerjat svojo domovino, ampak zamerimo ameriški vladi, ki jim je za to pomagala s tem, da jim je dala potne liste in ki jih bo potem, ko bodo dovolj oblatile svojo deželo, zopet sprejela pod svojo streho.

Da se ne pozabi, naj dostavimo še to, da je dotični "kongres" čisto pod komunistično kontrolo.

Polzvedovalni kofček

Svojega strica bi rad našel g. Radova Hamburger (b/Busch) Hannover-Stocken Sollingstrasse 22, p. v. Germany. Ime njegovega strica je Otto Hamburger, Washington. Kdor bi vedel točen naslov, naj ga pošlje našemu uredništvu ali g. Radovanu Hamburgerju naravnost. Lepo prosimo.

Jože Gorišek, begunec v Ostlandlager, Eschwege, Hessen, USA Zone-Germany bi rad izvedel za naslov svoje tete Pepče, roj. Gorišek na Raki pri Krškem, ki živi nekje v Clevelandu, pa je sedaj najbrže poročna (njen oče Anton, mati Marija). Bajje ima tu pekarno. — Ako kdo ve za njen naslov, naj ga sporoči našemu uredništvu.

Čirok Roza, roj. Krže v Globeli pri Sodražici, sedaj biva joča kot begunca v IRO Camp, Spittal/Drau, Avstrija, išče svoje sorodnike, za katere ne ve točnih naslovov: Frank Krže, rojen na Gori pri Sodražici, sedaj baje biva joča v Columet, Minnesota in Leopola Andolshek, rojena v Globeli pri Sodražici, svoj čas je bivala v Pittsburgu. Kdor bi vedel za naslov gori omenjenih, ga prosimo, da sporoči našemu uredništvu ali pa g. Rozi širok v Spittal.

G. Jože Kosmač, begunec, Stein 14, Post Viktring bei Klagenfurt, Karnten, Austria, išče svojega brata Janez Kosmača, ki se je rodil 1891 v Mojstrani 57 občina Dovje — Mojstrana; odšel je leta 1913 v Ameriko in sicer v Cleveland. Ako kdo kaj o njem ve, naj sporoči našemu uredništvu ali g. Jožetu Kosmaču na gornji naslov.

Franciška Krt iz Suhe št. 6, Smihel pri Pliberku na Koroškem išče svojega brata. Zadej je njegov naslov ji je znan takole: Mr. John Pausser, 2736 Caston Blvd., Des Moines 17, Iowa. Na ta naslov mu je pisala že več pisem, pa ni dobila nobenega odgovora. Prosi vsakega, ki bi bral te vrstice, da bi ji sporočil, kaj je z njim na gornji naslov.

Ameriško odlikovanje Jugoslovane

Salzburg, Austria. — Predsednik Truman je odlikoval bivšega jugoslovanskega generala Brašiča z medaljo za posebne zasluge. Utemeljitev pove, da je general Brašič kot najstarejši oficir v nacističnem vojnem ujetništvu v taborišču Hammelburg veliko pomagal ameriškim oficirjem in vojakom. On in ostali jugoslovanski oficirji so prostovoljno dajali od svoje hrane in drugih potrebščin svojim ameriškim tovarišem, da so se mogli ohraniti pri življenju.

Med koroškimi Slovenci

V kolikor moremo opaziti, se je v zadnjem času pričelo zopet bolj živahno delovanje komunistov med koroškimi Slovenci. Ker je firma OF med njimi popolnoma ob vsak kredo, so ustanovili v Jugoslaviji takovane "koroške borce." Ta organizacija naj pomaga izveči iz blata komunistični voz na Koroškem. Zaupniki komunistov in zaupniki OF so dobili navodila, naj pozivajo pevsko, tumburaško in gospodarska društva in naj prirejajo razne zabavne prireditve za komunistično-partizansko propagando. Ponekod že začenejo s čitalnicami, v katerih ponujajo same komunistično literaturo. Koroški Slovenci so to hitro spoznali in nihče ne pride blizu. V Pliberku ima neki trgovec tudi OF koruzo, ki jo deli po znižani ceni. Koruzo sicer mnogi vzamejo, a zato panizani ne bodo dobili nič več pristašev. Razlike med nemškimi in slovenskimi komunisti že trajajo od leta 1945, sedaj so se pa še poglabile. Nemški komunisti so za Kominterno, slovenski pa za Tita. Med seboj se niti ne pogledajo ne. Slovensko ljudstvo pa si je dobro zapomnilo oboje ob volitvah leta 1945. Takrat so šli vsi skupaj in tako so Slovenci morali voliti ne samo Nemce, ampak po vrhu še komuniste. Šef komunistične stranke pa je potem šel kot član avstrijske delegacije v London prosit za nedeljivo Avstrijo. Danes uvidujemo koroški Slovenci, da so komunisti ugodne možnosti, da bi se slovenska Koroška združila z ostalo Slovenijo. Skoda je velika tudi na Koroškem samem, ker je komunistem uničil vsako narodno kulturno delo. Javni napisi po slovenskih vaseh in občinah so še vedno samo nemški. Danes so sicer koroški Slovenci veseli, da niso v Jugoslaviji, ker že poznajo tamkajšnje diktaturo, boje pa se, da bo nemški šovinistični pritisk v Avstriji vedno hujši.

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Prekrat v El Salvador

San Salvador, Salvador. — V tej mali državi srednje Amerike je tudi nastal upor in državni udar. En dan so se borili pristaši vlade in pristaši upornikov, pa je zmaga upornika družba vojakov. Predsednik republike je ob štirih popoldne odstopil in vojakovi so ga odpeljali v policijske zapore. Imena oficirjev, ki so vodili zaroto in upor niso še znana. Napetost je bila v tej državi že nekaj tednov precej huda. Za dan upora je bil napovedan generalni štrajk.

Sladkor v Italiji zopet v svobodni trgovini

Rim. — Italija je odpravila racijoniranje sladkorja in dala sladkor na svobodni trg prvič sedaj po letu 1939. Po celi državi so ljudje sprejeli odredbo kot znak dobrega gospodarstvenega napredka.

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Slovenski naseljenci v Belgiji

Prav je, da izseljeni Slovenci zvedo tudi kaj o rojakih, ki živijo ob severnem morju in si s težkim delom služijo kruha.

Gospodarska kriza po prvi svetovni vojni je te krepke sinove poslala v svet.

S težkim srcem so šli, a tolažila jih je misel, da se bodo čez nekaj let vrnili z nekaj prihodnjim denarjem. Povratek so odlašali iz leta v leto. Tako je prišla druga svetovna vojna in z njo komunistična revolucija v domovini, ki je s pomočjo nemških in fašistovskih okupatorjev zaslužila našo zemljo rdečemu zmagu.

Težko, nezdravo in nevarno je delo v rudniku. Naši ljudje to brdsko skrajajo. Vendar kljub domotožju raje ostanejo tu, v tujem rudniku, kot da bi se vrnili v zasluženo domovino. In reveži, veliki reveži, ki so nasledili brezvestni komunistični propagandi in se vrnili domov, danes silno obžalujejo ta korak.

Pred drugo svetovno vojno je bilo veliko Slovencev v Belgiji, vojna pa jih je razkropila na vse strani. Sedaj jih je še kakih 1500. Na žalost so tako razpršeni po vseh rudniških okrajih Belgije, da bo kar težko ugotoviti ti vse naslove.

Rudniško naselje Eliden v Limburgu je bilo vedno središče naših izseljencev v Belgiji. Tu so Slovenci ustvarili lepe prosvetne, socialne in verske organizacije, ki so jim pomagale pri boljšini življenja.

Lojze Hribar. (To mečno in blago dušo je prav gotovo sam dobri Bog pripeljal sem, da je rojakom s svojimi velikimi talenti in z neizmerno požrtvovalnostjo ustvarjal košček domovine z tujini. Razumel je, da so Slovenci v Belgiji obsojeni na hitro narodnostno smrt, če se ne bodo medsebojno povežali. Prav je uganil, da bi bila slovenska pesem med najvažnejšimi sredstvi za ustvaritev slovenske skupnosti v tujini. Na vsakem koraku je ugotovil, da je Slovincem prirojeno veselje do petja. Slovensko pesem je siljal v domovih, gostilnah, na poti na delo in z dela ter celo pri delu v jami. Te vesele fante je zbral in jih navdušil, da so začeli s pevskim zborom. Spočetka so fante nezaupno gledali na Hribarja, ker so dvomili, da bi mogel navaden rudar uspešno voditi pevski zbor. Hribar pa je hitro razpodel vse dvome.)

Ko človek sam izkusi, more šele doumeti velik pomen pevskega zbora v tujini. Kako je tujina pusta za večino naših ljudi! Oko zastojničje prijazen slovenskih gričev z belimi cerkvami, uho zastojničje čaka na zvonjenje naših zvonov, ki v domovini ustvarjajo tako toplo, praznično razpoloženje. Tujina skoro ne pozna naših lepih božičnih in velikonočnih običajev, ki toliko pomenijo v življenju slovenskega človeka. Tudi tako lepih svetnih in cekvenih pesmi nima tujina, kot jih poznamo mi.

Tujina nudi boljše kruha za ceno trdega dela, a oropa človeka toliko reči, ki so mu bile drage doma. Pevski zbor pa more priklicati košček domovine. Pevski zbor more tudi malčkom, ki so v tujini rojeni, pričarati nekaj slike in občutka o lepota domovine. Ona more vzbuditi nekaj ljubezni do nje v mladih srcih. Zato bom prihodnje še nekaj napisal o slovenski pesmi v Belgiji. — F. Z.

NOVI GROBOVI

Peter Kuprascan
Zgodaj v četrtek zjutraj je umrl Peter Kuprascan iz 5802 Prosser Ave. Izdihnil je v City Hospital. Bil je kakih 52 let star in zapušta brata v Evropi. Bil je član dr. Sava Srbskega dobrodelnega združenja. Pogreb, ki ga vodi pogrebni zavod Grdina, bo v soboto ob eni uri popoldne. Pogrebno opravilo bo v srbski cerkvi Sv. Sava.

Princ Charles

London. — Sinček princeze Elizabete, ki bo morda enkrat še angleški kralj, je pri krstu dobil ime Charles, Philip, Arthur, George. Imena je določila princeza sama. Botra sta švedski kralj Haakon in princeza Margareta, mlajša sestra princeze Elizabete.

Razne najnovejše svetovne vesti

BERLIN. — Francozi so z dinamitom pognali v zrak dva antenska stolpa berlinske radio postaje, ki jo kontrolirajo Sovjeti. Verjetno bodo za to Sovjeti podvzeli kake protidredbe proti zapadnim silam. Francoški komandant je že 20. novembra javil sovjetskim oblastem, da bo stolpa porušil, ker sta nevarna za zavezniške zrakoplove, ki pristajajo na novem letališču Tegel v francoskem sektorju Berlina. Nemška časopisna agencija, ki jo kontrolirajo Rusi, je označila porušenje stolpov kot vandalizem francoske vojaške uprave. Francoški komandant je dal izjavo, da ni mogel več prevzemati odgovornost za nevarnost, ki sta jo predstavljala stolpa za mnoge zavezniške zrakoplove vsak dan in nepravstano. Povedal je, da je razrušenje sledilo dolgem uradnim razgovorom z zastopniki sovjetske vojaške uprave, ki so bili točno obveščeni o nameravanih rušenju.

WASHINGTON. — Sodisce obtožuje bivšega uradnika State Departmenta Hissa radi krive prisige: Hiss je bil med vojno visok uradnik v State Departmentu. Bivši komunist Chambers je izjavil in dokazoval, da je bil Hiss eden tistih uradnikov, ki je Sovjetom izročal ameriške državne akte iz tajnih arhivov. Na nekem aktu se je celo ugotovila Hissova lastnoročna pisava in ta akt je bil med skupino, ki jo je Chambers imel skrito na svoji farmi. Sodisce je Hissa zaslislalo, pa je zanikal vsako krivdo in je ponovno trdil, da so njegove izjave pred preiskovalnim odborom popolnoma resnične.

Med dokumenti, ki so se našli pri Chambersu so tudi nekatere, ki dokazujejo, da je State Department že pred 10 leti dobil informacije, da Sovjetska Rusija pošilja vojaštvo, tanke in težke vojaške avtomobile v Mandžurijo kitajskim komunistom za vojsko proti kitajski narodni vladi.

WASHINGTON. — Diplomatski krogi se boje, da bo v južni Ameriki še več takozvanih revolucij kakršna je napravila državni preobrat v Venezueli, Salvador in Costa Rica. Cela Južna Amerika ima sedaj hudo inflacijo, široke narodne mase, ki se že itak malo brigajo za politiko, so popolnoma neinteresirane na demokratski obliki vlade in vojaške klikke imajo vsak čas možnost da prevzamejo oblast.

NANKING. — Narodna vojska je vendar uspela na enem mestu, da je osvobodila del svojih trup, ki so bile obkrožene od komunistov. Osvobodena skupina je imela 95.000 mož, pa jih je skoro polovico padlo v 16 dnevni borbi s komunisti, ki so napadali z vseh strani. Do nje so se sedaj prebile vladne čete kakih 130 milj severno od Nankinga.

PARIZ. — Pogajanja med balkanskimi državami so obstala in izgleda, da ne bodo imela nobenega uspeha, ker Grčija neče priznati sedanjih meja z Albanijo za definitivne. Albanija, Jugoslavija in Bulgarija pa to zahtevajo, kot predpogoj nadaljnjih razgovorov.

To bi bilo lepo božično darilo!

Kaj pa, če bi za soseda, kakšnega drugega prijatelja ali sorodnika naročili Ameriško Domovino kot božično darilo? Gotovo poznate koga, ki še ni naročen na ta list in ga bo prav vesel, če mu ga naročite za božično darilo.

Ustavite se v našem uradu, ali nam pišite, ali nas pokličite glede tega. Ako sami ne morete v naš urad, nas pokličite in naš zastopnik se bo ustavil pri vas.

Takemu novemu naročniku bi začeli pošiljati Ameriško Domovino z božično številko, ki bo letos posebno lepa in bogata. Lahko rečemo, da take božične številke še niste dobili v roke Vsakemu takemu novemu naročniku bomo pisali posebno karto in mu povedali, da bo od božične številke naprej začel prejemat Ameriško Domovino, ki ste mu jo vi naročili in plačali.

Ali ne mislite, da bi bilo to zares lepo božično darilo?

Razne drobne novice iz Clevelanda in pa te okolice

Vesela vest. —

Pri družini Mr. in Mrs. Anton Kovač se je oglasila teta štoklja in jim pustila za spomin krepkega sinčka, prvorojenca, ki je tehtal 8 funtov ob rojstvu. Materino deklisko ime je bilo Peternel. Mladi ata je iz poznane družine Mr. in Mrs. Martin Kovač iz Shawnee Ave. Mati in dete se dobro počutita v Glenville bolnišnici. Čestitke!

Četrta obletnica. — V soboto ob 8 bo darovana v cerkvi sv. Kristine maša za pokojnika Pvt. Rudolph Modica v spomin 4. obletnice njegove smrti.

Za 18. obletnico. — Jutri ob 8:30 bo darovana v cerkvi sv. Vida maša za pokojnika Ivano Modic v spomin 18. obletnice njene smrti.

Vlom v našo bini. —

Neznani zlikovci so vlomili v podjetje Precision Gear Products Co. 1060 E. 62. St. Ko so hoteli odpreti blagajnico, se je ta zvrnila in zmasila en pisalni stroj. To je vlomilce oplašilo in odgnalo.

Na letno sejo. — Članstvo dr. sv. Cirila in Metoda št. 18 SDZ naj se udeleži letne seje v soboto večer ob 7:30 v navadnih prostorih. Ker bo 9. februarja 1949 35 let, od kar je bilo društvo ustanovljeno, bo članstvo na letni seji ukrepalo, kako bi se in če naj se 35-letnica praznovi. Bodo tudi volitve novega odbora, torej se prosi vsake udeležbe.

Molitveniki. — Knjižarna Jožeta Grdine, 6113 St. Clair Ave. je prejela iz Gorice zalogo slovenskih molitvenikov in zgodb sv. pisma. Kdor jih želi, naj se požuri zanje, dokler je zaloga.

Novi uradniki. —

Podružnica št. 41 SZZ je izvolila za prihodnje leto sledeči odbor: Duhovni vodja Msgr. Vitus Hribar, predsednica Anna Stopar, podpredsednica Frances Mele, tajnica Ella Starin, 17814 Dillewood Rd. tel. IV 6248, blagajničarka Anna Rebolj, zapisničarka Mary Janc, nadzornice: Catherine Artel, Mary Milner, Mary Coprich.

Seja bo drugje. —

Društvo sv. Ane št. 150 KSKJ bo imelo letno sejo v SND na 80. cesti in ne v cerkveni dvorani, kar naj vzamejo članice na znanje.

Pridite po čeke. —

Člani bivšega sam. društva Presvetega Srca Jezusovega, naj pridejo v naš urad, da dobe od tajnika čeke za zadnjo dividendo ob razpustitvi društva. To se tiče vseh onih, ki čekov še niso dobili.

Iz bolnišnice. —

Iz Charity bolnišnice se je vrnil na svoj dom John Petschauer, 6615 Bonna Ave. in ga prijatelji sedaj lahko obiščejo na domu. Obenem se zahvaljuje vsem prijateljem in znancem za obiske, poslane cvetlice in voščilne kartice.

Podružnica št. 5 SMZ. —

V soboto ob osmih zvečer se vrši glavna letna seja podružnice v SND na St. Clair Ave., soba št. 4. Po seji bodo servirana okrepčila. Člani ste vabljeni, da se polnoštevilno udeležite.

Zveza Najsvetejšega Imena. —

Prireditvi, ki jo je Zveza hotela napraviti dne 19. decembra, se mora radi duhovnih vaj odložiti za nedoločen čas.

Ukrajina se še bori proti boljševikom

New York. — Delegatinja ukrajinske gerilske vojske Mrs. Daria Rebet je priredila že več shodov v Združenih državah. Popisuje, da je ukrajinski odpor proti boljševkom in komunistom še vedno zelo živ in večkrat tudi uspešen. Pravi, da ima podzemsko ukrajinska vojska svoje stalne zveze z zapadom. Vojska je posebno močna v južnih delih Ukrajine tja do obal črnega morja. Gospa pa sodi, da bo odpor uspešen samo, če bo dobil pomoč od zapada, sicer pa bo moral prenehati ali pa bo propadel pod vedno hujšim policijskim pritiskom boljševiškega režima.

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Priseljevanje beguncev v U. S. še vedno počasno

Pod gornjim naslovom je objavil New York Times v nedeljo 12. dec. spodnji članek. Ker vemo, da bo zanimal vse prijatelje beguncev, ga priobčujemo v slovenskem prevodu. Dostavljamo, da je bil članek napisan v Genevi, Švica, en dan poprej nalašč za prej imenovani veliki dnevnik.

Članek se glasi:

Priseljevanje brezdomcev v Združene Države na podlagi nove postave iz leta 1948, je še zmerom jako počasno. Po izjavi mednarodne begunske organizacije IRO je ena ladja z begunci odšla v novembur in pripeljala 802 brezdomca. Dve ladji s skupnim številom 850 imata oditi v decembru. V načrtu je pa bilo pet ladij za november in sedem za december.

Za januar je izjavil glavni stan te organizacije ravno danes, da upajo spraviti na morje sedem ladij.

Neki zastopnik te organizacije mi je podčrtaval številne težave, ki ovirajo odhod beguncev. Mi mi pa mogel navesti konkretnih razlogov, zakaj je vsa reč tako zastala.

Meseca junija so trdili uradniki IRO, da bodo od svoje strani pripravljeni od oktobra naprej spraviti na morje po 10.000 ljudi na mesec. Toda zdaj vidimo, da ob koncu leta vseh skupaj ni prišlo 10.000, odkar je bila uveljavljena nova postava. Minilo je torej od sprejetja postave že prav blizu pol leta, pa so dospeli v Ameriko šele prvi drobci brezdomcev. Kako, na kakšen način?

Številke begunskih priseljenj kažejo, da je Amerika tekom oktobra sprejela manj beguncev kot Kanada, Avstralija, Brazilija, Argentina. Samo Anglija jih je vzela nekoliko manj kot U.S. Na splošno je bil oktober dober mesec za brezdomce. 21.363 jih je bilo med njimi, ki so našli novo domovino, ali so se pa vrnili v staro. Od tega števila jih je prišlo v U.S. 1.400.

IRO in njeni uradniki se zelo neradi spuščajo v kritiziranje tega ali onega, kar zadeva počasno preseljevanje beguncev v Ameriko. Kje je krivda, IRO neče nič reči. Poudarjajo pa njeni uradniki, da kolikor se tiče njihove organizacije, je na tisoče brezdomcev že več mesecev popolnoma pripravljenih za odhod v Združene Države. Krivda tedaj ne more biti na IRO. Že v avgustu je bila IRO obveščena, da pomanjkanja ladij ni več in torej to ne more biti izgovor za počasnost pri iseljevanju beguncev. In res se je v zadnjih mesecih večkrat zgodilo, da so ladje čakale potnikov pa ni bilo. Tako se je moral marsikak transport odložiti.

Uradniki pri IRO so tudi povedali, da so konzularne oblasti v Nemčiji zelo pospešile reševanje beguncev, ki hočejo v Ameriko. Poprej so morali begunci od blizu in daleč sami do konzulov, da se dajo preiskati, zdaj pa konzulat pošilja svoje komisije naravnost v begunska taborišča in zslušujejo begunce na licu mest. V ta namen so konzulati tudi dobili več uradništva, ki naj opravlja te posle.

Kljub temu imamo še zmerom živ vtis, da je nekeje v ameriškem postopanju z begunci vse preveč pisanja po papirju, oziroma uradnega šimeljnja. To zavlačuje izvedbo zakona ali jo celo uničuje. Dobri poznavalci begunskega vprašanja in poklicni upravitelji taborišč izjavljajo med štirimi očmi, da Trumanova komisija, ki naj izvede zakon, ali nima dovolj denarja ali pa premalo osebja, da bi izvedla, kar ji je naložil Kongres. Vsi, ki imajo kaj skušnje v begunskih vprašanjih bodisi v Evropi ali Ameriki, so trdili od vsega začetka, da je ameriška postava za vselitev beguncev v praksi neizvedljiva.

Tako torej omenjeni članek iz Geneve, ki ga je prinesel New York Times. V našem listu je bilo že parkrat poudarjeno, da je naša katoliška organizacija, ki pod vodstvom naših škofov deluje za izvedbo zgoraj omenjenega zakona (National Catholic Resettlement Council v New Yorku) zmerom bolj v skrbah zavoljo silne počasnosti federalne mašinerije za vselitev beguncev. Zgoraj poslovenjeni članek samo potrjuje na ves glas, kar je na tistem marsikomu med nami že znano.

To pa še ne sme biti nikak izgovor, da ne bi delali za naselitev beguncev dalje z isto ali še večjo vnemo. Sponzorjev imamo Slovenci tako malo, da ni nikakega strahu, da naši ne bi prišli. Če jih ne bo takoj, bodo pa malo kasneje. Novih sponzorjev še prosimo.

BESEDA IZ NARODA

Zopet ena iz domovine

Mrs. Mary Roytz iz 6621 Bonna Ave. v Clevelandu je prejela od svoje prijateljice, nekdanje bivačice v Clevelandu, sedaj v Ljubljani, sledeče pismo:

"Predraga moja prijateljica! Najprej Vas prisrčno pozdravljam in Vam voščim prav vesele božične praznike, kakor tudi g. Rojcu.

Oprostite, ker Vam tako dolgo nisem pisala. Vzrok je bil, ker sem čakala na krstni list, pa ga še danes nimam. Pretekli teden sem šla pa vseeno na konzulat in mi je napravil prošnjo brez lista. Sedaj bom čakala, kaj bodo v Washingtonu rekli, če me marajo tje ali ne. Glavno vprašanje na konzulatu je bilo, če sem tukaj kdaj volila in ker nisem, je bilo pa kar dobro. Jaz sem se vedno zavedala, da sem ameriška državljanica in ker nisem tukaj nikoli volila, upam, da se še vidimo v Ameriki.

Tukaj je čedalje bolj pasje. Prav kmalu bomo samo od zra-ka živeli. Eni imajo še vedno vsega dovolj, drugi pa stradajo. Ako se ne bo Bog usmilil našega naroda, bo popolnoma uničen. To je najhujši sovražnik, kar jih je bilo. Tudi Turki niso bili tako grozoviti, kakor so ti.

Kako se pa pri vas počutite, ko ste tako siljano porazili komuniste! Bodite čuječi, kajti to je najhujša zver. Prihodnje leto, pravijo, da bodo še kmete uničili, da ne bo noben več gospodar svoje zemlje, ampak samo suženj. Srečni ste, da ste v Ameriki. Kaj smo tukaj že vse doživeli, se ne da popisati. ... Se enkrat Vam voščim vesele in milosti polne božične praznike in blagoslova polno novo leto ter Vas prisrčno pozdravljam, Vam voščim prijateljice."

Pismo s Tirolskega

Mr. in Mrs. Leo Troha, 22031 Miller Ave., Euclid, Ohio, sta prejela naslednje ginljivo pismo:

Lienz. — Sem uboga slovenska begunka, rojena na Dolenjskem v fari Žužemberk. Poročila sem se v Ljubljani, kjer je bil moj mož poštni uradnik. V letu 1928 sva zidala tudi lastno hišico, katero sva skozi več let z delom in varčevanjem pošteno odplačevala in je bila že vsa plačana. Imela sva štiri otroke in sicer eno hčerko, ki je poročena in je ostala v Ljubljani ter tri sinove, ki so sedaj stari 19, 21 in 23 let. Živeli smo lepo družinsko življenje do maja 1945. Ko je v naši donovni zavladal sedanji grozni režim, sva se bala, da najhujši sovražnik ne odpeljejo proti vzhodu, ker so študirali v škofjski gimnaziji. Da sva rešila otroke pred brezbožnim komunizmom, sva zapustila kot na tisoče kataloških družin naš prijazni dom, udobno lepo stanovanje, sedmi in zelejadni vrt poleg hiše in moj mož svojo službo, katero je že skozi 30 let vestno služil in odšla s sinovi in kar smo nesli v nahrbtnikih v grenko negotovost proti Gorenjski, čez Ljubelj na Koroško, kjer so takrat zasedli Amerikanci in Angličani.

Po našem prihodu v Avstrijo smo prebivali 7 tednov kar na njihavi pri Celovcu. V tistem času so oblasti vrnila na tisoče mladih, hrabrih fantov, katoliških borec Jugoslaviji. Njih trupla trohne po raznih brezinih in vodah po Štajerskem in Dolenjskem. Naši fantje in še nekaj drugih so odšli čez gor v Italijo, da so si rešili golo življenje. Ostala sva osamljena z mojim tu v Avstriji in že čez 3 leta prosiva, da bi naju pustili delati. Molila bova za vas, da vam ljub. Bog že na tem svetlo obilo poplača to vašo dobroto z zdravjem in dolgim, srečnim življenjem.

Prosim, ne vrzite tega pisma proč in uslišite to mojo prošnjo. Pomagajte mi nekoliko nujni težak križ, ki ga je Bog naložil našemu narodu. Saj smo vsi nedolžni in tako nesrečno vrženi v to bedno brezdomsko življenje.

V zadnjih mesecih mnogo naših ljudi, posebno mlajših mož, fantov in deklet zapuščajo taborišča in se selijo čez lužo v Kanado in Argentino. Mlade ljudi imajo povsod radi, kaj bo pa z nami starimi, ne vem. Morda se nas bo Bog usmilil in nas vzel iz te doline solz, saj smo se že precej spokorili v teh letih. Ne da se popisati, koliko trpi naš slovenski narod, tisti, ki so ostali doma in mi, ki smo odšli. Želim vam samo to, da bi kaj takega ne prišlo na vašo lepo deželo Ameriko.

Blizajo se lepi božični prazniki. Že četrti Božič bom obhajala sama z mojim brez družine. Ne bomo imeli nobenih božičnih dobrot. Take praznike smo še bolj žalostni in pogrešamo toplega domačega ognjiska. Prosim vas, razveselite me z malenkostnim božičnim darom. Vedno vam bom hvaležna in bom molila za vas. Bodite spoštljivo pozdravljeni od trepete slovenske matere,

Marije Lukež
Schlossgasse 2 (a)
Lienz a/Drau
Osttirol, Austria.

Iz Kansas City

Kansas City, Kans. — Leto 1948 se nagiblje h koncu. Za marsikaterega je bilo veselo, zadovoljno, a za mnoge tudi žalostno, tuge polno. Tako je zame tuge in žalosti polno, za delo me je najhujše, smrt mi je vzela vse na tem svetu

mojega soproga Nikolaja.

Obljuba dela dolg, tako se počutim tudi jaz. Dolžna sem zahvalo mojim prijateljem v Clevelandu, sosedam na Muskoka Ave. Nepopisno so mi bili dobri ob smrti mojega soproga, ko so mi bili vedno ob strani. Večer predno je bilo truplo odpeljano v Kansas City, so prišli kropit, darovali so mi lepo vsoto za sv. maše, poklonili venec, kateri ga je spremljal v Kansas. — Največja zahvala naj velja Mr. in Mrs. Gardner, oni nama niso bili samo prijatelji, še več kot brat in sestra, ker je nepopisno, kar so vse storili za naju.

Živega človeka lahko zadene vse in naju tudi je. Ne radi revščine, ampak radi zločnosti in zavrnjenosti od svojih lastnih ljudi, pa sta storila Mr. in Mrs. Gardner veliko delo usmiljenja do naju. Tisočera Vam hvala, kakor tudi vsem Vašim sorodnikom, bratom in sestri Mrs. Long. Veliko ste storili za naju. Izrekam zahvalo tudi vsem iz raznih držav, ki ste mi poslali sožalne kartice in ki se vam nisem mogla vsakemu posebej osebno zahvaliti.

Srečna hvala mojim svakom Peter Stark in Tony Novak, ki sta prišla iz daljne Kanade in sta mi stala ob strani, ko se je truplo pokojnega peljalo v Kansas City. Nista me pustila same v tugi in žalosti. Izreklam zahvalo tudi družini Sterk in sploh vsem.

Truplo smo položili k večjemu počitku na tukajšnjem pokopališču, kjer počiva med nekdanjimi sosedmi in farari, s katerimi je skupno preživel mlada leta. Preveč je, da bi mogla vse opisati. Ko je pokojnega truplo dospelo domov v domačo faro sv. Družine, ga je prišlo pokropiti veliko številno sosedov Hrvatov, ki so tudi darovali za sv. maše in cvetlice. Mnogi, ki jim je bil boljši svet, so se spominjali tega časa.

Se enkrat izreklam vsem in vsakemu posebej prisrčno zahvalo za vse. Živim sedaj tukaj med stari znanci, a žal da jih je že malo. Veliko se je tukaj spremenilo. Mnogi so že odšli v večnost. Pri fari sv. Družine je precej mladine, ki jih ne poznam, jako dobro napredujejo. Č. S. Sabina je še vedno organizatorja in ona še skrbi da se tu in tam sliši Marijina slovenska pesem in da se ob tem človek počuti nekam bolj doma v slovenski cerkvi.

Veliko, veliko bi še rada napisala, a ne morem vsega. Pregovor pravi: česar je polno srce, usta rada govore.

K sklepu tega dopisa želim vsem prijateljem, znancem in sorodnikom prav vesele in blagoslovljene božične praznike srečno in zadovoljno novo leto. To želim vsem v Zed. državah, pa tudi v Kanadi sestrkam in njihovim družinam. Ti dragi soprogi, pa počivaj v miru in večna luč naj Ti svetli.

Mary Gustin.

Hubbardske novice

Madison, O. — Kar počasi se dolgočasim na tem prelepem Hubbardu in že večkrat sem rekel, da sem kar srečen, da me je usoda zanesla na to prometno cesto, kajti če bi bil kje na stranski poti, bi me bilo že konec samega dolgega časa. Saj tu je kot ta drugi St. Clair. Tu po naši cesti drve dan za dnem lepi avtomobili in tudi truki, ki nam dovažajo razne potrebščine, kakor olje za kurjavo in seveda zopet drugi pa trdo in tudi mehko piščančje itd. Seveda pičlo in podobne dobrate si lahko privoščijo le taki, ki imajo denar, jaz pa navadno samo sli- cedim po tistih dobrotah. Se reče, saj mi ni ravno nič hudega, ampak naveličam sem se pa že v resnici tega puklastega sveta, ker ni nobene spremembe

ČE VERJAMETE AL PA NE!

"Menda mi ne boš zameril, če ti dam nekaj dobrih nasvetov, ki ti bodo tam v Waukeganu prav prišli in v prav hodili, če se boš po njih ravnal." sem zaupno govoril sopotniku z Vrhniške.

"Se reče, za nasvete nisem kaj posebno na razpolago. Morda je res kaj na tem, kakor so mi oče vsak dan sproti očitanja, da sem svojeglav in trmast kot vipavski orel, s kakršnimi so k nam vozili pomaranče in češnje. Ampak poslušal te pa bom, ker nimam drugega dela in ker vidim, da nisi napačen človek. Sicer pa ne vem, kaj bi mi mogel ti dobrega svetovati glede Amerike, saj nisi bil menda že tukaj?" Tako mi je Vrhničan odprl svoje srce nastezaj, ker mi povedal naravnost in brez ovinkov, da misli tako in ne drugače. Rad sem imel fant, ki je bil tako odkrit. Zdaj, ko je bil na varnem čez lužo in ne ni bal, da bi ga kdo klical na odgovor zastran tistega prodanega voza žaganic in para konj, ki zahteval za izkupiček denar na mizo, je bil bolj odprt. Doder nismo stopili na kanadsko la je bil bolj plah in se je vedno oziral nazaj, če ne gre kdo za njim.

"Ne, nisem bil še v Ameriki, ampak trije moji bratje so bili tam in tudi drugi z Menišje, ki so prihajali domov in pripovedovali kako je v dolarski deželi. Vsi se močno pohvalili. Nohenega nisem slišal, da bi se kaj pritoževal čez delo ali za- sluzek. Skoro vsak se je bahal, kako lahko delo tu je lažje v Ameriki in kako grozno dosti je zaslužil. Skoro vsak je očal z pisarni ali drugače postopal. Mi smo se čudili, da je v Ameriki toliko lahkinih del in službo in

in sem kot bi bil za železnimi zastorom pa prav nič boljši. Nešteto sem si želel v Cleveland in če komu pišem, pa niti odgovora ne dobim. Vse tako izgleda, da se bova prej srečala s "ta belo" kot mi bo prilika dana, da bi videl Cleveland.

Vendar pa sem se bil letos odločil in jo mahnil za bore dva dni v Pennsylvanijo na obisk k moji ziahti. Obiskal sem bil tudi mojo mamico, katere jih tudi je precej let na pleh, a je kljub visoki starosti pri dobrem zdravju. Sicer toži, da jo no- ter bolijo in takih sem več na- letel in to menda zato, ker ži- dravam, pa tudi v Kanadi se- strkam in njihovim družinam. Ti dragi soprogi, pa počivaj v mi- ru in večna luč naj Ti svetli.

Mary Gustin.

Kar nekam pozabljen sem od vsega sveta. Moja mamica mi je poslala do letos vsako leto voščilno kartico za god s željami za srečno in dolgo življenje. Torej voščilne kartice od mamice letos ni bilo, kaj je temu vzrok, ne vem. In ko se tako večkrat spominjam na svo- ja mlada leta, se mi nehoti oko orosi, ko premišljam kako

(Dolje na 3. strani.)

si nismo mogli razlagati, če sploh kdo opravlja težakša de- la. Uganili smo tako, da je še najtežje delo v Ameriki devati dolarje na kup. In kako so bili objestni naši Meniševci v Ame- riki, ti rečem. Na lastna uše- sa sem slišal neke nedelje pri Bonacu, ko je nek bivši Ameri- kanec pripovedoval, kako je za- meril kompaniji, pri kateri je delal. Radi njegove pridnosti so mu namreč zvišali plačo in to jim je zameril.

"Pa zakaj si jim to zame- ril?" ga je vprašal stari Sus- man, ki mu ni šlo v glavo, da bi se kdo ujezil zaradi povišanja plače.

"Zato sem jim zameril, se u- jezil in odpovedal službo, ker me niso nič vprašali, če mi sme- jo dati več plače. Z menoj se ne bo tako postopalo, sem jim rekel in šel drugam," se je o- rezal nekdanji Amerikanec. "Mi Meniševci znamo stati na lastnih nogah, kaj ni tako, mo- žaki?"

Vsi so mu pritrdjevali, saj je tisti večer on klical vino na mizo.

"Od hudnika ste ga Menišev- ci, to je res," je pritrdil Vrhničan, ki menda ni prav vedel, če bi mojemu dokazovanju verjel, ali ne bi.

"Aha, smo," sem bil na vsi moč zadovoljen, ki je dal tako moško besedo o naših Menišev- cih. Saj se mi na vse mile viže trudimo, da bi bili takoj za Rib- ničani, ki jih ni bolj samozav- estnih, kadar gre za njih pravo- tino. Saj smo, kakor smo, za- zal Ribničani v taborišču, ko ga je nek tujec vprašal: "Slišite, kje so pa nastanjeni Slovenci?" Ribničani se je široko vstopil in povedal naravnost: "Tukajje smo Ribničani, malo naprej so pa Slovenci!"

"Ves," sem dalje učil Vrhnič- čana, ki se mi je zdelo, da me je usoda postavila za njegovo telesno stražo preko Kanade do Čikaga. "Ko boš stopil v vrvež na ameriških tleh, ni tako, kot če bi stal pred Mantovo na Vrh- nici. Tukaj leti vse križem kra- zem in če ne paziš, te kakšno motovilo kar pobere in odnese s seboj, ali pa naredi iz tebe bline, da ga ni lepega."

"Ni hudir!" zija Vrhničan, "tak drenj da je v Ameriki po cestah? Saj ni, da bi šel člo- vek izpod strehe potemtakem." "Seveda ne, ampak Ameri- kanci so ga tihi, ti rečem, in so napravili oziroma obesili nad cestami na križpotih posebne luči, ki ti povedo, kdaj sme člo- vek čez cesto in kdaj pluzna kolca, ali kaj že po Ameriki dr- vi. Dva Meniševca sta prišla v Ameriko in se znašla v tisti gneči, da si nista upala ne na- prej ne nazaj. Končno pa eden izmed njiju, ki je znal brati in pisati, zagleda nad cesto vise- čo svetilko, ki se je spreminjala in pokazala enkrat: "stop," en- krat pa "go." Ko se je zopet luč spremenila in je pokazalo "stop," je prvi sunil tovariša pod rebra in mu ukazal: "Le hi- tro, Matevž, zdaj piše: stop, to- rej stopiva hitro, da naju ne povoz!"

"Se dobro, da je znal Meni- ševci brati," omeni Vrhničan, "drugače bi ju še povozilo. Saj ne rečem, da niso tvoji nasveti pametni. Če jih ne bom pozabil, predno pridem v Waukegan, se bom ravnal po njih."

"Aha, Boga zahvali, fant, ki si našel toliko imen, da te učim," sem se mu pohvalil. Če se je po mojih besedah ravnal, pa ne tem.

JANUS GOLEC:

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Ljudska povest po zgodovinskih virih

Dveh lepih zmag brez vsake izgube so se veselili Miklavčani in se zahvaljevali nebeški Materi, da jih ni prepustila pokolju in požigu. Župnik je dal nanositi naslednje predpovedne na najbolj vidno točko Jeruzalema grmado in jo zažgati radi čistega neba, da so morali videti njen visoko segojoči plamen do Čakovca, po celém Murskem polju in v Krajini. Goreča grmada z jeruzalemskega griča bi naj oznanila po dogovoru s "hauptmanom" Veržejcem zavrnitev prvih napadov in bila obenem opozorilo, naj prihitijo na pomoč, odrežejo Krucom umik in jih potolčejo do zadnjega. Kres je prasketal vselo, se vzpenjal visoko proti nebu in pel v svetlih plamenih prvo hvalnico za zmago nad sovragi pri tokratnem in največjem vpadu strašnih Krucev!

Po zmagi in pri daljšem odmoru je imel stari Draša dovolj prilike, da je kratkočasil branilce ob dolgih večerih z zanimivimi doživljaji iz svojega življenja. Kot propovednik je hotel imeti poprej z dobro kapljico uglaseno gulo in povrh ga je še bilo treba lepo prositi, da je zaupal mladim in starejšim rado vednežem svojo zgodovino. Najrajši je začel z dogodkom, ki je tvoril nekak mejnik vseh njegovih doživetij in mu je vsilili vojaško sukno. Da bi ga vsi natanko razumeli, je dvignil Draša jezik s posebnim poudarkom in pričel:

"Predvsem morate znati, da sem ravno tako Veržejec kot "hauptman" Ropoša. Le to je šent, ker nisem nikdar poznal ne očeta in ne mater! Starša sta morala bitli bogi pari, da sta rajši poprej pobegnili iz obmurske solzne doline, predno sem si utegnil utisniti spominu: kaka in kaj sta bila. Bog jima nakloni raj kljub brezbrčnosti za možjo odgojo in usodo, za kakero so poskrbele v moji nežni mladosti dobre veržejške mamike.

Pri Ropoševih sem bil za pastirja. Pod klobukom in v hlačah za malega hlapca in po dvajsetem letu mi je zaupaval tu in tam Karlov oče par konj. Na Ropoševini je bilo že tedaj dovolj dela in jela. Mi odrasli "čehi" smo radi čutili za nedelje in praznike kaj okroglega v žepu, kakor je bila trda. Nekaj veržejških postopavcev je izsledilo po doljnelendavskih sumah kostanjeve drevesa, za kojih debeli sad se ni briga, ne ogrski graščak in ne tlačan. Kar cele koše kostanja so prinašali preko Mure in ga prodajali ob nedeljah po Radgoni, Ljutomeru in celo po Čakovcu. Zasluzek ni bil bogzna kaj, nekaj je le vrzel, saj je bil kostanj in trud se je izplačal. Hitro sem bil pri kostanjarjih. Osvojil sem si ljutomerski trg. Za župnišče in za boljše hiše sem izbral debelejšo in skrbno prebrano blago, kateremu ni bil kos nobeden drugi. Premožnejši Ljutomerčani so pakli, kuhali ter jedli le Drašekov kostanj. Kostanjeva trgovina je cvetela seve le na pozno jesen, in sicer nekaj nedelj.

Slo je ono jesen h kraju s kostanjem, ko mu je naročil g. ljutomerski župnik, naj bi poskrbel zanj in za župana par večjih brent tega žlahtnega sadu v ježicah. Neizluščen kostanj se ohrani daleč v zimo in je mogoče zabavati z njim želedec ne le pri vinskem moštu, da, celo, ob poliču že pretočnega vina.

Sama peklena skušnjava me je obsedela pri fajmoštrovem naročilu. Vrnilo se mi je na misel: Drašek, kaj bi bilo, če bi ti enkrat nekoliko poteg-

nil ljutomersko gospodo? Nič dobriček. Luščeni kostanj sem prodal najprej po Ljutomeru na drobno; prazno facje ali ježičce sta plačala župnik in župan kar povprek, ne da bi si bil ogledal kateri robo natančneje. Z trebušastih brent sem sesul ježičce v kot pisanice v župnišču in pri županovih Zanesli so se na moje pošte in radi tega mi je uspela prevara brez truda.

Kako sta luščila trška gospoda po prvem pretočenju vina prazno facje, ali sta ga pekla ali kuhala, še do danes ne znam. V svoji mladostni kratkovidnosti sem se rezal lumpariji. Šele drugo jesen sem se domislil, da sem si zaprl z goljufijo Ljutomer za vselej. Pohajal sem s kostanji v Radgono in k Veliki Nedelji.

Lepega dne me je srečal pri prenašanju kostanjevega bremenca k Veliki Nedelji konjar ljutomerskega g. župnika. Pravi mi je, kako se vsi čudijo, zakaj me ni več v Ljutomer. Kar sline se cedijo tržanom po mojem okusnem in debelem koštanju. Niti z besedico se ni dotaknil, da bi se bil kdo hudoval radi plačane potegavščine s praznim ježičem.

Po temljitem preudarku in po vseh predvidenih varnostnih pripravah sem mahnil z brento prihodnjo nedeljo v Ljutomer. Prodajal sem blago brez poziva na obračun radi lanske pote-njavščine. Župnišče in župan sta poslala služnec po več meric kostanja. Tri nedelje eno za drugo mi ni nikdo niti z mezinem pokazal, ker sem bil vnovič kostanjeve odpadke za užiten sad.

Četrto nedeljo je priklenil k meni na trg dolgopeti potegon — farski konjar. Poval bil me je, da bi izpraznil na gospodovo željo v župnišču celo brento. Nič zavrtnega sluteč, sem mu sledil v pivnico, kjer sem stresel kostanje v lesen polivač. Ko je bila brenta prazna, je odskočil hlapec k vratom in obrnil ključ —

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Podobne misli so izvajali ad-vokatje pred tem vojaškim so-diščem. Toda komunisti so po-slali v dvorano svoje laške "to-likavce" in jim dali dovolj mo-či, da so jih zmagali. Zmagali so jih zmagali, ampak se spravljajo le bolj na srednje ljudi, ki se ne morejo braniti, kadar oblasti zahtevajo kako so-bo.

Radi tega pomanjkanja stau-je mnogo ljudi po starih se-daj praznih magacinih, po kle-teh in podstrešjih.

V GROPAZI NAD Trstom so postavili v imenu OF spome-nik padlim borcem. V nedeljo 7. novembra so ga odkrili. Ob misli na ta spomenik nekdo vprašuje v Demokraciji: "Kdaj boste postavili spomenike tisoče-rim slovenskim fantom in de-kletom, možem in ženam, ki ste jih vi slovenski komunisti pobili in pokončali, ko ste govorili "Žrtve so potrebne"?

Da, misel na poklane ne bo dala komunistom spati. Ta mi-sel bo končno izpodjedla režim, ki je zrastle v krvi svojih bra-tov.

JAVNA DELA V TRSTU. — V Trstu, ki je pod zavezniški je v teku mnogo javnih del. Najvažneje je trenutno razšir-jenje vodovoda preko mej trža-ške občine. Vodovod dobe razne vasi okoli Nabrežine, oba Repna v občini Rimanje in Boršt. Še pred koncem leta bo novi vo-dovod posloval. Drugo hvale-vredno delo je trolley-bus, ki iz središča mesta gre skozi novi predor Rocol-Skedna in konča za sedaj blizu pokopališča, po-zneje bo linija podaljšana v Zavlje k petrolejski čistilnici Aquila. Nova linija nosi črko D, ker je že četrta tovrstna linija trža-škega tramvaja. Razbremenila bo zelo šentjakobsko linijo. Na-daljujejo se dela na veliki avto-mobilski cesti, ki gre od ške-denjskega tovarniškega središča skozi poseben tunel gori na Ka-tinaro in dalje na kraško plano-to v smeri proti Italiji. Tudi stanovanjske hiše zidajo na ja-vne stroške, vendar ne morejo kriti vseh potreb. Stanovanjska kriza je v Trstu zelo velika.

Eden vzrokov je ker zasebni i-pital sploh ne zida, nekaj radi politične negotovosti, nekaj pa zato, ker se ne rentira. Omeji-tve socialno-skrbstenega zna-čaja so tolike, da gospodar ni več gospodar. Pravico ima sa-mo gledati, kako se njegovo pre-možanje uničuje.

PRAVICA — KRIVICA. — Zaščita najemnikov je postala v mnogih primerih ne samo zašči-ta, ampak tudi premoženje. Stari najemniki plačuje-jo na primer za štirisobno sta-novanje mesečnih 600-700 lir (malo več kot en dolar). Če eno sobo oddajo v podnajem, prej-mejo za to 5-8 tisoč lir. Neka-teri najemniki žive tako radi za-kona kot veliki izkoriščevalci. Zato noben zasebnik več ne zid-da. Neki premožen Tržačan se je le skorajžil in zidal hišico. Komaj je bila narejena, je že se-delo vojaštvo v njej in on je ostal z dolgim nosom. Zato mo-re pomagati le zidava hiš na ja-vne stroške.

SAMOPASNOST. — Pri taki stanovanjski politiki pa se po-javlja še drugo nasprotje. Mno-gi zelo premožni sploh ne mara-jo najemnikov, čeprav imajo v svojih hišah mnogo sob. Hoče-mo mir, denarju pa ne zaupajo. Takih premožnih navadno tudi

ti advokat, da je sodnik za-čel advokatom jemati besedo. Komunistični listi se čudijo, da so si upali tržaški advokatje sploh zagovarjati obtožence in se iz obtožnice celo norčevati. V Jugoslaviji so namreč že po-za-bili, da so včasih bili zagovorni-ki za to, da zagovarjajo.

OBSODBE SO TAKO MILE, da je vsakemu poznavalcu raz-mer jasno, da je bila vsa raz-ga v Jugoslaviji? Proti tržaški državi niso delali, pod Jugo-slavijo ne spadajo. Vse rovar-je je torej bilo le rovarjenje proti komunizmu ne pa proti kakemu obstoječemu redu. Po navadnih pojmih pa ima vsak človek pravico, da se bori za svoje prepričanje. Čudno so se zmešali pojmi o oblasti pod boljševiki.

PROTI ZAGOVORNIKOM. — Za Amerikance; zanje so zbira-

li razne podatke in jih pošiljali v Trst. Obenem pa so baje do-bili nekaj orožja od nekih La-hov iz Trsta. Tudi tega da so kri-vi zavezniški, ker je prišlo to orožje iz tistega dela Trsta, ki je pod zavezniško upravo.

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telo tvoje mirno spi,
tam v daljni tuji zemlji
tvoje telo mlado že trohni.

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duša tvoja zdaj plačilo,
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nam pa je težko pri srcu,
po lcu nam solza drti.

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v tihem tam kraju miru,
duša pa vedno plačilo
uziva pri ljubem Bogu.

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nazadnje morda res kaj razume. O, celo dovolili so mu, da jim je ostrgal na vrtu kako zamikrno hruško ali jabolko; tudi še kako drugo malenkost so mu ustregli, ker ga niso marali odbijati od hiše. Kakega vidnejšega uspeha pa pri njih ni dosegel. Zato je šel letos rajši v hlev k hlapcem in fantinom. Od teh si je več obetal — in je tudi več dosegel. Glavno je, da se je po vasi razvnelo, zdaj se bo širila sivar sama od sebe. Ej, da bi videli, kako so padali jalovi vrtovi! Brž ko so videli ljudje, kaj sta napravila Žele in Vid s Poljančevim vrtom, so pohiteli in kar tekmovali, kdo bo prej podrl svoje jalovo drevje. Le redki so bili, ki se niso marali vdati in so še naprej kuhali trmo. Žele je letal od vrta do vrta ter bil tako zaposlen, da je moral celo šolo nekoliko zanemarjati.

Ko je Vid z vrtom opravil, ga je takoj mikalo drugo opravilo. V hlevu bo treba razširiti okna ter napraviti nova tla z jarkom, da se bo gnojnica sama odjekala izpod živine. Toda ta stvar ne pojde brez očetovega dovoljenja. Vid se šalo, ko jim tako vneto dopoveduje in se na vse načine trudi, da bi ga še bolj in še bolj razžalil. Zato se sprda bi ga bolje in čimprej razvneli. Lepo si zapalijo pipico in se mu smehljajo, češ: glejte, in ga pripravi do tega, da se glejta, koliko ta šolmašterček hlev popravi. Sprva mati molgozbeza o kmetskih stvarih, da če posluša fanta, ne da bi kaj se mu kar jezik zapleta; saj odklanjala; nasprotno, misli

si: le kaj se mulec toliko žene za grunt? Se ga namerava res oprijeti? O, materi bi bilo to kor pa čez lužo! In gre Poljanča pregovarjat starega. Mož je vzrotil, češ da je on gospodar pri hiši in ne pusti, da bi se mulec vmešaval v gospodarske zadeve. Če ni bil za šolo, bo za grunt še manj. Žena ga mirno posluša, da se stari do kraja iztogi, potem mu pa prevladno oporeka. Saj je hlev res potreben popravila; tema je notri, da gospodinja komaj najde krave, a še po gnojnici mora brodirati. Preden molze, mora gospodinja v dveh vodah oprati vime, tako je umazano. Ali ni nazadnje možev trme le omajala? Da, stari se je pričel mehčati in je rekel nazadnje: "Priznam, da marsikaj ni prav in bi bilo treba popraviti. Toda ne zato, ker bi želel mulec ali pa tisti prismojnik, to čudo: ah, saj je zdaj lepše Žele, marveč zato, ker jaz tako pravim. In kar jaz hočem, to tako se zdaj veselo ozira, mase mora zgoditi. Naj pridejo zidarji, da se z njimi pomenim, ne z mulecem!"

Hvala Bogu, stari se je omehčal! Zidarji so prišli in Poljanec jih je peljal v hlev, kjer jim je važno razkladal, kako in kaj bi ilo treba preurediti. Vid se ni smej prikazati noter, pač pa Poljanča, a Vid je poslal noter še hlapca Jernača, da zastopa njegov načrt. Hlapca je Poljanec še nekam voljno prenašal, le mulca Vida ni mo-

gel trpeti zraven sebe. Od hiše ga pa tudi ni pustil. Čuden človek ta trmasti Poljanec. Všeč: rajši doma na gruntu kakor preurejati in sicer s privoljenem in pod nadzorstvom samega gospodarja Poljanca. To je bil še poseben dogodek za Kresinje. Kajti tisto, ko je trava čez noč odgnala iz hudičevega pepela, je bilo le bolj zahrbtno narejeno, brez gospodarjeve vednosti; zdaj je pa gospodar Poljanec sam poklical zidarje in jim sam odkazal delo, nobenih mulcev ni zraven. To je vse nekaj drugega, stvar ima vse drugačno veljavo. Tako je prav, gospodarji naj po-primajo, zreli možje, ne pa mulci. Joj, kako lepo je zdaj v Poljančevem hlevu, kako svetlo je, kako snažno! Ljudje hodijo v trumah obéduvat to čudo: ah, saj je zdaj lepše v hlevu ko v hiši! In živina, lone da se ne smeje. Še rože jim dajta na okna! Nad vse ponosen pa si vihar brke Poljanec, gospodar. Ljudje hvalijo hlev, on jim pa kima:

"Dolgo let sem gledal to temo in močvirje, zdaj sem se pa le odločil. Nič ne pomaga, sem rekel, eden mora z dobrim zgledom naprejš!"

"O, prav ste storili, Poljančev oče!" ga hvalijo ljudje. Komaj so zidarji s Poljančevim hlevom končali, so se lju-

dje kar pulili zanje. Ne, s Kresinje ne pridejo zlepa več, kajti vsi hlevi jih čakajo, vsi gospodarji so se odločili pregneti iz hlevov temo ter osušiti močvirje. Za Poljančev, čem najbolj naprednim gospodarjem, ne sme nihče zagostajati! Vendar so bili še nekateri, ki jih tudi prenovljeni hlevi niso premamili; najbolj zakrknjena sta Anžon in Strmiljan. Največ grenkih je morala zopet preslizi Juršjeva krčma.

Do košnje so si ljudje navajali pesek in apno ter stregli zidarjem, potem so se lotili košnje še z večjo vneemo kot drug leta. O, letos so stale močvirne trave in je bilo vredno

prijeti koso v roko. Poljančev Vid se je vátulil med kosce, davi hlevi jih čakajo, vsi gospodarji so se odločili pregneti iz hlevov temo ter osušiti močvirje. Za Poljančev, čem najbolj naprednim gospodarjem, ne sme nihče zagostajati! Vendar so bili še nekateri, ki jih tudi prenovljeni hlevi niso premamili; najbolj zakrknjena sta Anžon in Strmiljan. Največ grenkih je morala zopet preslizi Juršjeva krčma.

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Which Do You Want?

What is the life of the doctor like under state dominated medicine—and what kind of service can the patient expect? An interesting sidelight on that was carried by one of the wire services early in October. A doctor in Morley, England, announced his intention to quit his profession and take up farming. His reason was that the government's national health service has "ruined, degraded, and debauched a once honorable profession." His wife, who expressed agreement with this, added, "Doctors live in constant fear of missing a really serious case among the crowds who flocked to the surgeries under the new scheme."

Thousands of British physicians, judging by a poll which was taken some time ago by the British Medical Association, hold similar views. England's national health service—which is directly comparable in many ways to the schemes for compulsory health insurance which are being aggressively pressed in this country—has made the doctor the servant of the politician. It has made it necessary and obligatory for doctors to attempt to take care of so large a panel of patients that it is next to impossible to make accurate diagnoses in difficult cases, or to provide truly adequate care for those who are seriously ill. Armies of people who are not ill take up doctors' time—on the theory that they have health service coming for nothing, and so might as well take advantage of it whether they need it or not.

Contrast this with the American system—where the doctor is free of politics, and where voluntary, low-cost health insurance has gone a remarkably long way in solving the problem of how to pay for medical attention. Then decide which you prefer.



MEET YOUR NEW 1949 OFFICERS

In elections held at the December General Meeting the following men were placed in office:
Pres., Ken Tomasic; vice-pres., Al Orehek; sec'y., Frank Lavrich; treas., Frank Zupancic.

The above results are rather unusual since they do not include the name of Anthony Bazuk, our old president, who decided that he could stand a year's freedom from the responsibilities of the officers jobs. "Bazuk" as he is better known has been an officer for about 5 years consecutively which is really quite a stretch. To him we say "thanks" for all he has done for the Society and also "thanks" to our other retiring officers. And to our new officers—best of luck in the coming year of 1949.

CHRISTMAS DANCE DECEMBER 20TH

This year our Society will sponsor a Christmas Dance for all the clubs in the parish, that is, Mothers' Club, Orel's, Sodality, and Junior Holy Name. There will be no admission to members of these clubs and refreshments will also be free.

JUNIORS SHOW PROGRESSING

Did you ever get such a bargain anywhere else? What am I talking about? The Junior Holy Name Variety Show, naturally!

A show done by real troopers of show business, plus a dance afterwards. All of this, just for the meager price of seventy-five cents!

The athletic teams, St. Vitus has been putting out lately can be all credited to the Junior Holy Name, their real athletic backers. Such an act is a really commendable one I'm sure, so you can help by attending our Variety Show.

Well, that's enough for the "Sale Talk", because our show sells itself! We're having two old favorites again this year, Mr. Freddie Merhar and that really super magician, our own Frank Grdina. Frank told me the other day he was going to give us a "hare raising" performance!

Ray Kraje is going to play with his orchestra at our show, so you can be sure it's going to be a good dance also. Lillian Sterk has again given her consent to perform for us. I think the tune is going to be, "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth."

Well, folks it's getting a little windy from my shooting the breeze, so I guess I'll blow!

WILLIAM PEVEK

FOOTBALL BANQUET AND MOVIE OF ST. ALOYSIUS GAME
Well, Sunday, December 12th the football stars of St. Vitus were honored with a banquet at Orazem's. Not one of the youngsters was able to complain of hunger, rather they were all "filled to the brim" with all the delicious food they could want. Some even refused to complete their desert of ice cream. Would you believe it?

Shortly after the banquet the lads walked off their extra pounds to the School Auditorium, Mr. Anton Grdina surprised the boys with the "World Series of 1948" movie and the movie of our "Bulldogs" defeating St. Aloysius 19 to 7. The "gang" looked marvelous in the movies.

Mr. Krizman, and Mr. Grdina spoke in behalf of the parishioners encouraging the boys to be sportsman-like in all their trials of life. Each member of the team then received his grey sweat shirt with the St. Vitus Bulldogs emblem and their letter "V". Are the boys proud of their rewards? Ask them! On second thought, why ask them? Just observe how proudly they are strutting around our neighborhood with their rewards.

Best wishes and success to all our 8th graders who will leave us to continue their good work in our High Schools.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Mr. Fred Krizman, the boys' coach, for his great interest in our lads and who led them to victory of which we are proud.

CHURCH CLEANED FOR CHRISTMAS

The good ole Mothers' Club took brooms and mops in hand this week and gave the hurch a good holiday cleaning. Thanks are due to these good souls, namely: Mesdames Therese Buckley, Mary Grdina, Josephine Zurga, Ollie Urbas, Jennie Strnad, Mary Zupancic, Anna Hecover, Vera Hlad, Antonia Zele, Jennie Oberstar, Emma Zakrajsek, J. Bell, Helen Swengel, Jennie Paik, C. Skully, Josephine Foye, Victoria Palechik, Anne Poklar, Jewel Sekara, J. Oster. However, the preliminary work was done by the Junior Holy Names, who also deserve credit for their untiring help. We might also mention that the floor-waxing (the finishing touches) was also done by the Juniors. Among the gang of boys who assisted we saw Donald Foye, Joseph Bokar, Robert and James Jarc, Frank Klucarik, Julius Slogar, Richard Dolenc and Daniel Kocpar.

May God Bless with His choicest blessings the dear mothers who sacrificed their time and effort to perform this work, as well as our boys who proved to be so helpful. May Santa be especially generous to you all on Christmas!

ST. VITUS MOTHERS CLUB

Mothers are asked to come down Monday, Dec. 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the school to help pack boxes for the children's Christmas Party. Also bring your contribution to help fill up a bushel basket for you know who.

ST. VITUS PARISH BOWLING LEAGUE

After holding the lead in the St. Vitus Parish Bowling League for four weeks, the Orazem Confectionery team, dropped the top spot to the Malensek Brother's eptry. The Malensek team ran wild as they took four points from the Norwood Mens Shop five while Orazem's took a four point loss at the hands of the Clover Dairy team. It was a great night for the Malensek team which also walked away with all high score honors of the night. Their 2811 series is the best team effort of the season while their high game of 963 strengthened their hold by one pin on third place in the high team single division. Stan Stokel turned in the best individual performance of the night, with his 607 series which included a terrific 233 game. Stan was helped by Captain Frank Usnik 208, 572 and Bob Koenig 201, 564 as the Malensek team rolled over the Norwood Mens Shop team. Al Kopore 531, William Kovacic 525 and Ed Kopore 503 helped the Norwood team to a 2532 series but it was not enough to take a single point.

The Jimmy Slapnik Florist team turned in a fine bowling job as they took four points from the Norwood Appliance team. The entire team came up with 500 series with Carl Kucka 221, 201, 570 leading the parade. Ray Suhadolnik 202, 552, Ed Avsec 224, 551, Bart Lanchman 200, 521 and Tony Stanic 503 helped to complete the rout of the Appliance boys who were led by Bill Terchek who broke into the 500 ranks with a 521 effort.

The Clover Dairy boys broke the hearts of the Orazem Confectionery team with a one pin win in the first game and continued on to sweep the series and drop the Confectionery team from first place. Frank Plivlich and Herman Meglich turned in 512 and 511 series for the Orazem team.

The Arctic Air Refrigeration team was blanked again. This time the trick was turned by the Cimperman Market team which took four points. Gus Skufca and Max Germ came up with 515 series, closely followed by team-mate Bernie Shultz who hit 500 on the nose. Dick Krall tried to bring the Arctic Air team out of the cold with his 503 series but it wasn't enough.

The Golden Gophers came up with a three point victory over the luckless Kollander Agency boys who have been hitting hot competition. The Golden Gophers were led by Al Pastotnik who went into the battle carrying a 121 average. Al came up with a 478 series which is 115 sticks above average. (Continued on Page 8)

Annual Christmas Party and Dance

The St. Clair Recreation Center, 62 and St. Clair Ave., takes pleasure in presenting its Annual Xmas party and dance.

The party will be held Wednesday, Dec. 22nd from 4 to 6 p.m. Santa Claus will be on hand with packages for the children. There will be movies, a real live magician and music. The dance, the same evening, will feature Benny Bivens and his orchestra. Admission is free and there will be continuous dancing from 9 to 12:00 midnight.

A.F.U. Dance in Euclid

The Napredok Lodge No. 132 AFU of Euclid, Ohio, will hold their Sports Fund Dance at Slovenian Home on Reher Ave., on Dec. 18, 1948. Johnny Vadal and his Orchestra will furnish the music. Dancing from 8:30 p.m. till 1:00 a.m. Plenty of refreshments. For a good time come down to the Slovenian Home, Saturday.

War Dead Arrive

Bodies of 23 Greater Clevelanders who lost their lives in the war have returned to the United States from Europe on the Army Transport Lieut. James E. Robinson. Among them is Corp. Frank S. Hren, brother of Frances Hren, 1266 E. 173 St.

BIRTHS

An 8-pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kovac, who are very proud of their first-born. The young mother's maiden name was Feterel. The young daddy is a son of the well-known Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kovac of Shawnee Ave. Mother and baby are doing well at Glenville Hospital. Congratulations!

A baby girl, their third, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Arko of 1111 Norwood Rd. Mother and baby are both doing fine in St. Luke's Hospital. The young mother is the daughter of John and Jennie Rutar, who are grandparents for the sixth time. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cermelj of 15919 Whitcomb Ave., are the proud parents of a baby boy. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Owen announce the birth of a baby girl, born on her mother's birthday, Dec. 12th at Grace Hospital. The wife is from the well-known family, formerly of 39th St. and related to Gov. Frank J. Lausche. Congratulations!

Billions of Fish Flee Black Sea

Istanbul. — Even the fish are fleeing from Russian domination, according to Turkish fishermen, who claim they "never had such luck."

Within three days, Istanbul fishermen pulled in more than 1,000,000 pounds of anchovies and 10,000 pounds of mackerel. When the sudden glut hit the market, the wholesale price of anchovies dropped from 25 cents a pound to nine in one day. The next day, when prices dropped to less than a cent and a half a pound, fishermen threw the anchovies back into the sea.

Escape With Escapes

Pittston, Pa. — Police Chief Frank Swift was looking for an escape — or rather a couple escapes. All the fire escapes on that two-story Barry Public School of Pittston Township disappeared.

New York. — A Broadway night owl was caught in daylight on a 67th floor window ledge of the RCA Building. He could not see a thing. The large brown owl, blind in daylight, was captured by George Camal, a window washer. He was to be released after dark — about the time the night clubs open.

Mrs. John Allich sends greetings from San Francisco, Calif., where she is visiting relatives.

Mrs. Anna Campa, daughter of the Kozel family of 15219 Holmes Ave., has safely undergone an operation in Glenville Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

The St. Clair Avenue merchants and the American Legion held the official opening of the Christmas season last Friday, with the turning on of the lights, speeches by Councilman Edward Kovacic and Police Prosecutor August Prijatelj who represented Mayor Burke. On the entertainment side were the Four Steps of Harmony and the Trebar-Sokach orchestra.

Now training with the U.S. Navy at Great Lakes is Robert J. Klanchar, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Klanchar of 15221 Grove-wood Ave.

In the first draft call of Uncle Sam's peace time army was Frank J. Sulen, 24, son of Mrs. Dorothy Sulen of 15910 Midland Ave.

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LAKE SHORE POST
NO. 273

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! Get your reservations in for the gala New Year's Eve Party and Dance, being sponsored by the Lake Shore Post, No. 273 of the American Legion. Donation for this gay affair is only \$3.00 per person. This price includes a delicious roast-ham dinner, a noise-maker, hat, etc. Dancing to the tunes of the popular Pin and Off orchestra is also a feature of this great event. Reservations may be made by contacting Mr. John Mibelich, or can be made at the Legion Hall, 6131 St. Clair Ave., any Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday evening.

Don't forget to reserve Saturday, January 15 for our 2nd Annual Commander's Ball. More details about this affair will be published later.

Army Reserve Offers Flight Training Program

Rated liaison pilots are now authorized 25 hours of flight training every three months, it was announced today by the unit instructor's office of the Organized Reserve Corps in Cleveland.

The government will pay for the expense of flying civilian aircraft by reserve light aviation officers on inactive duty status for a maximum of 25 hours per quarter per pilot. The government will also pay for Civil Aeronautics Administration of reserve light aviation officers when an Air Force flight surgeon is not conveniently available to conduct the standard examination for flying.

To be eligible for flying status, each reserve officer must be currently commissioned in and assigned to a branch of service authorized organic light aviation. He must have completed successfully the Field Artillery or Army Field Forces Pilot Courses and possess a currently valid CAA Airman's Certificate with the minimum rating of private pilot.

Applicants may secure the necessary applications for flight status orders by calling at the headquarters of the Organized Reserve Corps, 414 Superior Ave., N. W.

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Special Train to Columbus for Inauguration

On January 10th, the inauguration of Gov. Frank J. Lausche will take place in Columbus, Ohio. On that day, a special train will leave Cleveland, with the special low price of \$4.75 for round trip tickets.

The train leaves Cleveland on Jan. 10th at 1 a.m. and the same train leaves Columbus at 2 a.m. the following morning, giving all passengers time to attend the inauguration at 11 a.m., a reception in the afternoon, and a dance in the evening, which will be held at Neil House and which will last till midnight.

Anyone wishing to travel by this train should make reservations by calling Frank Merhar at HE-7123 or Jos. Bogel at WI-4548.

Assessment Collection for No. 132 AFU

The monthly collection for Napredok Lodge No. 132 AFU will be held on Monday, December 27th at the Slovenian Home on Reher Ave., due to the Christmas Holiday.

Returned for Burial

The body of S-Sgt. Nicholas T. Strmac, who was killed in Italy on Nov. 17, 1944, was shipped home last week. Burial services were held last Saturday in St. Paul's Church on E. 40th St., with the John T. Blaskovic Post No. 5275 VFW doing the honors.

Surviving him are his mother, Ella, and brothers and sisters: Mary, Alice, Eli, John, Mark, Martha, Joseph, Julia and Catherine.

May he rest in peace!

Boy in Leon County Kills Two Bucks Within 15 Minutes

Flynn, Texas. — Hunting honors in Leon County probably belong to 14-year old Allen Turner who killed two bucks with two shots in less than 15 minutes near here.

Young Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner of the Voss community in Comanche County, took his stand on the Scales Ranch near here. Soon he saw a doe coming toward him and close behind him was a 12-point buck. Taking aim, Allen felled the buck with a single shot.

Allen's prize, while waiting to be killed, he heard a noise behind him and looking, he saw a five-point buck coming at him. Again his aim was good, as he dropped the five-pointer.

What Does a Guy Have to Do to Die?

Los Angeles. — Richard N. Rudolph's determination was strong, but his constitution was stronger.

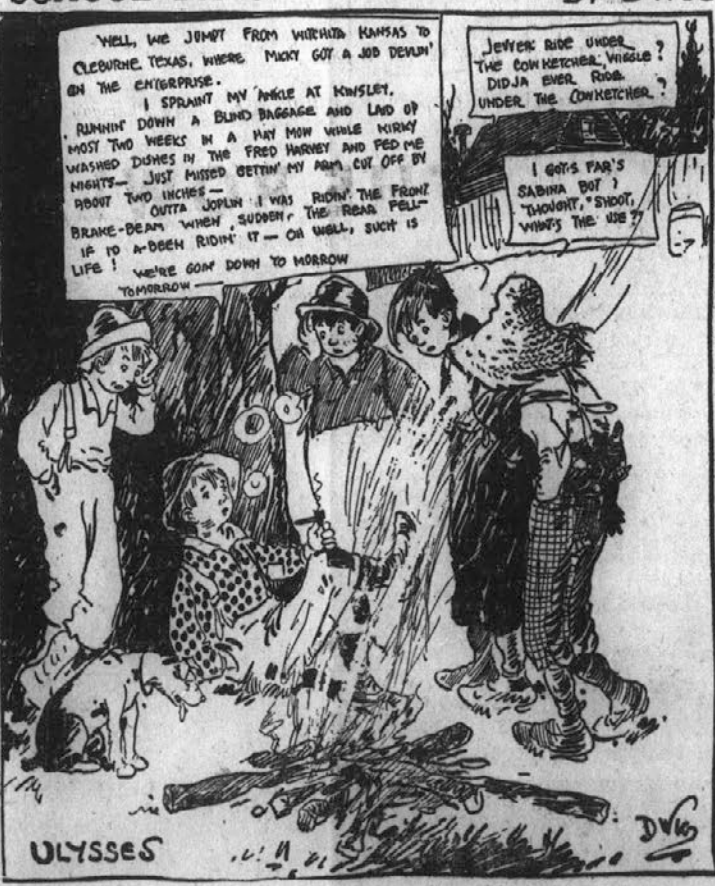
He wrote a farewell note and cut his throat six times with a butcher knife. Then he lodged the handle of the knife in the wall and rammed the blade into his heart three times. He topped this by drinking a bottle of poison, turning on the gas burners and crawling into his bedroom to die. Neighbors smelled gas, called police. Rudolph was still alive at General Hospital.

Thief Is Pupils' Friend

Olean, N. Y. — It could be the pupils were happy when East Side School 4 was robbed. The principal's strap was part of the burglar's loot.

SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIC



ULYSSES

DWIC

BONNET BUGGY—Paris, birthplace of some of the world's most fashionable hats, blossoms out in really unusual creations on St. Catherine's Day, when unmarried girls who have reached the age of 25 years traditionally pay homage to their patron saint. The spinsters wear unique bonnets, collecting prizes for the most imaginative creations. Automobile-minded Raymonde Blanc created this exact replica of the Renault IV on her holiday bonnet.

CONDENSED NEWS FROM OUR HOME FRONT

Cleveland, Ohio

Friday, December 17, 1948

Greetings from Saginaw, Mich., arrived from the Slapnik Jr., bowlers: Ann Budan, Stella Roytz, Jean Turk, Ann Slapnik, Marie Ebbe, Joe Gerbeck and Fay Milavec.

Seriously ill in Glenville Hospital is Frank Rutar of 1264 E. 169 St. We wish him a speedy recovery!

Don Black, pitcher of the Cleveland Indians, was reported to be improving after a brain operation last week.

Rev. Joseph Masaur, a refugee priest, left last week for his post, which is located in Helena, Montana. Good luck!

John Skebe of 386 E. 161st., left last week for sunny California. We wish him a good trip!

Cecilia Smutnick underwent a major operation in Glenville Hospital. She is now at home at 19712 Muskoka Avenue, and wishes to thank her friends for visits and cards.

Santa Barbara, Calif. — Mrs. Evelyn C. Hart, 95, asked police to hurry over and "do something" about her 70-year-old daughter, "because she uses bad language and I am afraid that the neighbors will think I'm not a careful mother."

Rochester, N. Y. — Harold F. Ritz climbed from his car to have words with the motorist who had bumped him, found it was his wife.

Washington. — Republican Congressman Donald L. Jackson of California listed an odd item in his campaign expenses. The item was: \$18 for lists of babies names.

Savannah, Georgia. — after seven years and 4 children, Lee Cuyler and fiancée Isabelle Delancy finally got around to using their marriage license issued in 1941.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Rookie Mailman Harry A. Kant, arrested for throwing away a batch of mail that he had not de-

livered, frankly admitted to police: "My feet were tired."

Joliet, Ill. — Prisoner Arthur Hiller vainly pleaded with Warden Joseph E. Ragen to extend his jail sentence for six months, so that he could finish a theology course.

Pasadena, Calif. — Patrolman D. B. Gleason flagged down a motorist who was weaving erratically back and forth across the highway, let him go when the motorist explained: "Everything's O. K. Just shaving."

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Elizabeth Sauer arrived by air from Germany to marry ex - G. I. Ralph Gaber, got a friendly peck on the cheek from Ralph's younger brother Karl, promptly decided to marry Karl instead.

Custer, S. Dak. — Workmen have started dynamiting the largest piece of sculpture in the world out of Thunderhead Mountain. The figure is a 400-foot statue of Chief Crazy Horse of the Sioux tribe and will be larger than the Mount Rushmore carvings 10 mi. away. It will be 500 ft. long.

Mercedes, Tex. — Water from a well on the Rio Banco farm of Mercedes produced enough extra milk in a year to pay for digging the well. Melton, who owns a 200-cow dairy, drilled the 165 ft well in which the sweet water rises to within 15 feet of the surface.

Sparta, Ill. — Randolph County officials are investigating a grand scale larceny. They want to know who stole a 30-ft iron bridge. The structure was on a country road five miles east of here.

Freeport, Ill. — James P. Prevenos' automobile went off the highway on a curve, hit a soft shoulder, skidded 250 feet, swerved across the pavement, skidded 20 feet sideways, then snapped off a telephone pole at its base. He was thrown out and landed 30 feet

A Christmas Suggestion To Our Young Folks

Are you puzzled about what to give your parents, dear relative or friend for Christmas? If they are not already subscribers of the Ameriška Domovina, they would certainly appreciate it if you ordered it for them. The price is \$8.50 per year, \$5 for six months and \$3 for three months. Just send in a check with the name and address of the one you want to make happy with this gift, and we will take care of this for you.

The Bells of St. Mary's

THE WEEK'S WASH AS IT DRIES

The Zaller Gas House Gang is riding the crest atop a twelve game winning streak. Under the capable direction of Mattie Dolence with his 551 series and the high game of 203, the Zallers took three games from the charitable Church Council. John Habot of the Council insists he will no longer be the low man on the totem pole, as he is now second lowest. Keep it up, John, you will have wings pretty soon. (All high men on totem poles are decorated with wings.)

"Cement Mixer" P. Modie went "putty-putty" down the alley as he sputtered to a new low. The score is confidential, but anyone sufficiently interested may consult the league files.

The Waterloo Beverages "popped" off to a three game victory over the Dave Shoes with Stan Robinson leading the way again with a 585 series. Stan's terrific accuracy and consistency in blasting the maples reminds us of another Robinson in Sherwood Forest.

The Dave Shoes need arch supports; they are falling lower and lower. We do not mean the shoes Dave sells, but we could be hinting slightly at the team. We suspect that the Daves are just about ready to make their move for the top spot. ED's Note: That last crack was quite corny! Have you seen the league standing yet?

The Nottingham Cleaners cleaned up

on two games from the Sveteks and are slowly feeling their way to the top. With Tony Colnar showing the way (632 series), M. Volcansek was inspired to new heights as he hit what we believe a lifetime high, a 223 game. The twin victory placed the Cleaners in second place, one game ahead of the Svetek Undertakers, but it still leaves them five games behind the league leading Zallers. Capt. Joe Ferris of the Sveteks "undertook" to keep the funeral directors from being buried in third place. His single was 213, and series 561.

Holmes Avenue Market "cleaved" (you know, meat cleaver) two games from the Home Equipments as Joe Cerjak had a 190 game and a 511 series. The Home Equipment team had better check their gas line; we think there is a leak somewhere. They just can't seem to find the "range" (Get it? If not, you are welcome to drop in anytime to see the Home Equipment Plug, paid in advance.)

There was, by the way, a very consistent bowler with the Market men who bowled 390. His name was "Blind." He hit 130 in each game. Such consistency we have never seen. We must all be "blind." (ED's Note: Didn't know Holmes Ave. Market sold venetian blinds. Naive, aren't I?)

No new changes were recorded in the Individual High game stays the same. Ed Zagore with 247 still holds team high. Joe Ferris leads in individual high games with 635.

Be Careful With Your \$10

Team Standings Including Last Sun.

Team	W	L
Zallers	26	19
Nottingham Cleaners	21	15
Svetek's	20	16
Waterloo Beverage	18	18
Dave Shoes	17	1
Holmes Ave. Market	16	20
Church Council	13	23
Home Equipments	13	23

Results of Last Sunday's Games

Zaller's Serv.	893	822	735	2420
Church Council	727	658	716	2111
Waterloo Bever.	786	783	817	2386
Dave Shoes	56	558	648	1892
Svetek's	73	786	891	2376
Nottingham Cleaners	727	886	81	2413
Holmes Market	781	767	72	2343
Home Equip't	743	874	686	2395

500 Club for the Week

Stan Robinson	853
Joe Ferris	561
Mattie Dolence	551
Tony Colnar	532
Joe Cerjak	511

P. S.: Just in case you are wondering where the foregoing column gets its jukes, it's this way—There are a couple of smart writers writing it, and they realize that only the very much interested bowler would read through the thing. So, to attract other readers, (they hope) they called an archeologist friend of theirs, and asked him to give them all the jokes he unearthed while digging in Egyptian tombs, and such-like. That is why they are so corny. How can they help it, they're just dying with old age? (The jokes, that is, not the writers.)

NOTICE! IN OTHER WORDS, GIVE A LOOK HERE!!

The Junior Sodality will hold its meeting tonight, instead of on the last Friday of the month as is usually done. The reason for this is that the last two Fridays are both Eves of Holydays and holidays. December 24, of course, is Christmas Eve, and December 31 is New Year's Eve. The meeting, therefore, is tonight at 8:00 SHARP!

Vets Reemployment Rights

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 3. — Working in close cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Veterans' Reemployment Rights, the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation has made arrangements for its local offices throughout the state to continue serving as contact and informational points for veterans seeking guidance as to their reemployment rights.

BUC Administrator Frank J. Collopy, in his instructions to all local offices relative to the reemployment rights program, pointed out that the Selective Service Act of 1948 has assigned continued responsibility for that program to the BVRR. The BUC is therefore serving only as a clearance channel and its offices neither decide whether or not a given veteran is entitled to reemployment rights nor attempt to interpret the law covering such rights.

BUC offices are also in position to inform employers as to the changes in the reemployment rights program which were made when the Selective Service Act of 1940 was modified by the Act of 1948.

Veterans applying for general information pertaining to reemployment rights at any BUC office are directed to a staff member specifically concerned with veteran's problems. If the veteran is seeking further assistance in the securing of reemployment rights, his case is handled as follows:

(1) If he was last employed by the Federal government (prior to his military service), a transcript of all pertinent facts in the case is made, and copies of that transcript are forwarded to the nearest field office of the Bureau of Veterans' Reemployment Rights. The BVRR then handles the case directly.

(2) If the veteran was last employed in the state, county or municipal governments, he faces an additional problem inasmuch as Federal law does not provide for his reemployment rights. However, the various Ohio state and political subdivisions have their own provisions for the handling of such rights.

In this case, the facts are made available to both the BVRR representative in the area and the local reemployment committee. The reemployment committee, public-spirited volunteers, have long been working with the BVRR in helping individual veterans to solve their reemployment problems. Often, the committee is able to contact the employer involved and to clear up existing difficulties by simple discussion.

(3) If the veteran was last employed in private industry and reports difficulty in exercising reemployment rights or in receiving benefits to which he considers himself entitled under the law, the BUC local office once again complies the pertinent facts and makes them available to both the BVRR representative and the local committee.

Boy Shot By His Pet Goat

Keithsburg, Ill. — A seven-year-old boy was seriously injured by a bullet from a .22 caliber rifle set off by a pet goat.

The victim was Jerry Nylean. Jerry and two companions were in a boat on the Mississippi river shore when the gun accidentally discharged by the goat, which jumped into the boat and jarred the trigger.

The bullet pierced Jerry's lung.

Car Goes Right Along

Port Worth, Tex. — The car was right behind Mrs. Lois Lewis' automobile and followed her for two blocks. Then she discovered her car had locked bumpers with the driverless vehicle when she had tried earlier to park.

False Teeth for Sheep

Salt Lake City — A Colorado dentist is trying to market false teeth for sheep. The dentist says sheep wear away their bicuspids by constant nibbling on short grass.

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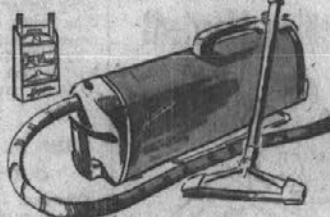


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This and That from Washington

By Congressman Frances P. Bolton

YOU will recall my mention of a meeting of weather experts in New Delhi to which we sent observers. Among other things the conference resolved that sub-continental broadcasting centers should be established at New Delhi, Tokyo and Khabarovsk (USSR) for meteorological purposes.



Mrs. Bolton

The government of India has announced a billion-dollar seven-year program for the development of railroad transportation in that country. Orders for 240 locomotives have been placed in Canada and United States, deliveries beginning next June.

THE United Provinces of India, whose governor is Madame Sarajina Naidu, is setting up an experiment in the villages of that Province in historical Athenian Democracy which will be interesting to watch. There will be village assemblies of all adult villagers with self-elected executive councils, village courts, one to every four assemblies, with power to impose fines up to \$30 but not to imprison. The population of this great Province is some 54,000,000 souls. It is anticipated that there will soon be 35,000 village assemblies with an ultimate goal of 50,000.

TUBERCULOSIS menaces the world as never before. From many lands come statements that tear at one's heartstrings, none more so than the historic little island of Crete. Its little 130 bed hospital is helpless in the face of the tide.

Thanks to the arrangement for "counterpart funds" (local currency derived from the sale of ECA-financed dollar imports) a 200 bed Tuberculosis Sanatorium

is to be built. The 3,500 members of Pan-Cretan Association recently announced a drive to raise funds which are to be matched by the Greek Government out of these "counterpart funds." Already there is a waiting list of 1,750 persons!

ECA and the Export-Import Bank loans for the period between April and December, 1948, total \$837,300,000 in Belgium, Denmark, France, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Netherlands-East Indies, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, and the United Kingdom.

CHINA is on everyone's mind these days, and ECA is doing the practical part for us all in interesting ways.

There was some wheat on the Pacific—it was diverted to the Tientsin-Peking area. Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor-General of Hongkong, has loaned ECA for immediate use 10,000 tons of rice stored there. ECA rice shipments delivered before November 18th totaled 92,804 tons. Those scheduled should support the ration program in Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking, unless the Communist advances have made this impossible, in which case let us hope they are sent to cities further south.

REPORTS of the constructiveness of ECA's program of methods come in from many lands. Early in November there was a day of thanksgiving in Holland for the lifting of rationing for bread. Posters at the bakeries read: "More than half of your daily bread is baked from Marshall wheat." France is gathering together a Thank You train to send to the United States, a car for each State Governor who will distribute the contents to museums, hospitals and civic institutions.

To express their appreciation the Italians have made a documentary film of the improvement in Italy due to ECA help. Thanks come in from Bizone, Germany, for increased food rations. Austria has been able to produce crude iron and steel beyond the pre-war mark, which has meant jobs and food. Greece is repairing her transportation facilities. Denmark's industrial production shows new signs of life, and Norway's fish will soon be on the tables of many lands. Without this help these things would not be happening.

Vets Warned to Cash Bonus Checks Early

Columbus. — From 30 to 50 bonus checks are returned to state bonus headquarters daily because they were not cashed within 90 days after receipt.

DEATH NOTICES

Barba, Mary — Wife of Michael, mother of Stanley, Edward, Jean Gahan, Zora. Residence at 16015 Saranac Rd.

Beck, Matthew J. — Brother of Mrs. Beck, 16015 Saranac Rd.

denance at Monessen, Pa.

Deanovic, Nick — Husband of Martha, father of Bobby, Jimmy, brother of Frank, Pete, Adele, Mary and Ann. Residence at 1221 E. 79 St.

Gombach, Joseph — Husband of Mary, father of Joseph, Mary. Residence at 22294 Arms Ave.

Nosse, Louise — Wife of Louis, mother of Louis, John, Frank, Joseph, Rudolph, Antoinette, Veasley. Residence at Ruth St., Warrensville Heights, Ohio.

Sluga, Anton — Husband of Josephine, father of two, brother of Mrs. John Bozich, Mrs. John Terlep. Residence at Sunbury, Pa.

Zupancic, Cecilia (nee Ivanovic) — Wife of John, mother of Cecilia, Yurka, Mary, sister of Frank, Mary Klun. Residence at 1218 E. 170 St.

Lausche Inaugural Ball Set for Jan. 10

Columbus. — An inaugural ball has been planned for Governor-elect Frank J. Lausche on Jan. 10, the day he takes over the reins of the state government for the second time.

Tickets for the ball, to be held at the Neil House, will go at \$2 a person. The event is being planned by the League of Young Democratic Clubs of Ohio. Final plans were made at a meeting of the executive committee of the league here yesterday.

Also discussed were plans for an Inauguration Day breakfast which will precede the mid-day ceremonies when Lausche will be sworn in as governor.

Young but Good

Marysville, Kas. — Kansas' youngest court reporter is ranked as one of the best. Edwin J. Dierking, 18, in an international Gregg shorthand contest for high school students, ranked 20th out of some 35,000 participants. He can handle witnesses speaking up to 225 words a minute.

THE COMING OF CHRIST

Like a star—
Into the dark night of ignorance,
Like a flame—
Into the abyss of haired,
Like a sun—
Onto the black sea of fear,
A Benediction
Comes into the world.
A Creator
Brings forth the Star,
A Candle
Brings forth the Flame,
A Heart
Brings forth the Sun,
And Christ is born;
The Word from the womb of eternity,
Out of the Creator;
The Flesh from the womb of the Immaculate,
Cut of the Candle,
The Spirit of Love from the Souls of all men,
Out of the Heart.
And from burning choirs of Cherubim,
Ageless hosts of Seraphim,
Come tidings of great joy — —
"Peace on earth—"
Peace — brought by the Prince of Peace —
To the struggling, blasphemous, Godless wretches of earth?
To the dregs of sin?

Peace, like a solace to tears,
A hand to the fallen, a gift to the needy,
Peace for the taking.
Mary holds forth her Son,
Mary holds forth our Peace,
To the souls of those
Who Love—

"Peace on Earth to men
Of Good Will."

ST. VITUS

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He received quite a bit of help from Tony Cvetbar 554 and Joe Baskovic 511 as the Gophers took three points. Bill Plavan 568, Tony Lunder 226, 557 and Ed Ratkay 211, 521 could only team up to take one point for the Agency team.

In the closest fight of the night, the A. Grdina and Sons team walked off with our points from the Brodnick Brothers team even though they won the total pins point by only 25 pins. The Grdina team won the first game by 13 pins, the second by 1 pin and the last by 10 to sweep the series. Vic Somrak 218, 529 and Richard Ivancic 502 led the Grdina team while Louis Godec 226, 573 was tops for the Brodnick team which lost three tough games.

Standings:

	W	L	Pts
Malensek Bros.	27	18	38 1/2
Orazem Confect.	28	17	36
J. Slapnik Flor.	25	20	34
Clover Dairy	24	21	32
Cimprman Market	23	23	30 1/2
Norwood Men's Shop	23	22	29 1/2
A. Grdina and Sons	22	23	29
Golden Gophers	22	23	29
Norwood Appliance	22	23	28 1/2
Brodnick Bros.	21	24	28

Christmas Carols at Ohio Bell

The practice of singing Christmas Carols in the lobby of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company's headquarters building in Cleveland will "come of age" this Christmas as employees of the company gather for the 21st consecutive year.

The program will be broadcast over a statewide radio network of 27 stations from 11:30 a. m. to 12 noon on December 24 and three stations will carry transcriptions at later hours during the day.

"The broadcast can be heard by tuning in radio station WHK or WGAR at 11:30," according to F. P. Merrick division commercial manager, for the Ohio Bell Company.

"Listeners here are cordially invited to tune in their radios at this time and join with Ohio Bell employees all over the state in reflecting the Christmas spirit through carol singing," he said.

The carols will be conducted in Cleveland by Dr. Charles D. Dawe, eminent choral conductor who has directed the annual program since the series began in 1927. Randolph Eide, Ohio Bell president, will deliver his annual Christmas message during the broadcast.

The annual carol broadcast is the occasion for a holiday get-together of Bell System workers including employees of Western Electric and American Telephone and Telegraph companies in Cleveland, many of whom work in widely-scattered locations throughout the city and rarely have an opportunity to meet old friends in the business.

The singing will be bolstered by members of the Ohio Bell male and women's choirs. Other employee groups in Ohio Bell offices throughout Ohio will tune in on the broadcast and join the Cleveland singers in their rendition of familiar carols. Nearly a thousand telephone employees will join the Cleveland lobby to participate in the singing this year.

Pay \$5 a Day to Park Car in No-Parking Zone

Houston, Tex. — Millionaire Oilman W. W. West parked his big Cadillac in the bus zone as usual. And he paid his customary \$5 fine.

Police Inspector W. P. Haley said it all began eight months ago when buses snarled downtown traffic because they had to halt in the street opposite West's parking spot.

Every day Traffic Officer Barney Friery socked the owner with a \$5 ticket. Every day it was paid promptly, but the traffic situation got no better.

"So," said Inspector Haley, "I had a talk with Mr. West. He was nice—reminded me that the police were doing their duty by tagging his car. And he said he was doing his part by paying his fines."

Haley shrugged. "He's perfectly within the existing law—doesn't have to move that big car of his one inch."

has paid about \$1000 in parking fines.

Extinguishers Extinguish

Montreal. — Firemen reported 300 fire extinguishers worth \$2,000 were destroyed at the Robert Mitchell Co. plant last night.

Treasure Outdated

Milwaukee. — A Milwaukee man watched two small neighbor boys dig a hole, put a box in the hole and cover it with dirt. Curious, he asked if they were burying treasure. "Naw," came the reply, "radioactive elements."

Springfield, Ill. — Rifles were perfected in Germany about 1498, and have been used as basic military weapons since about 1631.

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