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## NO KULAKS HERE!, SAYS KLID



*The new Hromada housing co-op*

INSIDE: HROMADA PURGES EDMONTON STREETS

*THE NEW PUBLICATION*

*The scene is the CIUS library. All Edmonton CIUS staff are in attendance. Loop the Bold has called an emergency meeting.*

LOOP THE BOLD: Are we all here? Where's Bohdan the Speedy?

MYROSLAV THE WISE: He's on the phone.

LOOP THE BOLD: Well, let's begin. Can't wait all day for him. I want you all to know that I've called this meeting because a unique manuscript has arrived at the institute. It has to be published immediately. That's why I've included the non-academic staff here today.

PETER THE FINN: Will it affect our terminal usage requirements?

LOOP THE BOLD: What?

BISHOP HIMKA: What's the project?

LOOP THE BOLD: It's called *The Life of Peter the Great*. It was written by Valerian the Inarticulate.

DAVIDUS THE SCRIBE: Oh God! Oh God!

*Enter Bohdan the Speedy.*

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Who's got a ciggie? Come on Bishop Himka, you've got plenty.

LOOP THE BOLD: Bogdan, we've been discussing a life of Peter the Great.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: He's not dead is he?

LOOP THE BOLD: Of course he isn't dead. We had lunch only an hour ago. But he's very anxious to see his book out. It's

vital to the institute's image that it comes out next week.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Lewytzkyj has to come out first. I've had 12 million advance orders, all this morning.

LITTLE RED ROOSTER: Oh there's the phone. I won't be a minute.

ANDRIJ THE METICULOUS: How do I come into this?

LOOP THE BOLD: You don't.

ANDRIJ THE METICULOUS: Good. Then I shall leave at once. I have an opera to listen—I mean I have to work on Majstrenko.

BISHOP HIMKA: What's the rush with this book?

LOOP THE BOLD: It's a matter of the utmost importance to the welfare of the institute.

MYROSLAV THE WISE: Won't Lysiak the Historian have to read it first?

LOOP THE BOLD: I can see no reason why he has to see it. At all.

LITTLE RED ROOSTER: There's Hignell on the phone.

LOOP THE BOLD: Tell him to phone back next week. No, tell him next year. I've got nothing for him.

PETER THE FINN: How long is this book, lengthwise, considering our priorities in view of mass layoffs?

MYROSLAV THE WISE: I understand that it is over 600 pages.

PETER THE FINN: Then you're looking at a 1993 publication date, probably by the spring of that year if Bruce isn't on holiday.

LOOP THE BOLD: Nineteen ninety what?? We'll be the laughing stock of the Ukrainian community. This won't do Peter. It won't do at all.

BOHDAN STYLEMAN: I think what Peter is trying to communicate is that bearing in mind all possible alternatives that can be collated within the foreseeable span of time that it is inconceivable that... What was I saying?

PETER THE FINN: I agree with that.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: I don't. How long does it take to input a manuscript anyway? I would think about 5 minutes. So, let's work it out. Five minutes for input, 8 minutes for editing—

DAVIDUS THE SCRIBE: It will take me at least two days.

LOOP THE BOLD: Two days? How can it take you two days? Good grief!

DAVIDUS THE SCRIBE: There's the newsletter too.

ANDRIJ THE METICULOUS: This time I'm definitely leaving.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: You should get Sherryl the Swede to do the cover. And Fingers Szuch to do an index. Who's going to do the introduction.

LOOP THE BOLD: Myroslav the Wise.

MYROSLAV THE WISE: O me miserum. I haven't got the—

LOOP THE BOLD: You've got an hour.

BISHOP HIMKA: I know someone who could do the cover, real cheap. He's an immigrant, in fact he jumped a Polish ship in Vancouver harbour. He has no income and lives in a toolshed off Highway 16.

LOOP THE BOLD: That sounds about right. Tell him we'll pay him \$2.50.

BISHOP HIMKA: An hour?

LOOP THE BOLD: Providing it only takes an hour.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: What's wrong with Sherryl the Swede?

BISHOP HIMKA: Nothing. I just thought we could help save an immigrant.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Sherryl the Swede is classy.

LUBOMYR THE HAIRLESS: You must introduce me to her.

LOOP THE BOLD: How did he get in? He shouldn't be here.

LUBOMYR THE HAIRLESS: You haven't paid me yet.

LOOP THE BOLD: There you are then.

MYROSLAV THE WISE: Could we know a little more about the content of the book?

LOOP THE BOLD: It's straightforward, a history of the renowned Peter from his days as a lawyer to the glorious present.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: So realistically, what is our schedule?

LOOP THE BOLD: That's for Peter the Finn and Davidus the Scribe to decide. It should be out before Tuesday. Next to *Visible Symbols*, this will be *the* publication of the year, perhaps of all time.

BOHDAN STYLEMAN: Erm, does this magnum opus have something in the nature of, shall we say, a not wholly inconsequential matter I might add, a working title?

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Maybe people have some suggestions?

BISHOP HIMKA: Black Deeds of the Chancellory?

LOOP THE BOLD: Serious titles, please!

MYROSLAV THE WISE: Savoir Savaryne.

LOOP THE BOLD: I shall cancel this meeting if people aren't going to be serious.

ANDRIJ THE METICULOUS: Peter the Great?

LOOP THE BOLD: Too bland. Too obvious.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: How about Peter the Great and Loop the Bold?

LOOP THE BOLD: There's a thought.

DAVIDUS THE SCRIBE: Are you in it?

LOOP THE BOLD: Of course. In fact, I wrote it, although we mustn't let that go any further than this room.

FRANCES THE EXILE: I don't think it matters what it's called as long as there are no flags on the cover.

LOOP THE BOLD: Who's that?

MYROSLAV THE WISE: That's Frances the Exile.

LOOP THE BOLD: That's a relief. For a moment I thought it was a lady.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: We're talking bullshit. Flags say something.

BISHOP HIMKA: I approve of that.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: The flags you mean?

BISHOP HIMKA: No. Your use of the word "Bullshit." It's one of my favourites.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY; Can we go now?

LOOP THE BOLD: No. Not yet.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Shit! Hey Bishop! Gitanes, s'il vous plait.

LITTLE RED ROOSTER: Don't blow that stuff near me.

BISHOP HIMKA: What does Valerian the Inarticulate get out of this?

LOOP THE BOLD: Prestige.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: And money.

LOOP THE BOLD: He doesn't get any money.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: He gets \$20,000. It's in the contract.

*(Loop the Bold faints)*

BOHDAN STYLEMAN: Loop appears to have expired.

LITTLE RED ROOSTER: Well at least I won't have many letters to type this afternoon.

BISHOP HIMKA: Speedy, you better take over the chair.

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: Good. This is everything I had hoped for.

BISHOP HIMKA: What do you mean?

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: That's why I had to give him a shock you see. I knew that he would be horrified of giving Valerian the Inarticulate so much money. Now we'll have a change of priorities. *Peter the Great and Loop the Bold* is to be shelved indefinitely. Instead we will embark on an *Encyclopedia of Soviet Ukraine in the 1970s*. I'll be the editor. Peter the Finn, you will start inputting in one hour.

BOHDAN STYLEMAN: This is unreal, man.

MYROSLAV THE WISE: It's outrageous. And appallingly unoriginal.

ANDRIJ THE METICULOUS: Horrors!

DAVIDUS THE SCRIBE: Oh, dash it all, Gadzooks!

PETER THE FINN: This is bourgeois imperialism let loose on the unwitting proletariat!

BOHDAN THE SPEEDY: It's progress. And we'll have a flag on the cover. No, why not six flags? One for the communists, one for the Banderivtsi, one for—

CURTAIN.

## PASCHAL'S WAGER

... blessing Pascal loaves on the church grounds  
on Easter morning...

Visible Symbols, 150

FOR KK OR CC??

serdak - a short peasant's coat

Visible Symbols, 204

COULD IT BE KRAWCHENKO?

## UFO over Ukraine reported by 40

MOSCOW (Reuter) — A mysterious bright object flew at great speed across Ukraine and southern Russia last month and Soviet scientists are puzzled and divided about what it was, the Moscow newspaper Trud reported yesterday.

It said more than 40 witnesses had filed reports of the object, a bright sphere followed by seven smaller lights, which crossed the sky on the night of Dec. 2.

Most said they saw it changing altitude and direction and some claimed they saw a "con-

struction like a space ship, flying less than a kilometre above the ground," Trud reported.

The daily cited different experts as saying it may have been a meteorite, ball lightning, or parts of a satellite burning up in the atmosphere.

The head of the Ukrainian Commission for Cosmic Research, Grigory Pisarenko, said the object was flying too slowly and too near the ground to have been a meteorite. Its speed has been calculated as 5,950 kilometres an hour.

RUBBING THEM UP THE RIGHT WAY!

We haven't really massaged-er, contacted these people.

Bohdan Kordan

AND, FOR THE HISTORIANS OF RELIGION

AMONG OUR READERS...

Don't miss the new film on German Pietism, "Never Cry Wolff."





# 'Utopia moving us out'

By JOHN GEIGER

A handicapped man is among about 14 people being forced out of their rented city-owned homes to make way for a "Ukrainian Utopia", says one of the tenants facing eviction.

Fern Grey said her home of eight years, and six other homes are being sold to the Hromada Housing Co-operative - and tenants have been ordered by the city to be out by April 1.

"To remain in the homes after that we'd have to join the Hromada co-operative, which declares its aims to be the principles of feminism, socialism and Ukrainianism," Grey said.

And wheelchair-bound multiple-sclerosis sufferer Paul Mickelow, 54, another tenant of the homes between 104 and 105 St. and 86 and 87 Ave., fears he could end up on the street unless he has more time to find a home suited to his special needs.

"I've been living here for five years. I've put \$4,000 into this home to widen the washroom and doors for a wheelchair," said Mickelow.

"I've been looking for somewhere else to stay but it's just impossible. I don't know what I'll do after April 1," he said.

Mickelow said he's been trying to contact the co-op to see if there is any way he can keep his home, but has not heard from them.

The Hromada Housing Co-op is described in its literature as a "co-op dedicated to the fostering of a Ukrainian-Canadian identity within the framework of progressive ideals."

Hromada spokesman Bohden Klid said the co-op understands the concerns of the residents, but added: "Instead of talking to us they've been opposing us."

"We don't want people moving into the co-operative who will be opposing or sabotaging," he said.

Klid said there are some feminists, socialists, and many Ukrainians among the co-op's 17 families, but said memberships have been offered to the current residents of the homes.

"I think we've shown that we're open to their needs and concerns," he said, adding two residents have joined the co-op.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

The ruthless eviction of cripples, babies and unemployed single parents by the Hromada Housing Co-op is proof once again that behind the facade of feminism, socialism and Ukrainianism lurk principles of a much darker nature. The Co-op is further proof of the resurgence of Stalinism in our midst, and one can expect a deportation to Saskatchewan of other unfortunates who do not agree with the principles of the Hromada group. The attempt of Hromada member Olenka Melnyk (formerly the harmless Helen Melnyk of the Edmonton Journal but now a dangerous ethnic) to water down criticisms should be taken with a pinch of salt. For the benefit of WASPs and our friends in the ABN (not to forget the Echo) Beztaiktivist provides the following brief dossier on some of these Pravda readers:

LUBOMYR SZUCH: a highly dangerous person, best know for his weekly break and enters of Athabasca Hall, evidently carried out with a credit card. Although small and ostensibly quiet, Szuch is always plotting and should never be ignored.

HALYNA FREELAND: Further evidence that 'small is dangerous.' Not only is Freeland masking as a lawyer, she and others are slowly taking over the entire area of Edmonton Strathcona, in preparation for the feminist revolution. Freeland defends only habitual criminals in court in an effort to bring about the degradation of capitalist society. Also, she has a lot of sisters.

BOHDAN KLID: A notorious Stalinist who sees saboteurs everywhere, Klid was seen personally throwing someone in a wheelchair out of a top-storey window. Klid's subterfuge is as a researcher on wood, but this fools few people. He is to be found roaming the corridors of CIUS and the History department, ostensibly under the supervision of the respectable Ivan Rudnytsky.

THE KORDANS: Mysterious Arizonians who arrived here two years ago. Bohdan S. Kordan is a relative of Fingers Szuch. Quotes Marx in every sentence and at some point in his earlier career was fed on Jung and Weber.

JOHN-PAUL HIMKA: Has reappeared in Edmonton after five years in the higher echelons of the CPU. Reverend Himka even gave a recent talk about his friends in the Soviet Union. Himka is propagating the creed of Ukrainianism and feminism by adding more subversives to the human race.

ROMAN PETRYSHYN: Claims to promote multiculturalism but WRP as he is popularly known is believed to bayonet babies and kick old ladies in his spare hours. Sits in an office downtown planning the Ukrainization of CN Tower.

BOHDAN KRAWCHENKO: Captain Ukraine's role in Hromada is unclear, but he seems to be connected. Recently invented numerous stories about a Ukrainian famine which turned him into a national celebrity.

NEXT MONTH: An analysis of Feminism, Socialism and Ukrainianism: What It Means and Why It Should be Stopped.

BEATING ABOUT THE ----

How do you describe a tired member of SEES? Busched!

How do you describe a member of SEES who is reprimanded by the chairman?

Ambusched!

"Якби на було зміноміхновства, то його треба б винайти."

О. Черень

Б. Футала

Amidst free mankind,  
 Amidst the cloister,  
 Truly can I say  
 The world is my oyster.



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BT thanks MY, AH for contributions this month.