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IZ SADRŽAJA:

Stanovništvo Vukovara pokazalo je zavidljivu duh otpora i nepopustljivosti, unatoč njihovoj nepripremljenosti za rat. Hrabro su se odupirali nadmoćnim vojnim izgledima sve do zadnjeg metka. To me je na neki način podsjetilo na otpor Varšave protiv nacističke okupacije 1944. godine i na neke druge činove nevjerovatne kolektivne hrabrosti. Duh Vukovara može podići duh drugih gradova i naroda koji se suočavaju s traumama i katastrofama. I sami Amerikanci, tako navikli na predvidivost, napredak i sigurnost, mogu od Vukovara naučiti kako se boriti s tragedijom i gubitkom i kako krenuti dalje. Čestitam hrabrim ljudima Vukovara i neka vaš grad ponovno uskrсне kao dragulj na Dunavu.
(J. Bugajski)

Prema mom mišljenju, središnji se događaji tih godina nisu zbili u Bosni, niti u Beogradu, već istodobno ovdje, u ovoj zemlji, u studenom 1991. godine. Bili su to bombardiranje Dubrovnika i razaranje Vukovara. Dubrovnik je privukao daleko najveću pažnju svjetske javnosti. Vukovar nije bio tako međunarodno poznat. Vukovar nije predstavljao ili se nije smatralo da predstavlja takvo kulturno i arhitektonsko blago kao Dubrovnik, iako je po mom mišljenju grad na Dunavu bio jednako povijesno značajan, jednako dragocjen i (osim novog hotela koji nije baš oku ugodna slika) jednako lijep.
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The people of Vukovar displayed an amazing spirit of defiance and steadfastness despite their unpreparedness for the war. They bravely resisted the overwhelming military odds until their last bullet. It reminded me in some ways of the Warsaw uprising against the Nazi occupation in 1944, and other acts of unbelievable collective courage. The spirit of Vukovar can uplift other cities and other populations coping with trauma and disaster. Americans, who are so used to predictability, progress, and security, can themselves learn from Vukovar on how to cope with tragedy and loss and how to move ahead. I salute the brave people of Vukovar and may your city rise again as a jewel on the Danube.
(J. Bugajski)

To my mind the pivotal events in all those years occurred not in Bosnia or Belgrade, but simultaneously here in this country in November 1991. They were the bombardment of Dubrovnik and the destruction of Vukovar. Of these, it was Dubrovnik that claimed by far the greater share of the world's attention. It was internationally renowned as Vukovar was not. It was a cultural and architectural treasure as Vukovar was not – or not deemed to be, although in my view the town by the Danube was as historic, as precious and (apart from the eyesore of its new hotel) as beautiful.
(M. Bell)