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**Jelikož brány do EU už jsou takřka otevřené,
LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT US...**

1. FIVE TIMES ABOUT CZECHS

Tax cheating on decline

New, EU-influenced tax-collection system takes maiden voyage

March 31 marks the day businesses that do not use the services of tax advisers are obliged to submit tax reports and subsequently pay their taxes.

Better collection

The Finance Ministry reported in mid-February that the level of unpaid taxes, including debt still outstanding from previous years, fell in 2003 for the first time in the country's 11-year history to 109.2 billion Kc, a 1.7 billion Kc drop from 2002. **Fertile ground for tax evasion**

Despite the rise in payments, a study conducted last fall by Charles University found that one in four citizens is a tax cheat. Among the most-frequent cases of tax evasion are hidden incomes or untaxed labor. More than two-thirds of the tax arrears concern VAT, and one-third are from income taxes.

LEARN NEW VOCABULARY TO DO WITH FINANCE, PARTICULARLY WITH TAXES!

Awareness of dissenters increases



But the youngest know least about communist-era movement

According to a survey of 1,042 respondents published by the CVVM agency March 22, 38 percent of Czechs said they did not know enough about Charter 77 to assess its activities, down from 51 percent in 1993.

Questionable influence

Although Czechs may know more than ever about those who resisted totalitarianism, a closer look at the survey suggests that an information gap still exists between the dissident movement and society as a whole. And then there is this wrinkle: The largest number of those who felt they were not informed about the Charter, 61.8 percent, were in the 15-29 age group. Deputy Education Minister Jaroslav Mullner admitted that teachers frequently neglect modern history. "They are sometimes not able to manage controversial topics; they are not used to it," he said, adding that the ministry is creating some teaching aids on modern history with the help of contemporary historians.

NOTICE WHICH STRUCTURES FOLLOW AFTER THE UNDERLINED VERBS!

Looking for a stage



Bowie and McCartney are booked, but where will they play?

It has been billed as a blockbuster summer for music with stars like David Bowie, Carlos Santana and Paul McCartney scheduled to take the stage at Prague's new T-Mobile Park.

Tickets have been sold and posters printed. Even the official Santana.com Web site lists a July 23 show at the Prague 11 venue.

But just where these concerts will take place remains a mystery.

The desire of Interconcerts Europe, the company that booked the acts, to build its own arena, with the backing of a major corporation, has yet to result in even a construction permit, say authorities at Prague 11 Town Hall.

USE SOME OF THESE WHEN TALKING ABOUT ORGANIZING EVENTS!

Unemployed rejecting community work to lose benefits

PRAGUE – Long-term unemployed people who refuse to do community work could be deprived of state social benefits, according to an amendment to the bill on social benefits which the Chamber of Deputies approved today. Entrepreneurs can face up to two-million-crown fines for employing illegal workers. Besides, they can be fined for the violation of equal treatment or for discrimination at work as well as for sexual harassment, which has already been defined in the new Labour Code. The bill is to regulate the use of children in advertisements, which will have to be approved by the respective labour office. Moreover, it specifies conditions for the employment of foreigners, who can be employed only if the post cannot be filled with Czech applicant, and it must be approved by the labour office, too. The bill also regulates the work of private job mediators.

A GOLDEN RULE IN ENGLISH: BE BRIEF = MAKE ONE COMPOUND WORD FROM TWO!

CzechRep, Germany, Poland to connect national road networks

ZITTAU– Transport ministers of the Czech Republic, Germany and Poland signed here a tri-lateral agreement on the building of a road to connect transport networks of the three countries. Construction of the road will start on May 1, said German Transport Minister Manfred Stolpe. The road and the border crossing should be completed in 2007. Talks on and preparations of the project had been dragging on for more than 13 years.

THINK OF WHY TO USE THESE PREPOSITIONS!

2. AND WE'RE SAID TO HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOUR, TOO...!

ABER JETZT ZWEIMAL ÜBER DIE TSCHECHEN:

- Was haben die Slowaken am meisten am Kommunismus geliebt?
Dass die Tschechen ihn auch haben mussten!
- Da las dieser tschechische Musiker in der Eisenbahn eine Partitur. Der selbstredend im Zug anwesende Agent hielt es für eine Geheimschrift und bat um Mitkommen. In der Gerichtsverhandlung sagte der Musiker: "Das sind Noten. Nichts als Noten! Nicht mal von mir. Die sind von Schumann!" "Schluss jetzt!" brüllt der Richter "Ich warne Sie! Schumann hat schon gestanden!"

3. PANORAMA... und grüß' mir Pan Tau

Mit seinem Talent und seiner Leidenschaft brachte Vlastimil Brodsky Generationen zum Lachen und zum Weinen. Jetzt hat er sich 81jährig das Leben genommen
Von Martin Müller-Mertens



Was haben wir mit ihr gelitten und mit ihr gelacht. Mit Arabela, der Prinzessin aus dem Märchenland, die es in unsere triste Welt verschlagen hat. Was haben wir uns über Pan Taus Streiche gefremt. Und er war immer dabei. Vlastimil Brodsky war der stille Star des tschechoslowakischen Kinos, ein großer Schauspieler, ein wunderbarer Mime und ein Schelm, wie er wohl in keinem anderen Land der Erde so glaubhaft dargestellt werden kann. Bis zum Schluss war Brodsky für seinen schwarzen Humor bekannt, denn so lange der Sensenmann über seine Witze lacht, würde er ihn nicht holen. Jetzt ist Vlastimil Brodsky selbst gegangen. Ein Schlaganfall, von dem er sich nur mühsam wieder erholt hatte. Gesundheitliche und psychische Probleme in der letzten Zeit und schließlich ein Gehirnschlag zu Ostern.

Vlastimil Brodsky wollte wohl nicht als lebender Leichnam enden. Mitten aus seiner Arbeit heraus erschoss sich der 81jährige Ende vergangener Woche in seinem Wochenendhaus in Nordmähren. Andere Menschen hatte Broda, wie seine Freunde ihn nannten, zum Schluss nicht mehr an sich herangelassen.



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