

# Not demanded president

In October, 1988 retired officers of Estonian KGB Henn Latt and Valdur Timusk have found a probable place of a burial place of Konstantin Pjatsa in Kalininsky area. Thanks to it remains of the first president of Estonia were perzahoroneny in Tallinn. In June 2010 - go Henn Latt has gone again to those places.

Except Henna Latta, as a part of expedition there was a Canadian Estonian Gustav Laats, its cousin August Eric to whom it has arrived on a visit, and also the representative « - Estonia » the author of these lines. The trip on three Russian regions proceeded week, but visitation of Tver and settlement Burashevo, near the regional centre, was an expedition overall objective. And especially important for Henna Latta. There was at it a reason again here to arrive.

## **They were in time in time**

It now the relation to Konstantin Pjatsa ambiguous, and then, during the period « singing revolution » The national revival, the first president of Estonian Republic was one of symbols of own statehood of which restoration Estonian people dreamt all more safely. « damned stalinisty, return us our president! » - speakers appealed; from tribunes of mass meetings on the Singing field.

Uchast Pjatsa was sad. Though in 1939 - 1940 it has fulfilled all requirements of Soviet Union, nevertheless with a family has been subjected to repression by the new power. It is banished, wandered on prisons. Has been rehabilitated, but has died nevertheless on foreign land. Where exactly has been buried – more than thirty years were not known.

And, probably, till now we would not know it, if not Henn Latt and its friend Valdur Timusk (nowadays the dead) which have gone on searches. As private persons, simple patriots of Estonia.

Concerning a burial place place there were some versions. Latt and Timusk for the basic took article in the Big Soviet encyclopaedia where it is written that Konstantin Pjats has died in 1956 in Kalininsky area.

Friends have arrived to Kalinin. Also have found that searched. In settlement Burashevo vicinities where there is a psychiatric clinic in which the Estonian president contained. The approximate place of a burial place to them was specified the doctor by Xenia Alekseevna Gusev, attending physician Pjatsa. Simply site in wood, almost without hints that people here are buried. « it is impossible to describe feeling which then has captured us, - remembered Henn when we went to Tver. – on the one hand – bitterness because that here so have simply dug our president in the earth in wood, with another – pleasure: after all searches have come to the end with good luck »

Henn and Valdur were in time in time. Xenia Alekseevne then was 82 years old, soon she has died. Probably, it is last person who knew a place of a burial place of Pjatsa.

the next year in Burashevo excavation has begun. And in the next summer, in June, 1990, it has been established that Konstantin Pjatsa`s remains are found. There, where specified Gusev`s doctor.

To Kalinin then there has arrived the big delegation from Estonia – representatives of the power, experts, the grandson of president Matti Pjats. In the autumn of the same year president Pjats with all honours has been betrayed to the earth in Tallinn on Metsakalmistu.

Here only and Valdure Timuske anybody also did not remember Henne Latte. « the Native land cannot forgive us service in KGB, - so explains this Henn. – have not received thanks even from the grandson to whom we have handed over video. it has gone at once in Burashevo ».

### **Hennu Lattu Dreamed to return to a family**

What for 22 years were required to go later there? Recently, having come into the Internet, he has casually found out article in « Wikipedias » about Konstantin Pjatse, and in it, among other, it is told about detection of remains of president Pjatsa in 1990. About them with Valdurom searches by two years earlier – words.

the link to article in the newspaper « is More low given; Veche of Tver ». Gusev`s doctor in it is not mentioned, instead of it certain woman Nastja appears. Henn has contacted the author on electronic mail. That has responded: « Let`s correct discrepancies ».

Certainly, it could be made, without leaving Tallinn. But Henn has decided to arrive to Tver personally.

On road he admitted that goes with secret hope to see a memorable sign there where Konstantin Pjatsa`s terrestrial way has come to the end. « It is possible to argue as much as necessary on person Pjatsa, about its role in our history, but anyway it for ever remains in the history as the first president of Estonian Republic » - Henn argued.

He also hoped to meet people who with Valdurom then helped them.

And such meetings – very warm and warm - have taken place. The first we have come to see Majju Vladimirovnu Nigrovsky – in 1988 it worked in excursion bureau and accompanied Estonian visitors in Kalinin and in Burashevo. Maya Vladimirovna Henna as has met the native person, has strong embraced him. Then remembered details of those days far already. « when I have learnt that people search for a burial place place not somebody, and the president of Estonia, has been simply shaken » - admitted Nigrovsky.

As has hospitably met us and Alexander Egorovich Sokolov, the merited trainer of Russia on sambo-wrestling and a judo.

« Having arrived to Kalinin, we have remembered that have forgotten the camera, and I have gone to the first photographer`s studio to ask the photographer posnimat for us, - remembers Henn. – So we have got acquainted with Sergey Smirnovym. It not only undertook to help us, but also has reduced with the friend Sokolov who had a videocamera » - has told Henn.

According to Alexander Egorovich, in the end of 80 - h years it was almost unique in a city the owner of a videocamera which to it was brought by friends on sports from America. This chamber it also has shot a film about visitation by Estonians of Burashevo in 1988. The film, by the way, is easy for finding in the Internet on Youtube. com. About last days Konstantin Pjatsa, how it buried - in memoirs of doctor Gusevoj. As she said, it really was seriously ill, but its personnel knew as the open, garrulous person. Dreamt to recover and return to a family. In clinic all this patient and named – the president.

When Pjats has died, Gusev has told to the head physician that the president of Estonia should be buried properly. That has agreed, and for Pjatsa the individual coffin &ndash has been made; far not each late patient of hospital received such honour. But the tomb remained anonymous. As well as tombs other died unknown patients who have been not claimed by relatives. Here and the president of Estonia was not claimed.

### **to the Candle to burn not for long**

There were we and the Tver businessman Nikolay Pankratevym. Its private residence from a red brick behind a high fence – the most perceptible structure in Burashevo. pankratev has told that quite often happens in Estonia on affairs of the business. « In one of such arrivals, year in 95 - m, have interviewed me for television concerning searches of remains of president Pjatsa » - Nikolay has remembered.

It from its words the article the journalist « some years ago wrote; Veche of Tver » Igor Mangazeev. (To It, of course, too Henn has told everything as was actually).

« that in 1988 at us remains of president Pjatsa searched, I knew nothing, - Pankratev admitted. – And here later, when I was the chairman of the Burashevsky Village Soviet, to me Estonian companions » really came;.

According to Nikolay, at first visitors were converted to the higher authorities. There to them have explained that exhumation – it not so is simple: it is necessary to observe variety of the procedures provided by the law. « it is assured that the high heads would not meet Estonians, and I have told at once it: « Dig! » - Nikolay has told. – Understood thus that I go on transgression. And it is valid, almost the next day me have dismissed. So

I have suffered then quite really. And Estonians, probably, thought, and should be. Have left on the quiet, neither « thanks » nor « good-bye ».

We have visited at Xenia Alekseevny Gusevoj`s tomb on an old cemetery. Henn has put flowers, has put the lighted candle. Xenia Alekseevna near to mum is buried. At that though the name can be made out on an old tablet. The daughter does not have also it. Only a hillock and who reposes under it – it is not known. A sad picture. To look after a tomb there is nobody.

Nearby from here, in wood when - that Konstantin Pjats has been buried. Henn has easily found this place. Only suburb of a city not to see any more from here from - for the expanded trees and so all signs it is available. A birch, a stone under it, some old tombs fenced... Here too Henn has put a burning candle on the earth. In memory of the president.

to the Candle to burn not for long, and any memorable sign there, in Burashevo where the first president of Estonian Republic has ended the terrestrial way, of course, is not present. It is visible, it is not necessary to anybody. Not demanded president...