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PARA- Graphic Proofs

WONDER what has happened to the Lithuanian Language Committee, which was to begin its campaign for the institution of Lithuanian language classes in the Chicago high schools. Was it an elemental or political blizzard that has snowed it under?

ALTHO it is generally agreed that the Vytautas University Students' chorus will represent Lithuania at the New York World's Fair, two other leading choruses in Lithuania are engaged in a struggle for an opportunity to make the trip past the Statue of Liberty.

VYTAUTAS chorus will arrive here with 70 singers. Setting the expenses of each member at a minimum of \$200, the total expenditure will be around \$14,000, or approximately 80,000 litas. The prospective visitors expect to meet living expenses while here with the proceeds of a concert tour that will take them into every larger Lithuanian colony.

THE practice of Lithuania awarding singing scholarships to our youth is encouraging to many an aspiring vocalist. To insure the scholarships' producing of desired results, the authorities in Kaunas might consider the advisability of passing out scholarships thru our choruses. Wouldn't that be a drawing point for our singing Lithuanian youth?

THE sports authorities in Kaunas made a grave error when they decided to make athletic "job" appointments thru individuals, who are more likely to consider personal friends above others, instead of contacting athletic organizations. A job in Kaunas (usually with a very attractive salary) to the best athletes would be an incentive to thousands of our sportsmen and sportswomen.

BEGINNING with the New Year JAUNIMAS started its annual subscription drive. This year as in the past, we are fortunate to receive whole-hearted support from a number of the Lithuanian newspapers. A remarkable number of new readers joined our family, as a result of announcements that appeared in NAUJENOS, VIE-NYBE, DIRVA, GARSAS and TE-VYNE. To editors of those papers we say thanks.

IN OUR last issue we announced about John Chizanskos, gifted artist from Washington, D. C. joining JAUNIMAS staff. In this issue, you can see Chizanskos' first drawing, a caricature of Col. Povilas Zadeikis, Lithuanian minister in Washington. With this we inaugurate a new regular feature of caricatures of the outstanding Lithuanian Americans.

Lithuanian Priest Chosen As Head Of Eastern Seminary

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.—Rev. Dr. Anthony F. Bruzas, M. S., was recently appointed new Superior of the Altamont Seminary, re-

WPA Projects in 48 States Launch Lith. Research

Forty eight projects of the WPA, representing every state in the union, will soon be engaged in research work for the proposed national study of the American Lithuanian, according to Anthony Stelmok, federal writer.

Stelmok, who will begin writing the book after the research work is completed, asserts that this is the only national study undertaken by the WPA at present and will be one of the most complete and objective histories of Lithuanians ever attempted.

Chicagoans Form Committee for New York Fair

A New York Fair—Chicago Lithuanian committee was recently organized at the Lithuanian consulate. The purpose of the committee will be to publicize Lithuanian participation in the Fair, and to act as a reception committee to a record number of Lithuanian visitors this summer.

Among the celebrities expected are the opera stars Kipras Petrauskas and Agnes Zaunius, and the Vytautas university students' chorus.

STEPHENS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Consul P. Dauzvardis is honorary chairman of the committee. Other officers are: Charles Stephens, director of Pirmyn chorus, president; Joseph Brazaitis, organist of Our Lady of Vilna parish, and Mrs. Baldwin of the Chicago Lithuanian Women's Club, vice-presidents; Anthony Vaivada, city editor of Naujienos, corresponding secretary; Irene Pakeltis, of the K of L organization, financial secretary; Mrs. B. Puzauskas, Chicago Women's Club, treasurer; Press committee: Anthony Vaivada, Bruno Ray Matthews of JAUNIMAS, William Sebastian, commander, Darius Girenas Legion Post, Irene Pakeltis and Bruno Simokaitis—Simons.

The other members of the committee are: P. Cizauskas, I. Sakalas, city editor of Draugas, Prof. A. Pocius, A. Mondeika, Wenetta Grybas and Stanley Drigot of the L. U. C., Nora Gugis of Birutes chorus, Joseph Zukas, John Kaledinskas who is president of the Lith Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. C. Stephens of Pirmyn chorus.

Young Priest Chosen For Youth Commission In New England City

HARTFORD, Conn. — (Special)—Rev. J. Kripas, assistant pastor of the Lithuanian Holy Trinity church here, was appointed by Mayor Thomas Spellacy for a three year term on the juvenile commission of this city. Rev. Kripas is one of the most prominent American born Lithuanian writers.

placing Rev. Thomas A. Dinan, M. S., who was elected General Councillor of the LaSalette Congregation with residence at Turin, Italy.

Father Bruzas is a native of Waterbury, Connecticut, and was one of the two members of the first graduating class of St. Joseph's Lithuanian parochial school there.

Maryland Once More Marks Lithuania's Independence Day

THE SUN, BALTIMORE, W

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ANNAPOLIS MARYLAND
Governor's Proclamation—
Republic of Lithuania Day.
February 16, 1939

WHEREAS, Joint Resolution No. 8 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1935 directed the Governor to proclaim February 16th of each year for the observance and commemoration of the founding of the Republic of Lithuania.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HERBERT R. O'CONOR, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim Thursday, February 16, 1939, as Republic of Lithuania Day and request the officials of the Government of Maryland to display the flag of the United States on all governmental buildings on said day and invite the people of Maryland to observe the day in schools and churches or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies in commemoration of the founding of the Republic of Lithuania.

(THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE
STATE OF
MARYLAND)

HERBERT R. O'CONOR.
By-the Governor:
JOHN B. GONTRUM,
Secretary of State.

As the culmination of the efforts of Lithuanians in Maryland, the General Assembly of the state passed a resolution in 1935 by which the state officially observes and commemorates Lithuania's independence every February 16th. Above is a reproduction of the proclamation of the Governor of Maryland as it appeared in the Baltimore Sun this year. This announcement was published February 8th in every newspaper in Maryland. The movement for this recognition was initiated by the Hon. Judge Joseph Laukaitis, of Baltimore.

BERTULEIT GIVES OWN VIEWS ON LITHUANIAN KLAIPEDA SITUATION

National-Socialism To Be Basis Of His New Administration

KLAIPEDA, (Special)—Lithuania should be content with fundamental powers relating to railways, posts, customs, duties and the port, in Klaipeda, expressed Willy Bertuleit, new president of the Klaipeda directory, in an interview recently.

Pending the central government's solution of economic problems, Bertuleit asserted that the Diet would cooperate loyally with the Kaunas government if there were an improvement in the economic and political situation in the Territory.

Speaking of his immediate program, the new president said that the Diet would take no exceptional measures against the Jewish population in the district. Referring to the farmer's indebtedness amounting to 50 million litas, he declared that the only way for liquidation was to increase the prices of agricultural produce. That could be obtained if Germany would pay the farmers of Klaipeda higher prices.

Bertuleit would not commit

himself on the involved question of language in schools, limiting himself only to the remark that Klaipeda is a commercial town and should enjoy all the privileges guaranteed to its commerce and industry up to now.

Bertuleit came more to the point in an address to the officials of the new directory the next day, January 24th. Here he declared that his statement, made earlier, to the effect that national-socialism will be the basis of the new Directory applied to the officials as well. However, that did not mean that Lithuanians would be obliged to change their convictions. Lithuanianism would be tolerated. Everyone could be a German or Lithuanian, according to his own choice. The directory would not tolerate one thing—propaganda against national-socialism, which it would find means to stifle.

He emphasized that all those who considered themselves Germans would have to give an answer to the question whether they adopt national-socialism.

Relations of Late Pope Pius XI With Lithuanian Nation

The late Pope Pius XI was the first Catholic pontiff to have ever visited Lithuania.

As Achille Ratti, papal delegate to Poland, he was in Kaunas and Vilnius in 1918.

When a year later Monsignor Ratti was to be consecrated as titular archbishop of Lepanto in Warsaw, his personal spiritual recollection was conducted and guided by Jurgis Matulevicius, Lithuanian bishop in Vilnius.

RECOGNITION IN 1922

After Pius XI had recognized Lithuania *de jure* on November 10, 1922, the Lithuanians who, since the conversion of the Lithuanian nation to Christianity in 1387 had belonged to one or another foreign church province, requested that a Lithuanian church province, with the diocese of Vilnius included, be organized.

Lithuanians were indignant in 1925 when, on signing a concordate with Poland, the Vatican recognized Vilnius as Polish property, and relations with the Holy See were severed.

On April 4, 1926, Pius XI issued a bulletin, "Lituanorum Gente", by which, acting on church authority only and without the agreement of the Lithuanian government, he established an independent Lithuanian church province. The old boundaries of the former dioceses were revised and the dioceses of Telsiai, Panevezis, Vilka-viskis and Kaunas were formed. Only a year later was this new order recognized by the government when, on December 10, 1927 the first concordate in history between the Vatican and Lithuania became effective.

POLITICAL DISSAGREEMENT

Due to political disagreements between the government and the clergy on the interpretation of the concordate, a conflict arose a few years later as a result of which on June 5, 1931 the papal nuncio was requested to leave the country. Although relations today are not as strained as then, the conflict factually still exists.

Acknowledgement

The story, "Lithuania-Background for Tomorrow" appears in this issue of JAUNIMAS thru the courtesy of the CHICAGO SUNDAY TIMES wherein it was first published February 5th.

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VASARIO ŠEŠIOLIKTOJI

Likimas yra lėmęs Lietuvai sunkią ir nedėkingą dalį. Senovėj ji buvo laisva, bet tos laisvės negalėjo išlaikyti ir ji buvo priversta ištisus šimtmečius svetimų vergijoj perleisti. Likimas nepaleido Lietuvos net Didžiojo karo metu. Nors Lietuva neturėjo savo valstybės ir dėl to kare dalyvauti, kad ir nenorėdama negalėjo, nukentėti turėjo daugiau negu bile kuri kita KARE DALYVAVUSI TAUTA. Lietuvos žemėje vyko patys smarkiausi mūšiai tarpe vokiečių ir rusų, ir kada karas pasibaigė, tai visa Lietuva buvo tik griuvėsių ir nuodegių krūva.

Tūkstantis dešimt aštuonioliktas metais, atsidavusių sūnų dėka, Lietuva nusipurtė svetimojo jungo, atgavo savo Nepriklausomybę ir buvo pasirengusi žengti saulėton ateitin. Bet likimas savo nepaleido.

Pirmaisiais metais Nepriklausomos Lietuvos džiaugsmą temdė matymas Klaipėdą kenčiant dar po svetimu ponu. Kada keliais metais vėliau Lietuva pagaliau atgavo Klaipėdą, tai džiaugsmas nebuvo pilnas, nes kiek anksčiau klastingas kaimynas pasigrobė sostinę Vilnių su visu trečdaliu Lietuvos teritorijos.

Likimas taip surėdė, kad mūsų šalis nėra dar vieną Nepriklausomybės metinių taip atšventusi, kaip ji trokštų — BŪTI TIKRAI NUO NIEKO NEPRIKLAUSOMA, TURĖTI VISKĄ, KAS JAI PRIKLAUSO IR NEKENTĖTI NUO KRONIŠKO PAVOJAUS. Netik, kad tokių metinių Lietuva nėra turėjusi, bet kiekvienas sukaktuves ji turi švęsti vis skaudesnėse aplinkybėse, vis didesniai pavojų netekti to, ką ji mini.

Šiomet, pavyzdžiui, Lietuva švenčia savo dvidešimt-pirmąsias Nepriklausomybės metines aplinkybėse, kurios yra blogesnės už tas pirmąsias Atgimimo metais. Tada Lietuva jau neturėjo Vilniaus, bet nors galėjo visu balsu šaukti, kad "Mes Be Vilniaus Nenurimsime!" Dvidešimt-pirmąsias metines minint, Lietuva šandien apie Vilniaus atsivadavimą net kalbėti garsiai negali. NEVALIA.

Pirmaisiais Nepriklausomybės metais Lietuva neturėjo Klaipėdos, bet gyveno saulėta viltimi ją vieną gražią dieną atgauti. Šandien, dvidešimtis-pirmosiose sukaktuvėse mes Klaipėdą, tiesa, turime, bet koks tas turėjimas, kad nežinome, kas gali su ja atsitikti ŠIANDIEN VAKARE.

Šiandieninė Europos padėtis verčia nevieną lietuvį net paabejoti, ar Lietuva gali ir kaip ilgai savo Nepriklausomybę išlaikyti.

Skandžiose tai ir nemalonių aplinkybėse Lietuva mini savo Nepriklausomybę. Bet lietuvių jos nepalauš. Jis yra jau gerai likimo nedalios užgrūdintas ir pajėgs viską pernešti, viską pergyventi.

Lietuvių tautos ir jos nepriklausomybės reikalais niekas kitas nesirūpins ir nesisielos. Tai lietuvių darbas, tai lietuvių šventa pareiga. Ir nors mes nuo jos nei momentui nenukrypstame, tokias sukaktuves, kokias mini Lietuva Vasario šešioliktoji, panaudokime geresniam prisiminimui ir supratimui savo pareigos, atgaiviniui pasirįžimui ir susikaupimui jėgų.

Per skausmą ir vargus Lietuva atgavo savo Nepriklausomybę, su skausmu ir vargais, jei reikals, Ji tą Nepriklausomybę saugos. Bet lietuviai ją išsaugos ir išlaikys.

Mes svetur gimę, auge, svetimos šalies gyventojai negalime tiek Lietuvai padaryti, kiek gali mūsų broliai Lietuvoj. Bet kas tik yra galima mums padaryti—PADARYSIME.

COMMENTARIES—

By E. J. K.

We can now add up our balance sheet for the past year. And as we commemorate the twenty-first anniversary of Lithuania's independence, we find an appreciable difference in our accounts and in our viewpoint, as compared to exactly one year ago, when we were all jubilantly celebrating the completion of the first twenty years of Lithuanian Independence.

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SOBER AND WORRIED

Wherein lies this difference? For one thing, this year we are a very much sobered, and perhaps slightly worried, nation. We have found that national pride, and impassioned patriotic oratory and editorials are all very well, but they are not themselves enough to ensure us against the bullying of international gangsters. Our belief in the invulnerability of the rights of small and helpless nations has been sadly shaken. Lithuania has been forced to make painful concessions on two frontiers and to swallow the bitter pill of relinquishing her own rights and turning over almost complete control of part of her territory to the arrogant puppets of the Nazi government. The bitter irony of it—the very same man who, a number of years ago, was condemned to death for attempting to betray Lithuania to Germany, is now virtual ruler of the territory that is the very life of Lithuania!

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WHAT'S IN THE FUTURE?

But so far so good. Lithuania has been sent reeling during the past year, but is still erect. Nominally, at least, her territory is still intact.

But what of the future? Since might appears to be the new standard for judging what is right, and since there appears to be no tribunal left in the world to which an outraged people can appeal for help, what is to deter the enemies of Lithuania from completing their rape of a helpless country? It is the consideration of this burning question that is making our observance of the twenty-first anniversary of Lithuania's Independence this year such a serious and crucial one.

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INVULNERABLE ARMOR

There is one way we can combat the enemies of our fatherland, and, indirectly, of our nation the world over. It is an armor that is invulnerable against international trickery, against shells and bullets and poison gas, and against the slugging of uniformed terrorists; it is a defence line that can withstand the charges of countless enemy soldiers. This is the same armor that so successfully protected our fathers and grandfathers from the attacks of the Tsarist oppressors, long before there was such a thing as a Lithuanian state to tempt predatory powers.

This armor is the love of and pride in our Lithuanian ancestry that burns or can be made to burn in the heart of every Lithuanian the world over. And we must bend our every effort to furthering and spreading this Lithuanianistic spirit among our people, especially our young people.

Moulding our millions of Lithuanians all over the world into one strong spiritual, patriotic unit is the most effective safe-guard against destruction of our nationality, whether from enemies on the outside, or from subversive influences within. Boundary lines as precious and important as they are, at best are only the outward signs of the existence of a nation. A people can exist without boundary lines, but a people without an appreciation of their patriotic worth are doomed.

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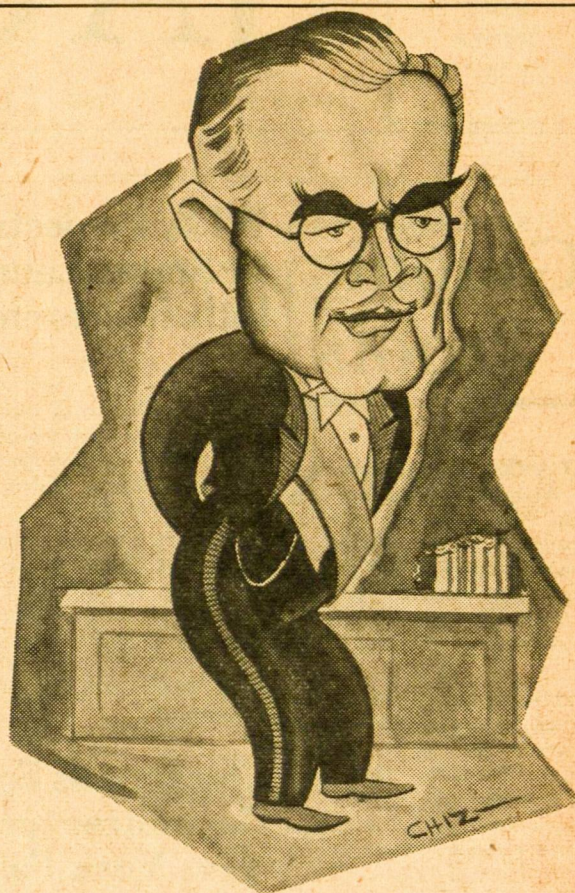
INTOLERANCE

To us the word "laisvamaniškas" has always connoted a certain element in our Lithuanian life that has made itself notorious by its bigotry intolerance, and definitely anti-Catholic bias. It is an undesirable element, one which attempts to destroy but does not build, which refuses to recognize anything as sacred, which exists upon and caters to ignorance and vulgar misrepresentation—contrary to every healthy concept of Americanism and Lithuanianism.

In view of this, we were rather puzzled to hear that JAUNIMAS is being included in the "laisvamaniškas" category of newspapers by some over-zealous individuals. The policy of this newspaper from the very first issue has been to scrupulously avoid anything that even remotely approaches the spirit of enmity to any religion. We would be interested in having pointed out to us in any of the past issues of JAUNIMAS at least one instance of such bigotry or intolerance. This ascribing of anti-religious, and especially anti-Catholic tendencies to JAUNIMAS is a gross insult to the fairmindedness of its publishers and staff.

LITH'S 'N HERE

CHIZANSKOS



Col. Povilas Zadeikis

Lithuanian Minister to the United States.... Rarely breaks into news print, but one day he called a Washington reporter and proceeded to give Poland a sound oral thrashing for alleged misbehavior of her troops on the Lithuanian border.... It was all very unusual, possibly without precedent; the chief of a foreign mission raising unmitigated cain with a neighboring country not through the conventional diplomatic channels but by a newspaper interview....

Col. Zadeikis was born on his father's farm in Lithuania, then a part of the vast Russian Empire, in 1887.... During world's war was an army officer.... In independent Lithuania, Mr. Zadeikis rose to the post of war minister before joining the diplomatic service in 1924.... First post was that of Lithuanian consul in Chicago.... After four years, in 1928, he was made consul general in New York and since 1935 has served as Lithuanian minister in Washington.... Is married.... One daughter, Mirga.... Is quite good as an artist.... Likes driving for recreation.... Says that the United States reminds him of Lithuania.

VOICE OF THE READER

This department is readers forum. Letters are welcome.

DEFINITION OF
SUBSIDY

To launch into the subject of this letter without ceremony let it be remarked that the following words will deal with the criticism directed at Sovetski in "Paragraphic Proofs" in the last issue of this paper.

It is to be assumed then that the regular readers of this paper are acquainted with Sovetski's perversion of the truth, his "communism", and his narrowmindedness. Sovetski doesn't mind the last two tags, for he takes it for granted that JAUNIMAS is indulging in a nice teeter-totter of polemics, and puts Sovetski in the position of the guy who was being pressed to answer by a yes or a no as to whether he had stopped beating his wife. But Sovetski does not mind being called a liar.

The premise on which JAUNIMAS built its charge was the use of the word "subsidized". It then went on to develop the thesis, and in doing so it inadvertently presented Sovetski's meaning when he said that Pirmyn was subsidized. Sovetski hadn't the slightest intention of being malicious, or inferring any of the things JAUNIMAS thinks he did.

We are all subsidized in one way or another. JAUNIMAS is subsidized by its readers who subscribe to the paper, by its advertisers who pay out dough. Workers are subsidized by their bosses, and ad infinitum. Pirmyn was subsidized by the business men, the workers, etc., who contributed cash to send across the sea. What's wrong with that?

BUNNI SOVETSKI
Chicago, Illinois

(We are inclined to disagree with Mr. Sovetski regarding his definition of a subsidy. A subscriber does not subsidize a paper; he buys it. Advertisers also buy space. Workers sell their labor, etc.. According to Webster a subsidy is "pecuniary aid granted by a government to an individual, or commercial enterprise". And there we let the matter stand. —Editor)

ENGLISH SECTIONS

I have had the opportunity to acquaint myself with English youth sections of almost every Lithuanian newspaper, and was impressed by the fact that the sections of Lithuanian communist newspapers were superior to those of other factions. How come? Is it that our Catholics, Nationalists and Socialists haven't enough talented youth who could work in the journalistic field?

M. P.

Chicago, Illinois

(We are certain that the non-communistic groups have an exceptional number of talented youth. The difference in quality of the sections, we believe, is that the communists employ youth editors at a salary, while other papers depend on contributions—gratis. Giving credit where credit is due, it must be pointed out that the communists have discerned the importance of a youth following and have been intensively active in that direction. As an example, the S. L. A. and the Lithuanian Roman Catholic Alliance the two largest organizations in the country, are by far behind the L. D. S. in the youth movement. The latter maintains a special youth director, while the others more or less ignore the youth's importance. Let's hope our organizations awake not too late. Editor)

GETTING PERSONAL

POLITICS: Only three of the original nine Lithuanian aldermanic candidates in Chicago have remained in the race....They are MICHAEL NARVID and TONY ANTONIDES in the 13th ward and JOE AZUKAS in the 11th....AL KUMSKIS has withdrawn for a sure thing: a job as director of Chicago's South Parks....Under his jurisdiction is included the Soldiers Field stadium....He will receive five grand a year for his services....His vacated post of director of Marquette Park was awarded too radio programmer, PAUL SALTIMIERAS....RUDY VASALLE relinquished hopes for a seat in the city council to tempt Dame Fortune as head of the Lithuanian department of COURTNEY for mayor headquarters....CHARLES P. KAL, for six years assistant states attorney and staunch COURTNEY supporter had a change of heart, resigned from the states attorney's office, aligned himself behind MAYOR KELLY'S candidacy....FRANK VOIDAT withdrew his candidacy in Bridgeport after an agreement with the incumbent alderman, by which the latter granted several demands made by VOIDAT and the Lithuanian political organization....Of the three survivors, NARVID is a GREEN republican, ANTONIDES is with the THOMPSON forces, while AZUKAS is making his stand as an independent republican....

VALENTINIANA: VICTORIA SLAUSGALVIS is proudly displaying the ring which pledged her to VEETS CHERNAUSKAS....Both are 18th Streeters....It appears that ALGIRDAS 'AL' RULIS and WENETTA GRYBAS might also decide something their friends are waiting to have verified....MILLIE RUSSELL and WALT UZUNARIS will be needing a few witnesses soon....JOHN BALANDA and BIRUTE RUTKAUSKAS are now Mr. and Mrs....JOHN went to Texas for his honeymoon (business with the boss)....**MUSICALLY SPEAKING:** EMILY MICKUNAS, soloist with the Philadelphia Opera, company, is at present thrilling audiences in Miami....ANNA KASKAS of the Met recently appeared with BENJAMINO GIGLI in Newark in a presentation of "La Forza del Destino"....During curtain calls a huge floral piece, sent by the Lithuanian organizations of Newark, was presented to MISS KASKAS....HARRIET GRICIUS is vying for top honors among Lithuanian singers in Chicago, as evidenced by her splendid renditions over the air recently....VICTOR BENDER has left for Kaunas, where a singing scholarship awaits him....His farewell recital was well attended....Among progressing young singers in Chicago, keep your eye on ESTELLE GALDIKAS—GOLDY of Pirmyn....

THIS AND DATA: ANTANAS POSHKA, JAUNIMAS' correspondent in Scotland, celebrated the arrival of an heir recently....Which makes our editor J. P. an uncle....DR. SIMONAITIS is passing out cigars at the insistence of a nine and a half pound daughter....

BRUNO MASON of the North Side is working in Hollywood as a music arranger in one of the cinema studios....ATTORNEY AND MRS. JOSEPH GRISH celebrated their silver wedding anniversary February 15th....PETER VAISHVILA, Bridgeport, had to cancel plans for a Florida vacation when he was summoned for jury service....STELLA SMITH, daughter of real estate PAUL M. SMITH, has passed the pharmacy exams at Illinois and will open her own pharmacy this spring....DR. K. DRANGELIS and GEORGE NECKRASH are vacationing in Florida....

In observance of the twenty first anniversary of Lithuania's independence, Consul and Madam DAUZVARDIS will hold a reception at the consulate February 16th....It is an annual affair, during which a few hundred persons attend....ATTORNEY CLEMENT J. SVILOV will be in Arizona for an undetermined length of time....

The Benton Harbor (Mich.) News Paladium recently carried a long article written by JOSEPH J. BACHUNAS, owner of the Tabor Farm Resort....The article was an account of Mr. BACHUNAS' travels in the historic South....

FOURTH ESTATE: STANLEY PIEZA is climbing steadily in his big time newspaper work....ED UZEMACK, who's story, "Lithuania, Background For Tomorrow", appears in this edition, is drawing much attention at his post with the Daily Times....GEORGE VENSUS, it is said, gave up his job as managing editor of a Pontiac (Mich.) paper, in order to manage the aldermanic campaign of his father-in-law, MICHAEL NARVID....VIC SHOLIS' cousin, ALGIRD VARASIUS, is studying journalism at the Wilson Jr. college....ANTOINETTE POSKA of Marquette Park attends evening classes at the Medill (Northwestern) school of Journalism....The Lith Catholic weekly, "America", published in Brooklyn, might become a daily soon....JUOZAS TYS-LIAVA, former editor of Vieniye, is said to be with Teyvne now....

STINKAROO: Here's a bad one....Beats anything anyone might have on "fights" among the older generation....A young Chicagoan, who had ideas about some sort of a patriotic movement among the youth, due to a few very, very lucky breaks found himself in Kaunas last summer....Later on the U. S. Lithuanian Olympic Team came out there for the big sports meet....With the team there came a young man, a man who also had ideas about youth movement, only this man had done something about his ideas....He had formed a powerful organization and in short period of not even a full year, more than one thousand young Lithuanians land over, became members and began doing things in big, results bringing way....People in Kaunas must have recognized good work, for they began to shower more attention on this man than our "lone eagle" from Chicago could stand....Fearful of losing his grip, he set himself unto a propaganda campaign, that was to break the "rival"....And he had enough nerve to write back home to his few "boosters" that—"You don't have to worry about.....I'll see that he's put and kept in his place with small fry"....Confidentially, it stinks....

PET CEMETARY: In 1926 MICHAEL BLOZIS, American born Lithuanian, started a "pet cemetery" near Hinsdale, Illinois....He was killed in an automobile accident in 1936 and the property was purchased by JOHN P. STANKOWICZ, Chicago Lithuanian real estate dealer, for \$2500....Today the estimated worth of the cemetery is \$15,000....It is a two and one half acre site, providing ample space for about 2800 graves....About 500 pets have been buried there to date, among them dogs, cats, canaries, horses, rabbits, a monkey and two parrots....ANDY, (CHARLES CORELL) of Amos and Andy, DR. PRESTON BRADLEY, MRS. NETCHER (CONSTANCE TALMAGE) and other prominent people are among those whose pets are buried here....

Thaddeus Kosciusko—Lithuanian Hero

by JOSEPH PENTIS

The world celebrated the anniversary of Kosciusko's birthday February 12th. Here JAUNIMAS is proud to present an article about this revolutionary hero by Joseph Pentis, a prominent Lithuanian American author who took a great interest in Kosciusko and studied his life from as many historical documents that have been unearthed.

Our interest in Kosciusko lies not only in his nationality but also in the important fact that he is one of the fathers of our country, the good old United States of America. His memory is, and ought to be, cherished not only by Lithuanian and Polish Americans, but also by every American living under the Stars and Stripes.

Thaddeus Kosciusko was born in Lithuania of Lithuanian parents February 12, 1746. He received his early education from his brilliant mother and at a Lithuanian Jesuit college. At the age of 24 he graduated from a military school with the rank of a captain. He later went to France to continue his education in the science of war. There he mastered the French theory of fortifications, which later enabled him to become a skillful military engineer.

After completing his studies in France, Kosciusko returned to Lithuania, which was at that time united to Poland under the ill-fated union of Lublin. Because of that union Lithuania and Poland had one standing army. Kosciusko made an unsuccessful attempt to enter its service. The failure was most probably due to his Lithuanian origin. He became disgusted and left his country for France.

While in France, Kosciusko was persuaded by Benjamin Franklin, American envoy, to go to America and assist in the revolutionary struggle of the American colonies against the tyrannical oppression of imperialistic England.

Kosciusko arrived in the United States in 1776 and immediately enlisted in the service of the Continental Army as a Colonel—Engineer. Under Generals Gates and Green, Kosciusko's services were invaluable because of his unusual ability as an engineer in the erection of fortifications and able judgment in the selection of battlegrounds.

It was Kosciusko who first suggested the location for the United States Military Academy at West Point. He also rendered valuable assistance in its organization. He is up to the present day appropriately honored by the officers and cadets of the finest military school in the world at West Point.

During the course of the revolutionary war Kosciusko spent many months in the state of Virginia. There he saw with his own eyes the horrors of slavery. Being a true son of Liberty and an upright gentleman, the idea of slavery disagreed with his entire spirit. He hoped that slavery would be banished from American soil with the imperialistic yoke of England. He therefore repeated over and over again that "all men are equal", and thus pleaded the causes of the poor slaves many decades before Lincoln actually freed them. In this connection it is interesting to note that the birthdays of both, Lincoln and Kosciusko, fall on the same day, February 12th.

After six years of victorious fighting for the independence of the United States, Kosciusko received the hearty thanks of a Brigadier—General, elected to the honorary Society of the Cincinnati, and was granted a tract of land (now occupied by the city of Columbus, Ohio) for the "high sense of his long, faithful and meritorious services".

His mission in America accomplished, Kosciusko now turned to Lithuania, which he never forgot. He arrived there in 1784 and lived on his estate until 1789, when he entered the service of the Lithuanian

Polish army as a Major—General. However, because the ill-fated union with Poland still existed, Kosciusko was stationed in a section of the army in Poland. He strongly resented this action and pleaded for a transfer to the army in Lithuania. In connection with that plea Kosciusko wrote in a letter: "What am I, if not a Lithuanian?...I am overcome with anger to think that I, a Lithuanian, should have to serve Poland". These words of Kosciusko, written in his own hand—writing, definitely prove his nationality.

In 1792 Catherine of Russia declared war on the Lithuanian—Polish state. Kosciusko fought bravely for the freedom of his country. But the superior Russian army soon occupied both Lithuania and Poland. Kosciusko left the country on a mission to seek foreign aid to dislodge the Russian bear from his fatherland.

Kosciusko was unable to find any outside assistance for his country. He returned to Lithuania in 1794 and became leader of a revolutionary movement for independence. He succeeded in secretly organizing an army from the remnants of the old Lithuanian—Polish army, and later engaged the Russian forces in battle. He fought desperately against great odds. But his limited army was opposed on all sides by the superior numbers of Russia, Austria and Prussia. The new hope for freedom ended when Kosciusko was wounded in battle, crippled, and taken prisoner to Russia.

We must not lose sight of the fact that, because both countries were united, Kosciusko necessarily had to fight for both Lithuania and Poland. They were united politically and militarily. For that reason the fate of either country was also the fate of the other. In this manner Kosciusko became a hero to the Poles as well as to the Lithuanian people. That is the reason why his name is identified with Polish history.

After two years of imprisonment in Russia, Kosciusko was pardoned by the Czar and immediately set out for America, his second fatherland. On his way he was greeted with great celebrity, especially by Sweden and England.

Kosciusko's stay in America was short, however. He had fought for equal rights to all Americans and bitterly resented the continuation of slavery in the United States. Before he left the country he appointed Thomas Jefferson as the executor of his will and last testament. The main feature of his will is a request to purchase and free slaves in his name. The first school for Negroes in the United States was founded in Newark with the name of Kosciusko.

Thomas Jefferson said "Kosciusko is the purest son of Liberty—the kind which extends to all, not only to the rich".

Kosciusko left America in 1798 to continue on his mission to find aid for his oppressed fatherland. However, he was unable to find help anywhere. So he finally decided to retire in Switzerland, near Fontainebleau, where he became a close friend of the Zeltner family. There he engaged himself in writing a book entitled "Maneuvers of Horse Artillery" and sent it to America to be translated and published. It was the first book published on the subject in America.

Thaddeus Kosciusko, the great Lithuanian hero of the American revolution and sponsor of human rights and liberties, spent his last few years with the friendly Zeltners in Switzerland. Failing health, coupled with the ever-encroaching limitations of advanced years, finally dampened his spirit of activity for his most cherished ideal: A free, independent, and democratic Lithuania. He died a disappointed old gentleman in October 15, 1817.

Did You Know?

There are twenty signatures on the Declaration of Lithuania's Independence....The first is that of Dr. Jonas Basanavicius, called the Father of Modern Lithuania....Among the signers, four are clergymen....One of them, Vladas Mironas, present prime minister of Lithuania....

The most interesting signature is that of Stasys Narutevicius, who's brother at about the same time was elected first president of Poland.

How many folk songs, or folk tales do you, know? The Lithuanian Folk—Lore Archives have collected in only one year more than 24,000 hitherto unrecorded folk songs, more than 7,000 folk tales and fables, 7,000 proverbs and 28,000 incantations! To date the Archives files are bulging with 390,000 folk songs, tales, proverbs, riddles, etc..



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By EDWARD A. UZEMACK

IF THE much touted map-carver of Berchtesgaden lives up to past performances, tiny Lithuania will be wiped off the European map for the second time in its turbulent history.

Not since the 13th century, when Europe was overrun with unemployed knights—their zealous appetites unappeased by failure of the crusades—has the culture of national annihilation hovered more persistently over this Baltic state than today. It wasn't, though, until 1795 that all traces of the powerful Grand Duchy of Lithuania were erased by the "Holy Alliance" of Russia, Prussia and Austria.

Today's threat to Lithuania is very much akin to that of seven centuries ago, but under a different guise. It was the Christianizing of "stubborn pagans" that led the Teutonic orders of Knights of the Cross and Knights of the Sword to invade the immense stretches of fertile land then possessed by Lithuania. Now it is a desire to see that the "suppressed" German autonomy in Memel (Lithuania's only developed seaport), granted them by statute in 1924, which may lead Hitler to invade this Baltic state eventually.

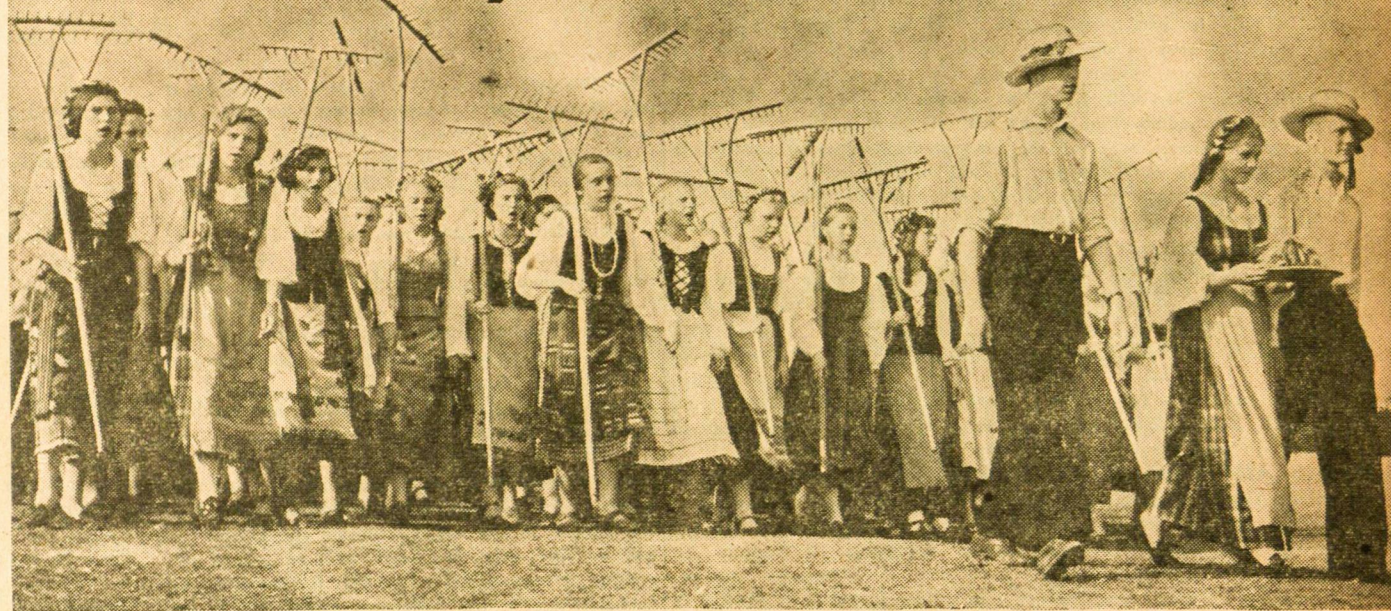
When Memel's 50-year-old horse doctor, Ernst Neumann, handed Germany's number one paperhanger all but four of 29 diet seats in the recent election, responsible Nazis hailed the victory as a forerunner to complete Memel autonomy. With Adolf Hitler at his grabbiest best, it appears likely that not only will Memel be re-annexed by Germany, but Lithuania as well!

(Memel has been for years a hot-bed of controversy. Germans claim a distinct German majority, while the Lithuanian census consistently shows a Lith population of two-thirds the total. On the other hand, official German census figures place Lithuanian inhabitants at 49.2 per cent and German, 49.6 per cent. A difference of four-tenths of one per cent! Remarkable candor on the part of the Nazi government, in view of the fact that practically all Memel industries are German-owned, and no smart Lithuanian would think of saying "boo!" at his "duona" and "sviestas.")

THIS beleaguered nation, tucked away between Latvia, Poland and Germany, has a glorious past which belies its 21,489 square miles of territory. During the Renaissance it extended from the Baltic to the Black sea, and north within a few miles of Moscow.

Very little is known of its origin. For as far back as historical records go, its peace-loving peoples tilled the soil on the eastern and southern shores of the Baltic. Protected by impenetrable pine forests and treacherous marshes from the great

LITHUANIA — Background For Tomorrow



Modern farm youth of Lithuania still carry on ancient rites of ancestors during harvest time. This group is taking a wheat offering to the harvest god.

migrations of the Christian era, they were long able to maintain their ancient customs, Druidic religion and a beautiful archaic language.

Aside from their tolerance and love of freedom, perhaps the most distinctive feature of the Lithuanian folk is their language. The great French philologist Meillet once told his pupils: "If you wish to know how your ancestors spoke, go to a Lithuanian village."

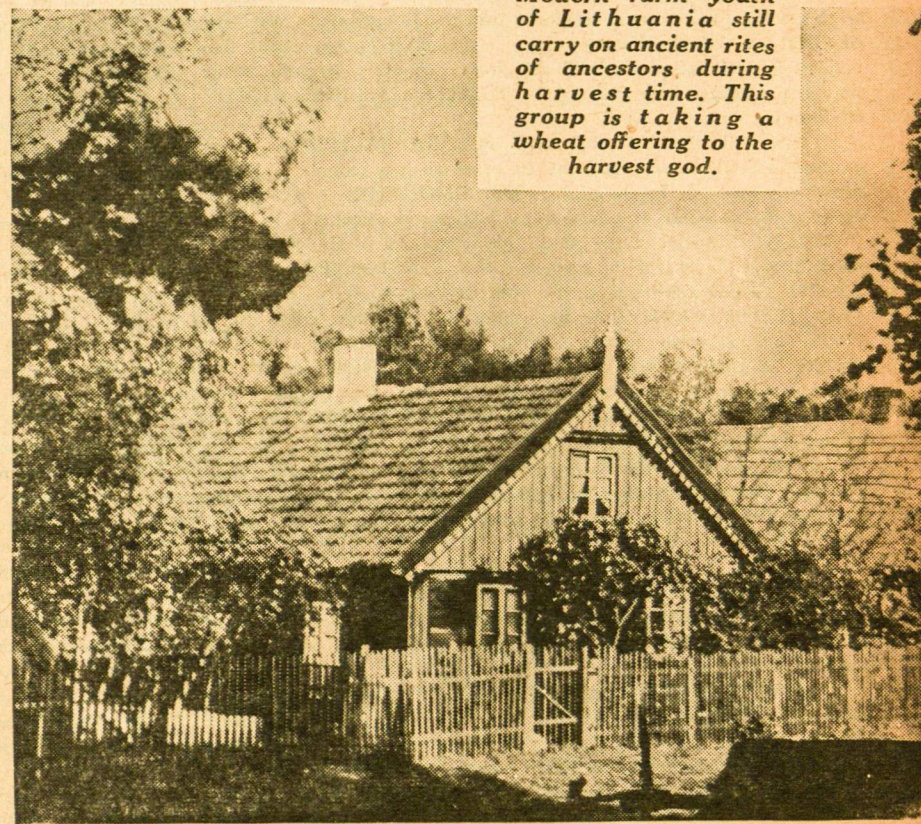
As late as the 16th century, he said, the language had forms as ancient, probably even more ancient than the Vedic Sanskrit of 2,000 years earlier.

"She (Lithuania) must be preserved, for her tongue possesses the key which opens the enigmas not only of philology, but of history," Philosopher Immanuel Kant pre-faced his "Lithuanian Grammar."

In the first century A. D., Lithuanians were mentioned as good cultivators of the soil by eminent Roman historian Tacitus. German Archaeologist Lissauer plugged the Liths as users of domestic implements of high technical development as early as the first to third centuries. Today Lithuania is still an agricultural state and its main source of income is derived from stock-raising and dairy-farming. (Seventy-six per cent of the population are farmers.)

Always numerically weak—main reason for Lithuania's downfall from its position as greatest power in Europe—total world population of Lithuanians is today only about 5,000,000. In this country alone there are 1,000,000 Liths, approximating a little less than half the total population of Lithuania proper. They publish 36 Lithuanian language newspapers and journals in this country.

SIXTY-TWO years before Columbus set sail to find East Indian suckers



Ornate house of well-to-do farmer near Kaunas.

with whom to trade junk for valuables, and accidentally stumbled over America. Lithuania's decline had begun. Having

successfully fought off the Teutonic knights since the 11th century, the Grand Duchy began slipping with the death of Vytautas, Lithuania's greatest ruler.

In the 14th and 14th centuries there was a remarkable succession of politically astute rulers—Mindaugas, Gedminas, Algirdas, Kestutis, and Vytautas the Great—who first unified the country, then began an astonishing career of expansion. (When Gedminas' daughter married a Polish prince, he gave her a dowry of 24,000 Polish prisoners of war!) Until in the latter part of the 14th and beginning of the 15th centuries it became a most formidable power in the north, with territories extending from the Baltic to the Black sea, embracing White Russia and Ukraine with Kiev.

Incidentally, during this period Klaipeda (Memel) was Lithuanian territory, as it had been for centuries previously.

Vytautas rendered European civilization a great service by checking at the Blue Waters (1362) and Vorksla (1399) the westward advance of the Tartars under Tamerlane and the Grand Kahn. In the French "Histoire Generale," by Lavisse and Rambaud, the work of these Lithuanian princes was termed important to European development.

As grim testimony to the tolerance of Lithuanians in preserving religion, language and customs of acquired lands, the country stands today on a fraction of its former territory, torn by dissension from within its own borders. Decay of the great empire lay in the vastness of its undertaking. It was a case of the conqueror

Background For Tomorrow



Modern maid and youth attired in native costume. Most of Lithuanian folk songs are based on romantic yearnings and situations of amorous lads and lassies.

being absorbed by the conquered. In this vast territory the Lithuanians were themselves a minority of 1 to 8. But to top everything, administration of lands was given those princes of the Lithuanian dynasty who embraced the religion of the conquered population.

In 1386, Vytautas' cousin, King Jogaila (Jagellon) an ambitious old codger, feeling rather frisky, decided to kill two birds with a marriage ceremony. Having developed a senile amor for the lovely young Queen Hedvige d'Anjou of Poland, he proposed marriage with the ostensible purpose of forming a Lithuanian-Polish alliance. Lithuania then had three times the territory of Poland. For about 200 years the Lithuanian dynasty of Jogaila occupied the Polish throne. This matrimonial association did not prove advantageous to Lithuania and in 1569 a union, similar to pre-war Austria-Hungary, was concluded.

AFFAIRS in the dual state were never harmonized. Differences in language, race, temperament, outside pressure, internal dissension and especially claims of nobility, both Polish and Lithuanian, or privileges and concessions were undermining strength of the state. In 1700 a conference of Lithuanian nobles, in Vilna, headed by Prince Karol Radzivil, chancellor of Lithuania, signed a document denouncing the union.

While the state was engaged with internal feuding and wars with Sweden, Russia grew more powerful and from 1792 to 1795 it divided the union with Prussia and Austria. The lion's share of rich-soiled Lithuania went to Russia. At the Vienna congress in 1815, title of grand dukes of Lithuania was conferred on Russian Tsars. This title passed down to Nicholas II.

Tsarist oppression of Lithuania, which lasted 120 years, makes Hitler's persecution of the Jews look like the picnic scene from "Green Pastures" in comparison.

When Napoleon crossed Lithuania in 1812, en route to Russia, hopes of regaining sovereignty were revived. Many joined his army and a Lithuanian cabinet was constituted in Vilna. But their hopes



Holland is not the only country which boasts windmills. Hundreds of these dot Lithuanian countryside.

were dashed when Napoleon was defeated. The Tsarist grip tightened.

In 1832 the University of Vilna (established 1578) was closed. Russian law was substituted in 1840 for the complex Lithuanian Statute of 1529. Use of the name "Lithuania" was forbidden, and the language was banished from Lithuanian schools.

When their language was thus abolished, the Lithuanians adopted Latin, and for some time taught their children Lithuanian history and customs by this ruse. But in 1864 even the printing of books and newspapers in Latin was prohibited. Nevertheless, they were printed abroad and smuggled into the country.

There were open rebellions in 1831 and 1863.



General view of Kaunas, Lithuania's provisional capital. Dome of church in background is typical of the tiny Baltic state.



Picturesque fishing boats of Lithuania's Memellanders, docked at Klaipeda, country's only developed port.



In extending their ancient empire, the Liths were forced to give up their Druidic religion. Numerous shrines like the one above are built along the byways to offer comfort to the weary traveler.

DURING the Russo-Japanese war, 2,000 delegates attended a convention in Vilna (1905) and demanded liberation of the country. It was to no avail. This brutal regime retarded cultural and economic development of the Liths. Widespread emigration began, with the result three-fifths of the Lithuanian population is outside the mother country today. But the innate desire for education and memories of the past kept their national spirit awake.

With the world war came liberty, although at a terrible cost. Used as a battle-ground, many towns and farms were burned, the country devastated and fully half of its cattle destroyed. In 1918, a hastily formed government proclaimed Lithuania's independence at Vilna.

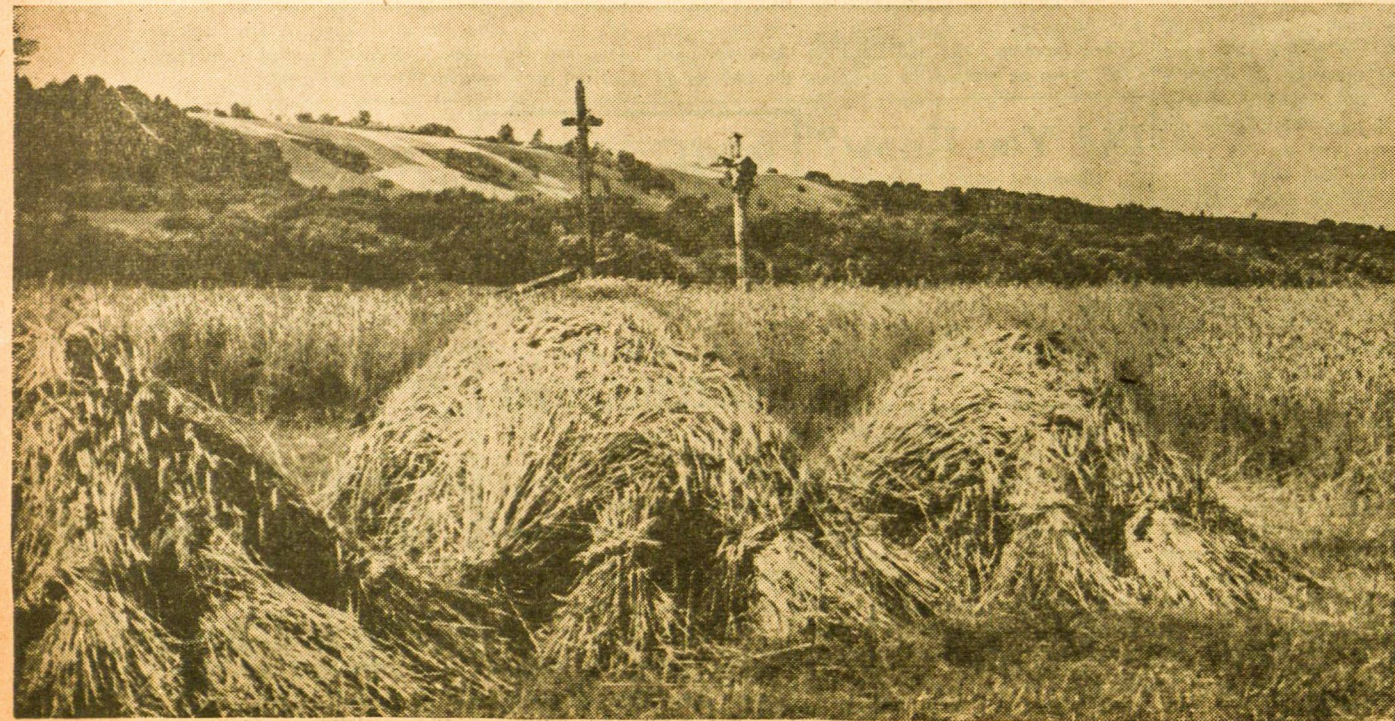
A treaty was signed with Russia, July 21, 1920, in which Russia renounced all rights to Lithuania and fixed her frontiers, with Vilna as capital. Under League of Nations auspices, Oct. 7, 1920, a treaty was signed with the Poles at Suwalki,

which also left Vilna Lithuania's capital. But two days later, an over-zealous Polish general, Sylvester Zeligowski, stormed into the ancient city and captured it.

After some legal fiddling around, during which the new status quo was maintained, Lithuania broke off all relations with Poland. This state of war existed for 18 years and was called off only a few weeks ago. But many Liths are still singing their song of defiance, "Without Vilna we will never be content."

Lithuania's modern army numbers about 28,000 officers and men. It is an efficient, well-trained organization, but admittedly only strong enough to stand for a few hours—days at most—against Hitler's numberless hordes. Yet this brave people can point with pride at their noble heritage and tell Adolf to go mix his paste.

For Lithuania survived 120 long, miserable years of Tsarist oppression, and its citizens still speak their native language which has survived CIVILIZATIONS!



God-fearing Lithuanians put crosses in their fields to protect crops. Note sand dunes in background.

BOWLING TRAIL TO CLEVELAND SET BY LITHUANIAN KEGLERS

by the SPORTS EDITOR

If you should happen to be strolling around the Erie section of Ohio's leading city, and hear an immense barrage of bomb-shelling, please do not get that Orson Welles fright in you and call out the reserves, that little "war" noise will be from the black "bombs" of the nations leading pinsmiths who will be looking for prize money at the American Bowling Congress' fortieth annual bowling tournament at Cleveland, Ohio.

The tournament gets under way come this windy March.

Garnering a few splinters from the kick-backs, we noticed that a lengthy aggregation of Lithuanian keglers are to take part in America's favorite pastime—this pastime mind you is the great spectacle of the year so far as bowling is concerned.

AUGUSTITUS BROS. FIRST

From all maple lanes throughout the nation as far as the Lithuanian bowlers are to take place, the Augustitus Brothers of Hazelton, Pennsylvania are team number one for the Liths. These brothers, who boast a mighty lifetime average of 197 for the lot will enter the Cleveland classic under the colors of the Hazelton Pilsner quintet. They are Frank, Lou, John, Sam, Jerry and George. At the New York tournament in 1937 they bagged 2931 in the five man event for 34th place money and expect to go further than that mark in this bowling session.

JURKSIS IN THE MONEY

Another lone-star bowler who shared money in the New York event was Georgie Jurksis, he placed ninth in the all-events bagging \$115 in prize money. That black spheroid of his will roll for the Simmons Bed Company. His team, the Lithuanian Club will be minus their star, they too are entered and supported by New Jersey's best as another all-Lithuanian combination. From this same state comes the youngest outfit to enter, the Elizabeth Knights. At an even clip (in ages) they average between 19 and 23. Peter Laura, veteran of many tournaments will direct the squad along with Joe Malesky. The two mainstays of this combine register Cholly Oskutis and Vincy Patrick. Both youngsters have a habit of hitting 278 games, in smashing the maples they total eight 278 games between them. This season, Oskutis averages 194 and Patrick 196.

FIRST BONA—FIDE ENTREE

Also to enter this contest will be the Skernolis Cafe team of Hazelton, Pennsylvania. From the desk of the ABC officials word comes that they are a Lithuanian team, not a Greek team as rumors have had them to be. Michael Skernolis is the sponsor and Willie Skernolis captains. This team was the first bona-fide quintet to enter the show, out of 4,500 teams to enter, it had to be a Lith team to be first!

Up in motorville, or Detroit, 197 teams have made reservations for the Cleveland event. Word at this desk has not yet been received as to how many Liths are going to enter. JAUNIMAS correspondent up in Detroit will further information.

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SPORTS SHORTS

Al (Beni) Labutis, Chase country (Waterbury, Connecticut) club professional, is conducting a golf school of his own. A record number of students are in attendance.... Frank Saldukas of the Waterbury K of L basketball team is playing sensational ball this season and has attracted quite an amount of attention from sports followers in New England.... As much as it hurts all concerned, Tony Giedraitis' trip to Kaunas to play and even coach basketball was a flop.... Who ever selected him, must have been a practical joker.... Tony was a bench warmer in Chicago and he's doing the same in Kaunas....

Led by Ed Martinaitis of Spring Valley, Illinois, Lithuania won its first international victory in boxing a few weeks ago, when Lithuanians downed Estonia 11 to 5.

RACINE, WIS.

GARY LITHS FETED BY RACINE YOUTH

RACINE, Wisc.—The Club of Gary was entertained here recently by the members of the Iron Wolf, a Lithuanian youth organization of this city.

The Gary Liths repayed Racine hospitality after a banquet at the Two Way Inn, by trouncing the Iron Wolves 39 to 27 in a cage tilt in the evening. To do so they had to overcome a 17 to 14 lead held by the home talent at the half.

The Iron Wolf will visit Gary on February 25—26 and attempt to settle the score with the Lith Club.

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Lithuania Will Import More U.S. Basektballers

KAUNAS— More American Lithuanian cage players will be used to rebuild the Lithuanian team for the defense of the European title in May, it was learned from a reliable authority here. The present team, after a recent defeat by the Latvians, does not please the coaches.

Frank Talzunas, of Cicero, Illinois, will be the first to arrive of a number of American athletes for the reorganization. Talzunas played on the Lithuanian team here in 1937 and was the sensation of the European tournament, establishing a new European record in points scored.

There are four U. S. Lith cagers here. They are Frank Lubinas, Phil Krause, Mike Ruzgis and Tony Giedraitis. The latter, a Chicagoan, is a newcomer who, to the disappointment of cage fans here, has not lived up to expectations and cannot be relied upon too strongly.

Krause resigned as captain of the national squad recently and the post has been assigned to Lubin.

ATTENTION Sports Followers

In the next issue of the JAUNIMAS, the sports editor will sponsor a "SPORT CONTEST" concerning the Lithuanian sportsmen and women. We will tender ten questions in every issue, all you need do is supply the correct answers to these queries and receive a suitable prize for the best answers submitted. Further information about this contest will be in the next issue.

Follow the JAUNIMAS for Lithuanian sports!

PERFECT GAME SCORED BY LITH IN BOWLING

ELIZABETH, N. J.—John Zalapukes, better known as "Slug" Zally, registered his first "300" game of his bowling career at the Lithuanian Liberty Hall drives here February 11th.

Zalapukes, who bowls for the Western Electric team of Kearny and the Elizabeth Knights sunk twelve perfect strikes in the pocket while bowling "pot" games. The seventh frame rusted about to disaster as the ten-pin took time out before collapsing. It was the first "perfect" game registered at these alleys.

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According to research on our end, the Lithuanians ranked first with international events. The Lithuanian Olympiad held at Kaunas during the summer of 1938 was outstanding. Only true Lithuanians from the Windy City of Chicago to the Tiker Tape shores of the East participated as entrants from the United States. The Eastern Hemisphere dominated in her own ranks. VALIO LIETUVA!!!

Just a reminder—

Thanks to Mr. Archaki of the Morning World (Nowy-Swiat) for selecting Messrs Osmanski of Holy Cross and Wysocki of Villanova to your "All Polish" football team.

And whence do three Lithuanian periodicals acquire the permission to name Mike Karakas of the Chicago Black Hawks ice hockey team as the "best Lithuanian on the glassy surf!" This ace puck stopper is a Czeck, check! According to Les Patrick, Alex Shibicky is Canada's Lithuanian representation to the New York Rangers.

Are the Lithuanian sportsmen of the Mid West doing anything about the coming World's Fair? Come this September, on Lithuanian Day, another sporting event should be held—right on the Lithuanian Pavillion.

SPLINTERS FROM THE BENCH

Frank G. Menke's new all sports record book will list that twenty-seven minute round Al Penkunis fought against Jack Torrance. It was a hectic affair, with Ripley

of Believe it or Not fame giving it a mention. Jack Sharkey told your scribe of a "find" of his, Buck Tracey, nee Paul Bakanas a scrappy middleweight just out of Scully Square....also from the Beantown comes two more capable ring artists, Joey Woishnis and Steve Sapowsky, rumors have it that Sapowsky will make a tour of the mid-west. Andy Kondrotas, former heavyweight wrestling king of long ago runs a liqua mart in New York....Is Nurse Kondrotas of Chicago's Holy Cross hospital any relation....thought I'd ask. Layman of the east working rapidly for another sport spectacle this summer....K of L track meet will be great event during convention time....East well supplied, how are others spiking their togs? Speaking of the K of L: The Elizabeth Knights will be the first in that organization to enter a team in the forthcoming American Bowling Congress at Cleveland, in fact the only K of L team to ever enter with the Lithuanian colors, and what's more the only full fledged Lith outfit to ever enter in that classic! And did the K of L sports committee go South? Or shall we say go West! Greatest Athletic night yet to be held was sponsored by the Rev. Fr. Michael Kemezis of Elizabeth on January 24, 1939. Topnotchers in all classes performed for the benefit of Sts. Peter and Paul Basketball team, regarded as dark horses in Catholic Loop in Jersey. And did Father Valuckis of Chicago sponsor any athletic combination in the CYO activities? If he reads this article here's a tip: Nurse Lucas from the East sends best to you from her by me.

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3. Do people leave the room when you enter? In other words, who goes out when you come in?

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LIBRARY NEWS

HARTFORD, CONN.

A letter received by this department from Miss McLellan who is in charge of Foreign Language Books at the Hartford Public Library contained the following information—"Our Lithuanian patrons are enjoying the new books you helped me select".

WATERBURY, CONN.

Many new books and magazines brought back from Lithuania by Mr. Anthony Kateiva have been bound and are now available at the Library. It is interesting to note that since the rapid growth of the Lithuanian section to some twenty two shelves, the Polish section which is next to ours and consisted of a mere three shelves, has suddenly taken on new life, by the addition of a half shelf of new books. Does this mean that we have inspired a yearn for more culture?

NEW HAVEN, CONN.

The reverse situation as to number of books exist in New Haven, Connecticut. Unfortunately the Lithuanians there have not been inspired to do something about it. Upon numerous visits to the New Haven Public Library in the past few years, I have hoped to see some new books added, however it seems that since about 1930 the Lithuanian section has remained dormant.

WILKES BARRE, PENNA.

In a recent issue of "Garsas" I noticed an article which mentioned that something should be done about providing more Lithuanian books in the Wilkes Barre Library. I second the suggestion.

Upon a visit to that Library last summer I was amazed at how little has been done in this direction. There are so few books in Lithuanian, likewise so few in English about Lithuania, that the people of Wyoming Valley should do something about it. With so many Lithuanians in this region, there surely must be at least one who is interested in starting such a project. Should any one by chance read this and feel in the mood to do something about it, and desire to learn more about how Waterbury succeeded in its task, please communicate with me and the information will be forwarded.

NEW EDITION OF KUDIRKA'S WORKS

KAUNAS—The Spaudos Fondas, publishers, have announced that they will soon release a new edition of the works of Vincas Kudirka. The edition will be in four volumes.

Kudirka's literary efforts were first published in 1909 in Tilze, Prussia, and were edited by Juozas Gabrys. The enterprise was financed by the Lovers of the Fatherland, a Lithuanian American literary organization active to this day. The first edition was in six volumes and is at present rare in the book market. It is claimed that now the six volumes are priced at ninety dollars.

... (JAUNIMAS readers were given the opportunity to read Kudirka's biography and an English translation of one of his best known short satires, "A case of Censorship" in the December 25th issue.)

ARTICLES and PARTICLES

I passed a WPA project the other day. I noticed a gigantic steam shovel. It bothered me. How are the men going to lean on it?

If a fellow tries to kiss a woman and gets away with it, he's a man; If he tries and doesn't get away with it, he's a brute; if he doesn't try but would get away with it if he tried, he's a coward; but if he doesn't try and wouldn't have gotten away with it if he tried, he's wise.

If and when I ever have that dream ranch of mine, somewhere in Wyoming, I have the name ready . . . BAR NOTHING RANCH.

NEWS FLASHES

Boston Manufacturing company introduces "Jitterbug Ties" of extreme patterns and wild colors and gives away pin with little dancing figure on hair spring that "jitters" with every move, free with each tie.

Company selling globes keeps name of customer on file and every time there is a major change, a decalcomania is sent to paste on the globe.

Japanese army uses live Chinese prisoners for bayonet practice.

A soft drink, sold in Montreal, is named "Flirt".

DEFINITIONS

CRITIC—Legless man who teaches running.

HISTORY—Past politics.

Infalible sign of old age—Formerly, civilities were taken for declarations of love...now, declarations of love are taken for civilities. --

PROVERBS OF JUN YEE

If you find yourself in hot water, be nonchalant, take a bath.

SIMILE

As contented as a cat in a fish cannery.

It is rather curious that tho this is the age of remarkable, startling revolutionary inventions, the two inventions that have caused the most trouble and turmoil ever since they were invented in the Middle Ages: Gun powder and romantic love.

The sports editor, Al Dobar tells of a yarn that George Bernard Shaw would lift his Van Dyke to laugh at.

While over at the Richmond Memorial Hospital in Staten Island, New York, he visited Joe Staitis, nee Joey Stat one time heavy-weight boxer of the Island and now suffering with a bad case of the D. T."

Around four in the afternoon poor Joey called his nurse to his attention and howled: "Nurse, quick, get me an umbrella, it's raining something terrible in here!" The nurse obligingly enough answered him and put the fore lights on and said, "There now fellow, it stopped raining, look at the rainbow above, see?"

The poor chap got up on his cot shaking like a leaf and yelled back at the lady in white, "you can't fool me about the rainbow, that's the sun!"

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Vyt. Sirvydas

Here are several extracts from our press and translations into English. Read the Lithuanian first, translate into English and compare how near you came to the real meaning.

"Tautos praeitis yra ne tik mūsų dvasinis kapitalas, paveldėtas iš bočių, kurį turime gausinti, didinti, nes gyventi vien tik iš jo procentų yra tolygu bijoti ateities; ji, tautos ateitis, yra patikimiausias ir geriausias mūsų mokytojas, atskleidžias tikruosius kelius į tautos kuriamą ateitį."

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This sentence is from the Klaipėda daily Vakarai. It is quite long and involved. Its approximate translation would be:

"To us the nation's past is not a spiritual capital left by our ancestors which we must enrich and increase, since living on its interest only would be equivalent of being afraid of the future; the nation's past is the best and most trustworthy

teacher, pointing out to us the true road towards the future which the nation is creating".

Here's another example:

"Lietuviai, dar būdami stabmeldžiais, pasižymėjo aukšta šeimos dorove. Simanas Daukantas, kalbėdamas apie senovės lietuvių šeimą, sako: 'Kilnumą saugojo ne vien kalboje, bet ir apdare ir visuose namuose. Nepadorių žodžių saugojos. Nelėbavo, gašlumo nepakentė'."

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This is from Moteris ir Pasaulis, a magazine for women published in Kaunas. Will your translation run something like this?

"The Lithuanians distinguished themselves by high family morals while yet being Pagans. Simanas Daukantas (our noted historian, V. S.), speaking of the ancient Lithuanian family, says: 'Nobility was guarded against. They did not overindulge, and they hated lust'."

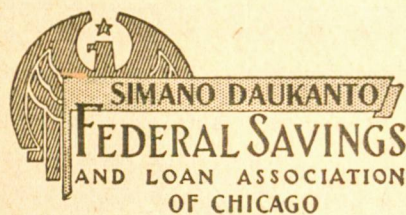
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WATERBURY NEWS

Three-In-One Organization Is Progressing

WATERBURY, Conn.—(Special)—Three Lithuanian groups are as solidly united as one in this city, in a campaign to elevate their national group and aid others in this and nearby localities.

The three-in-one, as it is sometimes called, comprises the Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce, its auxiliary and the Lithuanian radio assembly. Under one banner work shoulder to shoulder the professional and business men and women, their mothers, sisters, daughters and other female relatives while all, including even the younger boys and girls constitute the radio assembly which broadcasts programs every Sunday over station WATR.

YOUTH CONDUCTS RADIO PROGRAMS

This group is booked for 1939 on the air to present musical and educational programs which are largely conducted by the younger generation. Everyone is given an opportunity to perform in any way they are qualified. The directors of the Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce are confident that this three in one group will accomplish much for its youth and the Lithuanians in general in this locality.

The officers of the Chamber of Commerce are: president, Peter Krugelis; vice-president Ernest Mazeika; secretary, Bernice Marshalka; treasurer, John Tarilla and trustees, Dr. John Zemans and Anthony Shambaris.

The board of directors is made up by Chas. Strickulis, Frank Matusevich, Dr. M. Colney, Vincent Zuraitis, Joseph Dander, Atty. A. Bronsky and Anthony Pinkevich.

On the radio committee are Er-

nest Mazeika, Bronie Marshalka, Anthony Pinkevich and Dr. M. Colney.

The Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce auxiliary officers are president, Mrs. M. Colney; vice-president, Mrs. Peter Krugelis; secretary, Mrs. John V. Lasky; financial secretary, Mrs. Joseph Urba; treasurer, Mrs. Anthony Radvilla and trustees, Mrs. Ed. Digimas and Mrs. John Stokes.

Delegates to the Chamber of Commerce and the radio committee are Mrs. M. Colney, Mrs. John Lasky, Mrs. Stasys Sapanas and Mrs. Stan Shukis. Mrs. John Lasky is publicity chairman.

46 YOUTHS PERFORM

The Chamber of Commerce radio assembly officers include John Dougall, Marion Bogush, Natalie Krugelis, Theresa Krivinskas, Anthony Micklinevich, Beatrice Kukanskas, Connie Jegela, Agnes Adams, Joseph Stevens, Lillian Wolf and Brone Rasims.

Dr. M. J. Colney is the program conductor and chief announcer, assisted by Adolph Balanda, John Dougall, Beatrice Kukanskas, Peter Adams and Agnes Adams.

The radio group consists of 46 organized boys and girls and they perform at 2 p. m. every Sunday under the sponsorship of the Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce, over radio station WATR.

The 10th anniversary of the Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce, the fourth year of existence of its auxiliary, and the second birthday of both groups' radio broadcasting activities were marked January 29th. Four hundred people attended the affair at Nemunas hall. Featured on the program was the New Britain Lithuanian Radio chorus, Dr. M. J. Colney presided as master of ceremonies.

NEWS FROM LITHUANIA

LITHUANIA REACHES NEW HIGH IN BOOK PRODUCTION

KAUNAS—More than 1200 books were published in Lithuania in 1938, according to the figures released by the Lithuanian Bibliographical Institute. This is a substantial advance on the record figures of previous years and brings up the production of books to that of Latvia.

The number of books published in Lithuania was: in 1928—793, in 1929—926, in 1930—961, in 1931—1,070, in 1932—905, in 1933—898, in 1934—963, in 1935—966, in 1936—1,013, and in 1937—1,080.

NEW CONSULATES

KAUNAS—Poland will establish two consulates in Lithuania, one in Klaipeda and the other in Sauliai. Lithuania is contemplating opening of its own consulates in Gdynia and Vilnius.

LOZORAITIS TAKES OVER NEW DUTIES IN ROME EMBASSY

ROME, Italy—M. Lozoraitis, former minister of foreign affairs, has been approved as Lithuanian minister to Rome by the Italian government.

Lozoraitis succeeds M. V. Carnickis who has been recalled to Kaunas.

LITHUANICA II USED AS TEST PLANE BY LITH SCIENTIST

KAUNAS — "Lithuanica II", the plane with which the Lithuanian American pilot, Felix Vaitkus, crossed the Atlantic several years ago, has recently been converted to scientific research.

Dr. K. Barshauskas, a specialist in the research of the activities of the cosmic rays, using special equipment, took the "Lithuanica" up to heights of 600, 1,000, 2,000, 3,000 and 5,000 meters. The results of the research have shown that the intensity of the radiation of the rays diminished on the upward flight up to 600 meters by 40 per cent, and beyond that limit began to increase and in the altitude of 5,000 increased by 200 percent.

The results have been communicated to Professor Geiger, the well known German authority on cosmic rays, who was greatly impressed by their exactness.

ANNUAL AWARD FOR LITERATURE GOES TO YOUNG LADY

KAUNAS—Salomeja Neris, a well known Lithuanian poetess was recently declared the winner of the State Prize for Literature Award for 1938. Officials announced she was selected because of the quality of her volume of verse, "Diemedziu Zydesiu".

Miss Neris, who is 24 and already the authoress of several books of verse, is the second woman to earn the prize since its inauguration several years ago.

LITHUANIAN AIR FANS FIND U. S. MODELS BEST

KAUNAS—A large shipment of American airplane models was recently received here by the Lithuanian Air Club.

Airplane model construction is a widely pursued hobby here and Air Club officials, wishing to raise the standard of model making in Lithuania, found that American models, because of their simplicity, cheapness and good quality are very popular.

Pins for Our Map

Vytautas Sirvydas, our "Mother Tongue" editor, recently visited the Port Henry and Witherbee, New York Lithuanian colonies and introduced local Lith youth to JAUNIMAS. Strange as it may seem, the youth of those two isolated towns have never even heard of any Lith publication or Lith activity. Now they are all subscribing to JAUNIMAS.

Toronto, Canada is finally joining the everspreading network of JAUNIMAS. Mr. K. Bure is the JAUNIMAS' representative in that colony and he is already engaged in an intensive subscription drive of his own.

Our next stop in Canada is Montreal.

Baltimore is also with us!

With the appointment of Mr. Anthony J. Miceika as JAUNIMAS' general representative for Baltimore, Maryland, we expect to have the entire Lith Youth populace of that city reading JAUNIMAS very soon. Baltimore has 13,000 Lithuanians which should net JAUNIMAS a good number of new subscribers. Mr. Miceika is the president of the Baltimore Council of Lithuanian Societies, and an officer of the Lithuanian American Athletic Club, which, by the way, is the oldest club of this sort among the Liths of America, having been incorporated in 1915.

New subscribers from New Jersey and New York state join our family daily. Adolph Dobar, our sports editor is supervising the campaign in those two states.

George Waylonis is doing great work in Pennsylvania; George Venslovas is lining up Ohio, while Joe Ramas and Stan Stanulis are busy in Michigan. A lot will be heard from Mrs. Colney and John Poshkus, Jr. from Connecticut.

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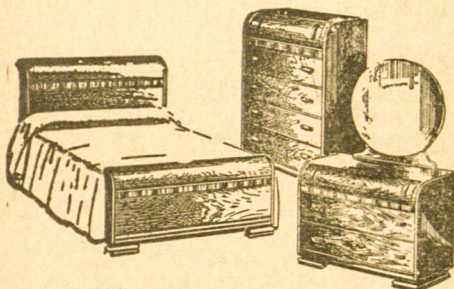
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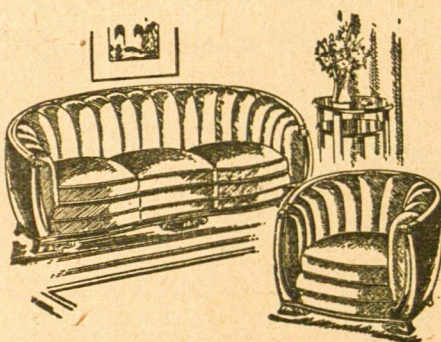
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