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In The Light of Facts

By JONAS BUDRYS
Consul General of Lithuania

(In the following article, Jonas Budrys, the Lithuanian Consul General, presents the views of the Lithuanian government now in exile, which are subscribed to by a majority of Lithuanians. Ed.).

At the outbreak of the war between Germany and Poland, Lithuania, like the other Baltic States, remained strictly neutral. She did not change her stand when the USSR joined the war. Lithuania did not even occupy the Vilnius and Suvalkai territories, which have been inhabited by Lithuanians for centuries past, and which were seized by Poland in 1920, though she considered them her own.

In September the Soviet Union delivered an ultimatum to Estonia, and Latvia, and a few days later to Lithuania, demanding the right to establish bases and Soviet garrisons, allegedly for the defense of these countries from possible aggressors, though not one of them had requested such protection. Small Lithuania, unable to receive aid from anywhere, was forced, as were Estonia and Latvia, to sign a pact "of her own free will", though she saw that by it the sovereignty of Lithuania was impaired. The powerful neighbor granted only one-fourth of the Vilnius territory to Lithuania, whereas, it had recognized all of it to Lithuania in a treaty in 1920. Noting the discontent among the other Lithuanians, the Soviets brutally compelled them to move into the depths of Russia. During the night thousands of people had to forsake the soil which they and their ancestors had tilled from ancient times, to leave the relatives who stood nearby—on Lithuanian territory—and with tears in their eyes beheld the tragic plight of their kin, unable to aid the unfortunates.

The Soviet garrisons arrived. In the beginning their behavior was seemingly proper, but it was felt that this condition was only temporary though, thanks to the resistance of Finland, it had lasted longer than the Soviets desired. After partial restoration of order, following the war with Finland, the Soviet government saw that the people of the Baltic countries are not inclining towards communism which was foreign to them; whereas, the prolongation of such a situation may become dangerous to the Soviets for the soldiers of the Soviet garrisons were beginning to notice the difference between the governmental systems of the Soviets and the Baltic States, to the disadvantage of the Soviets. Desertions commenced in the Soviet garrisons; but the governments of those countries, foreseeing trouble in this, to protect themselves, had to return the deserters to their superiors. Under these circumstances, and equally for economical reasons (the question of finances, for the maintenance of the bases and garrisons), the Soviets decided to hurry to assimilate the governing forms in the Baltic countries to conform with that of the Soviet Union. Taking into consideration that Lithuania is the only one of the three Baltic States bordering on Germany, Lithuania was the first to be selected for complete and final occupation, which was effected on June Fifteenth, at the same time surrounding the other two Baltic States and leaving them under the complete will of the Soviet government.

The Soviet government flung naive accusations at Lithuania regarding the seizure of several officers, which had allegedly occurred in the course of a few weeks. The deserters from the Soviet army became martyrs! The Lithuanian government authorities had dared to arrest and torture them. Actually, the Lithuanian government officials, in order to ease the position of the deserters, advised them to return, otherwise the said officials would be compelled to deliver them to the Soviet commandants.

The Lithuanian government realized the seriousness of the whole situation and prepared to give the Soviets complete satisfaction, and appointed a mixed committee to thoroughly investigate the asserted facts. But that was not what the Soviets needed.

The Soviets did not heed the findings of the committee but demanded that the Lithuanian Prime Minister and the Minister of Foreign Affairs come to Moscow. In discussions with them, the first accusations no longer played an important role. On the night of June Fifteenth, the Soviet ultimatum, demanding that Lithuania organize a government acceptable to the Soviets, and that she allow a Soviet army, of the size desired by the Soviet military authorities, to enter Lithuania, was delivered to Minister of Foreign Affairs Urbšys.

The Lithuanian government not interested in the home had to yield and made a last attempt to maintain something of an independent government. Particularly, since the Soviet government, more than once asserted that they were

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U.S. Denounces Red Grab Of Lithuania

Victim of Reds



Brig. Gen. Kazys Skučas, minister of internal affairs in the Merkys cabinet, was arrested by the new puppet government headed by Justinas Paleckis at the order of Moscow and will be tried for the "murder of a Russian soldier". It was one of the "hostile acts" which supposedly included kidnappings of Red soldiers from military bases, the murder of one officer, and the entering of a military treaty with Latvia and Estonia without the Soviet's approval, which were used as an excuse for the Moscow seizure of Lithuania.

The fate of Gen. Skučas and Augustinas Povilaitis, chief of Lithuania's police forces, who was arrested as an accomplice of the minister, is not known. Fear is expressed that they might have met with the typical Stalin justice—bullets at 30 paces.

TURIME DIRBTI LAISVAI LIETUVAI

CHICAGO, Liepos 27 — Lietuvos Konsulas Dr. Petras Daužvardis šiandien spaudai patiekė sekantį pareiškimą:

"Lietuvos Ministeris Žadeikis ir Konsulai Budrys ir Daužvardis smerkia Lietuvos okupaciją ir griežtai stoja už Laisvą ir Nepriklausomą Lietuvą.

"Aišku, tokio pat nusistatymo yra ir visa laisvoji Lietuvių Tauta.

"Tad, į darbą, visi už Laisvą Lietuvą ir prieš priešus Lietuvos ir Amerikos."

CALIFORNIA LITHS STAGE EXHIBITION

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 5. — Culminating long years of effort among the 3,000 Lithuanians who constitute the Lithuanian colony in Los Angeles and surrounding towns, the first Lithuanian art and

Funds of Three Baltic Nations "Frozen" by U. S.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 15 — President Roosevelt today extended his order "freezing" the credits of certain nations invaded by Germany to cover Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, which were occupied by soviet forces June 15.

The President's proclamation impounded the American holdings of the countries, now under Russian domination. Officials indicated the purpose was to prevent any "transfer" of the assets to the Soviet.

Commerce Department figures place Lithuanian assets here at \$270,000. Latvia has \$400,000 and Estonia \$320,000. American investments in the 3 Baltic nations total \$3,400,000, but these were not affected by the proclamation.

Soviet Russia Extends Power To The Baltic

What has Soviet Russia gained by the military occupation of the three Baltic nations northeast of Germany and southwest of the vital Soviet port of Leningrad?

"In size, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have a combined area of little more than 60,000 square miles, or considerably less than one per cent of the extent of the Russian land Colossus," says a special bulletin from the National Geographic Society. "In terms of population added to Soviet domination, the Esths, Letts and Liths amount to less than six million people, again only between three and four per cent of the vast numbers of Russian citizens.

Long, Strategic Coastline

"With a generally flat terrain, the Baltic trio (occupying part of the 'Great European Plain') offer little or no natural barriers for defense. In past centuries powerful neighbors, including the Germans, (Con't. on Next Page)

handicraft exhibition was opened here today. The exhibit, occupying three galleries in the Los Angeles county museum in the Exposition Park will run through August 5th. The show is sponsored by a committee of local Lithuanian organizations.

Welles Calls Red Move "Deliberate Annihilation"

Will Not Recognize Their Absorption by Russia

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The United States, roundly criticizing soviet Russia for "annihilating" the political independence of three Baltic republics, made known that it would not recognize their absorption into the soviet system.

Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state in the absence of Secretary Cordell Hull, spoke out at a press conference against "the devious processes" by which he said Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania were to be deprived of their freedom by "one of their more powerful neighbors."

Terms Action "Predatory"

The acting secretary did not mention Russia by name, but he left no doubt in any one's mind as to his meaning. Newly elected parliaments in the Baltic republics had voted, following Red army occupation of their countries and an intensive propaganda campaign, to seek union with the soviet.

"The people of the United States are opposed to predatory activities no matter whether they are carried on by the use of force or by the threat of force," Welles declared. "They are likewise opposed to any form of intervention on the part of one state, however powerful, in the domestic concerns of any other sovereign states, however weak."

Present Ministers Recognized

Serving notice that this government would continue to stand by these principles, he said that unless the doctrine underlying them once again governed the relations between nations, the basis of modern civilization itself could not be preserved.

Welles added, that the United States would continue to recognize the minister of sovereign governments now under duress.

Col. Povilas Zadeikis, Lithuanian minister, visited Welles on July 22 and presented him a note on the subject of the soviet action in Lithuania. The text of the memorandum was not made public but it is understood that Zadeikis requested the United States not to recognize the soviet occupation of Lithuania.

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While Zadeikis visited the State Department, the flag at the Lithuanian legation was flown at half mast.

Unprovoked Aggression

Later in the day the legation issued the following statement:

"The Lithuanian minister in the United States today presented the American government with a memorandum in conjunction with the action of the Soviet Russia in Lithuania. The flag of the Lithuanian legation is at half mast. It is imperative now to have the cooperation, harmony and action of the Lithuanian people."

Dr. Alfred Bilmanis, Latvian minister, declared in a formal statement that his country, thru the request of her "puppet parliament" for incorporation in the soviet union, had become a victim of unprovoked Russian aggression.

Following Sumner Welles' announcement that the United States will continue to recognize the present ministers of the soviet occupied Baltic States, Col. Povilas Zadeikis, Lithuanian minister, becomes a member of the refugee diplomats' corps in Washington orphans'.

The Lithuanian consuls will follow the lead of their chief and will not surrender their legations to soviet representatives.

IT'S CITIZEN SO AND SO, NOW

RIGA, LATVIA, July 17.—Latvia, Estonia, and Lithuania today abolished "Mr.", "Mrs." and "Miss" as titles and decreed that the term of address for all will be "Citizen". The decrees were another step in the Baltic states' rush toward a soviet pattern of life. No one is entitled to a title, anyway, said a Latvian announcement.

Soviet Russia Extends Power to the Baltic

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Poles, Swedes, and Russians, have easily made of this region a frequent and bloody battleground.

"On the other hand, extremely strategic is the approximately 2,000-mile coastline of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, which in Soviet hands gives the Russians control of the northeast Baltic from Germany's East Prussia to Finland. Between Finland and Estonia, the narrow Gulf of Finland, with Russian bases now on both sides, is the only sea approach to Leningrad.

"The push to the sea has also brought the Russians to positions within 200 miles of the southeast shores of Sweden as far north as the Gulf of Bothnia. In Latvia, they are less than 100 miles from the big Swedish island of Gotland, lying near the center of the Baltic Sea.

"Russian troops, following the military occupation of Lithuania, may now patrol a land frontier with Germany extending more than 1,400 miles, from a point north of East Prussia on the Baltic, to the Carpathian Mountains of expanded Hungary in the heart of Europe.

"Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania were all parts of the Russian Empire before the World War and the Russian Revolution. With few natural resources, they were chiefly valuable as grain producers and as sea outlets for Russian trade. The local economy of the region was then largely in the hands of the German barons, descendants of an earlier Teutonic control. Together with the big Russian landowners, they held some 60 percent of the Baltic states' farm land. The establishment of independence of

the three small nations, after terrific struggles, brought about the break-up of the large estates into small peasant farms.

"A final chapter in the story of the once powerful German colonization in the Baltic was written in the autumn of 1939, following the outbreak of the present European war, when German authorities ordered seventy or eighty thousand Germans living in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to leave their homes and business and move to Germany."

CONGRATULATIONS?

Commissar Molotoff must have had a hearty chuckle when he received last week a telegram from Chicago. It read: "American Lithuanian Olympic Club hopes the great Russian State will grant its small neighbor Lithuania independent rule under Russian protection."

President John Zuris, City Hall, Chicago."

No doubt this is what Tovarisch Molotoff said to his secretary:

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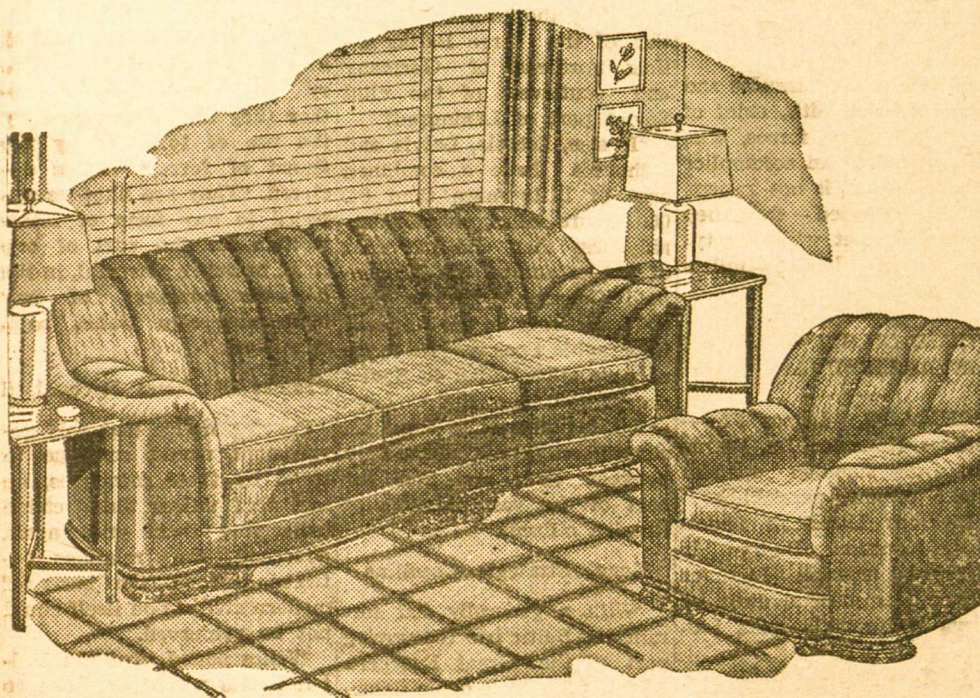
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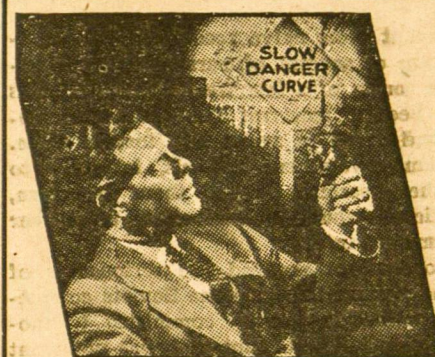
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Lith Immigrants Here In 1853, Records Show

By VYT SIRVYDAS

Who was the Lithuanian Columbus to first set foot on the American shore? Looking around for an answer to this question we meet a few semi-legendary tales which we will, for the moment, set aside.

Definite records state that the honor of being the first known Lithuanian to set foot in the United States goes to Petras Svotelis, who landed here in 1853. He was born in the province of Mariampolė, Lithuania, and studied for the priesthood before coming over. His later fate here is not known, but the "grand-old man", Tamas Astramskas, says that it was he who was the first Lithuanian to emigrate to United States (see Jr. Jono "Lietuviai Amerikoje", 1899, p. 13).

The life of Tamas Astramskas was intimately connected with the Susivienijimas Lietuvių Amerikoje (SLA) organization. Much of the early history of this organization was written from his records. He also had a part in the Tėvynės Mylėtojų (Lovers of the Fatherland) association which was a sort of Book-of-the-Month idea originated by our elders; only they published a book a year. Astramskas also edited a paper of his own.

Escape Military Service

With Svotelis came another Lithuanian, a dzukas, whose name, however, remained unrecorded. The records, then, are silent for eleven years, and we do not know whether any Lithuanians entered the United States. But in 1864 a real immigration stream begins which never died out though now it is only a trickle compared with 1907. Lithuania at that time was under Russian rule, and Russia had conscription. The more intelligent and energetic Lithuanian young men hated to serve the Tsars. They soon found that by emigrating to United States they could avoid this obnoxious military service.

The first one to come over on this account, it seems, was Juozas Botyrius. He arrived here in 1864. His fate here is unknown. He was followed in the same year by Jonas Staniulis and Vincas Gustaitis who also decided to thumb their noses at the Russian military service. Petras Kmieliauskas settled in Boston about the same time.

On May 11, 1866 came Krisius Stanynas and Jonas Stadalius and Martynas Stanynas. Their sea journey took 55 days (Vienybė Liet. Nr. 24, 1906). This year saw the arrival of Father Strupinskas, who died at Gilberton, Pa. in 1895.

The first ship known to have brought Lithuanians over to United States was the James Foster. It left Hamburg, Germany, on Dec 11, 1868 and landed at New York exactly three months later. There were seven Lithuanians aboard: three Protestants and four Catholics. Among them was Jonas Bapkauskas. The names of the others are unknown. The tide of Lithuanian immigration was swelling, since on arriving in 1869 at Shamokin, Pa., Antanas Papkauskas and Tamas Jeseliunas found about thirty Lithuanian men already settled there. It is said that in 1868 three Lithuanians settled in Waterbury, Conn. Their names are given as: Kleinauskas, J. Černiauskas and J. Kreičmonas.

First Newspaper

The record for the year 1869 contains many items mentioning Lithuanians. For instance, in January three Lithuanians came from New York to work in the construction of the Philadelphia and Reading railway around Shamokin, Pa. They were: Silvestras Bruožis, Ignas Kazlauskas and Pranas Brazauskas. The construction work did not suit them, so they entered the local mines, and were soon joined by: Mikas Tvarauskas, Kazys Markevičius and Vincas Naujalis. Tvarauskas later was the publisher of the first Lithuanian newspaper in United States, The Lietuviška Gazeta. The spring of the same year sees Juozas Černikis and Silvestras Rokosz working at the construction of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad near Danville, Pa. Rokosz later established the newspaper, Lietuva, in Chicago, and Černikis became a well known figure in Wilkes Barre, Pa.

First Lith Woman

Lithuanians were beginning to settle all over Pennsylvania. The summer of 1869 found Andrius Tepliusis settled in Pittston, Pa. He was the first Lithuanian book-seller in the United States and later was President of the SLA. In Yatesville, Pa. there were five Lithuanian men working at the railroad construction. This year saw the first recorded arrival of a female Lithuanian.

Waterbury Liths Get Fair Statue

WATERBURY, Conn. — Remember that 14-foot statue of a Lithuanian woman which was located in front of the Lithuanian pavilion at the New York world's fair last year? Well, the Lithuanian government's Fair committee presented the statue to the Lithuanians of Waterbury, Conn., and it now stands erected on the lawn of St. Joseph's church here.

CATHOLIC STUDENT BODY ELECTS NEW NATIONAL BOARD OF OFFICERS

THOMPSON, Conn. — John Šakočius, Pittston, Pa., was elected president of the American Lithuanian Roman Catholic Students and Professionals Association, at the annual convention held at Marianapolis College July 2-3. Others named to the board of officers are: Pranas Skeivis, Brockton, Mass., Miss Valerie Jakštas, Waterbury, Conn., Jonas Klebauskas, Marianapolis and Miss Jadvyga Stulginskas, Waterbury, Conn. Boleslovas Laučka was selected editor of the Studentų žodis magazine, the association's official organ.

an. She was Marijona Venciuė. She settled in Mahanoy Plane, Pa. and in 1873 married one Stasys Kiškis. Her daughter Ona, was the first American born Lithuanian girl to become a licensed school teacher (in 1890).

In general, however, it may be said that the record of Lithuanian arrivals and settlements in the United States is far from complete or perfect. The early history of our elders here, also, can stand a lot of good spade work. Our fathers did not understand the value of keeping records, diaries, letters, reminiscences, and so on. Many of them are dead, taking their experiences with them to the grave. However, many can still tell their tales. We, the younger generation, would be only doing a useful duty if we wrote down their statements and performed a little research work along these lines.

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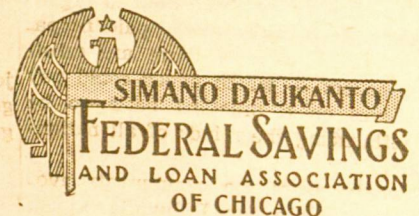
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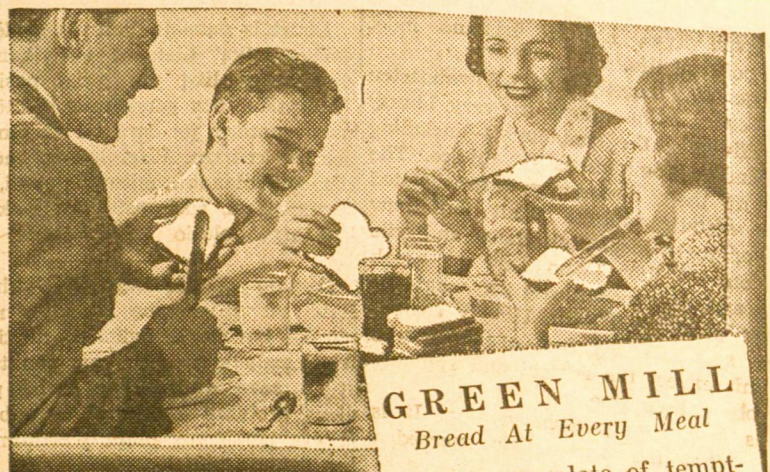
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THE KISS OF JUDAS

The arch hypocrites of them all, the Red Judases of the world, have succeeded in bestowing on Lithuania the kiss of betrayal which resulted in the flight of Lithuania's independence to the purgatory of oblivion, to seek refuge there with the shadows of the shattered freedom of Czecho-Slovakia, Poland, Belgium, Denmark, Luxemburg and France.

Lithuania is no more, but the members of the Red Judas clan in Lithuanian communities here and abroad rejoice. Like a demented killer who had just murdered his mother, they rejoice that she will no longer prohibit them from dragging their muddy feet into her spotless kitchen.

Lithuania was not betrayed by Englishmen, Poles, Germans or Frenchmen, but by Lithuanians — Lithuanians who, regardless of where they live and regardless of which country's protection they enjoy, have only one fatherland to which they give their complete, unlimited and unquestioned loyalty. That fatherland is the blood-red Russia, the comic opera "workers' democracy" in which one man holds the decision over life or death because he has been able to organize a world-wide organization of paid propagandists at whose disposal there are subsidized newspapers — which never could pay for themselves on a practical basis—to be used for influencing the minds of all nationality groups.

For twenty years the communists avowed great friendship for Lithuania as an independent, self-sustaining and self-governing country. For twenty years the communists and their sheep-like followers professed that the Vilnius territory should rightfully belong to Lithuania. But all the while there was a glint in their eyes and malice in their hearts, for they added, silently, that Lithuania should belong to the soviet.

The tragic farce which began with the stationing of Russian troops in Lithuania has reached its inevitable conclusion, despite assurances at that time that the soviet would not interfere with the political or economical life of an independent nation. Even now the economic life of Lithuania is in upheaval. Even now it has no independent political life.

But, when this tragedy should downhearten not only every Lithuanian but every liberty loving individual, the communists—including the Lithuanian communists — rejoice. The columns of their newspapers are devoted solely to ecstatic ravings about the "new victory" of their ideal fatherland and vile vituperations of those who dare to speak the truth and denounce Russia for what she is and for what she stands. Utterly shameless, they spit into the face of the corpse and for this expect the respect and applause of the mob as their due.

All this is not only disheartening. It is alarming. What the communists succeeded in doing in Lithuania, they can succeed in doing elsewhere. Is there nothing we can do to put them in their place before they endanger our own United States? Must we continue to tolerate and ignore them for fear of being called "red-baiters"?

We favor a moral war to be waged against them. We ask and urge all Lithuanians, all liberty loving Americans, to declare an economic fight on these agents of Moscow, who for a regular paycheck, are willing to sacri-

fice our liberties, desecrate the temple of our democracy, mock true principles of humanity and civilization and take delight in exulting over a fallen victim of their hypocrisy.

And as for those naively innocent followers of communist-led movements, when will they come to their senses and show the door—with the aid of a well aimed foot—to their Moscow paid "leaders"? The time has come for action. Communists breed intolerance!

Iš Šalies Žiurint

JUOZAS POSKA

Po dvidešimt dviejų nepriklausomo gyvenimo metų, Lietuva šiandien daugiau savo laisvės neturi.

Maskvos diktatorius, per dvidešimt du metų primygtinai kartojęs pasauliui jos jis yra mažų tautų draugas ir jų laisvės sargas, Birželio 15-tą dieną išveržė su kariuomenė į Lietuvą ir ją pavergė. Pateisinimui to groboniško žygio, iš Kremliaus išėjo paskelbimas jog Lietuva kėsinosi į Sovietų Rusijos nepriklausomybę. Tai buvo pirmasis aktas tokios juokingos vaidybos, kokios nei Adolfas Hitleris dar nėra parodęs. Raudonoji armija jau buvo įgyvendinusi planus ir Lietuvą aneksavus tą momentą kada pirmieji kareiviai pasiekė Lietuvos-Vokietijos sieną. Vienok tarsi norėdama prajuokinti Juozą Staliną, Maskva įvykdė visą eilę tokių farsų kaip pastatymas 'naujos' Lietuvos vyriausybės susidedančios iš penktosios kolumnos narių ir kelių asmenų kurie turėjo dvi išeitis: kulka į kaktą arba sutikimas pabuti marionete Maskvos komedijoje, paskelbimas naujo seimo "rinkimų", kuriuose buvo tik komunistų partijos sąrašas, įvykdymas tų "rinkimų" ir pagaliau naujojo seimo "nubalsavimas prašyti" Stalino priimti Lietuvą į sovietų uniiją. Tai buvo netik kriminališkas apiplėšimas, bet dar aukos veido apspaudymas.

Jokios sutartys, jokios garantijos, joki įstatai nereiškė nieko. Maskvos diktatoriui užėjo noras paplėškauti tai be jokio net įspėjimo pasiuntė kelis šimtus tukstančių kareivių—ir Lietuvos nėra.

Bet jei Stalinas ir jo pusberniai mano jog jie Lietuvą pavergė amžiams—jie nėra gerai susipažinęs su Lietuviu ir jo ištvermingumu. Lietuva vėl prisikels. Lietuvių visada užsą vergovės pančius ir taps savo valdovu.

Amerikos lietuviai dabar įsijungė į kovą prieš Lietuvos okupantus, pirmą vietą turėję susikaupti kovoj su Maskvos parsidavėliais čia. Tie penktieji kolumnistai padėjo Lietuvos laisvę palaidoti ir dabar ant jos kapo kazoką šoka.

Doleris aukščiau patriotizmo? Tokį tai klausimą turime apie A. Vanagaitį, lietuvių kalba radio prog. leidėją, po to kaip jo radio val. kelis vak. pereitį savaitę garsino komunistų rengiamą masinį susirinkimą kuriame lietuvių kiejie komisarukai su pagalba iš Lietuvos atvykusio komunistuojančio žydo bandė lietuvių įtikinti jog Lietuva šiandien pagaliau susilaukė tikrosios laimės po Stalino globa.

Daugelis patriotų lietuvių girdėjusių Vanagaitį "talką" Lietuvos išdavikams sukviesti didesnę publiką yra giliai pasipiktinę. Jei Vanagaitis tuos garsinimus skaitė už dyką—nedovanotina; jei darė tai už pinigus tai jau žemiau kritikos. Visgi laikas, kad bent šioje juodoje valandoje mūsų lietuviai, tariaimi visuomenininkai, susiprastų kur reikia dėti taškas tarpe dolerio ir patriotizmo.

Įkandin visų tų Europos įvykių kurie nušlavė vieną valstybę po kitos nuo žemėlapiu — beveik kiekvienam atsitikime šalies laisvė palaidota po to kaip penktoji kolumna atliko savo destruktivų darbą priruošdama dirvą grobikui — Amerikos publikos opinija yra persiėmus pilnu įvertinimu savo šalies gynimo reikalo.

Kiekvienas nuoširdus ir doras pilietis aktyviai budi penktosios kolumnos sargyboje; sergsti, kad tie priešai, aršesni už tą kurį tenka sutikti atviros kovos fronte, negalėtų atlikti judošiško darbo.

Visa šalis įsitraukus į milžinišką apsiginklavimo ir gynybuisi prisiruošimo akciją kuriai vadovauja paties Prezidento Roosevelt'o paskirtas Nacionalis Apsiginimo Komitetas. (Tęsinys ant 5-to pusl.)

VOICE OF THE READER

This Department Is Readers Forum.

Letters Are Welcome.

RAIN SPOILED IT

I wish you wouldn't make your JAUNIMAS picnics so inviting for I'd love to go but they take place too far away.

I wish to renew my subscription to the JAUNIMAS and I sincerely wish you the luck and success you need to carry on such wonderful work with the paper.

(Miss) ELLEN SLIVYNAS
Media, Pa.

PADEDA MUMS

Prisiunčiu jums glėbį jaunimo antraščių. Nebus pro šalį jeigu "Jaunimą" užsirašytų ir senesni. Labai yra malonu, kad jus, Amerikos "Jaunimas" žengiate į kelius kuriuos pirmiau jusų protėviai išskynė. Didelė garbė yra jums, kad užsidėjot ant savo pečių tą didelį darbą, savo brolius ir sesutes kelti prie aukštesnio progreso. Plėskite mūsų jaunimui tą malonų balsą, pasiekite kiekvieno lietuvių ir lietuvaiteš širdi, kad jie ir ateity liktų tos pačios motinos sunus ir dukters.

A. J. BANISKAUSKAS
Mar Lin, Pa.

"Jaunimas" yra dėkingas A. J. Banišauskui už prisiuntimą pavardžių ir adresų apie 100 jaunosios kartos lietuvių gyvenančių įvairiuose mažuose Pensilvanijos valstijos miesteliuose. Mes tiems lietuviams pasiūsiame "Jaunimą" susipažinimui ir gal nevienas vėliau taps nuolatinis skaitytojas.)

JEWISH COOPERATION

Dear Editor:

Nothing gives us greater pleasure than to extend this invitation to you, your readers, and friends to attend the annual picnic of Mariampoles Aid Society, to be held Sunday, July 28, 1940 in the Beverly Hills Forest Preserve, one block east of 87th and Western Ave., Chicago. Admission free.

This Society, organized in 1907, as its name implies, is devoted to help the needy mainly in Marijampole, Lithuania.

The undersigned is well aware of the highest regard and esteem in which the Lithuanians are held by those in this Society and affiliated Lithuanian Jewish groups and of the efforts of these groups to promote good will, help the needy, and other activities, all in the best interest of Lithuania.

ALBERT HIRSCH
Chicago, Ill.

BIZNIERIAI IR LAIKRAŠČIAI

Perskaičiau redakcijinį straipsnį tilpusį Jaunimo 8-9 laidose užvadintą "Lietuvių biznis", ir perskaitęs jį, pasidariau išvadą, kad pats straipsnis nėra nieko pamokinantis, nei praktiško nieko neteikian- tis, dargi savo šurkščiais ir net netaktiškais išsireiškimais daug ką net įžeidžiantis. Todėl ir neklįsiu atvirai pasakydamas, kad tuomi straipsniu nė vienas lietuvis pramoninkas nebus prikvieistas skelbtis lietuvių laikraščiuose.

Kaip kiekviena gyvenimo šaka, taip ir pramonė, reika-

lauja praktikos, kad save išsilaikyti. Pramoninkai duodami skelbimus moka pinigus ir žiuri, kad tie skelbimai atneštų bent tiek naudos, kad skelbimas užsimokėtų, o kitaip nebutų išrokovimo dalyt pinigų laikraščiams be jokios naudos. Tai būtų pramoninkui lyg "saužudystė."

Aš nesakau, kad pramoninkams nereikalinga lietuviškuose laikraščiuose garsintis. Bet aš turiu mintyje, kad jei lietuviškuose laikraščiuose pramoninkai garsintis nenori, tai galbut tame pačių laikraščių kaltė dėl stokos samanumo toje pramonės šakoje. Pramoninkai savo skelbimais ieško naudos ten, kur skelbimai apsimoka, o apsimoka jie laikraščiuose kurie turi didelį tiražą. Ten ir skelbimų ratos skirtingos. Pav. Jaunimas skaito už skelbimo colį 75 centus. Chicago Tribune dienraštis skaitytojų turi galbut 300 sykių daugiau už Jaunimo skaitytojus. Tokioje skaitytojų daugybėje skelbimas randa mažiau ar daugiau klijentų, kuomet skaitytojų mažame burelyje to tikėtis negalima. O ir skelbimų kainose skirtumas. Kuomet skelbimo colis Jaunime už 300 sykių išeitų \$225, tai už tą patį colį Chicago Tribune skaito tik \$12.60. Tai vienas trumputis pavyzdys, parodantis kodėl lietuviai pramoninkai "badauja", o su jais ir lietuviški laikraščiai, ypač tie, kurie tik su savim skaitosi.

Norint garsintis tik lietuviškuose laikraščiuose, reikia stengtis pasiekti kuodaugiausia jų skaitytojų. Tada reiktų garsintis visuose lietuviškuose laikraščiuose, kiek tik jų yra, be jokio skirtumo, ir mokėt po 75 centus už colį. O kiek naudos iš to būtų? Pavyzdžiui, Chicagoj lietuvių yra virš 100,000 ir eina ar 10 visokių laikraščių, kurių skaitytojus sudėjus kruvon vargiai abelnas jų skaitlius sieks 10-12 tukstančių, ir tai dar to paties skaičiaus arti pusė bus skaitytojai vis tie patys žmonės. Tai kokios čia gali but pasekmės besigarsinanties pramonininkams Chicagoje? Chicagojos laikraščių skaitytojai kitose kolonijose vietinei pramonei neturi jokios reikšmės, nes jie turi pramoninkus savo kolonijose ir į Chicago pirkti nieko nevažiuos.

Man gaila, kad lietuvių laikraščiai Amerikoj gyvuodami apie nuo 60 metų, nesugebėjo savo pramonėje išsitobulinti, nemokėjo ir savo tiražų išauginti iki 20,000 ar 50,000. Pačioje pradžioje jie to nepermatė nes tada jų redaktoriais ir administratoriais buvo prastieji darbo žmonės, neturėję tam reikalingo prityrimo. Dabar vadovauja jau kiti žmonės, kurie turėjo ir dabar turi progą bent imdami pavyzdį iš kitų, savo vadovybę tobulinti ir vesti praktiškesnį keliu. Dėja, ir dabar tos pačios, o gal dar blogesnės pasekmės, kaip ir pirmiau buvo. Ir dabar mėginama vadovtis ne praktika, bet momentališku upu, be reikalingo apgalvojimo.

J. J. Bachunas
Sodus, Mich.

GETTING PERSONAL

MUSIC: One of the most promising violinists in Chicago is the young Gestautas who recently graduated from the Chicago Conservatory of Music with high honors... Do you know that four Lithuanians are members of the Illinois Symphony Orchestra? They are: John Denys (1st trombone), Charles Jakavicius (1st French Horn), Edward Adamavicius (string hase) and George Victor (cornet)... The latter needs no introduction... Besides being a fine musician, Victor is unquestionably the best music arranger among Lith here or Kaunas for that matter...

THIRD GENERATION: Andy Puplis, former All-American Gridder, is a proud father of a baby girl. Andy now is the head athletic coach at the Proviso High School... Frank and Mary Bulaws named their infant daughter Marsha...

ART: That oil portrait by James Vitkus entitled "Dr. K." which is now being shown in the Chicago Art Exhibit at the Navy Pier is a portrait of Dr. Krukas... The modernistic painting of St. Anthony in the Our Lady of Vilna Church in West Side is an original by Anthony Skupas, one of Chicago's top Lithuanian artists... Artist's young son served as a model for the baby held in St. Anthony's arms... Another portrait of Skupas' boy can be seen in the current Chicago Art Exhibit at the Navy Pier...

PRIESTS MOVE: Archbishop Samuel A. Stritch of Chicago last week announced the following changes of residence among Lithuanian clergy. Rev. Victor Chernauskas from All Saints, Roseland to Immaculate Conception, Brighton; Rev. Stanley Jonelis—from Immaculate Conception, Brighton to St. George, Bridgeport; Rev. Peter Katauskas—from Nativity, Marquette to St. George, Bridgeport; Rev. Stanley Petrauskas — from St. George, Bridgeport to Nativity, Marquette; Rev. Edward Abramavičius, newly ordained, to St. Anthony, Cicero; Rev. Joseph Makaras, also newly ordained, to St. Francis of Rome parish (non-Lithuanian) in Cicero.

GRADUATES: Miss Gloria Stankunas, whose father is the well-known photographer, has been awarded a full scholarship in piano study at Mundelein College... She graduated from St. Casimir Academy last month...

Frank Lucas, 17, of Pittsburgh, who last month graduated from high school with highest honors is a candidate for West Point. Frank is the brother of Mrs. P. Saltmieras... Algird Pocius, Jr. of West Pullman, who graduated from Tenger last month, was a member of the editorial staff of Tenger's newspaper...

FLYING: Joe Shulmistras enlisted into the Air Cadets Corp, and will report for duty at Tulsa, Oklahoma, July 31... Joe Zukas of tennis fame wants to join the marines but was told that he's underweight...

EDUCATION: Miss Helen Slakis may follow the footsteps of her father and seek a degree in law... Speaking of the Slakis family, Helen's mother, Dr. Susan, was again re-elected president of the Chicago Women's Medical Society, an organization embracing all female physicians in town...

Graduate of Michigan University: Medicine—George Babbin, Pentwater, Md., Master of Arts—John Joseph Yasaitis, Fitchburg, Mass. and Walter S. Grimala, Conn. Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy—Victor J. Gribas, Grand Rapids, Mich. Bachelor of Science in Education—Miss Viola Ann Rugis, Brooklyn, N. Y. School of Nursing—Miss Victoria Dalton-Deltuva LeRoy, Mich....

WEDDING MARCH: Anthony Plenis and Miss Viola Globus... Charles Simkus, the "kanklininkas" and Miss Alina Smailis have also applied for a marriage license... Miss Eleanor Lileikis, Chicago, became the bride of Peter Backis, youthful engineer from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who presently is stationed in Grand Rapids, Mich.... The ceremony took place in Chicago (Holy Cross Church) June 22... The young couple, old readers of JAUNIMAS, will make their home in G. R. after return from honeymoon in California... Miss Helen Vespender, and Bruno Ray Mathews, JAUNIMAS' associate editor, entered the "stonas moterystės" Sunday, July 21st at the Providence of God Church... Another big wedding is set for August 11 at Immaculate Conception Church when Miss Jo-Anne Pocius will become bride of John Carobus, associate editor of JAUNIMAS... This union will culminate a romance of six years...

YOUTH OF SLA CONVENTION: The only reference to youth at the recent SLA convention, was made when president F. J. Bagocius invited Juozas Poshka, editor of JAUNIMAS, to deliver a talk. Poshka spoke for three minutes... Mr. Bagocius then gave a very complimentary build-up to JAUNIMAS, as a result of which more than 40 delegates subscribed the paper for their sons and daughters... Most of youthful delegates became subscribers, many of them pledging themselves to work for JAUNIMAS in their hometown...

VISITORS: The SLA convention attracted a number of Lithuanians from various colonies... Among them: From Saginaw, Mich, came Ed. Baltrušaitis and wife, former Rose Lucas of Youngstown, Cleveland... Baltrušaitis, son of Mr. and Dr. Baltrušaitis of Pittsburgh, Pa., has an engineering position in Saginaw... Another visitor was the beautiful Miss Genevieve Yokubynas from Toronto, Canada... Then there was V. M. Cekanauskas—Chase, from Hartford, Conn., Petras Montvila and family from New Britain, Conn. Chas Pikel, Pittsburgh, Pa.. These people are readers and workers of JAUNIMAS, and the editors were delighted in meeting them personally, in most cases for the first time...

IN THE LIGHT OF FACTS

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kys and appointed Gen. Raštikis, ex-commander of the army, wide coalition partisan, who enjoyed a great popularity in the country, to form a new cabinet. But the coalition government was not acceptable to the Soviet government. They well knew the attitude of the Lithuanian people: — in all realms of life regardless of class or political belief, independence was equally valued. Thus, on the evening of June Fifteenth, Deputy Commissar of Foreign Affairs Dekanosov was sent to Kaunas from Moscow to form a new government. From that moment everything occurred in Lithuania as dictated by the powerful foreign neighbor. Lithuania, in view of the mechanized army of several hundred thousands which had occupied it, could not express its will. Thus it is necessary to explain the formation of the Justas Paleckis government, a number of whose members, not excluding Paleckis himself, could never under any other circumstances have entered into the government.

Each stabilized political faction in Lithuania, from the rightist to the leftist, including the socialists, has different views regarding Lithuania's home policy and form of government. Nevertheless, it is an undisputed fact that each of them values with equal fervor Lithuania's freedom and independence. The lofty purpose unites them and in this aim they know no compromise. Each of these parties has highly capable statesmen, who are respected by the whole country, not excluding those with different political views. However, not a one of these men went into the new J. Paleckis government formed by Moscow. There is but one exception; but according to the information in my possession this man was compelled to assume his post, so that during the period of transition, the Lithuanian currency which is highly rated, would not lose its reliability before time. The first "government" was formed hastily and not completely; part of the portfolios remained open for some reason. This was explained by future appointments — arrival of experienced communists from Moscow was awaited. Upon arrival, Jūnčas-Kučinskas, tried for treason, was ap-

pointed Minister of Labor. Others, such as Pijus Glovakis and Liudas Adomaskas, also belong to such a group. Thus it was the assignment of these people to mold Lithuania into the "13th Soviet Republic", which they are executing with the help of the gigantic Soviet troops and tanks. The new government's authority is not enough for the independent state's government; its authority is perhaps sufficient for the provincial "13th Soviet Republic," for whose formation it was summoned.

President of Lithuania Antanas Smetona, being hindered in his duties as president of a free republic and not seeing his way clear to signing an act whereby Lithuania's independence would be destroyed, went abroad. He would not consent to the betrayal of the State and the freedom of Lithuania's people, for which he fought from his youth, together with other of the nation's patriots, and which he finally achieved, crowning his success on February 16, 1918, with the signing of the Declaration of Independence. He signed this Declaration in the name of the Nation, with nineteen other representatives, selected by the Nation, who elected him first president of the Independent Lithuanian Republic. The chief exponent of Lithuanian sovereignty withdrew beyond the borders of the Republic on June Fifteenth, when a deputy of the Soviet government arrived in Lithuania to dictate a new Lithuanian government.

Not one of the Lithuanian parties, standing for democracy and independent Lithuania, were allowed to act further. That privilege was given only to the communist party and its youth organization. Thus, there can be no talk even of democratic liberties in Lithuania. The Lithuanian army was demoralized by the introduction of an institution, foreign to any army—the political commissars.

One of the first acts of the new governments of the three Baltic States was to cancel the Baltic entente formed by Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania in 1934. This entente was not formed for the purpose of aggression against their neighbors, but for the purpose of working together culturally, to nurture a closer relation-

ship. That purpose is in itself understandable, for the Lithuanians and Latvians are consanguineous, while all three ancient nations, from time immemorial have lived in the same areas in which they now live in close neighborliness and peace. This innocent entente was condemned and ordered cancelled. It is apparent to all, that from the moment of the cancellation, the actions of the governments of each of the Baltic States became identical, which, even with the entente in force, it had been impossible to achieve. That is easily explained, for all three governments are acting on orders from one and the same centre—the Baltic entente is cancelled at one and the same time; the communist parties become lawful at one and the same time, thence being the only lawful parties; elections are scheduled for the very same day in all three Baltic countries, each based on the

same formula of one ticket. No criticism is allowed from others, either of the ticket, or the elections system itself, nor, finally, of the "government's" actions, announcing the elections just several days before the date scheduled for same. At the same time, at the very moment, on Sunday, July Twenty-First, the "Seimai" met in Ryga and Kaunas; even the halls were decorated identically, even the contents of the speeches extended to the monotonous sameness.

All of this is sufficient proof that the will of the three nations has been broken by a foreign force and is executing all that the said power dictates.

Twenty-two years ago those three nations began life with nothing, and through their untiring labor created huge material and cultural wealth. Today all three ancient nations are enduring a great tragedy, without finding aid anywhere.

Jonas Budrys,
Consul General of Lithuania.

Ever since the first Jaunimas picnic three years ago, Jos. F. Budrik, Inc., 3409 So. Halsted St., donated to Jaunimas a radio set to be disposed of as seen fit by Jaunimas. A few days before the recent Jonines, Mr. Budrik again called up the office and Jaunimas again received a beautiful midget radio receiving set.

IŠ ŠALIES ŽIURINT

(Tasa nuo 4-to pusl.)

Su nemalonumu tenka pastebėti, kad tarpe tų nesuskaitomų milijonų kurie visa širdimi rupinasi savo šalies gerove yra tam tikras skaičius tokių kurie save vadina 'tikraisiais amerikonais' ir kuriuos apsigynimo ruošos akcija paveikė iki to laipsnio jog jie vieton gelbėti trukdo ardydami gyventojų tarpe vienybę.

Kalbame apie tuos susijaudinusius patrijotus kurie šiandien visoj šaly platina nepasitikėjimą ateiviais. Jie ypatingai aštriai stoja prieš tuos asmenis kurie išgyveno šioj šaly eilę metų ir nepasirupino išgyti piliečio paliudijimą. Jei patikėti tais patrijotais, ateivis be pilietybės neturi jokios teisės čia gyventi, kad toks žmogus niekad negali būti atsidavusiu Amerikos piliečiu. Tas žinoma yra tik aklo kliedėjimas. Ateiviai yra lygiai geri šios šalies piliečiai — jei dar ne geresni — už taip vadinamus 'natives'.

Jei jie nori pavyzdžių tai gali pažiūrėti į tą patį Nacionalį Apsigynimo Komitetą.

Jo pirmininku yra William S. Knudsen, vyras gimęs-auges Danijoje, šion šalin imigravę turėdamas 20 metų, ir pilietybės popierų Amerikoje neišsiėmė per penkiolika metų. Šiandien tas ATEIVIS rupinasi Amerikos apgynimo reikalais.

Imkime dar kitą to Komiteto narį. Jis yra Sidney Hillman'as, žmogus kuriam Prezidentas Roosevelt'as pavedė paruošti planus priverstinam apsigynimo paruošimui 2,000,000 jaunų Amerikos vyrų ir moterų. Ir jis yra ATEIVIS. Gimęs LIETUVOJEŠ Amerikon atvyko kada jaunas vaikas ir jis čia išgyveno tulą laiką neišsiėmė pilietybės.

Tikėkime, kad tie Amerikonai, jų tarpe ne vienas čia-gimęs-augęs ir nuo savo kraujo žmonių nutoles lietuvius, kurie užsiima diskriminacija prieš ateivius praregės ir savo gerą energiją sunaudos kuriam naudingiam darbui negu vesti kampaniją prieš svetūr gimusį žmogų. Geriau pradėti plačią kampaniją kuri teiktų pagalbą ateiviams įsigyti Amerikos pilietybę.

ON THE BENCH

WITH AL DOBAR
JAUNIMAS SPORTS EDITOR

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SPRINGFIELD SLUGGER MAKES GOOD ON CYO BOXING TEAM

Although Jupiter Pluvius did try to mar the inter-territorial boxing exhibition between the Catholic Youth Organization teams of Hawaii and Chicago at the Soldiers Field on Wednesday, July 10th, he did not get his best completed when Paul Kurlytis, blonde middleweight boxer of the capitol city of Springfield sent his dynamite charges into the colored Dave Walker for a quick kayo in the first stanza of the three round limit match. It took the husky Lithuanian exactly twelve punches to put away the Chicagoan into unconsciousness. Both Kurlytis and Walker fought in the inter-city preliminaries.

With this feat accomplished, Kurlytis, as it was announced by Jack Elder of the CYO athletic committee, will get his chance to box with the senior CYO team next year. Speaking with Kurlytis during the torrential showers that came down during the boxing bouts, we learned that so far as professionalism is concerned, he like a host of others are not going to make any attempt outside of the CYO.

Thanks to the organizer, the Most Reverend Bernard J. Sheil, all of his proteges will continue in that source he has built up for the young American Catholic youth of today.

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SHARKEY—vs—POLITICS

The resin-row mob around Jacobs 49th Street "Beach" in New York as well as the gang around the Hub up Boston way are creating quite a fuss in laughs upon hearing about Jack Sharkey's attempt to enter politics this coming Fall.

Reliable informants in the political front say that the former heavyweight boxing champion of the world has a favorable chance in being nominated and elected Lieut.-Governor of Massachusetts. Sharkey's venture into the political potpourri comes not as a surprise as his intimate friends knew of this during early June. Now word reaches this desk that the Boston Gob is definitely set upon the whole idea, and that he is already brushing up on his public speaking for the forthcoming campaign.

Sports Editors note: Upon interviewing Jack Dempsey at the Morrison Hotel here in Chicago recently, it was learned that there was no such thing as a "challenge" extended to Jack Sharkey—not through Dempsey or his business manager Max Waxman.

Although his new adventure might have the fite mob in stitches, we want to make this note that should Sharkey be nominated and elected Lieut.-Governor of the Plymouth Rock state, he will be the first Lithuanian to hold such a high position in state affairs.

If Walter Johnson, former fireball pitcher of the Washington Senators (the guy who threw the horsehide across the Potomac River) could enter politics with success like the speedway king "Ab" Jenkins, then we believe Sharkey can follow suit. But then the people's choice is usually determined by votes.

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YOO-HOO!, MR. YERMAL!

You're on, spit ball at thirty paces!

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SPLINTERS FROM THE BENCH

That "whispering campaign" concerning the American Lithuanian Athletic Association folding is a hoax so far as we know—a word of confirmation would be accepted by Venslovas and Co., if you please. Joe Platak, who reigns as the hand-ball singles champion (National) was honored at a dinner recently at Allegritti's Grill with more than one hundred handball enthusiasts attending. Johnny Mellus, New York Giants pro-football tackle is a bus starter at the "World of Tomorrow". Ed Beinor gave up his position as football mentor at Thornton Academy to accept his current post with the Brooklyn Dodgers gridiron outfit. Alex Mustaikis got his first big league start with the Boston Red Sox in the American League only to lose his first game from the mound. Watch the next issue for "story of the month" with Billy Rogell of the Chicago Cubs; Ray Andrews of the Boston Bees, and Alex Mustaikis of the Red Sox—upon interviewing Andrews at the Wrigley Field recently, yours truly was escorted from the Bee's dug-out by Maestro Stengel when Casey was asked why Andrews is still his third stringer after the Bee's manager stated that Andrews was to take over Al Lopez' position when the latter was sold to the Pittsburgh Pirates—better still, we think we'll answer it ourselves thisa—Pirates—better still, we think we'll answer it ourselves hisa-way: "Why I'm boss of the Bee's, and why Ray Andrews is still my third string backstopper, or why don't you mind your own business—in two parts".

The being no more wood to whittle from this bench, we leave you with a four-base hit in any league—"God Bless America!"

Mazeika Stars Beat Red Rose; K. of L. Also Win

The softball matches at the JAUNIMAS picnic were partially rained out, and the scheduled games were rearranged as the Birute Chorus, which was to have met the Pirmyn singing group, called off the contest due to the inclement weather.

But as the sun took a peep and sent down its charges of sunbeams, the softball games were resumed on the dried diamond with the Pirmyn Chorus meeting the highly touted West Side K of L (Lachawich Boosters) only to be defeated by the score of 8 to 4 after a last inning rally. The Mazeika "All Stars" vanquished the Cicero Red Rose ten in a slam-bang affair for the Chicago Lithuanian title to the tune of 16 to 4 with Harry Petraitis, first baseman for the "All-Stars" taking the honors at bat.

These were the only two games played and both winners received trophies from JAUNIMAS.

DIAMOND DUST: They may have blue serge coats and white flannels in the major baseball league so far as officiating is concerned, but at the games here, the arbiter wore a straw hat and held a bottle of beer in his hand. Bill Osmanski, back-field star of the Chicago Bears covered the keystone corner for the Pirmyn Chorus during the first fray, later he officiated the second game between the "All-Stars" and Red Rose—spectators claim that he does better on the gridiron. Harry Petraitis alternated at the initial sack for both the Pirmyn and "Stars" and did a fine job. Charley Stephens chewed more cigars than his team got hits.

AUGUSTAUSKAS FIRED AS SPORTS DIRECTOR BY RED GOVERNMENT

KAUNAS — Among the thousands of replacements in governmental jobs now in progress as a result of the Moscow installed Communist regime, Vytautas Augustauskas, director of the physical culture department, was relieved of his duties and Vin-

Osmanski to be Honored Here On August 29

Bill Osmanski, former Holy Cross university football star, now a member of the Chicago Bears professional team, will be honored during the College "All-Americans"—Green Bay Packers football game at Soldier Field on August 29, 1940. Osmanski will be presented with a trophy signifying the "Most Valuable All-Star".

Osmanski, who at present is studying dentistry at the Northwestern university will have his family sitting at the sidelines during the ceremony. His mother and other members of the family are coming to Chicago from Providence, Rhode Island, where they reside.

"It will be the happiest day of Ma's life", the blonde Lithuanian predicted.

Signed by Yankees

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — (Special to JAUNIMAS) — Johnny Nojunas, former Villanova athlete and member of the American Lithuanian Olympic team which toured Lithuania in 1938, was signed to a contract with the New York Yankees baseball team. July 15 Nojunas reported to their Easton (Md.) farm team in the Eastern League.

Three More Titles

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Blond John Macionis, who already has won more swimming titles than the phone book has Smiths, last week grabbed three more as the Philadelphia Swimming Club celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The former U. S. Olympic star, national and intercollegiate champion collected the 200-yard Sterret Memorial Cup, the 100-yard Sacket trophy and the 440-yard Asher race.

cas Petronis was appointed in his stead.

(Vincas Petronis visited Chicago in 1937 with the Lithuanian athletes. He came here as a newspaperman, representing the "Lietuvos Zinios", a Socialist daily in Kaunas.)

SPORTS JO

By the "JOTTER"

Wedding bells will ring for Ted Valionis, Manhattan College net star—love set ties Florence Donohue, sister of Al, the orchestra leader "Chuck" Apolskis also took the altar route recently with pretty Ann Davis. Someone mentioned the U. S. Navy compelling "plebes" to up boxing—nay, you use own judgement in Uncle fleet. Should Al Blozis up his medical studies at Georgetown, a position as physical director at the Hudson County school service can be his—suggestion by his home town mayor, the one they call "The Hague."

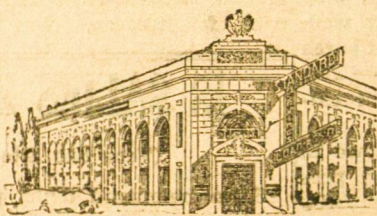
One, two, three—aw shucks, we can't count 'em anymore—"Shorty" Peck of Elizabeth, N. J. broke another finger during a softball fray. "Grinning helps make move stars", claim the Hollywoodite's, so grin did little Mary Toskas, right into the Paramount Pictures Corp. —she's a diving queen at the University of Southern California. Another Lith swim star to hit the cinema kleigs is Tillie Tocioka, blonde belle of Glendale—is doing bits Republic Pix. New Eng will present five Lith collegiate institutions around the nutmeg area—all hi school stars!

The big, brawny, Lith athlete, Is a common sight on street, A degree in his hand, But where does he stand During his college days was so busy with football spring training, baseball summer camps, track, basketball, athletic meets, etc. he didn't have a chance get an education.

New England will present five Lith to the collegiate institutions around the nutmeg area—all high school basketball stars. Ed "Moose" Krause, assistant football mentor at the Holy Cross University up in Worcester, Mass., is keeping in shape by delivering milk on a morning route here in Chicago. Andy Puplis is a proud daddy of a baby girl. Answer to queries: Joe Sheeketski, head football coach at Holy Cross IS of Lithuanian descent.

FLAGS COME HOME AFTER HALF CENTURY

During the famous battle of Gruenwald in 1410, in which the combined Lithuanian and Polish forces were victorious over the Teutonic Crusaders, the latter lost many of its military banners. They were later placed in a castle in Cracow. Since the invasion of Poland the Germans have returned the flags to Prussia.



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Our Mother Tongue

By VYTAUTAS SIRVYDAS

Our foremost philologist, Prof. K. Buga, said that language is not a product of the present day generation. Therefore, it has a past. It does not exist apart from Man. So, when we study the past of a language we get an insight into the history of the people who spoke that language. A language may be said to be an archive or collection of old documents. It is useful in clearing the mist of history. Prof. Buga quotes the example of the Lithuanian words *arti*, *akėti* and *sėti* (to plough, harrow, to sow). These words were not made by us, but by our fathers, since they are found in the oldest Lithuanian writings. These writings hail from the 16th century — therefore we may deduce that the Lithuanians of that century knew farming. The Latvian language has the same words in the forms of *arēt* and *sēt*. They are found in the old Prussian in forms of: *artoys* (artojas, ploughman), *aketas* (aķis, a harrow), and *semenas* (seeds). Therefore, it

is safe to presume that the agricultural pursuits of ploughing, harrowing and sowing were practiced by these nations from the earliest times, when these nations were one. How long ago that was we do not know. The Neolithic Age which ushered in agriculture and domesticated animals began around the Baltic sometime in 5,000 B. C.

The first written record of nations near the Nemunas and Vistula rivers come from the ancient writers, the Greek Strabo and the Roman Pliny who quote the story of a Marseilles Greek, Pytheas, a mighty wanderer. This Pytheas visited Britain, the "ultima Thule" (wherever that was) and brought back the names of Gutones and Ostia as inhabiting the shores of East Prussia, and the "amberland" around 300 B. C. This amberland is none other than the East Prussian peninsula of Samland. The Ostia are the same as Aestians mentioned three hundred years later by Tacitus. Both Pytheas and Tacitus say that the Aestians were great farmers.

The Aestians were either a branch of the Prussians, or the nation from which Prussians, Latvians and Lithuanians developed.

So the study of the past of the words *arti*, *akėti* and *sėti* has shown that our forefathers were agriculturalists even before they differentiated into Prussians, Latvians and Lithuanians. In fact, they were such good farmers that, as we had shown in our previous articles, their neighbors, the Finns, hunters and nomads, borrowed about seventy agricultural words when they took up the agricultural mode of living. Pytheas noted these agricultural pursuits of the Aestians some three hundred years B. C. But word study leads us to

think that our forefathers were good farmers long before that. In fact, they were farmers together with the rest of the Indo Europeans before the latter dispersed among the breath and width of Europe. The Lithuanian words for ploughing is "arti", the Latin form is "aro", Greek "arō", Gothic "arja", Slav "orio", Gaelic "airim". There is no doubt that all these words arose from one root, and that root was the original Indo European word for ploughing which arose when the Indo Europeans were a more or less community living together.

Word study is an interesting subject. In spite of many fantastic magic carpet flights which were made in its name, it has a sound core which is instructive and very illuminating. Lithuanian is one of the oldest languages, therefore it is a real treasure house in this regard.

The Rains Came— Short Story Of Jaunimas Picnic

After the most elaborate preparations ever undertaken by the Jaunimas organization, it was heart-breaking to awake on Sunday, June 23rd, only to discover that all thoughts for a picnic on that day should be abandoned because of rain. It started to rain Saturday night, continued throughout the night and well into Sunday's afternoon. A telephone conference between the staff members was hastily arranged and it was decided that all should meet on the premises of Sunset Park before the Jonines celebration is officially called.

Much to the surprise of the arrangements committee, soon after their arrival at Sunset Park, friends of Jaunimas began to gather. Although showers came down at fifteen minute intervals, by 4 p. m. there

was a crowd of some 400 people. Incidentally, one of the first to show up was Bill Osmanski, the most valuable football player of 1939 and star of the Bears; he was accompanied by Miss Wanda Samolis, who at last year's Jaunimas picnic was named Miss Typical Lithuanian. Of the scheduled eight softball teams, four showed up and insisted on playing, rain or shine. Many players of other teams arrived later to report

that because of the rain they concluded that the games would be cancelled.

By nightfall the sky cleared and those who had ventured to come out to the park stayed until 10 p. m. The Jonines bonfire was started after sundown and a program of songs, dances and folk games was presented.

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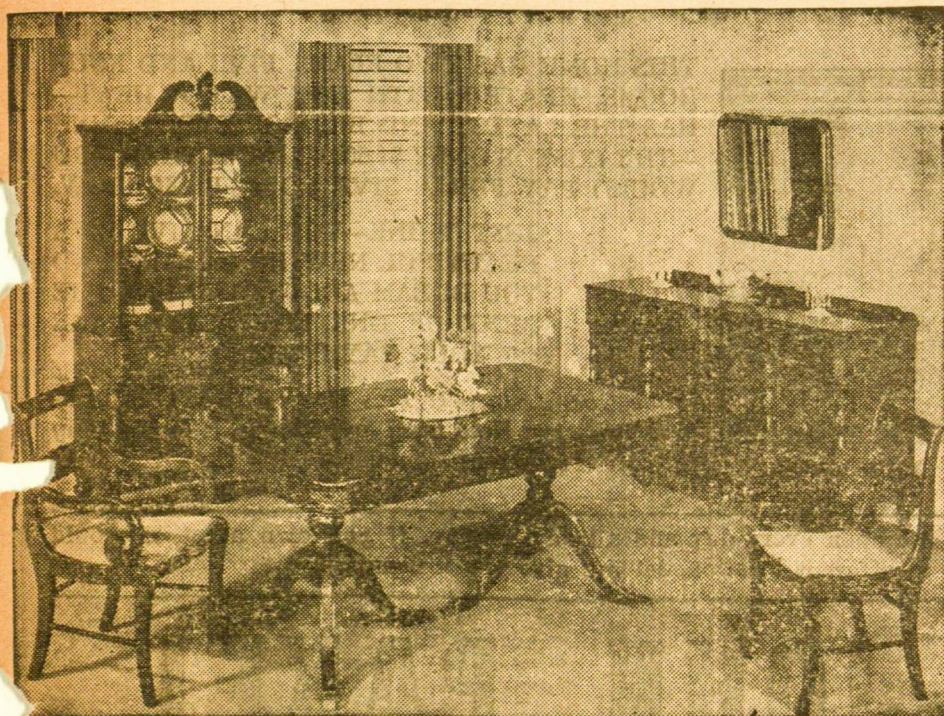
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Six Liths Chosen by Fair for American Common Wall of Honor

NEW YORK. — Otto D. Tolischus, William Zorach, Louis I. Dublin, Frank Lubin, Sidney Hillman, and Joseph Hayem Barach are among the Americans of Lithuanian descent chosen for the American Common Wall of Honor at the New York World's Fair, according to a joint announcement made by Harvey W. Anderson, Director of the American Common and Edward J. Condon, assistant to the President of Sears, Roebuck and Co., donors of the Common to the Fair.

59 Groups.

This Wall, which surrounds the Common, carries the names of great foreign-born Americans of 59 nationality groups. The consideration in the choice of the persons to be honored were: contribution to America in an important field, foreign birth and subsequent American citizenship.

Otto D. Tolischus was selected because of his contribution in the field of Journalism; William Zorach, Art; Louis I. Dublin, Education; Frank Lubin, Sports; Sidney Hillman, Labor; and Joseph Hayem Barach, Medicine.

Big Field.

A large staff studied the names and records of over 50,000 persons in order to arrive at the 650 final selections. Every conceivable source of data was checked to determine country of birth, nationality of parents, American citizenship, and contribution to the country.

Roosevelt Furniture Company, 2310 W. Roosevelt Rd., and its owners, Mike Jovaras and John Bertulis, who are among the staunchest supporters of Jaunimas have again come to bat for Jaunimas by printing 20,000 tickets for the Jaunimas picnic.

7 Lith Artists In Art Exhibit

Seven Lithuanian artists are participating in the Chicago art exhibit currently running at the Navy Pier. They are: Mikas Šileikis, Peter Slakis, James Vitkus, Miss Bernice Balickas, Anthony Barauskas, Anthony Skupas and Julius Paškauskas. The latter is a sculptor and is represented by two creations entitled "White Holly" and "Vanity in Ebony".

The only female in the group, Miss Balickas, exhibited two water colors, "Side Street" and "Park Lagoon".

Skupas, one of the most promising younger Lithuanian artists in America has two oil canvasses, "Little Joe" and "My Son".

Barauskas painting is entitled "Girl in National Fashion of Lithuania". Barauskas, as is also James Vitkus, is of the older generation and paints for relaxation.

Mail to Lithuania

After an interval of three weeks, the Chicago post office has again decided to ship 5,000 sacks of mail to Europe over the Atlantic. The mail will be carried to Portugal on the American Export line's "Exochorda" and Spanish "Magellanes". In recent months Chicago's Europe bound mail was going via Pacific-Asia-Russia. At the same time the Chicago post office announced that it will not accept parcel post addressed to Lithuania and other European countries until further notice.

Frank Arliskas won the Olympia Field Club golf championship last week.

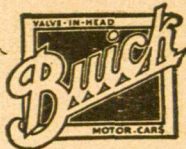
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JAUNIMAS THANKS JOHN B. BORDEN

The day before the Jaunimas picnic, attorney John B. Borden, whose law offices are located in the same building as Jaunimas, paid a visit to the editor to tell that he has to

leave town and that he will not be able to attend the Jaunimas readers' festival. "Here's my fine", said Mr. Borden, presenting the editor with a check for \$5.00.

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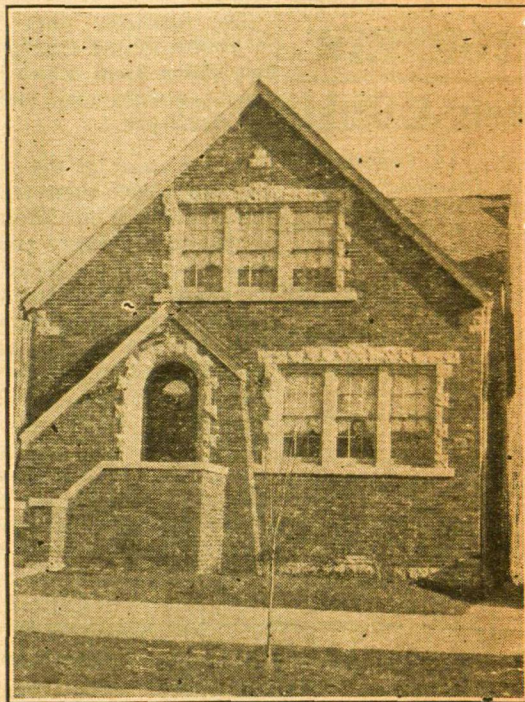
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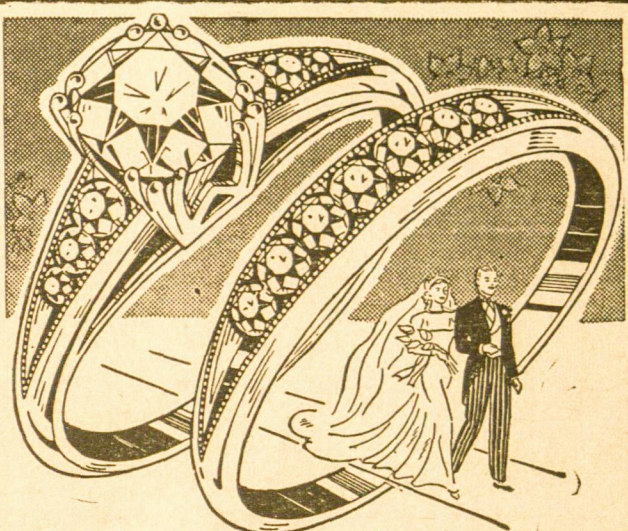
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