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## Russians Discover Force No Good In United States

Seek Federal Court's Help to Get Possession Of Lithuanian Ship

NEWARK, N. J. — In the spring of 1940, Lithuania's leading export firm, Lietukis, purchased a freighter in the United States. She was to be the flagship of Lithuania's small maritime fleet.

When the ship, loaded with cargo, was about to lift its anchor, word of Russian invasion in Lithuania was received. The captain received orders to put up in an American port and wait for further orders. To this day S. S. Denny-Lithuania, flying the tri-color of Lithuania is at anchor in the port of Newark. The cargo, which among other things includes 250,000 gallons of American gasoline is still aboard.

### Valuable Prize

Following the establishment of Russian rule in Lithuania, Russians have attempted to wrest the 1,700 ton ship from the American Lithuanian Import and Export Corp., New York, who was delegated by the Lithuanian Consulate to become her temporary guardian.

Russians even produced a "release" from Kaunas, signed by three high officials of the Lietukis firm. But the Lithuanians in New York refused to even talk with the Russian representatives. Finally Russians lost their patience and sued the Lithuanians.

The case came up for a hearing in the New York federal court on May 22. Russians repeatedly demanded that the guardians of S. S. Denny-Lithuania honor the "release" from Kaunas and turn the ship over to them.

The Lithuanian side produced telegrams received from Europe, from the three officials of Lietukis, whose signatures adorn the "release". The three men have since escaped from Lithuania and in their telegrams claim that the signatures were obtained from them thru use of force.

### Hull Reiterates Stand

The Russian claim that Lithuania is not occupied by the Soviets and that that Baltic nation is as free as ever, was refuted when the Lithuanian side presented the court with a statement signed by Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, in which he reiterates the United States Government stand in refusing to recognize the "deliberate annihilation by Soviet Russia of the political independence and territorial integrity of the three Baltic republics — Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania."

### Russians Ask Time

At this point the Russian side asked the court to postpone the hearing to a later date in order that they may have more time to prepare their brief. The court granted the request and continued

## Refugee Brings More Bad News From Europe

Ex-Presidents Son Here, Seeks Aid For Father Imprisoned by Reds

More information on the terrifying fate of Lithuanian people under the Kremlin yoke was brought to Chicago last week by another prominent refugee who succeeded reaching the shores of this country.

He is Col. Kazys Grinius Jr., Lithuania's military attache in Berlin until the Soviet invasion of his homeland. He lived in Germany until last February and had an opportunity to interview scores of his countrymen who fled the occupied Lithuania.

### Americans Well Informed

Col. Grinius said that from what he learned from the refugees and comparing that information with the reports he saw in the Lithuanian newspapers here, the American Lithuanians are exceedingly well informed about the tragic events taking place over here.

There is a definite shortage of food stuffs and wearing apparel in the small Baltic country, which before the Russian invasion was one of the most prosperous little nations in Europe, he said. Seizure of personal property, mass arrests of patriots, exile to Siberia and other far corners of the Kremlin empire have resulted in throwing the whole population into panic, the like of which was not seen even in the ruthless days of old czarism.

### Father In Prison

Col. Grinius' own father, who was elected Lithuania's president in 1926, is now a bolshevik prisoner. He said that all his attempts to gain more information concerning the fate of his 75-year old parent were in vain. Russian authorities refuse to even divulge where he is being held or on what charges.

It was in hope that he may succeed in learning more about his father and procure aid for him, that Col. Grinius came to United States. He and his uncle, Jonas Grinius of Philadelphia, have appealed to State Department in Washington to use its influence with the Red government and extract what possible data on the whereabouts of the elderly statesman.

### Came Here With Family

Col. Grinius continued to serve with the Lithuanian legation in Berlin until Hitler formally recognized Russia's grab in the

the case until June 20.

In the meantime, S. S. Denny-Lithuania, now under U. S. Coast guard protection as result of the recent government ruling affecting most foreign ships in American ports, continues to fly the Lithuanian flag in the Newark port.

## Father and Son

(Story in adjoining column)



Dr. Kazys Grinius



Col. K. Grinius Jr.

Baltics. The Wilhelmstrasse office then told him to get out of Germany. He came to America in April with his wife and thirteen year old son.

He came to Chicago to deliver an address at a huge Lithuanian rally at the Liberty Grove May 25. The rally, sponsored by the Lithuanian Daily Naujienos, attracted one of the largest Lithuanian crowds to be seen in Chicago since the Lithuanian Day festival at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933. He was introduced by Naujienos' editor Dr. Pius Grigaitis, who is a personal friend of Col. Grinius' father.

Grigaitis recalled that Col. Grinius' mother and sister were murdered by the rampaging bolsheviks during the Russian revolution.

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## AMERICAN LITHUANIAN COUNCIL ADOPTS PLANS FOR ACTION

Declares "Lithuania's Future Closely Integrated With Efforts of Democracies".

After nine months of ground breaking work, the American Lithuanian Council met in Chicago on May 15 to adopt a program for its future activity. The Council, consisting of nine members, representing all factions of American Lithuanians who loyally stand for a free and independent Lithuania, adopted a declaration in which the Lithuanians are called to put forth more effort in behalf of the democracies in their present conflict against the totalitarian dictatorships.

The declaration underscored the firm belief of American Lithuanians that the independence of Lithuania must be closely integrated with the efforts of the democracies.

### Nine Members.

Leonardas Shimutis, ed. of Draugas, presided at the meeting. Kazys Karpus, editor of Dirva (Cleveland weekly), was the secretary. Other members of the Council are: Dr. Pius Grigaitis, editor of the Lithuanian Daily Naujienos; Joseph Laučka, editor of Amerika (Brooklyn weekly); Rev. Joseph Švagždys; Michael Vaidyla, editor of Sandara; Petras Pivaronas, Stan. Michelsonas, editor of Keleivis; and Fortunat Bagočius, national president of the American Lithuanian Alliance.

**Decide on Information Bureau.**  
The Council decided that a Lithuanian Information Bureau be established in Chicago.

The full text of the declaration follows:

The American Lithuanian Council (A.L.C.) declares the unswerving resolution of a united majority of American Lithuanians to work and fight for the freedom of Lithuania from the occupation of bolshevik Russia and for its restoration as an independent, democratic state in its lawful boundaries. The A.L.C. sincerely believes that the efforts for the independence of Lithuania must be closely integrated with the efforts of the democracies in the conflict against the totalitarian dictatorships, for only democratic principles recognize the right for all nations to exist as self-governing states.

In the struggle for their independence all nations oppressed by totalitarian aggressors should act concertedly, therefore the A.L.C. will cooperate closely with similar organizations of other nations, so that the democratic forces may act in the strongest union. "Sympathy of Democracies..."

The A.L.C. expresses its entire satisfaction that Lithuania, although occupied and the voice of its people frightfully stifled by the terroristic bolshevik dictatorship, has obtained the deep sympathy

of the democracies, for neither the United States nor England nor other democratic countries have recognized the occupation of Lithuania.

The A.L.C. feels it to be its duty to defend the Lithuanian people in all matters pertaining to them, to render all possible aid to them in their struggle against the bolshevik occupants, and to see that the essential state interests of Lithuania remain unharmful during the period of her subjugation.

The more efforts we and the emigrants of Lithuania put forth in behalf of the democracies in their present conflict against the totalitarian dictatorships which are scheming to enslave the entire world, the more weight the voice of the Lithuanians will carry at the future conference of the democracies which will have the duty of deciding questions pertaining to post-war reconstruction.

**Praise Constitution of 1918.**  
The A.L.C. is convinced that the order of the state of reborn independent Lithuania will be based on those democratic principles which were proclaimed in the declaration of February 16, 1918, and which were incorporated into the Constitution of the Republic adopted by the Founding Seimas of Lithuania.

The A.L.C. firmly reiterates its sincere convictions that personal liberty and freedom of thought, and equal political and citizenship rights must be guaranteed to all citizens, guaranteeing the welfare of the laboring people by socially-just laws.

The A.L.C. contends that it is necessary to join in unison all the creative talents of our people for the restoration of Lithuania, these efforts however, to be based on well-defined democratic principles.

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—Wendell L. Willkie

### RACE THREATENED

"When Hitler made plans to recall Germans from the Baltic States, he very well knew of Stalin's scheme. Stalin and Hitler made a diabolical plan not only to write 'finis' to the Baltic States, but also to annihilate the Baltic race. Therefore, our anxiety today is most justified, as we are on the threshold of racial extinction."

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## JAUNIMAS PICNIC NEXT SUNDAY

June 8th — Sunset Park

Readers and friends of JAUNIMAS are invited to be our guests next Sunday at the Sixth Annual JAUNIMAS Picnic at Sunset Park, 135th Street and Archer Ave.

We have prepared an elaborate program, one which should give you a very enjoyable day. There will be all the things that go into making a successful outing—sports events, games, dancing, community singing, the traditional JAUNIMAS bonfire, et cetera et cetera.

### Bring the Whole Family

We have it on good authority that Sunday will be a beautiful and warm day. Make plans to leave the smoky city and get a good look of what the country is like this most attractive time of the year. Bring out your entire family and close friends. There's enough parking space at Sunset Park to accommodate several thousand automobiles.

Paul Eitmont's orchestra will play plenty of the Lithuanian polkas and waltzes and "Noriu Miego" and "Suktinis", so that not only you but your folks too will enjoy a round of dancing.

Gates Open at 11 A. M.

And if you want to see a couple of good softball games, come out early, say, about two o'clock (many people will be there even earlier—the gates open at 11 A. M.). Pirmyn chorus will play Birutes chorus for the 1941 "musical supremacy" on diamond. Cicero's Red Rose Club will meet the Mazeika's Boosters for the championship of Chicago's Lithuanianville.

We'll be looking for you!

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## Hope of Ravaged Countries lies In Survival of American Democracy

MARYLAND'S GOVERNOR O'CONNOR TELLS ANNUAL LITHUANIAN PILGRIMAGE AT ANNAPOLIS

BALTIMORE, Md. — Calling for a rebirth of love of country and the institutions of the United States, Governor O'Connor of Maryland asserted "we must protect them before it is too late."

Addressing the Council of Lithuanian Societies meeting in the House of Delegates chamber in the Annapolis State House, May 18, the Governor said that dictators of totalitarian countries will be subject to overthrow as long as liberty prevails in this country and in the British Empire.

"As long as America and the British Empire survive," he continued, "the very fact of survival will refute the self-seeking demands of totalitarian chiefs for complete domination."

### "Should Be Living Thing"

Because of this, he added, there must be love of country and its institutions that "should be a living thing in the hearts and minds of everyone of us. No other country on the face of the earth has so much that is definitely worth being proud of and definitely worth protecting. And, protect it we must before it is too late."

"As long as America and

the democratic form of Government survives, there will be hope in Lithuania, in Poland and in all the ravaged countries of the world for a better day to come.

"And, with that hope, there will be a resurgence of patriotic fervor that will sustain the sturdy men and women of these downtrodden countries that will pass to their children and their children's children until that day, and it is sure to come, when liberty again will be in the ascendancy and the rights of mankind again will be recognized."

### "World in Turmoil"

Governor O'Connor told the members of ten Lithuanian organizations composing the Council of Lithuanian Societies that "I have no doubt that many of those who came to us from other lands and have become American citizens, having known what life is under oppression, sometimes value more sincerely the things that America has to offer than do we who have been born and raised under that priceless heritage."

"With the world in turmoil today, with practically all of continental Europe under the control of Governments which deny every right to the peoples of these lands, with democracy threatened through-

out the world as it never has been threatened before, it is timely that all of us contemplate the advantages that are our by reason solely of the fact that we enjoy citizenship in the United States of America," the Governor said.

### "Often Never Appreciate"

"Constituted as we are, it often happens that we never really appreciate the good things we have until we have either lost them or face a serious threat in that direction.

"Here in America our free way of life has been so bound up with our very existence that it seems inconceivable that we should ever be without those privileges.

"The dictators seek to assure the world that in this modern day there is no room for individualism; that only when the state is supreme and takes complete charge of everything and everyone, even down to their innermost private lives, can the governmental system succeed.

### "Justice Will Prevail"

"For more than a century and a half we have proved the contrary of this. We are passing through momentous times. No one of us can say what history is being made at this very moment; what new boundaries are being invaded; what new people are being overrun.

"History teaches us, however, that this is essentially a just world and that, while the forces of injustice, for God's inscrutable purposes, often are permitted to attain

their end temporarily, in the end justice and decency will prevail."

Governor O'Connor was the principal speaker at the annual pilgrimage of Maryland's Lithuanians to Annapolis for the Lithuanian Oak tree ceremony. Other speakers included Judge Wm. F. Laukaitis, Nadas Rastenis and Thomas Gray. Presidents of the ten societies comprising the Council under whose auspices the pilgrimage and the meeting in the State Capitol building was held, also spoke. Anthony J. Miceika presided.

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## Governor of N. Y. Names June 15 Baltic States Day

ALBANY, N. Y.—June fifteenth, the fateful day on which one year ago Soviet Russia put an end to Lithuania's independence by occupying it and few days later extended its grip of terror over Estonia and Latvia, was designated by Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York, as the Baltic States Day, and will be appropriately celebrated thruout the entire State of New York.

### Symbols of Liberty.

A proclamation announcing this was issued by the Governor on May 28. In it the chief executive of the State termed the peoples of Baltic States as having long been the symbols of liberty.

"Their people have for centuries made great sacrifices for freedom and democracy," the declaration reads. "It is fitting, therefore, that the citizens of New York State formally convey their sympathy to

the people of the enslaved nations and give public expression to the hope that they will soon regain their freedom."

### Text of Proclamation.

The full text of the proclamation follows:

"The citizens of America resolved to defend their liberties at home and to champion the cause of representative government abroad, feel deep sympathy for the peoples of those small republics whose independence either has been crushed or is threatened.

"Among those enslaved nations are the Republics of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania which have provided this country with many loyal citizens now banded together in the Baltic American Society to preserve the democracy here and restore its benefits in their homelands.

### Balts Made Sacrifices.

"Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have long been symbols of liberty. Their people have for centuries made great sacrifices for freedom and democracy. It is fitting, therefore, that the citizens of New York State formally convey their sympathy to the people of these enslaved nations and give public expression of the hope that they will soon regain their freedom.

"Now, therefore, I, Herbert H. Lehman, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby designate Sunday, June fifteenth, as

### BALTIC STATES DAY

upon which appropriate exercises may be held to celebrate the bonds of effecton and regard existing between America and the distressed Baltic peoples."

### Liths Elsewhere Act.

Lithuanians residing in other states, upon learning of Gov. Lehman's proclamation began sending appeals to the governors of their home states urging them to issue similar proclamations, JAUNIMAS learned.

At least six states have larger Lithuanian population than New York. They are: Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

## U. S. Lithuanians Ask President To Re-Appoint Norem

American Lithuanian Council sent a letter to the White House last week, asking President Roosevelt to re-appoint Owen J. C. Norem as the U. S. Minister to Lithuania.

Mr. Norem tended his resignation last January, shortly before Mr. Roosevelt's inauguration for the third term. It is a diplomatic custom that all



Owen J. C. Norem with his children on the balcony of their residence in Kaunas... picture was taken few days before the Russ invasion...

envoys tend their resignations at the end of their chief's term in the office.

Immediately after the inauguration all active envoys were re-appointed to continue in their posts but no action has been taken in the case of ministers who returned to Washington after the countries to which they were assigned were occupied by the over-active dictators of Europe.

Mr. Norem was "asked" by the Russian government to leave Lithuania two months after the occupation. At present he is living in Northfield, Minnesota, and is finishing his book based on his experiences in Lithuania.

## Youth Refugees Describe Exciting Flight from Reds

### Find Thousands of Liths Seeking Refuge in Prussia

WATERBURY, Conn. —An exciting flight from Russian occupied Lithuania into Germany and an ensuing eight month trip to this country was described here by two young Lithuanian refugees, Miss Hypathia Ycas, 22, and her brother, Martin Ycas, 23, who arrived in the United States a week ago.

They are the children of the late Martynas Ycas, Lithuanian statesman and financier, who died several weeks ago in Brazil, where he arrived with family fleeing from from the war torn Europe en route to this country.

### Lithuanians Unprepared.

The refugees told of the unexpectedness of the Russian occupation and the inability to oppose it. The younger people spoke of fighting,

they said, but the older persons, who remembered too well the bloodshed of the previous war, were not anxious to resist, and the unpreparedness of the Lithuanians ruled out all possible resistance.

Great confusion followed the occupation, Miss Ycas stated, when the communist leaders executed a great property upheaval.

Nine days after the occupation, their father, Martynas Ycas, completed his flight from their estate in Kaunas to Germany. Several weeks later, the rest of the family, the mother, son and three daughters, succeeded in crossing the frontier.

### Thousands of Refugees

With 2,000 other Lithuanians who had fled, they were sent to the barracks at Gleisgarben in Prussia and interned for eight days until arrangements were completed for a family re-union in Berlin. From there the journey was continued by plane to Barcelona where the family obtained passage to Brazil.

Their observation in Germany revealed great moral suffering by the German people. Miss Ycas told of the hysteria of the people at the first sound of air raid warnings and of their dash for the air raid shelters.

### Germans Confused.

Germans had been told, she said, that British planes were so bad they could never reach Germany. The realization that British planes not only could come to Berlin but could cause extensive damage, left the people shocked, confused and afraid.

His experience of air raid warnings in Berlin causes him consternation even now in America wherever he hears the fire sirens, Martin Ycas said in pointing out that there is a great similarity in the sound.

The young refugees seem to be much impressed by the plentifulness of materials and supplies and luxuries in this country. During their stay in Germany they had become acquainted with strict rationing.

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## Ryšiai su Pavergta Lietuva

Jau vieną kartą JAUNIME rašėme, kad būtų gerai jei šios šalies lietuviai galėtų radijo pagalba pasiekti pavergtuosius brolius Pabaltį ir, nors retkarčiais, perduoti jiems tikrų žinių apie tai kas pasauly dedasi, žinodami, kad kova už jų laisvę jau pradėta Amerikos lietuvių, SU PILNU JUNGTINIŲ AMERIKOS VALSTIJŲ VYRIAUSYBĖS UŽGYRIMU, jie bus sustiprinti dvasioje ir patys kovon tvirtiau įsijungs, parodydami daugiau aktingumo savo protestuose prieš okupantą.

Mes norime atkreipti Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybos dėmesį į tai, kad Bostone šiuo metu veikia trumpųjų bangų stotis (labai galinga — lengvai girdima visą Europą), WRUL, kuri su šios šalies autoritetų pritarimu transliuoja įvairius pranešimus svetimomis kalbo-

mis, adresuotus pavergtiems Europos žmonėms.

Vos prieš keletą dienų, ta stotis, pirmiau transliavus apie 8 valandas kasdien Europon, išplėtė laiką iki 15 valandų per parą. Kasdien po penkiolika valandų inspiracijos ir paguodos vargšams europiečiams, diktatorių vergijos retėžius nešantiems, jų prigimtoje kalboje.

Net gegužės 27 dienos istorinė Prezidento Rooseveltto kalba iš tos stoties transliuota penkiolikoje kalbų. Bet lietuvių kalbos tam tarpe nebuvo.

Mes dėlto ir norime atkreipti Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybos dėmesį į tą stotį ir jos kilnią misiją. Neturime mažiausios abejonės, kad jeigu ta lietuvių atstovybė padės pastangas, lietuvių kalba bus įtraukta WRUL stoties Europos programose, ir laikas nuo laiko (o ką gali žinoti — gal ir nuolatinių, sakysime kartą į savaitę) Lietuvos žmonės susilauks jiems didžiai reikalingo moralinio pakylėjimo žutbutinėje kovoje, kuri stovi prieš jų akis.

Dabar Lietuvos žmonės nežino ką Amerikos lietuviai veikia, kaip kovos už laisvę planai formuluojasi. Nežino nei apie tai, kad ir J. V., ir Didžioji Britanija, ir visos kitos pasaulio demokratijos tvirtai stovi už atstatymą pavergtųjų šalių.

Okupantai Lietuvon NEISILEIDŽIA Amerikos lietuvių laikraščių (išimant komunistiškuosius, tuos kuriuos patys išleidžia); ŽINOME, kad ir laiškų daug nepasiekia adresatų. Pačioj Lietuvoj visa laisvoji spauda panaikinta ir piliečiai turi skaityti tik pačių rusų leidžiamus "oficiališkus" laikraščius. Viena žodžiu, Lietuvos žmonės šiandien atkirsti nuo pasaulio.

Bene vienintelis kelias pasiekti tuos kankinius — tai per radiją.

## PRESS DIGEST

### It Should Be A Felony

The state of Wisconsin has outlawed the Communist Party. A bill passed and signed denies a place on the ballot to anyone affiliated with the Communist Party of the United States, the Third Communist Internationale or any foreign government that seeks to overthrow the government of the United States.

Of course the Communist Party should be barred from the ballot, not only in Wisconsin but in every state of the Union.

As a matter of fact, membership in the Communist Party should be made a felony by all the states, just as treason and armed insurrection and giving aid to enemies of the nation are felonies.

The Third Internationale is completely frank in its intentions toward democratic government.

All its prophets, from Marx and Bakunin to Lenin, are advocates of direct action—that is, murder, riot and revolution; decidedly no revolution by ballots, but by bullets.

Communist governments do not bar other parties from the ballot.

They ABOLISH THE BALLOT and then abolish political opposition by the simple process of shooting the opponents.

In other words, a difference of mind is to them ipso facto a treasonous act, punishable by summary execution.

The agents and party affiliates of communism have only one loyalty: to their masters in Moscow.

They have only one purpose: to destroy democracy by any means, fair or foul.

They will violate any oath, any trust, any obligation, to accomplish their ends. That is their code. It is the code, furthermore, that has been amply and openly published.

Communism is actually if not statutorily treason—against the government, the ideals and the safety of the United States.

It should be dealt with as treason.

(The Chicago Herald-American)

## Iš Šalies Žiūrint

### NEKROLOGAS?

Dideliam "Jaunimo" redaktojų nustebeimui, "Draugas" Gegužės 22 d. savo skaitytojams pranešė, kad mūsų laikraštis jau miręs.

Po Jono Vaivos parašu tilpo ve koks nekrologas:

"Laidotuvės paprastai yra nemielos. Jos juo skaudesnės,

kai laidojama ne asmenybės, bet principai.

"Dar taip neseniai mūsų tarpe buvo (?!?!—J. Red.) laikraštis, kuris vadinosi save nepartiniu ir skelbėsi tar naują tik jaunų lietuvių reikalams. Daug kas jį smerkė (Kiek pamename, Jonas Vaiva visados buvo tų tarpe—J. Red.). Nemaža jį sveikino.

"Tačiau jo leidėjai primygtinai tvirtino, jog tiems tešanti tik viena partija—lietuvių partija. Buvo tokių kurie tam įtikėjo, nes leidėjų tarpe buvo ir nuosirdžių žmonių (Jono Vaivos informacijai—tas laikraštis apie kurį jis

kalba visam savo gyvenime turėjo TIK VIENĄ LEIDĖJĄ). Deja...

Šiandien jau ir patiems geriausios valios žmonės sunku įtikėti, kad tas visų galų bendrintojas, didžiausias visokiosios koalicijos šalininkas ir griežiausias bet kokių rietenų priešininkas bėra, tuo, kuo jis užsiangažavo būti.

"Gal but, "Jaunimo" leidėjai pradėjoje ir tikėjo galėsią visus galus subendrinti ir išsilaikyti nuosaliai nuo bet kokio pasiskirstymo (Jono Vaivos informacijai — "JAUNIMAS" tuo šiandien tiki tvirtai)

(Tasa 5-tam pusl.)

# Our Mother Tongue

By VYTAUTAS SIRVYDAS

## The Mother of Them All

Philologists like to think that all the Indo-European (Aryan) languages, enumerated in our last article, developed out of one original mother tongue, called the "prokalbė" in Lithuanian. However, prof. C. S. Coon, of Harvard, in his big recent work "The Races of Europe" sums up the latest knowledge of Indo-European thus:

"Linguistically, Indo-European is probably a relatively recent phenomena (in the history of mankind), which arose after animals had been tamed and plants cultivated. The latest researches find it to be a derivative of an initially mixed language, whose principal elements were Uralic, called element A, and some undesignate element B which was probably one of the eastern Mediterranean or Caucasian languages. The plants and animals on which the economy of the early Indo-European speakers was based were referred to in words derived mainly from element B. Copper and gold were known, and the words for these commodities came from Mesopotamia." (p. 178).

## The Aryan Prokalbė

Prof. K. Buga says this of the original Indo-European language, the mother of them all:

Kad visos tos tautos, kurias šiandien vadiname indoeuropietiškomis, yra kilusios iš vienos pirmąsios tautos, rodo jų kalba. Kad žiloje senovėje indoeuropiečių tauta yra kalbėjusi viena kalba, rodo tai indoeuropiečių kalbų žodynas ir gramatika.

Kalbininkai belygindami vienos kalbos žodyną arba gramatiką su kitų kalbų žodynu ir gramatika yra aptikę, kad indoeuropiečių kalbų žodyne ir gramatikoje esama daug bendra. Indoeuropiečių kalbų žodyno ir gramatikos bendrumai rodo, kad tų kalbų ilgainiui išriedėta iš vienos kalbos, kurią kalbininkai praminė indoeuropiečių prokalbė.

Indoeuropiečių prokalbės susikilimo metas šiandien dar negali būti pažymėtas metais. Tik tikrai teįnoma, kad XV amžiuje prieš Kristų indoeuropiečiai jau buvo suskilę atskiromis kalbomis.

Therefore, we may surmise that the elemental Lithuanian was already in existence 1500 years before our era.

## THE PROBLEM OF THE BALTIC

By Kaarel R. Pusta

Former Foreign Minister of Estonia.

Lately, the problem of the Baltic has been more often talked about in both press and literature, and in public discussions. What sort of problems is it?

It is the problem of liberty and accessibility, for every nation, to the Baltic Sea, the great commercial route of Northern Europe, stretching from the shores of Germany, Denmark and Sweden to those of Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Russia and Finland. Attempts to dominate this truly European sea, dating from the thirteenth century onwards, whether Scandinavian, German or Russian, have all failed; none of these powers succeeded in mastering it alone.

Such domination would imply the enslavement of several small democratic nations, laborious and civilized to the highest degree, as well as the arbitrary control by one single power over the whole of the international trade in the Baltic, between the Western World and the huge territory covered by Russian Eurasia. Any such domina-

tion would be unacceptable to the rest of the world, thus a source of wars.

On the other hand the liberty of the Baltic Sea and the freedom of communications in Northern Europe necessitates sound harmony and cooperation between all the riparians of that sea. The Baltic republics understood that necessity since the first days of their independence, and their foreign policy was to consist of inducing all the other states of the Baltic basin to share their efforts.

No one can deny today that the Lithuanian, Latvian and Estonian peoples gave, during the twenty years of their free and independent life, a display of their capacity of organization and national genius. Their international mission of organizing the Baltic solidarity and carrying the Western civilization into Russia was interrupted by the present war and, in particular, by the brutal occupation of these countries by Soviet Russia.

(Continued on page 5)



# Baltic Republics and U. S. A.

(On June 15th Lithuanians will mark the first anniversary of the Russian occupation of their homeland. Suppressed and terrorized, the Lithuanian peoples are carrying their determined struggle to regain their freedom. In this courageous fight they are strengthened by the moral support which the United States Government is giving them by its firm stand in refusing to recognize the Russ grab. We reprint here the historic statement made by the Acting Secretary of State, Sumner Welles, on July 23, 1940. Ed.)

During the past few days the devious processes whereunder the political independence and territorial integrity of the three small Baltic republics—Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania—were to be deliberately annihilated by one of their more powerful neighbors, have been rapidly drawing to their conclusion.

From the day when the peoples of these republics first gained their independence and democratic form of government the people of the United States have watched their admirable progress in self-government with deep and sympathetic interest.

The policy of this Government is universally known. 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. 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 state, however weak.

These principles constitute the very foundations upon which the existing relationship between the 21 sovereign republics of the New World rests.

The United States will continue to stand by these principles, because of the conviction of the American people that unless the doctrine in which these principles are inherent once again governs the relations between nations, the rule of reason, of justice, and of law—in other words, the bases of modern civilization itself—cannot be preserved.

## Iš Šalies Žiurint

(Tąsą iš 4-to pusl.)

čiau negu bile kada pirmiau, ir savo žodžiams paremti turi penkių metų gražaus išsilaukymo rekordą), bet jei jie nuosirdus buvo tada, tai ir šian die turėtų būti bent sau nuosirdus ir prisipažinti, kad jis atsidūrė ne ten, kur buvo norėta šitos sakinio dalies p. Vaivai negalime atsakyti nes nesuprantame ką jis bando pasakyti — busime dėkingi jei jis teiks paaiškinimą.

"Sic transit gloria mundi!... (Sic venia verbis — J. Red.)"

Po dvidešimties suviršum metų nuo įsisteigimo ir našaus darbo, Kau no opera, per visą tą laiką ignoruola komunacijų spaudoje (kaip ir visi kiti Lietuvos kultūriniai reikalai), dabar, Maskvos nurodymu, staga patapo dideliu garbinimo objektu pas tuos Rusijos agentus. Brooklyne leidžiama "Tiesa" (Pravda) stambiu antgalviu pabrėžia, kad "Madame Butterfly Opera Perstatoma Kaune." Ta opera Kaune statoma su didžiausiu pasisekimu jau apie 18 metų, bet lietuviškieji komunciai pirmiau nieko nematė. Toliau "Tiesa" išvardina visą eilę solistų ir pridėda, kad "Tarybų Lietuvoj yra labai daug gabių dainininkų." Kad yra tai ne Tarybų Lietuvos ir jos okupantų nuopelnas. Tie dainininkai kuriuos "Tiesa" sumini, išsilavino ir aukštumų operose pasiekė LAISVOJO LIETUVOJ. Po okupanto letena ta puikioji opera ir jos personalas, kaip ir visas Lietuvos kultūrinis bei ekonominis gyvenimas nupuls ir su smuks.

parodo, kad pereitam "Jaunimo" numery tilpęs Latvijos ministro Bilmanio straipsnis apie rytų Europos ateitį tinkamai įvertintas ir panaudotas geresniam susipažinimui su problemomis kurios laukia baltijiečių jų didžiojoje kovoje už laisvę.

Šiam numery naudingų minčių tuo pačiu klausimu patiekia mums Mr. Kaarel R. Pusta, buvęs Estijos užsienio reikalų ministras.

Tuos straipsnius "Jaunimui" prisiuntė p. Bilmanis iš Washingtono. Latvijos pasiuntinybė, abelnai, dar laisvės metais palaikius efektyviai veikiantį informacijos ekyrių, nuosrus įsiveržimo Pabaltin dar labiau pagyvino savo pastangas. Ir rupinasi ji ne tik Latvijos, bet ir savo dviejų kaimynų reikalais.

To negalima pasakyti apie Lietuvos Pasiuntinybę. Ką čia Latvijos bei Estijos reikalai—ji ir Lietuvos atveju neužtektinai parodo iniciatyvos tokiu svarbiu darbe kaip propaganda bei informacija.

Sakykite dėlko tie lietuviai vis "running behind."

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## L.U.C. Announces New Scholarship Award for 1941

—J—

The Lithuanian University Club announces its annual scholarship award of an outright grant of one hundred and fifty dollars for the academic year of 1941-1942 to college sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students. Both members and non-members of the L. U. C. are eligible.

In order to give more of our Lithuanian students a chance at this Scholarship, the territory has been extended from Illinois to the direct neighbor-states, which are: Indiana, Michigan, Iowa, and Wisconsin, as we have a large amount of Lithuanians residing in these states.

### Must Be Lithuanian

The applicant must be of Lithuanian descent, but no discrimination is made as to sex; both men and women are eligible.

The two deciding factors in the scholarship award will be the 500-word essay "Why

I Need The Scholarship", and the oral interview of the applicant with the Executive and Scholarship Committees of the Lithuanian University Club.

Since the committee does not have much time left in which to award this year's winners, the deadline being July 1, 1941, hurry and send in your letter asking for the application forms or any other information you require to the Chairman: Miss Helen E. Domkus, 4067 So. Richmond Street, Chicago, Ill.

### Predict Classes By Fall

Eighty representatives voted for the bill and 61 opposed. The bill is now in the hands of the finance committee which is to make the necessary appropriations.

Lithuanian leaders predict that the Lithuanian language classes will be established by next fall in a number of cities having larger Lithuanian populations. Among the leading colonies are those in Boston, Lawrence, Brockton, Worcester, Lowell, Lynn, and Springfield.

## Bill Allowing Lith Classes Passed In Massachusetts

LITHUANIAN LANGUAGE TO BE TAUGHT IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

BOSTON, Mass. — Another step towards establishing Lithuanian language classes in Massachusetts high schools was won here May 14, when the State's House of Representatives passed the McCaffrey-Downey bill.

The bill, first introduced in the legislature last January, provides that the Lithuanian language shall be taught in every

## PROBLEM OF BALTIC

(Continued from Pg. 4)

It is in the interest of Europe, of the Great American Democracy and of Russia of tomorrow, the Russia of always, that the freedom of the Baltic nations should be restored, so as to enable them to continue their mission — for the benefit of the world.

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## He Throws Cannonballs

By **ARTHUR J. DALEY**  
In Colliers

Matt McGrath eyed him critically and shook his head. "Sure, there's something wrong there, lad," he said. "And I can't for the life of me figure out what it is."

Al Blozis listened respectfully because Matt McGrath had been an Irish-American "great" of another track-and-field generation. Blozis had just won a shot-putting competition at the New York A. C. with a 50-foot put. That was a year and a half ago.

cord with the 16-pound ball twelve times. Within a year he was beyond 56 feet and now there is no one to challenge him or bid him halt.

Ordinarily, shot-putting is an event that is watched only by other shot-putters and close relatives of the contestants. But Blozis is so extraordinary a performer that he promises to become a hardware heaven who will bring paying customers to the boxoffice.

He proved that last year in the post-season Finnish Relief meet at Madison Square Gar-

says Hagerty who certainly should know. "He's got the size, strenght, speed and combative spirit. In fact he was everything except experience."

He is quite a man, Al Blozis. Because of his 247 pounds, one naturally expects him to be a paunchy, ponderous lad hardly able to get out of his own way. But the Georgetown junior is cut from the mold of Hercules. His shoulders are wide, his arms and legs like oak beams and there is not an ounce of fat on his trim form.

### But Where's the Irish Blood?

The control he has over his body is such that he has been able to clear six feet in the high jump, and his speed is so great that he can broad-jump twenty feet. Each of those distances is far from a record but each is an extraordinary performance for so big a man.

If any fault can be found with him in the eyes of the worshipers of Matt McGrath and Pat McDonald, it is that he has not a drop of Irish blood in his body. Those two irreconcilables used to have a theory that there never was a top weight man who was not a Celt or part Celt. But both the father and mother of Blozis were born in Lithuania.

Our Blozis was a basketball performer of moderate skill for Dickinson High School in Jersey City before he matriculated at Georgetown. Track's Big Bertha tried for a place on the Hoya freshman quintet but was defly shunted off to the indoor track squad. Coach Elmer Ripley took one look at him, pictured Blozis damaging his basketball bric-a-brac in intrasquad scrimmage, and steered him away to the wide-open spaces.

### He's A Two Sport Man

Nowadays Al is merely a two-sport man—football and track. He rather likes the combination — because he thinks each helps him in the other. Since he is a tackle he has to do a lot of hand fighting in the line on defense. This strengthens his arm for shot-putting and, conversely, the shot-putting strenghtens his arm for football.

His tremendous arms, by the way, have saved him a lot of embarrassment on the gridiron. Most college players are gullible for mousetrap plays and—but perhaps a mousetrap had better be first explained for the benefit of a few persons in the back of the room.

This is a maneuver where the man playing opposite a guard or tackle hauls out of the line leaves a wide-open and inviting hole. The guard of tackle bulls through joyously and is sideswiped by a blocker, the ball-carrier galloping through the vacant position.

### Likes Football Better

Nothing makes a football lineman feel sillier than to be tricked by a mousetrap. But Blozis is so huge that he



### AIM IT THE OTHER WAY, AL!

With no bombs available, Al Blozis uses a pineapple to demonstrate his power.

"Tis not enough for a man den. This was an all-star carnival that had only seven events on the program. One of the advertised attractions was Al Blozis.

### Good In Football, Too

The Georgetown University behemoth never disappoints his constituents either. He pitched the 16-pound ball more than 55 feet, the 12-pound one over 65 and the 8-pounder over 78, each better than the world mark.

One of the spectators was Stout Steve Owen, coach of the New York Football Giants. Owen could not take his eyes off him.

"What a pair of shoulders!" he exclaimed. "Look at the size of that fellow! Watch how fast he moves! See the muscular control he has!"

Sout Steve babbled so rapturously that even Mrs. Owen paid attention. She smiled, repressed a chuckle and asked innocently, "He isn't a football player, too, Steve, is he?"

The only reason that Blozis is not the best tackle in college ranks is that he is the greatest shotputter in the sport today, says Jack Hagerty, coach of the Georgetown gridiron forces.

### Legs Like Oak Beams

Blozis made the All-America track team for 1940, but he rated only an occasional honorable mention for a tackle spot on All-America football teams. Maybe he'll be able to click on both this year. Observers at the Georgetown and Boston College game last season, a clash of tremendous lines, were convinced that he was the best lineman on the field.

"Potentially he's as great a tackle as I've ever seen,"

### He's Fast and Strong

Blozis looked questioningly at the gray-haired Olympic champion of 1912. "I'll try it," he said with vague confidence.

"Here's the idea then," declared Matt, his eyes brightening. "I'm going to tell you two things that violate all the rules of shot-putting. I think you can do it because you're the fastest and strongest man I ever saw in a shot-put circle. Listen attentively to me now, lad."

Words rippled in the soft Tipperary brogue of Matt McGrath. Most shotputters, Matt said, crouch in the back of the circle in order to get leverage. Blozis was to stand erect and push out his arm straight from the shoulder. Most shot-putter hop to the front of the ring with left leg high to give them balance. Blozis, faster and better coordinated, was to slide his left foot across the ground.

### Now He Can't Be Stopped

Practice it, lad," said Matt, "and next week I'll be coming up to see how it works."

Blozis went from 50 feet to over 52 feet. Within six months he was over 55 feet. He broke the indoor world re-

## OBITUARIES

### REV. I. ZIMBLYS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Rev. Ignas Zimblys, pastor of the Lithuanian St. George's church died here May 12. He was 56 years old. Born and ordained in Lithuania, he came to the United States 30 years ago.

### CATHERINE STRIKOL

Catherine Strikol, mother of Dr. Michael Strikol, well known Chicago surgeon, died at the home of her son in Chicago May 23. She was 80 years old, having lived more than 50 years in this country.

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# RADIO TANTRUMS

By Kilomaikis

The summer slump brought a few changes to the Chicago Lithuanian radio program line-up. The quiz program folded for the summer. Now the listeners are to ask the questions which will be answered by the announcer.

Because of baseball broadcasts, the Jos. F. Budrik Sunday hour has been moved to 6 P. M., CDST, on station WCFL.

In Brooklyn, the Lithuanian Radio society programs will now be heard Thursdays at 7 P. M., Saturdays at 5:30 P. M., Mondays at 8:30 P. M. The personnel remains the same: Jezavitas, Kurdinaitis and Ginkus, music and program directors and manager, respectively. The outlet is WCNW, 1600 kil.

Station WGES of Chicago is showing mighty poor judgment in what it does and does not allow to be broadcast.

The copy for the coming JAUNIMAS picnic was ruled out because it mentioned the Russian occupation of Lithuania and the bolshevik terrorization of the Lithuanian nation — controversial matter, or so they say. Yet the Lithuanian communist program from that very station on blithely belittling LITHUANIAN newspapers, and spreading its malicious, lying propaganda about the "joys" of living under the Russian yoke in occupied Lithuania.

Apparently the Mssrs. Dyers and WGES don't consider this to be un-American propaganda. Haven't they yet heard that these United States did not and do not recognize the Russian seizure of Lithuania? Or could it be that they don't require an English translation of the "news" being broadcast by the reds?

If they're closing their eyes and ears to what is being read on the communist program just to sell fifteen minutes of radio time, its time they stopped talking about the "Americanization" of the foreign language groups in the Chicago area, and admit that it's only the dollar that counts with them.

Another radio anniversary out East — this time it's Frances Ansevičius' 15 minute program in Philadelphia which celebrated. Only one year, but reportedly going strongly. The broadcast is heard Sundays at 12:30 P. M., over station WTEL.

Have you heard those short (Chicago) Tuesday niters which are supposed to pass for skits? Very repetitious, too short, no listener-appeal. And yet they have two of them on each broadcast.

Also out East: the Lithuanian Radio Corporation (Stephen Minkus) airings are heard on WORL, 950 kil., at 8:30 A. M. Saturdays, and at 9:30 A. M. on Sundays.

## Getting Personal

Louis J. Poszkus of Manteno, Ill., recently travelled to East Vandergrift, Pa., for his vacation... The other day he sent in 4 new subscriptions to JAUNIMAS from that Pennsylvania town... Poszkus is employed in the Manteno State hospital...

John Urban, the Margutis radio warbler, is spending the summer at the Bačiūnas' Tabor Farm, singing to the rest-seeking guests during their mealtimes... Urban's last public appearance in Chicago was at the Smetona banquet in Palmer House... and a hit he made...

Rev. K. Matulaitis, M. I. C., pastor of the Lithuanian parish in London, finally obtained a reservation on the Yankee Clipper scheduled to take off from New York June 7... Rev. Matulaitis left London before the present war descended on the stout and brave capitol of the British empire...

Ray Vistartas made a flying trip to N. Y. and back... He's working for the American Air Lines...

Dr. Kwinn, former Town-of-Laker, now with the U. S. Army in Texas, recently became the proud father of a son... Dr. and Mrs. Winkunas went to Texas all the way from Chicago to be god-parents to the Kwinn heir...

That fence busting leftfielder on the Wayne University nine, Julius Molis, is the nephew of Vytautas Sirvydas, JAUNIMAS' staff member... B. C. (Before College), Molis played with the Detroit Lithuanian Alliance team...

Miss Edna Lazdauskas, of Waterbury, Conn., has been appointed chairman of the publicity committee of the inter-dormitory council at Rider college, Trenton, N. J., where she is a student...

Edmund X. Kilpa, of Salem, Mass., and Joseph D. Miksis, of Lynn, Mass., were among the 94 law graduates to be admitted to the bar in Massachusetts recently... More than 500 sought admittance...

Anthony A. Kacevičius, former Chicagoan, will be ordained into priesthood at the Providence, R. I., cathedral June 7...

Rev. Jonas Klimavičius, C. S. V., is the second young Lithuanian from the St. Joseph (So. Chicago) parish to enter priesthood... He was ordained May 22... The other is Rev. Peter P. Činikas, M. I. C., present managing editor of Draugas, the Lith Catholic daily...

Rev. George Paskauskas, pastor of the All Saints Lith church in Roseland, will celebrate his 25th anniversary of priesthood June 8...

Items From Waterbury: George T. Vilčiauskas was ordained into priesthood May 22 in Hartford, Conn... Bruno Nekrasas, recent director of the Waterbury Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce radio chorus, last week assumed the duties as organist in the Lithuanian church in Minersville, Pa... The Anicetas Simutis (secretary of the Lithuanian Consulate in N. Y.) have moved their residence to Waterbury... Rev. Paul Lunskis, recently curate at St. Joseph's church in Waterbury, on June 1 assumed duties at Holy Cross church, Mount Carmel, Pa...

Shenandoah, Pa., Lithuanians recently honored their youthful Dr. Edward Semansky, who is fast becoming a prominent figure in the medical world... Until recently, young Dr. Semansky was a member of teaching faculty in the department of surgery at the University of Minnesota...

On June 14, a wedding ceremony will take place at St. John Cantus church, Chicago, between Dr. Jerome C. Prusinski, of Chicago, and Miss Catherine Schmidt, of Rockford... Miss Schmidt is the adopted daughter of Ludwig Schmidt, noted Illinois violinist and one time director of the Rockford Symphony orchestra... Mr. Schmidt is German, but Catherine is pure Lithuanian, her real name being Zilinskas... Years ago

Catherine's father used to make and repair violins... Akstom... Anne Sabas and That's how prof. Schmidt got to know the family... After Mr. Zilinskas died, Mr. Schmidt married Mrs. Zilinskas and adopted Catherine as his own... Catherine is a nurse...

Draft or no draft, the times have improved economically, and this year will most likely see a new high in marriages... Last year more than one thousand Lithuanian couples were married in Chicago... At the rate going to date, it is safe to predict that close to two thousand Lithuanian weddings will take place here in 1941... Among the June marriages will be:

Anne Rasko and Walter Kuzma... Joanna Rauskinas and Walter Dambrauskas... Estelle Rimkus and William Versaskas (you know this couple very well — Estelle used to sing solo with Pirmyn chorus at many affairs, including several of JAUNIMAS; the bridegroom at one time lived in Detroit and was the secretary of the American Lithuanian Athletic Association. Swell couple!)... Stella L. Jozombek and Anthony P. Kiškunas...

Miss Adele Nedvaras will become Mrs. Steve Liukša June 8th (and miss the JAUNIMAS picnic?)... Adele's sister Stella is coming in all the way from Hollywood, Cal., to act as the maid-of-honor... She's a nurse in a cinema capitol hospital...

Genevieve Gancarz and Anthony Kishonas... Genevieve Gurskas and Walter Mack... Helen Terebaza and John R. Zukauskas... Margaret McArthur and Bruno J. Matejunas... Martha Vitkauskas and Bruno Mažeika... Anna Wenskus and William R. Young...

Bernice Vaisius and Anthony Misheikis... Bernice D. Tamulis and John Miknis...

Bernice Jurionas and Harold make and repair violins... Akstom... Anne Sabas and That's how prof. Schmidt got to know the family...

Marie Grokulska and Geo. Gricius... Emily Andrusis and Paul Wesshelas, Jr... Antoinette Lefcek and Louis F. Jurkus... Helen Smycz and Joseph J. Astrauskas...

### THIS AND DATA:

Mrs. Della Kuraitis was elected to succeed Mrs. Ona Biezas as the president of the Chicago Lithuanian Women's Club...

Dr. Edward Zukauskas of Brooklyn, N. Y., is now serving Uncle Sam at Fort Dix, N. J... Anthony Uzemack, Town of Lake, has been sent to Fort Benning, Ga., to the "blitzkrieg" mechanized division... And his brother Edward, the Chgo Daily Times reporter, in the meantime, is honeymooning somewhere in Mexico with his bride of two weeks, the former Miss Eleanor Platkauskas... The couple will be back in Chicago this week end and will attend the JAUNIMAS picnic next Sunday at the Sunset Park...

Anthony Skirius resigned from the editorship of Vytis and will devote his time to private business... His job at Vytis was given to Konnie Savickus...



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