

THIS DAY and AGE

16 TEAMS PLAY FOR CROWN

SQUADS FROM SEVEN STATES FIGHT FOR NATIONAL ALAA HONORS

FOUR CLEVELAND TEAMS ENTERED IN NATIONAL TITLE PLAY

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For weeks we've been giving you stories about the second National Basket Ball Tournament. We've kept you posted from week to week, on the latest developments, we've tried to keep you informed, of what we were doing, and the results we were getting.

This brings us right up to the date of the tournament, April 15 and 16. We hope to make these two days, enjoyable days, happy days, days that will leave memories for a long, long, time. The enthusiasm this tournament has created here, and out of town, show that people are vitally interested and ready to support any venture that will bring Lithuanians together.

It's only a matter of letting the world know, that we have hundreds of good athletes.

The American Lithuanian Athletic Association and its affiliated clubs are trying to do just that. To give the Lithuanian youth an opportunity to make good. Organized in 1938, the ALAA has sponsored two basket ball and three softball tournaments, with a big four day bowling tournament scheduled to be held in Detroit on April 29-30 and May 6-7.

The best part of it is, that only Lithuanians can participate in these National tournaments. A meeting of the ALAA is to be held in Cleveland during the basket ball tournament, at which plans for the summer season will be made and some thought will be given to the 1940 Olympics.

As we work on the present, we also are planning for the future. The outcome of this tournament, will act as a barometer of our future plans.

The interest the younger people are showing meetings is wonderful. Many more respond to letters, than are coming to this tournament. Many reasons were given for their inability to attend, but they expect to be with us, in our other tournaments. At that we feel we have made some progress, by doubling our first years entries.

With a total of sixteen teams, some changes had to be made in our original schedule. The first game of the tournament will start at 3:45 p.m. Saturday, and eight games will be played Saturday, five Sunday afternoon, and three Sunday night.

The program for the tournament is as follows.

Tournament headquarters

at the Lithuanian Hall, 6835 Superior Ave., will open Saturday at 9:30 a. m. Many teams are expected to come in early Saturday. Amsterdam, N. Y., is coming in Friday, the first team to arrive for the 1939 tourney. We would like to see a good number of local people on hand to greet the visiting sportsmen on their arrival.

Doors at Cathedral Latin gym, 2056 E. 107th St. (near Euclid) will be open at 3 p. m. Saturday. People driving out, may park their cars in

Schedule for Saturday

- Gary St. Casimers vs. Detroit Liths., 3:45 p.m.
- Racine Douglas Flowers vs. Variety Club (Cleveland), 4:30 p.m.
- Amer. Lith. Club of Amsterdam, N. Y. vs. Leaders (Cleveland), 5:15 p.m.
- Dayton K of L vs. Lithuanian A. C. (Cleveland), 6:00 p. m.
- Gary Lithuanian Club vs. St. Francis Youngstown, 6:45 p.m.
- Margutis Chicago vs. Lithuanians (Cleveland), 7:30 p.m.
- St. Georges Niagara Falls vs. DuBois Litts, 8:15 p.m.
- St. Peters Akron vs. Duquesne L'th. Literary Club 9:00 p.m.

the school yard.

Eight games will be played Saturday without any intermission. At the Lithuanian Hall, Saturday night the visiting athletes will be feted at a big reception ball, starting at 9 p.m.

Sunday at 10:30 a.m. the American Lithuanian Athletic Association will hold its meeting. At 1 p. m. the second session of the basket ball program will get underway, doors will be open at 12:30 p.m. Five games will be played at this session. The final session will be played Sunday night, with the first game scheduled for 6:45 p. m. Three games will win up the tournament.

Sunday night, the Lithuanian Hall will be the scene of a big farewell dance to the visiting athletes. Trophies will be presented to the champion, runner-up, consolation winner and individual awards will be made to players on the championship and runner-up teams.

The admission price to any one event is 25c for adults, 10c for children. Tickets for all 5 events in one book are \$1.00. The best gym in the city has been obtained for this tournament, so let's have a good turn-out for all sessions. May the best team win the crown.



Here is a scene depicting the winter sports interest which is gaining by leaps and bounds among the youth in Lithuania.

FINAL WEEK TO GET CONCERT TICKETS

This is the final week in which to obtain tickets for the Anna Kaskas Concert to be held in the Little Theater of Public Hall, on Friday evening, April 21st.

Miss Kaskas, contralto of the Metropolitan Opera Co., comes here next week to appear with the Cleveland Orchestra at Severance Hall on Thursday and Saturday evenings. At her own suggestion she will render this concert for the benefit of the Lithuanian Cultural Garden League. This gracious gesture on her part will endear her to the hearts of Lithuanians in this city. To show its sincerest gratitude the Lithuanian Cultural Garden League will dedicate a tree in honor of Miss Kaskas in the Lithuanian Garden on next Friday afternoon. It is hoped that Miss Kaskas will be able to attend.

The Lithuanian Womens and University Clubs, sponsors of this concert, urge all to place ticket orders now, since there only a few remaining seats. All ticket orders can be placed with Mrs. Wilkalis, 6522 Superior Ave..

Here is one of the two teams which will represent the Cleveland Lithuanian Athletic Club in the National cage tourney, being held here Saturday and Sunday.

Missing from the picture is Johnny Melokas.

LITHUANIAN A. C. CLUB NEWS

Runner-up for two consecutive years. Runner-up to the champions seems to be the fate of the club's Inter Lodge League cage team. In a heart-rending, nerve-shattering, dramatic battle, the Serbians defeated the Lithuanian A. C. for the second straight time, 36 to 34, to win the Inter-Lodge League Championship.

The Serbians are champions but the Lithuanian A. C.'s have nothing to be ashamed of, as their team was great even in defeat. Congratulations to the champions, and congratulation to the runner-up, the Lithuanian A. C.

Things were quiet on the bowling front because of Easter but the Lithuanian A. C. Bowling League teams rolled Thursday evening to make up the lost date. Results will be printed in next weeks issue of this paper.

The league will not bowl this Sunday, April 16, because of the basketball tournament.

Peter Miller

CARD PARTY

The Perpetual Rosary Society of St. George's parish holds a Card and Bunco Party at St. George's Auditorium, next Sunday April 23, at 7:30 p.m.

A unique twist in prize awarding will feature this card party. Since the date coincides with the feast day of St. George, all persons named George will be awarded a special prize. There will also be three special door prizes.

DANCES AND SOCIAL PARITES RESUMED

The weekly St. George Social Dances are being resumed after an absence of two months due to the Holy Season of Lent. Al Dubray and his orchestra will furnish the music as usual, and the admission price is till unchanged.

The St. George Social Party's will also be resumed after an absence of a few weeks. Every Wednesday is the date, with prizes just as large with no increase in admission price.

LET'S LAUGH

Economy

Employment Bureau Manager: So you'd like to employ a mason. What kind do you want?

Employer (a Scot): I'd like to have one of these free masons I've heard so much about.

THE RELATION OF CATHOLIC ACTION TO A CAREER

Long before we decide finally on our profession, we begin to prepare for our life work properly. Since ninety percent of our population marry, we may well give careful consideration to our state of life from that point of view. But no matter what our approach to the problem, we must consider the purpose and goal of our existence.

A good character is basic to everyone's life, so we must begin early to train our wills to act in conformity with right reason and the dictates of conscience. Being conscious of the motives that move our will makes clear to us why we make the choices we do. Fear of punishment is surely a base motive for action. Hope of reward is higher. To act from a sense of duty is much better, but to do for the love of God is the highest of all motives.

The greatest factor in motivating our willingness to combat the enemies to perseverance in doing right is the realization that we are members of the Mystical Body of Christ. Despite our ineffectualness, our powerlessness without Divine Aid, we draw confidence and courage from the knowledge that in Him and through Him we can achieve. Through frequent or daily Communion we encourage the growth of grace and of the wisdom which passes understanding, our spirit is quickened, we renew our efforts. The discouragement that comes from failure to stand up under the onslaught of temptation or unfavorable environment can be comprehended only by those who have been through such trials; on the other hand, there will be no wavering under attack if we achieve a feeling of partnership with Jesus Christ—not something additional, rather an at-one-ment, typified by these quotations:

"I live now not I, but Christ liveth in me." (Gal 11,20.)
"Even as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they be in Us . . . that they may be one, even as We are one—I in thee, and Thou in Me, that they may be perfected into one." (Jn. 17, 21-3) "He that is joined to the Lord is one spirit." (I Cor. 6, 17.)

In preparing for life, we seek to move our wills through the highest motives, to build a good character through continuous effort and permanent improvement. The value of our knowledge depend upon the uses to which it is put.

You will want to add to your library Father Lord's "How to Pick a Successful Career", Ida Coudenhove's "The Cloister and the World" and Father Edward Leen's "Progress Through Mental Prayer". Continue throughout your life to keep in touch with inspiring talk and material afforded in books new to you. Fortunate is the person who realizes that life is lent to us and that its best investment is Christ's interest—the only real, certain home. We must pray continually to the Holy Ghost for enlightenment—that we may see the things of God and seek them. We must cherish Christ in our hearts and strive continually to live up to our own message. We must realize the significance of details and the deeper unity of life that exercises imperial control over conduct whether we wish it or not. We must seek joy and peace and religious solace in our lives, dwelling on the wisdom of the ancient who said, "If I had two loaves of bread, I'd sell one and buy a hyacinth—for the hyacinth would feed my soul." We must be humble in begging the prayers of others and charitable in praying for them. To well wishers who would practice or thank St. Teresa, she used to say, "Don't tell me, tell God."

ENTRY BLANKS FOR BOWLING TOURNEY STILL AVAILABLE

Entry Blanks for the First National Lithuanian Bowling Tournament to be held in the city of Detroit on the week-ends, April 29-30 and May, 6-7, can still be obtained at the office of the Lithuanian News. Any Lithuanian individuals or club wishing to receive blanks may do so, by writing or calling the office of this paper.

LAUGH

Of all dismal fates—to be on a slowly sinking ship beyond rescue. A colored boy expressed it perfectly in '17. Asked whether he wanted to join the army or navy, he

said, "Army, and nuthin' else." 'Cause,' he continued, 'if the Germans get you when you're in the army there you is. But in the navy, where is you, boy, where is you?'"

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