



THIS DAY and AGE



THE RELATION OF CATHOLIC ACTION TO A CAREER

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THE CELIBATE CATHOLIC WOMAN IN THE WORLD

Last we spoke about the coming of the Industrial Era during the beginning of the nineteenth century and how it took the woman out of the home. We showed that the Church was not against women choosing a career if the end for which it was chosen was laudatory. We continue.

In our Church, too, we have many zealous women who are working, unhampered by other loves, for the good of humanity. These Catholics nurses are useful both in and out of the hospitals. They work for the poor and neglected members of Christ's flock; they attend the poor sick women in their homes. They also aid the teachers with talks on health and hygiene and health preservation which perhaps, in the near future, will be made obligatory for all schools.

A vast field of service is open to those serving as kind mentors to boys and girls who are in danger of falling prey to the wiles of deceitful friends. Many cases discharged from hospitals and lying-in institutions need follow-up care, which a trained volunteer worker, can do better than anyone else.

Education is another field that needs lay people who are free from other cares so that they might give their full time to their classes. It is beyond the shadow of a doubt that Catholic teachers in public schools have been a great spiritual factor to those in need of moral help. Many of these unfortunate children have, through no fault of their own, had no spiritual training. To be a help to such children will always bring joy and consolation to the hearts of the teachers. For to have instructed others unto justice is a work blessed by God and deserving praise in the eyes of discerning men.

Now to all this objection may be placed, namely, that state of matrimony is of universal obligation and therefore the celibate state is not in harmony with the Divine Plan. But there is no reason for saying that matrimony is obligatory for all. For nature has primarily instituted the matrimonial state for the preservation and development of the human race. Therefore, marriage pertains primarily not to the perfection of the individual, but to the perfection of the race. Moreover, on account of the natural inclination to marry, the majority of men will always contract marriage, so that there will never be any danger of the human race dying out. Hence, though it is nature's tendency in general to increase, it does not follow that it is the duty of each individual to have posterity. Nor is it in any way an argument against the Catholic idea of celibacy to allege that this state is impossible for human nature. For as Father Hill rightly says:

"Few persons either can or ought to marry before reaching what nature and custom have found as the marriageable age, and yet they are supposed to lead a pure life before marriage. They must, for such is the commandment of God: therefore, they can, for God requires nothing that is impossible. Those who hold that chastity is an impossibility offend against their faith, against reason, and against the honor of their fellow men."

Let not the Catholic women, therefore, who, in order to follow a higher call, and to produce larger fruits for the eternal life, remains single throughout life, be disturbed by the clamors of an unthinking crowd. Her state, is accepted from spiritual motives, it is in itself more noble and as such in harmony with man's rational nature, as that of her married sister. She is free from many impediments which may stand in the way of wider social usefulness. Not tied down to the limits of the domestic society her view and her desires to do good for God's children may extend far. But let her use the splendid opportunities within her reach in the spirit of faith, hope and charity, and some day many will rise and call her blessed.

DANCES AND SOCIAL PARITIES 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.

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.

Lithuanian A. C. Keglers Travel to Detroit

Hope to Win Third National Crown

Well, now that a great and successful basketball season is over, we turn to the finish of the bowling season and the opening of the softball season for sports thrills. The softball season will soon begin but, as yet, the club has not made final plans for this. The bowling season will finish this Sunday, April 30, then the bowlers will attempt to cop a few national titles. This coming Saturday, May 5, three complete teams will journey to Detroit to vie for championship and the big money prizes that go with them. The Lithuanian A. C. now has sole ownership of the National Lithuanian titles in softball and basketball. There are some very capable club keglers making the bowling trip and we hope at least one of them will bring back a title in that sport to complete one of the most remarkable feats in sports, that of winning a national title in three different sports in one year. Maybe they'll do that. Past performances, of not only the club teams but also of other Cleveland Lithuanian athletes, show that the cream of American Lithuanian athletes is right here in our city. Cleveland should be proud of all of them.

Last week, matches in the Lithuanian A. C. Bowling League were bowled on both, Thursday and Sunday. The Grigaitis Cleaners retained their three game league lead by winning four of six games while their bitter rivals, the Cleveland Letter-

ing Co., were also winning the same number of games. Thursday, the Cleaners, walloped the Lithuanian A. C. in 2 of 3 games and the Letterers took 2 of 3 from the Coventry Recreations. Augie Norbert blasted a 611 series and Al Samolis hit a 600 series. Sunday, the Cleaners took 2 of 3 games from the Recreations and the Letterers took the Lithuanian A. C. into camp in 2 of 3 games. Augie Norbert, again, was high man for the day with an even 600 series, compiled with games of 224 183--193. Sunday, April 30, sees the finish of the season and the second place Lettering outfit hooks up with the leading Grigaitis Cleaners in the feature match. The Letterers need to win 3 games to tie for the championship and if Tony's lads win one, they will be crowned the first champions of the league. Which ever happens, there will be fireworks. Any one wishing to see these agmes are welcome at the Coventry Bowling Alleys.

The Inter-Lodge League honors its basketball champs Wednesday, May 3, with a dance and party at the Lithuanian Hall. Team trophies and individual awards will be presented to the champion Serbian team and the runner-up Lithuanian A. C. team during the evening's festivities. A good orchestra will furnish music for dancing. An evening of fun is guaranteed to every person attending. Every one is welcome. P.M.

ST. GEORGE CHOIR NEWS

It was certainly a rare treat for us to hear the beautiful, rich voice of the lovely Anna Kaskas... and I'll wager that every choir member present wanted to join in singing one of their favorite Lithuanian songs, "Karveleli"... Did you notice all the choir members smugly sit back when "their own" Vince played his solos?!

SEEN AT THE CONCERT: Helen Bacevice with her back to the stage... Rose Bludges, Julia Halaburda and Nellie "Chips" betting as to the color gown Miss Kaskas would wear. Rosie won the bet... The "Orpses" with the "cream of the crop"... Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brazaitis arm in arm during the intermission... which reminds me... where were all the other choir men? (Are our faces red?)

Sunday, April 30, the St. George Choir will present "Netiketai" (Unexpectedly), a Lithuanian comedy in 3 acts. There will also be selections sung by some members of the choir. The curtain rises promptly at 7:30 p.m. Admission is 35 cents.

The choir wishes to thank the Misses: Bernice Grauzulis and Louise Brazaitis for typing of our play.

Mr. Peter Derso of Rochester, N. Y., was the guest of Victoria Citavicius during his vacation here. He liked Cleveland very much and thought Lithuanians here were... Tops.

Last Saturday, April 23, Stella Greicius and two other East High school students attended a journalistic convention at Kent University. They won first prize competing against six hundred other high school journalists. Stooze

St. George CYO Unit Makes Plan for Summer Sport

The St. George CYO sports unit formulated plans for the coming softball season at a meeting held at St. George's on Monday, April, 24th.

The St. George parish league will again be revived and will get under way early in May. The Dukes, Bills Billiards and Nirosky Barons have already made known their intentions of entering the league again this year. Anthony Vitonis is league supervisor and is assisted by Frank Rudd, George Skarnulis, Johnny Slauta and Frank Yestonsky. All who are interested can see the above officers and make arrangements for a formal entry.

The playground will be open for practice sessions for all teams this week and next.

St. George will enter a CYO team in the Senior CYO league again this year and an attempt will be made to organize a CYO girls team.

CULTURAL CLUB NEWS

Come one, come short, come tall
To the Culturals' Spring Frolic Dance will hold
On the 29th of April it'll fall
Good music, good songs and games untold

Place — 1467 Addison Road
Time — 8:00 P. M.
Admission — 25c.
Refreshments — All Kinds.

Well folks, heres another opportunity to spend an enjoyable evening with the Lithuanian Cultural Club. Since you haven't danced much due to Lent, why not come down and get in practice.

The committee has made a special effort and is planning many interesting, varied and amusing features, such as a special presentation of the "Beer Barrel Polka", a dance marathon and a few others which are to be a secret until Saturday.

Hoping that after this hilarious evening you will be able to come to the meeting Tuesday, May 2, 1939 at the Lithuanian Hall at 8:00 p.m.

On display at this meeting will be the radio that is to be raffled off by the club on July 11, 1939.

The radio, a 1939 Zenith Table Model, purchased at Wilkels Furniture Store, is well worth the donation of five pennies if you are the holder of the lucky ticket.

History of Klaipeda Territory

ED. NOTE: In view of recent German seizure of Memel, this article is written, to more clearly establish Lithuania's right as sovereign of the Memel Territory.

(Continued)
The Klaipeda (Memel) Convention

The territory was conveyed to Lithuania by the Allied Powers on May 8, 1924. The Instrument of Conveyance — the Memel Convention reads as follows:

"The British Empire, Italy, France and Japan, signatories with the United States of America, as the Principal Allied and Associated Powers, to the Treaty of Peace of Versailles of June 28th, 1919, of the one part and Lithuania of the other part.

Desirous of giving effect to the decision of the four first-mentioned Powers taken at the Conference of their Ambassadors at Paris on February 16th, 1923, and accepted by Lithuania in March 13th 1923;

Have to this end appointed their plenipotentiaries who having communicated their full powers found in good and due form have agreed upon the following provisions:

Article 1

The British Empire, Italy, France and Japan, signatories with the United States of America, as the Principal Allied and Associated Powers, to the Treaty of Versailles, transfer to Lithuania, subject to conditions contained in this Convention, all the rights and titles ceded to them by Germany in virtue of Article 99 of the Treaty of Versailles over the territory lying between the Baltic Sea, the north-eastern frontier of East Prussia (as described in Article 28 of the said Treaty and as defined in particular by the letter sent on July 18th 1921, by the President of the Conference of Ambassadors of the Allied Governments at Paris to the German Ambassadors at Paris), and the former frontier between Germany and Russia, the said territory being described in the present Convention as "the Memel Territory".

German-Lithuanian Treaty

Klaipeda (Memel) territory was ceded by Germany to the Allied Powers and these Powers ceded to the Republic of Lithuania. Furthermore, the German-Lithuanian Treaty of January 29, 1928, strengthened this conveyance and fixed the boundaries between Lithuania and Germany.

Juridical Status of the Territory

The Memel Convention states that the territory shall constitute the sovereignty of Lithuania, a unit enjoying legislative, judicial, administrative and financial autonomy, with the Governor appointed by the President of the Republic of Lithuania. The Convention also states that the rights of sovereignty over the territory or exercise of such rights may not be transferred without the consent of the High Contracting Parties. Consequently, neither Germany nor Germans of Memel territory can legally transfer the rights of sovereignty. (To be Continued)

NOVENA TO MOTHER OF SORROWS TO OPEN

A triduum to Our Sorrowful Mother on April 26, 27 and 28th will open the Perpetual Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother at St. George's Church.

The services will be conducted by Father Kennedy, O.S.M., a priest from the Detroit diocese.

Piano Lekcijos

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