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2nd Front Air Arm



FOR ADOLF—U. S. Army Air Force crews sign their John Henrys on these huge aerial bombs, just before they are installed on bomb racks of multi-engined, long-range war-bird. Location described as "Somewhere in European theatre of operations."

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F.D.R. TO YOUTH OF WORLD:



President Roosevelt

"On Your Shoulders Rests The Future Of World Mankind"

(In an historic address to the delegates of the International Student Service assembly meeting in Washington last Thursday, President Roosevelt spoke to the youth of the entire world—citizens of the United Nations, occupied nations, and the Axis alike.

The essence of the president's talk was stirring. It was a pledge to the United Nation's youth that the forces of anarchy and violence must perish, and that the responsibility for the new and free world rests on the shoulders of the youth of the world.

THE VILNIS ENGLISH SECTION is proud to publish the president's speech. Lithuanian-American youth too, share in the reestablishment of the new world, and it is toward the attainment of that end that we here-with present the president's speech.

—The Editors)

Vilnis English Section Reader Is Assigned To Flight Training

SAN ANTONIO.—Men who recently left the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center for preliminary flight training schools throughout the country included a group of Lithuanian-Americans. They have completed their first steps toward becoming pilot members of combat teams in air. Lithuanians among the group are: Edward J. Maslanka, Bruno J. Motejunas, Louis Matuska and John Stukas. Mr. Stukas is from Chicago and is a reader of the VILNIS ENGLISH SECTION.

It may interest the members of this assembly of the International Student Service that, during the past week, the Axis radio has given unusual comment to your sessions and to the speech which you are hearing at this moment.

Our listening stations have picked up an increasing volume of Axis broadcasts, including controlled stations in France, Hungary, The Netherlands and elsewhere, referring to this meeting of the younger generation from all the United Nations in terms of growing hate and, of course, complete falsehood. Our listening stations report that they expect that at this moment the air in all Axis-dominated nations will be thoroughly jammed—blacked out—in order that no sound of what I am saying, either in English or in translation, will be heard by any restless young people who are under Hitler's heel.

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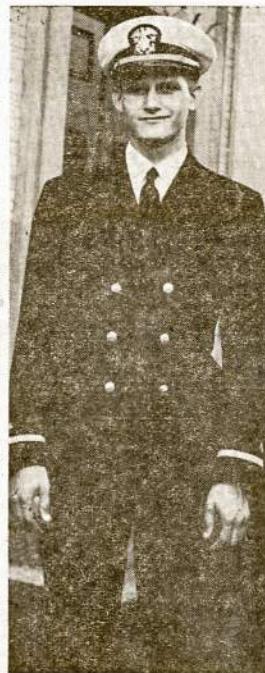
By Jonas Shimkus

Via Inter-Continent News

Moscow, U. S. S. R.

Quite a number of letters have fallen into the hands of Soviet army units; letters written from Lithuania to Lithuanians who have been driven by the Germans to the front.

Lith Is Ensign In United States Naval Forces



Ensign Frank Jencius

Graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology and now finishing naval courses at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Frank Jencius of Chicago is visiting with his parents over the weekend.

It Takes The Bull To Raise Money

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Floyd C. Kimble, cattleman, recently offered for sale a "Red Cross" bull. The animal was sold for \$400 and contributions ranging as high as \$20 "tossed into the pot". by other cattlemen boosted the Red Cross fund to \$670.

Here are two typical letters written to two Lithuanians—Povilas Cepkauskas and Servinskas, both of whom were killed on the Kalinin front in June:

"My poor dear unfortunate one:

I terribly regret that in my previous letters I mentioned certain things that apparently didn't please the Germans, and that is why you didn't get them. I am not afraid for myself, but am anxious over the thought that they may make you pay for my outspokenness.

"Truth may only be written in letters that are delivered by hand—a friend's hand. Write me often, but tell the truth only in letters that you get a chance to send through reliable hands. Don't trust any of the Germans.

HUSBAND IS SHOT

"I feel terribly sorry for Praniene. One night the Germans came and took away her husband. It has been said that he was shot. Birute is now nearly out of her mind.

"You were still here when the gendarmes shot her little Pranukas. Since then the Germans began to persecute Pranas.

"Other events have come to pass. We wonder what will happen to Matilda whose husband was tortured to death by the Germans soon after their arrival. Her two sons, Jonas and Vytautas have been shipped to Germany. The authorities didn't even issue her a food card, and she walks around silent and grey. I gave her whatever food I could spare. You have no idea how many persons face the same prospect.

"You may not know it, but it is a common thing for the people to be robbed by the Germans. It is terrible! Only those who help them in their ruffianly work are left in peace. Some day God's punishment will strike them and it will be

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Cites Lies of Paris Radio

The Nazi radio in Paris, for example, tells the youth of France that Roosevelt was solely responsible for the defeat of France; that Roosevelt is not qualified to address a message to the youth of the world because America is a nation that has done nothing for youth.

Berlin reports that four French youth organizations have protested in advance against this speech, since Roosevelt must be blamed for the death of more than one hundred thousand young Frenchmen. Incidentally, it would be interesting to know how many real Frenchmen there are in these so-called French youth organizations.

A radio in Tokyo says that I am admitting to you at this moment that my people are decadent—weaklings—playboys—spoiled by jazz music and Hollywood pictures. Of course, this broadcast did not originate from any of the Japanese who bumped into our playboys in the Southwest Pacific.

The reason for this hysterically defensive attitude toward this gathering is not hard to find. For many years they have made their hypocritical appeal to youth—they have tried, with all their blatant publicity, to represent themselves as the champions of youth.

But now the world knows that the Nazis, the Fascists and the militarists of Japan have nothing to offer youth—except death.

On the other hand, the cause of the United Nations is the cause of youth itself. It is the hope of the new generation—and the generations that are to come—hope for a new life than can be lived in freedom, and justice, and decency.

This fact is becoming clearer every day to the young people of Europe, where the Nazis are trying to create youth organizations built on the Nazi pattern. It is not a pattern devised by youth for youth. It is a pattern devised by Hitler and imposed upon youth by a form of mental forcible feeding—a diet of false facts, distortions and prohibitions—all backed up by the guns of the Gestapo.

Praises Youthful Patriots

If you have any doubt as to what the decent youth of Europe think about the false promises the Axis masters make to the young people of the world, look to the brave young men of France and all the occupied countries who prefer to face the firing squads rather than a lifetime of slavery and degradation under Hitler.

In such unfortunate countries as Finland, Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania and Italy, whose governments have found it necessary to submit to Hitler and do his bidding, the quislings have organized youth movements too—but these are only movements of youth by the tens of thousands to the slaughter of the eastern front, where the Nazis need cannon fodder in their desperate attempts to shatter the stalwart Russian Army.

Chinese Youth Stand Firm

In China, heroic youth has stood steadfast for more than five years against all of Japan's attempts to seduce and disarm them with such transparent lies as the promise of "Asia for the Asiatics." For the Chinese know that this only means "all of creation enslaved by the Japanese."

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Get Wings At Gulf Coast Army Air Force Graduation

The largest class of military pilots since the inception of seven advanced flying schools of the Gulf Coast Army Air Forces Training Center were graduated this past Sunday.

Among the graduates are the following:

Lt. Casimir C. Laskowski of Chicago, Lt. Martin Ondrus of Berwyn, Lt. Leonard A. Kunza of Phoenix.

The Air Force did not reveal the total number of silver wings awarded to the class, the eighth to graduate since Pearl Harbor.

Forsee Clampdown On Lith Anti-Communist And Pro-Nazi Element

NEW YORK.—Arrest of enemy aliens by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in this city last week—aliens who have been operating and pursuing anti-governmental activity through the Anti-Communist Federation of America, with Headquarters in Los Angeles, California—was foreseen by Lithuanian-Americans as a step in the direction of clamping down on all pro-nazi element, Lithuanian included, who have been aiding axis forces through their anti-communist activity.

Lith Youth Is Promoted To 2nd Lieutenant

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Constantine Urbaitis, Lithuanian of this city, was promoted to 2nd Lt. in the United States Army.

Urbaitis has been in service for two years, and entered the army as a private. He applied for officer's training and following graduation, was appointed 2nd Lieutenant.

Youth Division Russian War Relief Invites Lithuanian Youth

CHICAGO.—Through the youth division of Russian War Relie, Inc., Lithuanian-American youth were extended an invitation to attend a youth victory jubilee being held Sunday, September 26, 8 p.m., at the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Auditorium, 333 S. Ashland Ave.

For the jubilee, efforts are being made to have as guests of honor, Charles Chaplin, Paul

Lith Queen



Beauty queen of Detroit is Lithuanian Miss Steponavich who was given the title of Miss Lithuania of Detroit. — Photo Detroit Free Press.

Twelve Lith-Americans Graduate From Navy Service School

GREAT LAKES:—Victory for America and the United Nations will be won, declared the Most Reverend Bernard J. Sheil, auxiliary bishop of Chicago here last week.

Speaking to 1,782 men, the largest class ever to be graduated from the Navy service school here, Bishop Sheil told his listeners they were about to take part in a unique war, unique because "basically the conflict is one between ideas." He continued:

"Ideas cannot be destroyed by bullets; they can only be destroyed by better ideas."

Selection of men to attend the schools was made on the basis of a series of aptitude tests given every bluejacket during his period of recruit training. Twelve Lithuanian-Americans were among the 1,782 men to graduate. They are:

Theodore G. James, Edward S. Babula, Henry B. Kawalauski, Henry R. Kubelus, Robert E. Walenta, William L. Bubilowsky, Richard L. Wisniewski, John A. Waskowski, Walter J. Kowski, Alex N. Gajauski, Albert M. Kobus, Edward J. Mielewski.

Robeson, and other world-famed celebrities. Dancing to a Big Name Dance Band is included in the evening's entertainment. The Chicago Repertory Theatre Group will present dramatic skits.

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well deserved."

YOUR ANELE

Albina Sirvinskas wrote the following to her now dead husband.

"My dear beloved Povileli: I am writing you in a great hurry for there is a chance to send this letter by hand, an opportunity so rare.

"Povileli, a terrible thing happened to Virginia! She had been working in a clinic for three months. I used to go and see her fairly often. She never complained about her work, although she said that it was hard looking after those German cads.

"Cads! They are wild beasts! One night when Virginia was on duty in the ward for lightly wounded, she was raped! She couldn't remember everything herself, but she said that apparently all patients in the ward raped her in turn. She lost consciousness. And you Povileli advised me to work in some hospital!

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"Virginia complained to the army colonel responsible. He only laughed and sent her to a doctor to examine her state of health. She was discharged from her position. It appears that she had become infected with syphilis. She committed suicide by poisoning herself.

"I am terribly frightened. I never, anymore, go near Panemunes Miskas. Dead bodies of so many women have been found there.

"Povileli, I know you cannot take the chance on writing the truth. But I implore you to write regardless. At least I shall know you are alive."

YOUR ALBINA

The height of German atrocity exceeds all set precedents. These letters are so eloquent that comment is superfluous.

Two Liths Among Army Air Force Training Command Graduates

CHANUTE FIELD.—Thirty-four Chicago soldiers were graduated last week from the Chanute Field school of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. Among those graduating were the following Lithuanians:

Private Joseph N. Darguzas of 6840 S. Campbell Ave., and Stanley J. Taraszka of 2139 N. Winchester Ave.

Chicago Sorority Meets This Friday To Plan Affair

NEWSY SAYS:

First of all and the main thing is to be sure to attend our meeting, Friday, September 11th at Hollywood Inn. As previously mentioned at this meeting a new executive board will be elected as our present board has already served its one year. Therefore, it is very important that every sister come, so don't forget it, my sisters.

We will take up the subject of our Rush Party for new members. A committee composed of HELEN LANE, ANN PETERS and ALDONA PAVELONIS are to report on this. Maybe as a result we can really get to work on the party which we are looking forward to and hope that all LDS girls who are not sisters, but are interested, will come.

Also with more and more fellows in the LDS in the service of Uncle Sam, we will have to make definite plans for our next dance for their benefit which will be probably held on November 14th. We hope that we will not have to change this date as many times things come up, and we have to make changes. More details on this subject will be submitted later.

Gee whiz, I just can't think of another thing to say. Maybe I am losing my knack of catching news uhh?

NOSEY SAYS:

It seems as though JESSIE SHAIKO and FRANK VESELY do not care for the movies in their own neighborhood. They were seen going into the Marbro Theatre last Wednesday. Perhaps they wanted to see "King's Row" which was there. It was a marvelous picture. LIL RETIS is now on her much postponed vacation. She went by air. Some people sure are lucky, I wish I could fly! Don't you? I see where the LDS Bowling League will be starting on the 16th. Glad to hear this. We sure will be missing a lot of familiar faces. I hear BRUNO BARON is quite sad about STAN BERNOT going in the Coast Guard. These two, as all know, are very close friends. Oh well, for that matter I bet there will be many who will miss the blonde boy friend (to quote a certain person I know). Lots of luck from the Sorority to you, Stan, in your new venture. As you probably read in the Escort's column, they are having a send-off party for him at Hollywood Inn on September 12th, so don't forget to attend. Gee I am breathless, so Newsy and I will see you at the party. Sooo long.

Cleveland Sorority Discusses Welfare Of LDS Soldiers

The Lambda Delta Sigma of Branch 201 wants to clear up a misunderstanding. This pertains to the fact that it is not us, girls, alone sending packages to our soldiers in Service. The LDS Branch 201 is providing the funds for this purpose. The girls are doing the work as usual. So in the "Thank You Letters", please address them:

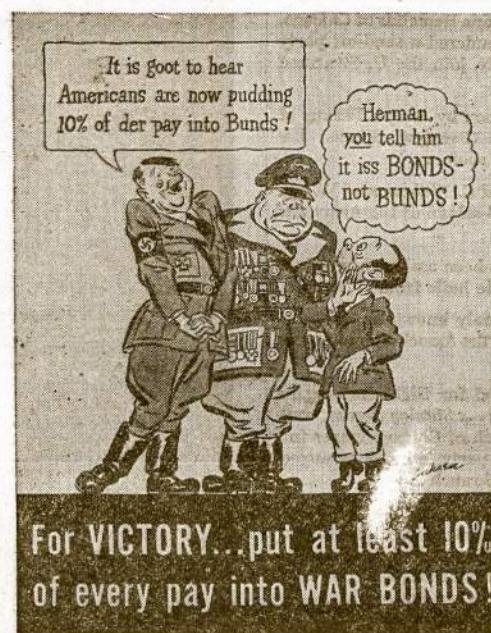
LDS Branch 201
c/o Mrs. Bertha Butkus
—Lambda Sec'y.

14226 Westropp Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

If in time a soldier does not let us know of receiving or appreciating our little packages, he will be overlooked completely.

Our Lambda's last meeting was held at Miss Pam Balchunas' home.

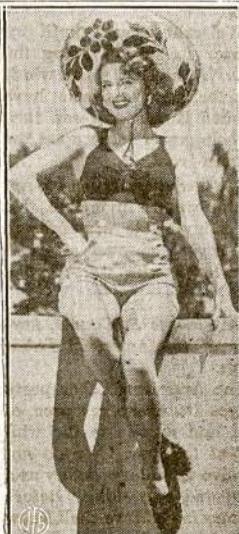
New Cartoon Sells War Bonds



The above cartoon poster, especially drawn to promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, will soon be seen throughout the United States. It is one of four new posters stressing new themes in the War Bond campaign.

U. S. Treasury Dept.

Final Plans For Chicago LDS Bowling League Swing Ahead; Girls Urged To Make Haste In Team Organization



EASY ON EYES — Joan Barclay, titan-haired, shapely starlet, is Minneapolis's loss, Hollywood's gain. The young Minnesota actress came into her own by way of the Little Theatre route, is slated to get her first big break in pictures soon.

We had an attendance of sixteen. It was well conducted and as usual the main business was the Soldiers' Welfare. Personal pleasures are overlooked.

The next meeting is to be at:
Miss Aquila Bekievic's

By Al Klaud

It is very important that all the branches further their organization of the women's teams.

Meetings will take place Monday at various sections in the city, so it is imperative that these girls be sure to have all their members present September 16 at Marzano's alleys, at 8 P. M.

Fran Yurgil has taken an active part in the women's league organization. It is forecasted to have 4 teams represented from three branches. Other details will be made when other plans are fulfilled.

The men's league is already organized and raring to go to knock the maples down. Six teams are entered in comparison to the eight team league of last season. Many, however, are coming back into the league and many are gone here or there.

League schedules and prize lists will be made up for the benefit of the contestants.

It is again to be a sanctioned league and it is to be understood that all team entry fees to be paid by the fourth week of bowling.

So let's get set for another league season. Other details will be forwarded as time passes.

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Sendoff for Redwing Member Takes Place This Saturday

ALL OUT—THIS SATURDAY NIGHT at Hollywood Inn. Why—Because the Redwings are again sending off another member to the armed forces.

A very likeable lad—blond hair, blue eyes by which he keeps the women interested. He goes under the moniker of STAN BERNOT. Stanley has been a Redwing member for many years and could be called one of the founders of the club.

Yes, fellow LDS's, Stan or Stash is leaving us for service in the U. S. Coast Guards. So why not come down to 2417 W. 43rd St., Saturday evening to have a few words with Stan and do a bit reminiscing.

The committee consisting of George Kwain and Al Jacobs would like to get reservations prior to this Saturday.

Curious Item of note: That Ford that Stan Bernot rambles around with belonged to a popular LDS'—Stan Kovekis. So when Stan K. left to join the Coast Artillery, Stan B. purchased the car—so now he has to sell it so he (Stan B.) can go to the Coast Guards. Who will be the next victims?

I have from reliable sources that those two "haybags" are going to attend you know (N and N) wonder why they don't get original for once.

ATTENTION REDWINGS: Meeting is this Monday at Hollywood Inn. Be there—many details are to be ironed out.

"The Escort"



DOTTED LINE — Curvesome Rosemary LaPlanche, who won title of Miss America at Atlantic City, N. J., last year, pens signature to film contract with Hal Roach productions. Scene in Hollywood, of course.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

- *Vytautas Keistutis Remeikis*, son of Anna Remeikis of Chicago, well known in Lithuanian circles was tendered a send-off party this past Friday evening . . . He goes to join the U. S. armed forces . . .
- Familiar company can be expected soon by *Joseph Yuskus* of Chicago, stationed with a naval unit at Glenview, Illinois His brother, *Albert*, is scheduled to join him soon . . .
- More force for the air force: *Edward C. Walantas* of Windy City graduated recently from technical school of the Army Air Forces technical training command . . .
- *Battery Man: Pvt. John Borowski* has been assigned to a field artillery unit at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He hails from Chicago.
- Instructor for military police, commonly known as M.P.'s, is *John Orman*, national youth secretary of the Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) . . .
- Among Chicagoans who have enlisted for flight training in the U. S. Navy air force is *Joseph Degulis* . . . *Stanley Bernot*, well liked member of the LDS Redwing branch of Chicago leaves for the U. S. Coast Guard soon. A sendoff party is being arranged for him by the members of the Redwing branch . . .
- A 2nd front could be opened with the large amount of Lithuanian-Americans now serving. Recent selectees who have left to do their bit from Chicago are: *Leo Shaulis, Edward Vasilaukas, Joseph Balaris, Henry Urbanski, Frank Bielawski, Walter Podzius, George Jouzaitis, Charles Martus, Stanley Bumbis* . . .
- Lithuanian University Club member, *Charles Rusackas* has entered officer's training according to information received by this column . . .
- Windy Cityites soon to be inducted: *John Rutkauskas, Anton Alisauski, Edward Witalis and Charles Chepulis* . . .
- *Sick List:*
Mr. and Mrs. Janulis, Adele Klimavicius, Theodora Gugis, Emilia Rye, all of Detroit, Michigan . . .
- Tops, is the *Detroit Lithuanian Radio Club* of Detroit, Michigan. At a recent affair sponsored by the club, *Miss Ann Jurivich* was selected as *Miss Lithuania of Detroit*. She is but 16-years of age . . . The *Detroit Times* carried a photo of the youthful queen and in this issue of the *VILNIS ENGLISH SECTION* you will find a photo replica of her . . .
- Proud parents of a baby son are the *Verbeski's* of Rockford, Illinois . . .
- Son of *Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Steponkevich* of Detroit, Michigan has left for service with the army . . . *Alphonse Janulis* stationed in California made a flying trip back to Detroit to visit Pop and Mom who are both ill . . .
- Throughout the nation Lithuanian-Americans are doing their part to relieve the suffering caused the people of Russia by the nazi hordes. Last week, at a small affair held in Detroit, the sum of \$50.00 was collected for Russian War Relief . . .
- There is that possibility that the foreign language press will be shut down by the federal government. Reason is to eliminate pro-nazi propaganda . . . At a recent meeting in New York at which Lithuanian press representatives were present, *Mr. Alan Cranston*, representing the *Office of War Information* stated that all news items that come from nazi occupied areas and which are published, should be identified with the wording "*This has been received from enemy sources and may be enemy propaganda*" . . . When will the newspaper "*Naujienos*" start marking their "*via Portugal*" from Berlin stories with the stated wording "*This has been received from enemy sources and may be enemy propaganda*"? . . .
- *Ensign Frank Jencius*, is visiting with his parents in Chicago. He has been studying at the *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* and will soon be assigned to active service with the United States Navy . . .
- Two Lithuanian candidates running for state offices in Baltimore, Maryland in the present elections are *Nada Rastenis* and *Joseph Pakel* (Pakalniskis) . . .
- *Just Arrived:* On Tuesday of last week, *Estelle* and *Al Malesh*, well known Chicago LDS'ers became the proud parents of an eight pound, thirteen ounce, blue-eye, brown-haired bouncing baby girl. Name: *Carol Diane* . . .

Miss Lithuania of Detroit



The Detroit Lithuanian Radio Club sponsored a picnic recently, at which affair city authorities of the city of Detroit acted in the capacity of judges in the selection of Miss Lithuania of Detroit. Miss Ann Jurevich pictured above was the unanimous selection.—Photo Detroit TIMES.

They Said Last Week

● *Col. A. Robert Ginsburgh, aid to the Undersecretary of War:*

"We cannot wait until tomorrow to start winning the war. We must begin to win it now, before the Nazis have smashed Russia and can turn all their power loose upon the Western front."

"We have been much too apt to think we are invincible. No one is invincible who fails to put forward as much effort as is needed to win."

● *Dr. George S. Counts, keynoter of the American Labor Party:*

"The American Labor party pledges its every resource of mind and muscle to the winning of the war. We do not conceive a military victory as a cheap and easy thing. Before it comes in sight we shall know the trials and need all the heroism of our British, Russian and Chinese allies. We stand ready to make every sacrifice that is necessary to bring our nation safely through the hard days on the fighting front . . .

"All over the world men fight and die for the idea of a free world. They are at war not alone against the military power of fascism. Their enemies are Hitler and Mussolini and the system that nurtured them; inflation would have a large foot in the kitchen, even if O.P.A. continued to succeed in holding the line of prices it has set for the things it is empowered to control."

their aim is a final people's victory, which will bring the end of war and dictatorship, of hunger and fear all over the world . . .

"In the last analysis the little people of America are fighting to preserve a land where every man can walk free with his head high and with a voice in shaping his own destiny. The humblest of those who face death in the front lines of this war deserve to come home to a land where that dream has become a concrete reality."

● *Price Administrator Leon Henderson:*

"The price increases in uncontrolled foods are drawing a dangerous pattern. If the June 15—July 15 rate of increase—2.5 per cent—were projected over a year, and this is anything but a fanciful projection, we would be paying an average 30 per cent more for many important foodstuffs twelve months hence. The effect of increases of this magnitude on the average family budget would be most destructive. Inflation would have a large foot in the kitchen, even if O.P.A. continued to succeed in holding the line of prices it has set for the things it is empowered to control."

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**Elect A Victory
Congress in 1942**

- The Congressional elections of 1942 are the most crucial elections that have confronted the American people in our country's 166 years of existence.

- They take place in a time when the issue is life or death for our nation and our people. Either, as a result of fatal weaknesses we shall permit Hitlerism to triumph, or by our unity and vision we shall attain the peace and plenty of the century of the common man. Either we shall elect a Congress which will help to organize Victory, or we shall have a Congress which will be a forum for defeatism and surrender.

- Never in the long history of mankind has civilization been attacked by a plague as deadly as Hitlerism. The triumph of fascism would wipe out the progress of tens of centuries. Terror and tyranny would reign supreme.

- No exception is made for the American people in the program of fascist death and destruction. The wealth, resources, and skilled labor of the United States is to be placed under the heel of the world-be conquerors, as they have already placed all of Europe and a great portion of the Orient.

- Today the fate of civilization trembles in the balance as the assembled armies of Europe, armed by the factories of that continent working day and night for Hitler, are hurled against the magnificent Red Army.

- But the task of saving civilization and our own freedom cannot be the task of the Russian people alone. It is our task, too. As in other crises in the history of our country, we Americans are ready to give our all, yes, our very lives, when our country is in danger. The choice is to act on the proclaimed policy of our government, attack in the West, and crush Hitler between the jaws of the Red Army and the Anglo-American army; or by failure to put this policy into life now, to make the sacrifice of the lives of millions of American boys inevitable.

- Whatever the possible risks or losses, the people are ready to sacrifice all for the opening of the Western Front. The people understand that there is no possible risk involved which would begin to counterbalance the catastrophe that may result from failure to open such a front now.

- How, it is asked, can we guarantee the opening and successful prosecution of a Second Front? How can we guarantee a peaceful and secure post-war world?

- The Vilnis English Section says that the answer lies first in unity, unity of all Americans, behind our Commander-in-Chief, President Roosevelt, and unity among the twenty-eight United Nations.

- We want a Congress and a State Administration that will place country and victory above all other considerations; one to whom petty politics will be alien and the cause of liberty and freedom holy.

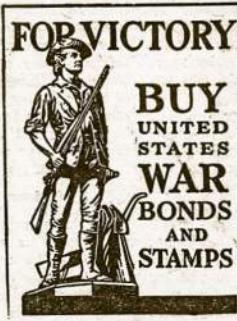
- We want representatives and leaders who will untiringly carry out the recent agreement between the United States, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union, to open a Second Front in 1942—and to work in unity toward a just and enduring peace.

- The November elections must serve to smash the appeasers, rout them out of the halls of Congress, out of positions of power, and expose their ties with the hated enemies of our country.

**Many Lith Yanks
Are in United States
Army War Show**

CHICAGO, Ill.—The Army's War Show now touring the nation is in demonstrative fashion revealing to the people the might and power of Uncle Sam which is ready to make itself felt in action with the Axis forces, once the 2nd front is opened.

The gigantic war spectacle, witnessed in most large cities throughout the nation has within its ranks many Lithuanian-Americans. The VILNIS ENGLISH SECTION in a survey conducted this past Sunday at Soldiers Field, at which place the war show is being held, found the following Lithuanian Yanks in these units participating in the presentation: G. A. Searchlight Platoon: Staff Sergeant George Pecinis; Sergeant Stanley M. Kulkauskis; Private Julius A. Bardis; C. A. (Anti-Aircraft) Gun Battery: Technical Sergeant Peter A. Kalivas, PFC Bruno J. Cuzelis; Medical Section Headquarters: Cpl. Frank S. Mikielski, Albert Pijauski; Heavy Weapons Company: Sgt. Theodore R. Boginski, PFC Ladislaus J. Esunas, John A. Koval, Stephen J. Matkonis, Chester L. Zedlewski, Pvts. Peter S. Grazul, S. Grazul, Leonard J. Matulavage; Eng. Det. Force: Staff Sgt. Chester Kalcinski, PFC John J. Zebro; Rifle Company: PFC Felix G. Kuncas, John A. Otruba, Pvts. Anthony Grabowski, Frank J. Kaminski, John Lewandowski, PFC Stanley J. Mazalesski; Field Artillery Detachment: Pvt. Joseph H. Lucas; Ordnance Detachment Tank Force: PFC George Banagis, George J. Kachergis; Headquarters Company: PFC Anthony Brocinski, Pvt. Joseph Glombowski; Chemical Warfare Detachment: Pvt. Stanley W. Jablonski; Tank Destroyer Detachment: PFC William F. Yodus, Pvt. Albert A. Tenuta; Signal Detachment: Pvts. Edward M. Buyauskas, Harry G. Dombrowski, Joseph Socoloski, John F. Tunski.

**As We See It In
Lith Circles**

By George Starkauskas

**Your Soldier Friend Is
Waiting For That V-Letter**

- The Post Office Department announced recently that the V-Mail Service inaugurated on June 15, 1942, is now past the experimental stage, with each week showing large increases in the number of letters mailed to American soldiers overseas.

- The War Department has increased its facilities to handle promptly the volume expected in the future.

- Facilities for photographing and reproducing V-Mail to and from the United States and the British Isles, Australia, India, Hawaii and other points are now in operation. A similar service is being planned for Iceland and other points where the volume may warrant.

FAST SERVICE

- Pointing out that V-Mail provides a safe means of communication with members of our Armed Forces, the Post Office Department gave assurance that the film (upon which the communications are reproduced) are given the most expeditious dispatch available. Because of the small space taken up by the rolls of film, they often can be carried on ferry planes or bombers.

- Every pound of weight which can be saved on air transports overseas, said the Department, means that an equivalent amount of weight can be allotted vital military material.

- In recognition of this, and in an effort to insure delivery of mail to as many men as possible at overseas destination when space is limited, the War and Navy Departments have directed that V-Mail be given priority in dispatch over all other classes—including air mail—when transportation facilities under control of those departments are used.

AT YOUR POST OFFICE

- V-Mail letter sheets have been distributed at all post offices; and have been provided all military and naval personnel at overseas points through Army and Navy post offices and military channels.

- Private firms and individuals have also been permitted by the Post Office Department to reproduce the letter sheets. The sheets also will be available soon to all stores selling stationery.

- V-Mail Service provides for the use by patrons of a special letter sheet form which is a combination letter and envelope of uniform size and design. The patron writes his message, completes the name and address of the addressee and the return card in the space provided, folds, seals, and mails the letter in the usual manner. Patrons are warned that only the inner or letter side of V-Mail letters are photographed, and should be careful to show the complete address of the person to whom the message is sent in the panel provided therefor above the space for the message. It is preferable to print the address in large block letters. Enclosures must not be placed in the letters.

USE V-MAIL

- V-Mail letters are photographed on micro-film by automatic machines at the rate of 2,000 to 2,500 per hour and the film rolls containing 1,500 letters each are transmitted to destinations. Reproductions are then made by other automatic machines and delivered to the addressee in individual sealed window penalty envelope.

- When V-Mail letters are addressed to places where micro-film equipment is not in operation, the letters are transmitted to destination in original form by the most expeditious means available. Even in these instances savings in weight and space are accomplished since there are approximately 97 V-Mail letters in a pound, whereas, ordinary letters average 40 per pound.

- The War, Navy and Post Office Departments all cooperated in developing this Service, largely with a view to decreasing the volume of mail to be carried overseas and providing an expeditious service.

- The Lith-American public is urged to use it at every opportunity.

"ON YOUR SHOULDERS RESTS THE FUTURE"

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We exult in the thought that it is the young, free men and women of the United Nations, and not the wound-up robots of the slave states, who will mold the shape of the New World.

The delegates to this International Student Assembly represent the 29 United Nations. They also represent, in spirit at least, the younger generation of many other nations who, though they are not now actively at war on our side, are with us heart and soul in aspiring for a secure and peaceful world.

War Burden Borne by Youth

Before the first World War, very few people in any country believed that youth had the right to speak for itself as a group or to participate in councils of state.

We have learned much since then. We know that wisdom does not come necessarily with years; that old men may be foolish, and young men may be wise. But in every war, it is the younger generation which bears the burden of combat and inherits all the ills that war leaves in its wake.

In the economic crises that followed the false prosperity after the first World War, many young men and women suffered even more than did their elders. For they were denied the primary opportunities for education, for training, for work, and even for food enough to build up healthy bodies. As a result, they were tempted to seek some simple remedy, not only for their own individual problems, but for all the problems that beset all of the world.

Siren Voice Heard in World

Some listened to alien siren voices which offered glib answers to all the questions. "Democracy is dead," said these voices. "Follow us, and we will teach you efficiency. We will lead you to world conquest. We will give you power over inferior races. All that we ask you to give in return is—your freedom."

Other young people in the democracies listened to gospels of despair. They took refuge in cynicism and bitterness.

However, the day finally came when all theory had to give way to fact—the terrible, tangible fact of dive bombers and panzer divisions, the actual threat to the security of every home and every family in every free country in the world. And when that fact became clear to our youth they answered the call to arms—many millions of them; and today they are determined to fight until the forces of aggression have been utterly destroyed.

What I am saying here in Washington is being heard by several million American soldiers, sailors and marines, not only within the continental limits of the United States but in far distant points—in Central and South America, in the islands of the Atlantic, in Britain and Ireland, on the coasts of Africa, in Egypt, in Iraq and Iran, in Russia, in India, in China, in Australia, in New Zealand, in many islands of the Pacific and on all the seas of the world. There—in all those distant places—are our fighting men.

Message to Our Fighting Boys

And to them I should like to deliver a special message from their Commander in Chief and from the very hearts of their countrymen:

You young Americans today are conducting yourself in a manner that is worthy of the highest, proudest traditions of our nation.

And what is more, you know why you are fighting. You know that the road which had led you to the Solomon Islands, or to the Red Sea, or to the coast of France, is in fact an extension of Main St., and that when you fight, anywhere along that road, you are fighting in the defense of your own homes, your own free schools, your own churches, your own ideals.

Pledge to Men at War

You are doing first things first—fighting to win this war. For you know that should this war be lost, all our plans for the peace to follow would be meaningless.

Victory is essential; but victory is not enough for you—or for us. We must be sure that when you have won victory, you will not have to tell your children that you fought in vain—that you were betrayed. We

soldiers and sailors applies to all the young men and women of the United Nations who are facing our common enemies. There is a complete unanimity of spirit among all the youth of all kinds and kindreds who fight to preserve or to regain their freedom.

Fighting Spirit Defies Nazis

Today the embattled youth of Russia and China are realizing a new individual dignity, casting off the last links of the ancient chains of imperial despotism which had bound them so long.

World Civilization Forming

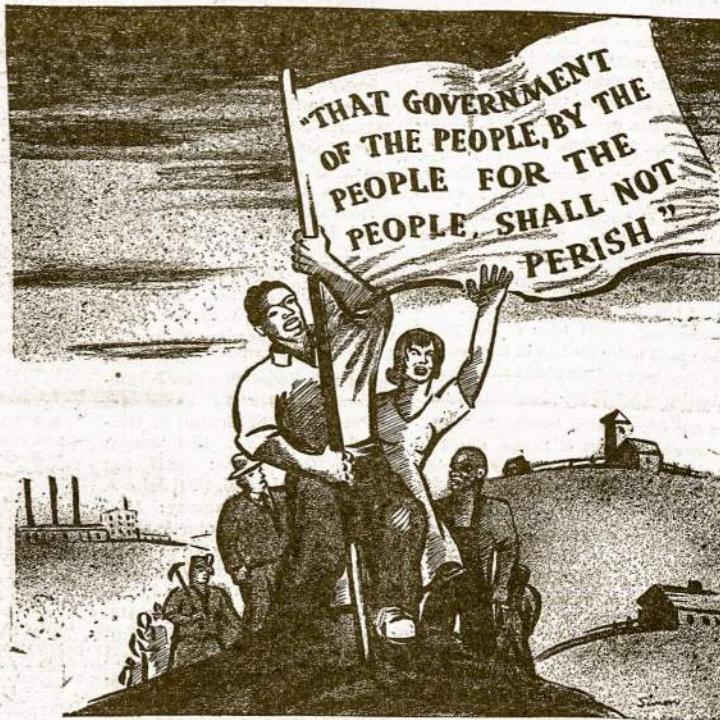
This is a development of historic importance. It means that the old term, "Western Civilization," no longer applies. World events and the common needs of all humanity are joining the culture of Asia with

of men and women, in the United States and elsewhere, who mock and sneer at the Four Freedoms and the Atlantic Charter. They are few in number; but some of them have the financial power to give our enemies the false impression that they have a large following among our citizens.

They play petty politics in a world crisis. They fiddle with many sour notes while civilization burns. These puny prophets decry our determination to implement our high concepts and sound principles. And the words of these little men of little faith are quoted with gleeful approval by the press and radio of our enemies.

Realizes Long; Bitter Fight

We are deeply aware that we cannot achieve our goals easily. We cannot attain the fullness of all our



must be sure that in your homes there will not be want—that in your schools only the living truth will be taught—that in your churches there may be preached without fear a faith in which men may deeply believe.

The better world for which you fight—and for which some of you give your lives—will not come merely because we shall have won the war. It will not come merely because we wish very hard that it would come. It will be made possible only by bold vision, intelligent planning and hard work. It cannot be brought about overnight; but only by years of effort and perseverance and unfaltering faith.

Duty to Follow War

You young soldiers and sailors, farmers and factory workers, artists and scholars, who are fighting our way to victory now, all of you will have to take your part in shaping that world. You will earn it by what you do now; but you will not attain it if you leave the job for others to do alone. When you lay aside your gun at the end of the war, you cannot at the same time lay aside your duty to the future.

What I have said to our American

the culture of Europe and of the Americas to form, for the first time, a real world civilization.

In the concept of the Four Freedoms, in the basic principles of the Atlantic Charter, we have set for ourselves high goals, unlimited objectives.

These concepts and these principles are designed to form a world in which men, women and children can live in freedom and in equity and, above all, without fear of the horrors of war. For no soldiers or sailors, in any of our forces today, would so willingly endure the rigors of battle if they thought that in another 20 years their own sons would be fighting still another war on distant deserts or seas or in far-away jungles or in the skies.

Profit from Past Mistakes

We have profited by our past mistakes. This time we shall know how to make full use of victory. This time the achievements of our fighting forces will not be thrown away by political cynicism and timidity and incompetence.

There is still, however, a handful

ideals overnight. We know that this is to be a long and hard and bitter fight—and that there will still be an enormous job for us to do long after the last German, Japanese and Italian bombing planes have been shot to earth.

We of the United Nations have the technical means, the physical resources, and, most of all, the adventurous courage and the vision and the will that are needed to build and sustain the kind of world order which alone can justify the tremendous sacrifices now being made by our youth.

Never Relax, Never Falter

But we must keep at it—we must never relax, never falter, never fear—and we must keep at it together.

We must maintain the offensive against evil in all its forms. We must work and we must fight to ensure that our children shall have and shall enjoy in peace their inalienable rights to freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from want, and freedom from fear.

Only on those bold terms can this total war result in total victory.

Walter Kubilius Writes . . .

Chicago Masquerade

A Rose, by Any Other Name, Smells.

● Man's life depends upon his three principal senses: sight, hearing and touch. By touch we refer to, of course, the sense of feeling in our fingertips and skin surface, and not to the act of depriving your best friend of his hard-earned money.

● In addition to these three senses are two which heretofore did not concern us much. Since our arrival in Chicago, however, they have become increasingly important. They are the olfactory sense and the sense of taste.

● Contrary to expectation it was our sense of taste, and not our nose, which was first assailed upon our arrival. We began caving three times a day, about the restaurants on 31st and Halsted Streets. From there we advanced to Madison and Clark, but the results were the same: shoe leather that passed for edible steaks, wolf meat in lamb's guise, backwash of the Chicago River labelled "coffee", stale eggs with the chick's feathers getting in your teeth, flat and vapid malts, sourish vegetables, unripe fruits, rancid milk.

● As for water—the crystal clear pure liquid that is the right of every man—well, its taste explains that fact that taverns in Chicago are running neck to neck with grocery stores in number. However, since a calcified lining now graces my stomach and taste glands the future is not without promises. I am getting so I can drink the water without gagging.

● Why all this should be so I am at a loss to know. My friends tell me that the fault is not in the food but in the preparation, or lack of it, in restaurants. Why food made in a restaurant should be as stale, flat and unprofitable as yesterday's poems and why this same food, caressed, coaxed and cared for by a charming wife in a friend's home, should be not only edible but quite delicious, is one of the mysteries of life and nature that I have not solved as yet. Housewives, please explain. Or, better yet, offer a personal demonstration for this jaded dinner conversationalist.

● Aside from the matter of taste, my second shock in Chicago was the overpowering reception given me when the wind happened to turn as I walked through the Mexican section in back of the stockyards.

● Let no man be blasé and say his senses are jaded with things felt, seen, heard and tasted. He has not lived if he has not smelt.

● Which reminds us of the fact that Chicago was originally called "Chicagoo", meaning in the Indian tongue, "strong, powerful". Before native Chicagoans burst the vest buttons I might explain that "strong, powerful" is used in reference to a garlic-like weed that infested the neighborhood with its overcoming distasteful odor. It stank.

● On damp days, when the clouds hang low and the mist and fog dig deep into the marrow of your bone,

when the very air carries with it the wet morass of the swamp underneath your feet; then, my friends, the name of Chicago is appropriate.

Whereas, the Army War Show . . .

● The life of a 4F is sometimes a sad and sorrowful thing. His friends in the army berate him for taking their girls away. The girls won't look at him because he hasn't a uniform. Employers tell him they are short of men—but if he's not good enough for the army, he's probably not good enough for them either. If he pulls down a good salary at a good job, it does him no good for he can't spend it, what with long hours and overtime. If he doesn't get a good salary, the good old HCL still growing, doesn't know about it. On rare occasions our friend, the 4F, gets a chance to see what his friends in uniform are doing—and in that way begins to understand the enormous fabric of a nation at war, and that the single strand that he is, in some way or other, helps to bind the whole together and give it purpose.

● Part of this fabric was on exhibition here in Chicago at the Army War Show, where the fighting weapons and techniques of warfare were demonstrated to a wildly-cheering enthusiastic public that jammed the enormous expanse of Soldier's Field. As soldiers drilled, demonstrated attack, reconnaissance and first aid, a growing recognition of the deadliness and tremendous seriousness of warfare gripped the minds and hearts of those present. The concussion and the deafening roar of the guns, the pin points of light searching for a plane, the zooming of a low fighter, the wreckage left by a lumbering tank—and everyone knows that war is not glamour, war is a struggle to the end against a vicious, calculating and powerful enemy.

● In the face of this recognition of the seriousness of our war preparation—the handling of the war show itself left much to be desired.

● Instead of a serious mature attitude which said, "This is Our Army, these are Our Weapons and this is the way we fight," we heard an announcer who babbled along in a cheery, gossipy, "Hello Folks!" fashion. At any moment we expected him to announce, "And now, dear children, we are going to show you the pretty teeth with which Little Red Riding Hood is going to bite the Big Bad Wolf—Japan."

● The Army is not a circus and any attempts to make it one should be frowned upon. The word "Show" itself is indicative of a very unhealthy attitude. A little more education and a little less almost-contemptuous patronizing air and our Army War Show can perform a great service in acquainting the American Public with the operation and mechanism of the machine with which we are battling the enemy, Germany, Japan and Italy.

ALL—OUT FOR VICTORY—LDS

It was a momentous occasion when the Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) convened in Chicago during the month of July for its 6th biennial convention.

The gathering was an extraordinary one. America was at war, Lithuanian-American support behind the war effort was needed. The LDS was already deeply involved in this endeavor, the convention was to further action; to stimulate activity.

This the LDS did. It rallied Lithuanian-Americans on a national scale, pushed the sale of bonds, urged vigorous activity in civilian defense, Red Cross field.

The LDS is doing marvelous work, contributing in much

toward the winning of the war. It is the only Lithuanian organization which has published and distributed with the sanction of Civilian Defense, a pamphlet on "What To Do In An Air Raid" and "First Aid" in the Lithuanian language. Twenty seven state governmental authorities have congratulated the organization on this endeavor.



ROLL OF HONOR—Saluting the hundreds of members of the LDS serving with the armed forces was the honor roll with names of those in service. Roll was observed by hundreds who attended association convention proceedings.



SPEAKER—William C. FitzGibbon, personal representative of Henry Morgenthau of the Treasury Department flew by plane from Washington to address the Association of Lithuanian Workers convention. A personal representative of Chicago's Mayor Edward J. Kelly, Alderman William T. Murphy spoke as did Treasury Department official from Chicago, Ralph M. Snyder.



SECRETARY—John Sturba, national secretary of the Association of Lithuanian Workers is the powerhouse behind the organization's win-the-war effort. In a short time he will be in uniform. Already, John Orman, national youth secretary of the LDS is serving.



SOLDIER—Anthony Vasaris, former 2nd vice-president of the LDS was in for convention proceedings on a special government given pass. Here delegates are admiring the soldier-LDS'er.

LDS MERRY-GO-ROUND

● Largest youth embodying Lithuanian-American fraternal organization is the Association of Lithuanian Workers, Inc. Today over 400 of its members are in the armed forces.

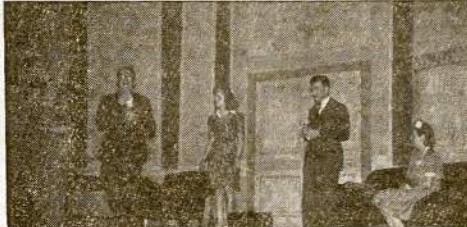
Called LDS, the association has an approximate 10,000 members. Below are photos of activities indulged in by members of the LDS.



SOCIAL ACTIVITY—Members of the LDS gathered around a piano singing lustily. Photo was taken at the Hotel Morrison, Chicago, at an affair sponsored by the Windy City Lambda Delta Sigma (LDS) sorority.



DRAMA—This year saw an outburst of dramatic activity in LDS circles. It came to a climax during the LDS National Dramatic Turney held in Chicago, Lithuanian Auditorium, in the month of July. Above is a scene from the play "Fifty-Fifty" presented by the Chicago LDS Sparks branch.



DRAMA AGAIN—A scene from the play "When The Wife's Away" presented by the Chicago LDS Redwings branch. Three plays in all were given at the dramatic tourney. The Builders, Brooklyn, New York LDS branch gave "There's Nothing So Dismal".



SPORTS—Most of these fellows are with the armed forces at present. The photo is one taken of the Cleveland, Ohio Leaders (LDS) ball team when it arrived for combat with Kenosha Royals (LDS) at McKinley Field, Chicago in July.

"We Await The Signal"

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DECLARE READINESS FOR 2ND FRONT; ARE UNITED TO ROUT AXIS FORCES

(Special to Vilnis English Section)

WASHINGTON:—On a stirring manifesto to the youth of the world, delegates to the International Student Assembly at the Departmental Auditorium this past Saturday declared that, "We await the signal" for the opening of a Second Front in Europe. The manifesto, signed by delegates from 38 countries asserted:

"Our leaders know that we stand united to back up with action their pledges to the Soviet Union for invasion of the European Continent in the shortest possible time."

"We await the signal. The European Continent must be freed."

For three days delegates from all countries had studied the manifesto and discussed it with their embassies and legations. The manifesto outlines the hope of youth for a real people's century, but it sternly points out that "our first task is to defeat the enemies on the battlefield."

UNITED TO ROUT AXIS

"We affirm our united determination," the young delegates declared, "to fight on to a complete rout of fascism, whose philosophy we consider to be destructive of all the best instincts of mankind. By their ruthless aggression, the fascists have forged a unity amongst the freedom-loving people of the world, which shall be their undoing. This unity we shall preserve and strengthen."

The call for a Second Front in the manifesto was supplemented by a central resolution on this issue, adopted by the Slavic delegates, including delegates from Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union.

Citing the present advance of the Nazis in Russia, because of their ability to "concentrate 90 per cent of their forces on one front," the Slavic delegates asserted that the attack from the West must be launched without delay.

"For this offensive," they declared, "we pledge our all in support of the supreme command of the United Nations at home and on the battlefield."

The manifesto was the highlight of a four-day conference, and is regarded as a call to young people everywhere to organize and step forward into their rightful positions of leadership in the winning of the war and the winning of the peace.

It praises warmly "the youth of the Soviet Union in their dogged, unflinching resistance to the Nazi invader," and declares that the Soviet young people "are fighting a crucial battle of utmost importance to all of us."

"For more than five years," the manifesto continued, "the valiant youth of China, in their determined struggle for existence, have given us a magnificent example of the will to achieve final freedom. The youth of Great Britain have displayed their valor in every area of the world. Now the youth of the United States have taken up the challenge from their veteran allies and are joining them in the struggle for liberation."

BACK INDIA'S FIGHT

The manifesto supported vigorously the call of the peoples of India, and urged "that negotiations be reopened at once between Great Britain and the Indian people toward the granting of political freedom to mobilize the Indian people for an all-out war

effort alongside the United Nations."

Pointing to the goal for which the youth of the world is fighting, the manifesto stressed:

"Victory must be the right of peoples, regardless of race, color or creed, to select their own political systems within the frame-work of freedom of speech, of the press, of religious practice."

Above all, the manifesto emphasized, this can only be the people's country, "if the primary principle of social organization is their subordination of every private interest to the common advantage."

The manifesto went on:

"This is a war of independence. Our actions are now deciding the peace. Asia, Asia Minor, Africa, as well as Europe, must be free. We must renounce imperialism and all its evils. This means we should recognize the principle of independence for the colonials and equal rights and opportunity for national, religious and racial minorities."

The signing of the manifesto was accompanied by enthusiastic applause from the vast auditorium and delegates from each of the nations proceeded to the platform. The applause reached a high point when the delegates from the Soviet Union affixed their signatures.

The final task of the historic assemblage was to set up machinery for carrying forward its work. Plans have been made to call an International Youth Day on Nov. 17 and an International Youth Assembly of young people from the cities and farms at a subsequent date.

The meeting concluded with speeches by British Minister Harold Butler, by Dr. Contheso, Ambassador of Cuba, and Dr. Hu Shih, Minister from China.

Member LDS Midwest Youth Council Leaves For Officer's Training

CHICAGO: — Member of the LDS Midwest Youth Council, director of drama for the LDS Dramatic Festival held in this city during the convention of the organization, a member of the Chicago LDS Monarchs, Joseph Stalaraitis left for service with the U. S. armed forces this past Sunday.

Stalaraitis will attend Officer's Training in Texas for a number of months, following which he will be assigned to active duty.

