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LETTER FROM LITHUANIA PORTRAYS NAZI ATROCITIES

Bernard Horwich, 5312 Hyde Park Blvd., Chicago, published the following letter in a local paper.

It was written by Samuel Kopolov, oldest son of Chiena Horwich, a nephew of Bernard Horwich. The nephew resided in a little town of Woronowo, near Vilno, Lithuania. The Nazis destroyed the town and killed all of its people. Only six persons escaped. The letter speaks for itself.

November 12, 1944.

Dear Uncle and Aunt:

It is nearly five years since I have written you dear uncle, and received your last letter. Thank God now that the Red Army has freed us from the Nazi barbarians and can write you again.

I am the eldest son of your sister, Chiena-Devorah Kopolov from Woronowo, and would like to contact you at this time as the only living relative of our family. Dear uncle and aunt, it is very hard for me to inform you regarding the sad news, but who else should I speak to, other than to you, my dear ones.

From the moment that the Nazis occupied our town they started to massacre the Jews. To describe the treatment suffered before they were killed—would fill a huge book. I only want to write you briefly just what has happened to our beloved family of Horwich-Kopolov and Kaminetsky.

Uncle Jacob Kaminetsky was fortunate enough to get sick and die just before the Purim Holiday in 1941. On the 11th day of May, 1942, the Nazi murderers had encircled our town of Woronowo and shot and buried alive over 2,500 Jews. Amongst them were our nearest and dearest, and never to be forgotten mother and sister. Shiena-Devorah Kopolov, Katie-Malka Horwich and the wife of Jacob Kaminetsky.

His son, Isaac, with his wife and child, and my sister, Rose with her child, through some miracle remained alive. They, together with about 800 Jews were sent to a concentration camp in Lida. They remained in this camp for about six months, suffered hellish torture and were finally suffocated with poison gas.

My middle brother, Joe, is in a concentration camp in Germany as a Polish army prisoner since 1939. My youngest brother, Henry, is with the Soviet

army. What became of them, I do not know. Regarding myself, I want to inform you that when the German maniacs had committed these murders, I escaped into the forest and joined the underground party, and with arms in my hands have taken revenge for the innocent blood that was spilled. I thank this underground movement and the Red army that had freed us, that I am still alive today to write you.

Ninety-five percent of the Jews in our surrounding town and villages were killed by these Nazi murderers.

Please convey my regards to all my uncles and aunts, my Aunt Anna and husband and family, my Uncles Joe, Sam and Harry and Uncle Barney Horwich, his wife and family and all relatives and friends. I hope that my letter will find all of you in good health.

Your lonely and one of the very few still alive, Samuel Kopolov, from Woronowo.

With great impatience I wait and pray to hear from you very soon.

Alderman's Son Killed in Action

News Interrupts
Finance Meeting

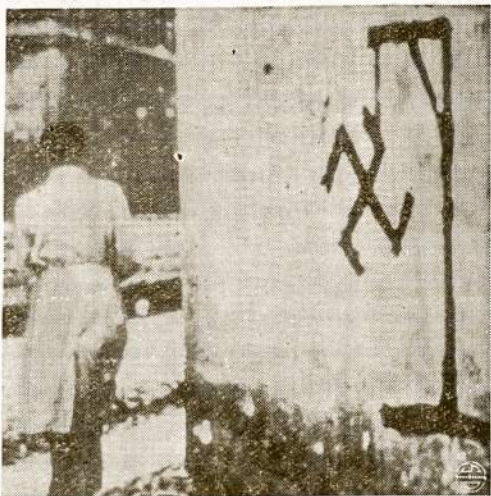
The City Council finance committee meeting at City Hall was interrupted when Ald. James F. Kovarik (15th) received news that his son, Pfc. James J. Kovarik, 31, was killed in action on Dec. 4 in France.

Pfc. Kovarik, whose wife Angela, and two children, James, 5, and Rosalie, 3, live at 5044 S. Marshfield av., was an accountant in the city comptroller's office here.

Workers Read—

The best selling books at the Union Bookstore (UAW-CIO) at Detroit, Michigan for the past month were:

Nonfiction—Black Mail, by Henry Hoke; Prejudice, by Cary McWilliams; Basic History of the U. S., by Beard Yankee from Olympus, by Bowen; People on Our Side, by Edgar Shaw. Fiction—Freedom Road; Leave Her to Heaven; A Tree Grows in Brooklyn; Strange Fruit; A Bell for Adano.



DEATH FOR ARTIST—Picture taken by member of Polish underground—one of first pictures to come out of Poland—shows swastika painted with gallows on wall, as a symbol of defiance by Underground. Death penalty awaits the artist if he is caught by the Nazis.

MUSICAL STRAIN FOLLOWS CANNON'S ROAR

"Scarcely had the last shot been fired and the Nazis dislodged from Stalingrad when an orchestra appeared on the blood-drenched streets and gave a series of concerts," says Pearl P. Puckett in Progress Guide.

Yes, the Russians are great musicians for they love music. In the very beginning of the war, Marshal Voroshilov said: "Our Russian soldiers will fight all the better if they know and love the culture they are fighting to defend." And from the beginning of the conflict, musicians have carried their art into the thick of the fighting.

Dmitri Shostakovich composed his immortal Seventh Symphony while serving as auxiliary fireman and trench digger in Leningrad, under heavy Nazi fire. The famous Moscow Composers' Club, mobilizing for war, on June 22, 1941, dedicated itself to writing war songs for maintaining morale. Compositions by this famous group have done wonders to inspire the Russians. Such songs as From Border to Border, Holy Moscow, War and Peace, Farewell, Song of a Moscow Girl, There Is a Fine Town in the North, All for the Motherland, Hitler's End Will Come, and Mother's Farewell to Her Son have inspired the great Russian Armies on from victory to victory until their heroism and courage have astonished the world.

Entertainment of the United Nations merchant seamen, especially American, is a regular feature in Soviet ports. The American boys feel very much at home for in any Russian port today it is not unusual to hear The Battle Hymn of the Republic, There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight, Keep the

Home Fires Burning, How You Gonna' Keep 'Em Down On The Farm?, Hinky Dinky Parley-Vous and Home On the Range, sung with a Russian accent, and played on a reconstructed American instrument.

Many of the instruments used there were "Made in America". They were part of a collection by the Russian War Relief in response to an "SOS" from Russia's fighting men. Jascha Heifitz was the first American to donate a violin to the Russian War Relief musical collection. His gift was followed by contributions from other eminent United States musicians.

Russia observed July 4, 1943, with a concert in Moscow featuring American music, from folk songs to swing. A symphony complete with soloists from the phony orchestra and jazz band, Bolshoi Theatre, played the works of American composers.

Mother's Prayer is a smash hit with the Russians. Its theme is British and American aid to Russia. In the first stanza an American mother prays "that her gifts will reach a little boy like her own; in the second, it is a British mother who prays; in the third, a Russian youngster gives thanks for their gifts: "I know Chicago because I've eaten its sausages; I know New York because my warm stockings came from there—". The ballad ends with a Red Army man's account of all the mothers who pray for Russia and work for victory. From the inspired sound of symphonies, songs, marches and oratorios, the Soviet people draw strength for the struggle. Music alleviates the horrors of the immediate past.

ANONYMOUS

Contribute to USO
SMASH THE AXIS

TRACING OUR FAMILY TREE

By Laukviškis

Let's Visit a Lithuanian Village.

The best time to go visiting is during the winter season. That way we will find everybody at home—maybe, Unless father and a couple of sons should be gone either to the forest for building material or to a distant railroad town to bring a year's supply of salt.

But, let's say we are lucky and our distant relatives are all at home. The year we chose is 1906 and for a good reason. You see, our relatives are peasants and they have just heard good news: The land-redemption payments were abolished by the Tsarist government!

We won't go into detail of why's and wherefore's. We already know that the strongest imperial government had been shaken to the roots by a people's revolt only a year ago. The revolt was ruthlessly crushed, but the peasants did get something out of it. They have been paying land-redemption payments since the abolition of serfdom, and had still 4 years to go. Now the Tsar himself has said that they won't have to finish the payments. The land belongs to the peasants—outright! No wonder we find them happy.

As it is winter, we come in a sleigh. It is evening and if it wasn't for that eternal watchman, the man's best friend, dog, we would sneak in on our relatives without a notice. But since Žiushke is a conscientious servant and not knowing that we are related to his master, he makes an awful racket and we soon notice his interest in the height of our boot-tops.

There are no locks on the doors nor did anybody ever hear of a door bell. And since knocking on the door is injurious to the knuckles, therefore nobody knocks. You see, the door is not of thin pine board but a real oaken part of building. Even if you knocked no one inside would hear you.

Tonight it happens to be moonlight. And the fresh layer of six feet or more of snow, makes it fairly light outside. When we finally get rid of the dog and find our way in, it will take sometime for our eyes to get accustomed to a small candle power carosine lamp that is hanging from the ceiling in the center of the main room.

When our eyes get used to semi-darkness, let's take stock of who are in the room and what they are doing. If our relatives are average peasants, this is what we would observe: Next to the huge brick stove on a bench sits mother and spins linen or wool thread. A little farther on a home made chair

sits the Master of the family and twists a big pile of hemp into a rope. To our right, grouped around the pine-board table, sits three boys—our cousins—and carefully separates the soft part of feathers from the stems in preparation for worm bed covers.

A group of girls, oh, three or four, at least, sit on the hard clay floor and just as carefully as their brothers with the feathers, work on a pile of wool. You see, sheep's wool comes in curls which has to be loosened and separated before you can spin it into thread.

Right under the lamp sits another boy of about 14 and reads a book or newspaper aloud. He was chosen for the job because he can read better than anybody else. When you first hear him you automatically think he would make a good radio announcer. But you soon realize that the radio hasn't been invented yet, so forget it.


While introducing ourselves we notice that not all of our immediate relatives are in sight yet. Somebody is moving on the top of that huge stove. It is an ever-present Grandpa. You'll find one in most every home. He is so old that nobody knows his real age. And tho' not sick or disabled, he takes it easy and spends most of his time between meals on the stove.

And we still have a couple more to get acquainted with. One is the oldest daughter, who is now in another room preparing supper. She just has reached the age when a girl gets interested in cooking. She secretly hopes that if this winter a marriage broker should come with a young man, she will be fully prepared to answer "Yes."

The last one is just beginning to make his (or her) presence known from a cradle. The cradle has served many a year. And, with a new bottom added, will serve many more. It always hangs on the end of a long birch pole from the ceiling and as if by design always happens to be right by the chair where mother spins. People that can work equally as good with either hand are called ambidextrous. I do not know how to call a Lithuanian mother who works equally as good with either foot. With one foot she keeps the spinning wheel turning and with the other swings the baby's cradle. And never misses a beet!

Of course we were invited to stay for supper. Would have been invited even if we were total strangers. That is an unwritten law which never was broken. Needless to say we accepted the invitation. Not only because we were hungry,

SPORTS OUT OF ADAM'S HAT



CHARLEY HYATT, PITT STAR, SCORED OVER 300 POINTS DURING THE 1927-28 SEASON—BUT HIS ACTUAL PLAYING TIME ONLY AMOUNTED TO 12 GAMES

DORIS ANDERSON OF THE ELCO-RADO, ARKANSAS, HIGH SCHOOL TEAM, SCORED 106 OF HER TEAM'S 120 PTS AGAINST WESSON HIGH, FEB. 14, 1930!

JAN. 30, 1919, A TEAM FROM BLUFFTON, INDIANA, BEAT ONE FROM CELINA, OHIO, 138 TO 0—THERE WAS ONLY ONE FOUL IN THE GAME!

MOTOR CITY NEWS

Well — it's all over. By that I mean the celebrating the advent of the New Year. I guess we'll just role up our sleeves and work a little harder this year of 1945 and hope that this war will see its termination.

It was nice to see the crowd at the New Year's Dance—but have you noticed how it has changed? Many of the old gang were not there and many strangers were: Seaman Gerry Vadovic, whom we haven't seen for ages, joined us for the evening festivities. I saw that he had two stars on his campaign ribbons. I believe that means two major battles for him.

The next assignment for the Aido Chorus is a *Relief Concert for the Lithuanian* was sufferers. This affair is scheduled for February the 4th, at Lithuanian Hall. Notice—All the proceeds of this affair will go to this worthwhile cause. Kind of make a point to attend this concert.

The Aido Chorus had been asked to fulfill a program for the Canadians in Windsor next Sunday, January 14, at the Czecko-Slovakian Hall. Don't forget members — we have the rehearsal in Windsor instead of at Porter Hall at 11 o'clock.

THIS AND THAT

The gang enjoyed a delicious

but to hear Grandpa tell his experience of serfdom, of three rebellions against the Tsars and finally a brighter dawn with the return of the Lithuanian press.

But for that we will have to wait 'till next week as this article is getting too long as is.

breakfast at ANN KERBEL'S after the last radio performance. Sorry—I missed it, ANN. And, incidentally, the next session of the Sorority will be at ANN'S house. Don't forget girls — What a pleasant surprise to see ALPHONSE URBON at rehearsal Sunday! He joined the tenors and helped them sing—just like old times. Hope you can stay a little longer with us next time, ALPHONSE. STAN RIDDELL sent a Christmas card to the Aido Chorus. Another ex-member, VICTOR WILLIAMS, has been inquiring about the welfare of our chorus. Gee whiz, it's about time we had another newsy letter from ALPHONSE RYE. Did you spot SOPHIE R. with her Canadian escort at the New Year's Dance? Hands across the border, Sophie—eh, what? Millie J. kind of cut up her fingers tying up a package of Salami which is headed for France. The singing-bartenders, FRANK PRICE, MIKE JESKE, and WALTER GUGAS, certainly drummed up the business on New Year's Eve. From now on—let's have more singing bartenders.

Adios—
**BLUE MONDAY
CORRESPONDENT
A. V. L.**

WOULD CONTINUE POLITICAL WORK

Philadelphia.—A membership meeting of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild unanimously voted to instruct its delegates to the Philadelphia Industrial Union Council to favor continuing the council's extra per capita for political activity.

ROSELANDO AIDO CHORUS ELECTS NEW EXECUTIVE; PLANS WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITY

Now that the election of new officers is over with, I think it best to start the news column with the election returns. The chorus opened the whole rehearsal with singing the new chorus songs, and by the way, there are quite a few of them, so all you outsiders keep an eye open for the events that are coming up and in time you will hear some of those grand songs that the chorus is now learning. After rehearsal we had our meeting at which many things were discussed. I will review them all for the benefit of the few that weren't there. The meeting opened with the election of officers for the year of 1945. The returns are as follows:

- President—Joe Niedvar
- Vice-President—Josephine Wirba
- Treasurer—Mr. Urmonas
- Finance Secretary—Helen Mazil
- Lithuanian Correspondent—Mr. Danila
- English Correspondent—Mildred Chipas
- Those in charge of the chorus music:
 - Adolph Elanis
 - Tony Andriauskas (Tony Boy)
 - Mr. Chipas
 - Mildred Chipas
- Those in charge of the book accountings:
 - Paul Yuktonis
 - Mr. Danila
 - Adolph Elanis
 - Josephine Wirba
 - Mildred Chipas

Well, how do all of you like the new cabinet? I thought it was really swell and there are quite a few things in store for all of you, so everybody be at rehearsals and be prompt. Let's all wish the new officers the very best of luck and may they have the enjoyment out of their work as we all enjoy having them as our higher-ups.

Well the election is over. Now for some of the splendid ideas that were brought up at the meeting. First of all there was the idea of keeping music in order. It was said that we now will have booklets with all the songs in them and each will have their own and will also be held responsible for it. In that way every one will have the music. Now what do you all think of the chorus. I say that's starting the New Year right.

Speaking of the New Year together with new ideas came the Aido Chorus' New Year Resolution. It was suggested to us by our wonderful teacher Dorothy Yuden and it goes like this. The Aido Chorus will not have any more arguments and things will be settled the way they ought to. Every one thought it was a splendid idea

and every one can also bet their bottom penny that the Chorus will live up to that standard. In this Chorus nothing is impossible so if someone has any suggestions they sure will be welcomed and taken into consideration. So come members, be at your wits end and look for new ideas so that this chorus will not only be the best in Chicago and its vicinities but in America.

Chorus Sings Over Radio

The chorus sang on the Sophie Barkus radio program Monday evening and gosh it sure sounded wonderful. How about it you outsiders? Now wouldn't you like to be part of that chorus that gets to sing at many places and have a wonderful time? Well it isn't very hard to do; just come down to 10413 So. Michigan Avenue on Friday Evenings at 8:00 P. M. Now back to the radio program. The chorus sang some beautiful songs and together with the chorus songs there came some grand songs by the talented part of the chorus. Helen Mazil and Josephine Shatkus sang several songs, together with that came the duet made up of Mr. Vit Yuden and Sylvia Pran. The songs sounded swell, so keep up the splendid work. Also on the radio program the chorus sang a song from the Operetta the chorus is giving on March 18. They sang the song "Vitas". The operetta is going to be held at the Venetian hall, 139 East Kensington Avenue. The name is "Kuomet Kaimas Nemiega". I'm sure you all will want to see it so don't forget the date and be sure and come. You are guaranteed a time you will never forget. Hope to be seeing all of you.

Some members of the chorus are going to be in an operetta under the direction of Dorothy Yuden on February 11, 1945, at the Lithuanian Auditorium. We want to wish the actors Gust Urnežis, Vyt Yuden, Josephine Wirba and Tony Boy all the luck in the world with the operetta "Velnias Statinej". We'll all be there routin' for you.

Celebrate Birthday

Say, the Chorus members attended a birthday party which was given for Gust Urnežis at his home on January 6, and a good time was had by all who were there. Many familiar faces were seen and many songs were sang by all. Also at the Birthday Party was Gust's son, Richard Urnežis, a sailor, and a mighty handsome one at that. With him were one of his boy-friends Bob. Every one had one glorious time.

Right now we all are sorry to hear that one of our best chorus members Mike Misevich

is sick in the hospital. As you all know he was our president for the year of 1944 and we all must say, "Orchids to you, you sure did a grand job of it and we all want to wish you a very quick recovery so that you will once more take your place among us". I want to say that I sure wish that any one who has the time will you please go up to visit him. I know he sure will appreciate it and he is at the Roseland Community Hospital. Mike also has a daughter Connie Misevich in the Chorus. His wife is a member too. We all sure enjoy having you as a part of us.

The chorus has just received many new members and I will give you their names next week. It sure is grand to see all of them and we all hope to have more in the very near future. So get to work members and let's see how many we can get.

We have also heard that one of our best tenors is home nursing a sore throat and he is none other than Mr. Murelis. We also want to wish you a very speedy recovery because we sure miss that voice of yours.

As you all probably know the chorus has been invited to many places to sing and we now have come to the point where we had to really buckle down to business because together with all the fun we have, we have to be prepared with new songs to fill the requirements.

Teach has been really kept busy with us and we all sure appreciate all your doing for us. Some day we hope to repay you Teach for all that work and effort you put in to help us attain the position we have now, and I know that in due time we will reach still a greater height, so don't be too surprised if you find out that we are the best in the land.

Wow, I didn't realize that I wrote this much, but once I get started, I can't stop until I've said at least half of what is going on. But it would practically be impossible to write everything because we all are always on the go. So here's hoping to see all of you in the old rehearsal hall on Friday at 8:00 P. M. sharp. Bye Bye now,

LEND-LEASE AID IN THE WAR AGAINST JAPAN

(AIRCRAFT AND PARTS)	\$ 605,889,000
(GUNS AND AMMUNITION)	505,685,000
(TANKS AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES)	577,108,000
(OTHER WAR SUPPLIES)	952,631,000
TOTAL, TO JUNE 30, 1944	\$ 2,641,313,000

The above figures represent: (a), lend-lease exports to China, India, Australia and New Zealand; and (b), goods consigned to U.S. command; (c), general for subsequent transfer to China.

FOREIGN ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION

Aido Chorus Observes Member's Birthday

Saturday, January 6, the Aido Chorus of Roseland paid a well deserved tribute at a birthday party to one of its members, Gus Urnežis, at his residence, 3755 W. 63rd St. It was one of the grandest parties, lasting happily long after midnight.

Undoubtedly our friend Gus deserves all the respect given him. He has been of great aid to the chorus for a number of years, cheerfully devoting more than his share of energy and valuable time. At present he has undertaken to study the piano accordion and on that account is forced to take a leave of absence from the chorus for some time. We will miss him greatly, as we may express in the following lines:

Like the radiant sun gives its light,
 Its warmth—an equal gift to all;
 He embraces us all with delight,—
 With welcome given from his soul.
 Like a true friend who bears your faults
 And gladly gives his heart, his hand
 With a cheer which always exhaults—
 With love that comes from a real true friend.
 Like the nightingale gives its song
 All free, so sweet with joy complete:
 He is one of those whom we long
 And seek on life's long path to meet.

A. LIBERTAS BRIDIS

MOST CATHOLIC CITY

Boston is the Nation's most Catholic city with 74.3 per cent of its people affiliated with that church, the Most Rev. John F. Noll, bishop of Fort Wayne, Ind., reports in The Pilot, the Boston archdiocese's official organ.

and look for the News next week. Be seeing you all.
 Just Me,
 M.E.C.

WE ARE PROUD OF LITHUANIAN-AMERICANS



Ens. LEONARD KELLY

You should have seen the twinkle in his eye when Ensign Kelly was asked if it is true. You know what we mean. Or don't you? Well we cannot state the exact date, but in the very near future he will know if it is to be a boy or a girl.

Ens. Leonard Kelly had the good fortune of paying his mother Mrs. Connie Abek a visit for a few days. He came in New Year's Eve and left Chicago January 5th for an Amphibious Training School at Little Creek, Va. That's 15 miles from Norfolk, Va. His young wife was to meet him there.

Leonard's face took on a more serious look, however, when he told us that he thinks it won't be long now until he will probably have to leave this country. Lets hope he gets to see the new-comer before he leaves.



JOHN SADUNAS B. M. 1/c

This boatswain's mate was seen at the New Year's Eve affair at Roseland. Close at his side was seen his mother, and no wonder. How could she afford to do otherwise when a son comes home for only 48 hr. extended leave. He flew home to visit his sister who at that time was in the So. Chicago Hospital.

John has served 3 and a half years and has been in the Pacific and Greenland and other places. He surely doesn't look any the worse for it. A fine healthy looking lad.

Sydney Airmen Study Stars in Chicago

On new Year's day, two airmen from Sidney, Australia studied the stars at the Adler Planetarium. The planetarium was kept open to give the airmen the opportunity to study the stars.

The airmen were Maurice Heckenberg and Lennie Forbes, cadet navigators of the royal Australian air force who are in training at Winnepeg, Alberta. They journeyed to Chicago especially to visit the planetarium before they went up for their final examinations.

U. S. Issues Pleas for Nurses, Taxes, Blood

WASHINGTON — The government, in this 161st week of the war, made the following requests of citizens through the Office of War Information:

Send one of the 10,000 urgently needed Army nurses to the battle front by pinch-hitting for her here as a Red Cross nurses' aide.

Remember that Jan. 15 is the deadline if you must file an original or amended tax declaration of 1944 income.

Donate 100,000 pints of blood to meet this week's quota flown to men wounded in Europe and the Pacific.

Fill 11,000 jobs aboard merchant vessels as mates, engineers, certified seamen or apprentice seamen trainees.

Help yourself and the war effort by having tires recapped promptly — January quotas are sharply reduced.

Helen Kasro-Y3c Writes to Dr. Graičiūnas

Our "old faithful" Dr. Graičiūnas stepped into the office lately and left a letter he had received from a girl friend he is very proud of. Helen has many more admirers in Chicago and we know they will be glad to hear that Helen is doing so well. She is one of the first Lithuanian girls of Chicago to don a blue uniform. Helen writes:

Dear Doc:

This is to acknowledge your personalized birthday greeting and also your letter of Nov. 29 in which you express your wishes for my health and happiness. Thank you very much for both. I can really report that my health is excellent as usual. . .

There have been many changes all at once and I have not yet orientated myself to my new surroundings and routine. On Nov. 6 I was transferred to

Under Germans Even Birds Don't Sing

By SURVILA

(Soloist of Lithuanian State Opera)

A month after the Germans invaded Lithuania, the new director of the opera house declared to me that I must within three days present a certificate of my Aryan origin, otherwise I might expect "certain consequences". In other words to be sent to the ghetto and death.

I am not a Jew, or, so far as I know were any of my ancestors Jews. I am a Lithuanian. But to save my life I had to prove it. I had to prove "purity" of my blood just as purity of breed animal has to be proved.

Three days were not enough to obtain such a certificate. It took me four days to get to my native town Palanga. And here I found that all documents and registers had been burned. I returned to Kaunas and reported the results of my trip to the director. I was then told that on my father's side "everything was in order" but there were some doubts about my mother. Luckily the old woman had her birth certificate. It then turned out that my personal record had disappeared at the theatre. I asked the director what had become of it and he replied: "You have no receipts showing that you ever handed me any documents, so don't worry me."

Now without this record I was unable to obtain any work in the opera. After prolonged inquiries I was at last told the real reason: "You've been singing too often for Soviet power and you've been translating from Russian newspapers."

Soon after I was summoned to the Gestapo. Then commenced no end of painful interrogations and not only I, but my aged mother was also constantly being dragged to the Gestapo. At last I was able to prove that I had been translating from Russian nothing but poetry and over the radio sung only Arias and Ballads. It seemed as though there was nothing more to do and I was told: "Now you may sing". Actually, however, I was given no work in the opera. All my parts had been passed on to other singers. The director, assuming a friendly tone, said to me: "For your own good I'd advise you to make yourself scarce so that the people should forget about you."

During the whole period of the occupation I sang in the opera only five times.

The Germans demanded that musical comedy should be produced at our theatre. "Ham" actors were got together for it. I was given a small role in it which was nothing but mockery. I sang ten times and then gave up my part. "You'll never be forgiven for this", I was told when I did so.

I had to go away to the village to escape arrest and starvation. When I arrived in the country, it seemed to me that the forests and fields were much quieter than they were in the past. I knew not whether I felt this because my own soul was filled from great unrest or because war had frightened off the birds. When I spoke to a peasant about it, he said to me: "Why, under Germans even birds don't sing".

Two months I spent in the environment of the front when battles were raging nearby. And now I've returned to my Kaunas and my theatre. Once more my teacher Bursa stands before me. Once more my elder colleague and friend Kipras Petrauskas is giving me invaluable advice. The winter is in the street and the birds are flying south, but it seems to me that they're now singing, or is it my heart that's singing?

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Baltic Fascists Hullabaloo

The Lithuanian Quislings of this country are sparing no efforts to prejudice the Lithuanian population of this country against the present government of Lithuania. They spread falsehoods in all directions. They tell the land loving people that collectivized agriculture is being forced on Liberated Lithuania. Nothing further from the truth can be imagined.

Land reform in the Soviet Baltic is much like that in other liberated lands. The first act of the Lithuanian Supreme Soviet after the Nazi invader had been ousted, was the creation of a State Land Fund. Into this fund goes all land grabbed by German "colonists", held by Nazi collaborators or owned by no one.

Landless peasants, agricultural workers, small owners, partisan and Red Army fighters and their families are eligible to apply to this fund for homesteads.

From 50 to 75 acres will be given free to each individual farmer. In each village a committee of 15 is elected to help distribute the land equally. Number of acres of land given each applicant depends on the quality of soil.

It is true that some state farms will be organized to demonstrate efficient agricultural methods to the peasants who for centuries worked under the most primitive conditions. But no one will be forced to accept collective agriculture.

The new policy of the USSR, which enables each separate republic in the Soviet Union to enter into economic and cultural relations with the other countries, will help Lithuania develop its own economic and cultural life. Lithuania as a Soviet Republic will grow as an independent nation.

That Bogey on Religion

To the pious Lithuanians the Quislings keep harping that worn-out scare of religious persecution. The Catholics will not be able to worship in Lithuania if Lithuania maintains the present government, they say.

Again nothing could be further from the truth.

The Soviet Constitution guarantees freedom of religion and religious worship. A decree of January 23, 1918, provided for freedom of conscience, of religious worship and of anti-religious propaganda. This decree also separated the church from the state and the schools from the church. Do not the people of this country, which has similar laws worship in any religion they choose?

As late as 1944, the Government set up a Council for the Affairs of Religious Creeds, which functions as a liaison body between the Government and the Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Mohammedan, Jewish, Evangelical, and other religious groups not affiliated with the Orthodox Church.

The Archbishop of York, who visited the Soviet Union in 1943, publicly declared on April 2, 1944, that the Russian Church today enjoys a freedom it has not had for centuries.

By proclaiming freedom of religion, the Soviet Constitution has eliminated the possibility of national and religious strife among the numerous nationalities of the Soviet Union and has cemented the bonds of friendship among them.

Urges Public Act On "Dies" Set-Up

Pressure on the Democratic members of the House Ways and Means Committee to make sure that the personnel of the new "Dies" Committee set up by the House of Representatives vote is of a type which will be "directly opposite in all its works to the discredited old Dies Committee" was urged by Louis Colman, secretary of the International Labor Defence, whose president is Congressman Vito Marcantonio.

SAYS: "SPEAK UP"

"The new permanent 'Dies Committee' has been established by vote of the House of Representatives," the ILD statement said. "But its composition has not yet been determined. That is now in the hands of the Committee on Committees, which is composed of the Democratic members of the Committee on Ways and Means.

"The public should immediately let its voice be heard by communications to Speaker of the House Rayburn, and to the members of the Committee on Committees, insisting that the discredited and defeated Dies Committee shall not be revived in this new body.

Italian Unions Urge Vote for Women

London — Following the announcement by Premier Ivanoe Bonomi that local elections will be held in liberated Italy next spring, the Italian General Confederation of Labor (CGL) this week gave its full support to the demand by the Union of Italian Women for immediate inclusion of women in voters' lists.

At the same time, a joint conference of the Christian Democratic Youth, the Christian Left Youth Federation and the Communist youth movement urged the voting age be lowered to 18 "in honor of the youth of the nation who have fought against the fascists and the Nazis."

UAW Organizes Non-Profit Book Club

DETROIT, MICH — Workers in the huge auto and aircraft plants can now buy their books at moderate prices from the Labor Book Club Inc., a non-profit organization set up by the educational department of United Auto Workers (CIO). Reynal and Hitchcock Inc., New York publishers, have been retained by the union as consultants.

Six books, ranging from popular novels to works on national and international affairs, will be selected annually.

AS WE SEE IT

By VINCE RUDIS

Anna Louise Strong, widely known American journalist and author, visited Poland. She writes (Chicago Sun., Jan. 10) that the Lublin Committee which proclaimed itself as a provisional government of liberated Poland has the support of the Polish people. Says Miss Strong:

1. The peasants last autumn gave harvest quotas to the local Radas.
2. This enabled the Radas to feed the army, the civil services and the industrial workers, thus stabilizing the routine of life.
3. The people accepted Rada money as a legal tender.
4. Young men accepted mobilization into the army."

Poles, especially peasants, have a good reason to support this government, Miss Strong says:

"The peasants locally elected committees that parceled out 800,000 acres on the basis of Rada's titles and deeds."

There is not the slightest doubt that the Lublin government has much wider support among Poles than the emigree government sitting in London.

In Washington, Mr. Allen Haden writes that the cry that Soviet recognition of the Lublin government is beginning to split the Allies was premature. There is no evidence of any signs of such split. There will be none.

Although our State Department stated that it still recognizes the emigree Polish government sitting in London, it did not say that this recognition will be for long.

I don't think it is too early to bid goodbye to pan Arciszewski's government. It is as good as dead.

Some of our newspapers and commentators cried about the split among the Allies because, in discussing the Polish question two mistakes are often repeated:

- a) That the Soviet Union has taken away a part of Poland;
- b) That the emigree Polish government has influence in Poland.

What the USSR took from Poland is not part of Poland. In this territory there are some five or six million Ukrainian; 3,500,000 Bylo-Russians, and some 900,000 people in the Vilnius district.

These territories therefore are not Polish. These lands were taken by the Polish army. The people never willingly submitted them to the Polish government. They continually struggled against it.

The Pilsudski government was not able to suppress these people even with its bloody Punitive Expeditions to destroy the villages.

As for the emigree government, it has very little contact with Poles in Poland and little influence among the people.

The emigree Polish government bases its legality on the ground that it inherited its authority from the old government. And the old government was pro-Nazi. The old government was hated by most of the Polish people inside Poland.

The emigree government is more anti-USSR than anti-Nazi. It did everything to break its relation with the USSR, underestimating the importance of the USSR role in the future.

I am sure, in Poland, less people will shed a tear for the emigree group than in Chicago or Washington.

Sorority Doings

Although the weather was bad last Friday, fourteen sisters braved the storm to attend the Lambda Delta Sigma Sorority monthly meeting at Hollywood Inn.

The girls had decided at the last meeting not to have any Grab Bag Prizes at their Christmas party and to donate \$1.00 each toward some servicemen's fund other than for our LDS boys. It was decided that we would donate the money for the Telephone Fund.

Because quite a number of sisters were absent, a number of items had to be tabled until the February meeting.

It was nice to see that Martha Roger's injury, which she received when she slipped on the ice leaving our Christmas Party, has healed so nicely. She fell and split her eyebrow and had several stitches — but it looks fine now.

It was also reported that JO TANIS, from Roseland, incurred some throat injury. We are very sorry Jo and wish you a speedy recovery so you can return to our midst, as we miss you.

Preparations are being made for our Initiation Party the latter part of February.

After a short meeting, we called upon our sister Phyllis Rasins, as she had consented to lecture on Commercial Art illustrations. It was very good and the girls enjoyed it so much, we forgot about the time until the hostesses Bea Guyer and Frances Stein said the tea was getting cold. After partaking in delicious refreshments, we called it an evening about 11:30 P. M. So you see absent sisters, you missed something.

We missed our President, Anne Savukas, as she was vacationing in her home town, but Anne will be with us next month.

Estelle Malash was absent because, as we understand, her mother, Diana Gukas is ill. We wish her speedy recovery.

Well girls, we have left the old year behind with some satisfactory accomplishments, but let us all resolve to attend our meetings regularly, cooperate more fully to obtain more satisfactory results in any of our undertakings, and, last but not least, to remember our servicemen at all times. Write and continue writing to our boys. The holiday season has passed with all the rush and excitement leaving us with more time to be spent to cheer the lads fighting for us.

SISTER.

Four hundred and fifty-six professors, instructors and other personnel of Soviet institutes of higher learning were recently awarded Government decorations.



DYNAMIC DETROIT AIDO CHORUS

marks from the back row about our New Year's program and dance. It was a success, as the fair sized and enthusiastic audience bore witness. The total sell-out of the provisions both liquid and otherwise spoke louder than words for the financial side of the report.

No small amount of credit goes to members of the chorus that stood service at the doors, bar and check-room and I want to take this opportunity in the name of the chorus to thank you very much.

For their various distinguished services to the chorus I have drawn up a personal roll of honorable mention. On it first of all goes the names of our singing barkeepers—W.G., M.J. and F.P. That's for your painless extraction of our dwindling income.

Above them the names of the members of the needle trade: Lil., Ant. and S. S. for their needling of our appetites and nostalgic memories of mother and home. These are real kitchen mechanics and they really can produce some of the most wonderful odors from them there roach ranches.

We mustn't forget our hard working Executive Committee whose only reward is to see their efforts turn out successful. At the top of it we have the honorable (gangway) Gertie and Juozukas J. You have gained a place among the most distinguished by virtue of being busy without getting dizzy... that's sumpin'!

Above them we place the names of those who lent of their talent which really was the

backbone of our successful program. There was Geralt Jr., Mrs. L. Gug., Ant., D., Mrs. S. Gug., Mrs. and Miss J. Zigmont, M. J. and our own Hon. Canadian gypsy serenader soloist and a few others whose names have escaped.

High above them all we put our commander and master of any situation, always calm, cool and collective Walter Gugas with three cheers. If the chorus ever decides to recognize and appropriately acknowledge the devotion to duty of an individual member with a medal, then Mrs. Stel Smith should receive one the size of a soup plate for her work. No concert, affair, rehearsal or kitchen is complete without S.S.

It is admirable how some people can give of their time, talent and a tremendous abundance of energy so wholeheartedly. It should serve as an inspiration to those of us who tire before we even get started. Think of the seemingly unsurmountable mountains of difficulties that could be overcome if all did but half as much individually.

Our initial program of the year was like a potent stimulant and in the face of these facts, it is hard to control ones enthusiasm.

Let's all pitch in with renewed energy. We are fast approaching our pre-spring benefit concert and operetta. Let's give our instructor and music committee a big hand of cooperation by attending punctually and a hundred percent, so that we may learn some new material and present our beloved

LKM Chorus News

As usual the chorus rehearsed Tuesday, January 9. The only new thing that took place was that Mr. Fred Abek invited the chorus to sing at the Ashland Auditorium on February 25th. The occasion is to be the 27th anniversary of the existence of the Red Army. The chorus accepted the invitation and decided to participate.

Missing from the rehearsal were Frances Yurgel, Aldona Povilonis, Anna Wainauskas, Geo. Kwain and Frank Denikaitis. We hope that they will be with us next Tuesday.

While we had some absentees, we also had some visitors. They were: three soldiers in uniform and a young lady from Lowell, Indiana. The soldiers were: Arthur Waller, Al Gechas, Chuk Radauskas and the lady was Miss Kalvaitis.

We can also report that we got one new member, Miss Anna Vincunas. Nothing especially exciting happened so there isn't much to write about. Let's not have so many absentees next Tuesday. We have many affairs before us and the presence of all members will give us a better feeling at the rehearsal and also assure us of better success in our undertakings.

JDB—SIRDUKAS

U. S. Maternity Care Program Aided 300,000

WASHINGTON — Organized labor helped America's fighting sons to win federal emergency maternity and infant care program what up to this past Christmas saw 300,000 infants born under its auspices.

The U. S. program aided 600,000 wives of servicemen in 20 months and has \$42,000,000 for the program during 1945.

TWO NEW PLANTS

Erection of two new sulphuric acid plants with an annual capacity of 72,000 tons have been authorized by the WPB. Monsanto Chemical Co., and the National Lead Co., of St. Louis, will build and operate the plants.

public a real treat, something out of the ordinary.

ACM.

In answer to your request to make remarks or criticism, the only criticism one can make, and I make it emphatically, is that you waited so long to write to the VES. I am sure it was not difficult when you started. Won't you keep it up and send in an article every week? It doesn't always have to be about the chorus. I know that you can write on other subjects.

Take a "Gallop Poll" among the youth on what they like to read or what they would like to find in the VES and tell us.

YES Ed.

THE VETERAN'S FRIEND

Q. How much time does a discharged veteran have to apply for his former job?

A. Congress originally stated that a veteran must apply for his job in 40 days, but recent legislation has extended that period to 90 days.

Q. Can a disabled veteran obtain a federal civil service job without examination?

A. The President has signed an executive order permitting disabled veterans who have completed a training course to be appointed to civil service jobs "without regard to requirements of the civil service rules and the war service regulations."

Q. Does the GI Bill of Rights

provide unemployment pay benefits to discharged servicemen?

A. Yes. Information may be obtained at any U. S. Employment Service office.

Q. Are debts of servicemen subject to statutes of limitations?

A. Yes. However, the period of service is not included in computing any period limited by law for the bringing of action to enforce collection.

Q. Can a guardian be appointed to receive compensation or pension for a disabled veteran?

A. In the case of an "incompetent" veteran, monetary benefits are payable by the Veterans' Administration to a guardian or legal custodian.

Send questions with self-addressed, stamped envelope to The Veteran's Friend, Disabled American Veterans, 1423 McMillan St., Cincinnati 6, Ohio.

They Said Last Week

President Franklin D. Roosevelt in a message to the National Conference of Christians and Jews:

"It is highly fitting that in the midst of world struggle for liberty we should remind ourselves of the spiritual realities by which the ideals of freedom are nourished. The principle of human brotherhood is the source of our political democracy and this principle is rooted in the faith which our fathers knew and which we lived by. We worship at different altars and express this faith in many ways. But deeper than the differences is the spiritual unity that makes us one people."

Wendell Berge, Assistant Attorney General of the United States in an address in Charleston, West Virginia:

"When the war is won we shall face the job of working out not only the political settlements but the economic settlements as well. The American people are play for private competitive enterprise... The people have learned, through bitter experience that they cannot have a domestic economy which is isolated from the play of economic forces in the rest of the world. This Administration has worked for world arrangements which will reduce international trade barriers and promote an expanding international trade with all the world... After the war, there will be an important job to be done in restoring international trade. Complicated and intricate questions of tariffs, currencies, banking and credit must be solved."

Lieut. General Brehon B. Somervell, Commanding General, Army Service Forces in an address before American Society of Civil Engineers:

"One of the major, if not the major advantages we have over

the Japanese in the successive conquests of the islands of the Pacific is our ability to make these islands into major military bases. About all the Japanese are able to do is to cut a few trails, build a small air strip and make minor provision for landing supplies. In contrast, our seizure of an island is accompanied by engineer troops and construction equipment following immediately behind the assault waves. We construct whole ports for unloading ships, roads, airfields, housing facilities and storage dumps. In a few short weeks, we convert an island into an American base. As an example, you can well visualize what has taken place on Saipan to make it a base for the operation of our bombers. Besides the air strips themselves, we have provided docks, shops, storage depots, petroleum storage tanks, roads, hospitals, barracks and a water supply system."

Clark M. Eichelberger, Director of the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace:

"The absence of a United Nations Organization creates a climate of uncertainty in which alliances are already being formed and spheres of influence marked out. If the world organization is not created before the war ends, nations may take steps which will jeopardize the future system of world security. Whatever regional systems or alliances are created should come within the framework and in the spirit of the world organization whose creation, therefore, is an immediate necessity."

F.L.I.S.

The U. S. Supreme Court ruled railroad unions must give full representation to Negro members on their respective crafts while operating under the federal railway labor act.

Of Cabbages and Kings

By FRANELLE

Hello! We're back again. Or didn't you miss us. If you've been as busy as we've been getting over Christmas, you haven't had time.

Everyone is doing it, so we did too. Here's how we plan to get or make the most of 1945.

(1) FINANCIAL (and incidentally Patriotic) — One extra War Bond every month. All right, so I don't get that coat. Maybe if we don't buy those bonds, come next year and that cheap little black coat will be costing the price of a pre-war mink.

(2) CONSCIENCE DEPARTMENT — Do something more to help in the war effort. The Red Cross needs more than just money. Get out and roll bandages odd times. Or train for a Staff Assistant, Motor Corps member, or see where else you can fit in. Or can you give a day a week and be an angel in the Nurses' Aides. Don't forget that pint of blood. Probably have too much anyway after all that rich food over the holidays.

(3) SOCIAL OR SELF-BROADENING DEPARTMENT — At least once a week meet someone new or see an old friend we haven't seen for a long while. One gets into a rut and sees the same people, does the same things, talks about the same subjects unless there is a conscious effort made. Don't just say "Come see me soon". Make a definite date or just go a-callin'. There are so many interesting people in the world and we have so short a time. Apropos, someone said to us "If you are an Easterner, you'll wait for an invitation. If you're a Middle Westerner, you'll just drop in." We're going to drop in.

(4) INTELLECTUAL OR IMPROVE - WHAT - BRAINS - WE - HAVE DEPARTMENT. Spend one evening a month at the Public Library. You think that's dull? Start with the magazine department and just look at the current magazines—ones you wouldn't think of buying yourself. Then just browse and the bookshelves. It's just as much fun in a bookstore. Read one non-fiction book each month. You don't have the time? Neither do we, but we take one full hour out for lunch everyday. After all anyone who works 16 hours a day doing housework like we do is entitled to an hour's lunch. That's when we do our reading. My husband does his reading in bed waiting for us to finish all the million and one things a woman does before she goes to bed. He gets about 20 minutes reading done then.

(5) HOMEMAKING — Use more head and less brawn. Organize the closets. All clothes not worn in the past year, take to Russian or Allied relief centers. Not only will they be appreciated, but think how much better the closets will look.

Try at least one new recipe a week. (My husband will be furious when he reads this. Being a merc man he cannot understand the creative drive that impels a woman to try new ways on familiar things. He objects vociferously to every new recipe until he eats it.) Try a new hairdo—one with less curls and waves. In short, don't let yourself get into a rut in 1945.

Increase Noted In Aid to Vets

WASHINGTON — The Veterans Administration today outlined in an annual report the expansion of its program of improved hospital facilities, vocational counseling and disability payments for disabled and other veterans.

Reviewing the fiscal year ended last June '30, the administration said disability claims based on this war already had risen to 400,000, and formed 80 percent of its adjudication work. Pensions already are being paid in 208,519 World War II cases. This is about half the number of awards made to date for World War I.

Veterans in hospitals at the close of the fiscal year numbered 63,800. World War II veterans constituted 21 percent of the cases, as against 9 percent 12 months earlier.



BEAUTY—Janice Hansen 18, holds 35 national beauty contest awards, has a movie contract and has been chosen by Telegraph Operators of America as the girl they'd like to dot and dash with. Just now she is appearing as a dancer in New York, at the Latin Quarter.

A Greek Waiter Warns Greek Regent, Archbishop Damaskinos, in the Nick of Time

ATHENS, DEC. 31. (ONA) (Delayed In Transmission)—A year ago the new Greek Regent, Archbishop Damaskinos, was marked for execution by the Nazis. Only the long ears of an Athenian waiter saved him.

Angered by the Archbishop's refusal to co-operate with them and with Greek quislings, the Nazis late in December, 1943, decided to have him murdered in typical gangster style as he rode home late one night to an Athenian Suburb. A Greek waiter overheard the Nazis discussing the plot, and he warned the future regent in the nick of time.

The spiritual leader of Greece, on whom the eyes of most of his countrymen are now hopefully turned, was a consistent foe of the Nazis and their quislings. Right up to the day the Nazis withdrew from Athens, he did not fall for the Bolshevik bogey and refused to denounce the EAM or to discourage the young men of Greece from going to the mountains to carry on resistance against the Germans.

Archbishop Damaskinos co-operated with the EAM in its efforts to prevent slave-labor conscription for Germany, to halt the Nazis' plan for the increase of Bulgarian areas of occupation in Greece, and to augment bread-rations for the people. While the EAM organized huge mass demonstrations, and thousands poured into the streets of Athens, the Archbishop would call upon the Nazi occupation officials and explain the reasons for the people's protests and urge their recognition.

The people's protest over labor conscription was tough to put over as the Nazi commandant informed the Archbishop that Hitler, angered because Greece was the only nation not contributing to the German slave-labor pool, had personally ordered the labor draft.

As a result of his active resistance to the Nazis and his outspoken opposition to the Metaxas Dictatorship, the regent commands respect among Greek liberals. In addition, he has never hesitated to insist that many social and economic changes are necessary in Greece. His progressive views and his anti-royalist sentiments have made Rightists and Royalists alike fear and dislike him.

Political observers consider him astute and capable, although not particularly profound. Sincerely and strongly democratic, the archbishop has revealed a deep love for the Greek people.

Aware of the difficulties of the present situation, and re-

luctant to get involved in delaying tactics with old party politicians, Damaskinos strengthened his hand considerably by insisting upon and winning a one-man regency.

How effectively and completely he will represent the Greek people depends on whether or not he remains close to the people. If he does not permit himself to fall into traps laid by Rightists and Fascists, and if he withstands undue British influence, he will undoubtedly serve his nation well in this critical period.

Land Reform in Lithuania Is Progressing

WASHINGTON.—Progress of the land reform in Lithuania is reported in an article in the Soviet newspaper Izvestia, which says that farm laborers, landless peasants and those with little land are receiving land taken away from the Germans.

In 14 "uezds" (districts) fully freed from German occupation, the Izvestia article said, as reported to the Office of War Information, 37,074 farms, 90 per cent of those which received land in 1940-41, have again received land. A total of 226,564 hectares have been allotted to these farms. In four uezds all land seized by German colonists during the period of occupation has been returned to its lawful owners.

The report added that machine tractor stations, and horse rented stations are being restored and organized in all uezds.

OWL.

Dig up 1,000 Private Papers of Petain

PARIS.—The newspaper Paris Presse had revealed that 1,000 documents from Marshal Petain's private files had been discovered buried in the Alliers river valley near Vichy, and had been brought to Paris for study.

All date from July, 1940, and many were in Petain's own handwriting, the newspaper said.

Reports from Premier Laval, Adm. Darlan, Gen Weygand and Gen. Auguste Nogues, former French high commissioner in Syria, were included in the file.

Washington—Representative Lanham (Dem., Tex.) introduced a bill to give servicemen's wives and war veterans the right to rent living quarters in National Defense Housing projects when the projects are no longer needed to house essential war workers.

PORK SAUSAGES IN BEER SAUCE



Pork Sausages, one of the meats usually available in the market today, make a fine dinner dish when served in a tangy beer sauce.

This new, tested recipe for Pork Sausages in Beer Sauce produces a delicious gravy that is just rich enough but not greasy. The flavorful seasonings with which the sausage is cooked blend perfectly with the tanginess of the beer. For 4 servings, use:

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| 1 lb. pork sausage links | 6 Peppercorns |
| 1 medium sized onion, sliced | 2 Cups bottled beer |
| 1 Bay Leaf | 1 Tablespoon flour |

Put sausages in a bowl and pour boiling water over them. Drain and dry on absorbent paper. Place sausage in an unheated skillet. Place over low heat and cook until fat begins to form in pan. Add onion, bay leaf and peppercorns and cook slowly until sausages and onions are nicely browned. Pour off excess fat, leaving about four tablespoons in the pan. Add one cup of the beer. Bring to boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, mix 4 tablespoons of the remaining cup of beer with the flour. Add remainder of beer to sausages. Bring again to boil, then simmer for another 15 minutes. Remove sausages to hot platter. Thicken sauce with flour mixture. Strain, pour sauce over sausages and serve at once.

Printers 'Meet' Get More Dough

Detroit.—After angry printers shut down the Detroit Times for two and one-half hours in a "chapel meeting," the Detroit daily newspaper publishers (News, Times and Free Press) have agreed to a 40-hours week in their composing rooms.

With the exception of the News, where some overtime has been worked, the Detroit dailies have been working printers 37½ hours, despite the manpower shortage.

The agreement guarantees all printers 2½ hours a week overtime. Publishers also agreed to a \$3 per week scale increase,

provided some way can be found to get it by the Newspaper Commission.

VOLUNTEER AID FOR FAMILIES OF RED ARMY MEN

In the Ukraine, private families or guardians have adopted 30,000 war orphans. To aid families of servicemen, volunteers have cultivated and harvested 70,000 acres of land set aside for this purpose, and 16,000 new houses and 90,000 flats have been built for them in less than one year.

Seven hundred and fifty thousand members of these families have been trained in special courses and schools and are working in industry, agriculture and cultural institutions.