







## Pabėgėlis leško Poniško Darbo

Siūlaikui piaunų šieną arba žolę pas drg. Sakala, kuris turėtų daržą ant Archer ir Kean ave. Vakare man valgant vakarienę jis pasakoja štai ką: — Pareiniu į salinėj raudu savo pažintamą iš Brighton Park. Pasveikiu nom. Mano pažintamas perstato savo draugą ar giminaitę ir nieko nelaukės pasako, ko jie čia atvažiavo. Girdi, tas vyras ieško darbo. Pastebėjom laikraštyste, kad jums reikalaujant darbininkas, na, tai ir atvažiavom.

Su mielu noru,—sakau jems,—darbu turiu nevienu, net dviem ar trims. Slapta, su mašinomis išvaliu rauvas, o taip, net bei haus žiūrėt kiek patovo. Be to, reikia žolę nuplati. Darbo iki kaklo. Atrodai drėtūs, vyras, galėsi dirbti.

Pabėgėlis pertraukė:

— Atleiskim tamsta, aš šitokig darbu nenorū dirbt, ypač grindų plaut.

Sakalas biski supykė:

— Tai po siunt pypkij, kokių gi darbu jūs leškote? Aš ponis-ky darbų neturū.

Pabėgėlis mandagiai atsipa- raše iš sako:

— Aš savo amžiuje sunkių darbų nesu dirbęs. Norėčiau lengvesnio gauti.

Tai kokio gi jūs darbo pas mane norite?

— Na, kad už baro duotumet dirbt, turi dirbėjai.

— Už baro turu darbininkus, negi varysiu lauk, kad jums duoti. Atsprašau esu labai dmine mokyklų.

uzimtas. — Ir atsiuveikings nu-  
jau į darž.  
Matote.

Aš mu savęs palarėju ie-  
kantiems darbininkų, jei turite  
poniško darbo dėl ponisko dar-  
bininko, kreipkitės pas A. Saka-  
la, jis jums priduon pavarde ir  
adresą to žmogaus.

J. Baltyšis.

## Mirė Liudvika Bekežienė

Pereit trečiadienį, kaip 8:50 P.M., Chicago Heights miestėje Liudvika Bekežienė, "Vilnies" skaitlytoja.

Laidotuvės išvys ši šeštadienį Tautiškose Kapinėse. I kapinių lavonas bus atveztas pries pirmą valandą po piet.

Ten, prie kapo, pakiesta pa-  
daimoniu dedoma dailinė K. Abe-  
kienė ir A. Kenstavičienė.

Lavonas pašarvojas West End Funeral Home, kampana 14 gatvėje ir Otto Blvd.

Liudvika Bekežienė gimė Lietuvio 1890 metuse. Chicago Heights išgyveno 32 metus. Jos vyras Petras Bekežis mirė 1938 metais.

Iudykai mirus, didžiai jos liko iš sunus Džimis ir Louis, duktė Ona ir trys anukai.

Liudvika Bekežienė priklauso Lietuvijos Darbininkų Susivienijimui.

Kaimynas,

Chicago mokykly tarybos galviai ir naujas mokykly užvalžia-  
bus Herold C. Hunt, iš Kan-  
sas City.

Jis paeinges iš Chicago.

Dr. Hunt, sakoma, Kansas City, Mo., gerai pasižymėjo ve-  
duoti. Atsprašau esu labai dmine mokyklų.

J. G.

## Rasta Negyva Moteris

Mrs Mildred Paddock kaimynai pasigedo ir ėmė teirausti-  
kas galėjo su ja atsikilti. Namo savininkas Wayne Ackerson iš jo sieno buvo pažiūrėti. Prie-  
pat duriu jis ją rado guliniu ne-  
gyva ir nuogu.

Mrs Paddock buvo atskyrusi  
su vyrui 1927 m., ir gyveno  
viena. Ji taipgi turi sūnumą.

Koroneras A. L. Brodie veda  
tirinėjimą, kad patiri ar moter-  
iskė mīrusi naturale mirčia ar  
nužudytą. Taipgi išsako jos sū-  
naušis ir buvusio vyro.

Patinsingkite atvesti savo va-  
kučius arba anūkus šeštadienį,  
birželio 7 d., 1 val. po piečių, i  
Mark White parko svetainėje, 29  
st. ir Halsted st.

Beje, taipgi iš motinos, kve-  
čiamos būti pamokoje.

Dainos ir muzika bei šokius  
mokiniai gabojasi dainininkė ir  
muzikė Agotė Kenstavičienė.

Lietuvijos kaičiai dėka J. Skeber-

dėty.

Lauksime skaitlingo vaikučių

atslankimo į mokyklę.

Mokyklos Komitetas.

Naujas Pilietis

Bridgeport biznerių G. ir E.  
Norbutų sūnus Andy ir mari-  
Helen Norbutai susilaikė antrę  
sūnaus.

Vardži jam davė Povi-  
lais. Naujamis gimė birželio

3 d., svetdamas 9 sv. ir 11 ueli-  
ju.

Tėvai ir tėvukai džiaugiasi  
nauju piličiu.

Motina ir sūnus gerai jaučia-  
si ir greti grįžti namus iš Šv.  
Križiaus ligoninės.

Linkiamie jaunam piliečiui  
svelkam augti.

Latimer Išvažiavo  
i Londoną

Ira Latimer, Chicago Civil Li-  
berties Komiteito galva, taipgi  
žymus veikėjės kovose už lais-  
vę ir žmonių teises, išvažiavo i

Londoną, kur jis dalyvauja Kon-  
ferencijoje Žmonių Teisės Gin-

ties.

Londono busių surukta pa-  
saulinė Civilių Teisių Federac-  
ija.

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# VILNIS

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FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1947

## Silence Indicates Support Lith Reactionaries See, Hear No Evil In Anti-Labor Drive

By VES Staff Writer

Silence on the part of a certain section of Lithuanians and their newspapers in this country indicates their endorsement, support of a secret group of billionaires representing 11 top corporations in America who are pulling the strings in the current drive against organized labor.

This fact is revealed by the Federated Press.

The billionaire brain trust is the Special Conference Committee, the same group which was exposed several years ago by the Senate civil liberties committee as the directing force in industry's shooting war against unions in the '30s.

Activities of the group were reluctantly revealed to a reporter by its spokesman Edward S. Cowdrick, an industrial relations consultant with offices at 30 Rockefeller Plaza in New York.

Although Cowdrick denied that the committee, as such, was still in existence, he admitted that "we still have meetings, sometimes individually and sometimes as a group, but we are no longer organized, if that distinction means anything." The inner-circle group, he said, meets at "some hotel," which he refused to name, and has discussed current antilabor legislation.

Cowdrick refused to name the firms that now make up the group, but admitted they were virtually the same companies that formerly comprised the special committee. At the time it was exposed by the senate committee the industry group, which represented an inner circle of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers, included:

American Telephone & Telegraph Co., Bethlehem Steel Co., E. I. duPont de Nemours, General Electric Co., General Motors Corp., Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Int'l. Harvester Co., Irving Trust Co., Standard Oil of N. J., U. S. Rubber Co. and Westinghouse Electric Co.

Some idea of the power entrenched in the Special Conference Committee can be gleaned from published figures before the war which showed the member corporations, excluding Irving Trust, employed more than 1,300,000 workers, paid wages and salaries of \$4 billion and had combined assets of \$13½ billion.



### Red Baiters Conduct Operations

## NAZI LITHUANIANS TO BENEFIT HANDSOMELY FROM CHICAGO MEMORIAL DAY PROCEEDS, NEWS INDICATES

By VES Staff Writer

Nazi Lithuanians classifying themselves as "refugees" are going to benefit handsomely if the trustees of Chicago Lithuanian National Cemetery have their way.

The revelation came to life this week.

According to information received a section of proceeds derived from the annual Memorial Day picnic will be diverted to a "refugee aid organization."

Actually this maneuver is an overriding of lot holders who are the determining force and who at a gathering prior to Memorial Day voted overwhelmingly not to donate.

Apparently the scheme of things calls for some quiet juggling on the part of trustee element who sympathize with and work ardently for aid to those

who assisted Adolph Hitler's subjugation of Lithuania.

The plan of action came to a head at the regular ceremonies Memorial Day where a conglomeration of crackpots and pro-fascists shared the speakers limelight together with honest people. The former indulged in hate-mongering, red-baiting

and an endeavor to convince the assembled public that assistance to "refugee" was a necessity.

The ceremonies held yearly at the cemetery are arranged as a memorial to the dead without political implications because of the varied element buried there as well as the variety of political thoughts held by lot holders.

This year, however, in conformity with the reactionary trend considered to be fashionable by those who would stem the tide of progressivism, red-baiting characters de-luxe were given speaking privileges.

With the tomb-like office structure acting as background during speechmaking, one might have thought himself at one of Hitler's eerie Sports Plaza gatherings, except that the language was Lithuanian.

### Springfield, Illinois

### Liths Holding

### Affair Sunday

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — This city's Lithuanian-Americans will be entertained by a musical troupe from Chicago and film from Lithuania the coming Sunday, June 8.

The affair will take place at Lincoln Park Pavilion, starting at 4 p. m.



Vera Zalalis

Recent graduate from Roseland, Illinois Community Hospital is Miss Vera Zalalis. Twenty-two years of age, Vera expects to leave for Dallas, Texas for a post graduate course.

By VES Staff Writer

As far as Lithuanian-American War II veterans can see, Republican 80th Congress veteran legislation remains a total blank with five months gone into legislative history. Last fall, some 69 World War II veterans were elected to Congress, of whom 47 belong to the majority party.

Legislation of a broad, social welfare nature benefiting veteran and non-veteran alike such as health insurance, long-range housing plans, strengthened social security programs and laws to protect the rights of minorities have not even got a start in the GOP Congress. That was pretty much taken for

granted when the votes were counted last November 6.

But when both parties made campaign pledges that nothing was too good for the boys just out of uniform and the nation elected so many veteran-politicians to Congress, some legislation for the veterans was expected. Yet here is the record, in brief:

**Bonus**—No hearings have been held on the several bills in the hopper. Prospects for hearings at this session by the House ways & means committee are faint.

**Subsistence allowance** for students and job trainees—After five months House committee has reported a bill raising

monthly allowances for married veterans from \$90 to \$105, with increased amount for children, no raise for single veterans.

Senate committee still considering the matter. Meanwhile, nearly a million veterans, one-fourth of the total in school or training, have dropped out without finishing their course.

**Ceiling on job trainee monthly income**—Outright repeal of the ceilings scuttled. Kearney bill (HR. 246) which would raise ceilings to \$250 for single veteran trainees and \$335 for married was passed by House committee on veterans affairs, buried by rules committee. Discharge petition No. 4 which would send the bill to the floor had 95 signatures at last report, requires 218.

**Increased benefits for unemployed veterans**—no action. Meanwhile, a quarter million veterans have exhausted their year's unemployment compensation under the GI bill of rights. War veterans make up 28% of the nation's labor force, but 36% of the unemployed.

**Cash payment for terminal leave pay bonds**—none of the bills introduced have been acted upon.

**Seamen's bill of rights**—HR. 476, giving limited benefits to wartime merchant seamen, still in House committee.

**One bill has been enacted**, however, which would allow veterans to reinstate national service life insurance without physical examination, but critics point out that it allows the Veterans Administration to declare policies lapsed only three months after the previous payment.

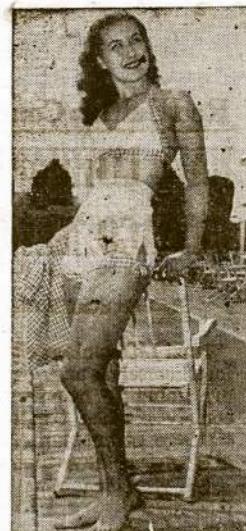
"Probably because of its history of war and oppression, Lithuania hasn't much native literature, music, or art. Its lady novelists give a startling touch to their work by using such pen names as The Witch of Satrija, The Bee, and Hazel the Owl. The Lithuanians go in for folk dancing and ballads, of which there are at least two million. Their old pagan religion centred around Perkunas, the god of thunder and lightning, and the sites of the sacred graves are still respected by the peasants. Lithuania has an unusual sort of fairy called a laume, which specializes in changing new-born babies from one crib to another. Fire fighting in the backwoods of Lithuania is highly organized and rather picturesque. The fire is treated as a hungry guest, and a table with bread and salt on it is set out to approve the fire's hunger. If this doesn't work, one of the matrons has to undress and tap around and around the tables on one foot until it does work. A Lithuanian wedding is a good deal of bother, too, since it uses up the best part of a week. The festivities start with the inviting of the guests, which is done by a messenger who is supposed to play a musical instrument, sing, crack jokes, and generally carry on like Oscar Levant. Then, when the guests are assembled, they and the bride with much giggling, bar the groom and his party from the house. After this is over and the couple is married, they call on their neighbors and try to steal one animal at each house. In spite of all this, people do get married in Lithuania."

The article dealing with the Baltic nation then goes on to say that it is now a member of the Socialist Soviet Republics, and in size a bit bigger than the state of Maine with a population just under three million.

"Lithuania is a flat country", says the article, "with a climate like Maine's, too, and a lot of lakes—two thousand of them. It's on of the few places in the world which have tunnels under their lakes. The inhabitants use them for hideouts during invasions."

Three out of every four Lithuanians are farmers, about the only other trades being weaving and wood carving. There is no Slavic blood in the Lithuanians. They are blond and blue-eyed, and arrived in prehistoric times through the Balkans. Some scholars think they were related to the Greeks. Their language is the oldest in Europe, and, so we're told, is the most subtle, melodic, and poetic. There are, for instance, the variations of the verb "to come", by which one can indicate eagerness, reluctance, clumsiness, and so on. Lots of grammatical constructions are almost identical with those of classic Greek or Latin, and the prehistoric relationship to Sanskrit is plainer than in any other modern language.

"Lithuanians eat cucumbers as casually as we do apples, and drink a kind of mead distilled from honey and arrack. They consider it a mark of distinction to be seen carrying a briefcase and are polite to bees, always informing them of a death in the family before telling any human outsiders. One telephone book does for the whole country. Lithuanians would consider it inde-



Yum! Yum! That's what the photogs had to say when they snapped this on the beach.

cent for cows, horses, pigs, and poultry to live together in the same barn; their livestock all have separate establishments.

"It just happens that about the only foreign settlers in Scotland are Lithuanians. They have the reputations of being good colonists, and Buffalo Bill once tried to get them to settle some land he owned out West," continues the article.

Wages and salaries represent only 25% of all costs in manufacturing, according to the Federal Trade Commission.

## Admit Safety Rules Broken, Resulting In Texas Disaster

**WASHINGTON.**—Almost all known safety rules were broken in the loading of the ammonium nitrate ship that exploded at Texas City, killing nearly 500 persons, the U. S. Coast Guard admitted.

The Coast Guard itself was responsible for the safety of the port and the enforcement of safety rules.

Nevertheless it puts the blame for the explosion primarily on the French operators of the S.S. Grand Camp, the ship that exploded.

## As Far As Lith War II Vets Can See.....

# Republican Congress Veteran Legislation Is Total Blank

## Friend Of Lith-Americans

# STOWE SAYS ANOTHER WAR WOULD BRING RUIN AND TRAGEDY, DESTROY AMERICAN DEMOCRACY FOREVER

By VES Staff Writer

"Another war, whether 'preventive' or otherwise, would bring ruin and tragedy to all of us, destroying American democracy, for generations or forever. There is no safety for you and me—no life worth living—no survival for our society as we know it—except by presenting war."

These words from a friend of Lithuanian Americans, and whose wife is of Lithuanian extraction, Leland Stowe, streamed over the ether waves five weeks ago and have been the keynote for his news commentaries. Amid the slough of warmongers who monopolize the news field these days, it's real relaxation to hear a sane voice. Stowe's program, on a nationwide Mutual hookup, is heard

Wednesday evenings. It is sponsored by the United Electrical Workers. Let's hope other progressive unions will take the cue.

The talks follow no formula. Usual makeup is a running commentary on the issues of the day with emphasis on the activities of the war mongers and profit hogs. The third talk in the series was devoted entirely to a discussion of I. G. Farbenindustries and monopoly generally.

"The Farben record demonstrates that 'cartelism' can be as great a menace as any of the other 'isms' we hear so much about these days. If the Farben co-plotters are convicted (in a very real sense, these defendants are the principle war criminals) the world will be a little nearer liberation from planned murder

and global wars of conquest. We shall still have to get atomic weapons abolished. We must still build the United Nations into a strong and positive instrument for peace and cooperation... But to make war-waging 'cartelism' a punishable crime would be an epochal step in the direction of our common safety."

In regard to the home scene, "We know that a depression releases an awful lot of social and political dynamite in this country. The champions of free enterprise can't have it both ways. It's their turn to act, to cut prices, or else".

Words like the foregoing are at a premium on the air today. The purge has left few voices to represent the great masses of the people. You can't afford not to listen to Stowe.



Selected as "queen" at Chicago hospital benefit performance.  
Name: Miss Lorraine Nilles.  
Address: South Mozart St.

## Mailed Fist Of Big Business

# 1947 Memorial Day Marked 10th Year Since Labor Massacre

CHICAGO—(FP)—Memorial Day 1947 was the 10th anniversary of the massacre in which 10 workers were killed and 90 injured by a police attack on a peaceful demonstration outside the South Chicago plant of the Republic Steel Corp.

It was a warm Sunday afternoon, the fourth day of their strike against Tom Girdler's open shop fortress, as the Republic Steel workers marched in holiday mood across a stretch of flat prairie to set up a picketline around the plant. As they neared their destination, a line of almost 300 police close in on them. Newsreel records tell what happened next:

"Suddenly without apparent warning, there is a terrific roar of pistol shots, and men in the front ranks of the marchers go down like grass before a scythe. The camera catches approximately a dozen falling simultaneously in a heap. The massive, sustained roar of the police pistols lasts perhaps two or three seconds.

"Instantly, the police charge on the marchers with riot sticks flailing. At the same time, tear gas grenades are seen sailing into the mass of demonstrators, and clouds of gas rise over them. Most of the crowd is

now in flight. The only discernible case of resistance is that of a marcher with a pleadeon a stick, which he uses in an attempt to fend off a charging policeman. He is successful for only an instant. Then he goes down under a shower of blows.

going down under a quick blow from a policeman's club, delivered from behind.

"A man over whose white shirt front the blood is spreading perceptibly is dragged to the side of the road. Two or three policemen bend over and

## IS MURDER LEGAL?

IT DID not take long for the ripening of the "strange fruit" of the court decision freeing 28 self-confessed South Carolina lynchers.

Barely had the words of acquittal died away than new lynchings were being planned.

A crew of lynchers had literally gotten away with murder. The fascist verdict—dictated by the industrialists and bankers who rule by division and "white supremacy"—had upheld the moral code of fascism.

Actually, they said that murdering Negroes is no crime because Negroes are inferior—just as Hitler decreed that the murder of Jews and other minorities is no crime.

Is this nation to stand by and tolerate the legalization of murder? Or are we going to enact a federal lynch law quickly and put a stop to the murder camps of America?

"In several instances, from two to four policemen are seen beating one man. One strikes him horizontally across the face, using his club as he would wield a baseball bat. Another crashed it down on top of his head, and still another is whipping him across the back...

"A girl, not more than five feet tall, who can hardly weigh more than 100 pounds, is seen

look at him closely. One of them shakes his head, and slips a newspaper under the wounded man's head. There is a plain intimation that he is dying."

Ten of the strikers died of gunshot wounds, 30 others were wounded by bullets and some 60 others received lacerations and contusions of varying intensity. Not one cop was am-

ong fatalities.

Today the Republic Steel workers, proud of their strong, established union, look back on the Memorial Day Massacre of 1937 not as a closed chapter in history, but as a fresh warning of what will again be in store for them if the Faft-Hartley bill is allowed to destroy what they built with their sweat and blood.

**Former AVC Head Now Broadcasts Over Chi Station**

CHICAGO.—Sidney Ordower who aided in the formation of this city's Lithuanian-American Al Blozis chapter of the American Veterans Committee is now featured daily over Station WJJD, 7:30 p. m.

**Labor Department Sets Up Veteran Employment Unit**

WASHINGTON (EP)—War veterans' reemployment rights under the draft law will be handled by new veterans' reemployment rights division of the U. S. Labor Dept., which was set up by order of Labor Sec. Lewis Schwellenbach. A director for the new unit will be appointed shortly, Schwellenbach said.

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# Just Between Us

By George Starkauskas

They lie under simple crosses and Stars of David. Their greatest monument is the victory we won only through their sacrifice.

They rest on the terrible battlefields of the war. And we, the living, can begin to repay the debt we owe them only by achieving what they sought in battle, a just and lasting peace for mankind.

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Are there some among us so corrupt they would trample upon the graves of our dead, desecrate the offering they made?

Turn the pages of a venal press which already shouts for a new and more terrible war and find—

- Gen. Breton Somervell, now president of the Koppers Co. of Pittsburgh, demands mobilization of American industry for war. That war, he tells us, is not a possibility, it is a probability and must guide our actions in the world today.

- Major General Leslie R. Groves, head of the Manhattan atomic bomb project, adds his voice for a world-wide atomic armament race to "decide the issue in another war."

- Herbert Hoover proposes a separate peace today—akin to the demand he made during the war—thus to make World War III as inevitable after World War II as the bankrupt policies which followed World War I brought the last war.

Rest in peace, men of Bataan and Guadalcanal, of Normandy beach and Anzio, of Hurtgen Forest and the Ardennes. Perhaps it is well that you cannot hear the warning of the former medical chief of the Manhattan project, Dr. Stafford Warren:

"Unleashing 250 bombs in the air and 250 under water would wipe out our cities and create poisonous radioactive clouds which would sweep around the world, raining slow and unseen death on every living thing."

Will such a war be the harvest of the ideals which you sowed on battlefields throughout the world?

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Who is the enemy today since the guns of war became silent?

He still lives in the lands of our fierce battles—in the unreconstructed Nazis of Germany and the militarists of Germany.

But here, in our own land, he is the enemy within the gates. He is the press of Hearst and all who talk the Hitler language of "inevitable war".

He is the banker and industrialist—including the chief of Koppers and other chemical firms—already coining millions from preparations for World War III.

He is the politician who betrays the commander-in-chief under whom we fought to victory—Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Our fight today is for the grand coalition of the United States, USSR and Great Britain on the foundations of a United Nations.

We wage that fight so that dream of those who died may be fulfilled.



## • THINGS WE'D LIKE TO SEE—

Taft  
On  
A  
Raft  
—O—  
Hartley  
Partly,  
And Ball  
Not at all.  
\* \* \*

- Politicians dining at a Democratic party shindig in New York recently kicked in \$100 apiece, while the economy-minded GOP scraped along with a \$50 tariff for a Dewey banquet the same night in another New York hotel.

- Sure there's a difference, about the same kind there between a \$20,000 house and a \$40,000 house—both of which 90% of the homeless Americans can't afford.

Ashes to ashes,  
Dust to dust,  
If atom bomb don't get you,  
The microbes must.  
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## LITTLE LUTHER

- "I see a New Dealer won a congressional primary out in Washington," said Little Luther, probing with a needle for a paternal sore-spot. "Are they still holding primaries?" Wilworth asked. "I shouldn't think they'd have time for that sort of thing."

"How are we going to have a democracy without primaries and elections?" Little Luther demanded. "How are we going to find out what the people want?"

"It's perfectly obvious what they want," his father said. "They want a war for democracy. It says so in all the papers."

"The road to hell," Little Luther said, "is paved with newspapers, and I understand all the music they have down there is juke boxes with singing commercials made up out of odds and ends of newspaper editorials."

"Ugh!" said Mr. Dilworth, forgetting himself for a moment.

"And, besides, no matter what the papers say, I want peace," Little Luther continued.

'Just proves how undemocratic you are, son. If you were a 100% American, you wouldn't be thinking about elections and peace and the New Deal and alien things like that. You'd be thinking about the menace of Asia, Europe and Africa."

"Better go to Greece or Turkey, then," said Mr. Dilworth. "I understand we're exporting a big chunk of peace there any day now, and enough money to make work for hundreds of thousands of little beggars like you."

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- A Texas legislator with a wry sense of humor introduced a bill calling for the murder of every union member in the state.

His colleagues ought to introduce a bill outlawing mind-reading.

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- Henry Wallace is confounding his newspaper critics by getting huge turnouts on his nationwide speaking tour.

But fortunately for Wallace and Broadway, audience have a way of ignoring bad notices.

# THESE ARE THE TIMES

By FRANK STULGIS

(Lithuanian Daily Laisve Columnist)

- As time goes on, many more younger people are bringing in new and better ideas into our organizations. Many of the innovations that are being planned and put into operation were not even dreamed of by our older folks and some of them are rather hesitant about it all, thinking that the new fangled activity plans are doomed to failure.

- And the thing that worries us is that these new ideas which are helping to put new life and new sparkle into the progressive movement of the Lithuanian Americans are not taken seriously but are accepted in a narrow and smug sense by some persons who obviously do not know better. Our job is to make them understand.

- Last fall, there was the National Lithuanian American Arts Festival in Chicago. It seems odd that most of the speeches and discussions were made by the older folks with very few younger people participating in the conferences. The people who actually put over the festival, working out new, solid ideas and finally carrying them through were American born young people, in the main, however. Why was it this way? There definitely was an interest shown in the type of work the LMS does, but the younger people are not so much interested in the speechmaking type of Lithuanian Art and Culture but in action — in putting things across.

- Of course we have to have meetings and we have to plan things out. However, too many long-winded speeches will not put our ideas across. We have to find a lot of other things that will attract the younger people to the progressive organizations than speech-making.

- There is an Eastern Seaboard Arts Festival being planned in Brooklyn over the Thanksgiving weekend. We can bet our bottom dollar, that here, too, the shining lights in putting the affair over will be the younger people, while the elders will make speeches and reminisce over the "good old days when we were young" and "what can be happening to the new generation?"

- We have just completed a National LDS Bowling Tournament. It was a very successful Tournament, but it could easily have been twice as big and the effect of the success of the torney could have been more spread over an area more than twice what it did. We needed more "adult" cooperation to do this.

- The Tournament Committee did an excellent job. It arranged for the best available alleys, it arranged for the best possible housing accommodations, and it arranged a fine social program for all who wanted to participate, and ended the whole shenanigan with a wonderful banquet in the Spanish Room of Hotel Fort Shelby that was attended by nearly 250 young people. This is a fine bit of work and the committee should get the proper congratulations for what it did.

- However, there still are remnants among our progressives who are living back in the days when they first came over from Europe before there were such fine facilities that there are available to us today. At every step, almost, the committee was opposed by the "older folks" because it was going "High Hat" to get a fine hotel, a fine bowling alley and arranging a fine banquet. Some adults even came to the banquet to say "I told you so" expecting it to be a flop. They may have been disappointed with its success.

- What are we driving at? We are learning to work as an organization. The progressive Lithuanians are the best organized and are the best and most forward looking people of all the Lithuanians in this country. They have some people who haven't some up with the times, it is true, but they have less people like that than any of the movements among the Liths today. That is why no other organization has been able to accomplish such big things as the progressive young Lithuanian Americans, who were schooled in organization by their parents and who have initiative and vision, are breaking away from the "old way" of doing things and are learning to take advantage of the facilities that they have available to them. They may be opposed by some "diehards"—but their initiative and organizational maturity has always been able to overcome the resistance of the few narrow folk that sometimes still try to stand in the way. The time to build up the progressive organizations is now! The time to organize ourselves better, to obtain proper facilities of our own that would be conducive to enjoyment is now. We must take very seriously the new ideas and new initiative that our young people are showing everywhere, for if we brush that initiative and the new ideas aside, we shall, at the same

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## Chicago LKM Chorus Expecting Large Crowd At Coming Sunday Picnic, Justice Park Gardens; 'New Moon' Is Next Production

Well it's almost here... this Sunday, June the 8th we L.K.M.'ers are having our annual picnic at the Justice Park Gardens. This will be an outstanding affair, believe me, lots different from the general run-off-the-mill picnics. We're having a children's races, also the adults will have a chance to shine in a few special games the committee has devilishly schemed up. There's entertainment galore. For those who are interested in baseball (and who isn't?) I understand that the Redwing branch of the L.D.S. is going to play Joseph Kenston's sponsored team (P. S. Joe's th catcher for his team—this I got to see).... A short musical program with your favorite duet: Agnes Kenston and Connie Abek... then

I think Paul Dauderis has promised a song or two. But don't take my word for it come down and find out for yourself... you won't have to go hungry 'cause there's just lots of good food to satisfy your tummies and more drinks than you can down.

One week later on the 15th will all gather again at Liberty Grove to attend the Vilnius picnic... Remember chorus members we have to sing that day.

It was nice seeing Adfonse Pateckas and Anna Garšinskas down with us after such a long absence.

## East Coast LDS Groups Planning For Golf Tournament Taking Cue From Chicago; Expect Most States Will Participate

Each year for some time, now, out in Chicago there has been an LDS golf tournament. Each year these tournaments were very successful, and with each succeeding year, are more and more successful. That is something for us easterners to think about. Can we have an Eastern Seaboard LDS Golf Tournament? We know that there are many Lithuanian American golf bugs. We know that in New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts there are many younger and older people who cannot resist playing this game at the slightest provocation. Why not let's get together and sometime in the fall run off a tournament?

The Connecticut LDS State Activities Council which held a meeting on May 18th in New Haven has already begun to talk of golf. Let's carry it a step further. Let's cooperate, set a date and get together at some golf course in Connecticut, as the central point, run off a nice fine clean tournament and then get together for a fine dinnerbanquet afterwards.

There is no reason why it cannot be done. We feel that Connecticut is a good enough centrally located spot and easily reached from all the states mentioned and it has plenty of golf links to choose from.

time, brush aside the young people that are so necessary to any organization such as we have among the Lithuanian Americans.

• This is also a call to our younger people not to let down and drop out of activity because of some one in the group of progressive people in their community

Just take a good gander at John Karvelis during rehearsals these days... he'll lose a couple of buttons off his vest if he puffs his chest out any further... it happens when we sing what he calls his theme song: "Karvelėlė Mėlinasis".... and while we're on the subject of Johnny, Peter Gaidam wants it known that he needs an "iner-terpreter" for the Lithuanian letter he read the group.

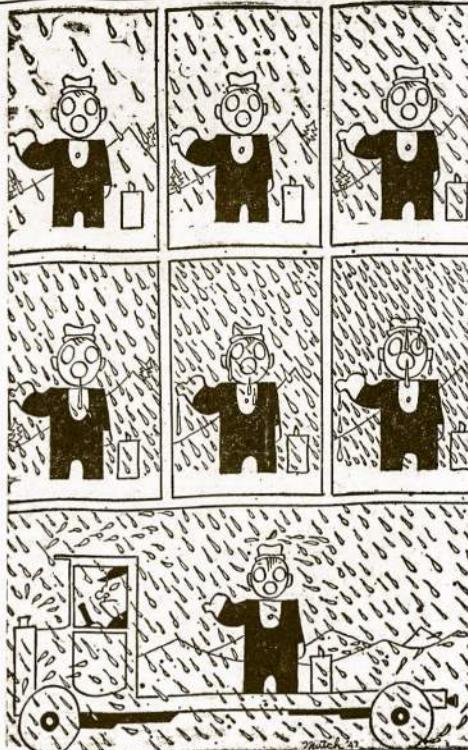
Helen Yuskus was on the sick list the last few days but she's up and around spry as ever now.

Just about here I'd like to scream "Sabotage!" at the top of my voice... guess you know what I'm referring to — yep, you guessed it our horse back ride had to be called off because of rain... but don't worry we'll have one in the near future even if we have to float the horses.

Steve Karosa is out to sell some of his cars... he's been trying to put over the idea of marriage to Ruth Joodaitis and John Karvelis (of all people). He says they'll need the car for their honeymoon.

Well, New Moon seems to be pretty definite for our next operetta and what's more it looks like the L.K.M. chorus will be on the move again this fall — this time to Milwaukee!!!

See you all at the picnics Sunday.  
ALDONA.



## 'WE WHO STILL LIVE WILL SING'

By NANCY ROMAN

In memory of the Roseland Aido Chorus members who have passed away

Neverkit pas kapa narsiuju draugus  
Was sung by the Chorus, in memory of you,  
Of you who have worked, and sung through the years,  
And left with us living, memories and tears.

We stood at your grave, We sang you our song  
While our dear teacher directed us on.  
Our voices we raised in one solemn tune  
As though we could reach you there neath your tomb.

We sang you our song, and soft breezes blew  
The sun seemed too smile, as we sang to you.  
The leaves on the trees, the grass on the ground,  
All Mother Nature greeted our sound.

You who have worked so hard to achieve  
And build up a Chorus you had to leave,  
We know if you could awake on this day  
You would be proud, happy and gay.

To see how your Chorus progressed, and grew,  
And followed the right road—The one left by you.  
By you who have gone, to rest one by one  
We thank you all, for the work you have done.

And so with the last ending notes of our song  
We who still live will sing on and on,  
The tears in our eyes will soon fade away  
So all of you rest in peace on this day.

Private construction of housing in New York city in April reached the lowest point since December 1945 despite the housing shortage.

is not doing things the way they should be done. You should join-up, be active, present your new ideas, let them all discuss them and explain your point of view. Let's work together, show our initiative and our interest and eventually we shall have the large majority with us and, after all, isn't that what you need to put an idea over—to have the majority on your side?

# MOTHER EARTH

(Editor's note: The name of Petras Cvirkas, author of this novel, MOTHER EARTH, is well-known in Lithuanian circles.)

MOTHER EARTH deals with the history of a Lithuanian village after the end of the so-called "war for independence". It takes place prior to World War II, brings out vividly the peoples struggle for liberation.

By PETRAS CVIRKA

(continued from last week)

His head jerked up a though moved by some unseen hand. Monika sat at the foot of the bed, motionless with grief. There was a heavy pause.

The boy opened his eyes and stared fixedly at the ceiling. Terror seized Monika, she had never seen such an expression on her boy's face before.

"Juras, come here quickly," she called. "I can't bear it..."

The child seems lifeless. The parents bent over him, and their last hope vanished. His face was distorted, his eyes glassy.

Juras spoke to him but the boy uttered meaningless cries and Juras moved away from the bed into the darkness beyond.

There was a suffocating ache in his breast. He went outside. It was not yet dark but stars glimmered here and there, and a light wind was blowing; it ruffled the grasses, bent the young trees and frisked away into the fields. There was a stillness over everything, the heavy mysterious stillness of late autumn in the country after the birds have flown away.

Juras rushed over to his neighbor Lukoshius who had worked in a field hospital during the war. Lukoshius advised him to take the child to Kaunas. You never knew; the boy might get inflammation of the brain or a hemorrhage.

Tarutis ran from house to house waking his neighbors. Everyone was anxious to help but there was so little they could do. Linkuvienė took ten lits out of her purse and gave them to him. She had sold some yarn. It was all she had but she insisted he take it. She promised some clothing for the boy as well. Dauða offered his horse and cart. They could take the boat but it wasn't safe to wait till the morning. Anything might happen during the night. There were some who reverted to the old tried consolation: "If it's God's will he'll die but if he is to live he'll pull through if there's but one drop of blood in his body."

There was not enough money for the journey. No one else in the village had any money to spare. Juras had no other alternative than to go to the manor, although the thought of having to borrow money from Jarmala, the man who had ruined his child, galled him.

There was light in the windows of the manor house. Juras ran into the yard and bumped into someone in the darkness.

"Is the master home?"

Without waiting for an answer, he dashed up the steps, knocking over a flower pot which crashed to the ground, breaking into a thousand fragments. He knocked at the door. No one answered. Perhaps they had gone to bed already. Then he heard the sound of music issuing from the parlor.

Jarmala was tinkering with the radio as Tarutis entered the room.

"Ah, Tarutis!" he said, continuing to fiddle with the knobs. "And how's the patient coming along?" At that moment a flood of music burst into the room, an opera from Milan or Paris.

"Kaunas, you say? Yes, of course, the sooner the better. But I assure you it is not as dangerous as you think."

The music subsided and from under Jarmala's fingers came a warm stream of sound, a woman's voice singing to violin accompaniment.

"Money? Certainly, as much as you wish! But unfortunately my daughter left for the conservatory today and I gave her all I had. If you can come tomorrow. I will try and raise some. Just a minute!" and Jarmala left the room.

Some minutes later Juras was running back down the road, crushing his cap in his hands and muttering fiercely under his breath:

"Flint-hearted swine!"

He cursed himself for not having had the guts to throw the three lits in Jarmala's face, for not having seized him by the throat.

Every inch of ploughland on which his bare feet now trod was soaked in his sweat, planted, cultivated for a crust of bread, for a handful of grain. In his earliest childhood, before he had learned to walk properly, he had been bought body and soul by the estate. And now in his hour of need the master had thought fit to mouth fine words instead of lending a helping hand. Juras felt the smart as keenly as whip-lash.

As he hurried homeward with bitterness in his heart Juras resolved never to go to the manor again.

They set out early the next morning. Juras and Linkus' wife went with the dying boy. Monika had no strength to go.

"I know I'll never see him again," she sobbed.

But Tarutis tried to comfort her. "In the hospital he will be taken care of by people who know something about sickness."

Little did he know how helpless science can be.

In the afternoon the cart returned with its lifeless burden.

Little Kaziuks was stretched out on the straw, stiff and shrunken.

Monika could not stay at home. She ran to the Linkuses where the women had gathered to share the bereaved mother's grief. Amid sobs they recounted the story of the child's life from the cradle. All the women remembered their own dead, their husbands, brothers, sons who had perished at the front, swallowed up in the insatiable maw of war.

Juras and Linkus' wife laid out the body, washed and dressed it. Juras had not shed a single tear. The neighbors could not understand it, for Tarutis had always been so gentle and kind. But now his face was expressionless, his movements mechanical. He carried his lifeless child over to the bed behind the stove where he had lain in anguish so recently. After while Monika came over and joined her husband at the foot of the bed. She seemed calmer and more composed. Juras told her that Kaziuks had died on the road near Garvenai. Life had ebbed slowly. By the time they reached down he had passed away. On the way back they had bought a shroud with what was left of their money.

He was never strong," sighed Monika. "If he hadn't been so weak he would have survived. Jarmala worked him hard, that's what everyone says. They advise us to sue him in court. But what's the use? Kaziuks won't come to life again. Oh, why did we let him go to the estate..."

"I'll never forgive Jarmala for this! Never!" muttered Juras between clenched teeth.

It was several years since Juras had been seen last at the market or on the field behind the cemetery where shooting contest were held under the command of the Sarmantai garrison chief. As time passed, his fervent patriotism had disappeared.

Ever since his son's death Juras had lost interest also in his home and his farm. Prematurely aged by years of care and privation, Monika had lost her high spirits, even her love for the land had faded. All her strength had been given to her children and her worn, lined face and sunken eyes bore the imprint of lost hopes, bitter, fruitless toil. She had grown nervous and irritable, prone to frequent fits of weeping and she was eternally tired. Poverty had come to stay in the Tarutis household.

The death of Kaziuks had drawn the parents closer together. The irrevocable past, their dashed hopes rose in their memory like islands of shining beauty that had faded into the distance never to return. Monika lived completely in the past; if only Kaziuks were here... if only they had not let him go to the estate... if only....

Goaded by his wife's useless hankering after days gone by Juras sought solace in work. Work had always been his cure for all heartache. For a while he seemed to recover his resolve to struggle and win against the odds of life. Never had he worked with such feverish desperation as now. Scarcely had the layer of ice melted on the ploughland than he plunged himself into the work, giving all his time to the land. Covered with mud, wet with perspiration, he toiled from morning till night engrossed in his labors. He dug broad deep trenches in the marshy sections of his plot, giving the moisture an outlet to the river; he rooted out the juniper bushes on the banks and cleared new stretches of land for cultivation. When the spring came, the land where last year the storks had roosted at will now lay lined with neat furrows like the rippling waves of the Nieman River.

(Continued next week)



That Paris is again designing lovely and original gowns for the American women is demonstrated by this black crepe cocktail dress, a sensation of the recent Parisian showings.

## The Difference Lies In Those Added Props

LANGLEY FIELD, Va.—The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics has the answer to the aircraft noise problem that plagues many a community.

A Stinson L-5 liaison plane, with a five-bladed propeller instead of the conventional two blades, demonstrated here how low-flying airplanes can be made barely audible above ground level noises.

## Man's Home Should Be Castle—Yes, At 89% Increase

SEATTLE—(FP) — Apparently piqued at public indignation over the high cost of housing, Sec. W. C. Bell of Western Retail Lumber Dealers Assn. said here: "The house is still the best buy on today's inflated market. Many items on your clothing and grocery list have more than doubled in price since 1940. The finished house is no more than 89% above 1940 prices."

One reason for newspapers' anti-union bias in the phone strike: the phone companies spend \$14 million a year on advertising.

Noseying Around L.A.  
with NOSEY

Dropped in at the concert given by the L. A. Lithuanian chorus on May 11... Master of ceremonies was Al Casper... Shouldn't say this, but there's room, and plenty, for improvement in the chorus... Sadly lacking is younger faces... All members are of the "old guard"... But, with addition of young stock, L. A. could have a good chorus... Another Chicagoan was accompanist for the chorus, Mrs. Virginia Wonder... Solo work was well rendered by Mrs. Levanas and Angela Adams... Male soloist was Mr. Smith... Top hits of the evening were a novelty comedy act and a Slav string orchestra... LDS Mixmasters were well represented... Can't figure out why the Mays arrive at these affairs the last minute and leave the first after... Mrs. Joe Zdanas claims she's getting too old for the strenuous art of polka-ing... for shame... The whole affair was dedicated to the mothers present, it being Mothers' Day... Brooklyn visitors, Roy and Eve Mizra were guests and were called upon to say a few words... Cel Casper wearing a gorgeous orchid, a gift of her sons... First one she's ever had, she says... Mama Petravich tickled plenty when son Al requested a dance... Following the concert and dance, a group convened to Vi & Jean Bogdal's home, got them out of bed and loaded into a car, and off to John and Ann Ustons, where, together with the Ustons, the Bogdal's, the Casper's, Virginia Wonder and Johnny Grinius, the evening was brought to a successful close with hot dogs and donuts...

May 13 it was to the Peter's home for a farewell dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mizra... Speeches aplenty... If Roy needs all requests made by Los Angelites, he'll have his hands full for days to come...

May 17 it was to Altadena and the Karvels home for the Mixmasters party... quite a shin-dig and lots of fun... Dancing on the outdoor patio before a blazing fire in the huge barbecue pit and fireplace... Refreshments to tickle the palate of everyone... Community singing in the house until wee hours of the morn... Pat Strotkamp came away from the party with a feeling she says she'll never forget... female Tarzan in the person of Gloria May (Mokslavickas)... Jane Walker away in the shadows having a serious, or so it seemed, talk with her boy-friend name unknown... After a few beers, Jack and Alice Melfi forgot any inhibitions they might have had and really had fun... Strangers, missing for quite some time, were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pechulis... A suggestion made to Vi Bogdal, that when entering a lighted place from a dark one, it's always a good idea to remove lipstick that has been placed upon his lips... Two matrons cornering Al Petravich and demanding to know why he wasn't getting married, an answer a lots of single girls would like to know... Also with the dawn, everyone to their homes...

May 24 the Levanas, Alma Brant, the Bogdals, Caspers, Val Babiches, Helen Zellen, Mr. Bernotas, Mr. Pukis gathered at the Alvinas home... Heard the gist of things was re-organization of the chorus and how to make it more conducive to attracting the younger folk. A hot time was had but the results may mean a large and better chorus...

May 25, Walter and May Ralls, Jack and Alice Melfi, Jean and Vi Bogdal, Al and Cel Casper, Janice Melfi, Virginia and Joyce Wonder, Lance and Allan Casper, Johnny Gri-

# CALLING EM'

# STRAIGHT

By Bill Mahoney

• Something over a year ago a hammer-handed middleweight named Rocky Graziano was heading for a shot at the middle-weight title. He fought one Harold Greene in Madison Square Garden. He knocked out Greene. Greene claimed he was shortcounted and staged a ring brawl for which he was suspended a year.

The year goes by. Graziano has fought a magnificent, if losing, battle with Tony Zale, the champ, then has fouled himself with the Commission and is also barred. Graziano is, next to Joe Louis, the biggest draw in boxing. Now his return fight with Zale is ruled out. What next?

Next is a middleweight named Marcel Cerdan. Cerdan, an importation from France, looks like a pretty good fighter with a strong boxoffice pull. So Cerdan gets a match with—of all people—Greene.

Now the lightning. Cerdan knocks out Greene. Greene claims he got a short count. The boxing writers lift their eyebrows. Cerdan heads for a title shot; in fact, he begins to look like the next middleweight champion.

• I don't know, frankly, how good this Cerdan is. He figures to get the breaks. With Graziano barred, a gate attraction is needed outdoors. Cerdan is a natural for the role. And he should beat Zale, a fine guy and a lion-hearted fighter but two years over the hill and ready to be clipped by the first journeyman he meets.

But there's another angle here. Zale knows that as well as anybody. He is in the punching business, like most fighters, not because he wants to be a hero, but because it's a way of making

nus and Linda Bogdal took a trip out to the Mojave Desert to take in the desert wonders and bask in the desert sun... Saw Al on Monday... he says he can now appreciate men being lost on the desert with no water, as they ran out of water in the early afternoon, and didn't decide to leave for home until their tongues began to swell from thirst... And if the rest look like Al (not Hell) then there won't be much sleeping by the group for several days...

AS EACH —

Columnist ambition, at some time or other, is to write poetry, and not being able to do so, he'll always settle for the next best things... contributions (oh, yes, I get contributions,

a buck. The longer he keeps the middleweight title, the more he can stash away. He can make a fine-looking dollar by fighting Graziano out in Chicago.

And Graziano, while a nicer fellow than the New York commission pointed him, and a blasting hitter, is not a very good good prize-fighter. If he were he would have beaten Zale last year. Now if Tony meets Rocky again, he quite possibly can keep the title and then make a still prettier buck by meeting Cerdan in New York.

• Add all those reasons together and it comes to this, in my book: whatever way the pea rolls, it looks like Cerdan is the next champion of that division.



And it leaves me a little cold. Nothing against Cerdan. He rates a break as well as the next fellow—providing he got on the line earlier than the next. But as I see it, he didn't.

There's a bull-like character fighting out of the Bronx named Jake LaMotta. I can't remember when Jake last lost to a middleweight, of ever. Jake has been first in line for a title shot for years. He just looks too strong to fight, that's all.

There's a fellow fighting out of Pittsburgh, Charley Burley. Charley's been waiting on that line, too, fighting heavyweights to keep in practice.

and more are welcome—just turn any items you may have in to Cel Casper or Vi Bogdal and I'm sure to get them) and so... I'll start with one entitled

#### THE MIXMASTERS

Listen, members, while I try To tell the biggest reason why A club like ours should grow and grow:

It's folks like you that make it so!

Look at Hall, so tall and slim  
Girls all sigh and drop at him;  
Then there's Jane, need I say more?  
Sweaters on her, -you'll adore!

Leo now is occupied,  
Getting Jean to be his bride;

## While People Starve Potatoes Are Being Destroyed Here

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The lowly spud, major ingredient in most American dinner menus, promises to be a relatively minor headache to the U. S. taxpayer this summer.

Last year, with a surplus of 100 million bushels of potatoes, Uncle Sam shelled out \$80 million to maintain a legally required price of 90% of parity.

Officials in the Dept. of Agriculture report that this season farmers will put some 270,000 fewer acres in spuds and they hope to that since support price payments go only to those growers who keep within production limits, the taxpayer will be spared some costs.

## Miners Strike In Protest Against Anti-Labor Bills

SPRINGFIELD.—Over 2,000 miners, members of the United Mine Workers of America, went on strike in protest against the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bills.

Five mines in the West Frankfort area were affected by the strike which in four mines lasted one day, in the others the coal miners protested for two days.

One of the mines which went down is the world's largest shaft mine, Orient Number two. It employees 1,200 men.

There's a welterweight—he happens to be king of that class

Ray Robinson. Ray has whipped LaMotta three times, or enough to win permanent possession.

Those boys are in line, ahead of Cerdan, and it just isn't fair that they can't get the champion in the ring. I suspect that any of the three of them would be a two-to-one shot over Zale.

• It's enough to make a guy cynical.

Ray's the boy with dancing feet  
He's the one the girls shouldn't meet.

Aldona Taylors really there

When Latin music fills the air;  
Tom can dance; is quite a fellow;  
Has big brown eyes so warm and mellow.

(MORE NEXT TIME)

AND TO—

Top of several weeks Noseying, let it suffice to say that Aldona and Al Klasius are expecting a visit from the long-legged bird and that there is a rumor the Eddie May (Mokslavickas) may soon middle-aisle it...

So, until I can do a little more Noseying, let's us say it's

—NOSEY.

# PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

● "For some time now, there has been very little in the way of Lithuanian musical recordings made. There is a big need for this and we feel that many of our cultural groups should go ahead and make them. It is therefore heartening to hear that LKM Chorus of Chicago is going to sing several songs into records and that these records will be available to the public" writes a columnist of the Laisve English Section .... The scribe further indicates that Detroit's Lithuanian Girls' Sextette is planning to make recordings. But what about other groups, he inquires? "How about these Lithuanian dance bands that we have been hearing about? They should make some recordings. Then there are the famous soloists—*Biruta Ramoska, Anna Kaskas, Polyna Stokus*. What about *Alice Stephens Singers* and other artistic talent that there is among us Lithuanian Americans that should be recorded so the whole nation of Lithuanian Americans could enjoy them?"....

● Listed in past Friday's Newark-to Miami DC-4 crash in Maryland which claimed 53 victims was *Mrs. Frances B. Bendzunas* of Flushing, New York. The terrible series of plane crashes boil down to an offering to the Gods of Profit who place dollars and cents above safety ....

● Al Merkis, presy of Philadelphia Lyros Chorus is teaching group participation dancing to members. New meeting place of the chorus is the Lithuanian Republican Club ....

● It's a girl addition for the Dr. Prusis' of Chicago. The event occurred last week. Doc is a member of Al Blozis AVC Chapter Building Fund Committee, LDS member ....

● Congrats are in order for the following Detroit Aido Chorus members: Alda Liminsky who sang solo in a peasant trio scene of "Laima", Donna Dauksa and Josephine Liminsky appearing in the operetta also ....

● June 14 is the date set for Hamilton, Ontario Lithuanian Children's Star Chorus concert .... Meanwhile Vilijos Chorus presented a concert May 30 in Toronto's Ukrainian Hall, coming all the way from Montreal ....

● Chalk one up for Chicago Redwings LDS lodge member, Julius Urbickas who made a stirring speech at the grave of S/Sgt John Razmus, Memorial Day, Lithuanian National Cemetery. Roseland Aido Chorus furnished choral renditions, while a member of Lambda Delta Sigma laid a wreath ....

● Visitor to Chi where for many years she was a resident is Mrs. Ursula Palevich, wife of Doc Palevich of Detroit. She's in town for the wedding of her nephew, expects to vacation here for a few days .... Another visitor was E. M. Charnes of Hot Springs, Arkansas ....

● That dancing duo of Roseland, Illinois—Mildred Chipas and Vanda Zalis are appearing on a program arranged by Springfield, Illinois Lithuanians at Lincoln Park Pavilion, June 8 .... Movies from Lithuania will be shown, plus musical renditions by the well known Cicero duet, Mrs. Stanevicius and Dockus ....

● Collinsville, Illinois was the scene of Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) District 9 conference the latter part of the past month. A good delegate attendance was had ....

● Akron, Ohio Lodge 73 of the LDS is holding a picnic on June 2nd with invitations going out to Cleveland and other nearby cities to attend ....

● National organization, Lithuanian Literary Society (LLD) is issuing the following choice of five books in English to its members: The Years of War, The Cross and The Arrow, Angel In The Forest, Focus, The Drums of The Morning .... Lithuanian Literary Society is the only Lithuanian American organization publishing books in the Lithuanian language regularly. A person can join a local branch of the Lithuanian Literary Society by payment of \$1.50 to a local branch secretary or write directly to Mr. D. M. Sholomskas, secretary of the organization, 46 Ten Eyck St., Brooklyn 6, N. Y. ....

## CHICAGO LITHS FOLLOW THE BREEZE TO PICNICS AND OTHER OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES DURING SUMMER MONTHS

Windy City's Lithuanian-Americans have the whole summer before them. And with the gentle breezes that waft (we hope!) from Lake Michigan in a westerly direction, many persons will be prompted to follow in the same direction.

It's a known fact that by moving in a south-westerly direction one is more than likely to run into a conglomeration of "Loogans", as they are affectionately called by some parties.

Picnic grounds, golf courses, riding stables lay out in that section of the woods. Any holiday will find cars, busses carrying human burdens out for a good time among the birds, bees, with beer, killbasi's and dancing a dominant feature once there.

Leading the score of events to transpire, this coming Sunday, June 8, LKM Chorus sponsors a picnic at Justice Park Gardens featuring a good old ball game for those who get a kick out of sports. And this lowly columnist who has contacted members of the two opposing teams can predict a vicious battle in the offing.

Of course some of the old-timers say that baseball isn't what it used to be; that the younger generation is soft in comparison to the 'greats' of yore. But actually it boils down a streak of jealousy arising from an accumulation or layer of material known as FAT that prevents them from playing.

It'll be a good game, wet grounds or not. And there's plenty of other entertainment to hear, see, indulge in.

The following Sunday, June 15 will see the largest of Lithuanian-American picnics held. An annual event, and sponsored by Lithuanian Daily Vilnis with visitors from out of town and hibernating city element coming out for a breath of fresh air and renewing acquaintances. Liberty Grove in Willow Springs is large enough to accommodate all, and then some.

Last but not least is the recently announced LDS Sparks-Northerners picnic at Jefferson Woods, June 22nd.

Undoubtedly we'll be present at the functions.



Whiz on skates (roller) are above fems. They're at Chicago Colliseum Roller Derby.

● It's picnic time for Chicago's LKM Chorus this coming Sunday at Justice Park Gardens with sports and other royal entertainment on the program .... The following Sunday is Vilnis Picnic Day at Liberty Grove ....

● Al Blozis Chapter (AVC) meets tonight at Chicago's Hollywood Inn ....

● Jefferson Woods will be the scene of the Chicago LDS Sparks and Northerners combo picnic June 22nd ....

● Undergoing an operation is Anthony Guyer, radio announcer, LDS member now residing in Pontiac, Michigan, according to info received ....

## LKM CHORUS PICNIC, SUNDAY, JUNE 8, JUSTICE PARK GARDEN