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## American Veterans Committee Sees March On Washington

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Interviewed on a WINX radio forum here, Chairman Chat Patterson of the American Veterans Committee said the 80th Congress is "a rousing snafu all around. If Congress doesn't do something about housing it's likely that we'll have a housing march similar to the bonus march, only this will have hundreds of thousands of marchers."

## Landlord Attempts To Jack Up Rent 2,000%

HOLLYWOOD—A rent increase of 2,000 percent was disclosed by Robert Dillon who exhibited a notice from his landlord raising his present room rent from \$30 a month to \$20 a day.

## On The Ball

# LITHUANIAN-AMERICAN STRIKE LEADERS HELP WIN FIFTEEN PERCENT PAY RAISE AT CHICAGO PLANT

By VES STAFF WRITER

Chicago, Ill.—It took them several weeks, but they won.

Every morning as we rode the trolley by, the men of Mercury Manufacturing Co. could be seen walking their post, picketing the establishment.

Two by two, orderly, they carried signs which indicated demands for better working conditions, a higher rate of pay.

As the days rolled by we visited with them, talked it up.

It was no surprise to find among the picketeers George Sandaras and Frank Sukis, Lithuanian-Americans. Both members of the United Radio and Electrical Workers Union (CIO). The former was a shop steward.

It took plenty of work on his part to achieve the set victory goal. Money had to be raised to carry on. As part of the Metal Trades Association, Mercury Manufacturing was receiving plenty of support in an endeavor to bust the union.

But Sandaras and others visited local stores, homes, taverns, other establishments collecting strike funds and explaining the reason for their going out. Assistance was overwhelm-

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## Is Convicted Of Taking \$53,000 Cash In Bribes

By VES STAFF WRITER

Lithuanian red-baiting pals of former Rep. Andrew May (D-Ky) are downcast. The former chairman of the Military Affairs Committee was convicted of taking \$53,000 in bribes from his friends, Henry and Murray Garrson, brothers who were likewise convicted.

May like his Lithuanian proteges, and others, used to burn up the microphone in the well of the House with attacks on "Communists" and trade unions.

The more money May got, the louder he yelled against the "reds".

May opened the year with a drive against Communists in the Army. He closed it with a campaign for a bill—the May bill—to smash union organization.

But he never went after the crooks.

The corrupt Military Affairs chairman, who damaged the war effort, had a natural affinity for fascist-like certain editors of Lithuanian newspapers in this country.

His hatchet man in the drive against Communists and union men was a former attorney for American Nazis and Father Coughlin named Ralph Burton, who became the committee's chief investigator.

With every lambast in the direction of progressives, May's utterances were reprinted in full in Lithuanian pro-Nazi sheets.

Every quip, quirk, anti-Communist phrase of the bribe-taker were featured prominently.

But when the clamps were finally applied and conviction of red-baiter seemed certain, his Lithuanian friends scurried mouse-like for holes, snivling silently and awaiting another red-baiting messiah to step forth.

Crook May stands convicted. The tragedy is that the crook's program has since been adopted by Congress in exaggerated form when it passed the Taft-Hartley slave bill.

ming, understanding predominant.

The picket line continued. Tired feet carried on. Signs explained their position.

Then the news came through. Demands of the union would come up for consideration by the company. A meeting of strike committee and officials of Mercury would take place.

"Stick to the point, no wavering on demands" was the voice

of UE members.

The company had capitulated. Granted major points.

Last week and this week Sandaras, Sukis and others are working with a smile.

Wages have been raised 15% with an added increase of 4% on holidays. The union has been recognized as bargaining agent for workers in Mercury.

"It was rough for a while", say the workers. "But we won."

## LITHS, LET CONGRESS KNOW!

Organized labor is letting its representatives in Congress know it is watching their action as well as vote on the following legislation:

65c-75c Minimum Wage Bill—S. 1404 HR. 3764

Write congressmen to support Madden bill raising minimum wage to 65c now, then to 70c and 75c, and to reject Landis bill giving only 60c. House hearings under way should be speeded, and Sen. Taft needs prodding to start Senate committee action.

Anti-Polltax Bill—HR. 7 and others

Plenty of pressure on House members needed to push this bill through before summer recess, with polltax bloc trying to drag hearings out and delay action. Polltaxers in Congress voted 68 to 8 for the Taft-Hartley slave labor bill.

Health Insurance—S. 1320 HR. 3547

Urge senators to support Wagner-Murray health insurance bill and to oppose Taft phony charity measure. Senate hearings in progress, but House Ways and Means Committee needs pressure to start work on health legislation.

FEPC Bill—S. 984 HR. 2824

Discouraging discrimination in hiring workers, Senate bill is now under discussion in subcommittee. Write senators to support, and urge House members to push Rep. Hartley into holding labor committee hearings at once.

## Truth Of The Matter

# ONLY WAY TO BEAT THE LANDLORD IS TO KNOW RIGHTS UNDER RECENTLY PASSED RENT CONTROL

By VES STAFF WRITER

Landlords are putting on pressure for rent increase under the revised rent control law. They are depending a lot on bluff and on tenants' ignorance of the law's provisions to get leases with 15 percent rent boosts signed quickly.

Here are some of the things you should know, and should pass on to you neighbors:

Q. Do I have to sign a lease with a rent increase if my landlord presents me with one and tells me to sign or get out?

A. Absolutely not. The new law says plainly the lease can be signed as a *voluntary act* of both landlord and tenant. If the tenant does not want to sign, his rent ceiling stays as is.

Q. Am I better off if I sign the lease with the 15 percent increase until Dec. 31, 1948?

A. You are not. Your apartment becomes decontrolled while those who refuse to sign leases are protected until

March 31, 1948, under federal law.

But, there is a fighting chance that Congress will be forced to extend the rent control law past March 1, 1948, when it meets next session (which is election year.)

Q. What if I have a lease that says my rent is to go up when federal rent ceilings are raised?

A. That clause does not apply to the new law. Ceilings still remain the same unless the tenant voluntarily agrees to the increase. The rent remains the same.

Q. Can the landlord evict me for not signing the lease?

A. He cannot. The grounds for eviction are closely stated in the new law. They include: landlord's demand for the apartment for his own use; landlord's sale of the property to someone who wants to use it for his immediate family; landlord's desire to remodel substantially or to replace the dwelling; tenant's "commit-

ting a nuisance" or using the dwelling for "immoral purposes".

Notice, the landlord must want the apartment for his own use. If he wants it for a relative or for business purposes, he cannot evict.

Q. Suppose he serves me with an eviction notice. What do I do?

A. You go to court and ask for a jury trial. Unless he has a darned good case under the law, he will not get away with it.

Q. How long does the new law allow for a stay of eviction?

A. It leaves it up to state law. In New York this means six months. In other states it goes as low as 30 days.

Q. Can the landlord cut services if I do not sign the lease calling for an increase?

A. He cannot. If he does, you can go to the local area rent office and demand a cut in rent. He is overcharging you if he cuts services, and is liable for treble damages if found guilty.

## Champ Seller



HELEN GALBUTA

Hard worker is Mrs. Helen Galbuta of Chicago, Illinois. Though not of Lithuanian extraction, Helen is a real Vilnis, Lithuanian Daily, supporter having sold over 420 tickets for the coming autumn picnic of the newspaper.

The Galbutas operate a nightclub at 5627 West Madison Street.

## Two States Pass Bills Against Labor

"Little Taft-Hartley" laws went into effect in two more states.

Gov. Kim Sigler of Michigan signed a bill patterned upon many provisions of the federal law, including mandatory arbitration of disputes affecting public utilities.

At Harrisburg, Pa., Gov. James H. Duff signed a bill providing fines and imprisonment for strikes affecting public utilities.

## Graduates



ALGIRD MASIOKAS

Completing courses at Tilden Tech, Algird Masiokas of Chicago, Illinois has it in mind to move even further ahead, educationally speaking.

His parents are Vilnis readers.

## Disk, Tisk, Disk, Tisk

# Flying Through The Air With The Greatest Of Ease, Those??

By JOSEPH SACAL

Seen any disks lately? If you haven't, you're nuts.

"They're Red Atom Planes", said Mike Liurbis, an ardent Naujienos-Draugas reader as he slurped his cabbage soup at the local beanery.

"G'wan" piped up Petrauskas, looking up from his plate of boiled pig. "You've been drinking too much."

So the conversation has gone on for a number of days.

From numberless sections of the country, other nations have come variable comments indicating size, shape and number of discs seen.

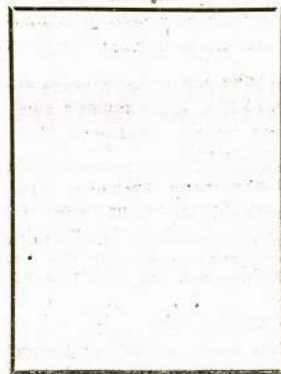
But a disk yet to be found, aside of platters that a beaten husband presented at court as evidence that his wife has a violent temper—so violent that she heaved the best Chinese circular crockery in his direction.

The best answer to the flying disk comes from Dayton, Ohio, home of Orville Wright who

invented the airplane.

Wright says the saucer craze is a government campaign to get us into another war.

The 75-year-old scientist said "it is more propaganda for war



Above is pictured, according to reliable sources, the flying disk "believed to be a Red atom plane". Note its similarity to that of a plate of corned beef and cabbage. While guiding the missile, the pilot, a Russian, lies on his stomach and is artificially cooled against the heat by rotating heads of cabbage.

to stir up the people and excite them to believe a foreign power has designs on this nation."

He classified the whole business as "propaganda dished up by the government to support the current State Department campaign to get us into another war."

Wright criticized the wide publicity given the saucer stories and said there is no scientific basis for the existence of the phenomena supposedly by hundreds.

It sounds like the most sensible reply to the maze of hocus-pocus drizzle and rot head-lined

## Composers Daughter Active Hitlerite

A German de-nazification court found Winifred Wagner, daughter-in-law of the composer, guilty of being an "activist" Nazi, and sentenced her to 450 days of hard labor and public work and ordered confiscation of 60 percent of her property.

**Opportunity Knocks**

**Lith-Americans Chance To Have Child Great NAM Fool**

*By VES Staff Writer*

Would you Lith-Americans like your little boy to grow up to be a corporation president?

It's very simple, reports Federated Press in a release to Vilnis English Section. All you have to do is turn the youngster over to Junior Achievement Inc., for one school year and at the end you'll get back a guaranteed champion of free enterprise, ready to break strikes, love his future boss and go down the line for his benefactor, the National Association of Manufacturers—NAM to you!

Recently a closeup view of a Junior Achievement product was witnessed in an auditorium in New York. Attending were some 40 top public relations experts with big business accounts. The gathering was one of a series called throughout the country by Junior Achievement and the Griswold News Service.

Surrounded by an admiring group of corporation executives, 18-year-old Richard Johnson, a thin, red-haired youth dressed in carefully casual sport clothes, told his story with just enough boyishness to denote awe of his distinguished audience and enough professional poise to impress them with his leadership qualities.

Young Johnson drew unrestrained guffaws from his listeners as he described how he and some other highschool students in Queens, N. Y., had set up a mock soap corporation, issued stock, bought a few barrels of black market soap flakes and set out to rook their neighbors.

(JA is based on having small groups of students set up miniature corporations under the financial sponsorship and supervision of one company. The experience of running a business in all its phases is designed

**Red, White And Blue Appropriate**

CLEVELAND — Mike Sep didn't hang out his flag on July 4th. He didn't have to because he just painted his whole house red, white and blue.

The 60-year-old immigrant started painting his house blue and trimming it in red and white many weeks ago. He put the finishing touches on it—just in time for the Fourth.

to give the teen-agers "a clear picture of our economic structure unbefogged by radical or collectivist misrepresentation,"



AN AMBASSADOR'S "find", six foot, two inch Betty Maude Blomberg, is now a featured show girl in New York's Diamond Horseshoe Club. (Federated Pix)

**Fascism's Emissaries**

**LITHUANIAN PRO-HITLER ELEMENT BY HUNDREDS ARE EXPECTED IN COUNTRY UNDER H. TRUMAN LEGISLATION**

*By VES Staff Writer*

In a message to Congress recently, President Truman asked for speed on special legislation to enable "a substantial number" of displaced persons in Europe to enter the United States as immigrants.

This is the element that chose to remain either in Germany or Austria while 7,000,000 of their companions in wartime German slave labor exile accepted help from allied armies in 1946 and 1947 to return home.

On the surface the gesture seems humane. Yet analysis shows that many of the displaced persons, such as Lithuanians and other element, former residents of the northern Baltic areas, actively aided German forces to combat the United Nations.

These then, such as General Skirpa and others, persons who aided in organizing, publicizing benefits to be derived under

according to JA fund appeal literature.)

"If anyone had told me that at the age of 16 I'd become the president of my own company, I'd have laughed," Johnson said, reading from a prepared text. "But that's just what happened. Today I'm a full-fledged businessman." More than that, Johnson has already worked his way up to the presidency of the metropolitan area JA.

Assuming a playful scowl, he added: "And believe me, it's getting to be such a headache that I wish I were the janitor. At least I'd be making more money." That went over big with the executives, who often use the same line themselves in union negotiations.

Even more important than the business experience he has acquired, Johnson said, is the fighting faith he has developed in free enterprise. "Why, I live in a neighborhood of outward Democrats and Republicans," he confided, "but inwardly they're all Communists and fellow-travelers." JA, he concluded, "is truly the American way of combating unAmerican activities in this country."

Der Reich, editors of LIETUV-AI (newspaper published in Germany during the height of the war) now become eligible American immigrants.

Their eligibility is based on opposition to communists, communism. But what about their pro-nazism?

Apparently President Truman and Co. are no longer interested in fascistically inclined personnel. For the bill stands, no screening is called for.

Humanitarian as the President may seem of not forcing displaced persons to return home, their coming to the United States offers a challenge to democracy, those that fought and died for it.

Of the Lithuanians that will come here it can be wagered that elite pro-fascists, active Nazi party members will be among them.

**Fighters Against Hitler Rot In Greek Jails**

Fifteen hundred veterans of World War II are in concentration camps—the same kind of concentration camps they fought to keep Hitler from setting up all over the world.

They are Greek veterans — veterans of four years of fighting against the Nazi occupation.

The Greek fascist government has decided to exterminate them — not with bullets like they are planning to use against 1300 other anti-fascist prisoners—but with slow starvation, hard labor and torture.

On May 26 the 1500 were sent to the concentration camp at Makronission, 3½ miles off the Southern Coast of Attica.

From there they have sent word to Rizospastic, Greek Communist Party newspaper, describing their slow day-to-day death.

Their commanders compel them to destroy a large number of tombs of Turkish and Bulgarian prisoners confined there in 1912-13. They are beaten with clubs if they stop work; their diet is "grass soup" — familiar to American prisoners of war in Germany.

And what will their role in America be? Propagandizing for another war. A war against Russia such as has been long expounded by those following the Hitlerian line.

These are the persons we are asked to welcome with open arms. They represent the Trojan Horse United States Big Business interests intend to use for perpetuating imperialistic aims.

**House Okays**

**Cashing Of Terminal Leave Pay Bonds**

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The House voted 386 to 0 to allow former enlisted men in the armed services to cash their terminal pay bonds in September, sending the issue to the Senate for decision.

## Just Between Us

By George Starkauskas

• When Frank Stulgis sliced the ball on the thirteenth tee, it became the flying disk we hear so much about these days.

Piloting was one Frank Yakstis

Knowing Frank as we do, weren't amazed to hear that as he hurtled over Williamsburgh, Brooklyn he wrote an article for Lithuanian Daily Laisve English Section. It appeared in print a week ago Thursday, and is published in Vilnis Section today.

• Now we're not sure what prompted Yakstis to pick the theme he did. Perhaps Driver (No. 1) that Stulgis welded had something to do with it

• Anyway, Yakstis in annoyed fashion lashes out whip-like at Mr. Vincent Bovinas, former head of the Lithuanian Fine Arts League, now considered to be a whipping boy—all because he said the younger element in the Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) were being treated to toomuch sports, and not enough political or cultural material.

• Actually what we think Mr. Bovinas had in mind was to say there wasn't enough emphasis placed on development of political and cultural activity; that instead of concentrating on sports solely, our approach should be on a broader basis, including the latter two points mentioned.

• That there is a crying need for this is obvious, striking home clearly when we consider the political force we have among young Lithuanian-Americans in our organizations of progress.

• Sports are important, sports are a necessity. But a 200-yard drive down the fairway won't win in the fight against a possible World War III. Nor will a Strike at our favorite bowling alley eliminate the Tatt-Hartley slave labor bill. The same ineffectiveness holds true in regards to one-act or five-act super-duper melodramas. Only by integration of all three points, on the same scale—sports action, cultural activity, political development-action—can progress be made.

• We've followed the lambasts against Mr. Bovinas for the last few weeks. Mr. Stulgis came through with an article. Mr. John Gasūnas completely misinterpreting Bovinas and for lack of appropriate answer classifies him as a "pessimist". Now comes Frank Yakstis with a tirade headed "To Those Who Pronounce 'Menas' With Bated Breath".

• As an average person we are naturally interested in arguments, facts presented. But to date we have yet to read some constructive criticism regarding Mr. Bovinas' "Jaunimas Mūsų Judėjime". Writings have been farcical if not ridiculous.

• There are those in our Lithuanian progressive movement who regardless of years spent in it are contaminated with an aloof political shallowness. Even some who participate actively live on this level, are unable to rise above the morass for different reasons, retarding advancement. Frank Yakstis falls in the category of one who from a distance looks with disdain at "inferiors", while he rides his disk ship above Brooklyn's Navy Yard.

• Actually we doubt if Mr. Yakstis would have read Mr. Bovinas' article had not somebody like Mr. Frak Stulgis gone golfing. A golf ball sliced can create unimaginable situations.

• Anyway, soaring in his ship Yakstis blames the plight of younger Lithuanian-Americans on the backwardness of elders, "misunderstanding between older and younger generations."

• Perhaps that is true. But what are the Yakstis', the younger generation doing to eliminate the obstacle?

• It's simple to sit on the sidelines and after years

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• Every American a capitalist. That's the way Edward T. Leech, editor of the Pittsburgh Press (Scripps-Howard) feels about it. He said so in a column June 16. According to Leech, every holder of a stock or bond is a capitalist. By that token, he decided, American capitalists "number around 30 million, about one in five of our population."

Leech overlooked these small items: Only 10,000 persons own one-fourth, and 75,000 persons own one-half of all the corporate stock in the country. Also, 61,000 persons received one-half of stock dividends. The facts, taken from the Senate report, Economic Concentration and World War II, make a liar out of Leech.

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• Anniversary story: It's now a year since Congress, pressured by big business, killed the OPA. Said the Nat'l. Assn. of Manufacturers in a full page ad in June 1946: "If OPA is permanently discontinued... supply will quickly catch up with demand. Prices will be fair and reasonable to all."

That was passing out the baloney in generous doses. Since NAM ran their ad, wholesale prices have risen 32%, farm products are up 27.4%, foods in general are up 45.3%. Items like soap are up 62%, coffee up 50%, meat up 60%.

Sure, prices are "fair and reasonable for all"—all the members of the NAM.

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• Maybe it was the summer heat—or maybe it was the heat that came out of the bottle—or maybe it was just to please the boss. But here's an example of the type of "accurate, unbiased" reporting that citizens of the U.S. are getting.

On the afternoon of June 26, millions of Americans were startled by screaming newspaper headlines to the effect that GERMANS FLEE ATOM ORE PITS TO ESCAPE RED SLAVE LABOR. (That headline is from press lord Roy Howard's New York World-Telegram).

The headlines were based on a United Press (which Howard also controls) story out of Frankfurt, Germany, stating: "American officials said today that thousands of Germans were entering the American zone from the Soviet zone, declaring they were fleeing from forced labor in Soviet-operated uranium mines and a new registration order for German veterans."

The truth broke a day later—in small, inside page stories, as the Associated Press (June 27) reported that a U. S. official, Lt. Col. W. J. Sutton, said he had investigated and found "no indications of a large movement of Germans from Russian territory. There was an increase of Germans crossing illegally into the American zone recently, possibly due to summer weather—but it has dropped off."

As we say—maybe it was the summer heat, maybe a bottle, or maybe a desire to please the boss. But the moral of this story is—an old one—don't believe everything you read.

## THESE ARE THE TIMES

By FRANK YAKSTIS

(Columnist Laisve English Section)

• With the unpredictableness of a summer storm, there burst out of the proverbial clear, blue sky, a critical outpouring in the Lithuanian Daily Laisve and Vilnis. Entitled "Jaunimas Mūsų Judėjime" by V. Bovinas, it was a splenic article, smacking strongly of dissatisfaction with the sports movement and a complete misunderstanding of the value and meaning of sports. Tangentially it was a case of art, culture, and social significance versus sports. The crux of the whole matter appears to be the recent L.D.S. bowling tournament in Detroit.

• Mr. Bovinas finds that the publicity and propaganda about sports are confusing to the older generation, his generation. There are and always will be persons who prefer active sports to sedentary art and culture, just as there will always be other individuals who dote on the drama or painting. Bluntly speaking there are some people in whom the words "art and culture" raise indescribable aversion.

No one desires to force sports down your craws. The choice is yours.

• If the LMS cannot beat the drum, strongly enough to publicize its festivals and activities, how does that concern the sports movement and the LDS? And incidentally where is the new headquarters of LMS?

Why not agitate for paid, full-time employee for the LMS rather than venting your spleen on another organization?

• The issues underlying the article are more fundamental than Mr. Bovinas suspects: It is the misunderstanding between Lithuanian-born father and American-born son. In more ways than one they do not speak the same language.

The older generation strongly desires its offspring to be prototypes of themselves. This new generation (father hopes) will conduct itself in very much the same manner and in the same organizations as Papa. Of course (Papa admits) son and daughter are better educated and more sophisticated and should and must build and propagate a stronger movement. That is the dream, but unfortunately not the reality.

Mr. Bovinas admits that son and daughter are different than Papa. They do not think and act like Papa.

• Thus two divergent cultures are competing for the interest and attention of son and daughter. And unfortunately for the Lith progressive movement the American culture is winning. Lithuanian-American culture, of necessity, a hybrid, runs a very poor second.

• There are three major criticisms about the Movement in general that must be made:

1. I wish to offer as my first criticism an exhibit—Laisve Hall at 46 Ten Eyck Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Look at the heart and center of the progressive Lithuanian movement in the United States! What a temple! What a shrine! What a decrepit, ramshackle wreck! Is it indicative of the splendor and magnitude of the movement? Imagine if you can the astonishment that must strike a stranger when he first beholds this headquarters. Do you wonder why son and daughter would rather go to a movie?

• It is an amusing spectacle when two or three organizations will attempt to hold meetings or rehearsals simultaneously in Laisve's one petite hall. There is just not enough lebensraum. And when your meeting or rehearsal is over and you want to sit down, relax and have conversation, what can you do? You are compelled to go to one of the neighboring bistros.

• You cannot cultivate a garden in one small flowerpot. You need space and facilities. You need a stage for rehearsal and performance of plays and concerts; you need several meeting rooms for conferences, lodge meetings, and discussions. You need a library, administrative offices, a gymnasium and a bowling alley for those who disagree with Mr. Bovinas.

In short, get the movement out of the old slum.

2. "We must educate the youth in the social significance of the movement" has been the battle cry of the movement for the last fifteen years. The ultra-serious attitude of the whole progressive movement does not create any heartiness or joviality. In general, it's as humorless and crusading as the W.C.T.U.

• Education and indoctrination are not the result of repetition of slogans and longwinded discussions and articles. It is the most elementary principle that the pupil must first be made interested in the subject. A salesman usually puts across a product to an unwilling customer by indirect persuasion, he does not

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## Chicago LKM Chorus Planning March On Detroit With "Rio Rita"; Motor City Aido Chorus To Retaliate With Opera "Laima"

By the looks of the LKM Social Calendar for this coming year, one can truthfully say that this group will be one of the busiest in the country. At the present time its full speed ahead on their rehearsals for those recordings. Then later on in the season we will have the pleasure of bringing Detroit Aido Chorus here, in their presentation of "Laima". A few weeks later the LKM treks to Detroit with Rio Rita and the following week after that its a repeat performance of Rio Rita in Chicago.

Traditionally the Lithuanians are noted for their love of music so this coming season will certainly hold many a beautiful operetta and concert.

As I previously mentioned in one of my other columns the Detroit Aido Chorus did a splendid job in their performance of "Laima". Looking at it from a political stand-point, none of these operettas (such as Rio Rita and Laima) have any value. But seeing that our LMS is weak in this category and have no operettas to offer we have to resort to other sources. Our public demands bigger and better productions, so it is up to us individually to find something worthwhile to stage. Perhaps now that the war is over and everything is slowly creeping back to normal we may be able to expect some good works in the near future, from Lithuania.

**Tid Bits:** With the advent of summer weather we find many of our membership trekking out of the city: Julius Juska to Cleveland, Ohio; Aldona Svitovis to visit her Mom in Arkansas; Alex Barraviks to visit his parents in Michigan; F. Kirka to Grand Rapids; Martha Pleckaitis to

Indiana; and Alex Kalenda to visit his hometown in Youngstown, Ohio.

It was quite an experience that Ruth Juodaitis and Frank Solomon went thru last week. It seems that the hoodlums that held them up made quite a nite of it and committed 11 other robberies.—J. D. Bendokaitis, one of our founders of the LKM, is scheduled for a serious operation at the German Deaconess Hospital, this week.— Last Friday found most of our LKM'ers spending Independence Day at an appropriate Picnic held at Justice Park. That was a mighty huge crowd gathered in one grove.— We hear that Adolph Kaukas is in a very serious condition results for automobile accident two weeks ago. He is in St. Anthony's Hospital in Michigan City.— During our last weeks rehearsal we had the privilege of greeting a visitor from Pittsburgh, Pa. I didn't get his name but he is the brother of Mrs. Kirstukas, one of our ardent supporters.— Leave it to Anna Marquardt to bring something new around. She claims her husband John told her to show me that unique picture. Who's to blame? — Tony Survilla has had his bad luck with his family, but he claims that his little daughter is home from the Hospital now and recovering fast.— Helen Yuskus, I'd like to find out some evening what's the rush right after rehearsals?— I've really seen everything now.— Joe Kenston claims he was golfing but with that shirt he'd scare anyone away.

Remember kids its rehearsals every week and next week we start rehearsing our Rio Rita songs. Let's see all of you and please be punctual.

Until next Tuesday evening it's just the— UMPIRE

## Just Between Us

of isolation, of silence, of inactivity to jump screaming "You're wrong! You're all wrong!"

• But one might ask immediately, "where were you when the wrong was being committed?"

Stulgis, Yakstis and others talk riddles when they present argument against Bovinas. It boils down to a lack of knowledge on their part as to what actually must be done to elevate the progressive movement.

• To give an example of how "advanced" Yakstis is, is the following question he poses in his column: ".....incidentally where is the new headquarters of the LMS?"

• Well thousands of people know about it, and its location. Headquarters were sent up in Chicago, Illinois following the greatest festival held by a language group, barring none in the United States. Newspapers in Chicago, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Brooklyn, New Jersey, Los Angeles, Bridgeport, Worcester, Boston carried the story. Yet Mr. Yakstis wonders, where headquarters are.

• Amazing Mr. Yakstis! As amazing as the "two divergent cultures", "Lithuanian-American culture and American culture" you speak of. Pray, tell us, is there a difference?

## These Are The Times

showe it down the customer's throat.

The LDS sports movement is doing a good job in selling the progressive movement to the younger generation.

3. Most Lithuanian organizations operate like a small business: the treasury must show a comfortable balance at every meeting. Whatever activities are planned are done so for the main purpose of fattening this balance. Tell me of what value are big bank balances? Dead money.

• Mr. Bovinas has one good point: pay for literary works in contests. But why contests? Pay for any



## news and views

By MILDRED STENSLER

• Along the East Coast, Lithuanian singers are studying new songs, and painters are busy at their canvases. But what of our women weavers and knitters? The call has gone out, as well, for all such forms of hand work for the exhibit at the L.M.S. Festival. So ladies start your needles clicking.

• Women's Handwork has developed into a fine art. It is no longer the necessity it used to be, for machines now supply all the clothing, accessories and luxuries we could ask for. But there is a great satisfaction and relaxation in creating with your own hands a garment, a picture, a rug, a flower from such an insignificant thing as a ball of string or a strip of paper. So, we now strive for perfection in variety and beauty of stitchery, and women's hand work has become a form of artwork. And as an art, it will be recognized and appreciated at the LMS Festival.

• There are many references to knitting in our literature. Shakespeare in "Twelfth Night" says, "The spinsters and the knitters in the sun and the free maids that weave their threads with bones." Probably the most dramatic mention is in Dickens' Tale of two Cities "of women knitting around the guillotine"....

## Rockford, Illinois LDS Rockets Make Plans For Gala Outing At Levings Lake

Our last outing at Kilbuck was a great success due to the hard work of Eddie Lawden and Stanza Gedraitis. However there were still a lot of our members missing. We hope we will see them at our next month's outing at Levings Lake. This outing will be combined with our meeting. All members and their fami-

lies are asked to bring their main dish and one dish to pass. Supper will be at 6:30 sharp at the shelter house on the hill at Levings Lake. Promptness will be necessary as we will hold our meeting after the supper.

The date will be Aug. 6 and good attendance will be expected as many important topics will be up for discussion. Mainly our picnic and bowling for the coming season.

## Veteran Without Home, So Union Builds For Him

CHICAGO (FP) — Gus Altenberg, a GI amputee, couldn't wait for Congress to work up any interest in his and several million other veterans' housing problems. But luckily the Chicago AFL building trades unions thought it important for him to have a roof over his head.

A former cement worker, Altenberg lost a leg on Luzon. While he was in a U. S. hospital, his rented home was sold.

The construction unions, joined by the American Legion, held a conference. The result: A 6-room white colonial style house on a wooded lot with a smooth green lawn all around.

The union men spent every free moment—days off, after hours, Sundays, holidays — building the home for Gus as a tribute to the sacrifice he made for them.

• Actually the case against Mr. Bovinas doesn't hold water. It boils down to a fear of criticism by certain members of the LDS, including some of the elite whose ego suffers when some truths are told.

• The LDS is not above criticism, nor is the LMS. Sports alone won't build one, nor plain song and drama the other. We've already outlined the necessity combination that will do it.

• The best course for the Yakstis' and others, instead of barking long paragraphs of sneering derogatory answer, is to get out and work, organize younger element for cultural, sports and political advancement regardless of organization. Diatribes, aloofness, sectarianism, isolation is not the answer to progress.

• The LDS is not a private organization, belonging to a single or several individuals. It is not strictly a sports organization. It is a mass fraternal organization belonging to thousands of Lithuanian-Americans, many of whom belong to the LMS, and who have a right to express their viewpoint regardless of age.

• Those that whip golf balls, who live on a diet of bowling alleys, or soar in disks are not necessarily the inheritors, seers of the correct path to follow.

outstanding musical or literary work. Even altruistic individuals are spurred on by the goad of money. The leisurely dilettante amateur is the curse of any artistic field. LMS will get better plays and musical works for cash. Get professional artists for concerts by spending some money. Give local talent that has exhausted its repertoire some respite to prepare new numbers. The use of money will create more good will and a better movement.

• Is the LDS an art-culture organization? If so, what is the goal and functioning of the LMS? The plain and bitter truth is that the whole movement could do with very much more art and culture.

## American Big Biz Is Buying Up Germany

TORONTO — American businessmen are buying up Germany and have increased their profit-making holdings here by nearly four times since VE-Day, according to a dispatch cabled from Munich to World Newsletter, confidential bulletin published here.

The American Zone correspondent declares:

"The influx of American businessmen, whom one now meets at every military headquarters, has paid substantial dividends in the way of American holdings in Germany. Before World II minimum estimates as to U. S. holdings in Germany were \$237,000,000, maximum estimates ranged at about \$349,000,000. On June 1, 1947, claimed U. S. holdings in Germany stood at nearly \$1,000,000,000.

## Rich Tax Grab Passes House

WASHINGTON (FP)—House Republicans rammed a new version of the Knutson soak-the-poor tax plan through the House by a 302-112 vote, after turning down a Democratic proposal to raise personal exemptions from \$500 to \$600.

The measure carries the same tax cuts for the rich as HR. 1, but changes the effective date to January 1, 1948. The previous bill was killed by a Truman veto which the House failed to override.

# M O T H E R E A R T H

(Editor's note: The name of Petras Cvirka, 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)

He caught sight of Monika running toward the village and called her back. She turned round and said something he could not catch, and ran on again.

Juras greeted his neighbors as they came into the yard, their faces expressing worry and concern.

The police inspector jumped off the cart. He seemed in excellent humor. With him was Jarmala's brother-in-law, recently returned from America. He had come to buy an estate not far from his relatives. The peasants looked on, their faces sullen.

"Aha, the master of the house is at home at last!" said the police officer.

"There's no getting away from guests like you!"

"Find you in hell, you say? Ha, ha, that's good one. Yes, I suppose we would. Er... are all these people going to take part in the auction?" inquired the inspector, stopping his gloves against his overcoat as he cast his eyes over the group of farmers.

They turned to Juras and winking in the direction of Jarmala's relative, said in a conspirative undertone:

"That's an American. He'll give you more than



By HAROLD SALEMSON  
Federated Press to VES

● Now, at last, Hollywood announces that next year it will have its own World Film Festival and Congress, for the first time. It is hoped that all film-producing countries will participate but, since the festival is to be sponsored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, it is not intended to make the awards the main attraction lest they detract from the annual Oscar-giving. Rather, the congress accompanying the festival will be planned as a free exchange of information between craftsmen and technicians of the different countries. If this is achieved, it will be a signal contribution. . . .

● Steinbeck Year: John Steinbeck is running Howard Fast a close second in screen popularity. Lewis Milestone is filming his Red Pony at Republic, with Myrna Loy and Robert Mitchum; Liberty Films will make his 'Wayward Bus'; and The Pearl of Lopez, made in Mexico from one of his short stories, is said to be tops. . . . Steinbeck is currently writing his first stage comedy, intended for Paulette Goddard and Burgess Meredith. . . .

● Odds and Ends: Bing Crosby has signed to do a musical for J. Arthur Rank in England next year, Wesley Ruggles directing. He'll make the transition by playing A Yankee at King Arthur's Court here first. . . . Thirteen members of Hollywood's famous Actors Laboratory Theatre appear in Mark Hellinger's Brute Force, which Jules Dassin (also of

the Lab) directed: Hume Cronyn, Sam Levene, Art Smith, Roman Bohnen, Jeff Corey, Howard Duff, Whit Bissell, James O'Rear, Will Lee, Charles McGraw, Ray Teal, Ken Patterson and Crane Whitley. . . .

● Beautiful Lena Horne gets one of the leads in Words and Music, a Metro musical based on the careers of Rodgers and Hart. . . . Jimmy Gleason, currently in The Bishop's Wife, a Sam Goldwyn production, recalls that Goldwyn first brought him to Hollywood—as script writer on a Vilma Banky film. Remember? . . . John Huston and Evelyn Keyes have adopted a 13-year-old Mexican boy, whom they met while John was directing The Treasure of the Sierra Madre on location south of the border. . . . Arthur Rubenstein plays himself playing the piano in RKO's Counterpoint, with Dana Andrews, Merle Oberon, Ethel Barrymore and Hoagy Carmichael. . . .

### THE NEW FILMS

THE OVERLANDERS (Austrian): Top dramatic story of the defensive measures of the Australian people before the Japanese threat. Don't miss it.

THE GHOST AND MRS. MUIR (20th-Fox): Delightful idea that goes haywire after the first half. Take it or leave it.

BRUTE FORCE (U-I): For sheer violence, they don't come any better than this one. But it takes a strong stomach to go for this concentration-camp-like story of an American prison. Impeccable acting.

BEST BETS: Henry V, The Best Years of Our Lives, Miracle on 34th St., Brief Encounter, The Jolson Story.

you'd get from a Jew. You'll see!"

The yard was filled with farmers and their wives. Some stood leaning against the fence, others were sitting on a heap of stones. The inspector produced a sheet of paper from his portfolio to enter the names of all those who wished to take part in the auction. So far the American name was the only one on the list.

"Well, there's plenty of time," remarked the inspector. "We'll have a smoke and maybe some others will turn up. If not, it will be Tarutis' good luck, eh?" "It won't be anyone's luck, mister! You'll drive us out anyhow, if not today then tomorrow!" replied a hatchet-faced woman, looking the inspector straight in the eyes.

The policeman's smile broadened as he looked at the woman.

"Ah, Stasiulienė! I thought I recognized you. Why, we're old friends, aren't we?"

"Sure, even a wolf remembers the sheep he's eaten, mister," retorted the woman. There was laughter from the farmers at this sally.

The inspector ignored the remark but his face wore a sour look as he continued:

"I have a friend. Perhaps she will take my part if things begin to go bad with me!"

"Is it as bad as that everywhere, mister?"

"That's a pretty daughter you've got, Stasiulienė," remarked the inspector, trying hard to win the farmers over to his side.

"What about it!" returned the woman. "You can't sell her by auction!"

The smile vanished from the inspector's face. He turned pale, but made an attempt to smile as if to show that he was enjoying the woman's sarcasm.

(Continued next week)

## News From Illinois State Employment Service

This is another in a series of questions and answers regarding the rights of ex-servicemen and their families, as answered by Veterans Employment Representative (the Veterans Division), Illinois State Employment Service.

Question: Is it necessary for a claimant to seek the assistance of an attorney in filing a claim with the Administration?

Answer: No. Veterans organizations and local chapters of the Red Cross will provide the necessary assistance, as will the contact representative of the Veterans Administration.

The following is a list of a few of the jobs that are available at the local office of the Illinois State Employment Service, 817 West Exchange Ave.

Will train mechanically inclined men to assemble tables, benches and other small articles, using hand tools. No phys. Age 20-45. Some H. S. 8 to 4:30 PM, 40 hrs week. Rate \$1.05 per hour. Code 3725

Stock Clerk with some warehouse experience, to check heavy equipment. Will keep records of stock on hand, make up bills of lading and shipping reports. Should have knowledge of shipping procedure. Some H. S. Routine physical. Age 25-35 8 to 4:30 PM, 40 hrs. May work overtime. Rate \$1.30 hr., time and 1/2 over 40 hrs. Code 3237

Trainee (employer filing for G. I.). Must have own car. Will accept handicapped vet with sales ability to call on retail grocers, selling a lemon product. Will put display signs in store and replace damaged stock. Will be assigned to Chicago and suburbs or country territory. Age 20-40. Rate 35.00 wk plus G. I. plus 15.00 weekly allowance for car. Code 2693

Linoleum Layer experienced to work in homes. Must be able to handle bulky materials. Age 20-50, 8 to 4:30 PM, 40 to 48 hrs week. Rate 50 to 70 week depending on ability. Code 3710

Trainee for electrical units. Will dismantle used batteries, salvage the reusable parts and assemble new storage batteries. May fill and charge batteries. Will start as trucker or laborer. Training period about 60 days. Phys. includes Wasserman test, hernia, heart and vision. Age 21-45. 8 to 4:30 P.M. 40 hrs. week. Rate 99c hour, 5c increase in 30 days. Code 4615

Timekeeper with some experience to compute labor costs of repair jobs by checking time cards. May also keep up cost files and do minor clerical work. Must be accurate and have legible handwriting. Handicapped vet can qualify. Age 18-50. 4:30-1 A.M. 40 hrs. wk. Rate 1.10 hr to start, plus 10% for nite. 1.15 in 30 days, 1.20 in 90 days. Code 3280

Experienced Army or Navy cook, to work in a year round Northern Wisconsin resort, under supervision of an experience chef. This is an opportunity to learn fine points of preparing for high class trade. Must be neat and have a pleasant personality. H.S. preferred. If Veteran is married, wife can be employed. 40-48 hrs wk. Rate 50.00 week and up, plus full subsistence. Code 3234



By JOHN PAINE  
Federated Press.

- Abolishing price ceilings, rationing and real rent controls didn't solve the nation's problems, so now Republicans and Democrats are taking a try at abolishing unions.

- NAM lawyer-lobbyist helps Congress draft Taft-Hartley bill. — news item.

Ill fares the land,  
To hastening ills a prey,  
Where manufacturers write the laws  
And congressmen obey.

- Congressmen think Truman ought to let Taft pick the new chairman and general counsel of the "revised" NLRB. Too bad we didn't have the foresight to preserve Nazi labor front leader Robert Ley for the job. He had a wonderful background and 12 years experience in a similar position.

- "When you're a big man," said Mr. Dilworth, "and get to traveling around this great country of ours, and hear what the men in the Pullman smoking rooms have to say..."  
"... I'll know a lot of dirty stories I don't know now," Little Luther suggested.

"More than that, son; more than that... You'll know why we must curb labor's excesses, for one thing. I tell you, boy, it broadens one to sit in on that kind of homely, real-American discussion—it's a sort of New England town meeting kind of thing."

"They always sounded more like a kangaroo court to me," said Little Luther. "What is it about a Pullman smoking room and a 10c cigar that makes every sales manager feel like a Sewell Avery, and every businessman think he's king for a day? Broadens one? Why, if most of those guys were broadened any, they'd have to buy two tickets. I hope I don't have to put it in plainer English."

"Luther, every right-thinking person knows the unions are a biased, one-sided, kind of organization, dictated to by nobody but the working people."

"And, oh daddy, are the congress men going to wish there were more of those right-thinkers and fewer working people, come next election time!"

- A recent survey by the Institute of Private Opinion disclosed that \$50,000-a-year men can't understand why \$1-an-hour men worry about overtime pay.

ODE TO A SCAB  
Roses are red,  
Violets are blue,  
Money is scarce,  
Why don't you be, too?

- Would-be fascist congressmen no doubt have a constitutional right to admire Peron of Argentina and Franco of Spain. But aren't they carrying their admiration too far when they begin imitating the dictators by abolishing union rights?

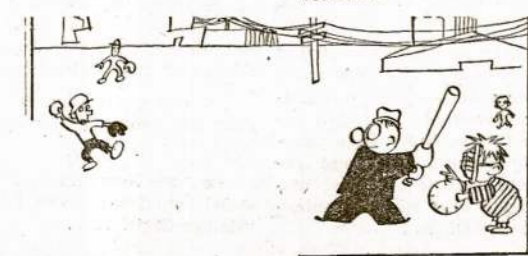
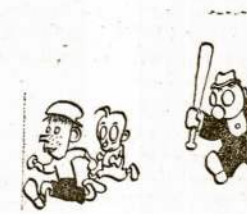
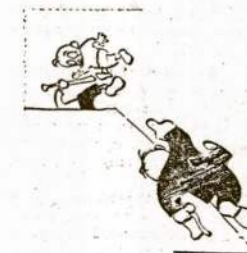
- The recent vote on overriding Pres. Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley bill supplied some information the Census Bureau forgot to collect. It's now known there are 331 congressmen in the House of Representatives and only 83 real representatives.

## Housing Facilities Force Many Vets To Drop School

WASHINGTON — The Veterans Administration reported that 2,536,000 veterans were in school or training for jobs under the GI Bill of Rights or the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, as of June 30.

Another 1,399,000 either have completed their studies or have stopped because of ill health, lack of housing, financial troubles, scholastic difficulties or other problems.

Another 2,491,000 have applied for education or job-training benefits, but have not yet started their courses.



## CALLING EM'

# STRAIGHT

By BILL MAHONEY  
Federated Press to VES

- It was only a few weeks ago that they picked Jimmy Doyle up off the ring floor in Cleveland and took him away on a stretcher and after a while buried him. Those few weeks have been quite enough to begin forgetting him.

- This is a puzzle to me, the way the days go and the days' moaning goes with them. The brutal things can happen, the shocks, the savagery, the tragedy, and yet one day walks after another into the place where the days rest, and we go on working and thinking and dreaming and forgetting.

- It is as if we had to forget, kind friends, in order to live. We put one foot after the other, one dream, one meal, one workday; we sweat in the summer and slide on the icy pavements of winter, and something is cushioning us from the fact of the Big Fall, the kind Jimmy Doyle took when he didn't have to, out on a canvas floored right in Cleveland, in the State of Ohio, on a pleasant evening early in the summer of 1947.

- I think we have to learn something here, learn it hard, not only about the death of Jimmy Doyle but about ourselves and the families we love and our world, the Big World shadowed these days by the Little Atom.

- The heavens did not fall the night Jimmy Doyle lay there in mid-ring, attempting to rise and fight again even while his life was ebbing. It was not a big tragedy, in numbers, that one man died in the year 1947, so briefly after millions died in a world cataclysm. It was only many kinds of neglect by small and unknown people that led to it. Jimmy Doyle's brother has told how, after the fighter was shockingly hurt a year before in the same ring, he changed completely in character, sat silently around the house and said he'd never fight again.

- But he was persuaded to fight and marched with Ray Robinson, a brilliant boxer and hard hitter, making his living in the ring and no whit to blame for the tragedy. He was

passed by doctors and, despite warnings, he was finally brought into the ring to be carried out, one more small victim among the unnumbered many.

### TOSSED TO THE LIONS

- The heavens did not fall that night, or during the time Doyle lay on an operating table and skilled surgeons' hands attempted to save his life, or on the following day when that fight was lost. They had not fallen, either, the night, years ago, that Ernie Schaaf died before the fists of Carnera, after he had been wounded earlier by the fists of Max Baer.

- They fell not, the night, a year or so ago in Buffalo, that some obscure heavy, whose name I cannot remember, died also. They fall not when a Harry Bobo or John Henry Lewis is allowed to fight with one eye blind, or a Jimmy Corollo, once injured, is tossed in with a Tami Mauriello, nor on any of the six weekday nights, in some smoky club in some town in this vast land, when a fighter enters the ring whose senses have been battered into oblivion by many fists and whose eyes are a fog and breath a whistle. This is the manly art of boxing, as it is administered.

- These things should be changed, and must be. The whole of boxing is hardly worth one man's life. It is only each of us, in our individual responsibility for this democracy, who must, is the final say, police this thing and remember that no ring, more than any man, is an island.

- The astonishing fact is how we can forget this. We can forget it as we forget the headlines, the misery that strode this land in the early 1930s. As we can forget what caused that. As we can forget a lynching or an injunction against strikes—or any of the thousand-footed infringements on our liberty, our hope, our progress, our welfare. They are all related, all aspects of a time.

- We can forget Jimmy Doyle and hope that forgetting will cure, as if it would cure Sen. Taft.

- We can if we want to. But we do it at our own risk. We had better not.

## Veterans Group Brings Charges

WASHINGTON — The Veterans of Foreign Wars charged here that lenders are defeating the purpose of the GI bill of rights by requiring heavy down-payments on loans to veterans.

## Chicago's First Labor Bank Now Celebrates 25th Year

CHICAGO (FP) — It may not be as big as Chase Nat'l, but Chicago's Amalgamated Trust and Savings is right in there doing a swell job—for the union man.

The Amalgamated Bank has just celebrated its 25th anniversary—with 30,000 deposit accounts and nearly \$1 million surplus. Founded in 1922, the institution was hailed as "Chicago's first labor bank." Principal stockholders are members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO).

## LDS LODGES TALKING UP SUMMER SPORTS, PREPARING FOR BOWLING GRAND TURNOUT COMES THE FALL-WINTER-SPRING SEASON

By Observer

Lith-Americans in the mid-west have just begun digging divots and on the East Coast the Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) are organizing for the first Eastern Seaboard golf tournament.

Any way you may look at it, sports minded persons (the summer element) are beginning to perk.

News reaching us claims Ambridge, Pennsylvania LD S bunters, home-runners have entered a city league. While in Chicago, Illinois the Redwings LDS lodge seems to be the sole entry of the many lodges in the city out to bat the ball.

Center of the largest Lithuanian - American population with the LDS tops in the field of sports, Chicago this year, as usual, is expected to produce another great golf tournament, with a hard-working committee soon to go into action.

Actually, bowling, in Chicago even at this late date seems to be the topic of discussion, though some months have passed since conclusion of the LDS National Bowling tournament.

Arrangements have already been made to resume the season at a modern (still in the process of building) structure that will be capable of handling what is expected to be a much greater league, than ever before.

Women's teams sadly represented in the past league are in the process of being organized.

Many new teams will be added to the league, outstanding of which will be two teams from the Al Blozis Chapter of the American Veterans Committee.

Come what may, it looks like good pickings at this early date. And soon reports of victories and defeats will be appearing in the news.



FILM STARLET Olga San Juan models a swimsuit called the "Hourglass". Our VES fashion expert says it's made of white lastex sharkskin with black side panels. But who cares about the material?

(Federated Pix)

## 'Wallace For President' Move Swinging Into Action

LOS ANGELES (FP)—California Democrats have been called to a caucus July 19 at Fresno to work toward the election of a Henry A. Wallace delegation to next year's national Democratic convention.

The caucus call was issued personally by Robert W. Kenny, national co-chairman of the Progressive Citizens of America and former California attorney general. He said the purpose of the meeting would "not be to debate whether Wallace's name shall be placed on the ticket, but rather to set up machinery to assure a delegation committed unequivocally and without compromise to Wallace for President."

Kenny sent letters so stating to top California Democratic leaders, but said no formal invitations would be issued because the meeting will be primarily organizational and designed to create an official committee which will call subsequent meetings.

## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

● Friends this past weekend arranged a sendoff party for Vincent Andrusis, Vilnis editor who is retiring temporarily due to poor health. Over fifty people were present, most of whom contributed to a vacation fund . . . . Andrusis, according to info, will spend some restful weeks in Washington State . . . .

● Thanks from the Communist Party of Illinois is extended Lithuanian-Americans who participated in the annual picnic of the organization, assisted in making it a success. The affair took place July 4, Justice Park Gardens . . . .

● Detroit Aido Chorus and Chicago LKM Chorus have gone in for a "tit-for-tat" game. The former will present operetta "Laima" in Chicago while the latter performs "Rio-Rita in Detroit . . . . There's excellent cooperation between both groups, an example for others wherever they may be . . . .

● From all indications editors of Lithuanian Daily Draugas have declared bankruptcy as regards further issuance of Draugas "English" Section . . . .

● Big doings are scheduled shortly when the Chicago Al Blozis Chapter, American Veterans Committee sponsors a grand picnic featuring Paul Pakstys and Orchestra, a beauty contest, door prizes, assortment of other entertainment including a sports program. Date set for the event is September 7 at Justice Park Gardens . . . . Meeting of the chapter takes place this eve, Hollywood Inn . . . .

● AROUND CHICAGO: Mrs. J. Urmon recently returned to her home, 124 E. 104th Place, following a serious operation . . . . That newly inaugurated school for Lithuanian-American youngsters closed for the summer last week with a big party . . . . The Klastauskas' of the city left for vacation with Klastauskas' of Scottville, Michigan . . . . V. Rumcikas, Vilnis reader, is on his way to Baltimore, Maryland . . . . It's a girl at the home of the Al Jurgaitis' . . . . From Detroit as visitors were Anthony Metelionis, P. Smalstis, A. Tamosinas . . . . Newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Vegelis are honeymooning in Wisconsin . . . . Victor Petrulis has the position of radio announcer in Jackson, Mississippi. He is the brother of Thomas and Raymond Petrulis, all of whom served in World War II . . . . Mr and Mrs. J. Stanys of Baltimore visited the Remeikis' over the weekend as did Mr. and Mrs. Strazevich of Toronto, Canada visit Mrs. Olga Shimkus . . . . From Elsinore, California came Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vaisin for a stay with relatives . . . .

● Big time for Michigan Lith-Americans is the yearly picnic arranged to benefit Lithuanian Daily Vilnis. It will take place at Beechnut Grove Park, Middlebelt Road, Inkster, Michigan, July 20 . . . . Cash prizes will feature the days events . . . .

● Orlando, Florida Lithuanians have it in mind to organize a branch of the Lithuanian Literary Society, there . . . .

● An almost fatal tragedy occurred in Canada recently when a truck in which Peter Petrulis and Anthony Kersys were riding went out of control, crashed through a bridge guard dropping many feet below on railroad tracks. Both suffered severe injuries, reports Liaudies Balsas, Canadian-Lithuanian progressive weekly . . . .

● Bridgeport, Connecticut Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) lodge and Lodge 63 of Lithuanian Literary Society arranged for a picnic recently with excellent results. Al Weavers and Orchestra furnished the music. Many young Lithians attended the arrangement . . . .

● Brooklyn, New York's leading LDS bowling teams deadlocked throughout the season recently broke the spell with the Secretaries copping first place, Treasurers, second, Presidents third, ending the 1946-47 tussle until this Fall sometime . . . .

● Lithuanian Fine Arts League National Committee will meet this coming Monday evening, July 14, at Lithuanian Daily Vilnis Hall . . . .

● "The New Lithuania" written by Anna Louise Strong will soon be published in VES, following conclusion of Petras Cvirkas' "Mother Earth" . . . .