

Lith Fascist Headquarters In Bavaria!

Propaganda Center Mailing Out Hundreds
Of Letters Threatening Lith-Americans
Who Have Distaste For Collaborators

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EXCLUSIVE!

A Lithuanian fascist propaganda bureau is operating out of a northern displaced persons camp near Wurzburg, Germany, Vilnis English section was informed this week.

Scuttling between Bayer and Wurzburg, both in the American occupation zone, the highly organized group of propagandists have accumulated valuable reams of paper, typewriters and other office supplies, and are concentrating on issuance of special material in letter form later circulated among displaced persons who affix their names, following which said letters are forwarded to Lithuanian-Americans.

The stereotype letter appears to the innocent reader to have been written by a single individual, and contains a crude propaganda message of accusation against the Russians, Lithuanians that remained in the Baltic country, also Lithuanian-Americans who have distasteful element who collaborated with German forces.

The amazing angle in regards to the letters now arriving to the United States by the hundreds, is that body, form, contents are identical, even to typographical error and punctuation, including too type of paper and envelope used.

What is more, all have been passed by U. S. civil censorship and carry a Munich postmark dated 17-7-47.

The flood of mail carries a variety of signatures, evidence in the hands of Vilnis English Section proves.

Propaganda appeal is from the individual standpoint and a lame excuse for the persons residence in Germany is given.

All letters carry identical two Deutsche Post 60 pfennig stamps and the message is dated Bavaria, 1947. VII.15.



American Fascism

LITHUANIANS ARE ASSAULTED BY THUGS IN CHICAGO REAL ESTATE BATTLE TO CLOSE VETERAN HOUSE PROJECT

By VES Staff Writer

How a real-estate gang of big businessmen operate using fascist-like methods was related to this writer by a Lithuanian-American assaulted by the group.

Situated on the southside of Chicago, the individuals that pursued strong-arm tactics formerly through an organization named Roseland Community

Association, now conduct activities behind the mask of Fernwood Association.

Main aim of the group is to maintain high real-estate prices building prices, prevention of negro residents from setting up house in the community.

The recent setting up of structures in the Fernwood area by the Chicago Housing Authorities for veterans of World War II regardless of

race or creed, met with organized hooliganism, general assault against both black and white veterans. Behind the scene operated the Association utilizing teen-agers as scapegoats.

The assaulted Lith-American, one of a number of Lithuanians and other nationalities who protested the nefarious activities that can be classified as out-and-out fascism, related to us that the real maneuver is a coverup for complete elimination of a veterans housing project. Attack against Negro veterans was an opening wedge in this direction.

Too, it was told us, another primary reason for attack by the group was to tear asunder all relationship between Negro and white in order to offset combined political action that they may contemplate, thus destroying the power of machine-real-estate politicians.

Cars, people have been stoned in the Fernwood district, a number have received messages threatening bodily harm. Among them are Lith-Americans who last week appealed for support to wipe out the antics of those behind the riots.

THEY DON'T SPEAK FOR THE VETS

Those veterans, particularly of World War II, who hoped the American Legion convention would deal with some of their problems, must have been shocked by the keynote struck by National Commander Paul H. Griffith.

Griffith's blatant call for troops to be sent to Greece, and a possible "shooting war" with Soviet Russia, is in distinct conflict both with their anxiety for peace and their need for decent homes and security.

Griffith's blast was echoed by the man scheduled to succeed him, James F. O'Neil, who "warned" of war between the U. S. and the Soviet Union in three to five years.

If such a war should come, it would be because of these jingoists who are stirring up this war atmosphere to put over their "America Ueber Alles" program.

Under cover of their deliberately-provoked hysteria, they hope to cram down the throats of a resisting, peace-loving citizenry, compulsory military training and acceptance of the use of American troops to dominate Greece.

Every study made shows the vets believe in and want United Nations action to keep the peace. They will shun any organization, purporting to speak in their name, whose leaders promote this war talk.

What is more, they need housing, and need it desperately. The sabre-rattling of the Legion Commanders is a convenient cover for the Legion's kowtowing to the realty interests to block vet housing. War preparations have meant, and will continue to mean, less materials for housing.

Vets should publicly repudiate Griffith and O'Neil in no uncertain terms.

Message To Lith-Americans

CIO Head States That Labor Must Fight For Preservation

Special to VES

Stating that American workers face an unprecedented challenge on the forthcoming Labor Day, CIO Pres. Philip Murray in an exclusive message received by Vilnis English Section through Federated Press for Lithuanian-American readers, many of whom are union members, declared that the "Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill passed recently was designed to wipe out many of the gains that organized labor made during the past several decades."

"The Wage-Hour law," said Murray, "was weakened so that it lost much of its usefulness to the lowest-paid workers of the nation."

"Funds of governmental agencies which might have been of real assistance in providing facts and personnel to aid in the collective bargaining processes were slashed unmercifully under the deceitful slogan of 'economy'."

"Nor is the end in sight. Rep.

Fred Hartley, co-author of the Taft-Hartley act, promises even more severe anti-labor legislation next year. Others who speak for big business are anxious to support his efforts."

Murray called on all American workers—"not just those who belong to unions"—to rally on Labor Day to support groups seeking to prevent further turning back of the clock. He said the blows aimed at labor will be felt by everybody.

"We cannot ignore the repercussions throughout the world that result from each new attack on the rights of the working men and women of this nation," he said. "This is extremely important to remember, because most of the world is looking to the U. S. for economic aid and for preservation of the spirit of democracy."

"Throughout the world there is fear that our nation is turning its back on civil liberties, tolerance and progress."

"To win respect and admiration, we must move forward. We must demonstrate by deeds and not by words, that we can make democracy function successfully and produce for its people more and more of the good things of life."

"Our recent course has been away from those things which Americans want and need most. Short sighted men with greed for power have been responsible for this. Our course must be changed if we are to avoid eventual disaster."

"Labor Day is a good occasion on which to point these things out. It is a good day, too, for those of us in organized labor to pledge we will do everything within our means to wipe out the infamous Taft-Hartley act from the statute books."

"We must lay the foundation for new legislation that will help—not harm—the people. We should work for higher minimum wages, a sound national health program, expanded social security, better educational facilities, more and better homes and a halt to persecution of minorities."

"The nation's unionists can help achieve these goals—through organization of workers who do not yet enjoy the benefits of unionism—through strong political action in all parts of the nation—through intense activity in every phase of our work."

"We must set the stage to meet the demands of the American people. Labor again dedicates itself to this task."

Announcer In Chicago



ANTHONY GUYER

Radio announcer, former resident of Chicago and active in Lithuanian circles, returned to the city this week where his mother, Mrs. Anna Guyer is seriously ill.

Nazi Murder Brigade Is Reported Free In British Zone

BERLIN (ALN) — While some members of a German "execution battalion" responsible for the murder of 100,000 slave laborers have been tried by Soviet military courts here, many others in the British zone are reported to have been set free.

Timely

CONGRESSMAN FRIEND OF LITH ANTI-NAZIS WARNS PRESIDENT NOT TO PAY HEED TO FASCIST GROUPS

By VES Staff Writer

Friend of Lithuanian progressives, Congressman Adolph J. Sabath (D, Ill.) warned President Truman the past week not to pay heed to "Nazi political gentlemen, fascist groups and cartel leaders" working to magnify resentments and differences between the United States and Russia," Vilnis English Section was informed.

Not categorizing the groups by name, although specific individuals were made mention of, the Congressman's reference readily applied to Lithuanian pro-Nazi groups and newspaper publications operating in the nation.

The venerable but still hard-hitting dean of the House declared of Truman, "I think he is being misinformed by those close to him."

Sabath cited John Foster Dulles, GOP foreign policy brain-truster and Dean Acheson, former Under Secretary of State among those giving the President the wrong steer. "There are many others who are con-



A bit of a bombshell is MBS actress Annette Trendler.

nected with Wall Street and represent big German cartels and industries," the congressman asserted.

Sabath told newsmen Truman complained that "the trouble is that they (the Soviet Union) don't carry out their promises." But, he added, the President didn't say which promises weren't carried out.

Truman, he said, wasn't "exactly angry, but he obviously was not pleased with the Russians." Sabath declared he told the President he feels that U. S.-Soviet understanding and peace are possible of achievement.

Family Quarrel In U. S. Fascist Circles

Chicago Society notes:

A marriage that went on the rocks recently may have political echoes in the General Staff of American fascism.

James S. Kemper Jr., son of the Lumberman's Insurance Co. tycoon, busted up with his wife, the former Eleanor Kirkland, and went home to papa's palace in Winnetka.

James' papa is a chief financial angel of the pro-fascist American Action Inc.

Eleanor's papa Weymouth Kirkland, is the attorney for the Chicago Tribune and Col. Robert B. McCormick, another American Action Inc., bigwig.

Roosevelt Jr. Now Defending Rights

PHILADELPHIA — (FP) — Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., son of the late President, has accepted appointment as attorney for the Upholsterers Intl. Union (AFL), the union's president, Sal B. Hoffman, announced here.



Holding a sample questionnaire in her hand, pretty Barbara Mayhew prepares to put her fingerprints on the government's "loyalty" form. More than 2,000,000 federal workers face investigation with discharge looming for those found to be "subversive". As yet there are no proper provisions for appeal, nor is an accused worker given the right to cross-examine his accusers. (Federated Pictures).

Inside Out

VES WRITER EXPOSES ANTICS AND ACTIVITIES OF LABOR-HATING INDUSTRIALISTS IN SOUTHERN STATES

By Stetson Kennedy
(FP to VES)

In the south, last bastion of anti-union industry, many a foul blow is being struck in a desperate effort to beat down the unions' organizational drives.

Racial and religious hate propaganda—rivaling the worst ever manufactured by Hitler—is being recklessly used by anti-union industrialists in the hope of keeping their workers divided and cheap.

Southern sectionalism is also resorted to by management, which calls the union organizers such a names as "carpetbaggers" and "scalawags." The not-so-funny thing about this is that it is southern managers who are the real scalwags, having betrayed their own people and sold out to the Wall Street interests which control most of southern industry. And these Wall Street moneybags are the real carpetbaggers, stuffing

their purses with profits from their southern sweatshops.

On the other hand, the union organizers are mostly native southerners, and war veterans besides.

This is the sort of thing I'm talking about: An NLRB report on Macon (Ga.) Textile Inc., dated May 15, states: "The employees were compelled to be present during speeches given by D. W. Barnes, the respondent's general manager. During these speeches Barnes stated in substance that... the leaders of the union were '5th columnists, Communists, Jews, Yankees, Dagos and thugs'."

Macon Textiles is a branch of the Uxbridge Worsted Corp., northern-owned, with 13 mills in four states. When a union official protested this use of anti-Semitism and other hate propaganda to Louis Bachman, vice president of the corporation, Bachmann merely stated he would "look into it." Which goes to show class-profit interests often make individu-

als forget other loyalties and duties.

There are plenty of other cases of management injecting anti-Semitism into the southern scene—which has been relatively free from that form of poison.

For instance, a yellow sheet featuring a photo of two national union officer (who happen to be Jewish) has been widely distributed to Georgia workers of Macon Textile, Bibb Mfg. Co., Atlantic Cotton Mills and Eastman Mills. The photo is captioned: "Shall These Men Tell You What To Do?"

Under this vicious appeal to prejudice it says: "Take a good look, employees... Can't you just see yourself crushed under the thumb of these fellows? Let's vote 'em out of Georgia!"

Next week I'm going to turn out some of the industrialists who are specializing in anti-Negro propaganda in their effort to keep the south out of the unions.

American Veterans Committee Forced To Drop Seamen

SAN FRANCISCO —(FP) — "With much regret" the California American Veterans Committee has bowed to a state law requiring it to drop merchant seamen from its membership rolls.

"It was extremely difficult for the state executive committee to make this decision," state chairman George Ebey said. "The position was forced upon us by the action of the California legislature, which enacted a law defining a veteran's organization as one composed exclusively of veterans of the armed forces.

Vacation Over



JOSEPH STULGAITIS

After a two-week vacation down Massachusetts way, Mr. Stulgaitis of Cicero, Illinois is now back home.

Disguises Don't Help Out Chiang Kai-Shek's Officers

HONGKONG—(ALN) — Alarmed at the high rate of losses among his generals (202 have been killed or captured this year), Chiang Kai-shek recently ordered commanders to hide their identity during active operations.

The officers were told to dress as privates and wear insignia in their inside pockets. Instead of grabbing the best house in a village, commanders were cautioned to set up headquarters in poorer quality dwellings.

The 70th Kuomintang division, it is reported, followed this advice to the letter. But it didn't help. Not only were its two chiefs of staff captured but the secret orders outlining the new safety regulations were taken along with them.

Behind The Silk Curtain

How Lith Fascists Operate In U.S. Now Available To Public

By VES Staff Writer

"Fascism In Action" to the consternation of Lithuanian and other native fascists rolled off government presses last week as an official House document, accompanied by a warning that "there are many strong symptoms of fascism" in America. Publication of the booklet capped a six months battle in Congress, which was marked by the stubborn opposition of many Southern Democrats and Northern Republicans.

Twenty-five thousand copies, selling at 40 cents each, are available to the public. Officials at the Government Printing Office say there is a strong demand and they plan to print more copies after the initial stock is depleted. Copies may be obtained by writing to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 40 cents in stamps or coin should accompany each order.

The 206-page document was prepared by the Library of Congress at the request of Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.), but needed approval of the House to be printed.

Patterned after last year's House publications, "Communists in Action," the booklet is devoted to the European scene and a study of the policies and practices of the Fascist

regimes in Germany, Italy and Spain, and to some extent Japan.

Patman noted this week that Congress printed 500,000 copies of "Communism in Action" for free distribution but refused to print any of the studies on fascism under similar conditions. He had requested a free printing of 100,000.

The Texas liberal denied there had been any changes made in the original manuscript, as demanded by some congressmen, asserting any changes made were for purely technical editorial reasons.

By direction of the House Administration Committee, however, the booklet contains a preface which tries to show that Communism and fascism are alike. "The comparison was added 'lest the Communists erroneously should take any aid or comfort' from the exposure of fascism, the preface says.

And Rep. Patman takes special pains in his foreword, which warns of the fascist danger to the U. S., to disclaim any sympathy for Communism.

After explaining that fascism is not limited to Europe, Patman declared in his foreword: "True, this movement in the United States masquerades under other names than the discredited one of fascism, but whatever it may be called, its peculiar characteristics are alarmingly evident."

"Since many of us believe that there are dangerous tendencies toward fascism in the United States to-

day, the present study can perform an important function in instructing the reader in the recognition of these tendencies," Patman said.

"Organized labor must be alert to the dangers of fascism," the foreword declares. "The working class has more to fear from fascism than any other group. It is significant that one of the early acts of every fascist regime is the abolition of all labor organizations outside government control."

The study itself goes into detail on how big business flourishes under the fascist system while the workers are crushed.

Patman calls for a definite program to fight the fascist menace, which he describes as "an ever present danger to our democracy." He advocates:

"Persistent and fearless exposure will kill pro-fascist organizations and discredit the individuals who have formed them."

"Agreements between American and foreign firms should be made public" thus exposing attempts of foreign fascists to work through Americans.

Expanded education for everyone, "regardless of economic status and geographic location."

A program of full employment, lest the people become prey to a fascist demagogue.

A program for raising the national income "and distributing it equitably so that people can buy the products of our economy."

Make democracy work, combining honesty and efficiency in government.

Just Between Us

By JOSEPH SACAL

● It doesn't take a mastermind to understand the variety of maneuvers, intrigues U. S. officialdom is involving themselves in.

● Any cool-thinking person with half an ounce of brain can see through blatant headlines and realize that material is for consumption of element which President Roosevelt categorized as "headline mentality" cases.

● Take the recent episode of three American soldiers taken into custody after wandering into the Soviet Korean zone. According to U. S. authorities they were linesmen sent out to repair, check on communications.

● Offhand an explanation to the effect that the group made a mistake and traveled into Soviet territory unknowingly seems logical. Yet when you read the fact that a camera accompanied the group, a fishy aroma rises.

● Linesmen may be part of the signal corps, but photography is assigned to a special trained unit of the same branch — and they're not linesmen!

● Any former member of the armed forces knows the specific job of each particular unit and we doubt if any ex-serviceman was taken in by the hokum Korean story without wondering just what the real task of the three "wandering" soldiers was. In the case of those who didn't serve, undoubtedly some were "taken in" and another "Russian threat" settled in their cranium.

● We know through experience that American soldiers have a habit of being found in peculiar places — especially when signs indicate an area "Off Limits" or "Out of Bound." Curiosity to seek out "forbidden fruit" landed many a GI in the clink.

● Such however was not the case with the Korea-stationed linesman team who were out on a regular work detail. There's more to the story and we're sure it will come out in the wash close in the future. We have yet to hear of a line being repaired by the use of a camera or when U. S. authorities allowed a work detail to leisurely shoot pictures on the job.

● The whole business boils down to a "war of nerves" perpetrated not only once, but dozens of times by warminded American interests whose job lies in building up American public antagonism against the Russians. To war later, then is easy.

● Indignation on the part of U. S. military authorities regarding the action of Soviet authorities in the case of the linesmen was a sham designed for home consumption.

● Suppose we were to reverse the procedure. What category would three Soviet linesmen merrily shooting pictures in the American zone fall in to?

● We can see the headlines now—"Soviet Spies, Saboteurs Captured With Secret Documents In Korea!"

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● "Well, have you filed?" Mr. Dilworth asked with an after-dinner burp.

"Filed?" asked Little Luther. "Why, it's not income tax time — besides which, even if I threw in maintenance, food, clothing and everything else in the book—"

"No, no, no," interrupted his father. "Not income tax. You know well enough what I'm talking about. The Labor Management Act of 1947. Taft-Hartley law. Do you have a little red on your board?"

"No, but you'll have some on your books if you try to make anything of it," Little Luther said.

"This is no joking matter, son," said Mr. D. gravely. "I shall certainly not violate the law of the land by doing business with any members of the Errand Boys & Mama's Little Helpers Union if you refuse to certify that there are no reds on your executive board."

"After due and proper consideration," said young Luther, "the executive board has voted to skip that stuff. 'Carrots' McGuinness—he's our V. P. — says it don't matter what statements we file, all they have to do is look at him to see he's a red. And besides, Gimpy Welch told his old man there ought to be a minimum wage for mama's helpers, so they got us on another count. Nope. We're going along with the by-pass-the-board boys."

"That," said Mr. Dilworth, "is a very rash step. I may find myself compelled to call in the Little Ash-haulers & Paper Pickers Assn. from the next block if you decide to carry through this wild policy."

"You call in those little ash-haulers," said Little Luther, a wicked gleam in his eye, "and you'll be hauling your ashes into a bigger dump than you think. There's 50 little helpers on this block alone. And did you ever stop to think what can happen when 50 little helpers decide to be 50 little hellers?"

"Hmmm," said Mr. Dilworth. "Let us not go off half-cocked, now. I think perhaps we can come to some agreement just between ourselves. Let's think it over, shall we?"

"Think away," said Little Luther. "It wouldn't hurt you for a change."

THESE ARE THE TIMES

(Guest Columnist)

NELLIE DE SCHAAF

● Remember the days of Herbie Hoover? Remember when people lived in "Hoover flats," and under every available bridge and viaduct?

● Remember when labor organizers and sympathizers were beaten, tarred and feathered and murdered in cold blood by goons paid by the large and powerful corporations?

● If you do not remember—don't despair. Those days are coming back again. Yes siree, the Taft-Hartley bill is bringing those good ole days back again.

● AND—if the Taft-Hartley bill cannot convince you that no decent American strikes against the poor employer who works his fingers to the bone for you—then perhaps the government "loyalty" purge will do the trick.

● At present, of course, the loyalty purge applies only to government employees but, shucks, our government is not so selfish that it will not wish to share this boon to overworked employers with other deserving manufacturers and corporations.

● Secretary of State Marshall has stated very emphatically that there shall be no witch hunts in the loyalty purge. However, we are wondering if our Secretary of State would recognize a witch hunt if it bumped into him on Broadway at night.

● When Marshall states that there shall be no "witch hunts", my curiosity is piqued as to his definition of "witch hunt". I don't remember ever having seen his definition and I shouldn't want to get caught "going on my own."

For instance, I had always thought of Howard Fast, Eugene Dennis, Dr. Barsky, the late Joseph Brodsky and mother Bloor as the salt of the earth. However, Howard Fast, Eugene Dennis and Dr. Barsky are facing trial for contempt of the Un-American Committee. See what I mean?

● Then, too, Lou and I have always attended all the Russian, English, Italian or French films at the World Playhouse. I would not say that that makes us Communists, but how do I know if my opinion would coincide with Mr. Marshall's?

● The loyalty purge is so broad that Hitler's purging of all disloyal Germans could not possibly have been any more thorough.

● For example, Miss Brown and Miss Smith work in the War Department. A young man at the office pays more attention to Miss Smith, who is a dainty red head, which quite understandably upsets Miss Brown, who has designs on the young man herself. Miss Brown goes to her superior and tells him that Miss Smith is a Communist. She went to see "Song of Russia" and raved about how wonderful it was. The employer is very much impressed with Miss Brown's intelligence because he, too, hates anything Russian, or for that matter, anything beginning with letter "R."

● Miss Smith hereupon receives a small slip in her pay envelope telling her that her services will no longer be required. No reason is given and Miss Smith would be dumbfounded to know that her raves about a movie have caused her to be blacklisted by the government.

● Ridiculous Far fetched? You say—so was Hitler's trick mustache.

● It seems that Labor has let these things go too far without raising its powerful voice. Where are the mass meetings, parades and demonstrations in Chicago? Must New York carry on the fight all alone just because it has such men as Vito Marcantonio, Peter Cacchione, William Clayton Powell, Benjamin Davis? Does not Chicago have outstanding and courageous leaders also? It is time that we had more large meetings at the Coliseum, the Stadium, Ashland Auditorium and others. The people are looking to their leaders — where are they?

● I was very shocked to read of the death of Mike Quinn. He has been my favorite for as long as I can remember. He was the first person I turned to whenever I received my copy of the Daily Worker, and his articles never failed to cheer me. I and millions of others who loved his wit and his great big heart shall miss him very, very much.

It is a greater tragedy that his loss comes so close on the heels of the death of Joseph Brodsky a great lawyer who chose to defend the working people rather than accept wealth, comfort and security from those whom he hated.



news and views

By MILDRED STENSLER

• With due apologies to the heading of this column, I'm going to delete LMS matters this week for a little discourse on my favorite indoor sport, listening to the radio. I'm not of the school that tunes in the radio on getting up in the morning and doesn't shut it off until she retires. I study the radio page of my newspaper pretty carefully, decide what I want to hear, fit my working schedule accordingly, and find that I come up with a pretty good variety of pleasurable listening.

• Most people, especially men, delaud daytime listening as only fit for morons. They arrive at that conclusion from the over-done soap opera offered by the major networks daily. True, most of them are poorly written, but there are a few well-turned out stories depicting some pretty human people. To the housewife, they act as the newspaper or book she doesn't get to read, and the people she doesn't get to meet.

• Well then, what is there to listen to during the day? There's a new institution on the air — the Mr. & Mrs. shows. They're cropping up on both the large and small networks and most of them have degenerated to gushy prattle about parties they've been to and what so and so was wearing, but I've found one I like to include on my morning schedule. They are Jinx Falkenburg and Tex McCrary who manage to combine good informative conversation with interesting quest artists.

• For music, I take Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians, a daily NBC show, and Musical Comedy Revue recordings on a local show. There are numerous disc jockeys playing the records during the afternoons. Paul Whiteman is the latest and being top man in his field, he brings out the best in modern and old time recordings. Mutual offers "Melody Theater", dramatizations of classical music. And for the children, Frank Luther sings Nursery Rhymes, and tells the adventures of a curious whale with a light at the end of his tail.

• But Sunday is tops for good music. Each network has at least one Symphony Concert. CBS on three hour and a half show, August the 10th gave a complete performance of the 2 new modern operas, "The Medium" and "The Telephone" with the same cast currently playing on Broadway. And where else can you hear so many famous stars in one day as you do sitting at home and flicking the dial—James Melton, Donald Dame, Carmen Cavallaro, Patrice Munsel, Ginny Simms, Kate Smith, Bing Crosby, Alec Templeton, Frank Black, and my man of the hour Robert Merrill.

• Merrill, though an American—a Brooklyn boy—has a certain spontaneous foreign quality in his voice; encouraged probably by his mother who was a singer of Russian songs. I first fell for Robert Merrill when he won the Metropolitan Opera Auditions Contest several seasons back, and our own Biruta Ramoška was a finalist on the same program.

• Evening is supposed to bring tops in radio listening, but the programs have changed less in the last 15 years than the daytime shows. The best change comes during the summer months when the big now limping programs, go on vacation, and a few new try-outs come in. "CBS Was There" is one such novel show. Commentators, by means of on the spot reporting, tell the story of some historical incidents, just as it would be reported if it happened now. The last two were "The Invasion of the Spanish Armada" and the "Last Days of Pompeii". They were good history for both young and old. But the season is all too short and Lux Radio Theater is back again on that spot. "CBS Was There" is no more.

• The ABC network does an historical show called "Mr. President". Edward Arnold plays the American President, a different one each week, and you must guess one. I tried guessing and was surprised at how little I knew of American History; but then, I got my history the old-fashioned way. My children will probably get theirs via television. Will they be able to tell Abe Lincoln from Raymond Massey?

• Likewise, I wonder what we housewives will do when television really comes in. Can you image us trying to keep one eye on the screen and the other on the pork chops frying on the stove. I'll take mine aurally, thank you.

"Crossfire" Star Relates His Experience With Intolerance And Its Meaning

Robert Ryan, movie star, crushed out his cigarette a little viciously before he explained why he had agreed to portray the sadistic, anti-Semitic killer in "Crossfire."

"Let me tell you a story," he said. And this is the tale of his first personal taste of religious intolerance.

He was a student at Dartmouth, and his best girl, a student at Smith College, lived in a small town near Boston. Once he was invited to spend a weekend with her family. He was in his room, unpacking, when the girl burst in, crying with chagrin and anger.

"Dad says you've got to get out of the house," she said. "He says he won't have an Irish Catholic under his roof."

Ryan was then boxing champion at Dartmouth and his first urge was to go downstairs and "punch her old man's head off."

"I didn't do it, though," said Ryan, adding a bit wistfully, "Maybe I should have!"

The girl complicated matters a bit by insisting that if Ryan left the house she'd leave too.

"And, by golly, she did," the actor related. "I took her back to Smith and then I went home for a good think."

In the picture, co-starring Ryan with Robert Mitchum and Robert Young, Ryan has the role of Montgomery, an Army sergeant whose hatred for Jews leads him to kill a chance ac-

quaintance, a Jewish ex-GI. Then he kills his best friend to cover up the first crime. There is a scene in which Young, as a detective, points out that religious intolerance hits any minority group. His own grandfather, Young says, was murdered back in 1848 just because he was an Irish Catholic.

After that Boston incident, Ryan had his eyes open. He saw that, in some colleges, Catholic boys were black-balled for fraternity membership. In others it was the Jewish boys, or anyone with a "funny name," who suffered.

"There is such a thing as a 'dry pogrom,' in which Jews are simply ostracised, kept out of country clubs or barred from living in certain apartment houses," Ryan went on. "That's the kind of anti-Semitism we have here. That kind of hate can suddenly blossom into violence when conditions are ripe."

Flying Squadrons To Go To Aid Of Big Business

WASHINGTON (FP)—Latest rumor at NLRB offices here is that a flying squadron of high-power attorneys is being formed to board planes on short notice to say part of the country to obtain injunctions for employers under the Taft-Hartley law.

CHICAGO VETERANS BEHIND "AL BLOZIS DAY" EVENT SEPTEMBER 7

Below are featured members of the Chicago Al Blozis Chapter, American Veterans Committee, who beside fighting in the interest of civilian and veteran both for housing, progressive legislation that would make this country a better place to live in, are sponsoring the largest outdoor social event on September 7 at Justice Park Gardens.

Stars of radio and stage are appearing on the sponsored program there. Proceeds from the event will go into a building fund, a structure for the veterans chapter.



Above are featured Aldona Svitoris, Alice Smigelskis, Helen Yuska, Ruth Juodaitis, Chicago girls participating in the beauty contest sponsored by the Al Blozis Chapter, American Veterans Committee at their first annual picnic at Justice Park Gardens, September 7th.



Anthony Guzauskas



Edward Yuknis



Anthony Gurski



Edward Deveikis



Joseph Stalor



Rudolph Baranik



Arthur Waller



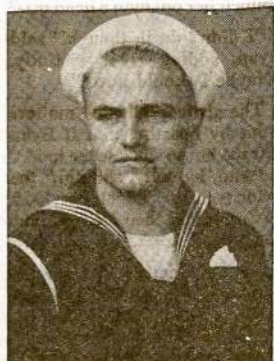
Stanley Koveikis



Leon Yonik



Edward Dockus



Leonard Klastow

CHICAGO LKM GOES INTO REHEARSAL OF "TYKIAI, TYKIAI" AND "KARVELĖLI MĖLYNASIS", OTHERNUMBERS TO BE RECORDED SOON

News From Illinois

Employment Service

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON SERVICE TO VETERANS

This is another in a series of questions and answers regarding the rights of ex-servicemen and their families, as answered by R. E. Bremmer, Veterans' Employment Representative, Illinois State Employment Service, 817 W. Exchange Ave. For further information contact Mr. Bremmer. In this series, the I. S. E. S. attempts to answer questions most frequently asked by ex-servicemen and women.

Question: I understand the deadline on reinstating National Service Life Insurance has been changed. What is the new deadline date?

Answer: Congress extended the reinstatement of National Service Life Insurance without examination to January 1, 1948.

Question: I want to bring my English fiance to this country. How much time do I have to do this?

Answer: On July 3, 1947, an amendatory act was signed extending the law in relation to alien fiancées (which expired June 30, 1947) to December 31, 1947.

Question: I received my state bonus. Do I have to report this as income for federal income tax purposes?

Answer: No. The Bureau of Internal Revenue has ruled that state bonuses received by veterans will not constitute taxable income for federal income tax purposes.

Question: A long time ago I wrote a letter to the Navy requesting information regarding my overseas record with the Navy. I need this information to complete my application for the Illinois State Bonus. I have not received this reply and the time is running out for filing applications. What should I do?

Answer: The State of Illinois requests this application to be filed before July 1, 1949. I would advise you to obtain a copy of "Form No. 5," which is an affidavit that an ex-serviceman can file with the State of Illinois in lieu of formal information from the Navy Department. Do not wait for a reply from the Navy. The State of Illinois is accepting these statements and will make payment and advises you to take this step immediately. This form 5 may be obtained at your local Illinois State Employment Service office at 817 W. Exchange Ave., or any of the standard organization who assisted in the distribution of the original bonus application forms.

Another week has passed and that means another column to write, so here we go again... Ofcourse I don't have to tell you how anxiously the Lithuanian music-loving public is waiting for L.K.M.'s recordings. We all agree that "Tykiai, tykiai, Nemunelis teka!", "Jūra", "Karvelėli Mėlynasis" and "Draugai i Kovą", as favorite stand-bys, were chosen in good taste and to everyone's satisfaction if the numerous orders for those tune-platters are any criterion. It'll be a pleasure to have Lithuanian records in music shops again... and as long as we're on the subject of these discs make sure you reserve September the 14th as a "must" date to attend L.K.M.'s picnic which will be at Dan Smith Grove because the proceeds from this affair will go toward building up the fund for those recordings. Ofcourse you can still order yourself a set by sending \$5 to the L.K.M. Chorus, 3116 So. Halsted St., Chicago 8, Ill. Anyway by the time September rolls around we should be experiencing cold autumn freezes... A good incentive for picnicing.

Well, there's a concert scheduled for this fall and that means a great deal of work and earnest rehearsing requiring every member's attendance. Furthermore I understand that this will be a new "twist" as far as concerts go... Special features for seeing as well as listening pleasure will be in store for you... more or less what you'd call a continuous performance!

L.K.M.'s moonlite beach party was a big flash as you might have guessed. Delicious food and drinks (all for six top, prepared by that outing committee; Ruth Judaitis, Helen Yuskus, Martha Rogers and Lucille Matuz (by the way Lucille has collected a \$100 worth of orders for L.K.M.'s records. That's great work!)... thanks girls, you did a wonderful job. Julian Juska was in charge of the liquor department and we all enjoyed the thirst quenching beverages. Ofcourse that punch you girls concocted is, certainly worthy of mention. Kelly Island is a beautiful place and was an ideal spot for our affair. Some of the more interesting details should be related... There was Ruth Judaitis trying to sleep off the effects of too much celebrating (her Birthday was the 24th)... Alex Kalenda exhibiting his ability at swimming (he was swimming instructor when in the army)... Have to give John Marquardt credit, he proved to be a wonderful chef when it came to roasting the Wieners... and as a boyscout Peter Gaidam certainly takes the cake... wasn't that a pretty bonfire he started?...

How did you like that white two-piece, out-fit Lucille Matuz sported? Too bad she had to cover it with that pink apron. Ann (Major) Tihvikas was another gal who believed in relief from the heat. A whistle of appreciation should describe her costume fairly well!!!... Ofcourse we didn't see much of Alex Barvecks and Martha Rogers, they seemed to take advantage of the dark!!! (It looks like this romance is really hitting on all four. They make a cute couple too!)... Adolph Kaukas made an appearance with his arm still in a sling... It was nice seeing him with the crowd again... Jerry and Milly Keller came late and shortly afterward made a disappearance act... Trying to keep the chorus on a musical standard were three lovely ladies; Elizabeth Strazdas, Josephine Doren and Anna Marquardt. They did a good job of getting the crowd to join in... It was nice having some of our Roseland friends in our midst, even though Joseph Nedvar did spend most of the nite discussing politics... Olga Martin dying for a drink of water... tsk, tsk and the lake right in front of her!!!... Peter Smergelis angry with me because I wouldn't walk the two blocks to the water fountain with him... Joseph Bendokaitis decided to spend the rest of the nite at the lake front... John Karvelis had the same idea... well boys, did you find the ground hard?... Joseph Kenston came down to the truck to see us off but business kept him tied down to the Bridgeport heat... too bad, Joe, we had a swell time.

Well, this Sunday sees us off on a jaunt to Vilnis picnic in Rockford, Ill.

Just a reminder about those Rio Rita pictures you ordered... They're ready and in the possession of Olga Martin.

I see Steve Korosa is back from his vacation in Wisconsin as is Alice Smigelskis from Boston. Grand having both of you back with us once more... This seems to be "return to chorus week" as witness all these former members with us again... Edith Snider, Betty Jenkins and Bella Pozer.

Now for some very sad news... just received the news that our very popular soprano Anna Garšinskas is in the Engelwood hospital in a very serious condition. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Now for the final details as to our trip to Rockford, Ill... Be down to the Lith. Auditorium at 9:30 A. M. Sunday (Aug. 31st) morning. The bus leaves at exactly 10 A. M. so be there on time all you members.

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ers in the big league. Durocher lip-ped: "I would certainly use those great Negro stars on the Brooklyn Dodgers. If the big bosses said okay, I would not hesitate for a single minute." DiMaggio came out saying that "Satchell Paige is the best of all the pitchers I've ever faced in all the years that I have been playing." DiMaggio knew what he was talking about, because Satch had struck him out twice. Then came the great Dizzy Dean to curdle the blood of the baseball tycoons by admitting without hesitation that "He (Paige) is a better pitcher than I am, was or ever will be." There were others, Hubbell, and McKechnie, and there was Hartnett of the Cubs, who said: "If managers were given permission, there would be a mad rush to sign up Negroes."

• The hue and cry put the owners on a spot. And finally the walls came down.

• Jimcrow isn't quite dead yet, and Paige never made the big time, but the fact that the race is now on to bury discrimination is as much due to the Bullet Ball man's greatness as it is to any other single factor in the long struggle to bring Negroes into big league baseball.



CALLING EM^o STRAIGHT

• Up till 1947 there were no Negroes playing baseball in the Big Leagues. They were kept out of our national pastime by prejudice. Prejudice and apathy.

• But today America's fans are cheering the exploits of Jackie Robinson as the Brooklyn Dodgers' star first baseman while three other Negro players have been signed by big league teams and still more are on the way.

That they are playing today is in large measure due to the remarkable pitching ability of a man named Satchel Paige, and to the relentless campaign started and waged by progressives.

• For the great Paige, now in his 40's, was a living pitching example of what American baseball was missing. Fans, ball players and sports writers joined the demands initiated by the newspaper Daily Worker, demands for fair play and sportsmanship that spread like wildfire.

• Now the baseball moguls are beginning to cry in their cups as they look back upon the mazzima they let slip through their fingers. "We should have allowed the Negro boys to come into the game when Satchel Paige was in his prime." They ad-

mit (to themselves). "How we could have cleaned up with him! The pennant we could have won!"

• It hurts all right. Yet for years Satchel Paige, the "Bullet Ball" of baseball, who could have made millions for them, was a thorn in their side. Acknowledged everywhere as the greatest pitcher of all time, the big magnates tried their best to make believe that Paige was just a figment of the imagination. Nobody that good could exist, they told themselves. He'd have to be at least three of our best white pitchers in one, they said.

• Mush to their chagrin, not only did Satch exist in the flesh, he also was everything they said he'd have to be. The fans said so. The best players in the majors bore witness to it. The managers admitted it. The high muckemucks of baseballdom tried stuffing their ears to all this noise, but it didn't help. Finally they tried another attack. Even if it's all true, they said, it wouldn't work. White players wouldn't like it. Managers would resent it.

• Then it started. The Daily Worker went to bat for Satch and all the other great Negro players by polling the most popular managers and play-

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

CHICAGO NEWSPAPERS HAIL "AL BLOZIS DAY" SEPTEMBER 7th AT JUSTICE PARK GARDENS; 15 GIRLS IN BEAUTY CONTEST

● Some people lose their pants, but in the case of Jake Jacobson, Detroit Aido Chorus member who visited Chicago together with Frank Price, he lost his shirt. Chicagoans have assigned sleuths to locate, according to description given, one shirt (sport), yellow in color. No reward is being offered

● "As Maine goes, so goes the nation" has a familiar ring. In this case the pace in that direction is set by Mrs. Margaret B. Manson, Lith-American of Rumford who recently sent through a five-dollar check for LKM Chorus recordings, clamor for which is unceasing

● "The other Sunday afternoon", writes a contributor to this column," it was my good fortune and pleasure to be at the Chicago Vilnis picnic. As I was listening to the various singers and groups participating on the program I thought to myself how well the Cicero Women's Chorus sounded. In this I was corroborated by the public assembled with a like thought who voiced opinion that the Cicero group had lovely harmony and will in the future present Lithuanian-American audience with many surprises."

● Down South America way, "Cruzeiro do Sul" (Southern Cross) Lithuanian Fine Arts group situated in Sao Paulo, Brazil is rehearsing "Pergale" for presentation to the public this autumn. The 5-act play was last given at Chicago Sokol Hall by persons who now comprise the People's Theatre there

● October 5th is the date set for District 2 Association of Lithuanian Workers (LDS) lodges conference. This includes both Lithuanian and english-speaking groups Prior to this most important gathering which will attempt to eradicate certain obvious shortcomings in Chicago and other areas under district jurisdiction, a gathering of lodge executive committee members will take place September 26, 7:30 p. m. at Vilnis Hall

● That school for Lith youngsters in Chicago will reopen at Mark White Center the 28th of next month

● East coast LMS festival set for Thanksgiving Day looks forward to having Chicagoans Helen Mazil, Josephine Shatkus, Constance Abek, Agnes Kenston, Anele Dockus, Constance Stanevich, Wanda Zalis, Mildred Chipas (Keller) on their scheduled program of talented artists

● Rockford, Illinois Liths picnic arrangements to benefit Lithuanian Daily Vilnis this Sunday, August 31 at Svithiod Park will see a large group of Chicagoans present as well as representatives from other cities. Chicago residents interested in attending this social event are asked to make bus transportation arrangements through Vilnis by calling VICTory 7325. A limited number of seats are still available

● Any Lith-American students attending Wisconsin University, or expecting to, and in need of living quarters can derive same by contacting Mr. J. Uzusienis, 315 North Francis St., Madison, Wisconsin. Ten rooms are available

● A gala picnic is in store for those in, around and near Herrin, Illinois states the 6th district LDS. It will take place this coming Sunday, August 31 at Lolo's Grove situated between Herrin and Rd. No. 9 (one mile west of Herrin). [The committee in charge promises shady trees, cool weather, dancing to a fine orchestra in a largedance hall. Ice cream, soda, beer and sandwiches are on the refreshment menu. The affair begins at 10 a. m. and will continue late into the evening

● Chicago LDS Sparks lodge member, Raymond Lorin, became a PAPA on August 21st. Name of new arrival is Sandra Gale

● A meeting of the Al Blozis Chapter, American Veterans Committee takes place tonight at Chicago Hollywood Inn, 8 p. m. SHARP

● Radio announcer Anthony Guyer made a hurry trip to Chicago from Michigan to be near his mother, Mrs. Anna Guyer who is seriously ill



No, you're not seeing double, though you're probably dazzled by luscious Mollie Brady. She's merely displaying her talents in front of a huge pin-up of herself after winning the title, Miss Pin-Up. Chicagoans are wondering who is going to be chosen Miss Pin-Up at the American Veterans Committee Al Blozis Chapter picnic September 7, Justice Park Gardens.

Is This The Marshall Plan Operating On Schedule?

RIO DE JANEIRO (ALN) — While Sec. of State George C. Marshall and Latin American delegates sat at the Inter-American Defense Conference here, Rio police shot up a peaceful meeting of 50,000 persons commemorating the fifth anniversary of Brazil's entry into the war against the Axis.

Thirty-three men, women and children were injured in the unprovoked attack.

Brazilian unions and the labor and liberal press immediately denounced the shooting as a new step toward fascism by the government of Pres. Enrico Dutra, which last May outlawed the Brazilian Confederation of Labor and the country's Communist Party.

● "Fertilizer makers, once plagued by spring-peak buying, note a steady demand." — the Wall Street Journal.

Those off-season congressional committees take up all the slack, no doubt.

Newspapers Chicago Daily News, Chicago Sun, Daily Times, Bridgeport News, Southwest Economist and other publications came to the aid of the Al Blozis Chapter of the American Veterans Committee the past week as preparations for the largest veterans outdoor event, "Al Blozis Day" in memory of the internationally known Lithuanian-American killed in France, to be held at Justice Park Gardens, Justice Illinois on September 7, drew near conclusion.

And as one of the publicity committee members was addressing Lithuanian-Americans in regards to the function over Station WGES this past Tuesday evening, came the announcement that FIFTEEN beautiful damsels had entered the sponsored beauty contest, a twenty-five dollar cash prize going to the winner.

With Gloria Elwood, Lith-American star of the show CAROUSEL and other personalities appearing at the "Al Blozis Day" event, members of the arrangements committee contemplate a capacity crowd at Justice Park.

Names of a portion of the girls participating in the beauty contest were given as Helen Mazil, Celine Carpenter, Helen Yuska, Lillian Sherman, Ruth Joudaitis, Alice Smigeliskis, Aldona Svitonis, Wanda Zalis and Jeri Wilkary.

Besides an elaborate display of talent, games that include egg throwing, rope pulling, races, greased pig chase, music for dancing in the Justice Park pavilion is being furnished by the "Wee Five" orchestra.

The committee is offering TWENTY - FIVE attendance prizes absolutely free to those present.

Justice Park Gardens is situated in Justice, Illinois and is easily reached by Chicago Surface Linest west on 63rd St. to end of line, then Bluebird Bus directly to the grove.

Automobile travelers are directed to use Route 4 A.