

WALLACE AND ROBESON COMING!

WALLACE AND ROBESON TO APPEAR AT WRIGLEY FIELD RALLY, SEPT. 14

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On the surface it looks good. But what do we have underneath it all? We are referring to the comment that President Truman issued, on the treatment that Wallace received in a few southern cities.

But there was no comment issued by the President upon the barring of the Progressive Party from the ballot in Missouri and Illinois and several other states.

young hoodlums during one of his campaign speeches. Grant Oakes, who is running for Governor on the Progressive party slate, will also appear on the rostrum as well as Pearl Hart, who will be on the ticket for the office of Judge of the Municipal Court.



PAUL ROBESON



HENRY WALLACE

Aside from the heavy schedule of excellent speakers, there is planned a song and dance festival, represented by many nationalities groups.

The day is Tuesday, Sept. 14, the time 8 P. M. and the place is Wrigley Field. Tickets can be purchased at Progressive Party headquarters or at the Vilnis office. Price of tickets will be: 60c, \$1.20, \$1.80 and \$2.40—tax paid.

OUR SLOGAN MUST BE — ALL OUT TO WRIGLEY FIELD!! LET THE VOICES OF THE PROGRESSIVES BE HEARD!!

Housing Needed Not Legion Building

INDIANAPOLIS. — Walter Frisbie, Progressive Party candidate for Governor of Indiana, declared that the planned \$2 million state-financed office building for the American Legion would be "an almost criminal neglect of the public interest and a betrayal of the people's needs."

"Homes instead of office buildings," Frisbie declared, "are needed today."

"On North Pennsylvania St. in Indianapolis there is a big hole. Into this hole and on it will be poured millions of dollars of labor and materials to construct an elaborate office building for the American Legion. It will cost Indiana taxpayers over \$2 million.

Soviet Union Mourns Death Of Zhdanov

Moscow.—Zhdanov is dead. But the great work that he had accomplished for the Soviet Union will never die.

Black-bordered flags fluttered from almost every building in Moscow as Russia mourned the death of Col. Gen. Andrei A. Zhdanov, 52, a leader of the Communist Party.

Zhdanov was buried this past week near the Kremlin wall, with millions passing his bier to pay their final respect to the leader that personally helped defend Leningrad during the German invasion.

Funeral dirges were played all night following the brief radio announcement of Zhdanov's death. Nightshift workers in many Soviet factories held memorial services shortly after the news was broadcast.

For the past several years, Zhdanov had conducted a vigorous campaign to improve Soviet education, arts, sciences and literature. He entered the revolutionary movement when he was 16 years old.

The oyster often produces more than 60,000,000 eggs a year.

Wallace On Air Every Monday Night

CHICAGO, Ill.— Henry A. Wallace, Progressive Party presidential candidate, will make a series of seven 15-minute radio broadcasts every Monday night beginning September 13th through October 25th, over the National Broadcasting Company network. The broadcasts will be from 9:30 P. M. to 9:45 P. M., Central Standard Time.

Radio time for the series of Wallace talks was purchased by the Progressive Party.

Demo Club In Calif. Backs Progressives

San Jose—Endorsement of Paul Taylor, Independent Progressive party candidate for Congress, by the Palo Alto Democratic Club was announced by Dr. Victor Hall, president.

Jonathan H. Rowell, candidate for the Democratic nomination in the June primaries, stated that "Paul Taylor is the only congressional candidate representing the views of liberals of the Eighth District Paul Taylor is the brother of Vice-Presidential candidate Glen Taylor.



MEET BESSIE BLOCKHEAD—Members of the Textile Workers Union (CIO) add the finishing touches to Hessie Blockhead's toilet before taking her for a promenade through the streets of Minneapolis, Minn. to remind citizens to register to vote.

We have all so joyously spoken of America as a 'free' country. But where does the so-called freedom enter into now, when millions of people throughout the entire nation are clamoring for a party that will mean peace and plenty for all?

The capitalist press endeavored to relate to us how the Democrats fear the effect of the Progressive Party vote. But, looking at the decision of the Electoral Board of Illinois, we found that the board was comprised of not only Democrats but also the Republicans.

This is not the time to take the Electoral Boards decision sitting down and wait to see what will happen. It is time for action, and we have found from past experiences that only through mass action can we gain.

With this in mind, in answer to the Board's decision, it is our duty as progressive minded citizens to overflow Wrigley Field on Sept. 14th, where Wallace is scheduled to speak. This will be our answer.

Aside from Wallace's speech we will all have the opportunity to hear that great singer and leader of the Negro peoples, Paul Robeson.

Others appearing on the evenings program will be Curtis D. MacDougal, who recently was stonned in southern Illinois by an organized gang of

Fascism—Illinois Style**Illinois Electoral Board's Decision
A "Deal" Between GOP & Demo's**

By Vytautas Yotka

Last week, the nation was witness to the audacity of American fascism. The petition to place the growing Progressive party on the ballot in the sovereign state of Illinois was rejected by the combined Democrat and Republican fascist members of the electoral board. Working hand in hand the two parties once more demonstrated that they are one, not two, major parties. Realizing that the ever growing spirit of the Progressive party is gaining more and more dis-satisfied voters, the Republicans through the electoral board, in violation of the rights of all men to vote as they please, employed another fascist tool by denying the PP a right to appear on the ballot in November in the state of Illinois.

Typical of the irony of growing fascism, a thousand and one defenders of the people's rights have arisen. Madison West who wrote with hatred in regards to Henry Wallace, and his new party, suddenly advocates along with the Chicago Daily News its "regret that the Illinois state electoral board found legal grounds for keeping the Wallace party off the ballot in this state."

The erstwhile red-baiting Progressive party hater of the Chicago Sun-Times, columnist Milton Akers also has donned freedom right's clothing. Prior to the electoral board's decision he was happy with the thought of banning the PP from the ballot.

The "paper for Americans", the Chicago Tribune, has clothed itself in the American flag and has voiced a feeble outcry against the action taken by the Illinois electoral board.

Why have all of the newspapers which have opposed the Progressive party, so fanatically since its birth, suddenly exercised an about face and rushed to its defense in gaining a place on the ballot? Why have all the red-baiting, two party lovers, fascist columnists, suddenly found the banning of the Progressive party un-American. The explanation is as simple as the question—they, the newspapers and columnists are attempting to draw back the lost Republican and Democrat voters by playing upon the issue of fairness of allowing a third party to appear on the ballot. They have suddenly become defenders of Americanism and voice their disapproval of the electoral

board's decision only because they think the Progressive Party has no chance of appearing on the Illinois ballot, come November. They are crying over spilt milk in their opinion and at the same time acting as true, fair and square deal Republicans and Democrats. If in their opinion there was a chance to still put the PP on the ballot, you can be sure they would not defend the right of that party to appear on the ballot.

What the Republicrats fail to realize is that the Progressive party is not a defunct political organization. Furthermore the new born Illinois defenders of "fair-play" do not realize how much every Progressive will fight to see that a more favorable verdict is rendered in regards to the legality of the Progressive Party. The editorials and columns written in defense of the right of all parties to appear on the Illinois ballot are welcomed—even tho they be a little "late."

The secret message which was received by the two Republican members of the electoral board must have contained point blank instructions. Thirty minutes prior to the announcement of the board's decision a copy of the "to be announced decision" was seen by several newspaper men. After receipt of the communication from Republican headquarters the board changed its ruling to the banning of the Progressive party. The Chicago Tribune had this to say in regards to the sudden change in the ruling—"It was reported the three-man board originally tended toward certifying the third party to the ballot. The reason for the switch was a closely guarded secret."

The legal tussle which involved Secretary of State Edward J. Barrett, a Democrat, was also quashed. It seems that the Republican Judge L. E. White also received instructions. Evidently a political "deal" was worked out by the GOP and Dems.—a deal which promises to rob Illinois once more of a free election. To those Democrats who have gotten sick condemning the Republicans for supporting the PP one must award an oscar for superior acting. There should be no doubt in anyone's mind now, as to who the Republicans support.

To those who are victims of defeatism a word of encouragement. Although up to this date no candidate of the Progressive

party will appear on the ballot in is almost certain to be a certified party. The complacency which settled over the PP members in Illinois is broken. From this day on the fight to attain a place on the ballot in November will be vigorously pushed forward. In all appearances the coming fight may actually aid the growing spirit and rally a large following. The demonstrations which will follow, peaceful orderly ones, will acquaint more people with the issues of the day. The "fair-play" petition drive will enable more contacts to be made and a broadening of the term Progressive party as far as the number of people who have heard of its program.

The Republicrats will live to see the day when Wallace and Taylor will appear on the Illinois ballot in '48. It remains for we, the people to work together ceaselessly until the task of getting the PP candidates on the ballot is an actuality. For the sake of freedom we must fight back against the fascist suppression of free expression, by means of the ballot. Fight fascism today, or else be bound in its freedomless bounds. Let Wallace and Taylor in '48 ring out as our battle cry in the fight to gain recognition as a legal party in the state of Illinois!

**Sparks Preparing
Season Of Social
Activities**

There will be a very important meeting of the LDS Sparks Monday September 13, 1948 at the Lithuanian Auditorium 3133 S. Halsted St., 8:30 P. M. Many important items to be taken up concerning the LDS Sparks lodge. The committees will report on the Herring Picnic and the Halloween Dance. Bowling season has begun therefore a report will be given by the participants. The Sparks hope to have men and women entrants in the golf tournament September 19. All who are interested must register for the tournament and dinner. As usual the Sparks would like a good representation at the coming Midwest Youth and Activities Conference which will be held September 26. This will be the time to discuss the future of the LDS in the midwest area. Many new plans to be made to strengthen and liven up the lodges.

With a full calendar of activities we hope to see all of our members attend the September meet. Anyone interested in enrolling in our lodge are invited to attend the meeting Monday Night.

Francis Yurgil—Secretary.

**Witch-Hunting
Congressman
Dodges Taxes**

Milwaukee—Rep. Charles J. Kersten (R, Wis.) is a "100% American" when leading witch-hunts against unions, but his Americanism doesn't look so good to state income tax collectors.

Kersten, whose House labor subcommittee is currently smearing the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO), was involved in charges of state income tax evasion here a year ago. The Milwaukee Journal, itself anti-labor to the core, said in an editorial on Kersten Jan. 25, 1947:

"Tax evasion is one of the most unAmerican things a man can do. Even worse is the man aspiring to public life, who dodges his just taxes."

Kersten failed to file returns on his state taxes for 1943, 1944, and 1945. After this was brought to public attention, he paid up in January 1947. In a number of earlier years, he had either failed to make returns or under-estimated his taxes, paying up at a later date.

The congressman's brother-in-law and law partner, Ardo A. McKinnon, also displayed strange lapses of memory when income tax day rolled around. McKinnon, it was revealed, as of January-1947 had failed to file any tax returns for a period of 12 years, since 1935.

One of the most active members of the House labor committee, Kersten has, since his election in 1946, spent the major part of his energies in attacking labor. Not only did he vote for the Taft-Hartley act. He, together with corporation attorneys, helped draft it. He has led investigations of "radicals" in various unions, including Local 284, United Auto Workers (CIO) during the Milwaukee Allis-Chalmers strike, New York department store locals, and now the UE.

Moscow (ALN)—New "palaces of culture" were completed last month to serve workers of the giant Ordjonikidze plant at Cheliabinsk, in the Ural mountains, and shale workers at Slantsi, near Leningrad. Each has an auditorium with a mechanically operated stage, lecture halls, a library, a dance hall, a gymnasium and many rooms and workshops for children's activities, hobbies, etc. Soviet labor unions now maintain over 7,000 such "palaces of culture" throughout the country, as well as great numbers of smaller workers' clubs.

Disc Jockey Publicizis Al Blozis Picnic; Thousands Expected At Liberty Grove Sunday

JUDGE DENIES COMMUNIST PARTY LEADERS RIGHT TO LEAVE NEW YORK



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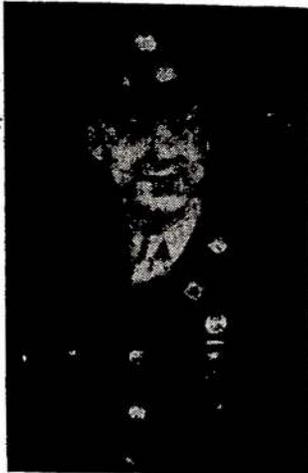
The long-awaited week-end is once again upon us. But this week-end will be one of those unusual types where we will all have something to remember for many years to come.

Although the Al Blozis chapter of the AVC is only two years old they have attained a record of true liberalism far ahead of other American Lithuanian veterans organizations in Chicago. What other old time veterans groups do not even discuss at their meetings the Al Blozis Chapter of the AVC acts upon as it is their duty to fight for the liberal minded of our country.



HELEN KASRO

It was not too long ago, that the second World War was upon us and we found many of our boys in different parts of the world, fighting side by side with other democratic minded peoples, for just one thing—to rid the world of fascism.



VIC REMEIKIS



JOSEPH STALIORAITIS

Upon their return, the boys organized themselves into various veterans groups. Our Lithuanian boys, grasping for immediate needs and demands, stood solidly for the American Veterans Committee. They have accomplished much in all of their endeavors. They have stood solidly behind the struggles of the working class in their immediate vicinities. There is a record that they can be mighty proud of.



FRANK SOLOMON

Their record shows definitely what the Al Blozis chapter of the American Veterans Committee uses as a standard for their existence. They don't have any of the "Big Money" that other old time groups have and they must raise their finances by giving dances, parties, etc.

"Democracy" is really something that we have struggled for, for many years. For a certain length of time we have endeavored to keep our nation as such. But looking upon our nation during the past few years, what do we have? Democracy?

Slowly bit by bit, forces of reaction have set their fangs out to crush any tinge of democracy that we had so proudly hailed before the world. Taft-Hartley came out in all its glory to destroy labor unions. But unions didn't give up so easily. The Mundt-Nixon bill, the brain-child of reaction, came out to whip up the country into a "red" hysteria.

The "red" hysteria didn't go over so well, it seems, for there were those forces that were not "reds" that fought tooth and nail against passage of such a bill. It seems that those that had deemed it necessary to try to quash the working masses really underestimated the might of the laboring peoples.

So to further their "master-mindedness" they set out upon the Communist party and arrested the leadership of that party. This was really the opportune time for them to whip up the country into a more advanced stage of "red" hysteria. After all the U.S.A. was staging

a "cold war" atmosphere against the Soviet Union. Then too the elections of 1948 are in the very close future and Communists shouldn't be allowed to bring to the people of the USA, the messages of peace and abundance for all.

For just this past week, Judge John W. Clancy of the U. S. District Court denied an appeal to permit three of the 12 indicted Communist leaders the right to travel freely in the United States.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, chairman of the Committee to Defend Constitutional Rights of the arrested Communists, issued the following statement upon hearing the judge's decision:

"Judge Clancy's refusal to permit William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party, Eugene Dennis, General Secretary, and Henry Winston, Organizational Secretary the right to travel outside of the Federal Court's jurisdiction is an outrageous and astounding denial of their elementary rights. They are being penalized for an alleged crime before they have been tried. An attempt is being made in this way to create a hostile atmosphere for a coming trial in which they would already be considered guilty.

"The judge's decision is an effort to block their participation in the vital 1948 election campaign. The judge knows they are decidedly interested and concerned with this campaign. Is he trying to block them from campaigning because he does not like their politics?

"It would be wrong for the American people to look upon this as simply an encroachment upon the rights of a few Communist leaders. It is of a piece with the increasing assault upon the political rights of Americans over the past few years."

"The witch-hunts, spy scares, loyalty purges, deportation drives and court indictments against Communists are all part of this gathering storm of fascism in America.

"Americans who are devoted to democracy cannot afford to allow any of these encroachments to pass. Every one of them must be fought and defeated. I urge all Americans to protest to Attorney General Tom Clark and to Federal Attorney John F. X. McGohey against this incursion on freedom to travel and demand that this action be reversed."

*Send in your protests now!
Don't delay them any longer!!*

SO THIS IS THE WEEK-END WHERE ALL OF YOU CAN TURN OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS TRULY PROGRESSIVE MINDED GROUP. It is their second annual picnic. The picnic will be held at Liberty Grove, Sun. Sept. 12.

Working hard to make this one of the most successful picnics of the year, we have such well-known people as: Bruno Baranosky, Stan Bernot, Frank Burnetsky, Ed Deveikis, Ed Dockus, Tony Gurski, Tony Guzauskas, Helen Kasro, Ray Jankel, Leonard Klastow, Al Klaud, Frankie Olson, Whitey Naudziunas, Al Povelonis, Algird Prusis, Bill Rasins, Vic Remeikis, Frank Solomon, Joseph Stalioraitis, Vyto Yotka, Frank Mikuzis, Al Sweyrush, Julius Urbickas, etc.

The publicity committee has already announced that through their endeavors they have gained much publicity through the press and radio. Very good examples are that Ernie Simon, the WJJD disc jockey, who has recently finished an engagement at the Chicago Theatre, during his daily broadcast over that station simultaneously announces the AVC's picnic; Bert Wilson, who is the official Cubs baseball announcer, plugs the Vets picnic immediately following the baseball announcements, and then there is Lou Zonka of the Chicago Sun-Times FM station who will do some very mighty good plugging for the vets on his program, this Friday, Sept. 10th immediately following his sports announcements. Much thanks to these fellows.

So, we invite you, one and all, to come out to the Grove to help make this one of the most successful days of the year. Thousands will be present at the grove, and you certainly don't want to be the one to be left out of all the day's festivities.



news and views

By MILDRED STENSLER

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"The Lithuanian Fine Arts League, dedicated to the perpetuation of Lithuanian culture and its association with other cultures, completed a two-week seminar yesterday afternoon at Olympic Park, Shrewsbury, with a varied musical program by students recruited from local and distant sections of the country." So wrote Raymond Morin, music critic for the Worcester Daily Telegram, Monday morning Aug. 30.

A fine tribute Mr. Morin, thank you, but oh so lacking in the warmth of human personalities. Tribute should be paid to the students who under the rule of the common denominator — common heritage, developed sympathetic understandings toward each other and towards their native culture. And this understanding came about in a hundred and one different little ways.

—Richard Janulis, home from service in the Marines on Sat. joins the school Sunday. You people are life savers quoted he. I don't know how I would have bridged the gap between service and civil life.... and Alphonse Pachesi puts it this way, Olympia Park is alive again.

—The backward look.... inimitable Mary Sukaskas, jack of all trades, cook, financier, wardrobe mistress, speaker and actress losing her voice 3 days before a performance.... Harry Mitkus and Walter Zukas sewing sprays of Dogwood on the back curtain for a scene from "The Cherry Orchard", the local department store was fresh out of Cherry blossoms.... The cast of the "Chocolate Soldier" dashing around that torrid night for an afghan to cover the soldier in a good-night scene come up with someones moist shirt.... Valentis dashing from one side of the back stage to the other to prompt the actors as they changed stage positions.... Helen Pech, music accompanist, carried away by the performance waking up when the soloist is a good way along in her aria, My Hero.... Dancing polkas and square dances tonight and then adjourning to the lake for the much-needed cleansing.... Singing around the bon-fire, Lithuanian folk songs reaching across the wide expanse of water.... Vincas Bovinas, sprinting around the human circle in an adult version of the active children game 3 Deep.... Violet Cypas, coming in from New York on a Wednesday night and finding not a soul at camp, forced to spend 3 hours in solitude (the last she had that week) while the students took a night off to view a performance at a legitimate summer theater.... Being interviewed for the local press by a young reporter, Edmund Vaskas, who claimed he had but 15 minutes to give to us, but, who stayed for 5 hours entertaining us and being entertained by turns.... Taking a trip to Boston to see the premiere of Sir Olivier's new movie "Hamlet" and then discussing on it and other Shakespearean plays while relaxing on the grass in the famous Boston Commons.... Wandering through the corridors of the Harvard College Museum, marveling at the scope of the almost lost art of making glass flowers.... Sleeping the sleep of the exhausted on sagging army cots with atmosphere making up for any physical discomforts.... Taking out a rowboat and reciting dramatically the famous legend of the Lithuanian Goddess of the Sea, "Juraitė", who dared to love a mortal and invite him to her amber palace at the bottom of the sea. The God of Thunder to show his disapproval created a storm that smashed the amber palace into a million little bits and sprayed the shore with the precious pieces. Back to the 20th century again, a motor boat just zoomed by.

Was Hitler A Purely German Matter?

Ludwigsburg, Germany. — Without objections of American Military Government officials, Hitler's top financial adviser, Hjalmar Schacht, walked out of prison on Sept. 2, a free man.

Schacht had been serving an 8 year term for collaborating with the Nazis. His release came after a German denazification appeals court decided Sept. 1 that he was not guilty. AMG explained its refusal to

act against Schacht by saying the case was a purely a German matter.

London.—Nine United States Army B-29 Superfortresses, the first of 30 expected to fly here from the U. S. in the next few days, arrived at the Royal Air Force's Lakenheath base. The new group will bring to 90 the number of Superforts in England.

.821 New York bakers held mass meetings for abolition of Sunday work.



By Herb Tank

SORRY, WRONG NUMBER sets itself no other target than that of providing suspense for its audience and this it does with considerable skill and success. Adapted by Lucille Fletcher from her well known radio play the Paramount version is well oiled and highly polished, and manages to hold its audience.

The story has a drug heiress (Barbara Stanwyck) marrying a small town drug store clerk (Burt Lancaster). The heiress is a pampered thing who suffers heart attacks, or thinks she does, whenever she is crossed. Her husband soon gets tired of being Mr. Drug Heiress and begins to work the crooked angles. Caught in a web of intrigue he arranges his wife's death.

The yarn gets itself told through intricately constructed flashbacks. When the film opens the heiress is an invalid, alone in a well upholstered Sutton Place apartment, and feeling mighty sorry for herself. The film builds its suspense by revealing the plot against the chief character's life to the audience and the character at the same time. Phone calls expose the flashbacks, each one adding bits of information and tension.

Anatole Litvak gets the intricately constructed melodrama down on celluloid very nicely. With each succeeding scene his direction gives the film another tightening twist, almost as if he were increasing the tension on a spring. The lensing and the editing are skillful.

The characters in **SORRY, WRONG NUMBER** don't demand too much of the performers. Barbara Stanwyck handles the drug heiress without difficulty and Burt Lancaster walks through the part of her husband. A girl by the name of Ann Richards plays a supporting role and sounds very much as if she had just finished an extensive course in voice and speech.

As pure and simple suspense stuff **SORRY, WRONG NUMBER** is okay. Its a lot better than most.

THE FILM NEWS

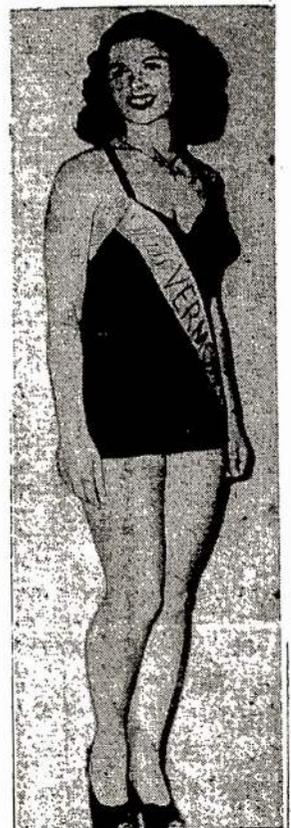
A FOREIGN AFFAIR (Par.) —A clever, slick comedy aimed at burying the peace, or what we have salvaged of it. Jean

Arthur, too long absent, and Marlene Dietrich, more exciting than ever, can't hide the fact that this latterday Ninotchka is poison in a very attractive container. Not for us.

GOOD SAM (RKO) — Still Going His Way, Leo McCarey borrows the ending of It's a Wonderful Life and gives it a new twist: the banker, not the people, comes to Gary Cooper's rescue. J. Parnell Thomas should approve highly of this one. We can't.

BEST BETS: The Vicious Circle, The Village Teacher, The Illegals, Day of Wrath, Farreibique, Another Part of the Forest, Paisan, The Search; **ALSO ACCEPTABLE:** Escape, Antoine and Antoinette, Mr. Peabody and the Mermaid, Tap Roots, Four Faces West, The Brothers, and Key Largo.

Memphis, Tenn.— Disgusted S. M. Williams decided to discard some eggs that simply would not hatch. About five days later, upon looking into the sack where he had discarded the eggs, to his surprise he discovered five thriving baby pheasants.



TIMBER—Tallest entrant in the "Miss America" contest is 18 year old Jean Peatman of Vermont, who is 5 feet, 8½ inches.

THESE ARE THE TIMES

By Ed. Hughes

SPEAKING of Greece at his last press conference, Sec. of State George C. Marshall refused a reporter's request that he say whether King Paul's U. S.—supported Athens government was or was not "democratic." Marshall did, however, speak of the royalist regime sympathetically as "a coalition that has its difficulties." Marshall revealed that he was personally following the anti-guerilla tactics of King Paul's American-advised troops in the Grammos mountains, and that he wished them success. He complained that "harmful propaganda had been directed at the Greek government in a rather subversive fashion," though he did not say by whom.

When the Truman doctrine of aiding Greek royalists against their own people was first announced, a top U. S. politician said: "Arming the Greek regime will be a tragic mistake." He was a card-carrying Republican. His name was Harold Stassen.

Another American who had been permitted to reach high office spoke even more strongly. "We shall curse the day we entered Greece," he said. His name was Fiorello LaGuardia.

A third, who sits in the U. S. Senate, said after first-hand survey of the Greek fighting late in 1947: "I was shocked to learn that the Greeks call it our (America's) war." He was Owen G. Brewster, Republican of Maine.

Homer Bigart, New York Herald Tribune correspondent, accused the Greek government of cold-bloodedly killing trade unionists and others. He also charged U. S. authorities in Greece with encouraging the massacres and pressing newsmen "to executions." The late George Polk, CBS correspondent for whose murder most impartial observers blame the Greek royalists, called King Paul's regime a "police state" in dispatch after dispatch.

The French, Norwegian and Danish governments all lodged strong protests in Athens last May, after hundreds of arrested Greeks had been done to death. Only the U. S. government, through Administrator Griswold, expressed conviction that "justice had been done." The CIO, like practically every other trade union body in the world, condemned an Athens regime decree laying down the death penalty for strikers.

Almost the entire press of western Europe (we are not quoting east European sources today) has made plain what it thinks of the Greek government and who it blames for its continuance in power. Commenting on Greek political executions, which have not stopped yet, the Paris paper *Combat* said: "What is left in a) this of Greek Premier Sophoulis and his 'liberal' policy? What is left, Mr. Marshall, of your policy?" The international affairs survey of the Dutch government radio said: "Methods such as are now practiced in Greece are unacceptable. . . . But nothing has yet been heard from Washington and, after all, the Americans have far more influence in Greece nowadays than the British ever had."

For lack of space, this concludes our exposure of rather subversive statements concerning the Greek government, and of some of the suspect characters, both American and alien, who have given them voice.

CHICAGO BRIEFS

ILLINOIS STANDARD

Beginning this week, all of you that had subscribed to the *Chicago Star*, will receive the new weekly paper by the name of the *Illinois Standard*.

The Progressive Party of Illinois has taken over the *Star* and through its pages which will now be the *Standard*, will "stand solidly behind the program of the Progressive Party and its candidates, Wallace and Taylor. It will give the straight, hard, unvarnished facts," the new company promised.

NEGRO GHETTOS

By a vote of 16 to 3 the two old party City Council housing committee last week approved nine relocation housing sites—intended for families that will be moved to make way for the city's slum clearance housing program—violently opposed by representatives of 30 different civic organizations in an open hearing.

Sidney Ordower, chairman Housing and Rent Committee of Cook County's Progressive Party, declared that the nine sites accepted, "promote the present pattern of Negro ghettos—some are stretched out along railroad tracks, surrounded by blighted areas, no grade school or neighborhood facilities available, one is adjacent to an obnoxious rendering plant and drainage canal."

SONG FESTIVAL

On Sept. 11, the Ukrainian groups of the city will stage a song festival at the Ashland Auditorium. This is the beginning of the series of Ukrainian festivals to be staged in many cities across the nation.

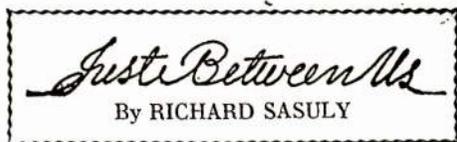
Such well-known artists will appear on the program as Stefan Kozakevich and Maria Dmytryshina.

ANTI-DRAFT MEET

A street corner meeting was held this past Friday evening in protest against the peacetime draft and Jim Crow. The meeting was held on the corner of 33rd and Vernon Aves., main speaker was Oscar Brown, Jr., candidate, for state representative from the 1st senatorial district. Brown is the state's youngest candidate at 21.

SONGS

Folk-singer Win Stracke's last class instructing Progressive Party members in community singing was such a solid success—he's prepping for Class No. 2. It will be Weds., Sept. 8, 8 P. M., 2nd floor, 187 N. LaSalle (Progressive Party Hq.). Anyone who feels like singing Wallace songs is invited.



FOR PURPOSES of argument, pretend for a few minutes that you are a Russian. Then read the report concerning the conference of U. S. military service chiefs at Newport, R. I., as given by Joseph and Stewart Alsop in the *New York Herald Tribune* on Aug. 29 and excerpted below.

The Alsops said the conference was called because the army, navy and air force "had been unable to agree upon long-range American war plans. . . . Their main struggle belonged to the strategic air arm. The navy mustered all the arguments against strategic air, and insisted that carrier-borne aviation must share largely in the crucial offensive task."

Offensive against whom? The Alsops answer this question:

"In order to permit the navy to participate in the decisive offensive against the enemy, naval war plans were actually prepared which would have concentrated the bulk of the navy's strength in the narrow, dangerous sea approaches to the Russian land mass. Thence it was proposed to launch carrier-born air attacks against the Soviet centers. For this purpose the 60,000-ton carrier was specially designed to provide a flight deck large enough for aircraft bearing the absolute weapon."

"Has Moscow, perhaps, made plans to attack the U. S.," you ask yourself with a mental effort, unwilling, like most people, to believe this about your own government. You painstakingly think back over all you have read in official Soviet papers. Remembering nothing to indicate military preparations to attack America you think of political articles. These have repeatedly charged that "warmongers" are in power in the U. S. The Alsop quotation in the *Herald Tribune* seems to confirm the charge, not refute it.

Somehow you get hold of hard-to-get American newspaper, with their ever-vigilant correspondents everywhere. Have they unearthed any Soviet pronouncement you missed, advocating military aggression against the U. S.? You find these papers making much of Soviet denunciations of various phases of U. S. institutions—the "free enterprise system," the Truman doctrine and Marshall plan.

Then you ask yourself whether informed Americans believe that their country is about to be attacked, despite lack of published evidence. You find that the *Herald Tribune's* Alsops themselves have assured their readers repeatedly that the USSR neither seeks war nor is ready for it. In fact, only two days before their approving report from Newport, they declared that "Stalin made it possible for the Moscow talks (on Berlin) to continue," and further that "fear of war, once widespread, has now diminished almost to a vanishing point."

A strange, incomprehensible and undoubtedly dangerous country, this 1948 America, you think in Russian, you fold up the U. S. papers. You go to bed—but the fat black headlines worry you and you don't get much sleep. You get up in the morning, not only worried but indignant, and reach for a Soviet newspaper again. It helps to find that its foreign columns, with small headlines as usual, tell you that warmongers plot war but that peoples everywhere in the world want peace and will not follow their plans. Soberly, you walk off to your job of rebuilding a town destroyed by the German army in 1941. Russia in 1941.

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ROCKFORD VILNIS PICNIC HUGE SUCCESS; ENTRIES IN GOLF TOURNEY STARTING TO MANY CHICAGOANS PRESENT COME IN; GOLFERS ENTER MYC TOURNEY NOW!

Rockford has for many years past closed the picnic season with a big affair for the benefit of the "Vilnis". This year's picnic attended by many loyal supporters was a grand success. Many of our friends came in from Chicago, Madison, Wis., from Spring-valley, and all gathered to exchange the passing hours in a most pleasant way.

The LKM Chorus under the direction of Joe Kenston, did some wonderful singing. The voices rang out to the tree tops and up to the sky of blue. As was said in the past, practice makes perfect, and so the Rockford Woman's Chorus did so much better at this performance. All the credit to be given to our directress Helen Andrick.

Upon my arrival to the picnic, I spotted "The Escort" with Frannie Yurgil. Both were starvantly stuffing their mouths with sausage and sour-kraut. 'Twas but a short while and the Stevens, Mocks and Alvina Johnson joined them at their table. We too stuffed our mouths with the delicious food.

The Escort held one end of the bar up pretty well. All that was told me, about him, is close to right. A ladies-man and a good dancer. Will say he is the best dancer yet that's danced on my feet. What do you gals think o this "long-distant" smooches? So near and yet so far. Had an enjoyable chat with Olga Marjin. Looking forward to seeing her again. Rudy was a busy man. Volunteered his assistance to help out in the work and still found time to enjoy the company of many of his friends. Mrs. Rulis, the chairman of the affair, could be seen running hither and thither, seeing that everything was in proper order. She did a grand job as also did the rest of the committee. One never realizes the responsibility and hard work involved, until one has served on such a committee and for such a good cause.

Circled the bar on several occasions, seen Ollie and Joe Uzuanis every time. Ricky Ohlen was doing all right. The Grays came later on. Bet Grandpa and Grandma Tamanauskas were baby sitters for their new grand son. There will soon be an addition to the Adolph Dagis family. Hope its a girl.

Missed the company of Aldona Povelonis and Francis Klaric. Also missed one of our good and friendly supporters, Mr. Joe Zolenas. He is recuperating from an operation. Many were not there but still the many that were there, had a very enjoyable day. However, along with the gladness, sometime comes sadness. Upon returning home from the Vilnis picnic Joe Roskie and his mother Mrs. E. Roskie, were involved in a serious accident. The reports are, that Mr. Roskie is in critical condition. Received broken ribs, with one rib puncturing the lung and many cuts and bruises. Mrs. Roskie is reported in fair condition, receiving head injuries and a broken wrist. 'Tis sad news and we are all hoping for the best.

In the various discussions held with Frannie Yurgil and the Escort, the approaching Golf Tournament was brought up. Several Rockford people have expressed their desire to participate in the Tourney. All efforts are being put out to get together a couple of car loads to venture to the Tournament. Those wishing to try their luck at bringing home the Golf Trophy, please contact Stella Mock, 2-2786, by Saturday Sept. 11. Reservations must be made in ad-

Alvina Johnson, more or less dates at

the coming Mid-West Youth Conference. The Conference is called to gather together delegates from LDS organizations in the Mid-West. To have these delegates meet and discuss matters and new ideas for the betterment of our organization. To develop active interest among the members. The conference is called for those reasons and not to be building up a useless expensive bill as some may think. What each and every delegate will benefit from the conference, will be for the good of their own LDS Lodge.

It's better to be a cog than a clog in the progress of anything.

S. M.

The Escort And His Favorite Blond Visit Rockfordites; Plugs For MYC Golf Tourney

For the next three following weekends the LDS activities calendar will be filled to the utmost capacity.

Firstly, we have the gigantic AVC Picnic, this Sunday at Liberty Grove. The veterans are having as their main feature the raffling off the beautiful television set, plus a full afternoon of activities. They invite all their friends and all out-of-towners. Come on out and give the lads a hand in making their second annual picnic a success!

Next—is the Seventh Annual LDS Golf Tournament to be held at the beautiful Silver Lake Country Club located at 147th and 82nd Ave. The day is September 19th, Sunday morning. So if you care to spend a day with the gang then get your ducat for entry and dinner ticket.

Very important in the way of organizational matter is the MYC.

Conference to be held September 26th at the University of Chicago International House. Many things of importance will be taken up from the recent Cleveland Convention held last July plus problems concerning the middle west area, and their respective lodges.

In the social calendar we have our first fall LDS affair which will be the Sparks Lodge Spooks Dance. This nightmare fantasy will be held October 30th at Lithuanian Auditorium. So put on your best make up for a night of ghost chasing.

ROCKFORD RUMPU'S

Last Sunday my whole mind and day was in regards to Rockford and their picnic in behalf of the Vilnis Press. In Chicago we all got on that rattletrap they called a bus—Before everyone got fully organized I was growing grey hair—this is beside the point, we finally got on our way 11:20 A. M. and bounced our way for 25 miles to make our first stop—no, not a flat but get some liquid refreshments and (?) Well, anyway we all felt better after the stop—It wasn't any too lively going to Rockford—that is activity in the bus proper. But—as soon as we started to sight the grove, and bending the bus around the horseshoe curves, we all gave out with a loud and hearty "Hail, hail the Gang's All Here"—The first thing the crowd from Chi did was to form a long chow line at the food stand—Franny Yurgil and I ordered our kilbasi and kapustas plus a dishful of inebriated cucumbers (?) pickled.—Finding ourselves a dusty table we indulged in our bit of Lithuanian Blue Plate—But who should spy The Escort from a distance but the lovely Rockford hostess, Stella Mock—so before long I had company in personages of Stella, her husband Charley—the Sunday Accompanying them was Vi Stevens and her husband. After the delicious chow—we all went to see how the suds were being handed out at the "Blue Room"—Lo and Behold! Who should be there but the Motezas' and the Deveikis brothers from the North-erners club—but my eyes did not stop there but on that cute young little blond Louise Lukas—so quickly, I derived to the conclusion this bit of loveliness was the reason two LKM eligible bachelors came out to Rockford—How I ever got my picture taken with her and two other members of the family I'll never know (?)—The Rockford Poet Adolph Rudolph Hausman, cornered Fran Y and Julie Gizevich to orate his poems of the unpublished category.—Met Frank "Zip" Kuchinsky, former VES editor and renewed acquaintances, Frank stays out in Spring Valley—his brother Dan was present—I hope they come to Chicago to enter the Golf Tournament—Also I hope Charley Mock and his brother-in-law barged in at Silver Lake Country Club the 19th of this month—Saw Alger Paulick and his pretty wife amongst all the youth at the picnic—Hark! I hear a shrill yell—yes, it's the favorite blond number one calling me over to confirm a statement—I did—much to Al Kalenda's disapproval—I thought this day was to be devoted to the Rockford Blonde Al—anyway you did get a dance with her!—What favorite blond prefers the color of blue—and I don't mean eyes—George Kwain was present with his whole family which included the recent addition—Connie Abek was present also, heard she had a new chariot now—said she just came in from St. Charles to participate on the program—On the dance floor there was plenty of action—everyone vieing for the dancing with the Chicago and Rockford blondes—"Oh Escort, I heard you were a good dancer!" said a certain Rockford Belle—so naturally I had to dance with her—I wonder who is trying to make a Fred Astaire out of me—with two left feet—Fran Y and Stella Mock raised plenty of dust and hell stomping to the tunes of orchestra—Dolly, the dark Lithuanian beauty really cut plenty of timber, swishing that sway in a jitterbug way—We all were having a swell time when the curfew call came—that being shoving off for home—Well, all good things had to come to an end—so everyone made the last dance last and I surely enjoyed Ann Kane and Ruth Juodaitis dancing in true Lithuanian fashion—I wonder how the feet feel today after the stomping—So after gathering the crowd into the bus we were off, bending our way around the curves—but wait what is this car parked on the road for? Why, its Stormy

Entries to the Seventh Annual L.D.S. Golf Tournament are coming in at this writing. George Kwain, the golfing butcher, has the honor of being the first entry. Therefore, don't be bashful and come out and play your golf at the LDS Tourney.

NOTICE: Pending this being a LDS Midwest sponsored Tournament for LDS Insurance members and guests. We are going to give an INVITATIONAL TROPHY to the guest who comes out on top!! This is we believe, should be given to the golfer who golfs with the LDS crowd and therefore prefers to associate with LDS'ers. We realize many LDS out-of-towners are not insurance mem-

bers and have friends who golf therefore we are announcing publicly the additional prizes.

Points of information to remember:

TIME OF TEE OFF—Teeing off time will take place at 10 A. M. Four-somes will be made and utmost discretion used in their formation. Two courses are available but the choice for tournament won't be announced until the day of tourney.

PLACE: Beautiful Silver Lake Country Club is located at 147th St. south and 82nd Avenue (8200 west or 10 blocks west of Harlem Ave.)

ENTRY FEE: The cost of entry and golfing for the LDS Tournament is only three dollars (\$3.00). This includes a full day of golfing from early morning to late at night. Men and women pay same fees.

RULES: The committee announces the PGA Golf rules prevail plus home rules. The handicap system to be used is called Peoria Handicap System, also for men and women entrants. The Handicap system is a type of blind bogie.

DINNER: The cost of the victory Golf dinner is \$3.00. This is for anyone who cares to eat in the presence of crowning the King and Queen of LDS Golf. A delicious dinner will be served in the banquet hall. Please purchase your ticket NOW to further the reservations.

OUT-OF-TOWNERS: Correspondence from out of towners of their intention to participate in the LDS Tourney must realize the Committee position. If you want to golf send a letter at least so we can make your reservation. The dinner reservation is of vast importance because of the rules of the Club. You can pay when you get ready to golf. Cooperation from everyone concerned can only make this tourney a grand success.

Letters and entries can be given to Al Klaud 2920 W. 40th Pl., Phone Laf. 1816, Chicago, Ill., or in care of Vilnis, 3116 S. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill.

For tickets for the tourney, one can approach midwest youth council members, Al Klaud, Aldona Povelonis, Mike Batutis, Fran Yurgil, Frank Mikuzis and Houston Zebraitis.

RAIN OR SHINE: The tourney will be scheduled to hole out. Get the war clubs ready for the Seventh Annual Midwest Golf Tournament on September 19th at Silver Lake Country Club.

Transportation facilities are available only by friends getting together and by people who can take someone without cars. Please inform the committee members if you can take someone. All courses we realize are out of the heart of town, therefore, private car transportation is best if available.

Don't make a difference if you are a dubber or a pro—
DON'T DELAY!! ENTER NOW!!

Stonis who got stranded somehow—so roaringly he comes in the bus only to be hustled by the gang—So in the darkened bus, the outburst of songs reverberated, led by the one and only Franny—The back part of the bus was the most popular place, I wonder if Eddie Klein was thinking of the Rockford Blond on the way home (?)—Myself, I was in a deep conversation with a certain someone and I know some people are hard to convince even in the minutest details (?)—So I learned for Saturday nights—
So in conclusion, bouquets of Orchids to the Rockford group for their invitation and showing the Chicagoan a marvelous time—Hope I can see them on the following Sundays to enjoy their company again.

THE ESCORT.

THOSE SPIES AGAIN!

Nellie De Schaaf

Everyone has heard the old saying credited to Barnum, "a sucker is born every minute." However, if one is to assume that the people of the United States are so guillible as to fall for all the malarkey about spies in our country, then his figure is far too modest.

It seems incredible that anyone past the age of fifteen, who has not had to have the school burned down to rescue him from the first grade, could possibly be taken in with all this bologna. (Too bad we can't eat this kind, prices being what they are today).

Nowadays, one cannot turn on the radio to listen to a thriller or a soap opera without being scared out of his seat with all the spy scares. One cannot open the paper without having a dozen spies leering out at him from the front page. One dares not venture out after 6 P. M. without first looking over his shoulder to see that he is not being followed by a bearded and sinister Rooshian spy.

These Rooshians are, indeed, bad medicine. They are responsible for all our troubles. It is they who are to blame for our high prices. If it weren't for Joe Stalin, we wouldn't be paying from one dollar to \$1.25 per pound of steak. It is only Russian propaganda that the death of the OPA had anything to do with the increase in prices.

Yes, sir! If there were no Russia (what a heavenly thought for Wall Street and our State Department — which amounts to about the same thing) everything would be hunky dory. There would NOT be any strikes. The F.B.I. and the unAmerican Committee has unearthed the highly significant fact that ONLY at the instigation of Moscow, is it possible for the maritime workers, the transport workers, the coal miners, the packinghouse workers, the steel workers, etc. to DARE GO ON-STRIKE!

It seems that the mind of the average American has deteriorated so rapidly in these past few years (it was only during the war that we were told that the I. Q. of the American soldier was far superior to that of the World War I vet) that he has become a veritable zombie. His master? Those Rooshians, again!

Our Congressmen, as well as Hapless Harry, would have us believe that the "average" American would be perfectly content to slide along on his meager salary—his rotten working conditions — if it weren't for those sinister directives from Moscow.

(Our "guiders of destiny" should have their brains in for a general overhauling.)

According to these gentlemen, the solution is very simple. All we gotta do is go and bomb Moscow. It's just as easy as that. After all, we have the atom bomb, they haven't—or so we hope! Of course, not even all our military experts are agreed as to whether or not Russia does have the atom bomb, but, we will feel a lot braver if we just ASSUME that they haven't.

We may find, too, (as did one extinct wallpaper hanger in Germany) that the Russians may still not be "pushovers"—but, we won't worry about our bridges until we come to them.

It may prove rather uncomfortable, even for our Wall Street boys, if the Russians decide to give us a taste of what they went through. The law of averages just does not hold that wars will CONTINUE being fought on European soil. The Russians, too, have jet planes and have boys who know how to fly 'em.

We had better not get too cocky. We are NOT dealing with the corrupt Chiang Kai-Shek government, Greece, Italy, France or some other small country that is obligated to us because they have become enmeshed in our Marshall Plan.

Our State Department had better quit bluffing and get down to the serious business of TRYING TO GET ALONG WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. We're not going to succeed in intimidating all of them and the sooner we discover this, the sooner will we get down to the problems facing our own people.

Cleveland Lyros Chorus Plan Future Socials

What a bunch of sissies we turned out to be. Cancelled last Fridays rehearsal because of the heat. Sure hope the rest puts every one in a fine mood this Thursday.

Have heard that Isabel Lewis is doing grand after her operation and plans to be back with the chorus real soon. Hurrah! She's our president you know, and with all the things we plan to do, we do need her back.

Dr. Kaskevicius of Newark, N. J., has written us a script for our "Memories of Old Lithuania" and I hear he did a grand job and on such short notice too.

Has every one in Cleveland begun to plan their costume for our Masquerade Dance on Halloween Night? I wonder what the prizes will be?

So much for now. More next time.

L.T.

DUMBELL POME

To the Director of LDS Sport
Who has docked in every port,
I wish a Happy Birthday.
If his name you have not guessed,
He really does his best
In writing scribe—signed ESCORT.

Detroit Bowlers Begin Season Sept. 11; Aido Chorus To Journey To Sylvan Lake

Farewell to vacation days and a howdy-do to all the fall activities that are coming up on the calendar. I believe that I'll start out with the closest date on the line-up.

The first nite of Bowling for the Detroit L.D.S. Bowlers is set for September 11 at the Lucky Strike Alleys at 7 o'clock. From the latest reports—there will be 8 mens teams and 4 girls teams. Those of you who are interested and have not registered—please come to the Alleys and do so.

Now for September the 19th, we have a double date. At 11 A. M.—the Detroit Aido Chorus is meeting for its first rehearsal of the season of '48 and '49. I don't want to go into promptness and punctuality right off the bat but I'll remind you guys and gals that the sooner we get started the sooner we'll be able to leave for the outing to Sylvan Lake, Pontiac, Michigan.

A little more about this outing to Pontiac—most of the crowd have been there—but for those that have not—the Guyers' address in Pontiac is 250 Starr Avenue and the lake is only a few blocks from the house. Rain or shine the gang has been invited to come. As for the food—everyone please bring their own hamburgers, hot dogs or what have you—there will be a blazing fire—and drinks will be on hand—the cost of which will be divided by the crowd. A word of advice—take an extra sweater in case—and then on the other hand—tuck in that bathing suit if the weather isn't too cool.

Hooray! it didn't rain for the picnic of September the 5th. Believe me, it's good to report that a large crowd showed up to this picnic and everything was going great guns until there was an accident in the sack race when Bill Milus' dad broke his leg. Doctor Palevich recommended that Mr. Milus be driven to the hospital immediately for an X-ray. The X-ray showed two breaks in the bone. Our sympathy to Mr. Milus in his condition and you can be sure that there will never be another sack race at the picnics.

The Publicity Committee and the workers at the picnic deserve a pat on the back for their hard work and even the junior element was in the picture selling pop. The publicity committee consisted of—Tony Jaksytys—Alphonse Rye—Tony Adams—Aldona Petrul—Emma Rye—Mary Adams—and Bertha Juodaitis. Among the hustling bartenders and kitchen help we found—Frank Price—Stuart Riddel—Tony Adams, Tony J., Mary Adams, Antoinette Garelis, Joanna Jaksytys, Stella Smith, Gladys, Ophelia P., Ruth P., Annette Kirvelis, and Dorothy and Carl Adams.

THIS AND THAT

Bertha J., getting steady reports from Tony Rye at Morningside University in Iowa.—Gilbert Drutchas, former Chorus member, was married to Miss Elaine Rutkowski, September 5.—Mildred and Tony Vasaris of Brockton, Mass., proudly announce the arrival of a baby daughter, Eileen Gay, as of August 25. And on Aug. 26, Thomas and Sophie Andreichuk (Sophie Romanuski) became the proud parents of a baby boy named Brian.—Frank Price happy as a lark about his job promotion — Golly, I forgot all about the energetic ticket selling team at the gate for the picnic—credits and kudos go to Eddie Stackwell—Johnny Geralt — Dick Pavley—and Charley Winters. I hope I haven't forgot any name as my name will be mud.—Eddie Balchunas

grinning from ear to ear with the top bowling prize money from Chicago which finally came.

Blue Monday Correspondent,
A.V.L.

ROSELAND CHORUS PUTS FINISHING TOUCHES ON "SARI"

Starting tonight we're going to rehearse our whole operetta with Mr. Rasins as our prompter. The cast is fairly acquainted with their roles and the chorus with their songs, so now we just have to put the two together. Since October 10th isn't far away, the chorus has to really buckle down to present a successful performance at Sokol Hall.

This past week has been a "back to school" week, for a few members. Wanda is now teaching at a Gary, Ind., High School; others are back in high school; and Johnny is getting ready to go back to college.

Plans for our Halloween Dance are now being made and will soon be revealed. Watch for the Dance announcement!

I hope that all of you are busy collecting ads and getting well-wishers. They have to be turned in the very near future. Are you going to let Tony Boy collect the most ads and not you as he has done so far? Remember our goal is \$1,000.

Tonight is the dead line for all new members and all old members who have been absent. Those missing rehearsal after rehearsal will not be able to participate in "Sari".

Last Friday everyone seemed abit quiet—until later. Could Mickie have had anything to do with it?

That was delicious candy being passed around, eh, Pauly!

I wonder why Stella, Virgie, Jimmy and Peter later joined by Jerry had their heads in a huddle? Could they be on the Halloween committee?

Wow, isn't she something? Who? Why that gorgeous sweater girl in the sopranos!

We were sorry to hear that Dolores was on the sick list last Friday, but we're glad to hear she's well again.

Helen Misevich is much better and has returned home at 10155 S. State Street.

That was some intermission! It seemed like many people were disappearing when they went to look into other disappearances.

Wednesday the women members gathered for an all women rehearsal. I wonder when the men will have theirs? Don't they need one?

All members remember to bring in your measurements tonight. They have to be given to the costume house.

SNOOPER.

Henry Wallace will speak only to mixed audiences of both Negro and white citizens in a week-long speaking tour of seven states, beginning Aug. 29, C. B. Baldwin, campaign manager for the Progressive party Presidential candidate, announced here.

Remember — tis the AYC People this coming Sunday, Sept. 13th, at Liberty Grove.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

● Best of luck to Vytautas Plenaitis (of Justice Park Gardens) and Stella Rudnis, upon their recent marriage. The couple have gone up to Wisconsin's north woods to spend their honeymoon.....

● Cleveland's newly organized Lyros Chorus are planning a huge Halloween night for the month of October.....

● Congratulations to the Cleveland LeADerS baseball team, upon their recent tenth straight victory. Seems the boys were out to win the game for their manager Paul Ziburis who was hospitalized following a serious appendix attack.....

● Detroit LDS Bowlers will begin their season at the Lucky Strike Alleys on Sept. 11 at 7 o'clock.....

● Mildred and Tony Vasaris of Brockton, Mass., are the proud parents of a little bundle of joy, Eileen Gay. Congratulations to you both.....

● Babies, babies, everywhere. Another addition to the large growing family of the LDS, came to Thomas and Sophie Andreichuk of Detroit. Sophie at one time was a member of Detroit's Aido Chorus. 'Twas a son named, Brian. Congrats to you.....

● George and Helen Kwain appropriately celebrated their 11th wedding anniversary at the Rockford Vilnis picnic. May you both have many more years of happiness.....

● Tragedies sometimes befall many of us, even tho we go out to have a good time at various affairs. In Detroit, at the recently held Aido Chorus picnic, Mr. Milus of that city, during a sack race fell and broke his leg. In Rockford, on their way home from the Vilnis Picnic Mr. Joe Roskie and his mother were involved in a serious auto accident. Mr. Roskie is in serious condition with broken ribs and punctured lung. Mrs. Roskie is also hospitalized with a broken wrist. May you all get well soon.....

● Joseph Budrevcius, the former director of the Balalaika orchestra in Chi, has moved on to Brooklyn and intends making that city his home.....

● The Great Escort celebrated his birthday on Thursday, Sept. 9. Why didn't you tell us? But anyway, even tho its late in coming, its HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU FROM ALL OF US.....

● Alvina Johnson and Stella Mock will be attending the MYC Conference as delegates from the Rockford Rockets Lodge. What are the other lodges doing in the way of getting delegates to attend the conference, which will be held at International House, 1414 E. 59th Pl., Chicago, on Sunday Sept. 26....

● Three delegates from the Lithuanian speaking lodge 53 of Bridgeport will be attending the MYC Conference, George Miller, Mrs. Sophie Mazeika and Mrs. Marcella Wasul. The lodge is greeting the conference with ten dollars.....

● At last Sunday's Rockford picnic, that cop that you seen strolling around the picnic grounds was a Lith, John Bietaut. This is the second year he is on duty at the picnic.....

● Elections in the Al Blozis AVC Chapter this past week, finds the following as officers of the chapter: Vyto Yotka as Chairman, Al Klaud as Vice-chairman, Helen Kasro (the only female in the chapter) as Secretary and Frank Mikuzis as the Treasurer.

● Eva and Roy Mizara members of the Daily Laisve staff out Brooklyn way, write that they are enjoying themselves immensely in Nova Scotia.....

● Cleveland's LeADerS ball team announces its first public Club Bake, to be held at McKimmon's Grove on Sept. 26.....

● Olga Jonelunas of the Brooklyn BuILDerS is still hospitalized in Long Island University Hospital. May you get well soon.

● Patricia Daniels (former Bertha Fulton's daughter) made front page news by winning a baby contest.....

● John Kissell—Lith-American of Nashua, N. H., has quit school and will play pro-football for Buffalo Bills. John was a member of the 1947 LDS Lithuanian All-America.....

● Al Matusa of Shenandoah, Pa., was recently named head coach of Pottsville, Pa., Maroons. He is an LDS member and a buddy of the late Al Blozis.....

● The Sparks LDS Lodge is really going great guns in preparation of their Spooks nite to be held at the Lithuanian Auditorium on Oct. 30. Better get your costumes ready now, for if you don't wear one you will be fined.....

● Helen Misevich of the Roseland Aido Chorus is well on the road to recovery, after her recent bout with an appendectomy and is now resting in her home.....

● Many thanks to Rudy Hausman of Rockford for the favor he granted us upon our request. He is known as the poet laureate out Rockford way.....

● Bob Zukauskas of Newark, N. J. recently spent his vacation in the Motor City as the guest of Donna Daukus. Bob is on the LDS Activities and Youth Committee.....

AUTHOR JUSTIN GRAY TO DELIVER MAIN ADDRESS AT AL BLOZIS, AVC PICNIC

Justin Gray, formerly assistant director of the National Americanism Commission of the American Legion, and author of the book "The Inside Story of The Legion" will address the thousands that attend the Second Annual Picnic of the Al Blozis Chapter of the American Veterans Committee. Mr. Gray's book is an expose of the shocking attitude and practices so prevalent in the top hierarchy of the American Legion. His book has received the plaudits and high recommendations of most labor, civic and veteran leaders.

This man will provide a short talk telling the people about his wonderful book on September 12, 1948 at this picnic.

The picnic arrangements committee, following the Al Blozis chapter traditions of providing something unusual and different for the peoples enjoyment, has included this year a bubble gum contest. This contest will be open to the young and old alike. Valuable prizes will be distributed to those contestants that blow the biggest bubble. Remember, only qualification the entrant must possess is to be a long winded person.

Because of the great demand for a recall of the very enjoyable egg throw held last year, the comm. is to have another Egg throw again for much bigger and more valuable prizes.

Some lucky ticket holder will receive a beautiful, walnut hand finished, console television set at this picnic. This television set is not an ordinary small table model, but is one possessing a large screen that the entire family can enjoy for many long years.

Those of us that attended the Al Blozis AVC picnic last year certainly know that these ex-G.I.'s definitely provide the biggest and best picnics of the entire season. This Second Annual Picnic will be better than any before. The program is packed with fine entertainment and festivities. The refreshments that will be served are "Out of this world".

THE DAY IS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 1948 AT LIBERTY GROVE.

There will be many FREE ATTENDANCE PRIZES given away to many lucky people that attend. The list of prizes is growing by the hour and contains such valuable and useful items as: Coffee makers, fountain pens, precision sun glasses, dishes, electric irons, pots and pans, wine glasses, vases, merchandise certificates, phonograph records, glassware, rugs,

pictures, floor mats, etc.

For the time of your life well spent among your friends don't forget to come to the SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE AL BLOZIS chapter of the AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE ON SEPT. 12 AT LIBERTY GROVE.

Young Progressives Of Illinois To Hold Confab

Youth groups of the Young Progressives of America are springing up all over the country.

The Illinois group announces that it will hold its first annual convention at the DuSable Community Center, 49th and Wabash on Sept. 18 and 19.

The main items on the agenda will be discussions on how various groups, such as the Negro, young workers, young farmers, and students, can effectually participate in the Wallace-Taylor campaign.

The highlight of the convention will come at the mass torchlight demonstration that is planned for Saturday evening, Sept. 18, demanding the repeal of the draft and the end of Army Jim Crow.

Many outstanding speakers will be present at the convention, among them many youth speakers.

As Wallace stated at the Progressive Party Convention, recently held in Philadelphia, "that the future belongs to the youth", so it is with the YPA. They understand that the future very well belongs to them, for is it not the youth that play pre-dominant roles in national and international affairs. One of the biggest factors is the draft of today, it is America's youth that are being called into the draft. It is America's youth that will shape the events of this country's future. Therefore it is up to the youth of America to realize these factors and to demand that since they are the first ones to be called upon, that they should also have a say in whatever lays ahead of them.

Shirley Graham, biographer of Paul Robeson, Frederick Douglas and George Washington Carver, will deliver two speeches in the Chicago area soon under the auspices of Women for Wallace.

At 8:30 P. M. Sept. 10 she will speak in the Metropolitan Community Church, 4100 South Parkway. On the following evening at the same time she will address a meeting in the Bethel AME Church in Evanston.