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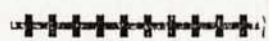
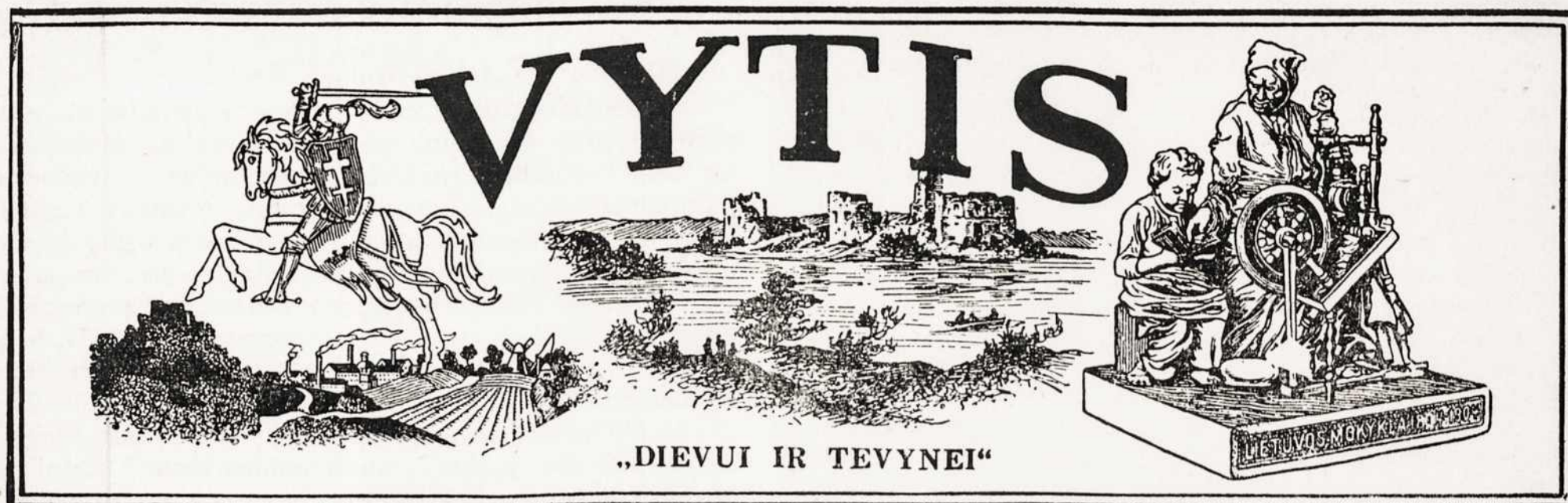
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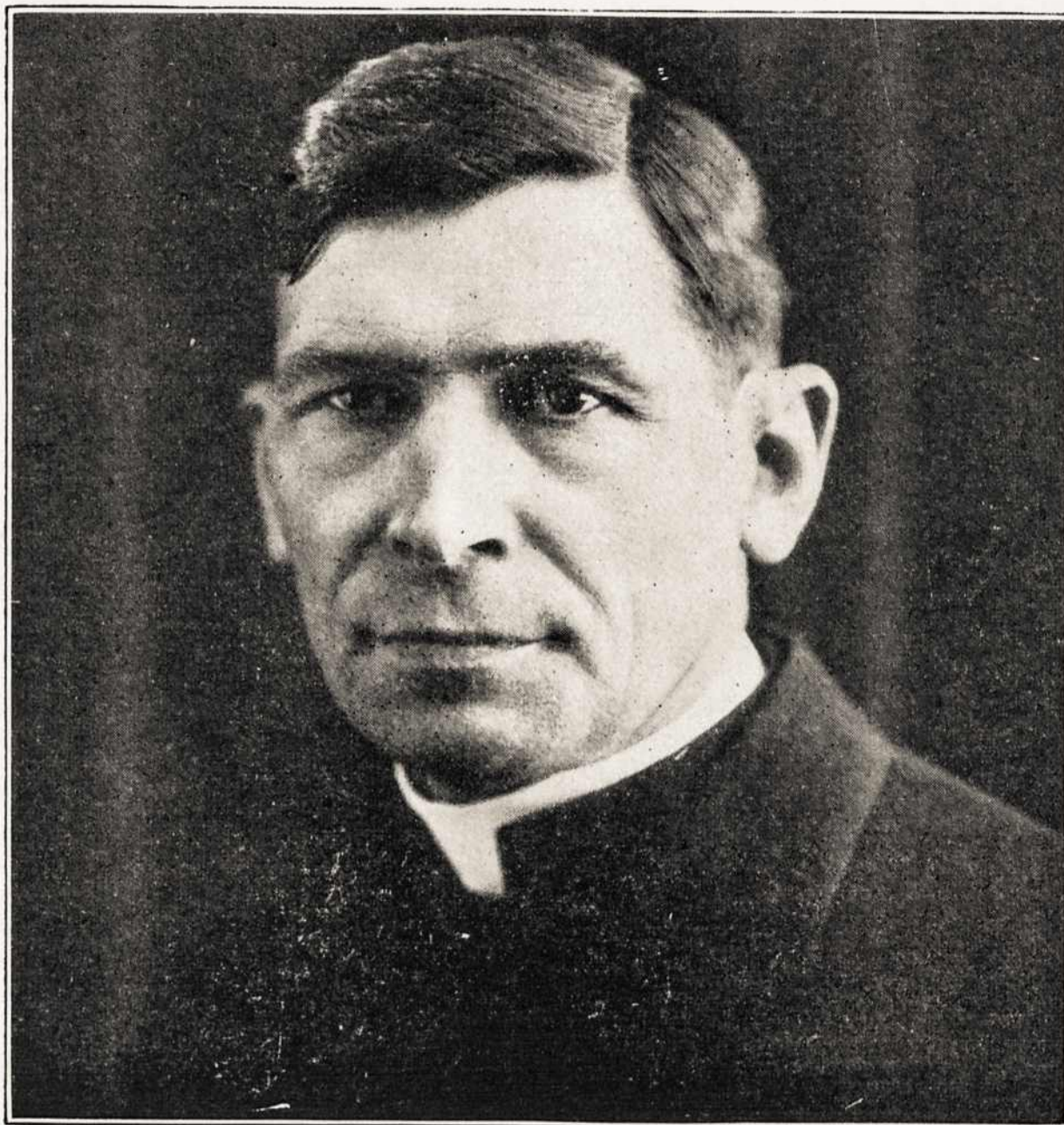
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**KUN. FRANCIŠKUS
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Šv. Petro parapijos klebonas,
L. Vyčių org. garbės narys, nuo-
širdus jaunimo, bei Vyčių rėmėjas.
Jo parapijoje gražiai gyvuoja 17-ta
Vyčių kuopa.



Liet. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo Kp. So. Boston, Mass. Dvidešimt Penkių Metų Jubiliejus

Trumpa veikimo apžvalga, nes įdomesnės paruošti nebuvo galima, priežastis — dingę užrašų knygos. Jei-
gu pastebėsite klaidų ar silpnumų, tad malonėkite at-
leisti! — P.

Rugpiūčio mėnesį, 1914 metais būrys katalikiško
jaunimo suorganizavo Vyčių 17-tą kp. So. Bostone.

Pirmaisiais kuopos organizatoriais buvo kun. T.
Žilinskas tuom laiku klebonavęs Bostone, kun. Dabu-
žinskas buvęs vikaras, Jonas Jakubauskas, Jonas L.
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dys, kun. P. W. Strakauskas (tuom laiku studentas), p.
Bruzga, Protozas, Juzivitaitis, M. Alesevičiūtė, J. Vil-
kėšius ir keletas kitų.

Pirmuosius kuopos daigus sudarė didžiumoje iš
Lietuvos atvažiavęs jaunimas. Jie ištrūkę iš rūsų

jungo, atvykę į laisvą Amerikos šalį, būdami pilni jau-
natvės energijos, pasiryžimo, drąsos ir pasitikėjimo sa-
vyje, drąsiai ir vieningai stojo į darbą Vyčių organi-
zacijos labui ir gražiam obalsiui — Dievui ir Tėvynei.

Pirmaisiais gyvenimo laikais kuopa užsiimdavo
perstatymu scenos veikalų, rengdavo šokius, dirbo pa-
rapijoje, ruošė vakarinius kursus ir lavinosi moksle.
Karui užėjus, kada lietuviai Amerikoje stengėsi teikti
pagelba kraujuose paplūdusiai Lietuvai, mūsų Vyčiai
čia daug prisidėjo aukų rinkime ir įvairiuose parengi-
muose dalyvumą ėmė tėvynės Lietuvos labui.

Pirmųjų dešimt metų bėgyje daug darbštumo Vy-
čių organizacijai parodė: kun. F. Kemėšis, A. Bendorai-
tis, V. Medonis, V. Savickas, V. Tamuliūnas, p-lės M.
ir Z. Žukauskaitės, (dabar jau vedę) Jonas Glineckis,

Zosė Zurkliatė (dabar vedus), A. Ivaška, J. Červokas ir kiti. Sie nariai tikri pagarbos. Nors jie dabar ne Vyčiuose, bet Vyčių reikalai jiems visuomet artimi.

1926 metais suorganizuota sviedinio komanda. Pirmasis organizatoriais buvo kun. F. Strakauskas ir dr. Gaunauskas, o vėliaus vadovavimą paėmė E. Batastini, kuris per kelis metus sumaniai vadovavo komandai. 1930 m. suorganizuota krepšinio komanda, kuriai taip pat vadovavo E. Batastini. Šitos dvi komandos aukštai pastatė Vyčių ir lietuvių vardą Naujoje Anglijoje, nes turėjo gabumų ir pasisekimo, ir tankiausiai išėdavo laimėtojų po vardu K of L "17."

Šiais laikais kuopoje daug darbavosi: Jonas Zulanas, Juozas Antanėlis — (dabar gydytojas) Albinas Neviera, kuris kelis metus kuopai pirmininkavo ir kuopa buvo gerame stovy visais atžvilgiais. Albinas ir dabar tebėra kuopos narys, S. Griganavičius, B. Kavoliūtė, O. Alasevičiūtė, K. Ambrozas, G. Zavytė, M. Žukauskaitė — (dabar vedus) Danielius Averka, kuris kuopai sėkmingai pirmininkavo ir daugelis kitų. Kaip pirmaisiais taip ir šiais laikais vyčiams rūpėjo visuomeninis veikimas ir visuomet prie jo prisidėdavo.

1933 metais, dėl valdybos nedarbštumo, kuopa buvo visais atžvilgiais susiipnėjus, bet 1934 m. išrinkus darbščią valdybą su pirm. Pr. Razvadausku priešaky, veikimas greitai pasitaisė ir kuopa vėl atsiekė gerojo laipsnio. Pr. Razvadauskui teko pirmininkauti iki 1939 su pertrauka 1937 m. Per visą šį laiką kuopa vis augo ir stiprėjo, kaip narių skaičiumi taip ir finansais. Dabar Vyčiai turi savo gražius klubui kambarius ir bowling alleys, taipgi veikime gražiai atsižymi.

Pastarame laikotarpy kuopoje nuoširdžiai darbuojasi: Pet. Rakauskas — (jis du metu rašt.) inž. S. Belleskas, dr. E. Valiackas, V. Averka, p-lė F. Kartonaitė (dabar jau vedus), O. Petrušytė, M. Matūzaitė, O. Razvadauskaitė, F. Grandelytė, I. Norinkėvičiūtė, B. Skrickus, A. Gaputis, jis dabar pirmininkauja kuopai, S. Mickevičius, J. Varnas ir daug kitų.

Savo darbu ir aukomis Vyčiai niekuomet neatsisako, sulig išgalės gelbsti parapijai. Vasarinę mokyklą palaikyti, laikraštį "Darbininką," Ginklų Fondą, Klaipešos pabėgėlius šelpti ir daug kitų įvairių reikalų kur Vyčiai suteikia savo auką.

Per visą gyvenimo laiką, Vyčiai pergyveno gerų ir blogų laikotarpių, bet tai natūralu, o dabar mūsų kp. stovi geriausiam stovy, narių skaičiumi antra organizacijoje, finansiniai puikiai, o tautiniai ir neblogiausia.

Už visą tai reikia tarti Vytiškas ačiū mūsų gerb. klebonui kun. F. Virmauskiui, kuris nuoširdžiai Vyčiams pritaria ir darbšties Vyčių dabartiniams vadams.

L. Vyčių 17-tą Algirdo kuopą, dvidešimt penkių metų jubiliejų švenčiant širdingiausiai sveikinu ir linkiu, kad penkesdešimt metų jubiliejų dar iškilmingiau minėtumėte!

Brangūs Vyčiai! Jūsų obalsis "Dievui ir Tėvynei" kilnus, jūsų keliai gražiai nukaišyti praeities darbais, tad neleiskite nuvysti, bet eikite ir dar gražiau kaiškite! Te Dievas jums padeda jūsų gražioje darbuotėje!

— P.

SEIMO BELAUKIANT

Malonūs draugai ir draugės Vyčiai!

Gyvename laikus, kada naujoji pagonybė su visu savo dvasinio gyvenimo palaidumu veržiasi į nūdieninį, teip vadinamą modernųjį gyvenimą. Įvairiems moraliams bei materialiams kriziams vykstant, modernusis žmogus šiandien pateko dideliuosna proto ir valios paraližo pavojuosna. Norint apsisaugoti nuo dvasios vergijos, nuo jų pagundų, norint atsispirti prieš visas drumzlinas nūdienines sroves — reikia būti aukštos nepalenkiamos asmenybės, kilnaus, tvirto būdo žmogui.

L. Vyčių organizacija subūrusi didelę dalį Amerikos katalikiško jaunimo, auklėja ir lavina jį, kaip tikrą didžiųjų idealų linkme, kurie tveria būdą, ūgdo asmenybę, saugoja jį nuo išlaukinio, pakrikusio pasaulio vergijos. Dėla, toli gražu iki užsibriežto tikslo — "Subūrti, visą katalikų lietuvių jaunimą į L. Vyčių organizaciją."

Nūdieninio žmonijos dvasinio gyvenimo irimas kaip jau pradžioje minėjau, iššaukė gyvą, tvirto nusistatymo tverimo reikalą. Šiandien labiausia, negu kada nors, mes vyčiai turime saugotis ir, būti tvirtų nusistatymų! Vyčių uždavinys turi būti — sukūrti tikrą lietuvių kataliko paveikslą — Kristaus atstovą šiame pasauly. Deja, to neatsieksime tol, kol neatkreipsime daugiau dėmesio į mūsų organizacinį veikimą, į mūsų Centrą, į nuoširdesnį pasidarbavimą ne tik savo, bet ir organizacijos naudai! Nes katalikiškas veikimas daug geriau reiškiasi organizuotai negu pavieniais.

Visi katalikai esame, vienos Katalikų Bažnyčios nariai. Visus saisto tie patys Dievo ir Tėvynės principai. Visi siekiame to paties tikslo, todėl katalikų, jų organizacijų ir narių santykiai privalo būti persunkti pasiaukojimo, kantrybės ir meilės dvasia. Todėl ir vyčiai turi nuoširdžiai bendradarbiauti ir palaikyti gerus santykius su visoms katalikiškoms organizacijomis ir draugijomis. O santaikos ir tikro nuoširdumo trūksta ir mūsų Vyčių šeimoje. Mes privalom tučtuojaus tas klaidas atitaisyti! Kuopose bei org. nariai negali būti sugrupuoti. Visi turi lyges teises ir visi lygios šeimos nariai!

Organizaciniame darbe pasisekimo laidas — solidorumas, einas iš Kristaus meilės! Todėl ir mes privalome geriau surikiuoti savo eiles, jas surišti krikščioniško solidarumo ir meilės ryšiais. Tas klausimas ypač aktulus, kur viename mieste ar parapijoje yra keletas įvairių kuopų. Man yra žinoma kuopų, kur tie santykiai ne tik nenuoširdūs, bet stačiai nepakenčiami. Čia kaltė tenka, ne vien tik eiliniams nariams, bet ir vadams, nes jie siekia sau garbės, o ne tikros kuopai naudos. Skaudi klaida, skubiai taisyti! Bendradarbiaukite. Kvieskite vieni kitus į sueigas, šventes bei pramogas. Atėjusius nuoširdžiai priimkite.

Tad, malonūs draugai ir draugės vyčiai! Su visu jaunatvės karščiu, su galinga, vieninga energija į darbą! Jokiu svyravimų, ne valandėlės poilsio — mums delsti nėra kada. Mūs laukia dideli darbai. — prieš mus puikus didžiulis Vyčių, mūsų organizacijos Seimas! Jame turime pasirodyti visai Amerikos lietuvių visuomenei, kad jaunoji katalikiškoji karta giliai susipratusi ir sąmoninga, kad ji turi užėmusi plačias nenugalimas pozicijas, kad ji organizuotai ir drausmingai žygiuoja į pergale į triumfuojanti skaištų rytojų.

— Pranas Razvadauskas.

Kaip Veikia Lietuvos Katalikiškas Jaunimas

Lietuvos katalikiškas jaunimas pradėjo veikti dar tais laikais, kai apie Lietuvos laisvę ir jos nepriklausomybę dar niekas nei svajoti nesvajoto. Tiesa, tuo metu organizuoto jaunimo buvo dar labai mažai, nes pirmuosius Lietuvos laisvės daigus ugdė tik daugiau prasilavinęs jaunimas, kilę iš kaimo inteligentai. Tačiau pamažu jaunimo eilės didėjo, o brangios ir vargstančios tėvynės meilė liepsnojo jų širdyse ir grūdino juos dideliems darbams. Esant spaudos darudimui ir vykstant Lietuvos nepriklausomybės kovoms, daug katalikiško jaunimo aukų ir jų nekalto kraujo pareikalavo mūsų motina žemė.

Neskaitant ankščiau veikiančių kat. jaunimo organizacijų ("Rūta" — 1899 m., "Lietuva" — 1909 m. ir dar ankstyvesnių), 1911 m. įkuriama Lietuvių Kat. Moksleivių Ateitininkų Sąjunga, kuri daug garsių vyrų davė ir duoda Lietuvos valstybei. Šiandien Ateitininkų Federacija yra viena iš stipriausių ir didžiausių katalikų inteligentų organizacijų. Lietuvoje ji dalinasi į tris dideles moksleivių, studentų ir profesionalų sąjungas. Moksleivių sąjunga tautininkų vyriausybės buvo formaliai uždaryta, tačiau gyvenime ji labai energingai veikia ir veikia. Ateitininkų Federacijos šūkis: "Visa atnaujinti Kristuje." Atskiros Sąjungos dalinasi į korporacijas arba kuopas, kurių veikimas (susirinkimai) labai turiningas.

Antroji kiek vėliau (1912 m.) įsikuria "Pavasario" Sąjunga, t. y. kaimo ir miestų katalikiško jaunimo organizacija, atatinanti pilnai A. L. K. "Vyčių" organizacijai. "Pavasario" Sąjunga dabartiniu laiku turi apie 60,000 narių, kurie kaip skruzdės, vygdami savo šūkį: "Dievui ir Tėvynei" veikia įvairiose Lietuvos kampeliuose. "Pavasarininkai" šiandien, — tai Lietuvos organizmą gaivinantis kraujas. Jie užliejo visą Lietuvos gyvenimą ir, kaip pavasario saulė, — ardo žiemos darbus ir kuria naują gamtos gyvenimą . . . Pavasarininkai šiandien savo skaičiumi ir darbais yra jau toli prašokę visas kitas Lietuvoje esančias organizacijas . . ." — ("Pavasario" Sąj. Istoriniai Bruožai).

Tiek viena, tiek antra organizacija yra turėję daug garsių kongresų, suvažiavimų, konferencijų, kursų ir tt. Šių organizacijų veikimas eina mažuose vietuose: kuopose, korporacijose, suvažiavimuose. Susirinkimai būna dažnai ir labai turiningi. Jų programa susideda iš paskaitų, dainų, muzikos, eilėraščių, sporto, žaidimų, šporų, šokių ir tt. ir tt. Žodžiu, susirinkimų programa labai turininga ir įvairi.

Sąjungos turi savo laikraščius, sales, knygynus, namus ir kitą turtą. Be to sąjungos turi savo uniformas ir jas dėvi šventomis dienomis ar iškilmių metu, o kiekviena kuopa ar korporacija turi savo vėliavas. Organizacijoms vadovauja žymūs Lietuvos visuomenės veikėjai. Organizacijose yra didelis bendradarbiavimas, sutarimas ir drausmė.

"Ateitininkų" ir "Pavasario" Sąjungos yra Lietuvos jaunimo branduolys. Prieauglių šioms sąjungoms duoda "Angelo Sargo Vaikų Sąjunga," kuri turi taip pat virš 60,000 narių ir gražiai klesti. Be šių sąjungų daug katalikiško jaunimo veikia ir kitose jaunimo organizacijose: "Šaulių," "Katalikų Darbininkų" ir kitose. Katalikų jaunimo veikimas Lietuvoje atrodo, šiaip:



KUN. KAZIMIERAS URBONAVIČIUS, L. Vyčių org. garbės narys, rašytojas, poetas, publicistas. Daug rašas katalikiškai spaudai ir žurnalui Vyčiai. Dabar reziduojas So. Bostone.

Katalikų Veikimo Centras — visų katalikiškų organizacijų galvą. Toliau, "Ateitininkų" Federacija iš kurios išeina trys šakos: 1. Profesionalų Sąjunga; 2. Studentų Sąjunga; 3. Moksleivių Sąjunga. Visos šios sąjungos turi savo Centrus, o iš šių sąjungų skirstosi į rajonus, korporacijas, kuopas ir pavienius asmenis.

Antra tai "Pavasario" Sąjunga, kuri sudariusi rajonus ir kuopas visoje Lietuvoje. Trečia: "Angelo Sargo" Vaikų Sąjunga, su Centru, rajonais ir kuopoms. Apart šių, yra ir daugiau katalikiškų organizacijų kurios gražiai veikia pagal K. Veikimo Centro direktyvą.

P. Kupraitis.



KUN. KAZIMIERAS JENKUS. Šv. Petro parapijos vikaras, 17 Vyčių kp. narys, nuoširdus jaunimo draugas.

Ar Verta Priklausyti Prie Vyčių Organizacijos

Kiekvienas jaunikaitis ar panelė pastato prieš savę klausimą. Ar verta priklausyti prie Vyčių organizacijos? Ir ką man Vyčiai duos? Pirmiausiai Vyčiai yra katalikiška organizacija, jos obalsis "Tautai ir Bažnyčiai". Šioje organizacijoje priklausęs jaunuolis-lė noroms nenoroms patampa geru lietuvių-kataliku. Lietuvių priežodis sako, pasakyk su kuom draugauji, pasakysiu kuo pats esi.

Noriu pradėti, jaunimu atvažiavusiu iš Lietuvos, galiu paimti pavyzdžiu pats save, atvažiavau iš Lietuvos turėdamas septiniolika metų, Amerikoje turiu daug genčių, vieni iš jų subedievėjo, atšalę nuo katalikų bažnyčios, kiti prisiklausę visokių izmų. Man jaunam "grinoriui" pradėjo duoti visokius patarimus, dalis iš tų patarimų buvo man labai naudingi, o dalis visai ne, labiausiai iš tų patarimų man įstrigo į širdį, kuomet mano giminaitis bolševikas (nes jis juom visuomet didžiuojasi) pasiulė, kad jis man užrašys laikraštį, nes noris mane kiek nors "apšviesti." Ačiu Dievui, kad aš jo tos apšvietos nepriėmiau, bet vietoj to dažinojau apie L. Vyčių organizaciją, susira-

dau ir prisirašiau prie jos. Laiminga buvo ta diena kuomet prisirašiau prie Vyčių, nes jei ne Vyčiai, sunku būtų pasakyti, kuom šiandiena aš būčiau, nežinau ar būčiau išlaikęs katalikybę, o gal būčiau savo giminaičio pasiūlimą priėmęs. Tai čia tik mano asmenio patirimas, ką aš pats pergyvenau, bet juk žinome desetkus jaunuolių, kurie atvažiavę iš Lietuvos buvo geri katalikai, ateidavo į bažnyčią, vėliaus katrie atėjo prie Vyčių, tie ir šiandieną yra su katalikais, o kurie nuėjo antruoju keliu, daugelis iš jų šiandieną tautai ir bažnyčiai gėda daro.

Dabar paimkime čiagimusį ir augusį jaunimą, kurie priklauso ar kada nors priklausė prie Vyčių, jie visi su maža išimtimi, gerai moka savo tėvų kalbą ir yra praktikuojanti katalikai. Nes Vyčiuose priklausydami, jie lankosi į kuopos susirinkimus, kurie beveik visur yra laikomi Lietuvių kalba, mokinasi perstatyti įvairius veikalus, rengia debatus, yra ir tokių kuopų kur laikomi Lietuvių kalbos kursai ir daug visokių kitų dalykelių, kurie pagelbsta išmokti savo tėvų kalbos. Beto Vyčiai kaip katalikai, turi įvairias rekollekcijas, eina bendrai prie Šv. Komunijos.

Turime daug įvairių profesionalų, biznierių, kurie yra buvę Vyčiuose, jie visi šiandieną yra dėkingi Vyčių organizacijai, kad jie išmoko vartoti Lietuvių kalbą, kuri šiandieną labai visiems yra reikalinga, nes didžiumoje jie iš Lietuvių gyvenimą sau daro. Drąsiai galiu sakyti, jeigu šiandieną kiekvienoje lietuvių kolonijoje, būtų L. Vyčių kuopa tai nereikėtų mums rūpintis ir sielvartouti, kad mūsų jaunimas ištautės. Brangus skaiytojau manau, kad sutiksi su mano nuomone, kad ne tik verta, bet ir pareiga yra priklausyti prie Vyčių.

Senas Vytis.

MŪSŲ VYČIAI

Rašant šį raštelį turiu minty Lietuvos Vyčių 17 Algirdo kuopą, So. Boston, Mass. Kadangi ši kuopa užsitarnauja ypatingo dėmesio ir kaip apie tokią norisi tarti žodelis spaudoje.

Dar nesenas laikas (apie du metai), kuomet ir aš žygiavau tos kuopos rykiuotėje ir stebėjau atsidėjęs to gražaus būrelio, čia gimusio jaunimo, organizacinį auklėjimąsi. Buvo ir iš Lietuvos atvykusių, — jų buvo, kaip pasakoja senesnieji L. Vyčiai, pirmiaus dauguma, vėliaus mažuma. Vadovavo, dažniausiai atvykę iš Lietuvos jaunuoliai.

Atskiruose pasikalbėjimuose, jaunuoliai atvykę iš Lietuvos, kuomet aplinkybių verčiami išeidavo iš kuopos, pareikšdavo, kad Vyčiai ir jų lietuviybė gęsta . . .

Gyvenimėlis, kaip tas skaidrus vandenėlis riedėjo savo vaga. Mainosi Vyčiuose nariai, vadai, — galop atsiskleidė naujas lapas ir štai L. Vyčių kuopa, visa dauguma susidedanti iš čia-gimusio jaunimo, žengia į gyvenimą iškėlus aukštai savo vėliavą su obalsiu — Dievui ir Tėvynei.

Kartą užklausu vieno Lietuvos Vyčių 17 Algirdo kuopos vado-veterano, ar nereiktų daryti pastangų, kad priglauti prie L. Vyčių tik-ką iš Lietuvos atvykusių, gan didelį būrį, jaunuolių? Man paaiškino, kad jeigu jie įeitų nežymia dauguma ir mėgintų suprasti čia-gimusio jaunimo dvasia, tai jie gal ir susilietų. Ir



PRANAS RAZVADAUSKAS, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. garbės pirmininkas, N. A. Apskričio pirmininkas. Pranas nuoširdžiai dirba Vyčiams ir, pavyzdį rodo kitiems. Daug dirbęs šio numerio išleidime.



ANTANAS GAPUTIS, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. pirmininkas. Antanas labai populiarus jaunuolis ir daug nuoširdumo ir darbo įdėjęs Vyčiams.

jei taip susigyventų, tai būtų gan gražus harmoningas darbas. Bet jeigu įvedus į kuopą gan didelį būrį iš Lietuvos atvykusio jaunimo, o tas jaunimas jeigu imtūsi tvarkytis Lietuvos mada, tai tuojaus susidarytų dvi skirtingos grupės. Tos grupės viena kitos nesuprastų, ir manau bet-koks harmoningas darbas būtų neįmanomas. Norim ar nenorim, šiandien reikia pripažinti tas faktas, kad vyrauja jaunimas jau čia-gimęs ir augęs . . .

Toks paaiškinimas, giliai pažįstančio jaunimo gyvenimą, atrodo, jog jau Vyčiams viskas, kas tik lietuviška, esą svetima. Ir tą jam nedrąsiai prikišau. Vienok skaudžiai apsirikau. Jis pradėjo aiškinti: — „pirmininkavau 17 Algirdo kuopai tais laikais, kuomet kuopa turėjo daugumą narių iš Lietuvos atvykusio jaunimo; pirmininkavau kokį laiką, kuomet buvo pusiau — čia-gimusių ir atvykusių; ir pirmininkavau jau tuo laiku, kada buvo visa dauguma čia-gimusių jaunuolių. Nors čia-gimusiam jaunimui Lietuvos reikalai ir mažiau pažįstami, bet tautiškas-lietuviškumas bei katalikybės reikalai, jiems visuomet prie širdies. Kiekviena skaudi žinia iš tėvynės Lietuvos; kiekvienas atsisaukimas bėgančio Tėvynės ir Bažnyčios reikalais, jų visuomet buvo, yra ir bus nugirstas . . .“

To man užteko.

Vytis —

Tai ne tušti žodžiai. Jeigu prisiminsime tik keletą pavyzdžių, kaip tai: Atvykus dr. J. Leimonui su J. B. Laučka, Vyčiai išsijuosę dirbo su klebonu kun. P. Virmauskiu išvien, kad tik sukėlus jų maršrutui užsibręžtą sumą. Buvo sukelta šimtinė. Pernai atsisaukia Lietuvių Šv. Petro par. Vasarinės Mokyklos vadovybė prašydama paramos, Vyčiai paklojo šimtinę. Atsisaukia „D-ko“ Intertypos Fondo ūgdymo vadovybė ir čia L. Vyčiai stoji talkon su parengimu ir bematant išaugo virš šimto gryno pelno. Kam nežinomas sporto reikalų finansavimas. Juk kuopa aplaikydavo kasmet baseball ratelį, kuris kainuodavo keletą šimtų dolerių per metus. Ogi smulkesnių aukų Vyčiai yra suteikę ir skulptoriaus Rimšos „Artojaus“ išpirkimui ir parėmimui ligoje kun. Plevoko ir Klaipėdos pabėgėliams ir tt. ir tt.

Šie visi faktai kalba, kad kuopa gyva, veikli, taipgi visuomet iškilmingai apvaikščioja šventes: — Šv. Kazimiero, Motinų Dieną ir netiesioginiai prisideda prie minėjimo: Spalių 9-tosios, Vasario 16-sios ir k.

Turint minty visa tai kas pasakyta, nors ir tik dalinai, veržiasi linkėjimai L. Vyčių 17 Algirdo kuopai, jos 25 metų sukakties proga, kad ji gyvuotų ilgiausius metus!

J. K-pa.

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EDITOR'S MEMOS

In response to numerous queries from members as to visual material which they wish to include in the journal, it has always been the policy of the organization to include any and all photos, drawings, etc., made or created by the members. This is **your** magazine and anything which you think will be of interest to fellow members of the entire organization will be inserted if you comply with the following conditions — the photo or sketch should be forwarded to the editor in the form of a cut or a mat, otherwise it would entail the expense of engraving same and it would have to be borne by such individual or council seeking to insert it within the pages of the magazine. We insist on cuts or mats since we have no working fund from which such engraving cost would be drawn. Therefore any council or any member who wishes to have any such material printed should send the cut or mat along with a writeup about the subject portrayed to the editor who will publish same without cost. Individual cuts or mats should not be larger than one column in width.

On request of the Convention Arrangements Committee of the XXVII Annual Convention which is to be held at Kearny-Harrison with Council 90 acting as host, we wish to remind the members, delegates and guests to register as soon as possible since it will more fully aid the committee in its preparation. The registration fee is \$7.00 if registration is made before August 1st. After that date the fee will be \$8.00. Those planning to attend should register immediately.

Correspondents and contributors are again being reminded that the deadline for the material to the current issue of the Vytis is the fifth of the month. Any material received after such date is held over till the next issue if the contents is suitable otherwise its discarded.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to Mr. John Juozaitis — of Chicago, who was kind to furnish the back copies of the Vytis for the years of 1934 and 1931. Incidentally under the leadership of Mr. Juozaitis, Council 112 has been reorganized and is showing promise of attaining its recognized position among the Councils, as the highest ranking Council in membership enrollment. I further wish to express my thanks to Mr. Anthony Peleckis of Linden, N. J., who was II Vice President of the Supreme Council in 1929-1930, for supplying the missing copies of the journal for the years of 1930. Thank you both for your splendid cooperation.

The search for the missing copies to complete a full abridgement of Vytis continues. At the present time we seek to find the following issues:

The years of 1929 — 263 264 265 266 268 269 270 275 277 278 279 280.

The year of 1928 — 239 to 262 inclusive.

The year of 1927 — 215 to 238 inclusive.

The year of 1928 — 214*.

The year of 1925 — 172* 183.

The year of 1924 — 151 to 167 inclusive.

The year of 1923 — 134 135 138 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150.

The year of 1922 — 123 124 126 129 130 131.

The year of 1916 — 22 to 34 inclusive.

*(The issues 214 172 and 183 are particularly important).

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEMOS

Well! the drive is over! And here are the winners and all other particulars regarding this successful drive.

FINAL COMPLETE COUNCIL STANDINGS:

C-17	So. Boston, Mass.	340	points
C-12	New York, N. Y.	200	"
C-55	Indiana Harbor, Ind.	160	"
C-109	Great Neck, L. I.	150	"
C-36	Chicago, Illinois	130	"
C-52	Elizabeth, N. J.	75	"
C-14	Cicero, Illinois	70	"
C-23	Philadelphia, Pa.	65	"
C-90	Harrison-Kearny, N. J.	55	"
C-30	Westfield, Mass.	50	"
C-112	Chicago, Illinois	45	"
C-113	Linden, N. J.	45	"
C-27	Norwood, Mass.	40	"
C-24	Chicago, Illinois	25	"
C-26	Worcester, Mass.	20	"
C-41	Brooklyn, N. Y.	15	"
C-4	Chicago, Illinois	10	"
C-7	Waterbury, Conn.	10	"
C-96	Dayton, Ohio	10	"
C-110	Maspeth, L. I.	10	"
C-8	Chicago, Illinois	5	"

INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS

Peter Vaicels	C-12	200	points
Anthony Gaputis	C-17	170	"
Mary Rusas	C-109	150	"
Mary Marcinkevičius	C-23	65	"
John Varnas	C-17	60	"
Ed Pribush	C-113	40	"
V. Barcauskas	C-90	35	"
Frances Radomskis	C-14	30	"
Ann Razwad	C-17	25	"
Eugenia Nausėda	C-24	20	"
Valeria Krauchunas	C-36	20	"
Josephine Girdžius	C-36	20	"
Bernard Kvietkus	C-36	20	"
J. L. Petrauskas	C-17	20	"
J. Lescinskas	C-17	20	"

The first three won the official K of L pin. It is not quite possible to list every member who has earned any number of points, but here are listed only the highest.

During the drive we increased our membership:

With new members	300
Rejoined	77

TOTAL 377

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!!

In the next issue of Vytis will be published the delegate allowance for each council. Members! pay your dues now so we could have as large as possible a delegation present at our convention. Members must be paid to July 1, 1939. Dues must be received by the **SUPREME COUNCIL FINANCIAL SECRETARY** not later than **JUNE 30**.

Irene J. Pakeltis,

Financial Secretary.



FELICIJA GRANDELYTĖ, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kuopos nutarimų raštininkė, labai darbšti ir nuoširdi Vytė.



STEPONAS MICKEVIČIUS, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. kasininkas, ir nuoširdus Vytis.



ONA RAZVADAUSKAITĖ, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. finansų raštininkė, nuoširdi ir darbšti Vytė.

ALGIRDO KUOPOS VALDYBA



JONAS L. PETRAUSKAS, vienas iš pirmųjų Vyčių ir daug dirbęs praeity. Jonas 17-toje Algirdo kuopoje, dabar einas kasos globėjo pareigas.



BRONIUS SKRICKUS, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. vice-pirm. Bronius jaunas narys, bet nuoširdus ir darbštus kuopoje.



PETRAS BUKOTA, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. kasos globėjas. Ilgametis nuoširdus Vytis.

TAUTAI IR BAŽNYČIAI

Amerikoje visus žmones galime paskirstyti į dvi stambias grupes: materialistus ir idealistus. Materialistai rūpinasi tik savim, savo medžiagine gerove, dirba ir gyvena tik tam, kad gardžiai pavalgytų, lengvai gyventojų, smagiai laiką praleistų. Jų tikslas — pilvas, o jų Dievas — doleris. Kitais klausimais jie mažai tesirūpina, o jei ir sielojasi tai tik dėl to, kad jiems būtų geriau, kad pats su šeima būtų sotus. Idealistai be savo asmeninei gerovei turi dar aukštesnių uždavinių, siekių, kilnių tikslų, vadinamų idealais. Juos jungia bendruomenėn ne asmeniniai interesai, išskaičiavimai, bet tie aukštesni ir bendri tai grupei tikslai.

Lietuvos Vyčiai kaip tik priklauso prie antrosios žmonių grupės. Vyčius jungia ne medžiaginiai tikslai, ne asmeniškai interesai, bet kilnūs Dievo ir Tėvynės idealai. Vyčių Sąjungos ideologija pagrįsta **Katalikyste ir Lietuvybe**. Nariais gali būti tik Amerikos lietuviai katalikai jaunuoliai ir jaunuolės. Visas Vyčių veikimas ir vadovaujasi šiais lietuviybės ir katalikybės idealais.

Priklausome ir dirbame Vyčių sąjungoje, kad bendrai susispietę galėtume lengviau lavintis, šviestis katalikiškoje dvasioje, kad galėtume sukurti katalikiškas ir lietuviškas šeimas ir tokiais pat išauklėti savo vaikus.

Lietuviybės išlaikymo Amerikoje klausimas Vyčiams yra labai svarbus. Todėl tas visuose suvažiavimuose, seimuose, susirinkimuose svarstoma, ieškoma priemonių, kaip sulaikyti lietuvių nutautėjimą, kaip dar ilgiau išlaikyti lietuvišką dvasią, papročius, lietuvių kalbą.

Vyčiai, sudarydami gana stambią dalį Amerikos lietuviškosios katalikų visuomenės, savo veikime, visuose darbuose vadovaujasi tėvų ir senuolių pagrindiniais religijos ir tautiškumo principais. Vytis, kur bežengtų, ką beveiktų, nuolat prieš akis turi savo himno brangius žodžius:

“Ei, Vyčiai, gyvenam
Tautai ir Bažnyčiai.”

LOOKING FORWARD

Our recent membership drive resulted in a material increase in our membership total.

We sincerely hope that the progressive spirit shown by many of our councils during the drive will not wane, but that efforts will be continued to augment the organization's roster. All too often in the past, we have made appreciable gains during a membership drive, only to lose most of this gain during the remainder of the year.

Our organization now has more members than at any time during the past seven years. If we earnestly determine to hold these gains and to build upon them, there are no reasons why the Knights of Lithuania cannot equal and surpass all past heights of achievement and develop into a real stronghold of Catholic Lithuanian-American youth, accomplishing many things for the well-being of our people.

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To attain our goal, it is necessary that we try to establish as many new councils as possible in those communities where they do not exist at present. We, of course, are not in a position to send paid organizers to do this work. However, many of our members are acquainted with worth-while Catholic Lithuanians of the younger generation residing in other communities. These people can be approached on the subject of organizing a council. If they show interest and are willing to gather a nucleus of members for a new council, notify your district officers. They willingly will give all necessary cooperation for the venture. If the city is located outside of district boundaries get in touch with the Supreme Council officers, who will give immediate attention to the matter. If we make a serious effort along these lines, surely we can accomplish much in furthering our cause.

Frank A. Gudelis,

I Vice-President Supreme Council.

WELCOME GRADUATES!

For the twenty-seventh year the Knights of Lithuania extends its annual warm welcome and invitation to those of you who are graduating school to join this organization which has been built by your forefathers to foster and propagate the motto “FOR GOD AND COUNTRY.”

Regardless of whether you are graduating grammar or parochial schools, high schools, or institutions of higher learning, you will find that the Knights of Lithuania is the sole organization where you can imbibe the spirit of true Catholicism combined with that of true patriotism. The latter is of a dual nature: the patriotism which we have for this country since we have the honor of being its citizens, and the patriotism which we bear to the land of our fathers.

This three point program has been strictly adhered to by the Knights' organization — never was deviated from or lost in a maze of entangled and distorted objectives — and — never will be.

Here you can find friends who share your view point on life. Here you can find an opportunity to avail yourself of every possibility for self-betterment. Here, too, you can find social stability.

Once more we invite you to become one of us — and lend your efforts in behalf of the greatest of mottoes — “GOD AND COUNTRY.”

— *Vytis*

TĒVO DIENA

Jungtinėse Amerikos Valstybėse nėra tik Motinos Diena, bet ir Tėvo Diena švenčiama. Motinos Diena švenčiama gegužės mėnesį, o Tėvo Diena birželio mėnesį.

Motinos Dieną, tarytum, širdis šokinėja ir nori išsireikšti meilės žodžiais. Tėvo Dieną jau kas kita. Širdies jausmai nekyla. Tada tik didvyriškumo mintys versta verčiasi pasirodyti. Žodis "Tėvas" vaizdiškai primena mums kad tėvas yra šeimos galva, šeimos pagrindas, drąsos ir stiprybės šaltinis, šeimos ir tėvynės gynėjas, narsusis tautos kareivis, sunkaus jungo nešėjas, ir tt. Ir apie kiekvieną iškeltą mintį galima daug rašyti, bet šiame straipsnyje teks rašyti tik apie tėvą kaip sunkaus jungo nešėją, ryškiau rašant, kodėl lietuvis tėvas per šimtmečius turėjo nešti tokį sunkų jungą?

Kai kurie atsakys, Šventasis Raštas turįs parašęs kad prakaitu žmogus uždirbs kasdieninę savo duoną. Teisybė! Bet kodėl lietuvis tėvas turėjo uždirbti kasdieninę duoną kartu prakaitu? Atsakyti tam klausimui reikia kreiptis į istorijos knygas ir pastebėti kas per tuos šimtmečius įvyko kad lietuvis tėvas šiais laikais sunkiais darbais taip slėgiamas.

Europoje yra trys tautos, kurias per šimtmečius norėjo ir tebenori užkariauti kitas tautas. Viena tauta visomis savo jėgomis, politinėmis ir karinėmis, stengiasi kad jos baltas erelis skraidytų po visą pasaulį. Kita tauta šūkauja: "Drang nach Osten" (Veržimasis į rytus). O trečioji dabartiniais laikais veržiasi į kitus kraštus šūkaudama kad kiekvienas žmogus nešiotų prisisegęs plaktuko ir piautuvo simbolį. Bet tiesiog skverbti į svetimą šalį nėra geistina, nes būtų nusikaltimas taktikai ir toks žygis gali nepatikti kai kuriai galingesniai tautai. Taigi, reikia rasti nors kokią pasiteisinimo priežastį. Taip imperialistinės tautos daro ir prieš kelerius šimtmečius taip darė. Erelis šalininkai gyrėsi kad "pagoniškajai" tautai suteiks tikrą tikėjimą. "Veržimasis į rytus" buvo pakeistas protestantizmo šūkais. O carizmo tikslas buvo apdengtas pravoslavų žydu. Visi atžygiavo išvaryti piktųjų stambeldybės dvasių. Bet kas įvyko?

Dėl įvairių priežasčių nustatytas jų tikslas, kaip rytinė migla, išnyko. Dabar jiems rūpėjo būdai užkariauti "pagoniškąją" tautą, prijungti prie savosios. Be to, lietuvių tarpe buvo vadinamųjų ponukų. Nerašoma ponų, nes ponai turi savigarbos. Bet buvo ponukų, kuriems rūpėjo

nė savigarba, bet savinauda. Jie lengvino darbą priešui. O priešas, baltojo erelio pavidalu, pasirodė ir vienus taip gražiai glostė prižadėdamas saujelę sidabrinių ir apsaugos nuo baisaus šūkio: "Veržimasis į rytus," o kitus taip išgąsdino kad jie pardavė save ir savo valdinius. Trumpu laiku nuvilti ponukai pastebėjo kad nebuvo nei tų sidabrinių, nei tos apsaugos, nes nėra tik vokiška ranka spaudė tilžiečius ir klaipeidiečius, bet ir rusų carizmas jau skverbėsi ir kai kuriose vietose stipriai pasirodė. Bet jau per vėlu išsivaduoti. Pirmieji darbai buvo per gerai atlikti. Tauta jau buvo po svetimųjų vėliavos. Dabar rusas tik prispaudė dar griežčiau. Uždraudė savą kalbą, savuosius raštus, tautinius susirinkimus, ir tt.

Kadangi lietuvis nebuvo auklėjamas rusų kalba ir raštu, nepajėgė susikalbėti ir todėl buvo laikomas bemokslu. Be to, daug lietuvių tarnavo ponukams. O ponukai prispaudė tautiečius dar daugiau ir privertė dar sunkiau dirbti, kad darbas atneštų daugiau pelno, iš kurio galėtų daugiau skirti rusų viršininkams patenkinti ir sušvelninti kad jie ponukų taip nespautų. O lietuvis tautietis, lietuvis tėvas, kad vargo, tai vargo. Turėjo klausyti kaip žandarai niekino gimtąją jo kalbą, brangius jo papročius, ir visą ką jis brangino. Be to, neleido jam lavintis bei mokytis. "Gana kad tie muzikai gali pasirašyti savo vardą ir perskaityti maldaknygę!" Dabar aiškėja, kodėl lietuvis tėvas pabėgęs iš nelaisvės ir atvykęs į Ameriką negalėjo gauti lengvesnio darbo kaip tik kasyklose, pieno fabrikuose ir kitose prakaito dirbtuvėse. Tas vargdienis, bemokslis, kartais beraštis, atvyko laimės ieškoti. Dabar suprantama, kodėl lietuvis turėjo nešti sunkų jungą per šimtmečius. Lenkas, rusas, vokiečiai ir baudžiava prispaudė lietuvių tėvą; uždraudė jam mokytis; privertė taip sunkiai dirbti kad valandėlė poilsio vakaras buvo laukiama kaip dangaus dovanėlės.

Lietuvi tėve, Tėvo Dieną, ypatingu būdu nuoširdžiai dėkojame tau ir didžiujam iškovotais tavo laimėjimais. Ištiesiame meilės ranką, dėkodami kad sunkiai uždirbtais centeliais išauklėja mus kad mums nereikėtų taip sunkiai dirbti ir taip vargingai gyventi kaip tau reikėjo. Lietuvi tėve, tavo gyvenimas yra mums pavyzdys, viltis ir akstinas kovoti už visa ką tu branginai per šimtmečius ir dar brangini. Te-laimina tave Visagalis Dievas, mūsų amerikiečių malda ir linkėjimas.

A. J. P.



VYČIAI VEIKIA

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR MAY 1939

Norwood, Mass	C-27	\$4.00
Cicero, Illinois	C-14	1.95
Chicago, Illinois	C-36	6.60
Newark, N. J.	C-29	4.80
Hartford, Conn.	C-6	17.20
Dayton, Ohio	C-96 Jr.	.54
Paterson, N. J.	C-61	9.30
Chicago, Illinois	C-36	4.80
Great Neck, L. I.	C-109	6.00
Worcester, Mass.	C-26	19.73
Cicero, Illinois	C-14	3.00
Kearny-Harrison, N. J.	C-90	7.60
Chicago, Ill.	C-24	8.27
Indiana Harbor, Ind.	C-55	1.20
Chicago, Ill.	C-36	4.77
So. Worcester, Mass.	C-116	4.60
New York, N. Y.	C-12	3.00
Dayton, Ohio	C-96	5.78
Athol, Mass.	C-10	4.87
Chicago, Ill.	C-36	380
Maspeth, L. I.	C-110	2.60
So. Boston, Mass.	C-17	11.50
Chicago, Ill.	C-24	7.30
Brooklyn, N. Y.	C-41	1.30

Irene J. Pakeltis,

Financial Sec. Supreme Council

CENTRO PROTOKOLŲ RAŠTI- NINKĖS RAPORTAS

Chicagos dalis Centro Valdybos laikė posėdį ketvirtadienį, birželio 1, 1939 m. Ši mėnesį sekantieji nariai neprisiuntė savo raportų: Charles Paulauskas, Victor Babel, Charles Bason, Frank Razvadauskas ir Louis Ketvirtis. Iš Chicagos neatsilankė B. Klimas.

Buvo pranešta, kad narių vėjus labai gerai pasisekė ir 17 kp. South Boston laimėjo pirmą vietą.

Buvo paaiškinta, kad C. V. nariai darbuojasi kaslink skolų.

"Vyties" redaktorius visų prašo kad prisiųstų senas kopijas "Vyties" kurių jis prašė. Vasario laidoje.

Yra sužinota kad kunigui Ambotui iš Hartford, Conn. buvo suteikta praloto titulas. Centras sveikina Pralotą Ambotą.

Centras praneša, kad 17 kuopa So. Boston išleidžia Birželio "Vytį". Centras taria širdingą "ačiū" 17-tai kuopai.

Bronė Rimkus,

Centro Prot. Rašt.

COUNCIL 61 — PATERSON, N. J.

Once again the Paterson Knights greet their fraternal brothers and sisters through the monthly issue of their magazine. First of all we wish to thank all the councils that attended our 27th annual spring dance and sincerely believe that all had an enjoyable time. With the month of June already here, the writers are a little disappointed in not being able to announce any trips to the altar. What do you say Wally give us a break? Well it looks as if our latest female member has broken into the news once more. This time she was seen at the District dance and not only had one admirer but a close look was necessary in order to see whether Frances B. was there or not. Maybe she was the drawing card at our Spring dance.

Who could ever imagine the Tacionis sisters taking up skating for hip reducing. Oh well it's only to satisfy us, eh girls. Not wanting Jim Novick (better known as Secausus Jim) to be tops with his "Dogpatch Express," Jules M. bought himself a "39 Pontiac and Tony B. reneged with a new Buick. We are wondering what happened to Bill N. and Mike T. with their coaxing on a certain Saturday Night. Hate to say it but both of you are slipping into the novice class again. Bill G. and Tony L. are still insisting that it was an automobile mishap that kept them on a fishing trip till late one night. Frank A. will not tell us why he had to change his suit

after the Linden dance; the only thing we can find out is that it wasn't from excess drinking. If you want a dance announced, simply ask Chas S. When the band leader refuses, he threatens to see the Alderman about it. Anyway it is announced. It looks as if Nellie M. doesn't want her name mentioned, or is it the way we do it that she doesn't like. Musling is all-right at times but when Mart T. decided to indulge that is where we just watch.

Talking about nerve, just imagine Tony B. and Joe L. going over to Speed Venskus' house after a game of tennis to take a shower, have some drinks and then top it off with a swell dinner. No wonder Speed doesn't want to know them.

Buzz and Flash.



MARTYNAS GAPUTIS, L. Vyčių 17-tos Algirdo kp. tvarkdarys ir Bowling Alley vedėjas. Daug parodęs nuoširdumo.

COUNCIL 14 — CICERO, ILL.

Business Meeting. Indeed, it was a complete surprise, and very encouraging to see such a large attendance at our meeting held on Friday, May 26. Keep up the good work, we have the proper spirit, only a little more effort is needed to build up the Council. Our spiritual adviser, Father Stanley Valuckis, is always present at our meetings. The entertainment Committee planned a social after the meeting, and Ice Cream was served to all present.

The following new members have joined our council recently — Jean Verb, Ann Mikutis, Helen Milauskas, Joseph Dolan, Judy Zilvitis, John Anelis, Al Davis, Jerry Kasulaitis, Aldona Sleinis, Joseph Kasulaitis, Eleanore Muraska, John Zukauskas, Mike Laugodas, Olga Stanis, Vincent Kasulaitis, Anthony Daunis, Leona Libby, and Joan Anglickis. Our Council has increased in membership and activity. We sincerely hope that with the cooperation of new and old members, we will once again become a very popular Council.

Just a Reminder! Our Council has a meeting every second and fourth Friday of the month. Also, bring along a new member. Thank you!

What a nite, was our Weenie Roast Nite!! The Council presented just for good fun a "Weenie Roast" on Saturday, May 27, at one of the Forest Preserves. At 9:00 P. M. a large crowd gathered at the parish hall, to join the caravan of Merrymakers. Shortly

before departing a sudden rain had sent a chilly gloom on the prospects of the anticipated outing. However, in spite of the rain, about ten cars, packed with pleasure seekers, departed to our destination. Upon arrival the rain had stopped, and the fun was on.

Many thanks to the Committee — Judy Zilvitis, Marianne Daunis, Florence Arbir, Olga Stanis, Al Davis, John Kasulaitis, and Roy Eisin, for presenting a very pleasant outing. Again, many thanks.

Pen.

COUNCIL 110 — MASPETH, N. Y.

With the noise and din and merriment still ringing in my ears I try to give you my impressions of our Annual Spring Dance. The Dance started officially at the Wezwick domicile where resplendent gentlemen and gorgeous ladies formally attired had a meeting in anticipation of the night to come. After the preliminaries were over the dance started and joy and merriment reigned until the small hours of the morning. A certain young gentlemen from Chicago, Chester by name, certainly was not sorry he came; or may be he was! It was very late the next day when the Knights reunited and held their postmortems on how so and so was dressed and didn't Mrs. J. Augustinas look stunning in that up sweep coiffure and doesn't Slim have the darnest time finding himself an equal in size for dancing. I distinctly heard somebody say something about floating battleships but perhaps that was hallucinations.

That altar rail seems to me very

popular lately, what, with all those prospects and now Bladie Ilgunas gets herself a likely partner and joins the merry throng of married folks. What Ho! for a life of a hermit or the South Sea Isles.

In accordance with an ancient custom of ye merrie knights of Maspeth, a festival was given by ye bold fireman Sir Joseph Gedris at the Round table at the lodge in Maspeth. Quatt the nut broun Ale and wassail thru the night. Sir Michael Wezwick joined in the supplying of ye refreshments due to the fact that some time ago he was born on that day.

During the weekend your correspondent went up into the mountains to have a look at the hills. After viewing them in all their glory, he rushed back home and now a group is planning to do some honest to goodness mountain climbing. We hope those old leg muscles hold out.

Due to our proximity to the World's Fair, the Knights have had plenty of oppoortunities to view the spectacular wonders located there. When you out-of-towners come around the neighborhood, look us up and promote the spirit of interstate brotherhood. Why heck only the other day one of the Knights said he'd be only too glad to take anybody around town or thru the World's Fair explaining every thing if some body paid for his way! Our clubrooms in Maspeth opposite Mt. Olivet on Remsen Place are open every evening for all member Knights. Our meetings are held the first Monday of the month.

Don Julio.

UPAS

Upas, prakilnus užsidegimas žmonių širdžių del atlikimo kokio nors gero darbo ar skirium, ar bendrai su vienminčiais yra, be abejo, geras apsireiškimas. Del sukėlimo upo yra daug daroma; branginami yra žmonės, kurie pajėgia kitų gerą upą sukelti; yra daug darbų, kurių įvykdomas be upo yra tiesiog neįmanomas. O vienok ūpas nėra pats geriausias akstinas žmogaus veikimui: geresnis už jį yra šaltas apsvarstymas, kad tą ar kitą reikia atlikti, kad ir be upo, kad be vidujinio džiaugsmo. Kitą sykį net religiniame gyvenime žmones vadovaujasi upu: Upas užeina — ir meldžiasi, ir labai meldžiasi; upas praeina ir visiškai nesimeldžia. Tai nėra gerai. Pastovus maldingumas — ar su upu, ar be upo, tai yra tas geras širdies nusistatymas, kuris dau-

giausia reikšmės turi religiniame gyvenime.

Tvirtas pasirižimas kasdien ryte ir vakare poterėlius sukalbėti ir išpildymas to pasirižimo, ištikimas, kas sekmadienį Šv. Mišių klausymas, kas mėnesį su draugija ar atskirai ėjimas prie Šv. Sakramentų — kasdieninis dalyvavimas Gegužinėse prie Švč. Marijos pamaldose — tie pastovus pamaldumai — geriausiai išdirba žmogaus, ypač jaunuolio ir jaunuolės budą, pakelia prie Dievo, užgrudina kitiems geriems darbams. Gerai yra pasiduoti susidariusiam bendram geram upui ir sykiu su kitais ką nors nepaprasto padaryti, bet geriau yra neapleisti savo gerų paprastų įpročių. Upas yra kaip šiaudinė ugnis, kuri smarkiai užsidega ir greit užgesta. Musų gyvenimas turi buti kaip toji Šventoji bažnytinė ugnelė prie altoriaus, kuri niekuomet neturi užgesti.

K. M. U.

COUNCIL 55 — INDIANA HARBOR, IND.

On April 3, President J. Waupsh presided over the meeting. The minutes and letters were read and accepted.

A report on a wedding gift was sent in by Mrs. Lucas. A letter was received from the Center asking us to sponsor an affair but this matter was put off to some later date.

April 22, in the late afternoon, Ann Avelis became Mrs. Frank Nagy. We wish to extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Nagy.

New members taken in last meeting were Stelle Beekins and Stephany Rantauskas.

The committee in charge of the next social is the following: Helen Strumskis, Estelle Yurgutis, Kate Laucis, Charles Koczis and John Waupsh.

Kate, who was behind that camera to make you smile that way? We wonder——.

Frank Jutkus is now able to be up and about after an apendectomy. He said he found the nurses at the hospital very, very nice. My Frank, why shouldn't they be?????

A little birdie told me that Ann Goodman will enter the ranks of matrimony this June. Ah, a June bride! We wish you all the luck in the world, Ann.

Have you all seen the lovely drawing on the front of the Lankytojas That is Al Petrauskas' work, he is now assisting Father Malakauskas with the church's weekly paper, The Lankytojas.

Who are the girls that are making it a habit of coming home at the wee hours of the morning? How about it Fran & Ann? Tut-tut, some peoples children!

By the time I got around to sending out the news another meeting was held.

May 1, at 8:30 p. m. our meeting was called to order by the president.

A Splash Party was set for May 15, at the Civic Center in Hammond. We'll all be just the little fish in the itty bitty pool. Ed Maursis and Helen Strumskis are in charge.

June 18, all the girls are being given a privilege to show off their latest evening gowns. A Semi-formal dance will be held that

night and there will be positively no stags. The committee in charge of this affair includes, Helen Strumskis and John Waupsh, chairman, respectively, their assistants, Dominic Waitkus, Frank Jutkus, Al Petrauskas, Will Rogers, and Ed Maurasis.

A social was held after the meeting. The committee in charge consisted of the following: Helen Strumskis, Estelle Yurgutis, Katherine Laucis, Charles Koczis and John Waupsh. Delicious refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed by all.

The committee in charge of the next social is the following: Dominic Waitkus, chairman, Frank Jutkus and Ed Maurasis.

Josie.

COUNCIL 7 — WATERBURY, CONN.

"Our Members"

Albert Ambrose

Orderly-observant — diligent..... Quiet and reserved . . . never gets in anyone's way . . . sparkling eyes and sudden "smile" . . . Favorite saying, "Women, I never take them seriously!" Careful, Al, Summer nites are here and the love bug might pick you to have a bite on.

"Yanky" Yankauskas

In spite of the heavy task as head houseman of our club, Yanky can flash an attractive smile which is enhanced by smiling brown eyes, when Yanky puts aside his broom it is to sit down in the parlor and listen to the radio.

Anthony Gribinis

Fastidious, able, earnest reserved and serious . . . appreciates humor can take a joke . . . with us only a year, but is part of the club.

Vera Stankus

Quiet (sometimes), appreciative, sincere. Beneath her serious exterior is a fountain of genuine humor . . . says the funniest things at the funniest time . . . believes in the theory that big things come in small packages . . .

Ann Girdzis

Cheerful . . . active . . . good natured . . . Ever a sunny smile . . . everyone's pal . . . never down cast. Did Ann ever refuse anyone a favor? Never!

Charles (Lee) Lizauskas

Earnest . . . sincere . . . diligent Looks serious? He isn't! With

so pleasing a personality . . . we expect to hear great things of our Charlie . . .

Vincent Stankus

Scholarly . . . earnest . . . persistent . . . If Vincent dosen't make a regular college prof . . . someday, we'll be sadly disappointed . . . Although his smiles are of rare occurrence watch sunshine scatter when they really come!

Joseph Shambreskis

Looking at Joe . . . one would surmise at a glance that he . . . being short in stature . . . could not amount to much . . . but he's fooled us all. He has proved to us that all the best things come in small packages . . .

Charles (Chubby) Valuckas

Another of our prize packages.... Has a heart as big as his silhouette Has the nicest eyes . . . possesses the three v's . . . vigor . . . vim . . . vitality . . . Brother of Gene . . . The obliging nature seems to run in the family —

A bit of our "Mother's" Day news

More than 150 persons attended The 17th Annual Knights of Lithuania choir breakfast . . . held at St. Joseph's school auditorium in observance of Mother's Day. Members of all the Lodge societies received Holy Communion at the 8 o'clock Mass . . . Then assembled with their Mothers in the hall.. Pros. Algird Politis . . . of New Britain . . . and president of the Conn. Lithuanian Catholic organization ... was the principal speaker... Peter Alexander . . . pres. of the K of L, was toastmaster . . . Other speakers were . . . Rev. J. J. Valantiejus . . . pastor Rev. A. E. Gradeck . . . Rev. B. Gauronskas . . . Prof. Alexander Alexis . . . choir master . . . William Klimas . . . pres. of St. Joseph's choir . . . Mary Alabauskas . . . pres. of Children of Mary Sodality . . . Peter Romanauskas pres. of Holy Name society . . . Anthony Kateiva . . . pres. of the Lithuanian Cath. Students . . . and John Rougalis . . . former pres. of K of L. Those on the committee were Alfred Varnauskas head chairman assisted by Monica Stokna co-chair lady . . . Josephine Stokna, Alphonse Ambrozaitis . . . Joseph Shambriskis . . . Vincent Lukminas . . . Joe Janush. **M. S.**

COUNCIL 90 — HARRISON- KEARNY, NEW JERSEY

On May 12th, Council 90 celebrated the 10th anniversary of Mother's Day by sponsoring a Communion breakfast. After attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion in a body, the members together with their mothers, gathered at Holy Name Hall where they were entertained by a radio program especially prepared in honor of the mothers by the male members of our council.

Through the amplified system set up in the hall was heard a program that really instilled in us a feeling of love and adoration for our mothers. The male chorus sang inspirational songs: "Mane Močiutė Barė," "Ko Liudi" and "Leiskit į Tėvyne." Our two soloists, Mrs. Peter Velevas and Mrs. Joseph Smigelski sang two of the most beautiful pieces composed, namely, "Ave Maria" and that Lithuanian version of "Kur Mano Mamė."

The speeches heard on the air were delivered by our Spiritual Advisor, Father Bubas, our National President, Charles F. Paulauskas, the chairman of our National Convention Committee, Peter Velevas, and our council president William Grinewich. Each speaker delivered a message that will live in the memories of those who heard this broadcast. Immediately after the broadcast which incidentally took place on Station W. H. O. M. from 9:00 to 9:30 A. M., the members and guests partook of a well prepared breakfast.

Among our honored guests besides our mothers, was Commissioner Joseph Healey of Kearny who has never failed to attend our Mother's Day affairs, spoke on a topic that dealt not only of our love and adoration for our mothers, but also to honor and love Mother Mary, Mother of God. Another distinguished speaker was Mr. Honan, principal of Washington St. School in Harrison, who enlightened us on various facts concerning the history of the Lithuanian race. The manner in which Mr. Honan delivered his historical knowledge of our people in regards to our

language, ancestral preservice through the ancient ages, right up to the present day, was very interesting not only from the historical viewpoint, but to listen to a man not a Lithuanian speak so eloquently and convincingly on a subject that is very dear to us. To us it is a tribute and we wish to express our gratitude to Mr. Honan for attending our breakfast and helping to make it a success.

At this breakfast a beautiful pen and pencil set was presented to Peter Velevas by our president Wm. Grinewich on behalf of Council 90 as a token of appreciation for his unselfishness and loyalty to our organization, notwithstanding the fact that he has a family and many times has to sacrifice his time due the family to attend our meetings, conventions, committees and other business concerning Council 90. We realize this and are grateful to him and wish him all the success and happiness.

Vinčil.

COUNCIL 36 — CHICAGO, ILL.

Mr. Zaromskis gave a party for Council 36 on May 24, 1939, celebrating his 50th birthday. Among the guests present were Rev. Father Briska, and Rev. Father Urbonavicius, who extended their congratulations. The K of L Choir rendered a few songs appropriate for the occasion. The cast of "PILOTO DUKTĖ" were honored guests. The members of Council 36 received their first degrees in the presence of the Ritual Committee. Later in the evening, Sophie Gimbut was chosen the winner of the POPULARITY CONTEST. Words fail us, Mr. Zaromskis, when it comes to say a THANK YOU, for the wonderful time that you have shown us so many times.

SAY!!! you should have seen the girls at the baseball game played between Council 36 and the West Side Team. No wonder that our J. J. hit the THREE BAGGER . . . and our one and only Alfa, how would she be for a cheer leader? She cheered SO MUCH . . . the

result . . . a sore throat. Keep it up boys, the girls will be there to cheer you on.

Do you want your name in the Vytis? Watch for it, it's bound to be in soon. We'll snoop and disclose some personal facts about each member. So be on your guard. No harm is meant — just all in fun.

A moon-light cruise was not wanted by Sis. Why? ——— TOO CROWDED. Get it . . . ? . . . it's too crowded!

How can I get away from the scorching heat? To feel the cool breeze? To find open spaces? Dancing? Steins of beer? And beautiful girls? — the mystery is solved. All this can be obtained for \$2.00 on the boat excursion sponsored by Council 36, June 25, 1939 starting at Navy Pier at 9:00 a. m. How about seeing you there? Don't forget, come early.

Val. and Val.

JR. COUNCIL 96 — DAYTON, O.

May 7, the Jr. Council held their first outing which was a weiner roast, at Taylorsville Dam. Our transportation was in a truck. Upon arrival we discovered that we had forgotten the weiners, two of the boys went after them and so we still had weiners. Climbing hills, taking pictures, splashing water and killing a big snake were the activities of the day.

Our club is gradually increasing, we have two new members, William Keidozius, and William Mikalauskas.

May 19, the Jr. Council held a euchre party at Holy Gross Church Hall, which was very successful.

May 30, several of the girls from the Jr. Council had a picnic at Island Park, those present were:

M. August, C. Morrow, P. Zelinskis, M. Birbalas, H. Fretic, S. Birbalas and S. Green. Swimming, canoeing and taking pictures were enjoyed by all.

Sally.

COUNCIL 26 — WORCESTER, MASS.

Violets are blue.

Roses are red.

We missed you.

But did you miss us.

It's terrible, but its straight from the heart. Ill try to do better next time.

Tid — bits out of the past.

After railroading "Bill" (All American) Osmanski into our Council we initiated him by having him receive Communion with us. "Bill" was also our principal speaker.

At the same time we welcomed. Att. A. J. Miller into the Council.

What is the attraction that our Council has? The new members that are coming in every month must see something in us that we have overlooked. Maybe its the coffee and cake that we serve after our meetings. Or is it the "Good Fellowship" atmosphere that brings them within our fold.

Things we are looking forward to: Our semi-annual dinner-dance. Where the girls always look so pretty and the boys — they'll pass.

Scavenger hunt and weenie roast. The local police have been notified to count all lamp post hydrants and manhole cover.

A barn dance. Practice your square dance so that you'll be up in the latest dance steps. Bill Kerry volunteered as dance teacher. Twenty five cents an hour or two glasses of beer.

On June 2rd Victoria Augustine and Edward Lavan will announce to the general public that two can live as cheaply as one.

Our President, Charles Tagman, and the girl of his heart Adele Staney, are doing likewise in early August.

By the time this ink dries we hope that the third couple will set a date. Master Cupid has done fine by Council 26. Who's next?

"Mickey" is looking for some one to help her master the Lithuanian language. The reason — she's elected delegate from New England District to the National Convention in New Jersey. Mickey said that she studies best at night. Some one told her that the Lithuanian language is a Romance language. I quote "I'll get by during the business sessions, but what will I do at nights."

The Seeing Eye.

COUNCIL 66 — OMAHA, NEB.

Seems to be a conspiracy against this column, or was it only a secret urge to become a columnist? Nevertheless, the bit of "dope" under Omaha's heading last month was the masterpiece of our Johnny Petkus. Incidentally, Johnny has a new formula for repairing things. He says "Take it apart and leave some of the pieces out. Then put it back together again." Believe it or not, it works! (Maybe that's what happened to last month's column.)

We tried out having a dance at which the older folks could do their "Jitterbugging." It took place Sunday, April 23 to the music of Sandy's Swingsters. It was lots of fun mingling with the oldsters. Here's hopes for another one soon.

Omaha was a place of much celebration during the last two weeks of April due to the Union Pacific Premiere held here. Almost all of the Knights appeared in 1869 costumes which they wore to dances and places.

Here's a little note of warning to the Chicago Council 112 soft-ball team. Get ready for a real game this season! Our boys are organized under John Balters and are really getting in shape.....if you get what we mean.

Pretty quick and we'll have an orchestra at our monthly socials. Last month Eddie Shukis brought his clarinet. What with Irene Tamulevicz at the piano and Eddie blowin' around, the dancers really "swung" around. And, incidentally, those hot dogs were just too good, you committeemen.

Ten of the newly entered Knights were initiated at the social. Dot Bazar and Bob Macaites were pretty messed with smashed bananas all over their faces. "Tsk. Tsk, This young generation, blah, blah, etc."

Did you know that Gen Jesonis, besides being an accomplished organist and accompanist, is the possessor of a lovely mezzo-soprano voice? She received an excellent rating in the District Music Contest held in Fremont, Nebraska recently. Congratulations, Gen!

Speaking of voices Frank Pakenis is the proud possessor of a lovely high soprano voice. The startling discovery was made while he sang with his "sister," Tony

Pavinksnis. You see, in the comic strip, "Popeye, the Sailor," we learn we're all "brothers and sisters" which makes it all right, we guess.

"Smoky" has reentered our organization. Nice work Frances! We knew YOU could do it.

Gen Macaites, our president, was honored at a surprise birthday party at her home. She was presented with a beautiful corsage, a locket, and other gifts. Though it's a bit late, we do wish her all the happiness in the world.

Nice people this "Guess Who?" But he is to be praised for his stick-to-it-tiveness. Watch next month's column for a startling announcement concerning the feud. (Just wait!)

Josephine Grakauskas fooled us all and stayed over in Chicago. But then we can hardly blame her. You know the sights, the fun, and Wally, of course.

Lee.

WALKING WESTFIELD WALKS

Westfield was extremely lucky to witness the New England District council meeting held at Worcester only a few short months back. We haven't been active in such affairs before but even the lowliest worm must turn and WE have turned. Henceforth, our battlecry shall be "viva Vyčiai." We also hope to have a representative at the National Convention which is to be held this August at Harrison-Kearney. It all depends upon the club now.

Aside from the business end of the New England meeting, we were glad to see that many of our fellow councils remembered the Westfield group. We are appreciative of the fact that we have friends in the farthest recesses of the United States (if I must wax melodramatic). We met many of our Worcester, Athol, Norwood, and So. Boston friends, and are happy to see that Hartford too, has decided to hit the trail to glory along with the rest of us. Let us hope that our connections will get bigger as the years roll by, and that we see the entrance of still more councils.

By the time that the readers get this article we in Westfield will have had our regular monthly meeting which will be further embellished by the presence of that well known staple of American construction...

the "hot-dog." Yep! we're gonna have a "dog" roast and let me tell you we hope that the "šunys" start to yelp. The place will be at our park which is located apposite the church.

And here is bit of the Walter Winchell stuff. I am adding this to my column in response to the many requests that I am getting from the members of the club. Starting off with an enigma — Who is the feminine sleeping beauty of our club? She states that she dreams of her Prince Charming every time she hears his soo-oo masculine voice. Must be something in it, if you believe it, Nellie.

Flash!!! Do you girls know that we have designers in our midst? No? Well we have. They are no others than our esteemed secretary Helen Minkelis and her crony Nellie Lingaitis.

Stop! Who is the flash with the ladies who "rolls his own with Bull Durham" and lives to tell the tale. Yes, sad to say, the girls let him get away with it.

Do I hear of romance? The stars are asking as to how the Joe G. and Bernice J. romance is getting along. The earthworm says to find out for yourself because "everybody knows."

And the last of my notes for the month is this: Why does Boston seem to be a central meeting and visiting place for a few of our fair sex?

Caravan Chris.

COUNCIL 96 — DAYTON, OHIO

The Dayton basketball team, the only K of L entry, journeyed to Cleveland, Ohio to participate in the National Lithuanian Basketball Tournament on April 15 and 16, and emerged with the runner-up trophy. The Dayton team won their opening game against Cleveland Leaders with ease by the score of 23-12 Saturday night. Sunday afternoon in the most thrilling game of their long career the local Lithuanians eked out a win over the Duquesne team in three overtime periods by the score of 25-22. This Duquesne team was considered the touring favorite, but were not equal to the task of humbling our inspired team.

In the semi-final round the Dayton team barely emerged victors over the Niagara Falls team by the score of 34-30. The club team was in arrears at the half by the score of 16-9, but staged a last half rally that notted them the chance to play in finals.

In the final game, the Dayton Lithuanians with only a very short rest were called upon to battle the Cleveland Lithuanian A. C. for the title. The game was a nip and tuck battle with Daytonians fighting hard against odds. The local lads finally bowed to Cleveland in a sensational game by the score of 53-51.

Although failing to win the championship, the local team established themselves as one of the foremost Lithuanian teams in the country by their excellent display of fight, stamina and basketball ability.

The following seven players, who made the trip, distinguished themselves by bringing home the runner-up trophy: Felix Goldick, George Zelinskas, Eddie Alexinas, Anthony Alexinas, Stanley Vaitkus, John Scott and Charlie Vanagas, Stanley Sluzinskas, Athletic Director, was in charge of the trip, while Felix Goldick handled it from the playing angle.

The recent blast of ten pins revealed the following Class A winners: S. Sluzas, J. Zakar, H. Bartellis and H. Keidozius. Class B winners are E. Alexinas and Annadel Miller. For their utmost efforts, J. Noreikas, tourney manager, awarded the winners medals and ribbons.

The Athletic committee consists of a group of five with the recent addition of John Monas. The others are J. Scott, S. Sluzas, J. Noreikas and F. Gudelis. They have announced a victory party for the basketball team, and a big June Jamboree Dance.

"Cincinnati, here we come" was the cry of our members on April 30. With an inviting sun and soft sea breeze, the shipmates motored to the "Island Queen" which was docked on the Ohio River. For most members, this trip brought out their first symptoms of spring silliness. Dancing, singing native

songs, and gulping sea food dinners completed a most delightful boat ride.

The dance held April 20 was met with great approval. This was due to the self-stylists, Mary Racie and Helen Naginis who were in charge of the novel balloon dance. Dancing will still continue every other Thursday evening.

Prize winners of the tickets selling contest for the past year are Joe Noreikas, 1st prize \$10.00; Joe Goldick, 2nd prize \$5.00; Frank Gudelis and Ann Kavy each \$3.00. Joe Noreikas, our super-salesman, who made a whirl-wind finish, quotes that "the art of selling tickets is to get people into tapping their piggie banks."

KNIGHTMARES: A brain storm, incidentally, has put marriage back into circulation. The current attraction is Helen Keydozius melting away with Felix Goldick. Their heels will click June 10 . . . After many weeks of treeing, the Jake Goldicks awaited the arrival of Mr. Stork who presented them with a bouncing baby boy . . . S. M. hand-hugging with the glamour girl . . . C. N. rebounds next nite . . . Somebody else still possess the trump . . . A loud noise from the putty works, Big Charlie has bon-bons brought to him from several of his fems during the noon hour . . . Miss Rad. will please check . . . Romping around at Cleveland. five he-men were christened with the following monikers, Ace, Transfusion, Shabby and Hippo, but all this was stopped when one of them accepted the name of Cus.

Many hours must have been spent to write all those letters Mr. Vaskas. Well received by your chums. Mrs. Ann Goldicks and John Monas thank the many friends who visited them during their lay-up, and also the club for the buds. Springfield had a dance but most the gang found the Assembly Room and the Pirates' Dens much to their pleasure.

Cutting the cake for the month of May were Agatha and Sally Miller, M. Zakar, H. Scott, H. Zelinskas, A. Kavey, J. Monas, J. Sink, and C. Willimaitis. Belated birthday greetings to all!

Stanley.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT NEWS

Well! Well! Well! Here we are again, right into the heart of our summer activities. Y'know we heard a story last month, and we'd like your opinion as to whether or not it's true. It seems that once upon a time (we believe that's the proper intro for a story). The District decided to have a dance, or rassel, or shindig, or what have you. Well, to come directly to the point, they did and it was held April 29, at St. George's Ballroom Newark, N. J. While the aforementioned affair was in progress, a certain young lady swooned in the middle of the floor. Naturally the curious lads gathered around the fallen lass, eager to offer assistance. One chap, however, more level-headed than the rest, said, "Come on, fellows move back and give the Belle-Air," And so was born the Ouch-All right I was only fooling.

All of which prattle reminds us of some of the humorous occurrences on the night of the Belle-Ouch. We were reminded of the fact that it was a windy nite, and we recall one sweet young lady nearly blown off her feet while inside the ballroom. Imagine her surprise when the 65 mph gale turned out to be merely one of Charley Vaskas sneezes . . . Willie Green "Jitterbuging" around the floor. And when we say "Jitterbuging," we mean just that, literally figuratively, and every thing else . . . And then there was the member who wanted to take his nose apart to see what made it run. Hilly and Jules danced the waltz sooooo nicely together, if we may go poetic on them. Baylonis looking like the combination of a collar ad, a tailor's window.

At this time we'd like in our humble way, to offer our sincere thanks and gratitude to all who assisted in any way to help make this occasion the success as proclaimed by those in attendance. May we graciously mention the names of the Committee, with the hope that no one is omitted? Willie Paukaitis, general chairman; Vito Dauksys, Joe Degutis, Ann Novitt, Tony Baylonis . . . The District Convention held April 23, at Maspeth, was most spirited and peppy. A group of 35 delegates responded when the roll was called. And we feel sure none of those present regretted their attendance that particular afternoon. Because after the regular business had been attended to, Maspeth entertained with popular airs and the delegates did their part in quartette and choral singing. Everyone agreed in the general opinion that it was a well-spent afternoon and a convention worth coming to. Needless to say every one enjoyed himself immensely. Our sincere thanks to Maspeth Knights for their hospitality . . . Incidentally, the next District Convention will be held at Council 113, clubroom Linden, N. J. Keep a look out for the date.

Charles E. Bason.

Sixteen

CHICAGO DISTRICT SPORTS

MARQUETTE PARK WINS AFTER TWO OUTS 11 to 10

Marquette Park Council 112 made 15 hits for 11 runs to win on June 1st from West Side Council 24 who made 19 hits for 10 runs, in one of the most exciting games so far this season in the Knights of Lithuania Chicago District Indoor League.

Both teams were fighting to retain a perfect season.

TEAM	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TR	Hits	E
West Side	1	0	2	3	0	3	0	1	0	10	19	X
Marquette Park	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	4	1*	11	15	X

* Two outs when winning run scored.

NORTH SIDE WINS SECOND IN ROW BY 14 to 5

North Side Council 5 won easily from Providence Council 4 at 14 to 5 on June 1st. A week previously they won from Cicero Council 14 by a score of 9 to 8 in a terrific season opener.

TEAM	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TR	Hits	E
North Side	6	0	1	0	0	0	6	1	0	14	14	7
Providence	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	0	5	5	6

KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA CHICAGO DISTRICT INDOOR LEAGUE STANDING (as of June 1st, 1939)

TEAM	W.	L.	Per.
Marquette Park	2	9	1.000
North Side	2	0	1.000
West side	1	1	.500
Brighton Park	0	1	.000
Cicero	0	1	.000
Providence	0	2	.000

RESULTS

May 24th North Side 9 — Cicero.
 May 25th West Side 13 — Brighton Park 10.
 Marquette Park 6 — Providence 1.
 May 31st Brighton Park — Cicero — RAIN
 June 1st North Side 14 — Providence 5.
 Marquette Park 11 — West Side 10.

ALL GAMES ARE PLAYED AT McKinley Park on 39th Street near Damen Ave. Wednesdays and Thursdays 6:30 P. M. Ask your team manager when your team plays and on what diamond. Come out and be a good K of L Booster and help your boys win if not by playing then by shouting them to victory.

— Red Cherry.

THANK YOU!

The Knights of Lithuania Chicago District Athletic Association takes this opportunity to thank Mr. Al Kumskis, the Lithuanian Chicago Park District Director, who made it possible to have McKinley Park Indoor Diamonds (on the peninsula) at 39th Street near Damen Ave. for the K of L Chicago District Indoor League games every Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 P. M.

Our sincerest thanks to him and Mr. John Juozaitis, the personal bailiff of Judge Zuris; Mr. Bill Klimas, the K of L Chicago District President and Mr. Anthony Zilis, Jr., Council 36 Athletic Board Chairman, who as a committee obtained this favor. Thank you all!

James R. Cherry — Pres.
 John Damanskis — Vice-Pres.
 Helen Sadauskas — Sec.

— V y t i s

COUNCIL 116. — S. WORCESTER, MASS.

Head Line: Cream of society meets at Hotel Statler, May 19 to celebrate the New England District K of L dance. Daffodils to Tony G. and all his committee members, big and small for an elegant evening. Now comes a bit of wondering and worrying.

Hey girls, what has Norwood got? Let's see 1-2-3-4-5-6 — yup that it exactly ½ dozen of Council 116 young men. To Norwood — What's the big idea?

Now what was the secret of room 410? Oh, must see Boston on the answer to that one?

Gangway for the young ladies of 116-for they've formed a softball team too, and my, my such a pleasure to watch them practice. Warning to boys — Sure hope they don't challenge you.

Glimpsed — a huddle in the out-field-ball sails over-girls continue to gossip about what?

Wanted. A coach for the G. S. B. T. must have a good line, tall, blonde, blue-eyed and an exceptionally good dancer. There's your chance gang. Pay? Don't be so mercenary.

Boys S. B. T. rolls along chalking up 3 victories with scores of 12-16, 17-7, and 23-7. Just a sluggers paradise, then they prance out to Norwood on May 28 and meet their Waterloo 4 to 3, the accent falling on the first syllable. Oh me, oh my.

A daffodil to our gang again, for on Sunday May 21, the club received Communion and prayed for world peace as per the Pope's world wide appeal.

Calling all K of L C-116 members, all who intend to be ready to attend your first Lithuanian class. Yes sir, that's what's being started and Rev. Fr. John Bakanas, spiritual advisor has accepted to be the instructor. It will be entertaining as well as novel-not this regular class routine, no sir something real new. But that's all for now. Think of it, soon I may write this column in Lithuanian. How would one say "Daffodil Dan" then?

The problem of the month of June — whether to attend the St. Casimir's K of L Dinner and Dance on June 3rd or the Hudson Council's Rose Dance on same date.

A gold medal is to be presented on June 21 to the member who has the highest physical develop-

ment in the last 3 months and in line with the presentation an exhibition of skill and etc will be presented to introduce the sport to the parish members.

Hey Bunny, I see where the members tennis tournament is about to start. Well look over the prospects so a couple can be selected to take over the Hudson and Norwood gangs.

How's that New England K of L softball league coming along Joe?

What is the story behind the Pres. always hollering about the report he's putting into shape concerning one of our charming members.

"We mow them down boys" Joe, Casty, Pete, Tony, etc. are certainly taking the wind out of the sails of the older brothers. Give them a chance kids, they're not as young as they use to be.

Matrimony took into her arms 2 of our elegant members, Miss Adelle Arlauskas and Frank Cepkauskas on May 27th. Congrats, best wishes, etc.

The tall and short of it, how about some scandal Johnny or shall I ask So. Boston? Seems like the same game is being played out in that part of the country. Hey, what is this?

The "June Bug Dance" of the club falls on June 13th at the Bungalow on Lake Quinsigamond.

Wonder, wonder, who can I be I've got everyone lost at sea Tony may guess, and Norwood too Boston and Athol worried blue? But as long as the Editor says I can To all my friends, I remain —

Daffodil Dan.

COUNCIL 29 — NEWARK, N. J.

Howdy. This is Station X-RAY with a few more bits of gossip.

Is it true that Joe S. does his good deed every week?

Where is THE KEY to the missing solution?

When are our amateur thespians going to do their emoting?

Presto! Changeo! off the water wagon, and on to elbow bending Who? Why Vito D.

Observed at the district dance:

The gals with their lovely gowns . . . Discovered, Spike of Elizabeth drinking soda water . . . Did Frank V. bribe his brother Charlie for one of the raffle prizes? . . . Jules M. of Paterson and Hilda K. strolling in the "moonlight" . . . Joe G. "imitating" a radio announcer . . . Most popular numbers

heard in the downstairs oasis, Beer Barrel Polka and Begin the Beguine . . . Joe M. the wardrobe custodian in earnest conversation with what fair maiden . . . The Silver King of Kearny living up to his name . . . The usual busy man, Charlie B. of Jersey City . . .

Attention Mr. Ripley. Kearny may have its 5 brothers, but Newark has 6 sets of brothers. Can anyone top that?

Wonder if Charlie V. thinks drinking "malt" beverages will help him to reduce? Hm!

If brevity is the soul of wit, what is reciprocity?

Wonder why the annual moonlight trip to Asbury Park after the Linden Dance went phfft!!!

Three loud huzzahs! Lanky L. is working again.

What goes on here 'twixt Billie P. of Nutley and Anna B.?

Puzzle: To whom are the following applicable:

People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

'Tis better to give than to receive. Waste not, want not.

Co-operation is the keystone to success.

A good name is better than riches.

Wonder when we are going to see that famous scrapbook of the council? How about it Casey?

Wonder why Teddy B. blushes when a certain damsel speaks to him? **X-Ray.**

COUNCIL 8 — CHICAGO, ILL.

We Roseland wish to thank those who attended our dance of May 6, but we are sorry to say that we had hoped to see more of you. Our secretary, Freda Zlibin was chosen as the most popular girl at the dance.

We did not know that we had such brave girls in our midst. You should have seen them washing our clubroom. They ran up and down the ladders, even the wiggly ones, they walked the plank between the ladders and I must say they did a lot of work. Oh yes the boys also helped.

Two of our member will soon walk down the aisle they are Joe Trienskaskas, and Adele Samulionis. They will be married on June 25. Good Luck to you both, and may God Bless you.

Joe Samulionis is very proud, just in case some of you have not heard. He is the proud father of a "Dodge" which is nicknamed "Dodja." **"Rinso".**

LITHUANIAN-AMERICAN YOUTH

Today much is heard about the youth of America — that includes me, being only 21 — their habits, their education, their training for good citizenship and leadership, and their destiny.

Right now my concern is only about a certain group — the Lithuanian-American youth. God bless 'em. I'd like to give you a few honest impressions of my cohorts gleaned from association with them. Are ya listenin'?

It seems to me most of the young Lithuanians are proud of being known as such and don't hesitate to admit to anyone. Why shouldn't they be? Some of them who mingled with youth of other nationalities only were a bit ashamed of being known as Lithuanians but once they made contact with the Lithuanians they soon realized that this is where they should have been long ago and became happy, enthusiastic, and proud boosters of their parents' nationality.

These young men and women are good Catholics. They participate in many church activities — choirs, societies, committees, etc. They know many Lithuanian songs — many of them belong to choral groups — and are likely to burst into song no matter where they may be or who may be listening. And at real Lithuanian weddings, picnics, bus rides — Wow! Who can resist singing loud these glorius Lithuanian folk songs. Most of them know the language, customs, and traditions. Good for them! Some cannot speak the language very kell. The way they mix it with English expressions is comical. They could be a bit more progressive in this respect, for to know another language is an asset.

You will find that many belong to Lithuanian organizations — the largest of which is the Knights of Lithuania. This catholic organization has 60 lodges scattered over the country with a membership of almost 2,000. A veritable beehive of youthful activity. Some of the finest Lithuanian-American youth make up this organization. Wherever there is a Lithuanian colony, there you will find a lodge.

You will also find them in prominent positions in political and civic clubs; in sports — baseball, football, basketball; in influential professions, — doctors, lawyers, etc. A goodly intelligent crew.

Sad to say there are some who feel ashamed of their Lithuanian descent. Why? False pride? If they are ashamed of their descent, they are ashamed of their parents! Dad gummit! if anybody deserves respect, it is our parents! They came over here ignorant of the American tongue or any profession, and with little money. They worked hard, raised large families, sacrificed — many is the heartache they must have had — and became solid, respected citizens of the great melting pot of America. Have them tell you of their experience some times, your eyes will be opened and you will assume a different attitude. You won't think yourself so smart.

There are others who have the mean habit of looking with disdain on those who were born in Lithuania and have come from there only recently. They call them "greenies" and laugh at their unfamiliarity with American customs and language. This is pure snobbishness and downright unfair! These fellows should be given a chance. The deriders may find themselves in the same position some day. They will learn a lesson.

Today, more than ever, Lithuanian-American youth is forcing others to recognize Lithuania. And I'll bet that if Lithuania ever were in trouble and in need of stout soldiers, you would find the young Lithuanian-American everywhere bidding for the chance to fight for her.

Myself, I am mighty proud and glad to be a small part of the representation of beautiful traditions, customs, language, songs, and real people — our parents. For the life of me I cannot understand how anyone can feel differently about this.

I must add — To me the Lithuanian girls are about the prettiest. Don't you think so, boys?

Joe Augustinas,

Maspeth, Council 110.

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