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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

At the time of going to press, we received the following wire from National President Frank Razvadauskas: "INFORM KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA MEMBERS THAT DATE AND PLACE OF THIRTIETH NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN JUNE ISSUE."

This is a very important announcement, as you will read elsewhere in this issue.

The very-much-alive correspondence in Lithuanian by "Black Eye" (Council 17, South Boston) in the last issue aroused much favorable comment. Several members, in person and John Bernatonis, of Brighton, Mass., by mail, complimented the C-17 correspondent for his lively report. As we have stated in the past, we will be more than happy to receive and print any or all correspondences in Lithuanian.

Ey an interesting (and perhaps happy) coincidence, almost all the feature articles in this issue are written in Lithuanian. We hasten. however, to correct any impression that the preponderance of Lithuanian material may suggest — that we may have finally changed our editorial policy in regard to English. We assure you we have not. As long as Vytis remains the only more-or-less formidable spokesman in English for our Lithuanian Catholic element, we intend to fill that important gap to the best of our ability and resources.

We have an article on Dr. John Stanton, Lithuanian Professor of Political Science at Northwestern University which should have appeared in this issue, but was withheld because of an unforseen delay in the receipt of Dr. Stanton's cut. It will appear in the June issue.

To avoid painful cutting, we warn all council correspondents to be as brief as possible in their council notes for the June issue. Because of an unprecedented rise in the cost of paper and labor, we may be forced to issue a 16 page issue next month.

We have a confession to make. which we make here now in complete frankness. Up until several months ago, your editor fought a losing battle — due to circumstances beyond his control — with the Vytis mailing list. This will explain why during the past six months there was a considerable amount of confusion in the mailing of Vytis. Your Supreme Council Secretary and council secretary were very likely not to blame when you did not receive your Vytis either on time or at all. We were. However, this matter has now been straightened out, the mailing list is in capable and efficient hands, and you should not have any more difficulty in getting your copies on time. There is a possibility that some of you still have not received copies of certain issues — the sorry remainders of our regime. If so, please inform your Supreme Council Secretary. Miss Phyllis Grendal. your council secretary, or Mr. I. Sakalas, whose address you will find in the next column. And in the future, do not address any more communications concerning the distribution of Vytis to the editor, but directly to these officers.

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TAUTA BE SAVO KALBOS?

Karts nuo karto mūsų spaudoj buvo keliama klausimas dėl "Vyties" lietuviškumo, ar verčiau nelietuviškumo. Tai labai rūpimas klausimas, nes mūsu jaunimo organas nešioja par excellence lietuviška, tarsi valstybini vardą. Jei Vyčių organas, eidamas kitokiu vardu, visiškai suanglētų, tai tiek to: šiuo momentu lietuvių spauda anglų kalboj mums reikalinga. Bet Vytis yra lietuvybės emblema. Tad arba gelbēkime jame lietuvybe, arba nuo visiškai nutautinto tūrinio nutraukime lietuvybės ženklą, t. y. pakeiskime jo vardą. Mūsų visuomenė matomai megino gelbēt lietuvybe ir darē visokias interpeliacijas, pastabas ir net protestus. Kadangi visos tos pastangos buvo veltui, tai visuomene pagaliau numojo ranka: nepagydomas ligonis eina vis silpnyn ir viena išeitis jo telaukia: mirtis (tautiniu atžvilgiu).

Bet štai lyg blykstelējo vilties spindulēlis. Keleta mēnesių atgal "Vyties" redaktorius pats iškēlē klausimą dēl savo organo "nelietuviškumo." Pasisakē lietuviškai. Ne tai pasiteisino, ne tai pasiaiškino dēl organo krypties ir pabrēžē, ko ne išidealizavo "lietuvi dvasioje," t. y. toki lietuvi, kurs lietuviškai jau nebemoka, ar labai silpnai temoka bet savo širdyje išlaikas lietuviška dvasia ir, progai pasitaikius, iš dristas ja parodyti. Apgailestavo, kad Amerikos jaunimas neturējes progos lietuviškai išmokti, bet labai esa gražu, kad kai kurie lietuvių kalbą dar tebepažista, ir jei lietuviškai "Vyčiui" parašytų, tai mielu noru patalpinsias.

Pareiškimas atviras ir nuoširdus. Redaktorius, matyt, savo žodžiams tiki ir kitus nori įtikinti. Dėja, įtikino, net perdaug. "Lietuvio be lietuvių kalbos" tipas mūsų jaunimui taip patiko, kad tą idealą visi urmu pasisavino. Ką gi: nurodyta lengviausia elgesio linija — the line of least resistance — kaip pirštu pataikyta į jaunimo (daugiausiai lengvapēdiško) troškimus ir iš anksto duota nelietuviškumui generalē absoliucija — eik ir daugiau nusidēk. Tai ko gi daugiau reikia? Rezultatai tuojau pasirodē: nieks, kad ir prašomas, lietuviškai neparašē ir "Vytis" dar daugiau į nelietuviškumą pasistūmējo. Ir aš buvau belaukiąs lietuviškų straipsnių. Dėja, lūkestis neišsipildē. Tad pasinaudodamas maloniai duotu ir dar, rodos, neatšauktu leidimu lietuviškai rašyti pasiryžau ir aš kalbamuoju klausimu kiek pasisakyti. Nenumatau, kad iš to išeis kiek realios naudos. Verčiau susidarys neigiamo ir neskanaus įspūdžio. Bet ką bedarysi, kad sąžinė ir paprasčiausias etinis pojūtis verčia mane išdēstyti tai, kas man atrodo naturalu ir loginga.

Kaip tauta gali išsilaikyti be "avo kalbos, tai man yra neišrišamas galvosukis. Mano manymu, lietuvis be lietuvių kalbos (taip vadinamas "lietuvis dvasia') tai tik forma be turinio, tai tuščia krautuvē, ant kurios tik iškaba bepaliko. Kuo virto airiai be savo kalbos? Katalikiškais anglais. Rodos turētų būti patenkinti. Tikėjimas išlaikytas, anglų kalba vie na kultūringiausių pasauly. O bet gi atgavę šiokią tokią nepriklausomybę, airiai urmu griebėsi savo kalbą atgaivinti. Kam gi tai reikalinga? — paklaus airys "dvasioje." Tas bereikalingas balastas vaikų mokyme, jaunimo auklėjime. Tos keistai skambančios kalbos nieks nenori klausyti, jos literatūros nieks neskaitys. O vis delto patriotingieji airiai tokių priekaištu nepaiso ir savo gimtaja kalba ugdo, lavina, kad visame kame pasivytų kitas sukultūrintas kalbas. Kuomi tą jų užsispyrimą išaiškinti, pateisinti? Vien tuomi, kad tai gimtoji kalba, kuria tevai-protēviai vartojo; dēlto, kad jie nori laikyti gamtos įstatymą kurį ir patsai Dievas apdraudė įsakymu: Mylėsi ir gerbsi savo tėvą ir savo motiną. Jei tėvą ir motiną, tai ir jų kalbą.

Kuo virto didžiuma Vilniaus krašto lietuvių, kai pamiršo savo kalbą? Lenkais. O kodėl lenkai įvedė Vilnijoj savo kalbą? Delto, kad tuo būdu tikėjosi sekmingiausiai lietuvius sulenkinsią. Reiškia, išrauk kalbą ir pasivogsi svetimą pilietį. Kam, užgrobę Lietuvą, bolševikai ko greičiausiai įvedē į mokyklas rusų kalbą? Dėlto, kad norėjo lietuvius skubotai su rusinti. Kuriuo būdu vokiečiai nutautino Prūsų Lietuvą? Įvesdami į mokyklas, bažnyčias ir valdžios įstaigas vokiečių kalbą. Tie taip uoliai garsinami nenaturalūs tipai, "dvasios lietuviai" tai tik vaizduotēs padaras. Jei tokių yra, ar tik užsispirta juos tokius padaryti, tai jie tik tol išsilaikys, kol lietuviškai dar susikalba. Išnyks kalba, išnyks ir "dvasios lietuvis." Kur jie dingo sulenkintoj Vilnijoj ir suvokietintoj Prūsų Lietuvoj? Atsakymo į tai nēra, nes ir tokių lietuvių jau nebėr. Lietuviais išliko tik tie, kurie lietuviškai tebekalba. Gi nutautusieji virto mirtinais lietuvių priešais. Tai tokia "tautos be kalbos" istorija.

"Vytis" teigia, kad "lietuviai dvasioje" noriau ir drasiau savo lietuvybę pabrėžia, negu kitų tautų jaunimas, pav. čekų, lenkų ir vokiečių. Tiesioginiai užginčyti nesiimu. Gal ir būna tokių atsitikimų. Tačiau gerai žinom, kad sportuose, kur jaunimas daugiausiai atsižymi, lietuviai lažkaip nelenda į akis su savo lietuviškumu, nors sportuose, ypač footbole, jie vyrauja. Baseballe ir gi jų randasi, o lietuviškai skambas ar nebus tik viens Krakauskas, ir tas ka-

nadietis. Footbole lietuvių gal bus kokia pusė šimto, o pavardžių — Ananis, Janušas, Zapustas, Grigas ir kas daugiau? Beje, dar keletas Marianapolio komandos narių. Kitų lietuvių sportininkų pavardės skamba arba lenkiškai, arba tiek sužalotos, kad jų tautybės nė ekspertas negali ištirti. Reikia specia laus detektyvo lietuvių sportininkams surankioti. Tuo tarpu lenkiškų pavardžių sportuose netrūksta. Tai kurčia tas drąsus "lietuvių dvasios" pasireiškimas? Yra išskirčių, bet išskirtys tik taisyklę patikrina.

Nusiskūsti dēl neturējimo progos lietuviškai išmokti šių dienų jaunimui netenka. Gali tai padaryti ējusieji mokslus 20-25 metai atgal. Bet jie jau nebe jaunimas. Tai subrende vyrai ir moterys, 35-40 m. amžiaus. Dabartinis jaunimas mokēsi 10-15 metų atgal. Tame laikotarpy jau buvo apščiai lietuviškų mokyklų — parapinių ir vasarinių. Yra ir kolegijų berniukams ir mergaitēms. Jei šių dienų jaunimas lietuviškai nemoka, tai jau dēl gryno apsileidimo ar tinginystēs. Tad užuot juos teisinus, ar ne geriau būtų lietuviškai mokyti, bent leidžiant lietuvių kalboj laikrašti? Sakote, jei "Vyti" atlietuvinti, tai neteks skaitytojų. Tuščia baimē. O jei dvasios "lietuviai" atsimes, tai juos su kaupu užpildys lietuviai su lietuvių kalba. Tokių netrūksta. Jei padarytumet ankietą tai nustebtumet, kiek atsirastų tokių, korie noriai palaikytų tikrą lietuvišką "Vytį." Verta pabandyti. Rezultatas pašalins tuščia nugastavima, ir "Vytis" bus tikras lietuviškas Vytis, kurs dar žiloj senovēj, Mindaugo, Gedimino ir Vytauto laikais, ant karingos lietuviu kariuomenės plevėsavo.

(REDAKTORIAUS PASTABA:

Esame nuoširdžiai dēkingi gerajam Vyčių ir viso jaunimo prieteliui J. K. už teikimą pareikšti savo nuomonės šiuo opiu klausimu. Nors šiame straipsnyje mumis rašytojas gerokai — bet švelniai — pabara už mūsų nusistatymą, kiek mes tas pastabas įvertinam parodo ir tas faktas kad mes joms duodame pirmąją vietą šiame numeryje.

Mes norētume kad tartų savo žodį šiuo klausimu ir kiti — vadai, veikėjai ir pats jaunimas.

Mes tuo tarpu tiktai galime pakartoti kad būtumēm pirmieji džiaugtis tokiu minimu idealistiniu lietuvišku jaunimu — jeigu jis būtų įmanomas. Sva jonēmis gražu gyventi, bet kągi — šalta realybē stovi prieš akis! Ar tai rezultatai mūsų tēvų kaltēs praeityje, ar mūsų jaunimo dabartinio tautinio "lepšiškumo," ar tai tik paprastos neišvengiamos Amerikos gyvenimo aplinkybės — tas dabar nesvarbu. Mūsų tautinis organizmas sužalotas — reikia griebtis pirmosios pagelbos. Senosios gydymo priemonės matomai ligonį dar daugiau silpnina, tai reikia mėginti naujų priemonių, kad ligonis išliktų dar gyvas, nors ir silpnas.

Mums kažkaip tragiškai juokinga atrodo, klausant tų visų mums taikomų išmetinėjimų kad mes savo nusistatymu anglų kalbos atžvilgiu greitinam mūsų jaunimo ištautėjimą — ir tuo pačiu sykiu žiūrėdami kaip prieš mūsų akis komunistai sekmingai vilioja iš mūsų tarpo ir eilių gražiausį mūsų lietuvišką, katalikišką jaunimą savo grynai anglų kalba leidžiamais skyriais!)

A Dangerous Precedent

Upon receiving the correspondence from Council 52, Elizabeth, N. J. and beginning to read what appeared to be the regular breezy account of Elizabeth's activities and personal comment, we were disagreeably shocked to read: "....... In other words, the Elizabeth Convention for 1942 has folded up." And in as matter-of-fact a manner we are given the startling information that the Convention Committee "....... sees little in importance in going on with this Convention," has cancelled the Convention in Elizabeth, and has disbanded!

We anticipate that the Supreme Council will enlighten the organization on this new critical development in our organization's life, but we ourselves confess to being completely puzzled by what it is all about.

All we know is that any suggestion like the one given in the above mentioned correspondence — that the Convention had better be skipped this year, and the business of the organization transacted by special representatives — is fraught with danger to our organization.

If such a dangerous precedent were set this year, it will constitute a death knell for the Knights of Lithuania — the beginning of the end.

This must not happen. There must be a National Convention this year!

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gan Ave., at Flagship, and follow signs direct to Grove.

From New York, Holland Tunnel, Route 25 to Newark Airport, at Airport take Route 29, turn left into Michigan Ave., at Flagship, and follow signs direct to Grove.

FR. JULIAN'S PAGE

"All that I am, I am for You"

Henry Adams the grandfather of Frank P. Adams of Information Please, once wrote a charming poem about the Tumbler of Our Lady. It seems that many years ago, a tumbler — a street acrobat — was disgusted with the world (as so many have been and will be) and was fortunate to obtain admission into the famous monastery of Clairvoux. Ignorant at best, and especially ignorant of letters, music, and even farming, the poor man learned that

"He could not say his prayers by rotes
Not "Pater Noster"; not a note;
Not "Ave Maria" nor the creed;
Nothing to help his soul in need."

Tormented by the sense of his uselessness to the society whose bread he ate without giving a return in service, and afraid of being expelled as a useless member, one day, while the bells were calling the monks to the chanting of the daily prayers, he hid in the crypt and began to soliloquize before the Virgin's altar. "Ha," said he, "while others go to pray, I just stand here and do nothing to earn my daily feed; — but, dear Lady," he humbly said "the best I can, I will do for you." So he stripped himself of his outer robes, took off his sandals (for they would be in his way) and turning to the Virgin he humbly said:

"All my best tricks to make you laugh Lady who never yet could blame Those who serve you well and true All that I am, I am for you."

And so, he jumped and danced and turned with all his might until in utter exhaustion he fell on the floor, but even then he turned to the statue with the words

"Lady," says he, "no more I can But truly I'll come back again."

Soon, though, a diligent monk noticed that his neighbor was missing the services and reported it to Father Abbot. The good Father that night hid himself in the crypt to observe the actions of this unusual monk. He saw him enter and with great amazement observed as he danced and jumped and turned and before he sank to the floor heard him utter his farewell words. And as the poor Father stood and wondered how he would punish this most singular charge, what next to do, the vault above the altar of its own accord opened:

"A Lady steps; so glorious Her robes so rich, so nobly worn As never yet so fair was born."

Then he saw how the Lady and her angels round the tumbler grouped to give him aid, and how the gentle Lady herself "with a towel new" fanned his neck, his throat, his face to give him air.

There comes a moment in the lives of all of us, when we become disgusted with ourselves. We notice how many others are happy, are blessed with riches, are freed from daily worries, and are endowed with so many more virtues than we. In despondence, we wonder how can we fitly serve God, our Lady, our country, for right now, in our own estimation, we are just good for nothing and there is nothing of happiness in store for us.

I think that this was the reason that Jesus told us the parable of the talents. Jesus does not want us just to sit and weep over our little talent, but He desires that we would make full use of whatever talent and gift He has given us to serve Him. He has enriched you enough to love Him and to be true to Him and to your heavenly Mother. He has strengthened you to be true and serve your country as well as you can. He has endeared you with charming personality to be loved at home by others. All that he wishes of you is

"ALL THAT I AM, I AM FOR YOU."

Fr. Julian.

QUESTION BOX

O. A friend of mine does not believe in a personal God. He claims that Nature is God.

Did you ever ask your friend what he meant by that word? It is such a comprehensive word; in fact, it can be taken and is used as widely as "misty" is used for rainy in California.

If by nature he means the universe in general, and the earth in particular, ask him from whence the world came. He is a machinist and realizes that there must be a skilled hand to make a machine and the better the machinist, the better will be the machine. If he isn't prejudiced, he should realize that there is the Greatest Builder who made and guides the universe.

Again too, nature's policy is the survival of the fittest. So is Hitler's. He can have his choice, but we prefer to believe and love God who loves us, and will always keep us if we ask his help.

Q. May Catholics attend services in non-Catholic churches?

Catholics are not allowed to take part in non-Catholic services, although mere attendance need not be a sin, provided there is no scandal connected with

Q. Are Hitler and Mussolini Catholics?

Hitler may have in the past gone to church on state occasions, but is not known to ever have approached the sacraments, and is just a renegade who probably never had much Catholic education.

Mussolini is said by some to be an atheist or at least personally indifferent. He had his marriage validated, however, his children were baptized, and were married in religious ceremony.

> Fr. Julian Grinius 1515 So. 50th Ave. Cicero, Ill.

Chicagos Vyčių Choro Vakaras

Šeštadienio vakarą, gegužės 9 d., Chicagos Apskričio Vyčių Choras atliko gražią, Motinų Dienos paminėjimui, dainų ir vaidinimo programą Šv. Antano parapijos salėje, Cicero, Ill., kur klebonauja nuoširdusis Vyčių ir viso jaunimo bičiulis kun. Ignas Albavičius.

Choro nariai, vadovaujant jų jaunam ir gabiam vedējui, Leonardui Šimučiui Jr., tikrai artistiškai išpildē programą, kuri buvo sykiu ir skoningai parinkta ir įvairi, ir gerai priruošta. Nors chorui labai trūksta daugiau balsų (tenorų beveik nesama), vedējas stebētinai sekmingai sunaudojo esamas balsų pajē gas. Tokie numeriai kaip "Laisvēs Varpas" (Vanagaičio) ir Plaukia Žąselē" buvo tikrai žavingai išpildyti, o "Keleivio Daina" (iš Tannhauser) buvo majestotinga savo įspūdžiu. Angliški numeriai kažkaip nebuvo taip vykę kaip lietuviški.

P-lē Harriet Lukas užimponavo publiką savo jausmingu išpildymu Vanagaičio "Mamytē Mano." Taipgi labai patiko klausytojams jos charakteringa meksikiečių liaudies daina.

Jaunojo Šimučio asmenyje turime lietuviško dainavimo meno tikrai stambią ir brangintiną jęgą. Tai naujas, talentingas sveikintino originalumo technikoje choro vadas. Mes tiktai galime pareikšti troškimą kad mūsų visuomenė tinkamai įvertins ir nepaleis iš mūsų tarpo šią nepaprastai daug žadančią kūrybinę jęgą.

Dominikas Varnas, kuris vaidino vadovaujamą rolę smagioje komedijoje "Tai Politika," taip vykusiai atliko savo rolę kad, be perdėjimo, prijuokino publiką iki ašarų. Programos protarpiais nuoširdžias kalbas pasakė Lietuvos Konsulas p. Petras Daužvardis, Draugo redaktorius Leonardas Šimutis, ir klebonas kun. Ignas Albavičius. Apščioje publikoje, kurią daugiausiai sudarė ciceriečiai, matėsi, tarpe vietinių ir Chicagos lietuvių veikėjų: p nia Daužvardienė, kun. Dr. K. Rėklaitis, taip-gi Kunigai Mačiulionis, Činikas ir Grinius; vargonininkai J. Kudirka, A. Mondeika, B. Janušauskas ir kiti.

Pastaba Dēl Vyčių Choro

Kalbant apie Vyčių Chorą, jaučiame pareigą padaryti keletą pastabų dėl jo santykių su mūsų vietine visuomene.

Vyčių Choras turi visą eilę tikrai nuoširdžių rēmējų ir prietelių mūsų kunigų, kai kurių vargonininkų ir abelnai veikėjų ir bendros visuomenės tarpe. Šie senosniosios kartos gerieji jaunimo bičiuliai yra gerai žinomi visiems todėl ne nemeginsime juos visus išvardinti. Ir reikia pasakyti kad jų moralinė ir materialinė parama yra kaip tik tas akstinas kuris palaiko Vyčių Choro ir jų vadų dvasią ir pasiryžimą testi toliau sunkų darbą, net ir tada kada tolimesnis veikimas atrodo beprasmis ir beviltiškas.

Bet to neužtenka. Turime mūsų tarpe tokių neva vadų, kuriems kažkodėl Vyčių Choras ir jo veikimas yra negeistini dalykai ir jie visomis priemonėmis atvirai kliudo jo išsivystymui. Štai kodėl Vyčių Choras, kuris turėtų būti didžiausias ir stipriausias lietuviškas choras Chicagoje ir lietuvių katalikų pasididžiavimas, mūsų pačių kai kurių asmenų yra griaunamas ir jo veikimas kliudomas.

Mes pabrēžiame šį nemalonų faktą su skaudančia širdimi. Bet faktas pasilieka faktu, ir negalime tuo reikalu daugiau tylėti.

Mums stačiai nesuprantama kaip galima suderinti tokios ideališkos ir tikrai naudingos organizacijos kaip Vargonininkų ir Parapijinių Chorų Sąjungos tikslus su jų stačiai oficiališku nusistatymu prieš Vyčių Chorą — kadangi viename Sąjungos Konstitucijos punkte draudžiama parapijos choro nariams-ēms priklausyti prie kitų pašalinių chorų. Tai būtų suprantama jei tas draudimas būtų taikomas tokiems chorams kurių ideologijos yra priešingos katalikybei ar lietuviškumui — bet Vyčių Choras yra ir katalikiškas ir lietuviškas!

Kada mūsų jaunimas parodo gerus norus dalyvauti lietuviškame veikime, jis laukia minimumo nors moralinės paramos žodžio iš mūsų vadų. Argi galime tada jį smerkti už jo neveiklumą jeigu mes jo geriems norams nepritariam ir kaž-kokiais — ar tai pavydo, ar asmeniškumo ar pigios politikos — sumetimais kliudame tam jo veikimui?

Mūsų jaunimas gali pakęsti ir pakelti sunkų darbą, ir vieną kitą nepasisekimą. Jis greitai nepasiduoda nusiminimui. Bet tas nuolatinis priešinimasis, tas atmetimas jo ištiestos rankos, tas amžinas kliudymas jo veikimui ir išsivystymui, tie pakartotini smūgiai jo dvasiai, gali turēti tiktai vieną rezultatą — ilgainiui jie palauž tą mūsų jaunimo jautrią širdį ir jis, iš desperacijos ir su nusivylimu, pasitrauks ant visados iš lietuviško veikimo ir nueis pas tuos kurie nuoširdžiau įvertins jo gerus norus. E. J. K.



Antanas Skirius, Member C-36, President of Ateitininkų Draugovę, former editor of VYTIS. He has written an interesting article on the Ateitininkai for this issue.

Final Standings In 1942 Membership Drive

Final	Council	Standings
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1. South Boston, Mass.	C-17	315 points
2. Chicago, Illinois,	C 13	75 "
3. Chicago, Illinois	C-36	70 "
4. Chicago Illinois	C-112	70 "
5. Elizabeth, New Jersey	C-52	60 "
6. Worcester, Mass.	C-26	55 "
7. Bayonne, New Jersey	C 67	50 "
8. Providence, Rhode Island	C-103	40 "
9. Harrison-Kearny, N. J.	C-90	35 "
10. Dayton, Ohio	C-96	35 "
11. So. Worcester, Mass.	C-116	35 "
12. New York, N. Y.	C-12	30 "
13. Bronx, N. Y.	C-130	30 "
14. Newark, N. J.	C-29	25 "
15. Chicago, Ill.	C-4	20 "
16. Cicero, Ill.	C-14	15 "
17. Norwood, Mass.	C-27	5 "
18. Pittsburgh, Pa.	C-62	5 "
TOTAL		970 points

Final Individual Standing

	Petronele Zibutis	C-17	90 points
2.	?	C-13	75 "
	K. Zaromskis	C-36	60 "
4.	Josephine Adams	C-52	60 "
	Josephine Grimas	C-17	45 "
6.	Ann Marcinkus	C 17	45 "
7.	?	C-103	40 "
8.	Joana Lengvinas	C-17	30 "
9.	Petras Varakulis	C-4	20 "
10.	Phyllis Grendal	C-17	20 "
11.	Tillie Aukštikalnis	C-26	20 "
12.	George Zelinskas	C-96	20 "
13.	Eleanor Plienis	C-112	20 "
14.	Charles Chingas	C-130	20 "
15.	?	C 12	15 "
16.	Anthony Simulinas	C-12	15 "
17.	Marianne Daunis	C-14	15 "
18.	Joseph Brazauskas	C-17	15 "
19.	Frank Razvadauskas	C-17	15 "
20.	Longinas Svelnis	C-17	15 "
21.	John Cooper	C-90	15 "
	Mrs. Mary Kemezis	C-90	15 "
23.	Jack L. Juozaitis	C-112	15 "
24.1	Anthony Leketa	C-116	15 "
25.	M. Gaputis	C 17	10 "
	Mary Kleponis	C-17	10 "
	Anna Burdulis	C-26	10 "
28.	Helen Cherry	C-36	10 "
	Anne Grigalunas	C-67	10 "
	Stanley Jurewick	C-67	10 . "
31.	Charles Birgelis	C-112	10 "
	Florence Eisin	C 112	10 "
	Veronica Jurgelionis	C-116	10 "
	V. Kereišis	C-26	7½"
	Clara Shlora	C-26	7½"
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36. Anthony Anchukaitis	C-17	5	"
37. Nella Marks	C-17	5	"
38. Frances Petreikis	C-17	- 5	"
39. Antanas Strazdauskas	C-17	5	"
40. Vytautas Ivaska	C 26	5	"
41. Antanas Morkunas	C-26	5	"
42. Mary Okulovich	C-27	5	"
43. Anne Barkauskas	C-29	5	
44. Peter Bieksha	C-29	5	"
45. Joseph Grimlauskas	C-29	5 5	"
46. Bernard Kaminskas	C-29	5	"
47. Joseph Remeika	C-29	5	"
48. Marcella Simelis	C-62	5	,,
49. Mary Grigalunas	C 67	5	"
50. Constance Jurewick	C-67	5	"
51. Bertha Krizanowski	C-67	5	"
52. Mrs. Joseph Mack	C-67	5	"
53. Anne Razelaweck	C-67	. 5	"
54. Helen Rodgers	C-90	5	"
55. Marcella Matalaitis	C-90	.5	**
56. Frank Gudelis	C-96	5	"
57. Mary Martinaitis	C-96	5	"
58. Eloise Sluzas	C 96	5	"
59. Màlvina Gura	C-112	, 5	"
60. Al Grebliunas	C-112	. 5	"
61. Al Karanauskas	C-112	. 5	"
62. Eva Balsevičiūtē & Eva		5	"
63. Albina Matachinskas	C-116	. 5	", T
64. Palmera Dzikas	C-130	5	
65. Wanda Waskewicz	C-130	5	nai taket
TOTAL		970	points.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE RESULTS

The Knights of Lithuania 30th Annual Membership Drive ended March 31, 1942.

Council Winners

1st Prize -

C 17 South Boston, Massachusetts having received the highest points, wins a beautiful Loving Cup (donated by the Mayor of the City of Boston).

2nd Prize —

C-13, Chicago, Illinois, having received the second highest points, wins a beautiful gavel.

Individual Winners

1st Prize -

Petronele Zibutis, C-17, South Boston, Mass., to receive an official Knights of Lithuania gold pin.

2nd Prize —

Both K. Zaromskis of C-36, Chicago, Ill., and Josephine Adams of C-52, Elizabeth, New Jersey, having received 60 points (tie), will receive an official Knights of Lithuania gold pin.

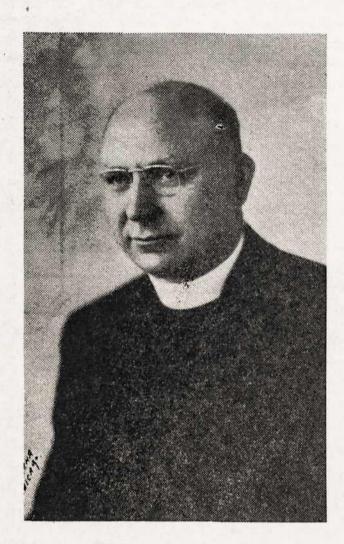
Both Councils and members are to be commended in striving to make 1942 a Banner Year, notwith standing these critical times and, therefore, the Supreme Council of the Knights of Lithuania extends its appreciation to each and everyone.

Phyllis Grendal,

Supreme Council Financial Secretary.

KAS LAIMES?

Kun. J. Mačiulionis M.I.C., J.C.L.



FATHER MACIULIONIS, Vice Provincial of the Marian Fathers and Professor of Canon Law at Marian Hills Seminary is the first American-born Lithuanian priest to attain such a high position of authority in the Church.

Man atvykus į Chicagą pirmą kartą 1917 metais jau buvo prasidėjęs žiaurus Pasaulinis Karas. Nors pirmam draftui buvau dar per jaunas, bet antrame teko užsiregistruoti. Diena iš dienos tad laukiau kada Dėdė Samas pašauks gintis nuo priešų. Rodos tada nebuvo matoma galo tam karui. Mano pradėtas mokslas maniau kiekvieną dieną gali susilaukti galo.

Bet štai užšvinta lapkričio 11 diena. Girdime, kad padaryta taika. Laimēta. . Niekas nesitikējome tokios laimingos naujienos taip greitai.

Manau kad ir dabartinis pasaulinis karas nesitęs ilgiau kaip anasis. Bile katrą dieną susilauksime malonios žinios: karas jau baigta — laimēta.

Bet ar jau viskas laimēta su šio karo laimējimu? Ne. . . Gyvenimas kiekvieno jaunuolio tai baisus karas, kuri jaunuolis gali laimēti, bet gali ir pralaimēti. Kad laimēti reikia žinoti kame jaunuolio laimē ir kaip ja atsiekti.

Jaunuolio laimē glūdi Kristaus įsteigtoje Katalikų Bažnyčioje. Bet ne visi ištveria šioje Kristaus Bažnyčioje.

Kodėl daug mūsų lietuvių brangaus jaunimo su Katalikų Bažnyčia apsilenkia? Svarbioji priežastis randasi, man rodos, tame kad permažai pažįsta ir permažai rūpinamasi savo Tikējimu. Labai mažas nuošimtis mūsų lietuvių jaunuomenės įsigija pilną katalikišką išauklėjimą. Čia mes ir apgailestaujame, kad lietuvių jaunimas apsuptas didelių pavojų, o tie pavojai diena iš dienos didēja. Mūsų tikėjimo prie šai nesnaudžia. Jie stumiasi pirmyn ir silpnesnio tikējimo jaunuolį kartu pastumia savon kryptin. Nacizmas, fašizmas, bolševizmas plinta kaip grybai po lietaus, bet tikējimui jie nieko neduoda. Tad ir mūsų nedidelē tauta jaučiama pakirsta svetimų tautų klaidomis. Ar mūsų jaunimas laimės šį karą su mūsų brangaus Tikējimo priešais? Kiek mūsų brangaus jaunimo pateks į nacių nagus? Kiek į fašizmo? O kiek jų vargaus bolševikams?

Laimēti mūsų jaunimui reikalinga nugalēti tuos tris milžinus priešus — nacizmą, fašizmą, bolševizmą. Tai galēs padaryti mūsų lietuvių jaunimas, jeigu jis bus gerai apginkluotas Kristaus Bažnyčios šarvais — mokslu. Laimēsime, jeigu savo jaunimą tinkamai, katalikiškai, pilnai išauklēsime.

Prieš 40 metų Šv. Tēvas Leonas XIII išleido daug įspējimų, kad pasauliui ateina blogi laikai — žiaurūs navidonai (nacizmas, fašizmas, bolševizmas). Kad išvengus visų tų baisenybių, Šv. Tēvas davē daug naudingų patarimų. Jeigu būtų paklausyta Leono XIII įspējimų, nebūtų buvę nē ano nē dabartinio karo. Taigi bent dabar jaunimas tepaklauso Šv. Tēvų įspējimų, o tada bus išvengta trečio pasaulinio karo ir tik tada bus pilnai laimēta. . . .

Katalikų Bažnyčios laimējimas garantuotas ir tik ji viena nugali pasauly įvairiais laikais įvairias blogybes. Tad galima tikētis, kad ir mūsų laikais Katalikų Bažnyčia triumfuos, kada pragaro galybės bus nugalėtos. Kas su Bažnyčia, tas pergalės ir laimės.

BRAVERY OF WOMEN

Oh, bombs, how they started to fall on the city, They scattered around death and sorrow and pity. . . They really made earth look like famous old hell. . . But uniform'd girls were so brave, were so swell! . . They went into smoke, into flame without fear — And no one among them shed womanish tear! . . . But, Lord, how this last bomb there terribly blasted! How weird was its scream and how long its sound (lasted! . .

Men, girls, fell aground — to escape sudden dying. . . "All clear" among them found one girl loudly crying.

"Oh! . ." — her friends echoed. . "Oh! Sonovagun! . . .
But madly she wept there. . . because of a run
In her stocking, just freshly inflicted. . .!

— Who told you that women in feats are restricted?! Arējas Vitkauskas.

Lietuviška Daina

Senai tas buvo, senai, kai dar lietuviai grūmēsi su vokiečiais — kryžuočiais. 1361 metais kovu lauke nutrenktas nuo arklio mielas lietuvių kunigaikštis Kęstutis pateko į vokiečių nelaisvę. Jį nugabeno į Marienburgą. Kalinamam Kęstučiui patarnauti buvo paskirtas Alfas. Kilme jis buvo lietuvis, bet mažas paimtas į nelaisvę išaugo visiškai vokiškoj dvasioj ir tik jiems tarnavo. Kęstuti kamavo tevynes ilgesys. Norēdamas pasiguosti, lietuvis kunigaikštis nuolat niūniuodavo vaidilų dainas. Jų garsas Alfui priminė pamirštą tevynę, pažadino lietuvybes jausmus ir jis pasiryžo gelbēti Lietuvos kunigaikštį. Alfo paduota geležimi Kęstutis prakrapštē kalējimo sieną, nusileido į kiemą. Čia jau laukė Alfas su dviemis arkliais. Apsirenge vokiečių riterių rūbais per pelkes ir girias per Mozūrijos klampynes pasiekē Lietuvą.

Daina prikels užmigusias širdis.

Ar ne gražus posmelis iš mūsų praeities? Bet tik įsigilinkime į jį ir kiek daug atrasime panašumų su mūsų laikais. Kiek daug tokių, kaip Alfas, yra mūsų dienose. Jų gyslose — lietuviškas kraujas, o jie gyvena svetimiems, Reikia, kad kas nors jų širdis pažadintų. Kaip Kęstutis grąžino savajai tautai Alfą vaidilų dainomis, taip ir mes su lietuviška daina galime sudominti daug jaunimo, pažadinti jų sielose meilę Lietuvai, o ir savyje palaikyti savosios tautos meilės ugnį. Vargu ar kuri tauta turi tokių gražių dainų, kaip mes lietuviai. Vargo nukamuota širdis gimdo prasmingus žodžius ir gilias, jautrias melodijas. Štai vienas iš tokių lietuviškų liaudies dainų kūrējas kun. Ant. Vienožinskis pasiimdavo armoniką ir sudējes dainos posmus grodamas ir verkdamas jas išdainuodavo. Apie dainas jis taip atsiliepia:

— Dainos mano — ašaros mano Jūs skalsiai riedēkit Dūsaujančiai, vaitojančiai Kentéti padékit!

Savo skausmus verkdamas išrokuoju...

To mūsų liaudies poeto artimus žmones rusai buvo išveže į Sibirą. Jis turėjo daug kentėti ir paguodos jis surasdavo dainose. Apie tai jis pats pasisako:

 Oi dainos — dainelės, jūs mano patieka, Visi širdies skausmai pas jumis palieka. Tada aš laimingas, kada jum's dainuoju, Kada savo vargus verkdams išrokuoju.

Zinau vieną Amerikon atvykusią lietuvaitę, kuri auga prie pamotes.

- Sunku buvo - pasakojasi ji, - sunku nepaprastai. Už tat aš dainuodavau nuo ryto iki vakaro. Ir tas mane suramindavo. —

Dabar ta mergaitē moka šimtus gražių dainų ir ne kartą čikagiečius palinksmina įvairiomis progomis. Skambēkite dainos, iš vargo nupintos.

Junuolis ar mergaitē, kurie moka gražiai dainuoti, yra labai megiami kompanijoje. Jie sugeba įnešti daug smagios nuotaikos, yra visų branginami, laukiami. Jiems pirmenybė prieš kitus.

Taigi — teskamba dainos mūsų tarpe. Baigsiu poeto Vaičaičio žodžiais, kurie Sintautų kapinėse yra

iškalti ant jo paminklo:

 Vai lēkite dainos iš vargo nupintos, Iš kaimo į kaimą, pas jaunus, senus, Paguoskite širdis, nelaimių sutrintas, Nušluostykit ašaras, pakelkit jausmus.

K. J. Prunskis.

ETERNAL "HAPPINESS"

It seems that a certain man completed his sojourn on earth and left for his reward. Arrived at the Gates of Eternity he was taken to the induction center (even as many of you and I, dear readers!) and having gone through the examination to ascertain the fitness of his soul, he was finally whisked away down the golden streets in an ivory and pearl chariot.

Our newly arrived soul was ecstatic with happiness. This was going to be more wonderful than he had even anticipated while on earth! He had enjoyed earthly pleasures, but they were nothing compared to his happiness here.

A lavish apartment awaited him — luxurious beyond description. And because war priorities did not reach this far, there were even brand new chromium fixtures in his bath, and a large supply of Gillette Blue Blades in the medicine cabinet. A hundred spirits were appointed to minister to him, so that he could not even make a move without being waited upon.

Then began a whirl of banquets, feasts, festivals, concerts, etc. He no sooner got home from one affair, scarcely having time to have his pearl diadem re-polished, his harp re-tuned, and a new tunic of stardust laid out for him, than he was away again to another sumptuous party.

After about a week of eternities of such festivities our soul began to yearn for just one eternity at home, so he could rest up. He was getting just a wee bit bored by this constant social whirl.

That night he suggested to his be-feathered valet, that he cancel that evening's appointments. He didn't feel like going out and would rather stay home for a change.

The spirit looked at him in surprise. "Oh, but you can't refuse an invitation! Social obligations, and all that sort of thing old chap!"

Really, our soul insisted, he just wouldn't enjoy himself if he went tonight. Maybe some other time...

The spirit smiled strangely. "Our society etiquette is so strict "up" here that no one ever refuses an invitation," he said. "Come, my friend, we are late" already," and he took our soul firmly by the arm and (It was a beautiful assisted him into the chariot. chariot, equipped with four brand-new Firestone White Walls).

Now our soul ordinarily was a patient sort of fellow. But to be forced to have a good time. . . . ! So he lost his temper for a few brief centuries and grumbled: "I don't see why I have to go to these affairs eternity in and eternity out! I didn't know it was going to be like this in heaven."

"Heaven?" echoed the astonished spirit. "You're not in Heaven!"

ATEITININKAI

Rašo Antanas Skirius

Amerikos lietuvių spaudoje pastebimas vis dažniau ir dažniau linksniuojamas žodis "Ateitininkai." Tačiau daugelis šiame krašte gimusio lietuvių jaunimo ir net senesniosios kartos žmonės dar nežino, ką reiškia "Ateitininkai," kokia jos pradžia, kokie tos sąjungos tikslai ir koks veikimas.

"Ateitį regim tevynes laimingą Šviečia mums kryžius ant mūs ve-(liavos

Stokime drąsūs į kovą garbingą: Dirbkim, kovokime dėl Lietuvos!"

Tas Ateininkų himno posnas parodo iš kur yra paimtas žodis "ateitininkai." Ateitininkai yra organizuota žmonių grupė — sąjunga, kuriai rūpi Lietuvos valstybės ATEITIS ir lietuvių tautos religiniai bei kultūriniai reikalai. Kokios yra Ateitininkų idėjos aiškiai pasako tolimesni himno žodžiai: "Mūsų idėjos — tikybos brangybė, mokslas, dorumas, tautos reikalai." Ateitininkų šūkis yra: "Visa atnaujinti Kristuje!"

Ateitininkai susiorganizavo dar prieš Didiji Kara, 1911 metais Rusijoje ir Šveicarijoje. Katalikai studentai pamate kaip greitai lietuviai, užsieniuose lanką universitetus, pasiduoda visokiems "izmams" ir atsižada savo religijos, tautos, susiorganizavo ir pradējo leisti žurnalą "Ateitis." Nuo to laiko katalikus studentus, kurie raše į "Ateitį" arba kurie ją skaitē ir palaikē, vadino "ateitininkais." "Ateitis" ir ateitininkai savo straipsniais ir paskaitomis daugeli lietuviu studentu sulaike nuo surusējimo ir subolševikējimo.

Didžiojo karo metu Ateitininkai s'aptai jau veikė Lietuvos seminarijose ir gimnazijose. Slaptas veikimas buvo pavojingas, reikalaująs daug drąsos ir pasišventimo. Lietuvai atgavus nepriklausomybę ir įsisteigus Vytauto Didžiojo universitetui Kaune ateitininkai pradējo smarkiai pleisti savo veikimą. Iki 1926 m. ateitininkai jau turējo įsisteigę kuopas visose aukštesniuose mokyklose. 1926 m. seime gavo persvarą kairiųjų pažiūrų žmonės ir švietimo ministerija uždraudē ateitininkų veikimą gimnazijose. Ir vēl prasidējo slaptas veikimas.

Tačiau neilgai, 1927 m. gruodžio 13 d. tautininkai padaro sukilimą ir visą valdžią perima į savo rankas. Ateitininkai gavo laisve. Tačiau irgi neilgai. Jie nusigando ateitininkų augančios įtakos visuomeniniame gyvenime ir 1930 m. uždraudė moksleivių ateitininkų veikimą gimnazijose. Kaip sunku yra sulaikyti sraunios upės bėgimo, taip negalima sustabdyti idejinės organizacijos veikimo. Moksleiviai ateitininkai, išvyti už mokyklos duru, susirinkimus darē klebonijose, zakrastijose, bažnyčių bokštose, privačiuose kambariuose ir net miškuose. Veikimas net dvigubai pagyvējo, narių skaičius padvigubējo, nors už ta veikima buvo baudžiami, varomi iš mokyklų, mažinamas elgesio pažymys. Buvo uždrausta gimnazijose veikti tik moksleiviams ateitininkams, gi nedrįso uždaryti galingos Studentų Ateitininkų ir Sendraugių Sąjungos.

Paskutiniuoju laiku Ateitininkų veikimas buvo suformuotas į tris sąjungas: Moksleivių, Studentų ir Sendraugių. Moksleivių Ateitininkų Sąjunga apėmė tik gimnazijų ir mokytojų seminarijų mokinius, visos jų kuopos veikė slaptai. Tačiau jiems nebuvo uždrausta skaityti savo žurnalus "Ateitį" — vyresniesiems ir "Ateities Spindulius" — jaunesniesiems moksleiviams (kaip high school mokiniams. Moksleivių Ateitininkų Sąga turėjo apie 7,000 narių.

Studentų A-kų S-ga apēmē Kauno -V. D. Universiteto, Dotnuvos Žemēs Ūkio Akademijos Prekybos Instituto, Pedagoginio Instituto, Muzikos Konservatorijos, Veterinarijos Instituto, Meno Mokyklos ir penkių Kunigų Seminarijų studentus. Ji turėjo narių apie du tūkstančius, ir leido savo laikraštį "Studentų Dienas."

Sendraugių At-kų S-ga jungė jau mokslus baigusius ateitininkus katalikų profesionalus. Ji galėjo turėti apie 3.000 narių. Tos trys sąjungos sudarė Ateitininkų Federaciją. Ateitininkai kanauninko Dogelio dėka turėjo suorganizavę Studentų Ateitininkų Sušelpimo Fondą, iš kurio duodavo pašalpas ir paskolas neturtingiems studentams. Ateitininkų Profesionalų ir

Studentų pastangomis Kaune buvo pastatyti gražūs penkių aukštų Ateitininkų Rūmai, kuriuose tilpo studentų bendrabutis, valgykla, krautuvē, 5 laikraščių redakcijos ir administracijos, Moksleivių ir Studentų sąjungų centrinės įstaigos. Be to, dar ateitininkai turėjo dvi vasarnamius: Raudondvaryje ir Palangoje.

Lietuvos religiniame, kultūriniame, socialiniame ir visuomeniniame gyvenime Ateitininkai užēmē vadovaujančią vietą. Visi žymiausi ir rimčiausi Lietuvos laikraščiai ir žurnalai buvo redaguojami ateitininkų. Štai populiariausias dienraštis "XX Amžius" buvo redaguojamas kun. J. Prunskio dr. Ign. Skrupskelio, I. Ambrazevičiaus, J. Buteno. Rimčiausi žurnalai: "Židinys," "Ateitis," "Kosmos," "Soter,"
"Atheneum," "Mokykla," "Naujoji Vaidilutė," "Naujoji Romuva" ir kiti buyo redaguojami ateitininku. Taip pat ateitininkai redagavo didžiausio tiražo ūkininkų laikrašti "Mūsų Laikraštį," "Darbininką," "Moteri" ir daugelį kitu.

Ateitininkai vadovavo šimtatūkstantinei "Pavasarininkų Sąjungai, Kat. Vyrų, Moterų Angelaičių sąjungai ir kitoms organizacijoms.

1939 m. pasaulį sukrētė baisi tragedija. Lietuva skaudžiai nukentējo, okupantai sunaikino visas kultūrines mokslo ir ekonomines institucijas. Ateitininkams teko skaudžiausiai pakelti šią nelaime nes iš jų buvo atimtas visas turtas, uždrausti visi jų leidžiami laikraščiai, uždraustas veikimas. Dalis ateitininkų buvo nužudyti. dalis sukišta i kalējimus, dalis ištremta į šaltąjį Sibirą ir tik mažai dalelei pasisekē išbēgti į užsienius — Amerika, Sveicariją, Vokietiją, Prancūziją ir kitur.

1941 m. gegužės mėn. Chicagoje susiorganizavo Ateitininkų Draugovė kurios nariais yra daugumoj Lietuvoj priklausę prie Ateitininkų. Draugovė savo garbės nariu turi prof. K. Pakštą, pastaruoju metu Lietuvoje buvusį vyriausią Ateitininkų Federacijos vadą. Taip pat Ateitininkų Draugovės steigėjais ir dabar nariais yra kun. J. Prunskis, kun. A. Deksnys, Jr., kuris šiais metais eina draugovės

dvasios vado pareigas ir kun. Barauskas — visi trys atvykę Amerikon, kai bolševikiškos azijatų gaujos užplūdo Lietuvą. Ateitininkų Draugovės steigiamąją valdybą sudarė: pirm. P. Baltinis, vice-pirm. A. Skirius, sekr. A. Navikaitė, ižd. A. Reneckis ir M. Žutautaitė. Šiais metais draugovės valdybą sudaro: dvasios vadas kun. A. Deksnys pirm. A. Skirius, vice-pirm. St. Petrauskaitė, sek. A. Navikaitė ir ižd. A. Čalkis.

Chicagos Ateitininkų Draugovė yra pirmasis vienetas steigiamosios Amerikos Lietuvių Ateitininkų Sąjungos, kurios įstatai jau yra paruošti ir greitu laiku pasirodys spaudoje. Sąjungos tikslas, kaip sako jos konstitucija, yra "suburti Amerikos lietuvius, kad bendromis jėgomis palaikyti ir plėtoti savyje ir lietuvių kilmės Amerikoje gimusio jaunimo tarpe krikščionišką lietuvišką dvasią, laikantis Lietuvos Ateitininkų Federacijos ideologijos."

Kadangi Lietuvoje Ateitininkai apēmē mokslą einantį jaunimą, todėl ir Amerikos Lietuvių Ateitininkų Sąjunga organizuos vien tik besimokantį jaunimą arba jau Lietuvoje priklausiusius prie Ateitininkų asmenis. A. Skirius.

IN MEMORIAM



On March 29, 1942, Rapolas Andreliunas, the Knights of Lithuania organization's Fourth Degree Member and the organizer of Council 36 passed away in ever-

lasting slumber.

Rapolas watched his council for over 27 years in its successes and failures, he set an example to all that followed, some left the organization, others took their places, some gained various honors; he remained in the back-ground, when the council, district or Center needed aid he was the first to make a donation or a gift.

His greatest joy was the receiving of his Fourth Degree and he was responsible for many "old-timers" returning to the organization.

He left hehind him, his loving wife and daughter; his brother and family in Boston, Mass.; many other relatives, friends and numerous acquaintances. Also grieving are the members of Council 36, the Chicago District and of the Fourth Degree.

Rapolas Andreliunas was a real Knight, worthy of the little honor the Knights of Lithuania were able to extend to him. May his soul, rest in peace........... J. R. C.



Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Kubaitis, who were recently married. Mrs. Kubaitis is the former June Encher. (Any resemblance of the grinning individual on the right to the present editor of VYTIS is purely intentional.)

(Photo by Conrad)

A Message From Our Government



THE SECRETARY OF THE IREASURY

May 1, 1942

TO THE CITIZENS OF AMERICA:

This month a new campaign for the sale of War Bonds and Savings Stamps is under way throughout the Nation. It is the War Bond Quota Campaign.

It is urgently necessary that you double the rate at which you are now buying War Bonds and Stamps. This will mean the sale direct to individual Americans of War Bonds and Stamps to the amount of not less than one billion dollars every month.

One billion dollars a month is the National quota. It is equal to one-tenth the combined incomes of all Americans.

This money is needed to buy the tools of war for your fighting forces. It will not pay for all of them. Our war expenditures now are at the rate of about FOUR BILLIONS a month, and they are growing daily. But a billion dollars a month direct from the people will make all-out production possible. Without it we cannot do our best; without it we cannot put forth our full effort.

It is desperately needed for another reason. We can't fight a war and at the same time live and spend as usual. There are not enough goods to go around — the things we buy with money. If we go on spending at the 1941 scale, we'll be robbing the fighting man to add to our own comfort or pleasure. We'll be driving up the cost of living for all of us. We'll be imposing dire hardships on our neighbors.

What is asked of you is ten per cent of your earnings — a tithe for Liberty. It is not a tax; it is not even a contribution; it is a loan at interest, for your use and protection later.

Your Government asks you to cut down your expenditures, TO SAVE — your boys on the firing line and in the training camps, through your Government, ask you to save so that they may have what they need to win YOUR WAR for you — America asks you to save; to SAVE TO WIN THE WAR; to buy War Bonds and Stamps up to not less than ten per cent of your income.

Is Libercy worth it? Is Democracy worth it? Is America worth it? 1 think I know your answer.



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CHICAGO K of L LADIES' BOWLING

K of L Ladies Elect Officers

The Knights of Lithuania Chicago District Ladies Bowling League held their Annual Banquet and Election of Officers at the Evergreen Country Club, May 14th, 1942.

The newly elected officers were Mrs. Harriet Kaminskas — president; Miss Ann Razbud — vice-president; Miss Antoinette Ambrose — recording secretary and Miss Mary Krakausky — sgt. at arms.

Those re-elected were Miss Sally Jesulaitis — treasurer and Mrs. Helen Cherry — league secretary.

Trophies donated by the K of L Chicago District were tendered to the champion Town of Lake Council 13 Ladies and medals to North Side Council 5 Ladies, who finished second. Checks from the Herald-American Women's Bowling Classic were presented to Town of Lake, Brighton "B" and Marquette Ladies. The Chicago Women's Bowling Ass'n. high game medal went to Mrs. Alice Manst. Each and every participant in the 1941-42 season received cash prizes.

A decision was made and will be continued that the main requirment shall be that all Ladies must be members of some K of L Chicago District Council paid-up at the Supreme Office, plus the Chicago Women's Bowling Ass'n. rulings, etc. The 1942-43 handicap will be only 60%. Other details to be worked out later. Decision of Bowling Alleys left to the Officers who will find alleys centrally located, so that all councils may participate during the 1942-43 season.

All Ladies interested in bowling during the 1942-43 season can contact Mrs. Helen Cherry, 4534 South California Ave., Chicago, Ill., or phone Virginia 1975 for more information.

AID YOUR COUNTRY AT HOME

YOU CAN HELP BY -

- Buying Defense Bonds and Stamps
 - Joining Or Supporting The Red Cross
 - Eliminating Waste Of Materials
 - Keeping Up Your Spirits
 - Disregarding Rumors
 - Cooperating
 - Praying

KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA CHICAGO DISTRICT LADIES BOWLING LEAGUE 1941-42 SEASON FINAL STANDING

Team	w	L	H.G.	AV
TOWN OF LAKE	48	27	825	667
NORTH SIDE	39	36	753	582
BRIGHTON "A"	36	39	746	628
BRIDGEPORT	36	39	748	617
BRIGHTON "B"	34	41	693	575
MARQUETTE	32	43	699	561

High Game Without Handicap Town of Lake — 825

High Series Without Handicap — Town of Lake — 2328

High Game With Handicap Town of Lake — 938

High Series With Handicap Town of Lake — 2667

1941-42 SEASON FINAL INDIVIDUAL STANDING

Name and Team	G	H.G.	H.S.	AV.
S. Jesulaitis, T of L.	75	206	504	149.52
T. Daresh, Brighton A.	69	190	480	143.3
A. Yucus, T of L.	75	210	493	142.8
B. Watkins, Bridgeport	71	192	498	134.49
A. Manst, No. Side	51	223	496	133.2
N. Murphy, Marquette	42	198	515	132.16
A. Ambrose, T. of Lake	66	177	519	130.12
V. Brennan, Marquette	75	183	439	128.13
H. Kaminskas T. of Lake	63	163	430	126.18
J. Gaidis, Bridgeport	69	190	499	126.14
H. Cherry, Brighton A.	72	187	457	125.69
H. Woicek, Brighton B.	72	193	467	125.61
E. Kawall, T. of Lake	66	175	455	124.12
S. Gimbut, Brighton A.	75	171	433	123.18
M. Krakausky, Brighton A.	60	176	427	123.16
A. Razbud, Bridgeport	72	164	420	122.39
M. Yudeik, No. Side	39	164	403	121.34
Ann Woicek, Bridgeport	51	170	434	121.30
S. Tenzie, Bridgeport	63	181	456	120.9
A. Junes, Bridgeport	69	174	407	118.53
Adele Woicek, Brighton B.	72	166	430	118.31
L. Tanke, Brighton A.	45	150	399	117.1
A. Kirstuk, No. Side	75	170	451	113.39
S. Jucikas, Brighton B.	69	170	412	113.37
C. Wesley No. Side	75	167	421	112.16
L. Rauba, Marquette	72	174	406	112.8
H. Apke, North Side	53	159	416	109.43
A. Jatis, Marquette	75	168	409	107.34
B. Adams, Marquette	51	147	373	106.28
V. Kraus, North Side	72	157	437	106.16

HIGH GAME - A. Manst, No. Side - 223

.........HIGH SERIES — A. Ambrose, T. of Lake — 519

Helen Cherry, Sec'y.

CHICAGO K of L MENS' BOWLING

1942 Final Standings

Name of Team	w	L	Av.	H.G.	H.S.
SO. CHICAGO	53	22	813	943	2710
(Lachawicz Undertak	ers)				
MARQUETTE	36	39	741	847	2410
K of L PRESS	35	40	795	878	2549
TOWN OF LAKE	35	40	756	905	2530
WEST SIDE	33	42	774	901	2544
NORTH SIDE	32	43	745	928	2600
(Petkus Funerals)					

Player and Team	Games	Aver.	H.G.
Gramont, Press,	72	180.46	238
A. Kibelkis, So. Chicago	21	179.4	236
Manst, North Side	75	178.50	234
Jeskey, So. Chicago	75	173.11	219
C. Kibelkis, So. Chicago	75	170.46	247
Stankus West Side	72	169.45	216
Valauskas, Marquette	30	169.2	225
Kundrot, So. Chicago	75	166.50	221
Adams, Press	63	165.40	226
Bukaitis, Town of Lake	60	163.17	243
J. Norkus, West Side	75	162.15	206
Balutis, North Side	75	161.12	244
Chrobak, West Side A	12	161.	190
Gailius, Marquette	45	156.16	236
J. Herbick, Press	33	155.1	187
Smith, Press	57	153.36	211
Lileikis, So. Chicago	60	153.31	203
F. Herbick, Press	66	152.14	231
Sapko, Marquette	75	151.26	201
Matemaitis, T. of Lake	72	151.15	200
Ramoska North Side	72	149.54	187
Kraujalis, West Side	54	149.15	203
Klimas, West Side	66	149.1	218
Brennan, Marquette	75	148.54	187
Alesauskas, T. of Lake	69	148.8	194
L. Norkus, West Side	75	147.72	221
Willis, T. of Lake	66	147.21	197
Apke, North Side	57	147.19	200
Zaletskis, T. of Lake	57	146.19	204
Grigelis, So. Chicago	51	144.17	211
Grebliunas, Marquette	72	141.33	191
Karan, Marquette	75	140.29	215
Valonis, North Side	72	115.62	203
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Team High Three Games -

SO. CHICAGO - 2710

NERTH SIDE - 2600

K of L PRESS — 2549

Team High Single Game -

SO. CHICAGO — 943 NORTH SIDE — 928

TOWN OF LAKE - 905

Individual High Three Games -

Manst, No. Side — 631; C. Kibelkis, S. C. — 625; Stankus, W. Side — 618

Individual High Single Game -

C Kibelkis So. Chicago — 247; Balutis, No. Side — 244; Bukaitis, T. of Lake — 243

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK, N. Y. Council 12

Another month goes by with some more "off the record" dope. Another month goes by with new correspondents taking over where the "Two Cuties" left off.

Didja' notice that:

At a recent dance Al. Y. was unusually happy. Could it be because of Elvira, whom he has been raving about? Or could it be that he is going to serve Uncle Sam?

George Y. and Eldie S. get as many chuckles as Bob Hope.

What we heard:

That Johanna M. still has eyes for a certain lad in C. 12. Could it be true?

Hank K. calling Stella K. "Frank Buck." You figure it out, we can't.

Ann Mastake's heart belongs to some one in the service.

That our crowd decided to explore the Simulinas household on a certain night to celebrate Eddie's birthday.

Alice S. and Ann B. playing Chopsticks in Rhumba tempo. Beautiful, wasn't it. There is talent in our midst, after all.

Irene S. can't take more than one. What's the matter. Irene?

Calling all councils, calling all councils, be on the lookout for Sept. 19. That is your night to have the time of your life. That's all.

Until you hear from us again, we remain,

The Tattle Tales.

ATHOL, MASS. Council 10

I haven't written to you for weeks and weeks it seems and scads of things have happened.

First of all, our convention turned out to be a great success, and we would like to thank all the other councils for making such a grand showing.

Congratulations to Margie David on being elected vice-president of the District Council.

Ricky and Tony, you sure did make wonderful cooks at the convention. What could we girls have done without you? We really appreciated having the potatoes mashed and the cans opened.

Poor Butch must have been entirely worn out by the festivities, for Tina S. had to drive his car.

We certainly enjoyed doing the Conga under the leadership of Delie from South Worcester.

'Tis a pity how these Conventions have to end so soon, especially when Tina Vat was having such a grand time.

Did you know that S. W. has been robbing the cradle? What possible excitement could a dignified K. of L. member get out of that? It must be the freshness of youth he's after.

Plans are incomplete in regard to our dance to be given June 2. A more definite announcement will be given later.

Shovel Shovel.

ACTIVITIES

WESTFIELD, MASS. Council 30

Our Spring and Summer season got under way with a big splash, both literally and actually. Actually, by way of a Swim Party at the local Y.M.C.A. All agreed they had fun. That is, all but Ann Z., who preferred to watch. Gee, Ann you missed a grand time. By the way, why didn't your brother swim? Was he too busy talking to the nice looking life guard? All the other boys were making eyes at her, too.

Okey, gang, get your roller skates out, because we're going to do a lot of skating — I hope. Though the club's favorites seem to be dancing and picnics, I know several boys who are going to suggest horse-back riding. Now wait, girls, it's not as bad as it sounds. Ask Paul S. and Tommy W., and they'll tell you it's fun if you can get the horse to do what you want them to do.

Here's good news to the Lithuanian service men of both Westover and Bradley Fields. The club is making arrangements for a dance at which the service men will be guests of Council 30. Nellie Lingaitis and Fran Mikelis are the committee in charge. I'm sure there won't be a shortage of handsome partners, girls, so put on your best frocks and get in the swing.

I've heard of spring fever, but I certainly don't see any evidence of it at our meetings. On the contrary we have had to elect a Sergeant-at-Arms to keep tabs on the boisterous members. Tony Jonaitis is going to be the guy with the headaches from now on. Congratulations on your new job!

The Club is Talking About:

"Father Wolf," alias Joe Miller. Joe will soon be studying for the priesthood, but the girls have given him this psuedomjon for reasons too obvious to mention.

All the relatives Joe J. has. If this seems cryptic see Pete W. of Worcester; he was Joe's partner in crime.

The fun the gang had at the Athol Convention. Especially Fran, Nellie, Gladys, Anne and Sophie. Did they really meet all those handsome soldiers.

The good-looking girls in Athol. The boys are raving about them. I really don't think there can be that many good looking gals in one small TOWN. Personally, I think Norwood has them beat. What about it, Tony?

A correction is in order because in the last issue I stated that our council had a suave debonaire, talk and handsome chap, by the name of Eke K. He insists he isn't tall at all.

Birdie S. continually humming "Always in My Heart." The reason? Her hero, Charlie Jutkiewicz has answered Uncle Sam's call to the colors and she misses him so. Cheer up, Birdie, he'll be home soon, but I'm afraid you won't have him to yourself. The club is going to take him over and show him what it is to be the first of our boys to leave for the service. A grand blow off, which Charlie will remember, is being planned.

Til' next month your honorable (?) scribe will sign off. If you have any juicy items I can use in this column, please send them to —

Elmer.

WORCESTER, MASS. Council 26

Another month has passed (I should say two months) and I come again with the doings of our slowly -- diminishing council. Slowly diminishing, because the man-power is all but gone, with only the rejects and those, whose numbers haven't been called, remaining to keep the girls happy. To the list published in last months issue, we proudly add the names of Charles Bobblis, Anthony Morkunas and Connie Aukstakal-

nis. This brings the total of 26'ers gone to serve their country to eleven. May their efforts be not in vain. And let it be known, that a few more will soon join the ranks to increase our honor roll.

Plans are being arranged for our annual picnic, which takes place at Maironis Park on June 21. A new comer, Miss Doris Grenda is in charge of the committee. To make this affair a success, she is pledged the whole-hearted support of the executive board.

The council, once again, aided at the Church Bazaar, held in April. To those, who upheld the honor of our organization at this affair namely M. Thompson, T. Aukstakalnis, M. Seilus, Julius Jurgelonis, Bill Kerry, Anthony Kondrotas and Ben Kacewich, I say THANKS" for the entire group and your humble reporter. If we had a few more staunch workers, all our affairs would be great successes.

Could be.

That the boys in camp could use some inspiring news, especially from the girls. So, what say girls, any cooperation on your part won't go to waste.

That a romance is about to reach a certain stage between a 26'er and a 116'er.

That a better council would be had, if those that preach about cooperative spirit, would only practice a bit. Seems that during a meeting everyone is willing, but as an affair approaches, they hide in their shells until all is finis.

That certain people missed out on fun at the Athol Convention. I presume that the proper individuals were not present, as in the past.

That we'll in a short time lose a couple of real friends, who'll join up for the duration. Why, no one will be available to be used as escorts if many more leave.

Sour Pus..

DAYTON, OHIO Council 96

Friends, Romans, Countrymen and fellow Vytis, lend me your ears, or your eyes, or something. I come before you, to write about you, to tell you something you already know or should know. Do you know that —

The District Convention, which was to be held in Dayton, has been cancelled. You see, our club is patriotic. There's a priority on rubber. Without rubber there's no tires. Without tires there's no automobiles. Without automobiles there's no delegates. Without delegates there's no convention. Without — well, shut my mouth!

Were you at John Scott's lately? The interior of their home has just been decorated. They did it themselves. What colors, what art what taste, what got into me today? Anyway, it's beautiful.

There's no news like stork news. A prediction! It wouldn't surprise me at all if our club was reimbursed with some future eligible members before the year is out. My gosh, what am I saying?

The Committee on Activities has selected Wednesday evening as your night to howl. Everything is free. Of course, if you want to buy something, that can be arranged. You can't expect everything for nothing, you know. We have free dancing, free games, free movies, free speech, free press; I could go on and on, but I don't wanna.

Now as to our membership drive. Let's not stop now. We've got this thing rolling, so let's keep it moving. A member a month is all we want. Talk it up!

Do you know Izzy is going steady? You don't? No wonder, it's a secret. Anyway it was, until I got hold of it.

Wednesday evening brought out something interesting. You know Sally Greene, Vera Greene, Adele Markey and Helen Vaitkus are four of the best ping pong players I ever did see. They've got something on the ball, and it isn't a ping pong paddle. Do you mind if I wink — my way out of this picture?

For further news of your correspondent, follow the obituary column in your daily newspaper.

Bob.

MASPETH, L. I., N. Y. Council 110

Recollections of our Gay Nineties Dance - A social success. . . Johnny Zorski of Great Neck dancing cheek to cheek with Nellie from Jersey . . . people howling with laughter at the skit "The Lamp Went Out" . . . Mary Augustinas ending a snore in the skit with a very infectious giggle . . . Joe Boley making a serious plea to buy War Bonds . . . the boys from Elizabeth having an uproarious time . . . Gil Vanagus, the Romeo from Bayonne, with a devastating smile . . . rythmic music . . . Private Jules Kleizo from Vermont telling us how well he can make cream puffs . . a wish that the happiness shown on people's faces could continue even after the dance was over.

Our annual Communion Breakfast held May 3rd brought some friends back to join us in sharing breakfast together once again. Although it was wonderful to see the Knights together, it brought home rather sharply just how many were missing. Underneath the merriment and laughter (at Joe Augustinas' jokes), there was a constant glancing around. Our boys in the Armed forces were not with us in body but our thoughts were constantly with them. May our next Communion Breakfast will bring us all together once more.

Al Wezwick writes that he is in the Tank Division in Arkansas. He is very much interested and I am sure that he will become a general any day now. Mike Wezwick is in good old Alabam! I will not reveal what both have reported about the South (Military secret).

I feel that I should give credit where credit is due. My co-worker, who is not Lithuanian, inspires my column quite a deal. She is always interested in the Vytis and reads the columns. Her comments, always good, give me the urge to try to make the Vytis as good a magazine as I can with my small contributions. Thank you, Miss Bourke.

Athena.

PITTSBURGH, PA. Council 102

Our summer season is getting into swing with an open house affair on May 12th. The Lithuanian youth of near vicinities are going to be the guests. The following people are the committee sponsoring this affair: Anthony Mazeika, Victor Zink, Alexander Sadauskas, Ramould Dudenas, Albina Onaitis, Nellie Rozger and Marcelle Similis. With the fine cooperation of the other members of the Council this affair is going to be a very successful event.

Next we will have a Weiner Roast in the beautiful Sheridan Park. Helen Paleckis is chairlady of this affair and we know that with such an active person in charge every one will have an enjoyable evening.

Welcome into our Council, Father Karuziskis, Alice Marzwick and Wesley Koslowski. We hope your stay with us will be a very pleasant one. Father Karuziskis has been with us for quite some time, but during the last meeting he made himself a member officially.

By the time this article is read, Agrafina will be Mrs. Lenny. Best wishes and loads of happiness to both of you. Aggie see if you can't persuade Lenny to become a member also. Congratulations to Pete and Steffie on the birth of a daughter.

Richard and Tony we do hope you have a very successful season of softball this year. Did you folks see Andy home on leave?

Josie, what was that snapshot that you had such a time getting back from Vic?

Nellie S., why do you go home via Tabor St., instead of Carson Street, when Carson Street is a much shorter way home? With the First Aid lessons completed, the girls are showing us just how they can carry out helpless victims. We wonder why they chose V. Z. as the victim instead of Al. S? Could it have been the difference in size? That's all for now, the sun is down and there aren't any more shadows, The Shadow

Vytis -

HARTFORD, CONN. Council 6

Hello Knights;

This is your new Hartford Correspondent who will try to keep you up to date on every important event in the city. We have undertaken a membership drive with surprising results. Twenty new members and there are more coming. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month.

In the past few months we have had "social nite" in our clubrooms and members who attended enjoyed themselves, but the committees in charge decided to discontinue them in favor of a "super-duper shindig" and all members will enjoy themselves — but good!

The members are urged to attend monthly meetings as matters of utmost importance have to be ironed out with the consent of all members.

And now for some choice news from our Council:

Edward Monciunas and Doc Kriksciun are awaiting their 3 A's. Hope they're boys!

Victoria Labesky has been elected Second Vice-President of the C. L. C. Quite a big jump from her former position as Secretary of our council.

Vinnie Gauches, Vinnie Morkus, and Ed Spelis are preparing to give those Japanazis! 1 !! (censored) in the near future, and the boys have promised to bring back a piece of Tokio, and Berlin for souvenirs. We'll remember you boys and Pearl Harbor.

Poor little Cupid must be working overtime. Mary Dapkus is now Mrs. Stanley Jacobs. Sophie Kadis middle-aisled it May 11. Mary Lawrence and Joe Toce are making plans for the 30th of May. Good luck to you all. It seems that Skippy Manikas and Corky Stanulis are that way about each other.

Josephine Gramas, a new member of our club is certainly making our boys sit up and take notice. You can be sure she won't be bored very long. Wanna bet?

Monsignor Ambot, who is resting in Florida takes with him the blessings and good wishes of all our members. We all hope he gets well soon and returns to us. We miss his spiritual talks.

The new members are welcom-

ed to the club with a few words of advice. The club is yours, treat it as you would your own personal property.

Mr. and Mrs. Dubin are infanticipating a future member. Good health to you, Aggie.

Paul Pagirskas is again eligible; seems as if he coudn't see eye to eye with his girl. It is getting to be a major job to keep Paulie's girls in line. Could use a bookkeeper.

Lo and behold, Andy Savage has a girl friend! It seems he wasn't such a woman hater as he pretended to be. C. B.

LINDEN, N. J. Council 113

This past month has really been one that everyone in our Council will remember. It seems that everyone is back in the swing of things. More members come to the meetings and more enjoy the different activities which we have. Keep up the good work, and there will always be many more good times.

First of all we want to thank all of the Knights and others who attended our dance, for helping to make it a big success. We know that everyone enjoyed themselves as much as the committee had planning it.

Sunday, April 26th, was the day that all of the members of Council 113 received Communion at the 8:00 A. M. Mass at St. Theresa's Church, Linden N. J. Instead of having breakfast served at a restaurant, it was decided to have it cooked out of doors, and so a picnic.

Highlights of the Picnic —

Everyone gathered in front of the club rooms with their picnic utensils and off they went in cars to the Lake. After the short-long cuts that Andy Dombrauskas takes, and the action pictures that Anne Shaltis snaps along the way, we finally arrived at Echo Lake.

Anne Zurlis was chief cook of the day, with Andy Dombrauskas as her Supervisor. They make a good team. Breakfast was served at 11:30, with not very much difficulty or squabbles. After breakfast everyone participated in a baseball game: Linden K. of L. vs. The Little Boy Scouts. What a game! It must have been the

first game the boys played with girls as opponents. Our girls were criticized very strongly. "Lefty" Galish was complimented on her hitting ability.

We also went rowing, and while everyone was out on the lake rowing, Joe Krotulis took care of our picnic spot - including the beer supply. Sure did, all of it! However, we forgave him after eating his baked potatoes. Frank Sawicki, champion rower, won the boat race, with the help of the four girls in the boat. He had to be revived at the end of the race. With all the help John Shaltis had, with Vera holding up the pant's legs from the water and John Trotulis giving the directions of perfect rowing, he still came in last with his boat. My! My! These men.

Amidst the laughter and gaiety, there was also a tragedy. Our very well liked member, Stella Leraitis fell from a bicycle and got a fast ride to the hosital with police escort. "I didn't even enjoy the ride," said Stella. "I had my eyes closed." Can't keep her down. Violet Ludvinaitis, our nurse, administered first aid.

After a supper of steak and baked potatoes and everything that goes with it, the camp fires were put out by Kay Tratulis and Anne Zurlis. Kay had a wonderful idea of using evaporated milk and soda for the procedure. And so — home. Never a dull moment.

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GREAT NECK, LONG ISLAND Council 109

Contrary to belief, we 109'ers are still together and quite strong despite the few in number. Last monthly meeting held at the Wesey home was successful from all angles except attendance — guest of honor was Father Collins, our spiritual advisor, whose wit and humor made us realize how sorely we've missed his presence at previous gatherings. We sure hope he can make it more often. Although dances are not on the priority list, 'tis with sadness yet with pride we are foregoing our annual summer frolic at the Knickerbocker Yacht Club where many a good time was had by all - we've again voluntarily consented to take over the Refreshment Bar at the "Victory Bazaar" of the St. Aloysius Parish. It's scheduled earlier this year; it will take in every Friday and Saturday of the month of June so come one and all, join in the fun.

Word came to us that Pvt. Jack Masulis is very happy in uniform — dancing in Army shows. You know how dancing is his one love.

Pvt. Al Lazaunik, home almost every week-end, divides his time between family and Ruthie, his one and only.

No word lately from Ray Bart, who when last heard from, was trying very hard to gain 10 lbs. to join the Parachute Troops. Sure hope he makes the grade we know then he'll be happy.

The Girls' Sewing Club, doing their bit for VICTORY, still going strong every Friday night... Tennis and bicycling now take up their time on Sundays. This, as you know was the idea behind the club and it's working out to the enjoyment of all. Keeping in tune with the war theme — "Physical Fitness and Health," too! The girls want to arrange some social for the boys of the U.S. Maritime School in G. N., which has now increased to 900, but as yet have made no plans.

Nellie Mockus, K of L'er from Kearny was an unexpected visitor at their last meeting — she can prove the fact that the gals "really knit." Her visit was enjoyed by all and we hope she can make it again real soon.

Don't forget your tennis racket ,Nell. Your brief visit to G. N. made John Zorski very happy, indeed. Yes, indeed!

Despite sugar rationing, Starsy Wesey's old fashioned strawberry shortcake was the climax of the evening.

Mary "Rip" Wesey is sporting a gorgeous suntan — result of afternoons outdoors in Victory Garden with old Sol beaming proudly overhead.

Frannie Glatke is sporting a "Defense" haircut.

Our Scarlet O'Hara (Helen Madalize) is now Mrs. James Pearson — the knot was quietly tied on the 30th of April. Best wishes and much happiness from all, Helen. Her wit and dry humor will be missed at the meetings. Golly, all the gals need is one to start and off they go. Anne Karris in April — now comes Janie Glatke

with the news that she will be united to Sgt. Robert Peter Schwarz, whom we of 109 all know. Yes, sirree, amid all the flowers, fixings trimmings, etc., on the 7th of June attended by 5 K of L'ers: Millie Kens Karazia, matron of honor; Frances Glatke (her sister) maid of honor; Mary Garro, Mary Lazaunik and Frances Zorskis, bridesmaids. Loads of luck and best wishes, Jane. May all your dreams be realized. Babs Blusonis is all set to focus her camera on the gals as they come down the church steps.

A number of us are looking forward to the K. of L. picnic at Kenilworth, N. J. Had loads of fun last year on the swings, playing softball with Maspeth before the crowd came on, dancing etc. With tire shortages and gas rationing, it looks as though we'll need directions on how to get there by train, etc.

Nevertheless, we'll be seeing you soon. Hope you can make it to our bazaar — remember, every Friday and Saturday during the month of June. So, until we see or hear from you, I remain

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ELIZABETH, N. J. Council 52

CONVENTION -

It was inevitable that this was to happen and I for one dreaded the happening. The undertaking of producing a successful Convention takes the full force of the K. of L. membership and a full working committee. In other words, the Elizabeth Convention for 1942 has folded up. What's to follow is unknown. The procedure that follows such is for the combined K. of L. through-out the country to thrash out. Or there could be a by-law covering the incident mentioned above? This notice is for the general readers of VYTIS. Whatever the committee does or did in such matters is not in written form. Let's not despair, there is still some solution to this prob-

We know that those taking part in this Convention are working in defense plants, and others are protecting the country we live in. Put such matters together and we see little in importance in going on with this Convention. The business part of the entire K. of L. can be transacted by special representatives. But as I said there could be laws governing this problem.

The Brighter Side -

These names will increase the sale of War Bonds: Tony Papalis, Joe Dugan, Al Mack, Dr. Degutis Joe Zvirblys, Geo. Plungis, Sleepy Parick, "Slim" Oskutis Joe Mathza, "Cap" Josephs, "Taboo" Zemerkis; all are K of L members and are in the service. Recent entries: Ed Mack, Ed Peskis and Al Krayinskas.

Invitations were sent to the councils of Harrison, Newark and Bayonne for the bowling social in Elizabeth. All sent members in full force.

The Informer Tel's Me:

Jenny, Teddy, Shorty, Cookie (Great Neck), Mary and Cameal took the week-end off to see the boys at Newport. They had a swell time and came back a day later than they expected. The "White Knight," who rescued the girls from Maspeth was none other than our own "Queenie." Johnny Kay meant the real thing when he placed that ring on her finger. Betty, Ronnie and Ann are missing evenings, but for the best...... Red Cross training. Beauty did it - he married her. J. Kay's slides are a success at the weekly meetings — there were more than a few pictures of the lady his lady intended. Broken down athletes - C. Oskutis, "Queenie" and Arry. Our president has a standing bill for sixty cents in Big Pauls get it up, Al Vaich. The boys arranged to take some of the girl friends to a show and dinner, sort of special like all but two came without girls Clumsy and Spike —— two women haters??? Walter and Helen, Hardrock and Lou, Arry and Lucille, but Chas. and Miss New Jersey and Spike and Lovely New Yorker were absent. Tony Dudas and Mike Dudas were all for the betterment of the club, but where are they? Walter Drescher and Helen Willensky said "I Do." A little guess and probably right - J. Plungis will fall in the pit of matrimony before the year is out. All our meetings will include socials and entertainment — be present and don't miss the fun. The Rajah

JERSEY CITY, N. J. Council 124

At our last meeting, we had our long-delayed election of officers. They are as follows: — President — Charles Bason; Vice President — Joseph Sable; Treasurer — Joseph Bazilus; Secretary — Mary Sidtis; Financial Secretary — Ann Barutis; Correspondent — The Black Knight.

With the war going on, council activities have dropped to almost nothing. What is the matter with the members anyway? How about showing some real spirit and inviting the boys in uniform, who are stationed in the armories and barracks around the Metropolitan area to our next affair? The boys would like to have some fun.

Our council has started "bank nite" for the members after every meeting. A dollar is given to the lucky person whose name is drawn out of a hat. After meetings, one outside council will be invited to a social. So await your turn, Knights!

A bit o' dirt here an' there:

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lewandowski, who recently became the proud parents of a baby girl — Carol Ann. How about the cigars, Pete?

Mary Sidtis seemed to be well taken care of by Sammy's boyfriends at the Newark Dance.

Why is Eleanor Kvaska going around singing, "Somebody Else is Taking His Place." Is it out of sight, out of mind, Eleanor?

Victor Dobbs must be pretty well occupied with affairs lately in Baltimore, 'as we haven't heard from him for some time. Drop us a line, Vic, we'd love to hear from you!

Wonder how much beer Vicky Jonuzis drank at the Newark Dance. I bet they made a big profit!!!

Also seen having a wonderful time was Dotty Y. with one jitterbug all night. But who took you home, Dot? Was it Vito Barker???

Charlie Bason and a certain young lady from Kearny dancing together quite a bit.

We hear that Ann Barutis (our most popular girl) spends quite a bit of time with a certain Mr. Jim from N. Y. Why the secret, Ann???

Joseph Sable won the first dollar on bank-nite. John Sirtis won the second. Lucky boys!!!

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Dadella are also making the affairs lately; good to see the married couples around. Jule Augustis mentioned something about going fishing soon. Who are you going to reel in now, Jule???

We would like to welcome a new member to our council — for your information, boys, her name is Vera Shaw (sweet and shy).

We hear that Ed Baron has been attending the dances in Conn. lately. What happened to Linden, Ed???

Tony Vernickas and Joe Januzis not seen around lately. What's keeping you occupied, boys?

Mildred Andrews won a big cake at the Bayonne bazaar, and it looked luscious!

Well Folks — toodle loo — till I see you again.

The Black Knight.

SO. BOSTON, MASS. Council 17

Our Communion Breakfast held in honor of St. Casimir on March was quite a success. had to be — with such fine speakers as Professor Frank Galinis, Dr. Vincent Casper, Mr. Frank Razvadauskas, Mr. Morkunas and last but not least, our guest of honor Father Vaškas of Thompson, Conn. Father Jenkus, our spiritual advisor, Larry Svelnis our president and Phyllis Grendal, our V. P., also spoke a few words. Our very capable master of ceremonies was Peter Kupritis. The committee in charge deserve much credit for the fine way in which the whole affair was conducted.

Newsies and Gossip -

Al Jakmaugh, a former member now in the army, visited our alleys with some of his army friends, while on furlough on March 17. A young lady who also accompanied them was sporting a sparkler — Wedding bells soon, Al?

Lou Gedritis must be kept very busy at Fort Knox, for he hasn't even dropped us a line. How about it, Lou?

Haven't seen Hank and Fish as often as we used to. Something is keeping them busy. Could it possibly be the girl who was keeping an eye on them on St. Patrick's Day?

Two of our newest members are taking part in a wedding soon. Miss Phyllis Alexander is to be maid-of-honor to her sister Dona who is marrying Mr. John Martinkus. Ann Kirklauskas is to be bridesmaid. Are you nervous girls?

I hear that Julia and Alice are very interested in ping pong. Keep it up, girls, you may get to be champs — who knows?

One of the favorite topics discussed at the K of L. Clubrooms in South Boston High School's Prom. Josephine Grimes is having a hard time deciding between Charlie Karčauskas and Vic Anciakaitis for her escort. It seems that the other fellows are too short for her.

Julia Tinka is still unclaimed for Southies' Prom. She's been taking dancing lessons from Paul Gailunas and is now as good as Ginger Rogers. So boys, hurry up and put in your bid!

To Bronie Gailunas: — If you learn how to dance maybe someone will take you to their prom.

Our friend Mary Matuza was ill and was disappointed because no K of L members visited her. Gee, Mary, we are sorry, but next time please notify our sick committee.

Questions from here there and everywhere: —

Has Paul G (Porkie) gained any weight or are his clothes getting tight?

Could that have been Joe Brazauskas smoking the enormous cigar at a committee meeting?

Who was the cute girl escorted by Vin Balukonis at "open house" last week?

What do Josephine G. and Julia T. do at the K of L alleys so often?

Where did Charlie K. and Josephine G. go after the meeting of the dance committee? Is Josephine cutting in on Florence? How about it, Charles?

What has happened to the Sykes and Noren sisters? We haven't seen them for a long time.

Who is the brown-haired girl who goes out with a certain Red Butkevich from Worcester?

How about a couple of knives for our Refreshment Committees?

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CHICAGO, ILL. Council 112

Well, here I am again with the news of the month about our members.

The first thing I would like to say is that the attendance at our meetings is not what it really should be. All of you who have been missing our meetings better come out pretty soon or else you will be missing a lot of fun in the near future. Many things are being planned now, so all of you come down and get in on the fun.

Ray Bartz sure can pick the winner in ping-pong between Sukis and Kalin. You're really a genius at it, Ray how do you do it?

There wasn't any sun at our last outing, but Florence Eisin's and Ray Kalin's faces sure got red enough to have anyone think there really was a bright sun out that day. Aren't we bachelors lucky fellows? We all stood to the end of the outing.

Congratulations:

To the boys bowling team for finishing up in second place and to the girls — well, nice trying.

To the Brennans on their wedding anniversary.

Helen Kardelis on her umpteenth birthday, also to Charles Rumsas on his departure to the U. S. Air Corps.

Bernice Adams was dazzling the sailors at the Cicero dance. Won't you let us in on the results, Bernice?

Well, that's about all for now, so till next month, I'll meet you all again. So Long! Unome.

OMAHA, NEBR. Council 66

A sudden decision to quickly leave town was made by "Council 66," when they met on April 13, at the home of your correspondent. Of course the "KAPOCUS' TWINS" had nothing to do with the idea of visiting their fair city on April 25-26.

All who went, had no real complaints, after spending an unforget-table week-end at Sioux City.

Explanations are in order for HANK SHUDINIS' gain in weight after the trip. This had nothing to do with the fair lass selling sweets on Main Street. Henry was hardly ever found without a quart — of ice cream. A. PALINS-KAS had an eye on her too! Whoever heard of taking a shower in

the middle of the nite? DOT DA-NOWSKI did and did she yell when she got a few strands of hair wet! The four girls rooming next to VIC and JOHNNIE, kept up the giggles till almost sun-up—Oh yes! People should be shot calling up as early as 7:00 A. M. —Of course PETER BALTERS wouldn't know a thing about it!

Ho! Hum — an early riser is VIC LAWRY who took a stroll at 6:00 A. M. to see the town. Wow! that's a job for Superman. ALICE KUSLEIKA can be added to the list of early risers too. She had a letter written and was all dressed before a stir was even made by her bed partner. FRANNIE PA-KENIS must have someone on her mind — she left her expense money safely at home tsk! tsk! --Poor EDDIE LABAUSKAS' elaborate plans to bowl the town over with his fancing skating were all in vain. His skates were locked in the car trunk and the keys in HENRY'S pocket — and HENRY safe in a movie enjoying "King's Row" and EDDIE — it is a trifle warm in here isn't it? "Jo."

NEWARK, N. J Council 29

Although the memory of our early May dance is fading, some of its pleasures still linger in my mind. It was nice to see so many friends from our neighboring councils and we thank them whole-heartedly. Among other guests was Frank Sluzas of Chicago, who is a former member of the K of L's and is now in the Service.

A telegram which caused a sigh of longing was read to those present. It was sent by Si Kavenas who is in training at a distant naval station. He was so far and yet so near.

At the rate the members of our council are marching to the altar, the K of L's will soon consist of all young married couples and a few bachelors. These perennial bachelors are now looking for an antidote to counteract the bite of the love bug.

In behalf of the council I extend congratulations to Lillian Nemanis of Union and Joseph Ruzza of Elizabeth. At this reading I believe Lillian is now addressed as Mrs. Ruzza. Miss Vi Ludvinaitis of Linden and Al. Butvidas will become one on June 7. This pair had a preview of their wedding at the nuptials of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mazeika on May 3. They were

both in the bridal party. Joe Bieksha who was best man at the affair will be first in line on the 13th of June, a date which the fiancee considers lucky. The charming future bride is Alice Kuzinkaitis of Kearny.

May the wedding bells keep ringing a merry tune throughout the future years.

Among Ourselves -

Pete Pody, our chief executive, will sing at both Joe's and Al's wedding. The sixty four dollar question is, who will sing at Pete's wedding? Ask Richie L. who was tickling his ear in the back seat of a car, wrong hand, eh, Dick? George T. ought to get a job working days or at least move to the second floor or Jean will soon be a nervous wreck. Did Ruth G. really feel tired at our dance or did the boys step on her toes too often? Benny K. funnier than the circus, which the bowling teams attended. He claims his charge is only two beers. Who's the shadow of Emily B? Lucky fellow. Official hostesses to the soldiers at our dance were Marge P. and Eve P. Quick, Jeeves, my uniform! Whom did Nellie V. threaten to leave at the circus side-show. Mary V. sure loves her apples — in a glass with out any chasers. Why are Joe S. and Pete B., those experts of marriage troubles, still single. Advice to Fran B. — don't let Joe go, er, home too early for he might get lost. With gas rationing, Frank G. can go courting with a row boat. We thank Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mažeika for inviting the council to their wedding and may their future be as bright as their smiles.

By Jove.

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