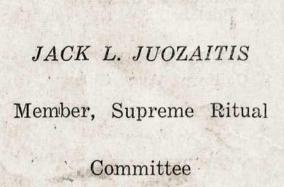


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From The Editor's Desk

Because we do not yet have the complete official list of officers elected at the Natioal Convention, we are leaving the old Supreme Council list on this page, although, as is ready known there were few changes made at the Convention.

We had the pleasure of spending several far-too-short hours in the convivial company of Charles Vaskas, of Jersey City, N. J. recently. Charlie came in to Chicago the Convention and accompanied by Joe Glebauskas of West Side, dropped in to see us at the office. Thanking the kind Providence that provided us with a lenient boss, we took the rest of the day off and spent several engrossing hours in "talking K. of L." It would be putting it mildly to say that we were gratified to hear a first-hand report of the Convention and of the spirit and smooth operation that account for the habitually exemplary showing of Jersey City Council 124.

We also got a more detailed report of Charles Bason's (Jersey City, C-67) commendable and apparently successful eforts to lay the foundation for a new K. of L. Council in Freehold, N. J. It is a stimulating shot in the arm to know that the reports of our organization's death appear to have been grossly exaggeratede and that even new councils ar in the formative stage For all of which, a lusty round of applause to Charles Bason!

With this issue, we complete one full year of editing "Vytis". With this issue, we also bid you farewell as you editor. This is not a spontaneous move, since the Supreme Council has known of our intention for several months. Our request to the National Officers to be relieved of our duties carried with it no inference of pressure, dissatisfaction. Our every — day duties prevent us from giving as much time, attention and planning as we would like to give "Vytis". Our attempting to continue under these circumstances would be an injustice to the organization, as well as a monthly occasion of dissatisfaction to us, sinc we happen to be the most severe critic of our own efforts.

We wish to stress, however, that our stepping down from our position as editor is by no means the end of our association either with the organization, or with "Vytis".

We have enjoyed the well-balanced diet of interesting work, pleasant association and even the attendant headaches, more than we can tell you.

As to the assets and liabilities of our year's stewardship of "Vytis" editorial policy — you are the best judges of that. Our twelve issues lie before you, with their combination of attempted modest achievement and their glaring failures.

Who will be our succeessor we do not yet know. But who ever it may be we could ask for him or her no more than the same splendid cooperation you gave us, and the same modicum of patience with and forbearance of anything short of miracles.

In asking you to move over and make room for us in the ranks of ordinary membership, we close with a fervent editorial God Bless You! KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA SUPREME COUNCIL OFFICERS 1941-1942

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Mūsų Jaunimo Reikalai

Studentų ir Profesionalų sąjunga, atrodo, dabar yra svarbioje kryžkelėje — keisti veiklos priemones ar kaip nors persiorganizuoti? Dešimties metų jos gyvavimas rodė, kad Amerikos gyvenimo sąlygose lietuvių jaunuomenei galėtų ir, tur būt, turėtų užtekti vienos centralinės organizacijos. Todėl ar nevertė-

tų Studentų Sąjungos ir Lietuvos Vyčių vadovybėms bendro susitarimo, kurs turėtų didelės reikšmės mūsų jaunimo organizavimo srityje. Čia primintina, kad mūsų Susivienyjimas turėtų dėti visas pastangas laimėti sau ko daugiausia narių Lietuvos Vyčiuose ir Studentų ir Profesionalų Sąjungoje.

Lietuvos Vyčiai kad ir smarkiai karo aplinkybių paliesti, savo 30-tame metiniame seime turėjo,
gausų atstovų būrį. Tiesa, iš Chicagos nesusilaukta:
nė vieno atstovo, bet vis dėlto tolimi Vakarai būvo
atstovauti iš kitų kuopų. Lietuvos Vyčiai gimė Natijoje Anglijoje, todėl visai tiko kad šis jubiliejinis seimas įvyktų Bostone, kur ir pirmieji vyčiu
steigėjai — garbės nariai, kaip kun. Pr. Virmauskis,
kun. Pr. Juras, kun. Dr. K. Urbanavičius, M. A. Norkūnas gyvena. Nors kariuomenėn išėjo apie 500 vyčių, bet jų eilėsna stoja naujos pajėgos. Organizacijos gyvenime tebėra katalikiška, amerikietiška, ir
lietuviška dvasia, kuria prieš 30 metų buvo užsidego
jos steigėjai.

Ir Studentai ir Liet. Vyčiai pasiryžo visomis jegomis rūpintis, kad ir toliau eitu jų žurnalai — "Studentų Žodis" ir "Vytis". "Studentų Žodis" šiandien
yra vienintėlis lietuvių šviesuomenės žurnalas pasaulyje. Paskutiniu metu jis jau rodė aiškių galimumu
pavaduoti vertingaji "Židini". "St. Žedis", išlaikytas
grynai lietuvišku — ir forma ir turiniu.

"Vytis" jau keleri metai daugiausia straipsnių ir žinių turėjo angliškai prisitaikant prie organizacijos narių pageidavimų ir bendradarbių sąstato. Su pasitenkinimu ir pabrėžtina kad patys Liet. Vyčių nariai, Amerikoje gimę ir augę, reikšdavo noro daugiau lietuviškų straipsnių "Vyties" puslapiuose matyti. Vytiai pasiryžę savo laikrašti išlaikyti toje aukštumoje, kurios reikalauja jų organizacijos idealai.

Kalbant apie šiuos du žurnalus išreikštinas tvira, tas pageidavimas, kad abu jie ir toliau gyvuotų. Abu jie reikalingi, abu verti plačios visuomenės nuoširdžiausios paramos. Tai mūsų kultūrinės vertybės kurias visi privalome palaikyti, ugdyti. Lietuvos šviesuomenė ir šiaip jaunimas nežinia kada susilauks laisvės lietuviškos kultūros dirvonus purenti, tad mes, kurie esame laisvi, skelbkime laisvą lietuvišką žodį ir turtinkime įvairų, gražų Amerikos kultūrinį, lobyną.

— "Amerika"

KAD IR PASIGINČYSIME, BET -- LIETUVIŠKAI

Kadangi dėl mano straipsnio "Tauta be savo kalbos?" susidarė nutolusių nuo temos nuomonių, tai aiškumo dėliai ėsu priverstas vėl atsiliepti. Aš siekiau tik įrodyti, kad tauta be savo kalbos neįmanoma. Tam prireikė pavyzdžių: iš airių atsigimimo, rusų ir lenkų užsimojimų pavergtasias tautas nutautinti, Prūsų Lietuvos ir Vilniaus krašto ištautėjimo ir t. t. Aš teigiau ir tebeteigiu, kad kalba tai esminis tautos ypatumas. Kalbos netekusi tauta pradeda merdėti ir pagaliau miršta. Man atrodo, kad tie naturalūs gyvenimo reiškiniai yra patys stipriausieji mano tezės argumentai. Jiems sugriauti — privalu diskusuoti ta pačia linija, neiškrypstant iš temos. Tai esminis logikos principas.

Tuo tarpu atsirado balsų, kurie tos taisyklės neišlaikė ir tiksliai ar netyčiomis (nežinodami, kas yra logika) nukrypo i visai kitą sritį. Ir pasiplyė priekaištų, būk tai aš reikalaująs ar tiesiog verčiąs Amerikos lietuvius kalbēt lietuviškai (koks čia nusižengirnas? gal esu kiek pergriežtas?); kad esą negražu ir net nepatriotinga peikti čia gimusius lietuvius už vartojimą oficialinios Amerikos kalbos (na, čia kad griebē, tai grybštelēj' — iš kur tai išlaužta?!); kad smerkdamas Lietuvos lietuvius už vartojimą svetimų kalbų, aš tuo pačiu smerkias Amerikoj gimusį jaunimą už nevartojimą svetimos šiam kraštui kalbos. (Visu pirma, aš smerkiu vien ištautējima, o ne svetimu kalbu vartojima - tai du visai skirtingi da-Antra vertus, lietuvių kalba nēra ir neturi būti svetima šio krašto lietuviams. Tos naturalios teisės ir prievolės negali užginčyti ne fanatiškiausis kultūlrēgeriais). Be to, dar prisimenama apie šios šalies nusistatymą ir privalomą valstybinį lojalumą – žodžiu, grąsinama – apsižiūrēk!

Nesuprantu, kaip tokie skaudūs, kad ir vaikiški suregzti priekaištai, buvo galima iš mano straipsnio sudaryti, bet sykį jie iškilo, noroms — nenoroms reikia jie panagrinēti. Iš viso, aš kalbu tik apie vartojimą lietuvių kalbos lietuviškam laikrašty, në kiek neliesdamas oficialinios Amerikos kalbos. Tai visai kitas klausimas. Ir koks gi čia ryšys su lojalumu šalies nusistatymui? Bet jei norima tai išprovokuot, galima ir tuo klausimu pora žodelių tarti. Ir štai neužginčyjamas faktas. kalbančioji su savo ateiviais — tēvais jaunuomenē kur kas lojalesnė už nesusikalbančius lietuviškai atsiskyrėlius kurie sudaro šeimoje visai atskirą koloniją – tarsi dviejų tautų žmonės. Jie išsiveržia iš po tevų vadovybes ir išauga į neklusnius vos lazda ir bausmēmis tesuvaldomus piliečius. Suprantama, yra išskirčių, bet aš kalbu apie vidutinišką tipą. Auklėtojai, socialiniai darbuotojai, mokyklų viršininkai, prieglaudų užvaizdai, teisėjai ir policija vienbalsiai teigia, kad geriausius piliečius sudaro mokantieji tevų kalbą vaikai. Priešingos nuomones prisilaiko siauri fanatiški psuedo — patriotai (neva tai patriotai), bet jie, paneigdami ateivių tautybe ir kalbą, ineša tik nerimo ir susiskaldymo į Amerikos visuomenę, ko šiais laikais mūsų neprieteliai kaip tik pageidauja. Po Detroito riaušių pats Prezidentas griežtai jų politiką pasmerkė. Iš viso, šios šalies nusistatymas ateivių atžvilgiu yra palankus ir prietelingas.

Sykį lietuvių spauda Amerikoj nera draudžiama, tai rodos ir patys kukliausieji ateiviai turi teisēs reikalauti ar bent pageidauti, kad lietuvių žurnalai būtų rašomi lietuvių kalba. Jei taip nēra, tai jie nebelietuviški. Tad lietuvišką skaitą emcjai jaučiasi skaudžiai nusivylę, tik ar tai dėl mandagumo, ar dēl kažkokio nerangumo, nejaukiai susirūpinę ty-Tiesiog neišdrįsta paklausti: ar "Vytis" lietuviškas, ar nelietuviškas? Tai ir visas šio klausimo bran-Tad gi tas klausimas reikia kaip nors išrišti. Jei "Vytis" lietuviškas, tai kodēl 80 — 90 nuošimčių jo turinio nelietuviška? Jei kai kurie lietuvių laikraščiai turi nelietuviškų skyrių, tai tie skyriai sudaro tik mažą laikraščio dalį. Didžiuma tu-Apie "Vyti" negalima rinio vis delto lietuviška. to pasakyti. Jis aiškiai nelietuviškas. Tą nelogingumą nujausdama, "Vyties" vadovybė sumanė iškelti ir įgyvendinti "lietuvį be lietuvių kalbos." daroma tikslu nors kiek situacijai išgelbēti: juk neįmanoma, kad centralinė lietuvių jaunimo organizacija turētu nelietuviška organa!

Čia susidarē toks opus klausimas, kad ir aš neiškenčiau neprabilęs. Turiu čia pabrēžti, kad ilgai svyravau, ar siųsti "Vytin" mano straipsnį, ar ne. Straipsnis ilgai pas mane išgulējo, ir tik vieno seno užsitarnavusio Vyčių darbuotojo patariamas, pagaliau "Vyties" redakcija papasiryžau straipsnį išsiusti. sielgē vyriškai — straipsnį įdėjo, kad ir su pastaba. Atsakyma i mano straipsnį įdėjo taip pat su pastaba palankia — ne man. Reiškia, pataikiau ne į savo stovyklą. Bet, kad ir nepalankioj aplinkoj atsidūręs, aš vis vien tebeteigiu, kad lietuvis be lietuvių kalbos — nebelietuvis. Vadinasi, fiziologiniu atžvilgiu jis yra lietuviškos kilmēs ir kraujo, bet tokie tipai tautos nesudaro. Pilsudskiais ir Paleckiais pasidžiaugti mums netenka.

Kad išvengčiau vēl galimų iškelti šiupiniškai sudarytų priekaištų, turiu apsidrausti pageidavimu, kad liatuvių jaunimas leistų rimtą informacinį žurnala anglų kalba. Šiais laikais tai be galo naudinga būtų. Bet reikētų jį ir angliškai užvardinti. dabar Lietuvos Vytis prikaltas prie nelietuviško turinio. Kokia turi būti kankynē tam garbingam žirgvaikiui, kurio uždavinys, kaip tik priešingas: vyti iš savo aplinkos viską kas nelietuviška! Tiesa, pastaraisiais laikaias Žirgvaikis tylomis likviduota, kažkur privačiai išvesdinta. Tik jo vardas beliko. būt dasiprotēta, kad vis dēlto negražu tokią nesąmonę ilgiau pakęsti. Bet ir vardas čia nebetinka. Ką reiškia Vytis be Žirgvaikio? Nedaug. Tai nebe Vytis, tik vytis - nebe Knight, tiktai chase, papraščiausia medžioklē. Šiuo atvēju — medžioklē vaikinų ant merginų ir vice versa. (Tik pasiskaitykite korespondencijas iš įvairių "Chapterių"). Tad operacija reikia baigti: likviduoti "Vytį" (tik vardą) ir jo vietoj padėti - na, kad ir "Chase", ar ka nors panašaus. Tuomet vardas atitiks tūri ir viskas bus loginga.

Tuo tarpu, kol p. Chase atvyks, mes dar kiek pasiginčysime. Ginčai paprastai nepageidaujami, bet šiuo atvēju bus net kiek naudingesni. Bent jiems einant, "Vytis" bus kiek lietuviškesnis.

— J. K.

AUDIETUR ET ALTERA PARS

"Vyties" redaktoriaus pastabos del p. J. K. pareikštu minčiu.

Manome, kad mūsų nusistatymas kas link anglų kalbos "Vytyje" yra gerai žinomas mūsų skaitytojams ir abelnai lietuviškai visuomenei, kuri domējasi tuo klausimu. Pereitą metą mes pasireiškēme tuo svarbiu klausimu, ir per praējusį laikotarpį mēginome a savo nusistatymą praktikoje įgyvendinti.

Laiks nuo laiko yra kilę karštų ginčų — pro ir con — tuo klausimu. "Vyties" puslapiai yra visados atdari tokioms diskusijoms, nežiūrint, kad jose kartais ir mums tenka gerokai būti išbartais. Gerb. J. K. prisiųstas straipsnis tuo klausimu, kuris telpa antrame vedamąjame puslapyje šio numerio prašyte prašosi atsakymo, ir pasinaudodami savo teise apginti savo pusę, čia kad ir ilgokai, norime išsireikšti kas link J. K. priekaištų, taikomų "Vyčiui".

Kas link J. K. atsakymo į kito seno lietuvio veterano J. E. jam taikomų pastabų, mes neapsiimame diskusuotis, kadangi tai ne tiesioginiai mūsų dalykas. Mes tiktai norėtume pastebėti kad p-no J. K. nusiskundimas J. E. "kraštutinumu" yra visai ne vietoj, ypatingai atsižvelgiant į stoką šaltos logikos, ir bešališkumo jo paties nuomonėse.

Kaipo "neužginčijamą faktą" J. K. teigia kad "susikalbančioji su savo ateiviais — tēvais jaunuomenē lojalesnē už nesusikalbančius lietuviškai atsiskyrēlius" ir kad "geriausius piliečius sudaro mokantieji tēvų kalbą vaikai." Taip pat kaipo "neužginčijamą faktą" J. K. vienu ruožtu pats nuteisia mūsų lietuviškai nekalbantį jaunimą į nelojalų, negerų piliečių stovyklą. ("Jie išsiveržia iš po tevų vadovybės ir išaugą į neklusnius, vos lazdą ir bausmėmis tesuvaldomus piliječius" (! — E. J. K.)) su stebētinu duosnumu daleidžia kad, "suprantama, yra išskirčių" bet tuojau prideda kad jis čia kalba "apie vidutinišką tipą". (!) Mes norētume čia pasteběti kad p. J. K. savo gyvenime, matyt, yra labai mažai santykių turėjęs su "vidutiniško tipo" Amerikos lietuvių jaunimu. Kitaip, jis tokias nesamones nerašytų.

Mes atvirai prisipažįstame, kad patys džiaugiamēs ir didžiuojamēs tokiu mūsų jaunimu, kuris moka ir vartoją savo tevų kalbą. Dieve duok kad jų būtų daugiau! Mes taip pat pripažįstame, kad jie didžiumoje yra lojalūs ir geri piliečiai. (Nors, pasinaudodami tą pačią J. K. vartojama išskirčių teise, mes taip pat teigiame, kad ne visi tokie tampa lojalais ir gerais piliečiais. Mes prisimename vieną įvykį apie pusantrų metų atgal, kada mums teko teisme liūdyti prieš vieną jauną 20 metų amžiaus italą, kaltinamą apiplėšimu, kuris labai puikiai kalbējosi itališkai su savo sena motina. Tokių išskirčių, J. K. prisipažins, pasitaiko daug). Bet tuo pačiu argumentu duoti suprasti kad "vidutiniškas tipas" — t. y. "average", didelē dalis — mūsų lietuviškai nekalbančio ir neskaitančio jaunimo yra nelojalūs, negeri piliečiai, neklusnūs, tik lazdomis ir bausmēmis suvaldomi asmenys — yra stačiai nonsensas! J. K. rašo, kad visi, kurie nesutinka su jo nuomone yra "siauri fanatiški pseudo — patriotai

(neva tai patriotai), kurie paneigdami ateivių tautybe ir kalba, ineša tik nerimą ir susiskaldymą Amerikos visuomenę"! Suprasdami pavojų, kad būsime epriskirti prie "siaurių", fanatiškų pseudo - patriotų" stovyklos, mes visgi atvirai ir griežtai nesutinkame su J. K. nuomone šiuo klausimu. Jau ką, ką, bet paneigimą lietuvių tautos ir kalbos, ar neištikimumą šiai šaliai niekas negali "Vyčiui" primes-"Vytis" remia šią šalį visomis išgalėmis, jis stovi už vieningumą mūsų šalies ir mūsų tautos, jis visais būdais mēgina išmokinti savo skaitytojus, jaunus Amerikos lietuvius, kad lietuvių tauta yra garbinga, pasididžiavimo verta tauta, jis gina Lietuvos ir lietuvių vardą, jis megina sustiprinti lietuvių katalikų solidarumą, jis ragina mūsų jaunimą būti ištikimu savo Dievui, savo šaliai ir savo tautai. Bet "Vytis" taipgi laikosi to nusistatymo, kad tas mūsų jaunimas, kuriam gyvenimo ar gimimo aplinkybės nedavē progos užtektinai gerai išmokti savo tēvu kalbos — kad tokie jauni lietuviai-aitēs nēra išgamos savo tautoje. Ir "Vytis" kovos iki paskutiniojo už teisę duoti tokiam jaunimui dvasinio ir tautinio maisto anglų kalba, jei jam lietuvių kalba yra persunki ar visai nesuprantama. Vytis taipgi griežtai protestuos prieš tokį nusistatymą, kurio proponentai teigia, kad tik lietuviškai kalbantis jaunimas yra geras, samoningas, ir vertas susirūpinimo, o lietuviškai nekalbantis niekam netikes!

Kaip kokią seną nudēvētą dainą, J. K. vis dainuoja tą pačią gaidą: "Vytis nelietuviškas, Vytis nelietuviškas,"

Paimkime vieną pavyzdinį "nelietuvišką" "Vyties" numerį — Birželio men., 1942 ("nelietuviškas" J. K. manymu todėl kad jame didžiuma straipsnių parašyti anglų kalba.) Panagrinėkime kiekvieną anglišką straipsnį ir iškelkime jame tą J. K. vaizduojamą "nelietuviškumą.":

"FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK" — redeaktoriaus pastabos apie pakeistą "Vyties" išvaizdą, apie reikalingumą Vyčių Seimo šimet, apie Centro Valdybos pagirtiną nusistatymą Seimo atžvilgiu (tema — taikoma jauniems lietuviams, apie jų organizaciją, apie jų seimą – nelietuvišką, p.J. K.?); "HEAVY HANDED PROPAGANDA" — redaktoriaus vedamasis straipsnis, kuriame apginami Lietuvos lietuviai nuo nepamatuotų kaltinimų, kad jie išžudė tūkstančius žydų Lietuvoje (tema nelietuviška, p. J. K.?); "K. OF L. COMPLETES MEDICAL STUDIES" — straipsnis apie baigimą aukštų mokslų jauno lietuvio, mūsų organizacijos nario, pabrėžimas jo plataus lietuviško veikimo ir garbingo atstovavimo savo tautos svetimtaučių mokyklose (straipsnis nelietuviškas, p. J. K.?); "THE WEEK" — straipsnis įvertinantis buvusio lietuviško jaunimo laikraščio ir redaktoriaus — leidējo nuopelnų savo tautai Amerikoje ir apginimas jo nuo lietuviškų komunistų kaltinimų, kad jis buvęs pro-naciu tema nelietuviška p. J. K?); "DR. JOHN W. STAN-TON" — straipsnis apie mažai žinomą lietuvi profesorių, kuris pasiekė pačias viršūnes svetimtaučių universitetuose ir įstaigose, bet pasilikęs nuoširdžiu lietuviu (tema nelietuviška, p.J. K.?); "AID TO RUS-SIA" — straipsnis ne tiesioginiai liečiąs Lietuvą ir lietuvius, bet svarbus jiems, del lietuviškų komunistų pastangų apgauti juos šiuo klausimu; "FR. JU-

LIAN'S PAGE" — grynai tikybinio ir dvasinio tūrinio puslapis; jo pasirodymas anglų kalba tiek pat pamatuotas, kaip ir anglų kalba įvesti pamokslai ir Evangelijos skaitymas lietuviškose bažnyčiose — kad ir J. K. parapijoje; "ECHOES FROM THE CHICAGO DISTRICT" — straipsnis parašytas lietuvaitēs, apie ' Chicagos lietuvius vyčius, apie jų rengiamą lietuvišką išvažiavimą su lietuviška programa, į kurį kviečiami lietuviai, ir kuriame bus duoti išlaimējimui lietuvių biznierių suaukoti prizai (nelietuviška, p. J. *· K:?); "BACHELOR OF MUSIC — NOW PRIVATE · · · · · SIMUTIS" — straipsnis apie baigimą mokslo ir įstoji-...mą į kariuomenės vieno iš Chicagos gabiausių ir žy-· miausių jaunų lietuvių (tema nelietuviška, p. J. K.?); "K. OF L. IN ARMY" — laiškas nuo jauno lietuvio , kariuomenėje, adresuotas savo organizacijos broliams ir seserims — lietuviams ir lietuvaitēms (tema nelie-. . . tuviška, p. J. K.?); PUSLAPIAI 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 — KORESPONDENCIJOS IŠ KUOPŲ — visos korespondencijos parašytos jaunų lietuvių-aičių, apie kitus jaunus lietuvius-aites, apie jų planus, nuotykius, išvažiavimus, parengimus, apie jaunų lietuvių artimesnius kad ir romantiškus! — santykius su savo tautos panelēmis, t. t., t. t.

Ar gali p. J. K. nuoširdžiai dar teigti, kad visi viršminēti straipsniai padaro "Vyti" "nelietuvišku"?

J. K. jau tiek serga anglų kalbos phobija, kad jis stačiai apanka pamatydamas straipsni "Vytyje" anglų kalba. Jis nemato miško todėl, kad medžiai užstoja jam regėjimą. Straipsnis gali būti persunktas lietuviška dvasia, ar meile savo tautos ir senos tevynės, ir liečias grynai lietuviškus reikalus, bet p-nui J. K. toks straipsnis "nelietuviškas", todėl kad jis parašytas anglų kalba! Mes galėtume "Vytyje" atspausdinti anglišką vertimą Lietuvos Himno "Lietuva Tevynė Mūsų", bet J. K. visgi teigtų, kad jis nelietuviškas, nei forma nei dvasia!

" J. K. pageidauja, "kad lietuvių jaunimas leistų visioni rimtą informacinį žurnalą anglų kalba. *** : *** kais tai būtų begalo naudinga." Mums šis J. K. pageidavimas yra nesuprantamas, atsižvelgiant jo amžinai kalamos nuomonės, kad lietuviški laikraščiai tu-•: •: rētų būti arba grynai arba didžiumoje lietuvių kal-🛁 · · · ba leidžiami. Noretume paklausti gerb. J. K. — kam toks "lietuvių jaunimo leidžiamas rimtas informacinis žurnalas anglų kalba" būtų leidžiamas? Jau tuomi pat kad J. K. smerkia "Vyti' už talpinimą lietuvišttt: kų straipsnių anglų kalba, galima suprasti, kad jis nepageidauja, kad toks "informacinis žurnalas anglų kalba" būtų skiriamas mūsų lietuviškam jaunimui. Jei taip tai jo visa smerkimų ir priekaištų struk-.: tūra prieš "Vytį" sugriūna į šipulius, nes "Vytis" kuris skiriamas mūsų jaunimui, kaip tik mēgina būtų — . ir vra — tokiu "informaciniu" žurnalu, kaip viršuje, manome, esame gana stipriai irode. Ar p. J. K. mano skirti toki žurnala nelietuviams suražindinimui jų su Lietuva ir lietuvių tauta? Jei taip, tai turime čia skaudų įrodymą stokos nuoširdumo savo tautai, kadangi norima atversti i lietuviškuma visa platųjį nelietuvišką pasaulį, o pats mūsų silpnai ar visai nemokantis lietuvių kalbą jaunimas nuteisiamas mirti tautiniu badu, nes nepageidaujama, kad tas jaunimas būtų "suterštas" skaitymu lietuviškų straipsnių anglų kalba!

Besikrapštydami po mišiniu p J. K. paties reklamuojamų pavyzdingų "logiškų argumentų", užtinkame vieną sakinį, kuris gal būt, išriša šį galvosukį.

J. K., kalbėdamas apie naudinguma leisti "informaci-

nį žurnalą anglų kalba", pabrėžia, kad "reikėtų jį (žurnalą) angliškai užvardinti.... Aha! Tai čia gal visa bėda! Jeigu J. K. daleistų, kad "Vytis" yra, ar nors mėgina būti, tokiu "anglų kalboje leidžiamu informaciniu žurnalu", tai jis dar randa vieną didelį, begalo svarbų, pamatą savo pasmerkimui "Vyties:, kad jis, anglų kalba leidžiamas, turi lietuvišką vardą "Vytis"! O tas p-nui J. K. yra neatelstina nuodėmė ir jokiu būdu nepateisinama. Jei "Vytis" leidžiamas anglų kalba, jis turi turėti anglišką vardą, ir, greičiausiai, jame lietuviški straipsniai lietuvių kalboje turėtų būt uždrausti!

Tai pagaliau apsistojame prie tikros priežasties J K. nusistatymo prieš "Vytį"! Vardas! Kaip stačiai vaikiška, kad J. K. įskaito baisiausį mūsų tautai pavojų šioje menkoje smulkmenoje! Ir kodėl lietuviška dvasia, bet anglų kalba, leidžiamas žurnalas negali turėti lietuvišką vardą? Mums rodos, kad tai yra ypatingai pagirtinas gestas. Lietuviškas "Vytis" yra tuomi pat gražiu būdu pagerbiamas ir iškeliamas svetimtaučių akyse, o lietuviškam jaunimui jis pasilieka nuolatiniu priminimu jo tautos garbingos praeities.

Sekant p. J. K. nurodyta logika, kiekvienas lietuviškas laikraštis, kuris turi amerikonišką vardą, ar vice versa, turi jį pakeisti. Pav., "Amerikai" pačiai pirmąjai tektų mesti savo "nelietuvišką" vardą! Kada Baltic Lines laivų bendrovė visiškai perėjo į svetimtaučių rankas prieš kelioliką metų, ar p. J. K. tada pareikalavo, kad bendrovė tučtuojau sustotų vartojus vardą "Lithuania" ant vieno jų laivo? Jeigu Lituanica Ave. Chicagoje ilgainiui būtų apgyvendinta grynai svetimtaučių, ar J. K. tada reikalautų "tautos garbės apgynimo sumetimais", kad "Lituanica" būtų pakeistas į nelietuvišką vardą?

Beje, ar J. K. neatsimena tūlą lietuviško jaunimo laikraštį, leidžiamą anglų kalba, kuris per šešis metus nuveikė milžiniškai daug lietuviškam įsamoninimui mūsų jaunimo, ir kuris buvo užvardintas "Jaunimas"?

Lygiai kaip J. K. visa širdimi atsidavęs savo "vien tiktai lietuvių kalba mūsų laikraščiuose" manijai, taip pat jis fanatiškos svarbos priduoda kitai grynai techniškai smulkmenai.

Jis neva įskaito "Vyties" redaktoriaus tylų prisipažinimą prie savo redaguojamo žurnalo "nelietuviškumo" tame, kad ant "Vyties" viršelio ar kitur "....Žirgvaikis tylomis daugiau nesimato žirgvaikis. Tur būt dasiprotēta, kad vis dēlto likviduota... negražu tokią nesąmonę ilgiau pakęsti." Nejaugi! Mes pirmą kartą girdime, kad esame "Vyties" emblemą likvidavę. Jeigu pats paveikslas jau kokiu nors stebūklingu gali prašalinti "nelietuviškumą" iš mūsų žurnalo ir mūsų tarpo, tai tučtuojau reiketų kiekviename "Vyties" puslapyje patalpinti po Žirgvaikį. Dar geriau, pripildyti visus mūsų laikraščius Žirgvaikis emblemomis! Tikrenybėje, pats "likvidavimas" jau ne toks baisus, kaip p-nui J. K. vaizduo-Paprastais techniškais sumetimais, pertvarkant žurnalo išvaizdą ir formą, emblema tuo tarpu nēra vartojama ant viršelio. Bet tas nereiškia, kad "Vyties" emblema yra visiškai likviduota. Prisiējus reikalui, paįvairinimo dėlei, mes esame jį vartoję praeityje ir vartosime ateityje. (Jei J. K. pažiūrės Liepos mēn. "Vyties" numeri, jis ras, ant paskutinio puslapio. Žirgvaiki pavaizduotą visame savo didingame gražume!)

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Iš tokio seno lietuvio veterano, kaip J. K. niekad nebūtume tikēję susilaukti tokio įžeidžiančio, tokio sarkazmu persunkto, tokio šlykštaus ir neteisingo kaltinimo, kurį jis užmeta mūsų vyčiams-tēms gale savo straipsnio: "Tai nebe Vytis, tik vytis — nebe Knight, tiktai chase — papraščiausia medžioklē. Šiuo atvēju — medžioklē vaikinų ant merginų ir vice versa. (Tik pasiskaitykite korespondendijas iš įvairių "Chapterių"). Tad... reikia likviduoti "Vyties" vardą, ir jo vietoj padēti, na, kad ir "Chase", ar ką nors panašaus. Tuomet vardas atitiks tūrį ir viskas bus loginga."

Mums stačiai nesuprantama kuomi pasiremdamas J. K. vadina mūsų katalikų jaunuolių draugavimąsi su savo tautos katalikėmis panelėmis "medžiokle"? Vyčių organizacijos vienas iš svarbiausių tikslų yra davimas progų jauniems lietuviams katalikams susipažinti su katalikėmis lietuvaitėmis ir vice versa. Mes manome, kad tą tikslą Vyčiai yra ypatingai

pavyzdingai atsiekę.

Mūsų kunigai ir abelnai tautos vadai yra didelio susirūpinimo parodę maišytų vedybų klausimu. Jie deda pastangas ir uoliai ragina, kad lietuviai tuoktūsi su lietuvaitēmis ir vice versa. Bet Vyčių organizacijos praktišką įgyvendinimą to mūsų vadų pageidavimo J. K. vadina "medžiokle vaikinų ant merginų!"

Savo šlykščia "medžioklės" interpretacija mesta ant Vyčių socialinio pamato, J. K. skaudžiai įžeiddžia kiekvieną mūsų organizacijos narį-ę, kurie Vyčių parengimuose randa progų linksmai ir padoriai laiką praleisti.

Ko, ištikrųjų J. K. nori? Ar jis nori, kad vyčiai mestų savo socialinius parengimus, šokius, išvažiavimus, piknikus, t. t.? Ar jis nori, kad jie

tiktai su svetimtaučiais-tēmis draugautų?

Vyčiai ir vytės, kurie susitiko su savo būsimais gyvenimo draugais-gėmis viename tokiame Vyčių parengime, ir ilgainiui iš tokio pirmo susipažinimo susikūrė pavyzdingas lietuviškas, katalikiškas šeimynėles — dabar yra J. K. painformuojami, kad toks jų draugavimąsis buvo "medžioklė" vienų ant kitų!

J. K. savo straipsnyje nekartą ragina mumis laikytis "logikos", ir "neiškrypti iš temos" savo argumentuose. Labai gražus paraginimas. Bet kad J. K. nevisai aiškiai laikosi to principo. Tema, rodos, buvo anglų kalbos "Vytyje" klausimas. Bet J. K. nuklydo į visai svetimą pusę savo klajojimuose pasinaudodamas proga skaudžiai įžeisti mūsų jaunimą, kurio santykiavimų aprašymus "Vytyje" jis interpretuoja kaipo "medžiokle vaikinų ant merginų ir vice versa." Norėtume paklausti p. J. K. — jeigu tie patys nuotykiai būtų aprašomi lietuvių kalba, ar jie tada nebūtų "medžiokle", bet visai padorūs, naturalūs, jaunųjų gyvenimo reiškiniai (kaip jie ištikrųjų yra)?

"Pilsudskiais ir Paleckiais pasidžiaugti mums netenka..." Beabejo, tikra tiesa! Bet mes primename p-nui J. K. kad toks Paleckis, kaip tik yra skaudus pavyzdys to perdidelio pasitikējimo "stebūklinga" įtaka savos kalbos vartojimo. Paleckis gimęs lietuviu. Jis buvo pats pavyzdingas sekējas p. J. K. nustatytos griežtos lietuvių kalbos atžvilgiu regulos. Kiek mes žinome, jis, kaipo laikraštininkas, raše išimtinai lietuviškai, skaitė lietuviškai, kalbėjo lietuviškai. Bet, deja, kas iš to jo "lietuviškumo"? Kalba, matyt, neužtikrino Paleckiui lietuviškumą. Jo širdis nebuvo lietuviška, nežiūrint kaip tobulai jis vartojo, skaitė ir raše lietuvių kalbą.

Lietuviška širdis! Čia kaip tik šaltinis tikros lietuviškos dvasios. Nežiūrint ar žmogus, gimęs lietuviu, kalba angliškai, ar prancūziškai, ar Afrikos zulų kalba — jeigu mes galime jo širdyje uždegti nors mažiausią liepsnelę savo tautos ir tēvų šalies meilės, supratimo ar pasididžiavimo, mes esame nuveikę milžinišką darbą, nes esame atidarę duris tokiam lietuviui į didesnį pažinimą ir pamylėjimą savo tautos. Mes negalime užtikrinti, kad jis jau bus sąmoningu lietuviu iš to vieno susidomėjimo, bet mes nors esame jam pradžią ir akstiną davę!

Eduardas J. Kubaitis

The Baltic States

"The British government has withdrawn recognition of the diplomatic representative of the Baltic states. These representatives of the continued to be recognized by London, in spite of Russia's seizure of these countries in 1940 and Hitler's subsequent occupation since 1941. London's yielding to soviet pressure, following so closely upon the one year anniversary of the signing of the Atlantic Charter, gives rise to grave suspicious.

This is not merely the question of a flagrant violation of the right of small nations to freedom and independence. It is a question of what standards are to be used in applying the principles of the Atlantic Charter. Are might and power and adeptness at diplomatic blackmail to be the determining factors? Will only the powerful nations enjoy the benefits guaranteed by the Charter, while the small, helpless nations of the world will be sacrificed to the greed of the greater power? Do we have in this instance another Munich pact in the making, even before the ink has dried on London's renunciation of that tragic and costly blunder?

As far as Soviet Russia's appearently successful pressure upon the British government is concerned, we have here the paradox of a gallant army and a heroic people fighting with their backs to the wall for their homeland and their liberties, while their government at the same moment contemplates the destruction of other helpless nations' liberties and the seizure of their homeland."

("Voice of the People", Chicago Daily Tribune).

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FR.-JULIAN'S PAGE

Forbidden Fruit

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, after the impetuous years of his youth were past, finally became convinced that what was forbidden was not bad because it was forbidden, but forbidden because it was bad.

This kindly philosopher of America's fireside had, by human reason and human experience, arrived at the conclusion that God's providence is evidenced not only in the benefits and blessings He sends us, but also in the laws that he has laid down for human guidance.

A few examples will show us that God is not "punishing" us when He limits our liberties. He is warning us of real dangers that lie in our paths. He had our best interests at heart when He erected the "No Swimming" and "Danger — Thin Ice" signs at those border lines that separate virtue from vice.

You probably do not number any murderers among your acquaintances. Thank God that you do not; yet it would be an experience to know one personally, whether he was awaiting the finality of the electric chair, or was still at large, his sin a secret to all but you and him. You would know, then, why God forbids murder. Prison chaplains can tell you why. The thought that you have taken the prerogative of God into your hands, that you have snuffed out a human life without cause, is not a pleasant thought to sleep with, to wake with to live and to die with.

So also it is with every sin, from minor to major. Sin leaves a trace in the soul. Sin hurts the sinner much more than it can ever hurt God or fellow-man. Even he who has become callous has in that callousness made himself less human, less able to assuage the difficulties of life through hope and through fellowship with his brothers.

Anger leaves its traces. Hatred leaves its traces. Pride and avarice and lust all separate men promptly and nexorably from fellowship with God and with their fellowmen, even here on earth. You yourself known what happens to you when you, for instance, become "mad" at someone. You have one less friend, one more enemy, the thought of whom leaves you no rest. God protects you when He FORBIDS anger.

Have you ever thought of thanking God for having given you good reasons for being good? Have you ever thought of how, without His help, you would be constantly making human mistakes—human sins—and suffering in consequence thereof both in this world AND in the next?

God doesn't want you to look upon His eternal laws as hardships. He doesn't want you to refrain from sinful action just because you are afraid that He will swoop down upon you and visit some terrible calamity upon your head.

God doesn't want lip service. He asks heart service . . . today, tomorrow, and every day, but especially today. He wants you to unite your will to His, doing the right thing because it is the thing He wants you to do.

God loves human beings. He made them. They're his. He made them to be happy and they will be happy the moment they start working with Him instead of again Him. How do you stand?

An Average Priest

(Sign, September, 1935).

"......I am an average priest, a pastor, a much misunderstandood individual. People suspect me of being a little more than human, but continue to invite me to eat their dinners and drink their wine. If I partake of the latter, they call me a "dear" and a "good fellow". If I refuse, they claim to be edified.

......They expect me to have no faults, but keep on searching for them and having discovered a few — Oh Boy!

When I have not prepared my sermon and my mind is cloudy and my ideas chaotic, they say I am too deep; but when I have labored with zeal and memorized my sermon, they say I am superficial.

When through "money talks" I meet my parish obligation, I am a grafter; but when I do not plead for money and my parish goes into debt, I am a "poor business man".

When my liver is out of order and I am physically ill and mentally tired, they say I look pious and saintly. When I am well and bubbling over with zeal, they say I am frivolous.

They think I should love everyone in the parish and when I make a fairly good bluff at doing so, they call me a hypocrite, but when I admit there are some I am not crazy about they call me a snob.

My wealthy parishioners find fault with me if I do not call upon them; the poor class if I do.

Some people in my presence pretend to be keenly interested in all things pertaining to religion. They minimize my intelligence and exaggerate their own histrionic ability.

The stingy souls who contribute a very, very small proportion of their income to the church pity me because I have such a hard time raising funds. Those who contribute generously think I have a very nice job.

Some wonder what I do with all my time, others

pity me because I have so much to do.

They want me to be more of a layman and to represent them in civil and public activities, yet the are forever praising Father So-and-So because he is so "quiet and retiring". "He is such a holy man".

If I use forceful and catchy phrases in my sermons, they say I am sensational. If I don't they will not come to hear me.

My salary is \$50.00 a month and I receive as much as \$5.00 for a baptism or a wedding (some times) — and they wonder what I do with all my money.

All stockbrokers think I am millionaire; book agents think I am easy — tramps know I am."

Colored Boy (asked to name how many persons there are in God):

"Three: the Fathah," he began slowly, "the Son," and after a pause of head scratching, "Ah's forget the otheh gen'lman's name."

Pastor: "So, God has sent you two more little brothers."

Little Boy: "Yes, and He knows where the money's coming from. I heard daddy say so."

THIRTIETH NATIONAL K. of L.

The Thirtieth National K. of L. Convention, which was held August 11, 12, 13 in South Boston, Mass., under the sponsorship of the Algirdas Council 17, has gone down in the history of the organization as an overwhelmingly successful conclave - successful especially, becauset it was held under the most adverse conditions.

Chronology of the Convention

The first delegates and guests began arriving on Sunday, August 9th. On the following day, Monday, the number had increased considerably, and that evening a social was held for the visitors in the K. of L. Club Room.

The Convention got under way on Tuesday, August 11th, with a Solemn High Mass in St. Peter's Parish Church. The officiating clergymen were almost all American-born Lithuanian priests. The celebrant was Rev. C. Jenkus, of South Boston assisting him as Deacon and Subdeacon were Rev. A. Baltrušiūnas, of Cambridge, and Rev. Cebatorius, of Waterbury, Conn. Master of Ceremonies was Rev. John Vosylius, M. I. C., of Marianpolis College (Father Vosylius will leave soon for his new duties as chaplain in the U.S. Navy). Also assisting in the Mass were Rev. J. Plevokas and Rev. P. Virmauskis, veteran friend of the K. of L's and Honorary Member of the organization.

The eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. Michael Kemēžis, Lithuanian pastor from Bayonne, N.J. and Supreme Spiritual Adviser of the Knights of Lithuania.

A breakfast was served to the delegates and guests after Mass, and at 11:00 A. M. the first sessions began in St. Peter's Parish Hall, 492 E. Seventh St.

The opening address was given by Attorney Anthony Young, Chairman of the Convention arrengements committee. After greeting those present, he introduced Supreme Prezident Frank Razvadauskas to begin the proceed-Razvadauskas President ings. greeted the delegates and invited Father Virmauskis to give the opening prayer, after which those present gave their pledge of allegiance to the American flag, and sang the U. S., Lithuanian, and žis, Mr. M. A. Norkūnas (Venerable

K. of L. anthems. The singing was directed by Mr. Ralph Yuska.

The convention officers, all approved by unanimous vote, were: Chairman — Anthony J. Mažeika, of Pittsburgh, Pa., Vice-chairmen Daniel J. Averka, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Wm. Grinevičius, of Kearny, N. J., Secretaries — Peter Kupraitis, of So. Boston, Mass., and Margaret Davidonis, of Athol Mass.

Mandate Committee - Josephine Adomaitis, of Orange, N. J., Phyllis Grendal, of So. Boston, Mass., and Anne Tamošauskas, of Athol, Mass.

Greetings and Resolutions Committee - Rev. C. Jonkus, of So. Boston, Mass., Charles Bason, of Jersey City, N. J., and Attorney John Grigalius, of So. Boston, Mass.

The first greeting address was made by Attorney John Grigalius, who not only extended his own best wishes, but also those of Mayor Maurice J. Tobin, who was out of town and could not be present. Mayor Tobin not only instructed Attorney Grigalius to represent him, but also sent the following telegram:

"Regret absence on vacation makes attendance at your convention imposible. Have asked Mr. John Grigalius to act as representative on this my Congratulations and occasion. best wishes for a successful convention.

Maurice J. Tobin."

Chairman Grigalius of the greetings committee invited District Attorney Wm. J. Foley of Suffolk County to address the Convention. He spoke briefly but enthusiastically of the high regard in which he held the Lithuanian people. Mr. Foley was born and grew up in South Boston's Lithuanian colony.

Convention Chairman Anthony J. Mažeika then called upon the following notables to address a few words to the convention: Rev. P. Virmauskis, Rev. Dr. K. Urbanavičius, Rev. P. Juras, Rev. J. Vaitekūnas, Rev. P. Juškaitis, Rev. S. Raila (Father Raila represented occupied Lithuania and the now liquidated Lithuanian Youth Organization — Pavasarininkai), Rev. C. Jenkus, Rev. A. Baltrušiūnas, Rev. J. Vilčiauskas, Rev. M. Kemē-

CONVENTION

Founder of the Knights of Lith-Attorney J. Cunis, Dr. uania), Frank Galinis, Daniel J. Averka, and Lithuanian Consul Anthony O. Shallna. All the above participated in the first day's sesion.

On the evening of the first day's sessions an outing for the delegates and guests to Norumbega Park was sponsored by the Convention. hosts. Over 150 young people participated in the outing. (A more detailed report of the sessions and discussions will appear in future issues.)

On the following day many more notable Lithuanian clergymen and laymen participated and greeted the delegates.

Greetings were wired by Joseph Augustinas, president of the New York - New Jersey K. of L. District and by Monsignor John Ambotas, Lithuanian pastor of Hartford, Conn., who expressed his regrets at being unable to attend but that "I am with you in spirit".

Stella Brozas, Secretary (and pro-tem President) of the Chicago K. of L. District wired: "Best wishes for a successful Convention. Chicago is with you one hundred percent." Three veteran members, Directors of the K. of L. Press, Ig. Sakalas, S. Simulis, and K. Zaromskis, sent greetings from Chicago. Rev. Dr. C. Reklaitis, M. I. C., Provincial of the Marian Fathers, wrote: "Deeply regretting my inability to be with you in person, I beg you to accept my personal greetings and best wishes, and those of all the Marian Fathers, and my prayers for God's choicest blessings upon your deliberations."

During the after-noon session the delegates were greeted by Rev. Padvarskas, of Worcester, Mass. and by representatives of the Total Temperance League — Dr. Albert Kiburis and Anthony Peldžius.

Reports of the various Supreme Council officers were heard and the minutes of the Last Convention were read. The reports revealed that the organization has grown in membership during the past year, and shows signs of new strength and acceptance in many colonies.

All discussions and decisions of the first and second days sessions were primarily of organization affairs.

The second days' sessions were also begun with a High Mass at St. Peter's Church.

The Convention throughout was marked by the unprecendented seriousness and sincerity of its tone. All delegates followed the proceedings with attention and interest. Many resolutions pertaining to the cause of the United States and Lithuania were passed by the Convention.

The Convention sessions and discussions were conducted almost completely in Lithuanian.

Convention Banquet

The Convention Banquet was held on the evening of August 12, in the Municipal Building Hall. About 300 guests — the majority of them young people — attended.

Toastmaster of the evening was Rev. C. Jenkus, Spiritual Adviser of the New England District and of the local council. Father Jenkus represented all the clergy present in his opening talk. Also called upon to speak were: Attorney Anthony J. Young, the Lithuanian Consul, Hon. Anthony O. Shallna, Anthony J. Mažeika, and Supreme President Frank Razvadauskas. Musical selections on the program were offered by Mr. S. Kantautas, Miss Palmyra Antanelis and Mr. Adam Barauskas, all of whom were accompanied by Ralph Juška.

Present at the banquet were the following clergymen: Revs. P. Lunskis, S. Raila, J. Petrauskas, A. Abračinskas, J. Jutkevičius, A. Čebatorius, J. Vilčiauskas and C. Jenkus. Among the prominent laymen present were: Attorney and Mrs. J. Grigalius, Mr. and Mrs. D. Zaletskas, Attorney and Mrs. J. Čūnis, Dr A. Kapočius, Dr. and Mrs. J. Čūnis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pašakarnis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Strigūnas, "Bill" Skudris, Attorney C.

Kalinauskas, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. over 100): — Harrison-Kearny, N.

Namokšis, Mr. and Mrs. Bushman, Mr. and Mrs. Grendal and son, Dr. M. Grendal, Attorney and Mrs. J. Gailis, Mr. and Mrs. Čiočis from Providence, R. I., Mr. and Mrs. J. Sakevičius, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stukas, Mr. J. Stonis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kasperas, Dr. Rudd, Mr. and Mrs. S. Mockus, Mr. and Mrs. Kazmauskas, Dr. F. Galinis, and many others.

The following were called upon to accept the applause of the guests for their outstanding record as veterans in the K. of L. movement: Frank Gudelis, of Dayton, Ohio, Wm. Grinevičius of Kearny, N. J., Tillie Aukštikalnis, of Worcester, Mass., Anne Žemaitis of Washington, D. C., Bruno Kudirka, of Norwood, Mass., Lon Švelnis, of So. Boston, Mass., Michael Norkūnas, of Lawrence, Mass., and Anthony J. Mažeika, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

This K. of L. Convention Banquet was unusual and exemplary in that no intoxicating beverages were served. The same is true of the outing to Norumbega Park on August 12.

The Arrangements Committee — composed entirely of American born Lithuanian young people — merits the enthusiastic applause of the organization as well as of the entire American — Lithuanian public, for the excellent job it did in planning the Convention and in the accompanying entertainment and for the Convention's unquestioned success.

Councils and Colonies Represented.

While we do not yet have the official mandate report at hand and this preliminary report is necessarily incomplete, we are informed that the following colonies were represented at the Convention by either delegates or guests (who numbered over 100): — Harrison-Kearny. N

J., Athol, Mass., Worcester, Mass., South Boston, Mass., Norwood, Mass., Washington, D. C., Elizabeth, N. J., Cicero, Ill., Brooklyn, N. Y., New York City, N. Y., Pittsburgh, Pa., Maspeth, L. I., N. Y., Providence, R. I., Orange, N. J., Hart-Waterbury, Conn., ford, Conn., Philadelphia, Pa., Hinsdale, Ill., Cambridge, Mass., Homestead, Pa., Newark, N. J., Bayonne, N. J., West Roxbury, Mass., Detroit, Mich., Lawrence, Mass., Dayton, Ohio., and others.

With Army Engineer Corps



Pvi. John Dauginas

An outstanding and active member of the Knights of Lithuania, John Dauginas'is now serving with the U. S. Army in Seattle, Washington. He enlisted on January 5, 1942.

John joined the K. of L's in 1936, as a member of Council 8, Roseland. He was an active member of the Chicago District K. of L. Chorus, appearing with it at the New York World's Fair and in Detroit.

John is a native of Roseland, and graduated from All Saints Parochial School, after which he attended Fenger High School, where he specialized in Drafting. ship.

Because of his talent in this field, he is now serving as a Draftsman with the U. S. Engineering Corps.

He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dauginas of Roseland.



Good Luck, L. R. C. S. P. A.!

With a great deal of satisfaction we note that the Catholic Student and Professional Association emerged from its recent Convention in Chicago with a new zeal and lease on life, with a new group of officers who appear eminently fitted for their positions, and with constructive plans for the immediate future.

As we have stated before, while the Student and Professional Association is an organization identical in its structure and aims to our Knights of Lithuania, the K. of L's are the first to wish this organization God — speed in the realization of its aims. We cannot have too many active organizations in the Lithuanian Catholic Youth field. Although it might have been logical ten years ago to question the wisdom of establishing a new competitive organization to the Knights of Lithuania, whose only shortcoming at the time happened to be lack of support from the great majority of our Lithuanian Catholic leaders.

All idealistic Catholic organizations have been adversely affected by the course of time and events, among them the L. R. C. S. P. A. And we can express only the greatest admination for the manner in which the association has weathered that storm, and has emerged from it strengthened and more optimistic over the future.

We particularly admire the delegates of that organization for the courage they displayed in facing the unpleasant realities of life and for readjusting their viewpoint accordingly.

We particularly refer to the Association's decision to branch out into the English field in its publication. One of the resolutions adopted was that the Association will begin the issuance of a completely English section for its members and the general Lithuanian public. This English section will be sent with the Lithuanian "Studenty Žodis", but will be entirely separate from it.

We warn the Ass'n. that much calumny and criticism will be heaped upon its head for this decision. We know. But this possibility should not deter it from its course and its goal to reach a much wider field of youth of Lithuanian descent with its message of Catholic American — Lithuanianism.

We know that there was much violent opposition to this move among the delegates themselves. We will even magnanimously overlook the fact that "Vytis" was pointed out by some over — zealous delegates as a horrible example of "how low "Studentų Žodis" may sink if we introduce English into it" (!) This attitude, fortunately, was not representative of the majority of the delegates. And we are glad that the Students and Professionals proved themselves to be above stubborn idealistic isolationism and took the future courageously into their own hands.

At the risk of being considered petty, the editor of "Vytis" cannot miss this opportunity to point out that this unprecedented move of the L. R. C. S. P. A. is the highest possible vindication of his much-battered policy on the English language that he could get.

A refreshing departure from the tradition and more representative groups of officers this year. The custom of past years was the election of a much new officers include young people from Chicago, from the North Central States, and from the East. This will be conducive to a much more democratic, and a much more balanced organization. One of the greatest detriments to the progress of any national organization, particularly in our Lithuanian life, is the centralization of officers, or more correctly speaking, the election of officers from one particular locality of group.

In conclusion, we reiterate our good wishes to the Student and Professional Association, extend our hand in friendly cooperation, and express the hope that we can find a medium of activity by which we can reach our mutual goal — the unification and consolidation of Catholic American-Lithuanian youth.

Mano ir Tavo Draugas

Kiekvienas iš mūsų turime draugų. Vieni artimesni ir labiau mūsų gerbiami, kiti mažiau. Bet vienas draugas paprastai yra maloniausias, ir mes jį labiausiai mylime.

Laimingas tas žmogus, kuris turi gerą draugą, kuriame atvirai gali papasakoti savo džiaugsmus ir nelaimes. Geram draugui papasakojus savo nelaimes, su juo atvirai pasikalbėjus, užuojautos žodį iš jo išgirdus, — tuomet ir skausmai, rodos, sumažėja. Pasidalinus su draugu džiaugsmais, ir jie, rodos, padidėja.

Čia, žinoma, kalbame apie žmones, bet taip pat neįkainuojamas draugas yra geras jaunimo laikraštis. Čia turime galvoje mums skirtą laikraštį "VYTĮ", kuris kaip tik tinka šių laikų jaunimo dvasiai pakelti. Jis sugeba įeiti į jo širdį, prabilti jam suprantamesne kalba.

Yra gyvenime valandų, kada dvasią apniaukia tamsūs debesys, nežinomas ilgėsys kankina, širdis užgauta ir gailiai pravirksta, pasijunta gyvenimo tuštuma ir nusiminimas apima žmogų.

Tuomet pavartai lapus geriausio savo draugo "VY-TIES", ir perskaitai širdį raminančius jo straipsnius, ir eilėraščius. Tuomet gyvenimas vėl nušvinta. "VY-TIS" neapkenčia paniūrusios nuotaikos, jis pilnas idealizmo — jaunatviškumo, ir tave tokiu padaro.

(Kazys Strolis - "The Key" Jersey City, N. J.)



COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

LINDEN, N. J., Council 113

Hello everyone! Well, after a nice vacation, I came home to find that it was time for me to write the news and views of our council. As usual, during the summer months things are kind of slow. There have been several picnics and outings which some of the members have attended, and are said to have had quite a time.

Due to so few members attending our meetings, there really hasn't been any regular business meeting for quite a while. We hope that we will have a large attendance at our next meeting so that we can clean up all the business which has lapsed. We hope to see you all out.

A recent letter received from Corporal Al. Matulonis, one of our members, extending his best regards to the whole council and also says that he hopes the council will stick together till this is over, and when the boys come back they will help to make it bigger and better. So come on, all you members, show the fellows that you can do it, and keep the spirits of the K. of L. high so our boys will chime right in when they come home. We know that all of members will pitch in and keep things going.

Views

On a clear and beautiful quiet night, not a creature was stirring only the mosquitoes and Jo Krotulis who fell asleep in his car and everyone had gone home and left him there. This all happened after a picnic at Patrylow's Grove. Oh, my, how could anyone have been so cruel?... I also heard that a certain young man from the Kearny council fell asleep in his car after Newark's dance, but he wasn't alone. I wonder if this is catching?

Everyone from the Linden council who met the young lady from Cicero, Ill. Council, are still exclaiming over how nice and sociable she was, and hope to see her out here again.

I noticed that "Big John" Tratulis is a regular Casanova at picnics. A different girl every hour is his motto.

It is also noticeble that there must be something between Andy Dambrauskas and Violet from Kearny, at all the dances they seem to be together. Could be a romance, could be!

That will be all, until next month. So long.

- Peter Pan

NEWARK, N. J. Council 29

On the eleventh of July, our council held a benefit dance for those boys who are in the armed service. As usual, the weather was on our side: a cool, breezy night, though the hearts of those who attended were warm and generous. On behalf of council 29, I wish to thank all other councils for their splendid attendance. To Jack Stukas, also a note of thanks for his cooperation is advertising our dance on his radio program. We have all promised to listen to his excellent Lithuanian programs on Saturday afternoon.

Congratulations are in order for those who became first and second degree members at our Jersey thirteenth rituals. The lucky Knights are as follows: first degree members: Adele Satkus and Charles Strolis; second degree members: Anthony Adomaitis, Stanley Arbus, Emily Budalis, Frank Galauskas, Richard Lelashus, Stanley Mockus, and Joseph Remeika. May they all eventually attain the highest degree of our organization.

Two more reasons why the U. S. is bound to win the war: Joe Grimm and Bill Kinnis. Both became part of our forces this past month. Other members serving Uncle Sam are reportedly doing cuite well, namely, Bill Paukštaitis and Vito Daukšys. Bill now has the gold bar of the Lieutenant on his shoulder, while Vito is Corporal Daukšys.

Due to present conditions, entertainment for club members has been sadly lacking. However, the entertainment committee is open to suggestions which would not require vehicular travel. The boys have solved the problem by going on fishing trips, the last one being quite eventful. To wit: fishing all day with little luck, the boys decided to try for sharks (heh, heh). Frank Galauskas, holding the line, finally did hook a "twenty footer"! After another shark, which, however, broke the line after a really good fight. But on the second try they hooked a fierce battle (during which Frank almost joined the shark in the briny deep), the massive fish was drawn to the side of the boat, where upon all did gaze in awe. But alas, in trying to get the shark aboard (reluctant shark), the line broke and all was lost. This is NOT a fish story!

Among Ourselves

Ben may want "wap" pie, but all he'll get in an onion for breaking up our committee meeting, s'help me. Ditto for Stanley M Fran's favorite number, now that Joe G. is gone, is "Oh, how I miss you tonight" and "Oh, such a beautiful moon"... I wonder why everyone avoids Frank Lee since he's back from the National Convention. A lively trio at the convention: Joe Dempskis of our council, Helen Penkin and Helen Vaich of Elizabeth. I'll bet Boston has a "hang-over". I wonder about the Incidently (the \$64 questions), what girl uses the gas rationing as an excuse for parking... Poor Joe Z., trying so hard to get a dance with his fiancee, Helen V., at a recent picnic — the boys kept pushing him away... Also, Mrs. Jesie Mazeika, sitting quietly by watching her husband George going to town with the Polka. It must have been his night out ... If Pete, John and Judy Beck are bragging a little too much these days, it's because their kid brother has just been awarded a full tuition scholarship to the Columbia medical school. It seems they've been underestimating the poor kid.The main attraction at the hot dog stand at a recent picnic was NOT the hot dog, but Josie K.

who was serving them... Noticed Beatrice M. and Ann B. going on a binge the other night; they absorbed two strong sodas A PIECE. What, no scotch — no scotch!... A rare sight on week days is Tony A. Is it the job or Miss Yahudi that's responsible? ... A brave fellow is Joe M. After taking a beating on his last fishing trip, he's still out for more... Nelie V. is an advocate of hard work — for others — phooey!

...A beautiful sight: the mass gathering of Lithuanian people in the Victory parade staged in Newark on August fifteenth. Youth and age with one thought in mind — Victory! May it soon come.

- By Joey

JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY Council 124

OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

The full realization that our nation is really at war is sharply brought home to us each time one of our boys is called to service. To date, our little council has seen seven of its members answer the call to arms.

Our first soldier to volunteer his services, before the outbreak of the war, was Corporal Joseph Smith. Joe was a very active member and his last office was that of vice-president of our council.

Next to leave was Anthony Teleisa, a very modest lad. He will be remembered for his athletic ability. Many is the time Tony won the ball-game for us. Now that you're in there pitching for Uncle Sam, we wish you all the luck in the world.

Very well known for his ambition to keep the Lithuanian language active among the younger set is Private Charles Sable. Charlie's deep, ringing voice could always be heard leading our Lithuanian group-singing.

Private Joseph Bazilus, a recent bridegroom, has been gone a comparatively short time, but we miss him already. His leaving has left the position of treasurer vacant and we hope his successor will perform his other duties as efficiently as Joe did.

At a recent farewell party, a toast was made to the three musketeers who were leaving for the armed services very shortly. The first to leave was Seaman Victor Dobbs, the quiet boy of the trio.

Soon, Private Joseph Sable followed with John Sidtis close behind. The many laughs and good times the musketeers provided will long be remembered. Now, more than ever, boys, "Keep 'em smiling".

Good luck to each and everyone of you! We know we shall win this war, for as one soldier puts it. ""We're on God's side"...

- "Old Timer"

SO. WORCESTER, MASS. Council 116

A nice time was had by all who attended the dance at Lincoln Park. Of course, the storm made it impossible for some to attend, but those who did come enjoyed themselves. The music was furnished by Soodnow's Orchestra.

The annual parish picnic was held August 16th, 1942 on the church grounds. A very large group came but what happened to the K of L workers? My, but some people are lucky when it comes to winning War Bonds!

DIT A DOT ...

Anyone want lessons in love? A certain young gentleman (in love) was giving hints on "love making". Andrushka learned pretty fast but is using his technique slowly. What say, Frank, want to start a class?

Whose favorite song is "Deep in the Heart of Texas?" Well, she put her heart into the song and I don't mean maybe!

Congratulations this month go to two of our members. Best of luck Rita and Frank!!! When are we going to hear the wedding bells ring? Soon, I hope.

The debate which was to be held at this month's meeting has been postponed. Why? Because the girl's captain has got to have more time to collect her team. After waiting two months for the debate it should be good.

- Freckles.

HARTFORD, CONN. Council 6

HI KNIGHTS!

Strange as it seems, we've had the second successful affair of the year. The outing at Spring Pond Park was the turning point in Council 6's history. From now on we keep climbing up and we won't stop until pinnacle of fun has been reached. So come on, all you loyal members! Let's go to all the pleasure packed socials that out entertainment committee gives us.

RESERVE OCTOBER 24 FOR A GRAND TIME

Our delegates to the National Convention are George Levinskas, Joe Bart, and Father George. In these capable hands were entrusted the wishes of Council 6. Vinnie Morkus, Frankie Monchun, and Grace Balchunas plan to attend as guests for a couple of days. They are sure of having a grand time and will learn more about the internal function of the national organization.

HOW LONG IS IT SINCE YOU'VE BEEN TO A SEMI-FORMAL?

Memories:

The Bachelor Club was formed and the boys are planning to have a good and happy single life.

Billy Zigment and his polka (Charge of the Light Brigade) were the star attraction in New Haven. Did some one say: "Nēra Kilbasu? Kas man lipa ant kojų?"

Helen Bart will some day become a member of the K. of L. Social Register. One, two, three and you're in.

Phil C. and Johnny K., from Providence, had us in ecstatic spasms of mirth at our dance. We sure miss them.

Present Day Flashese:

Rita Gechas and Joe J. hit it off pretty good at our outing. They were seen recently together on Broad St. Or haven't you noticed?

Stinky sure has tamed down since Petty Ann has taken over the reins of his destiny. Don't know whether it's good or bad.

Our new Housewomen are sure doing a grand job. So without further ado let's give them a rousing vote of thanks. O. K. THANKS, GIRLS!

Ella Staum certainly has found the secret of popularity. First, it was Vinnie M. who also claimed the same. All in all, Ella spent an enjoyable evening, or did she?

I wonder who the army boys were that were rushing our Grace B. all night long? A deep secret Grace?

Now that Jack M. has been accepted in the U. S. Naval Air Corps. I wonder how Anester plans to spend her evenings for the duration?

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jacobs are infanticipating. Here goes my chin again. I'd say a Boy. Wishing you good health, Mary.

- The Chatterbox

JERSEY CITY, N. J. Council 124

HELLO, FOLKS -

How are you all? Hope you had a good time on your vacations. We hope you'll get over them in time to remember that our dance is to be held on Saturday, September 26, at our Parish Hall,

Our male membership is rapidly decreasing. Victor Dobbs has enlisted in the U. S. Navy, and is stationed at Norfolk, Va. Joe Sable was assigned to service in the U. S. Army and he's stationed indefinitely at Atlantic City. Another active member Joe Bazilus is also wearing khaki. We hope you boys will write to us soon.

NOOZE AND VOOZE:

Wonder who sent cards from Pittsburgh, unsigned? It couldn't be Charlie Bason, could it?

It seems that Johnny Žvirblis has been very attentive to a certain young lady from Kearny. It looks like the love bug is doing its work.

Julia Augustis was a guest for a week at the home of our farmer member, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Stonis of St. Alban's, L. I. Nice scenery up there eh, Julia?

Mae Meldakes and Dotty Yurelevich vacationed in Conn. How was the weather there, girls?

Vicky Janužis flying aroung, like a butterfly, at a picnic recently. Ed. Baron and Tony Vernikas are making the rounds together again, now that Ed. is back from Conn.

From the pictures Ann Barutis has been showing around, she sure enjoyed her vacation.

M. Siditis and V. Shaw spent week ends on Long Island.

E. Link is certainly a stranger around town. Where have you been keeping yourself, El?

Johnny Siditis sure looks lost without his pals, Joe and Vinc.

Lou Ketvirtis sure covers quite a bit of territory, Brooklyn birthday parties!!! Freehold dances!!, and Linden Picnics!!! Now we know why you can't make the meetings any more. Eleonor Kvaska is planning to spend her vacation in Chicago? You won't change your mind and go to California instead???

Hoping to see all of you soon!!! On September 26, 1942.

- Black Knight

PITTSBURGH, PA. Council 62

Pittsburgh being the steel center of the world, it is impossible for us all to attend the convention in Boston this year. Being the steel center means that we are very busy building up the country's defense weapons and many of our members are working in defense plants, therefore vacations are very scarce this year. We won't be unrepresented however, because Mr. Anthony Mazeika and Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Rozger are going to Boston delegates from our Council. When you get there, folks, just say hello to the other members for us. We would all like to be with you.

We have finally gotten the bond that we decided so long ago to buy.

Seems as though all our soldiers got their leaves at once last Sunday. To be frank, we have but two members in the armed forses. They are Albert Bernoth and Andrew Rozger and they were both back home for a visit last week. Andrew Rozger is Sergeant Rozger now and are we proud of him!

We had our swimming party and picnic out at Nort Park Sunday, but as the cloud burst on Saturday threatened to hang over for Sunday some of our members got their signals crossed and forgot to attend this affair. We will make up for it the next time, which is on August 23rd, same place and same time.

- Gabalot

ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY Council 52

Yes folks, it's Little Susie again, but much to our regret we haven't much to write, but will manage to say a few words.

About a month ago our annual beach party was held at one of Jersey's nicest beaches, Graham Beach. Thanks to the boys who were so thoughtful, kind and considerate for saving their gas for that day, as it was impossible to hire a bus, besides nice drivers delicious food, beautiful sunny, hot

day and lovely girls, what more could anybody ask for? Helen V. Mary O., and Ronnie used three jars of cream not to get burned, but the sun fooled them and gave them a little color. Orry, Charlie S. and Spike keeping cool sitting on the ice. Charlie O. keeping his eyes on the boys masterpiece. Joe S. and Helen V. taking a nap before going to work. Betty and Jenny just keeping on eating and sitting. Tony Y. and Helen D. behaving for a change, Walter D. washing his feet with ice water and with all that water in the ocean, Lou Potts (shiek of 52) keeping the girls entertained. Helen K. looking like a red lobster, Johnny G. just taking everything that came his way. As usual, a very good time was had by all.

We still have our good time and laughs, but let's stop for a moment and think of our boys in service, who really smile when they receive a nice letter from home or some friend in the home town telling him the goings on of the council and a joke now and then.

- Little Susie.

WORCESTER, MASS. Council 26

Seems as though our last meeting day was visitors' day. Miss Eve. Jurgis squiring Mr. Anthony Stankus of Chicago and Miss Slalara a visitor from New Jersey, if I'm not mistaken. But my ears may have been mistaken.

It also seems that the only conversation heard is the National Convention in Boston. Worcester better be on their best behavior or they'll be listed in this column. You know the old saying — Sees all and tells all.

Seems good to see those uniforms around home, especially when its worn by Michael Ivas-ka

Julia B. home from two weeks vacation with laryngitis, but still talking about the swell time she had. How about the deep — sea fishing trip, when you had a touch of "Mal de mer"?

I wonder if it could be serious? How about it, Miss A. P. and Mr. A. K.?

These people who own amplifying systems should know how to use them so they wouldn't blow up when needed. Especially at such an event as the parish picnic. Right Mr. Sipavičia?

PATERSON, N. J. Council 61

Because of the war and defense work, Council 61 has been inactive for the past year, but there are a few loyal members who still carry the name of the Paterson Knights.

As for the activities of our Council, the outstanding one was the New York, New Jersey District Convention which was held on Sunday, July 14, 1942. In spite of the gas and rubber shortage there was a nice representation. Thanks go to all who attended.

A little bit of business here — A little bit of business there — A little bit of monkey business here.

Since MOE has been called to serve Uncle Sam he is home more than he was before. Is it because he is homesick, or because he misses the blondes?

What does the military insigna on LITTLE ONE'S jacket stand for? Ask her about the story behind her military service and see her blush.

Where does one find GOO-GOO on a Friday night? Do you want to know? She is watching a soft ball game. What is the attraction, could it be the soldiers?

Many of our fellows are helping win this war by being air-raid wardens and such. FRANK is an Auxiliary Policeman. On Saturday nites you will find him directing traffic on the main streets of Paterson. His first experience was terrifying, so he says.

TONY S. is now working in the big airplane plant by the name of Wrights. I guess now that he is going to work nights one will see little of him. Lots of luck at your new position, TONY.

Ask ANN and DOTT about a certain Saturday night? Why was ANN'S face bruised and DOT had to hold on the railing going up the stairs? Maybe they would like to take a ride on a bicycle sometime or did they have enough?

That's all there is and now to relax in a soft chair with a big cool drink and dream about the coming convention.

_ M. and T.

WESTFIELD, MASS. Council 30

Here I am again with news and views of Council 30. The council has been teeming with activity in preparation for our parish's annual Lawn Festival. When our spiritual adviser Rev. V. Puidokas asked for volunteers for the affair he was both surprised and pleased when all the council members wanted to do their share. As a matter of fact, there were so many of us at the lawn party it looked more like an affair of the K. of L. than one of the parish.

Our social activities include several outings and dancing each Sunday night. Speaking of outings, our last outing was the best we've ever had. Don't take my word for it. Ask anyone who was there, especially Fran M. or Nellie L. Frannie fell into the lake when she was taking a picture of Nellie, (so she says).

The Club is Walking About:

Council 30's dashing Lotharious and the impression they made in the sleepy (and I mean sleepy) hamlet of Granville. Chris D., Tony J., Tommy W., and Paul S. went to a barn dance at the afore mentioned hamlet and left every girl in the place with a broken heart. The line these gentlemen have is something of a novelty in these parts.

Frannie M. and a tall, good-looking chap walking down Main St. the other day at about 5:00 P. M. Who is he? Where is he from? What's his name? If you can find out you're a better sleuth than I.

Joe J. and his new car. Now, girls, there's a fellow who's going places. Joe said he would be a steady visitor to Worcester, but then came gas rationing and Joe does his wolfing at home.

The sudden disappearance of the "Incendiary Blonde", alias Ann Z. Has some lucky fellow taken her out of circulation or is she just too tired to drop in on our gatherings once in a while? Also the equally sudden disappearance of her brother "Two Gun" He has a girl crept into the picture? If some one knows, please inform me because we're all anxious to know.

Poor "Twerp" S. Gas rationing has cut his visits to Suffield to once a week. He was a frequent visitor to Suffield and no wonder! She's a honey! I'm sorry, Twerp, all we can do is sympathize with you.

Oh, by the way, if anyone has any war stamps they want to trade get in touch with me. If you haven't any don't delay, go to your post office and buy as many as you can.

Till next month, so long.

- Elmer

NEW YORK, N. Y., Council 12

JUST WONDERING:—

If Eldie S. will be a good father as someone once remarked — If Hank K's romance is cooling - If George Y. has changed his mind about Ruth and has his mind on Alice M. — If Stella's heart skips for someone in Fordham University. — If Irene S. and Ann M. go for colonels. — Whether Alice M's heart belongs to Johnny, Eddy or Stanley? — If Johanna M. has a diamond ring on that left finger as rumored. — If Eldie has competition with George Y. — Why Slim, Bill and Joe of Maspeth haven't been seen on C. 12 premises for a long time. If you came around maybe some of our fairer sex would show up too! — Whether Stanley has eyes for Nellie or A. M.? Tis' Rumored:

That John Vainis will be Uncle Sam's nephew soon. Good Luck, Johnny!

That everyone will have the time of their lives at our dance on Saturday, September 19th, 1942. Don't forget the date. Come one, come all!

Our ink is beginning to dry so we say cheerio — for a while.

— The Tattle Tales.

Is Our Youth Going To The Dogs?

On the occasion of his 78th birthday recently, Monsignor Joseph F. Smith, pastor of St. John's Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio, and vicar general of the Diocese of Cleveland, issued a statement on our modern youth that is refereshing in its frankness and originality of viewpoint:

"This country as a whole is better than it was when I was born. The country is better morally. There is more religion. The Church has been active and has progressed. What about these boys and girls who smoke cigarettes and drink liquor, you ask? There is no harm in a cigarette or a drink.

There is harm in excess of any kind. A great deal of harm came to our youth through prohibition. They learned to drink too much. But I think is righting itself and the boys and girls are getting over bit of folly. Prohibition challenged the initiative of youth and youth responded by getting as much to drink as possible. There is no harm in smoking or drinking - in moderation. The trouble lies in excess. Any excess is bad. You can drink too much milk and that would be bad too."

THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The Periscope - "Dirva"

IN SEVERAL issues of the "Vytis" an iteresting discussion was held as to the uses of the English

language in Lithuanian periodicals, This is a perennial question, always a burning theme of the day. Some view with horror the use of English in our Lithuanian papers. Others think we are only going along with the spirit of the times. It all depends upon one's viewpoint. There is no doubt that we must use proper tools for any job. While encouraging not to neglect the beautiful Lithuanian language of our forefathers we must perforce use English in getting things across to the younger generation. generation was born here, was educated here, and in a literary sense understands English better than Lithuanian. Discussions of the issue, however, usually engender much heat, but, alas, grow no apples.

THE INSISTENCE of our younger generation that our periodicals have something in a language which this generation uses in a moree facile manner (that is, English) found expression at two recent conventions. The Lithuanian Organist Society convention in Brooklyn, N. Y., adopted a resolution requesting a special page written in English for the younger generation in the Society's journal Muzikos Žinios. The same desire was expressed in a resolution at the 10th annual convention of the Lithuanian Students and Professionals Society in Chicago. This resolution demands a special English section in the Society's journal, Studenty Zodis (which, by the way is going to change its name).

Ar Galime Džiaugtis?

"Amerika" įtalpino straipsnelį "Geriausias Jaunimo Laikraštis", kuris Brooklyno vyskupijoje jaunimo spaudos parodoje teisėjų buvo pripažintas geriausiu. Tai Apreiškimo (lietuvių) parapijos C. Y. A. leidžiamas mėnesinis laikraštis "Annunciator". Tai nieko naujo. Gal vargiai surasime tautą, kurioje nesutiktume lietuvių talentų. Atmenu spaudoje tilpusią išvadą, kad Tolstojaus sūnus įdomavo, iš kokio kraujo kilęs ir surado, kad iš lietuvių. Jo seneliai vadinosi Šernai.

Iš brooklyniečių jaunimo galima didžiuotis, kaip paprastai lietuvių gabumais, bet įsigilinus tenka liūdēti ir nusiminti, kadangi tas pliusas šluoja lietuvybę iš lietuvių tarpo. Jeigu minētas laikraštukas būtų leidžiamas tikslu plačiau supažindinti lietuvių ir Lietuvos reikalus šioje parinktoje tevynēje, jis būtų vertas platinti ne vien prie bažnyčių durų, bet kiekvienoje vietoje.

Kiekvienas Amerikos pilietis žino, kad Washingtono žemēje tikyba ir kalba nevaržomos. Prie to viso kalbos šioje šalyje yra svetimos. Anglai taip pat buvo imigrantai, kaip ir lietuviai, taigi nors anglų kalba pasiliko oficialė, bet laisvės nevaržoma ir kitoms.

Vyčių organas "Vytis" irgi suanglėjo, vienok vyčių susirinkimai, seimeliai ir seimai dar vedami lietuvių kalba.

"Vyties" suanglējimas gali būti pakeistas labai trumpu laiku, jei tik mūsų vadai to panorētų, kadangi vyčiams lietuvių kalbos studijuoti nereikia, jie visi lietuviškai moka.

Ar nepergreit laidojame savo kalbą? Pagalvokime!

- Žvirbliukas.

("Garsas")

National Unity

"The mere fact that Communist elements and their sympathizers have undertaken AN ACTIVE CAMPAIGN to put an end to the Dies committee is itself a challange that must be met by a vote of confidence in the committee by the members of the Legislature whose act brought it into existence.

"Of course all Americans have the highest admiration for the high courage and magnificenet achievements of the Russian soldier.

"All Americans will wish to give all possible aid to Russia in the war against Germany.

"But the character of our relations with foreign nations has nothing whatsoever to do with the conduct of our domestic affairs.

"National unity is quite another thing.

"There can never be any true national unity with Communists at home because there can be no unity between AMERICAN PRINCIPLES OF LIVING and SECRET CONSPIRACIES AIMED AT THEIR DESTRUCTION."

(Senator Frederic R. Coudert, Jr. from the Chicago Herald-American).

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