



**“THE KNIGHT”**

**Sveikiname Lietuvos Vyčių 116 Kuopos Narius Ir Jos Valdybą!**



L. VYČIŲ 116-tos KUOPOS VALDYBA, SO. WORCESTER, MASS. — Iš kairės į dešinę: (pirmoje eilėje) — Kun. K. A. Vasys, Klebonas; Liudvilka Totilaitė, raštininkė; Felicija Zakaraitė, vice-pirmininkė; Anielė Smolskytė, išdininkė; Kun. Jonas C. Jutkevičius, Dvasios Vadas; (antroje eilėje) — Edmundas Vaškas, finansų raštininkas; Stasys Karsokas, pirmininkas.

Šios valdybos vadovybėje, L. Vyčių 116-ta kp. išleido ir finansavo šią “Vyties” laidą. Labai gražus darbas ir pavyzdys. L. Vyčių organizacija ir Centro Valdyba Jums bus amžinai dėkinga.

# Vytis

"THE KNIGHT"

DIEVUI IR TEVYNEI

Published Monthly by

## Knights of Lithuania

366 West Broadway,

So. Boston 27, Mass.

Phone SOUTH Boston 9665

Subscription: Yearly \$2.00

Single Copy 20c.

IGNATIUS SAKALAS  
Managing Editor

### ASSOCIATES

Rev. Julius Grinius —  
Religion;

Rev. Anthony Sandys, MIC., —  
Lithuanistics;

Rev. Stanley Ralla —  
Lithuanian Culture;

Rev. C. Charles Jenkus —  
Bibliography;

Joseph Boley —  
Stage and Screen;

Phyllis Grendal —  
Service Members' Letter Box Dept.

### EDITORIAL ASSOCIATES

A. Vaičiulaitis, Prof. K. Pakštas, Rev. K. Prunskis, Rev. K. Barauskas, Frank Razvadauskas, Rev. K. Širvaitis, Stanley Pleža, Rev. A. Miciūnas, MIC., Rev. P. P. Činikas, MIC., K. Jonaitis, Al. M. Račkus, Stella Brozas, Aldona Sleinis, Rev. M. Urbanavičius, MIC., Rev. D. Mozeris, Irene Pakeltis, Bertha Bachanas.

J. Kumpa & St. Griganavičius  
Technical and Art Dept.

## Knights of Lithuania Supreme Council Officers 1943-1944

REV. S. RAILA

Spiritual Director

324 Wharton St., Philadelphia, Pa.

FRANK RAZVADAUSKAS

President

5 G Street, So. Boston 27, Mass.

JOSEPH BOLEY

1st Vice President

5 East 62nd St. New York, N. Y.

ANTHONY MAZEIKA

2nd Vice President

2919 Merwyn Ave. Pittsburgh, Pa.

PHYLLIS GRENDAI

Financial Secretary

366 W. Broadway, So. Boston 27, Mass.

TILLIE AUKSTIKALNIS

Recording Secretary

38 Providence St., Worcester 4, Mass.

FRANK GUDELIS

Treasurer

129 Rita St., Dayton 4, Ohio

DANIEL J. AVERKA

Trustee

222 So. 9th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

LEONA GUZEVIČIUS

Trustee

94 Claremount Ave. Brockton, Mass.

### RITUAL COMMITTEE

JOSEPH BOLEY

5 East 62nd St., New York, N. Y.

JAMES R. CHERRY

4534 S. California Ave., Chicago, Ill.

SOPHIE GIMBUT

4415 E. Talman Ave., Chicago, Ill.

JOSEPH J. GRISH

K. of L. Legal Advisor

4631 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

### PRESS DIRECTORS

IRENE PAKELTIS

4019 So. Artesian Ave., Chicago, Ill.

KASTAS ZAROMSKIS

4531 S. Sacramento Ave., Chicago, Ill.

IGNATIUS SAKALAS

2334 S. Oakley Ave. Chicago, Ill.

All correspondence should positively reach the editorial offices by the 1st of the month of issue. Correspondents may use pen names, but all correspondence must bear the signature and address of the writer. The editor assumes no obligation to return any material not solicited.

Entered as second class matter June 10, 1943 at the Post Office at Boston, Mass., under the Act of March 3, 1879.

# Lithuanian Youth— A Problem

by  
Rev. John C. Jutkevičius

## Accusations...

"Lithuanian boys are too stuck-up". "Lithuanian girls are too high-hat for us." "Lithuanian boys don't care for us Lithuanian girls." "Lithuanian girls think we are not worthy of them." These are only a few of the remarks made from time to time by the Lithuanian youth of this country. Without doubt, such and similar statements have often been heard by the readers of this article. Accusations of all kinds are hurled at Lithuanian boys by Lithuanian girls. The boys retaliate with similar accusations against the girls. This attitude toward each other has been prevalent for quite some time and an immediate cessation of such accusations would be regarded by many as nothing short of a miracle. As a result, Lithuanian young ladies have turned to the young men of other nationalities while Lithuanian young men have centered their attention on young ladies not privileged to be of Lithuanian descent. Consequently Lithuanian boys and girls are not seeing each other on a basis necessary of the establishment of new Lithuanian homes.

## Portrait of a Lith Boy...

Various reasons have been propounded in explanation of the cause of this attitude. The girls accuse the boys of being selfish and haughty. According to them, the average Lithuanian boy is afraid and hesitant in parting with his money to give the girl a good time. He wants companionship. He wants all of the girl's time but to show his appreciation, he is reluctant. There is a certain air of haughtiness about him. He seems to be self-centered, arrogant, disdainfully proud. He is inclined to believe that he is too good, that he should be catered to, that the girl should make the first approach. It is this air of haughtiness and selfishness that makes the average Lithuanian girl care little for the Lithuanian boy and forces her to seek the friendship of another.

## Portrait of Lith Girl...

The boys, in turn, accuse the girl of high-hattedness and gold-diggery. According to them, the average Lithuanian girl considers herself on an elevated plane, above the ordinary Lithuanian boy. She seems to think that she is so magnificent that a Lithuanian boy is unworthy of



## ŠV. ONA, ŠVČ. PANELĖS MOTINA

Šv. Ona gimė bieste Betlejuje, Palestinos žemėje apie 70 metus prieš Kristaus gimimą. Ji buvo trečioji - jauniausioji dukterė Matano, kuris paėjo iš žydų vyriausiųjų kunigų Aarono giminės. Perėjusi Ona į metus ištekėjo už labai maldingo ir turtingo vyro, vardu Joakimo, karališkos Dovidio giminės. Šv. Onos gyvenimas visiems buvo dorybių pavyzdžiu. Per kelias dešimtis metų Joakimas ir Ona buvo bevaikiai ir už tai laikomi pas žydus didžiausiame pažeminime. Bet Dievo Apvaizda už jų didžias dorybes neapleido ir apdovanojo juos ta laime, kad Šv. Ona paliko Švč. Panelės motina. Liepos 26 dieną Bažnyčia švenčia jos garbei dieną ir kviečia visus melsti Šv. Onos motiniško užtarymo, nes ji per Mariją daug gali mums padėti.

her. She seems to have an air of superiority about herself. Only a boy of higher education, of a nobler class and of better bringing up is suitable for her. Her constant demand is "Give me this and get me that". She fails to take into



KUN. KOSTANTINAS VASYS,  
Aušros Vartų parapijos, So. Worcester, Mass.,  
klebonas, nuoširdus Lietuvos Vyčių prietelis ir  
jų organo "Vyties" rėmėjas. Prie šios "Vyties"  
laidos finansavimo daug prisidėjęs ir sustiprinęs  
Vyčius moraliai ir materialiai.

## Sveikinimas

Gerbiamieji vyčiai ir vytės!

Dar 1912 metais, būnant tuomet redaktoriumi, teko man leisti per laikraštį M. Norkūno Vyčių Organizacijos projektą, agituoti ir skleisti jaunimo organizavimo mintis. Ir šiandien, po tiek metų, vis dar matau Vyčių Organizaciją gražiai tebegyvuojančią ir sugebiančią nenutraukiamai leisti savo organą "Vyti". Negana to, "Vytis" virto jau tikrai įdomiu ir gražiausiu žurnalu. Todėl sveikinu Vyčių Organizaciją, pajėgiančią leisti tokį organą. Sveikinu savo parapijos Vyčių 116 kuopą, kad priėmė mano pasiūlymą padėti "Vyti" finansuoti, ir, štai, ši numerį leidžia savo lėšomis.

Garbė jums Aušros Vartų parapijos vyčiai!

Lai gyvuoja mūsų kuopa! Lai gyvuoja visa Vyčių Organizacija!

Kun. K. A. Vasys,  
Worcester, Mass.

account that the average Lithuanian boy is not a son of wealthy parents to whom money comes easily. His dollars are hard earned and therefore not easily parted with. She is a genuine gold-digger who cares not for the financial status of the boy. It is this superiority complex and failure to appreciate the financial status of the boy that force him to go after young ladies more considerate.

## A Challenge in Both Sides

The explanation goes still further. As the girls would have it, Lithuanian boys take too much for granted. They seem to think that everything is permissible. They have no regard for the finer things in life which girls enjoy. Love of pleasure and lack of amiability on their part have a repellent effect upon the girls. As a result, Lithuanian girls are more or less forced to go with others who have more regard for them. They seek the company of those who are considerate and who do not forget that they are members of the fairer but weaker sex. Boys of other nationalities are nicer to them. They show more respect and seem to appreciate the maidenly virtues. This lack of respect amongst the Lithuanian boys makes it almost necessary for Lithuanian girls to seek companionship elsewhere.

On the other hand, Lithuanian boys do not let these accusations go unchallenged. As they would have it, these complaints are altogether exaggerated. They insist that they have self-respect and a high regard for the beauties of maidenhood. The priceless pearls of feminine virtue are held in high esteem by them. They admit that perhaps in individual cases there have been transgressions and attempts to go beyond the limit but they repeat, and do so emphatically, that such are only individual cases in which the girl is just as guilty as the boy. It must be stressed that, in the majority of cases, Lithuanian boys go no further and can be accused of no greater faults than others. This exaggeration is a shield behind which the girls attempt to justify their offensive attitude toward the boys and is a clear sign of their superiority complex. For this reason, Lithuanian boys are obliged to overlook Lithuanian girls in favor of those of other nationalities.

## Reasons more than Skindeep

While the reasons advanced by both sides are more or less true and while they do have a bearing on the supposed rift between the two groups, yet it is my opinion that they are not adequate for a complete explanation of this mutual antipathy. I have no desire to exonerate one group and accuse the other or to pronounce one guilty and the other justified. It is my opinion that both groups are equally to blame and as open to accusation as the other. The attitude taken by both sides toward each other is a determining factor in the animosity and coldness existing between them.

Judging from observation of and from contact with Lithuanian youth, I am convinced that the *fundamental reason* for this cold attitude is the fact that Lithuanian girls know the Lithuanian boys too well and vice versa. The too familiar knowledge of each other is the direct result of

the closer contact between the two groups and is a sufficient explanation for the tendency of Lithuanian youth to search the ranks of those, not of Lithuanian descent, for the sake of companionship and friendship.

It might be well to explain further. A young lady, belonging to any organization for Lithuanian youth, knows more or less every young man in its membership. She knows his parents, brothers and sisters and in a general way his attitude toward them. She has a fairly good idea of his home conditions. She has probably known him in school. She knows his reactions to various kinds of difficulties and obstacles. She is well aware of his qualities, his abilities, his habits and his manners. She notices the part he plays in the club's functions and the attitude he takes toward the other members. She sees him in practically all circumstances: favorable and unfavorable, in times of joy and in times of anger, in times of work and in times of recreation. If she does go out with him, she carefully notes his treatment of her, his politeness to her and his regard for her and her person. She learns what others think of him and his behavior toward them. To sum it all up, she knows him much better than it is possible for girls of other nationalities to know him.

### Activities Expose Qualities

When young people mix and go into action in an attempt to accomplish something worthwhile, their good and bad qualities come out into the open. It is characteristic of human nature to notice the bad qualities more than the good ones. Strange as it may seem, persons are prone to remember the bad points while they soon forget the good ones. In the case of the young lady, there is no question but that she notices in her contact with a Lithuanian young man, be it in a group or individually, most of his good and bad points. The good are soon forgotten or overlooked while the bad remain fixed in her mind. These bad points far outweigh the good, so she begins to believe. As a result, she realizes in a very short time that she has no desire to mingle with him on a basis which may lead to marriage. It is impossible for her to imagine that perhaps he could become a good husband. She feels that she deserves someone better, someone without these bad points. Since she notices these bad points also in the other boys of the club, it is no time before she looks elsewhere for a boy friend. She concludes that Lithuanian fellows lack the qualities that an ideal husband should have. So she turns to fellows of other nationalities.

### Non-Lith Boy-Girl just a little different...

An altogether different point of view is taken by the Lithuanian girl of the good and bad qualities of the boy of another nationality. More



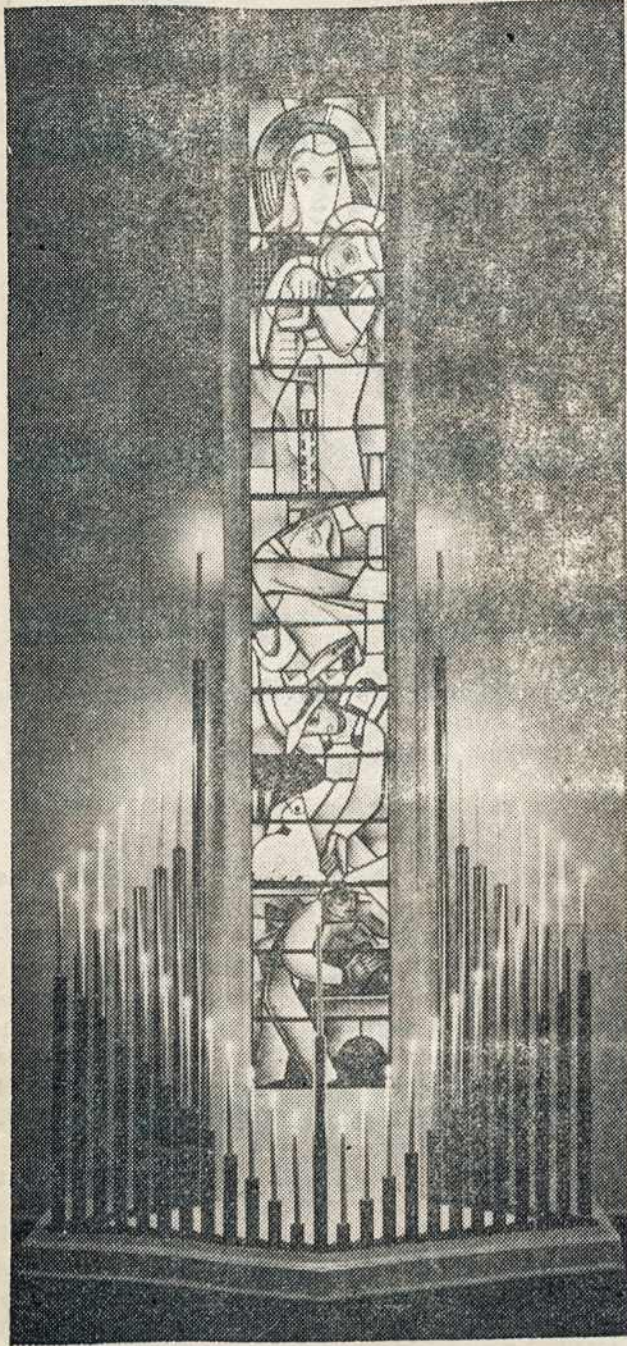
KUN. JONAS C. JUTKEVIČIUS,  
Aušros Vartų parapijos, So. Worcester, Mass.,  
vikaras, vietinės L. Vyčių 116-tos kuopos Dvasios Vadas, nuoširdus jaunimo ir Lietuvos Vyčių prietelis, kuris daug darbavosi, kad šioji, jų kolonijos vyčių kuopos laida, pasirodytų turininga.

Nėra kalbos, kad Lietuvos Vyčių organas "Vytis" yra be galo gražus ir įdomus žurnalas, kuriuo gali pasidžiaugti visas lietuviškas jaunimas. Centro valdyba ir tie, kurie prisidėjo prie "Vyties" pagražinimo ir padidininimo darbo, iš tikro verti didžiausio pagyrimo. Kiekvienas lietuvių tėvų sūnus ir duktė turėtų laikyti sau už pareigą netik priklausyti prie organizacijos, bet ir tiesioginiu būdu remti "Vyti" savo aukomis ir savo bendradarstavimu.

116-ta kuopa laiko sau už garbę turėdama progos finansuoti šią "Vyties" laidą. Tad kuopos ir savo vardu sveikinu Centro valdybą, organizacijos narius-nares ir visus "Vyties" rėmėjus ir mylėtojus. Lai "Vytis" pasilieka gražiu ir įdomiu žurnalu per ilgus metus! Lai tikros Vyčių dvasios liepsna dega kiekvieno lietuvių jaunuolio-jaunuolės širdyje!

*Kun. Jonas C. Jutkevičius,*  
Dvasios Vadas 116-tos kuopos.

often than not, she knows relatively little of him, his parents or his home conditions. She hasn't the opportunities to see him in as many circumstances as she does the Lithuanian boy. She sees him every so often, an evening or two a week, on Sundays and holidays or on a day off. Each time he sees her, he makes no little effort to be very nice and polite to her. His goodness toward her is pushed almost to a point of extremity. He feels as though he cannot do enough for her. His



**PORTRAYS CHRIST THE WORKER** — Limited to modern works, an interesting exhibition of "Religious Art of Today", has just been held at the Dayton (Ohio) Art Institute. In a chapel planned by Barry Byrne, is the above pictured window of "Christ the Worker". At the top is shown the Madonna holding the Christ Child. In His hand a carpenter's augur, which leads down to the next section of the glass and which portrays the factory worker. The section below this represents the former, his blue overalls taking the shade of blue of the Madonna's robes. At the bottom is depicted a miner. The window is one of three by Emil Frei, of St. Louis.

desire to please makes a very favorable impression upon her. She becomes thrilled. Her heart overflows with joy. She begins to feel emotions, the like of which she has never felt before. She is so impressed that his good points stand out very vividly in her mind. She is blinded to the fact that he, like Lithuanian fellows, has his bad points. He is seen as a person altogether different from Lithuanian boys. Admiration fills her very soul to a point where she considers him to be an answer to her prayers. This may go on for a year or two or even more but never does she observe him in times of adversity and discouragement or in moments of difficulty and stress. All things considered, she fails to know him as well as the Lithuanian boy.

The result is self-evident. Failure to know him as well as she should and the impression made upon her by his good points, compel her to believe that she will fare in life much better with an outsider rather than with one of her own. I believe it is this incomplete knowledge of the outsider which makes her shy away from Lithuanian fellows and pursue others. It is this same incomplete knowledge which brings about a good many of these marriages with persons of other nationalities.

What has been said of the young Lithuanian lady can equally be said of the young Lithuanian man. What drives the Lithuanian young lady to seek the friendship of outside fellows, also drives the Lithuanian young man to seek the companionship of outside girls. As was mentioned before, both groups are to blame.

### Cures Offered

What can be done to remedy this situation? Not too many remedies can be offered. However, it might be well for the Lithuanian youth to recall that man is a human being, subject to the numerous weaknesses and evil inclinations of a human nature corrupted by original sin. It is true that Christ, by His death on the cross, freed man from original sin. He was restored to sanctifying grace. But it must be remembered that his intellect remained darkened and his will weakened by a strong inclination to evil. Therefore man has faults and imperfections. Not one is without them. For this reason, Lithuanian boys have faults which are no different from the ones outsiders have. Lithuanian girls do not have greater imperfections than girls of other nationalities. This important point must not be forgotten by every Lithuanian boy and girl.

### Problems Are The Same For All

It must also be borne in mind that other nationalities have identically the same problem. What is being said of the French boy by the French girl, of the Italian boy by the Italian

girl, of the Polish boy by the Polish girl and so on. Just as the average Lithuanian girl thinks that the ordinary Lithuanian boy is not good enough for her, so does the average French girl believe that the ordinary French boy is not good enough for her, so does the average Polish girl deem the ordinary Polish boy unworthy of her and so on down the list. If this were not so, it would indeed be difficult to explain why the French or Italian or Polish boys are not marrying their own but outsiders. It is a strange fact that a Lithuanian girl should consider a Lithuanian boy unworthy of her, whereas the same boy is considered a "find" by a girl of another nationality. It is also a strange fact that a Lithuanian girl should consider herself suitable for a boy of a different nationality, whereas the same boy is deemed to be unworthy of a girl of his own nationality. This point makes it evident that the problem is the same with all groups and brings out very clearly the contention that it is the closer and better knowledge of each other which results in the mutual coldness existing between the male and female elements of any group.

### Kindness, Thoughtfulness Are A Great Aid

If Lithuanian boys and girls are to band together on a platform where their friendship will lead to marriage, their conduct and attitude toward each other must of necessity be based on thoughtful kindness and reasonable considerateness. Lithuanian girls should pay as much atten-

### PRAGĖRIAU ŽIRGELI...

*(Liaudies daina, gaida žinoma)*

Tai gėriau dienužę, o ir naktuzę,

Per visą naktelę iki gaidužių:

Pragėriau žirgelį ir kamanėles,

Tai vis dėl tavęs, šelma mergužėle!

Siųsčiau tētužį į karčiamužėlę,

Atvaduot žirgą ir kamanėles!

Parein tētužėlis iš karčiamužės,

Neatvadav' žirgą, nei kamanėles.

— Ei sūnyt, sūnyt, sūneli mano,

Nepulk per jaunas į rūpestužius —

Sugrįš žirgužėlis, sugrįš kamanėlės,

Tiktai nesugrįš jau jaunos dieneelės.

Tai gėriau dienužę, gėriau naktuzę,

Per visą naktuzę iki gaidužių:

Pragėriau žiedą, o ir vainikėlį,

Tai vis dėl tavęs, šelmi bernužėli!

Siųsčiau motinėlę į karčiamužėlę,

Atvaduot žiedą ir vainikėlį;

Parein motinėlė iš karčiamužėlės,

Neatvadav' žiedą nei vainikėlį.

— Ei, dukryt, dukryt, dukrytė mano,

Nepulk per jauna į rūpestužėlius —

Sugrįš žiedužėlis, sugrįš vainikėlis,

Tiktai nesugrįš jau jaunos dienužės.

tion to Lithuanian boys as they do to others. Lithuanian boys should be as kind and respectful to Lithuanian girls as they do to other girls. As much consideration should be given to a Lithuanian person's good points as to his bad. The good qualities should be weighed carefully, fairly and without prejudice. The bad qualities should not be allowed to blind one to a point where the good are entirely overlooked. An impartial consideration of these qualities will most frequently reveal that the boy or girl of Lithuanian descent is as good, if not better, than the boy or girl of foreign descent while kindness and courtesy, if extended to each other, will serve to cement the bond of friendship between them.

### Go At Least Half Way

Furthermore, each group must be prepared to go at least half-way. Lithuanian girls should not deem themselves so dignified and so "up in the air" that they must be chased after by Lithuanian boys. They must be willing to do their part in getting acquainted with them. Lithuanian boys, on the other hand, should condescend to the girls. They should not expect them to make the first approach. Lithuanian youth should beware of pride, the source of all trouble. It might be well to put a little silver on the glass, look into it and see oneself as one really is. Not the bad points of others but one's own faults should be looked for. In that way, Lithuanian boys and girls will cease to think themselves better than they actually are and will humble themselves to the fact that one group is no better than the other. If this attitude toward each other were prevalent, there should be no question that this Lithuanian problem would be practically solved.

### Let's Get Together

An appeal is hereby being made to the Lithuanian youth to unite, to stay together and to seek one another's company. What must be done by the Lithuanian young folk, is to see in each other what outsiders see in them. I am convinced that Lithuanian girls are as nice and as intelligent, if not more so, as any of foreign descent and that Lithuanian boys are as understanding and as clever as other boys. If this is so, then it is nigh impossible to find an adequate reason not to be united and not to offer each other aid. Each group should know the other in a very impartial and real manner. An outright change in attitude on the part of Lithuanian youth can only result in happier groups and will serve as an assurance that the spark of Lithuanianism will continue to be kept alive for many years to come in these good old United States.

EDITOR'S REMARK: This problem may be discussed. What does our youth think about it? Let's hear your opinion about it.

# APIE LIETUVOS ISTORIJĄ

(Straipsnis diskusinis, *Redakcija*)

Rašo K. M. U.

Dažnai yra pareiškiamas noras platesnio garsinimo Amerikoje Lietuvos istorijos. Tikimasi, kad žinojimas Tėvynės praeities, pridėkim: garbingos praeities, padidins, sustiprins patrijotiškumą tautiečių tarpe ir padės svetimtaučius įtikinti apie svarbumą Lietuvos klausimo tarp-tautinėje politikoje. Beabejo, žinojimas žmonijos praeities, o ypač savo tautos yra labai naudingas, nes, kaip sako lotynų patarlė: Istorija yra gyvenimo mokytoja, bet iš kitos pusės, ne visados istorijos žinovai buvo patrijotais, o vėl labai dažnai pasitaiko, kad žmonės be jokio savo tautos praeities žinojimo, tiesiog iš prigimties, iš širdies prakilnumo taip karštai patrijotiškumą atjaučia, kad jam visą gyvenimą pašvenčia. Dar keisčiau pasitaiko: kol žmogus nebuvo labai apsiskaitęs istoriškose knygos, tol buvo patrijotas — dar ir karštas, o kada įsigilino į visokius praeities įvykius, kada patėmijo juose visokias žmoniškumo prabočių silpnybes — tada ir širdis atšalo ir patrijotiškas karštumas praėjo. Tiesa, istorijos rašytojai turi galymybės ne viską apie praeitį rašyti; gali daug ką nutylėti, apleisti, padailinti net ir pasukti, kad istorija gražiau atrodytų, bet anksčiau ar vėliau tiesa paaikšės ir apvilti nudailintų, iškreiptų istorijų skaitytojais netenka visiškai noro bile kokias praeities istorijas skaityti, į visas jas žiūrėdamas kaip į propagandos darbą tamsiems žmonėms klaidinti. Vienas iš faktų, kuris daugiausia šiandieninį lietuvi stebina yra tas, kad nei vienas iš Lietuvos Didžiųjų Kunigaikščių nesirūpino lietuviškumu, taip kaip mes tą dabar suprantame, tai yra lietuviška kalba, lietuviška dailė, lietuviška kilme. Net nei patys garsiausias. Keistutis, ar Kęstutis, nors rodos lietuviškiausias buvo, irgi nesudaro išimties, atsižvelgiant į tai, kad nei vieno lietuviško raštelio nepaliko, nei vienos lietuviškos mokyklėlės neįsteigė, ir kad visi jo vaikai su svetimtautėmis apsivedė ar už svetimtaučių ištekėjo. Prezidentas Smetona per savo Lietuvos trumpą valdymą daugiau lietuviškumo išsivystimui pagelbėjo, negu visi Lietuvos Didieji Kunigaikščiai sykiu paimti — nors jie per šimtus metų Lietuvą valdė. Net Kryžiuočių valdomose Lietuvos srityse lietuviškumas anksčiau ir daugiau išsivystė, negu Lietuvos Nepriklausomoj Didžiojoj Kunigaikštystėj pačių lietuvių valdomoj. Žemaitija ir Suvalkija gal dėl to parodė daugiau lietuviškumo, kad viena anksčiau, kita vėliau, kad ir trumpam laikui, pakliuvo į Prūsų rankas ir geografiniai randasi artimiausioj su Prūsais kaimynystėj.

Kitas stebėtinas Lietuvos praeityje dalykas, tai neturėjimas (stoka) lietuviškos miesčionijos. Miestai (kad ir velokai) atsirado, bet ne kaipo

lietuviški, lietuviškomis teisėmis besivaldantieji, o kaipo miesčionių svetimtaučių — Magdeburgo teisių besilaikančių. Lietuviai kaimiečiai, ar net bajorai, galėjo tuos miestus lankyti, juose viešėti, svečiuotis, pirkliauti, melstis, bet negalėjo juose apsigyventi — nebent kas gavo asmeniškai miesčionišką privilegiją — o tai nelengva buvo gauti. Be to, kiti įstatymai draudė lietuviams kaimiečiams be ypatingo leidimo ne tik į miestus, bet net į kitus kaimus kraustyti. Ir taip buvo per visus Lietuvos Didžiosios Kunigaikštystės gyvavimo šimtmečius. Tai kas stebėtino, kad visi Lietuvos miestai, net Lietuvos sostinė Vilnius — jokių lietuviškumo žymių neturėjo. Lietuviai miesčionys — tai tik paskutinio šimtmečio padaras. Ne be reikalo Prof. Pakštas prieš keliolika metų šaukė "Drauge" — kad skubiausia Lietuvos užduotis turėtų būti kuogreičiausiai išvystyti lietuvišką miesčioniją — nes jos permažai buvo.

Bet ar Lietuvos Istorijoje nieko nėra tokio, kuom ir šiandieninis lietuvis galėtų didžiūotis, kas galėtų jo širdyje sužadinti didesnį patrijotiškumą, paskatinti jį prie didesnio pasiaukavimo Tautos labui? O! yra. Ir daug yra. Bet apie tai bus kita kartą.

Iš tų dviejų istoriškų faktų aiškiai matosi, kad ne tiek Lietuvos istorijos tyrinėjimas sužadins Lietuvos meilę, kiek jau pirmiau reikia turėti kuom kitu sužadintą patrijotizmą ir tik su tokiais jausmais širdyje imtis Lietuvos istorijos tyrinėjimo. Kitaip sakant: pirmiau Lietuvos meilė, o po tam Lietuvos Istorija — o ne atbulai.

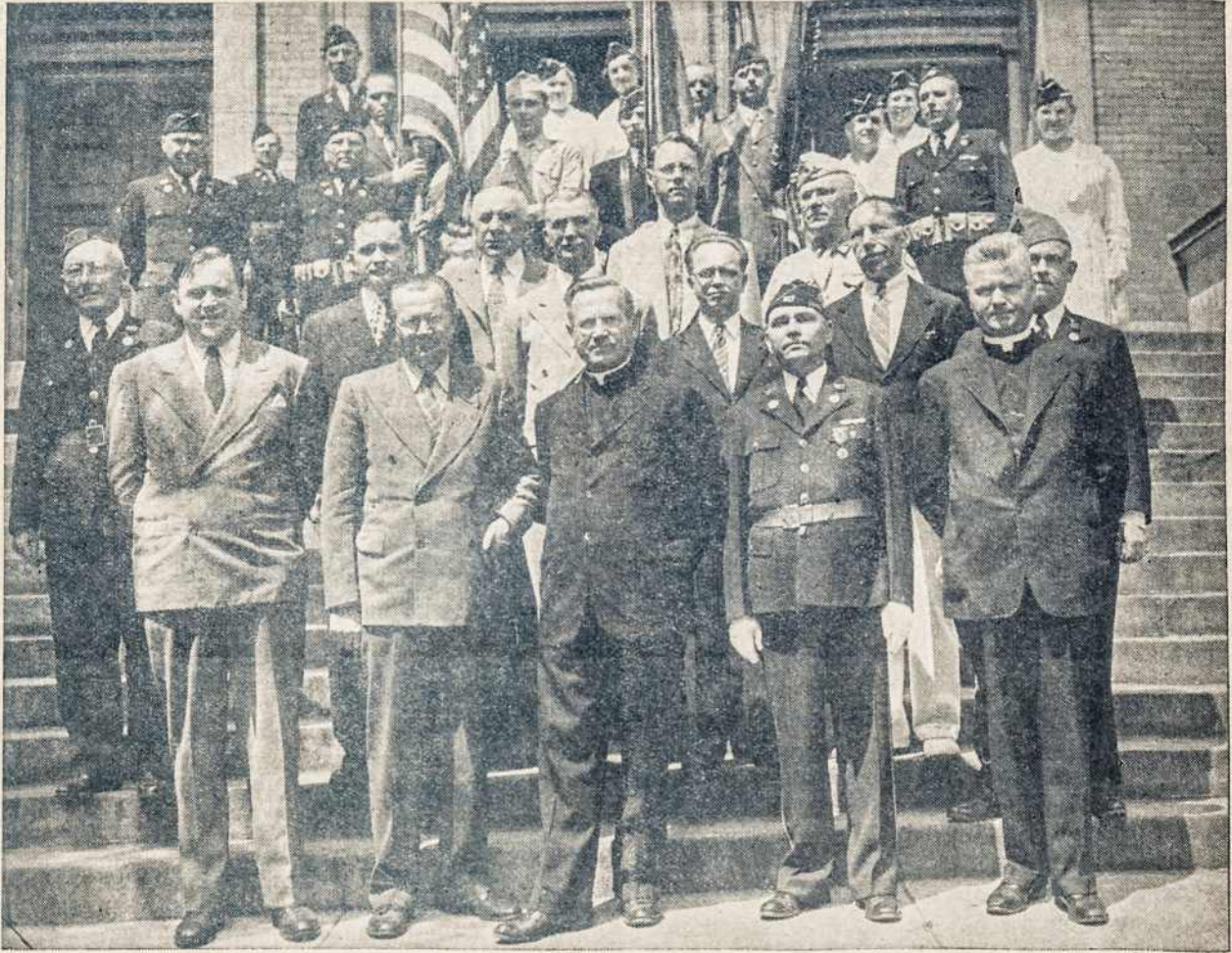
Ir kasdieniniame gyvenime tą matom. Kiek tai vaikų myli savo tėvynę, nors jos istorijos nežino. Kiek tai jaunų Amerikiečių už Ameriką galvą guldo — nors Amerikos istorijos nestudijavo. Taigi dėl sužadinimo lietuvių tarpe lietuviško patrijotizmo ne Lietuvos istorijos reikia bet ko kito. O jau mylintiems Lietuvą jos istoriją reikia rašyti taip, kaip buvo tikrenybėj, be baimės, kad tiesa pakenks kam nors. Tik melas gali pakenkti.

(*Pabaiga*)

## Report Escape Of Lithuanian General From Nazi Prison

The Polish Telegraph Agency, quoting Swedish sources, reports the escape from prison of Gen. Plechavicius, Lithuanian military leader, who had been arrested by the Germans for breaking with them after first agreeing to collaboration. Gen. Plechavicius resisted when the Germans demanded that he send his troops outside Lithuania to fight the Russians. The Germans had promised that the Lithuanians would be asked to fight only in their own country. Details of his escape are unknown.





Naujos Anglijos Lietuvių Konferencijos aukštųjų svečių-kalbėtojų ir komiteto narių grupė. Pirmoje eilėje iš kairės į dešinę: Dr. Petras Vileišis iš Waterbury; Leonardas Šimutis iš Chicagos; Kun. Pr. M. Juras iš Lawrence; p. Lekys, Stepo Dariaus Posto komandierius; Kun. Jonas Vaitiekūnas iš Providence, R. I. Antroje ir trečioje eilėje p. Smiglas, J. Petrauskas, J. Arlauskas, J. Tuinila, Dr. A. Kapočius, Adv. Jonas Grigalus, J. J. Romanas, Antanas F. Kneizys, Dr. J. Landžius-Seymour ir kiti. Konferencija buvus labai sėkminga.

## A SHORT HISTORY OF COUNCIL 116

SO. WORCESTER, MASS.

*By Phyllis Zakar*

The birth of a new K. of L. council on January 18, 1928 in the then young parish of Our Lady of Vilna, that of Council 116, was inspired by the late Rev. Julius Caplikas, Pastor. At the first meeting on that day, Father Caplikas explained in a very vivid manner the aims of the K. of L. and exhorted those present to unite and work for a strong council. Rev. Stanislaus Vembrė, then curate, was appointed the first spiritual adviser. Ninety members were enrolled. Atty. Frank Bobblis was elected first president of the newly formed council.

The following year Father Caplikas was called to the eternal reward by Almighty God. The

Bishop of Springfield saw fit to appoint Father Constantine Vasys as the new pastor. The council indeed benefited greatly by the appointment, Fr. Vasys, a great sympathizer and patron of youth and one of the organizers of the K. of L., encouraged its members to be enflamed with the true spirit of the K. of L. As a result, under his leadership, the council expanded year by year and steadily increased its membership until it became one of the strongest councils in the organization.

No history would be complete without mention being made of the leaders who sacrificed time and effort to build the council to its present strength. From its beginning up to the present, the following have served as presidents: Daniel Shimkus (3 terms) now serving in the

Coast Guard; Vincent Vieraitis (3 terms); Joseph Leikus (2 terms); Adam Kudarauskas, at present a lieutenant in the U. S. Army; Joseph Bielan; Frank Rainis (3 terms) also a lieutenant in the Army; and Sgt. Anthony Trumpaitis (2 terms) recently decorated with the Purple Heart and the D. S. C. for heroism in action. In the presidency now is Stanley Karsok, serving his second term.

Besides Fr. Vembrė, Fr. V. Puidokas, present pastor at Westfield, and Fr. John Bakanas, present curate at St. Casimir's in Worcester, helped to "mold the soul" of the council. The yoke of leading and guiding this growing group of young people is now being carried by Fr. John Jutkevičius, a task he assumed in 1940.

The council strives to support the parish both by working for it and by donating as much as possible to the parish fund. It has carved a niche for itself in the field of sports by supporting a basketball team that was outstanding in its numerous victories over strong opponents. Its weight-lifting group made a name for itself by frequent exhibitions in Worcester and vicinity. One of its members, Albina Osipavich, won the Olympic swimming championship. At one time its membership enjoyed the persons of Dr. Landžius (Seymour), Atty. Anthony Miller, Josephine Rautkis, now the wife of the present Lithuanian Consul Mr. Peter Daužvardis in Chicago, and Josephine Leonaitė, editor, besides the ones already mentioned.

In 1940, the council created an unusual show "Knightmares of 1940" which proved to be a tremendous success both socially and financially. The year 1941 saw a large formal dance sponsored by the council at the leading hotel of the city. Council 116 became so renowned throughout the city that it was invited the following year by radio station WTAG to participate in one of its broadcasts. The broadcast proved of great interest to many in the city and served to give the council more prestige. In 1943 it sponsored a picnic for the benefit of the New England District. That same year it won top honors in the membership drive that was put on by the Center. A \$25.00 war bond was the reward. This year its members made a very fine impression upon the delegates and guests who attended the N. E. District Convention. A fine reception was given them by a splendid performance of the "Knightmares of 1944" on the eve of the convention and an excellent buffet supper was served after the sessions Sunday. The council is deeply concerned about the "VYTIS" as is evidenced by the decision to finance this issue.

Each year it fittingly observes the feast of St. Casimir, the patron saint of the K. of L. All members attend Mass in a body during which Holy Communion is received. A Communion

Breakfast always follows. At each monthly meeting, "round robin" letters are written and sent to the 40 members now in the service. An interesting as well as educational talk is prepared for every meeting by the spiritual adviser. A question and answer period follows each talk. The girls are official USO Junior Hostesses and travel each month to an assigned camp to help entertain the men in service. Members have so far purchased approximately 300 war bonds, amounting to a value of \$15,000.

Present activity is under the leadership of the following officers:

President — Stanley Karsok  
 Vice-President — Phyllis Zakar  
 Secretary — Louise Totilas  
 Financial Sec'y — Edmund Vaskas  
 Ass't Fin. Sec'y — Ellen Kasheta  
 Treasurer — Nellie Smolsky  
 Marshall — Leonora Koskie

## OUR CHAPLAIN ON THE FRONT LINE

The tremor underneath and the deathly boom ghosting it's way through the rustling of the trees above, made it feel as though I were enclosed in a super-heated Turkish bath-box. What happened then was this. We were marching through a thick jungle by compass when we heard passed overhead and a short distance away began to unload their precious tidbits that shook the ground under us and made the trees do a merry hop. I am sorry to state that due to my ignorance of the terpsichorean art, I cannot vouch whether the arboreal hop was a version of some Harlem step, or some South American conga-wiggle, or some Australian bush-bounce, or just plain jitter-bug. If I had to make a statement I would assure all that the branches flapped like the arms of a jitter-bugger in distress. Maybe you can find some artistic name for this dance of the tress. — Let us continue with the story! The thick jungle-growth overhead was like a heavy stage-curtain obstructing our view of the aerial show at the most climatic part. Naturally with all this commotion, nerve-cracking commotion overhead, around us, underneath us and especially nearby, we did not presume the planes and infernal eruption nearby were friendly. In such circumstances we imagine the worst and prepare accordingly. As a result, that day I dug three fox-holes. Just hold on! You need not shed any tears of sympathy for the unnecessary work I did. Each fox-hole, though it has to be quite large to shelter my anatomy, was a work of love and a distinct pleasure. Anyway, it was a great relief, when one of the men caught a glimpse of the planes through the trees and shouted to all of us, that they were friendly planes. Then, we

concentrated on moving forward, but ever so cautiously and almost numbering each step we took, even though our group did not encounter any Japs. I am wondering if your reactions to these experiences are similar to mine. It would be interesting to know. Maybe you would like to come over and help me pick a trail through the jungles, hacking down seemingly endless vines, heavy undergrowth and six-foot tall grass with a big knife. Occasionally you would come to a swamp or a creek and we would have fun slushing through the slimy ooze. If a nest of ants or other creatures of God got down your back I feel certain that whatever inane modesty you or any one else had would be lost in short order and there would be much hasty peeling off of clothes and crushing of them. But that would be a minor interruption. We would just continue on as though nothing happened. Helen, it's a great life, if you don't weaken. We are not yet settled, but in a week or so, we should have a nice set-up in these jungles somewhere in New Guinea. Then, I'll try to build a chapel, similar to the last one we had. At present I have a small wall-fly protecting the altar, but as often (and that is seems to collect all the water. What I need then often) as we have a good rain, the chapel area is a boat or a pump, and not the vestments. You should see my vestments now. They've been used in rains, in thunder - showers and in scorching sun. So, one day my vestments are very pliable and slightly slippery, and the next day the mud cakes and they feel like boards. Honestly it feels so empty without the Blessed Sacrament being reserved at all time. As soon as the Chapel is built and it will be possible to reserve the Blessed Sacrament permanently, that void will be filled. Besides, we shall have our Novena services in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The number of men, who used to attend the Novena services regularly was sufficient evidence for me or even a pessimist that these devotions in jungle desolation are extremely popular amongst the men. So, when the Chapel is built, there will also be a small shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. I have no doubts that the Novena services will be attended as well as before. I know you are wondering how my health is. First, the mere fact that I am writing this letter with my own hand indicates that I am still alive. Next, besides being alive, I am enjoying the best of health and a few days before we left our last place, the scales showed, I was sporting 155 pounds. If I were an Aussie or living in Austria, I would say, I weigh eleven stones and one pound. From what I hear, I should judge that the rationed stabs of steak, carved from the shanks of some nag that ran many a race or puffed a plough for many summers, also the scarcity of certain foods are not stream-lining man in the states. Rationing and scarcity of certain foods are words that rudely



**BOMBED JAPAN** — Brig. Gen. Kenneth B. Wolfe, Riverside, Calif., Commanding General of the 20th Bomber Command which flew the new B-29's over Japan. (U. S. Army Air Force Photo; Ache Telephoto).

take me back to the last Thanksgiving Day and Christmas. I remember distinctly feasting on some salmon fish-cakes. And on Christmas Day, again due to essential military activities my dinner consisted in a bin of cold hash.

I'll be honest about it and admit, I enjoyed the bit of hash immensely. Don't worry about it! The next leave I get, whether it is the States or Australia I'll make up for what I missed. And Leaves reminds me of the fact my C. O. told me. I was the next to go on leave. The last one I had was a year ago this past October. I planned on leaving towards the end of this month, but may have to post-pone it for some weeks. I hope it won't be for long. After hibernating in the jungles for quite some time, plus putting in a goodly stretch in the sticks of Australia, one has a yearning for civilization and civic activities. The romantic scenes of these isles of enchantment in the Pacific may look enticing on a movie screen, but living in them is a different story. It took me a long time to find out there is no Santa Clause. It took me some thirty years to find out that these isles are not so romantic. Now that I know, I'll be very hard to convince about the romance — hokum or some other so-called places of enchantment I'll be satisfied to live in a drab city like New York.

Kindly extend my greetings and good wishes to all. Just tell them they are in my thoughts and many a time I go back to the happy days we all had.

I hope you enjoyed reading this letter as much as I enjoyed writing it. It should make up for any that I did not answer. My best wishes to you and all asking God to Bless and protect you always, I am as ever,

## FOURTH OF JULY

There is more to America than the signs and symbols which we live by, such as the rippling emblem whose white and red stripes are more tangible than colors, or the wings of the eagle spread wide as if to make a canopy for our country, protecting from ocean to ocean, or the pans of the scales of justice balanced evenly, fairly, and truthfully, in good times or distasteful, in concord or combat...

This is the land of heartbeat and understanding, the land of the love of the neighbor next door or on the next continent, where riches are incidental and right is paramount, where kindness is not cant but a creed, where mercy is not a murmur but a shout, the land where peace is not a promise but a positive, the land where freedom is not a myth nor a memory, but a faith, a fact and a starlit flag.



## In Defense of Lithuania

Lithuanians Seek Freedom

CONSUL GENERAL REPUDIATES  
STATEMENT IN SOVIET PUBLICATION

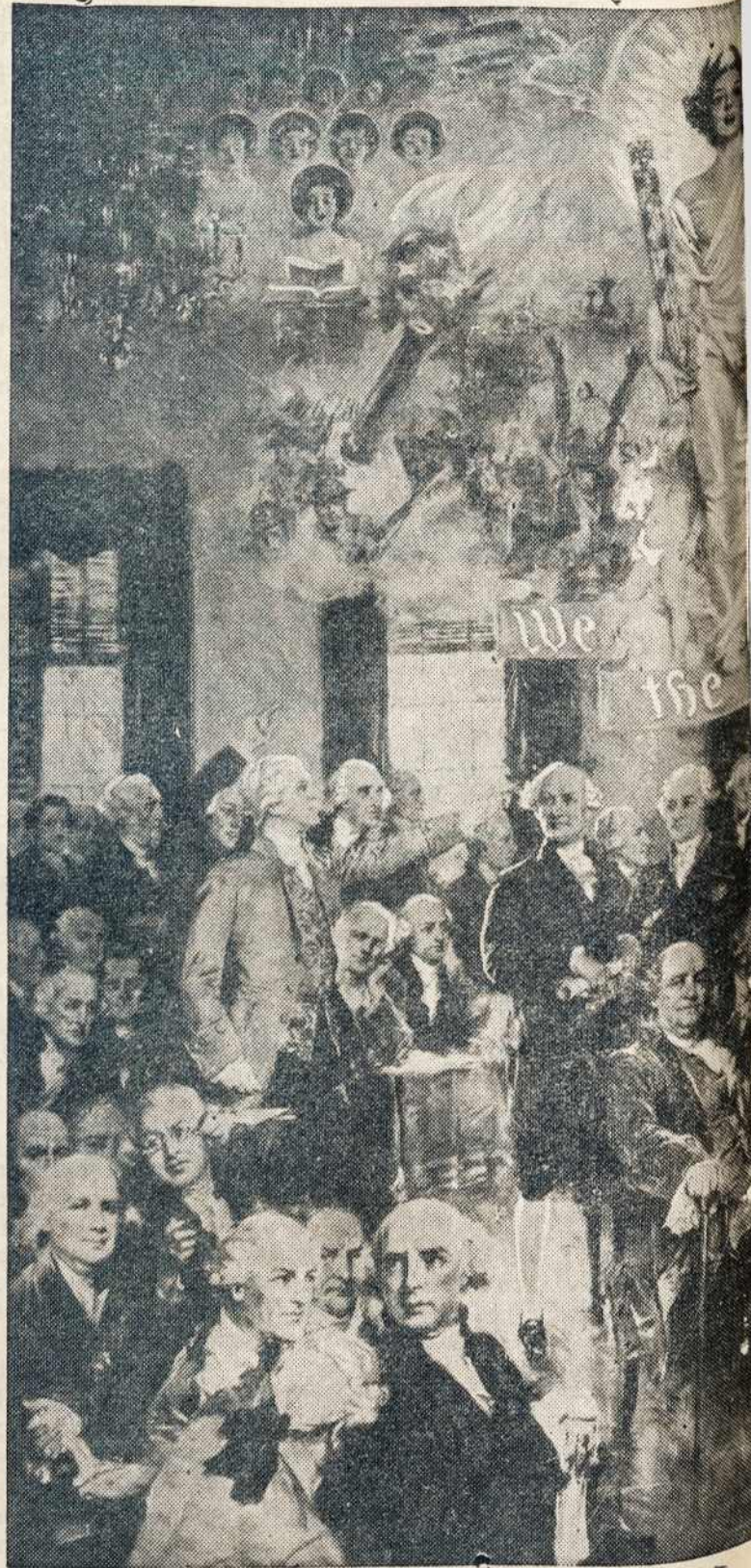
Reprinted from *New York Times*

My attention has been directed to the May 8 issue of THE NEW YORK TIMES, wherein your correspondent in Moscow reported an article in War and the Working Class, a Soviet publication, containing the assertion that the Baltic states "joined the U. S. S. R. \*\*\* as a result of a real popular desire of the peoples in \*\*\* Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia".

The Soviet publication undoubtedly alludes to the mock elections staged in the Baltic states under the aegis of the Red Army in July, 1940, when the Communist-sponsored candidates — no other candidates were permitted to challenge them — were automatically and in toto proclaimed members of the new Parliaments and were instructed by special Soviet envoys, who came with the Red troops, to vote for the incorporation of the Baltic states into the U.S.S.R.

It is hardly necessary to say that the people of the Baltic states had absolutely nothing to do with these "elections" and with such falsification of their will.

The will of the Lithuanian nation is to be free from any foreign domination. This, the real desire of the Lithuanian people, demonstrated so many times already, finds itself once again expressed in an appeal to world opinion by the representatives of all political parties and underground combat organizations of Lithuania, who



subsequently grouped themselves into the Supreme Committee for the Liberation of Lithuania. The committee, which directs the underground movement against German occupation and is truly representative of the will of the Lithuanian nation, has reaffirmed in its pron-

## MIGHT vs. RIGHT

Why has America grown fearful of an evil and avaricious nation (Russia)? There was a time when America trusted in God and became victorious in her Wars for Freedom. Today when Stalin is grabbing his hands on everything possible, and with his assertions: that the end will be when Russia has taken over Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, more than half of Poland — part of Finland — all of Bessarabia, etc., when will her appetite be satisfied, Alaska?

Will Cordell Hull our Ambassador bow down to Stalin's grab? Will our Ambassador permit the suffering small nations of Europe to be thrown to the hungry Bear? Does America realize that these nations may have to go Communistic should they be sacrificed? As independent nations they were able to ward off the Red influence, but what will their chances be like under Russia's Rule? Shall Might triumph over Right? Never, not as long as God is in Heaven!

The peoples of these poor nations have done more than their share through the purchase of Bonds and sending their boys to do all that America expects of them. They have even fed and are feeding the very one that is trying to bit the hand that is feeding her now.

Now that the Post-War Preview is being shown, it begins to look disheartening to these peaceful nations because no one can speak for them — who is powerful and influential.

America was founded on the strength of the authority of God. Is she going to accept a foreign God? If we are drifting erroneously, we can still retract our steps and follow the Righteous Way, with Freedom and Justice for All Nations. Just as much that a little man does not have to bow to a powerful man, neither has a bigger nation any more right to force a smaller nation to bow, to its power. Before God, they are what He wanted them to be. Man is not to be the Judge, rather we obey the Creator than the created!

*Joseph Minauskas.*

## LAIC PRADEDA DARBA

Birželio 5 d., New York'o Valstybės Departamentas suteikė Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybai "Certificate of Authority". Leidimas apima šias sritis —

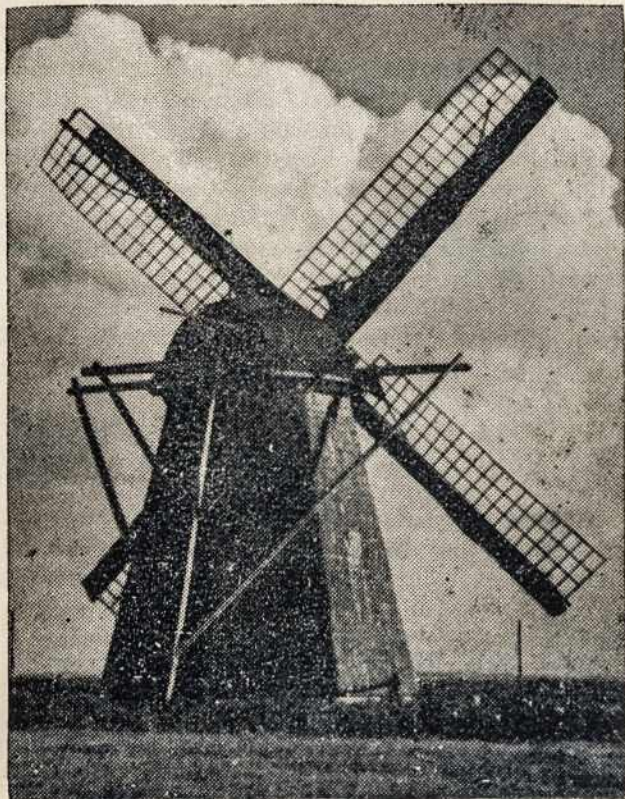
"Operating a branch office and a press agency, the LITHUANIAN AMERICAN INFORMATION CENTER, to exert influence among the fellow Americans — by publications and press releases — to do all that is possible to insure a speedy and complete victory over the aggressor powers; to give moral, financial, and material aid to the people of Lithuania in their efforts to

ouncements the resolve of the Lithuanians to resist in equal measure also the Soviet's designs upon their native country.

JONAS BUDRYS,  
Consul General of Lithuania.

New York, June 2, 1944.





LIETUVOS VEJŲ KARALIUS...

liberate themselves from foreign rule, and regain freedom as an independent country with its own form of democratic government".

Tuo pačiu, nuo 1944 m. birželio 5 d. Lietuvių Amerikiečių Informacijos Centras (LAIC) laikomas galutinai įsisteigusi ir pradėjusi savo darbą. LAIC adresas yra — 233 Broadway, suite 3912 (39-me aukšte), New York 7, N. Y. Telefonas Beekman 3-1398. Interesantai priimami šiomis dienomis 10 AM. — 4 PM., šeštadieniais 10 AM. — 12 AM. Woolworth Building kame LAIC raštinė atidaryta pasiekiamas visais požeminiais traukiniais — skersai gatvės nuo City Hall.

Be kitų LAIC'ui pavestų darbų, Informacijos Centras yra įpareigotas palaikyti galimai glaudesnį ir dažnesnį kontaktą su lietuvių amerikiečių spauda ir su jų centrinėmis organizacijomis bei vadovybe. Šiam tikslui atsiekti LAIC yra numatęs periodiniai siuntinėti aukščiau minėtiems adresatams žinių santraukas. Tos santraukos pagrindai apims žinias iš Europos apie Lietuvą ir kaimynines valstybes, žinias apie LAIC veiklą ir sumanymus ateičiai. Šia santrauka ir pradeda me tą darbą.

Savaime aišku, LAIC teikiamos žinios yra viešojo pobūdžio, ir, kaip tokios, gali būti be atsiklausimo naudojamos. Ateityje tos santraukos bus papildomos Amerikos spaudos apžvalga mums rūpimais klausimais.

## LAIC Personalo Pasiskirstymas Pareigomis

LAIC personalas, iki galutinio susitvarkymo, darbus pasiskirstė sekamai:

*Adv. K. R. Jurgela*, LAIC Executive Director, be savo tiesioginio darbo rūpinasi Amerikos spauda, jos informavimu ir svarbesniais atvejais, reaguoja į spaudos netikslumus. Tiesioginėje jo žinioje randasi ir "LAIC releases" anglų kalba, skiriami plačiai Amerikos visuomenei.

*Pulk. K. Grinius*, Director, International Research, šalia savo tiesioginio darbo rūpinasi žiniomis iš Europos.

*Prof. K. Pakštas*, Director, Cultural Activities, greta savo tiesioginių darbų redaguoja neperijodinius leidinius ir palaiko santykius su mokslo ir kultūros įstaigomis.

*P-lė M. M. Kizytė*, Secretary, be savo tiesioginių pareigų rūpinasi visu LAIC techniškuoju darbu.

## NEWS FROM OUR FATHERLAND

### TYPHUS IN LITHUANIA

The following news item was dated February 2nd and 5th, 1944 — The District Commissioner of the Kaunas District, Lentzen, announces that the District Miroslavas, Kreis Alytus, has been declared a banned area because of an outbreak of spotted typhus. All schools, churches, and theatres have been closed in the district until further notice. The inhabitants are not allowed to leave the area and unauthorized persons are not allowed to enter it.

Furthermore, by a decree of the District Commissioner of the Vilna - LAND the following administrative districts in the Vilna district have been declared banned areas owing to the outbreak of spotted typhus; Mickunai, Sumskiai, Jasunai in the Asmena Kreis, the administrative district of Krauskis has also been declared closed. (LAIC)

### DEATH SENTENCE FOR LITHUANIAN EMPLOYEE

The Special Court in Kaunas has sentenced a commercial employee, Gabrielius Januska from Kaunas, to death for being a "Volksschaedling" and committing offences against the war economy. He held a responsible post and thus succeeded in illegally acquiring many vouchers for over 1,000 of textiles, under the pretence that they would be used for technical purposes. He bought these textiles at a controlled price and sold them at a profit of at least 80,000 RM, part of which sum he later invested in valuables. The sentence was carried out on February 22nd, this year.

(LAIC).

# OFFICIALUS SKYRIUS

## Knights of Lithuania National Convention

SEPTEMBER 23-24

### Select Council and District Delegates Now!

The postponed National Convention will be held at Hotel Lexington, Lexington Ave. at 48th St., New York City, September 23-24.

Districts may delegate two representatives to the convention; council delegates participating in the convention have but *one vote* for every 10 fully paid-up members in the Center. No delegate can represent more than one council, district or National office.

The convention mandates of delegates must be formal, with the council officers' signatures, the spiritual advisor's and the seal.

PLEASE MAIL MANDATES OF DELEGATES DIRECTLY TO MISS PHYLLIS GRENDAL, NATIONAL FIN. SEC., 366 W. BROADWAY, S. BOSTON 27, MASS., NOT LATER THAN SEPT. 13th FOR VERIFICATION BEFORE THE CONVENTION.

Decide now. Councils, see if you cannot pay part or all of your council delegates' expenses. Let's have as large a delegation as we are entitled to, especially in this WARTIME, WORK convention.

For the National Convention we must instruct our delegates on:

- Post-war planning
- Press and all topics of importance pertaining to our organization.
- Candidates for National Office.

Council or district desiring to propose action on any subject at the National Convention, may send such proposal to the RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, 5 "G" St., S. Boston 27, Mass., before the Convention.

### Beg Your Pardon

In "Vytis", June 1944 issue, under caption "In Defense of Lithuania", article entitled "Martyred Lithuania" authorship is accredited to Miss Joan Norkūnaitė. Total authorship should be given to the editors of Hartford Daily Courant. We beg their gracious pardon. *Editor*.

### Convention Program

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Delegates and guests will be received at Our Lady of Vilna Parish Hall, Broome Street, New York City.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- 8:00—Delegates and guests to attend Holy Mass at Our Lady of Vilna Church, Broome St., N. Y. C.
- 10:00 — 1st Convention Business Session, Hotel Lexington, Lexington Ave. at 48th St., New York City.
- 1:00 — Luncheon — Hotel Lexington.
- 2:00 — 2nd Convention Business Session.
- 8:30 — Convention Jamboree — Annunciation Parish Hall, N. 5th and Havemeyer Sts., Brooklyn, N. Y.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 11:00 — Holy Mass at Our Lady of Vilna Church, Broome St., N. Y. C.
- 1:00 — 3rd Convention Business Session.
- 6:00 — Dinner — Hotel Lexington.

### REGISTRATION FEE — \$7.00

Includes: Luncheon and dinner at Hotel Lexington;  
Convention Jamboree at Annunciation Parish Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y.;  
Private lodgings may be arranged by writing to Miss Augustinas;  
Registration fees are to be mailed to:  
Miss Mary Augustinas  
58—37 Fresh Pond Road  
Maspeth, New York.

FRANK RAZVADAUSKAS,

National President

### Padėkos Žodis

Lietuvos Vyčių organizacija ir jos organas "Vytis" vis daugiau susilaukia nuoširdžios paramos iš savo prietelių. Štai šiomis dienomis pasiekė L. Vyčių Centrą ši pasipirtis:

Prelatas Jonas Ambotas, Hartford, Conn. \$50.00  
Vincas Kraužlis, Homestead, Pa. .... 1.00

Nuoširdžiai tariame padėkos žodį Lietuvos Vyčių prieteliams ir rėmėjams.

Pranas Razvadauskas,

L. Vyčių Centro pirm.

## Membership Drive Will End August 30, 1944

1st prize \$25.00 War Bond  
2nd prize Lithuanian Self-Taught  
London Publication

Don't let your membership down. It is your club and every member should bring in *at least one new member a year*, especially during the *DRIVE*.

### WHAT OTHER YOUTH ORGANIZATION OFFERS SO MUCH FOR SO LITTLE DUES?

Following councils are to be commended on the Membership Drive: Brockton, Mass.; Westfield, Mass.; Harrison-Kearny, N. J.; So. Boston, Mass.; Linden, N. J.; Chicago, Ill.; Kankakee, Ill.; Cicero, Ill.; Hartford, Conn.; Worcester, Mass.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Waterbury, Conn.; Paterson, N. J.; Philadelphia, Pa.; and Dayton, O.

<i>C-1, Brockton, Mass.</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Credit</i>
23. Joseph Adomaitis	Anne Norkus	15 pts.
24. Evelyn Akstin	Lena Matulis	15 "

## Do You Just Belong!

Are you an active member?  
The kind who would be missed,  
Or are you just contented —  
That your name is just on the list?

Do you attend meetings,  
And mingle with the crowd?  
Or do you stay at home,  
And crab both long and loud?

Or do you take an active part —  
To help your council along?  
Or are you just satisfied to be,  
The kind that just belong?

Do you ever go to visit —  
A member who is sick?  
Or send letters to members —  
Who are serving Uncle Sam,  
Or do you just leave,  
The work for just a few,  
And talk about the clique?

There's quite a program scheduled —  
That means success if done,  
And it can be accomplished,  
With the help of everyone.

So attend meetings regular —  
And help with the hand and heart,  
Don't just be a member,  
But take an active part.

Think this over you K. of L-er's  
Are we right or wrong?  
Are you an active member,  
Or do you just belong?

*Charles E. Bason...*

25. Francis Barry	Rev. J. Švagždys	15 "
26. Aldona Bulkaitis	Lena Matulis	15 "
27. Eleanor Bulkaitis	Anne Norkus	15 "
28. Pfc. Longinas Druzinskas	L. Matulis	15 "
29. Elaine Damasauskas	Lena Matulis	15 "
30. Jonas Gagel	Rev. J. Švagždys	15 "
31. Edmund Gaušzis	Anne Norkus	15 "
32. Alfred Gutauskas	Rev. J. Švagždys	15 "
33. Dorothy Johnson	Anne Norkus	15 "
34. Margery A. Johnson	Lena Matulis	15 "
35. Vincent Kaseta	Anne Norkus	15 "
36. Ralph Kasperovicz	Lena Matulis	15 "
37. Lillian Kelley	Lena Matulis	15 "
38. Aldona Kukauskas	Anne Norkus	15 "
39. Margaret Matejune	Anne Norkus	15 "
40. Agnes Matekaitis	Anne Norkus	15 "
41. Frances Miches	Lena Matulis	15 "
42. Ruth Moynihan	Lena Matulis	15 "
43. Edward Pavilaitis	Ruth Ykasala	15 "
44. Winifred Petkunas	Anne Norkus	15 "
45. Ruth Staupas	Lena Matulis	15 "
46. Ralph M. Stitilis	Anne Norkus	15 "
47. Pauline Sullivan	Lena Matulis	15 "
48. Jennie Svirsky	Anne Norkus	15 "
49. June Svirsky	Lena Matulis	15 "
50. Florence Tamulevich	Anne Norkus	15 "
51. Vincent Tamulevicz	Anne Norkus	15 "
52. Albina Thomas	Lena Matulis	15 "
53. Dorothy Wadeikas	Lena Matulis	15 "
54. Julia Wallent	Anne Norkus	15 "
55. Julia K. Yakavonis	Anne Norkus	15 "

### *C-14, Cicero, Ill.*

13. Mrs. Lillian Santi	?	15 "
------------------------	---	------

### *C-17, South Boston, Mass.*

21. Charles Grubinskas	Algirdas Mitkus	15 "
22. Alphonse Stakutis	Mildred Zardeskas	15 "
23. William Vareika	Joseph Bakshis	15 "

### *C-36, Chicago, Ill.*

14. Stanley Gimbut	Sophie Gimbut	15 "
15. Emilie Paukstis	John Brazauskas	15 "

### *C-90, Kearny-Harrison, N. J.*

7. Mary Paslavicius	Mary Curienska	15 "
---------------------	----------------	------

### *C-116, So. Worcester, Mass.*

11. Daniel Aiksnoris	Stanley Karsok	5 "
12. Rita Ankstaitis	Vera Jurgelionis	5 "
13. Ruth Belouskas	Louise Totilas	5 "
14. Helen R. Blazaitis	Stanley Karsok	5 "
15. Helen F. Daltwas	Rev. J. Jutkevičius	5 "
16. Joseph Katinas	Stanley Karsok	5 "
17. Matilda Kersis	Betty Kaliunas	5 "
18. D. H. Kristopowich	Rev. J. Jutkevičius	5 "
19. H. D. Kristopowich	Rev. J. Jutkevičius	5 "
20. Katherine Kudzma	Helen Skamrock	5 "
21. Adam Kureisa	Charles Thompson	5 "
22. Irene Lakus	Eva Lucas	5 "



23. Ann Mankevich	Ellen Kasheta	5 "
24. Lillian Mankevich	Ellen Kasheta	5 "
25. Aldona Pauliukaitis	Irene Balukonis	5 "
26. Ruth Ropeika	Betty Kaliunas	5 "
27. Aldona Varaska	Helen Kaliunas	5 "
28. Florence Winslow	Louise Totilas	5 "

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ENDS AUGUST 30, 1944. RESULTS OF THE DRIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER ISSUE, AND PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

ANY OTHER COUNCIL INTERESTED IN THE DRIVE? THERE'S TIME TO GET INTO THE CONTEST.

*Phyllis Grendal*

Supreme Council Fin. Sec.

366 W. Broadway S. Boston 27, Mass.

## LIETUVOS VYČIŲ SEIMAS

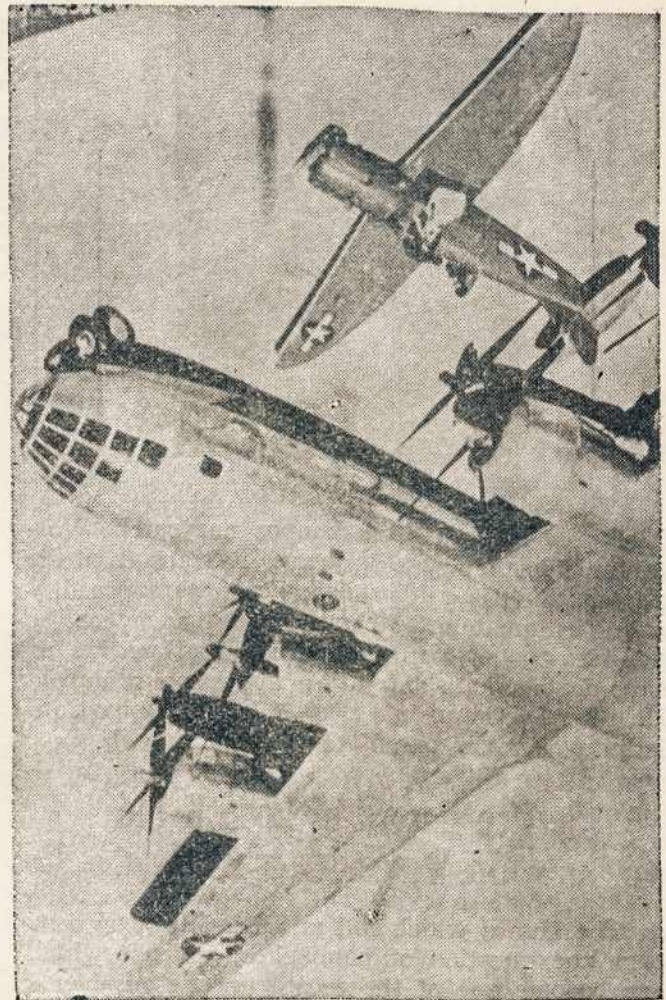
### Seimo Rengėjai Susilaukė Talkininkų

Iki šioliai Lietuvos Vyčių Seimo reikalais išimtinai rūpinosi Centro Valdyba. Malonu yra dabar pranešti, kad Centru į pagalbą atėjo New York - New Jersey Apskritis, kurs per ilgus metus yra parodęs savo darbštumą visokeriopais būdais. Pereitam savo suvažiavime Apskritis entuziastiškai priėmė Centro Valdybos kvietimą prisidėti, kiek aplinkybės leis, kad padarius tą seimą sėkmingu, ir ten pat išrinko komisiją, kuri jau pranešė, kad seimo proga yra ruošiamas šeštadienio vakarą, 23 d. rugsėjo, nepaprastai įvairus Šurum-Burum (Convention Jamboree). Apie šį parengimą, kuriam panašaus, pagal komisiją, jok seimas dar nėra matęs, bus plačiau aprašyta pačios komisijos vėliaus.

Komisija taip pat kviečia atstovus pranešti iš anksto kas link nakvynės. Tiems, kurie praneš iš anksto komisija stengsis surasti vietas privačiuose namuose. Šiuo reikalu prašoma kreiptis į komisijos raštininkę sekančiu adresu: Mary Augustinas, 58-37 Fresh Pond Road, Maspeth, N. Y. Kurie mano apsistoti viešbučiuose, patartina taip pat gerokai prieš seimą užsisakyti vietas, nes be rezervacijos yra labai sunku rasti kambarys.

Pilna seimo dienotvarkė bus paskelbta vėliaus. Šiuom tarpu tik prašoma visų narių įsidėmėti jog visuotinis L. Vyčių Seimas yra šaukiamas New York'o mieste, Hotel Lexington, 23-24 d.d. rugsėjo. Yra pramatoma nedaugiau keturių sesijų, būtent: šeštadieny ryte ir po piet, o sekmadieny po piet ir gal vakare. Kaip visuomet, Seimas turės savo iškilmingas šv. mišias.

Seimo delegatų registracijos mokesčiai \$7.00. Prašome užsiregistruoti prieš Seimą. Šeštadieny



COMPARATIVE SIZE OF NEW FORT — Immensity of the new B-29 Super-Fortress such as bombed Japan on June 15 is shown in this U. S. Air Force Photograph picturing a Culver Kaydet Target Plane beside it. (Acme Telephoto)

pietūs ir sekmadienį vakarienę delegatai turės Lexington viešbuty.

Mandatus su valdybos parašais ir antspauda, prašoma pasiųsti Centro raštininkei kaip tik bus išrinkta atstovai. Šios procedūros prašoma prisi- laikyti dėlto, kad sutaupius laiko pačiam seime, ypač kad seimas šiemet yra sutrumpintas, ir kad davus progos finansų raštininkei patikrinti ats- tojų narystės rekordus.

Seimas turi prieš save daug svarbaus darbo. Keliais mums svarbiais klausimais yra pakviesta keli referentai. Gi visais organizacijos klau- simais visos kuopos ir apskričiai prašomi iš anks- to pasitarti, pagvildinti, padiskusuoti. Turint kokių sumanymų prašome juos paskelbti "Vy- tyj", kad ir kitos kuopos galėtų apie juos pamąs- tyti. Prisirengkime taip, kad šis Seimas, nors trumpas, būtų vaisingas.

*Joseph Boley,*  
Centro Vice-Pirm.



SGT. ANTANAS TRUMPAITIS,

Lietuvos Vyčių 116-tos kuopos narys, So. Worcester, Mass. Jis yra dalyvavęs Afrikos fronte ir puolant Siciliją yra pasižymėjęs nepaprastu drąsumu ir sumanumu. Buvęs sužeistas ir turėjęs net virš tuzino žaizdų. Gen. Clark atžymėtas už savo darbus, kaip didvyris ir apdovanotas Purple Heart ir Distinguished Service Cross. Dabartiniu laiku svečiuojasi pas tėvelius. Sveikiname!

## Service Record of Council 116 So. Worcester, Mass.

The bombs which fell at Pearl Harbor blew open the question of hemisphere defense which has become one of the most urgent problems now facing the United States and the other countries in the Americas. The close cooperation of the United States, the British Commonwealth of Nations and the Latin American countries has led to a comprehensive plan for defense. In order to place our aggressors in a position where we shall dictate terms to them, many well trained men are needed. Council 116, So. Worcester, has a brilliant record as far as doing her share is concerned. Of our 150 odd K. of L. members 40 are fighting to make secure our rights to "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness".

Among these 40 members serving in the different branches of our Armed Forces, we have: 1 Captain, 6 Lieutenants, 8 Sergeants, 3 Corporals and 11 Privates. In addition to these, we have 11 men serving in the United States Navy. Leading these men in rank, we have Lieutenant Joseph Lola and Ensign Peter Matachinskaskas. Lieutenant Lola (now back) has been flying dive bombers against enemy installations and has also done patrol work along the Coral Sea. He has been stationed at Henderson Field on Guadalcanal. Ensign Matachinskaskas is also flying dive bombers in the Southwest Pacific.

Sergeant Anthony Trumpaitis of the United States Army, a former President, has shown the

real spirit and willingness of our K. of L. to serve our country. While fighting on the Italian front, Sergeant Trumpaitis won for himself the Distinguished Service Cross and the Order of the Purple Heart. These decorations were well earned by him for he captured two enemy tanks and was wounded while attempting to take a third. Being a squad leader, he was taking his men against a strong German concentration of tanks, mortars, and machine guns when he was hit by mortar fire. Despite his wounds, he refused to leave his squad until he administered first aid to three of his men. He then assisted in carrying the injured to safety and was again wounded by mortar fire. He stayed in view of the enemy guns until his unit was ordered to withdraw and would not leave until all his men had reached cover. Sergeant Trumpaitis received wounds in the back, arms, legs and head. Such heroism as his will not go unrewarded. Council 116 is proud to have Sergeant Anthony Trumpaitis as one of her members.

The girls, have in the personage of Lieutenant Isabel Vaitkunas, a representative of their side in the war effort. Lieutenant Vaitkunas has been serving in the Nurse Corps for three years and is now stationed at Camp Stoneham, California.

Council 116, South Worcester, is now looking forward to having these members, who are so nobly serving, back again into its midst with all the glory bestowed on them that a winning group of fine people deserve.

*David Vaskas.*

## Who Am I?

I am more powerful than Armies and Navies of the world.

I have destroyed more men and women than all wars of the nation.

I steal in the U. S. A. alone, more than anyone else, each year.

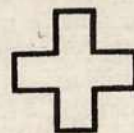
I spare no one, I find victims alike among the rich, poor, young, old, strong, weak and the orphans know me.

I am everywhere — in the home, on the street, in the factory, in the air and on the sea.

I destroy, crush or ruin, I give nothing and take all. I am your worst enemy.

I am CARELESSNESS! —

*Carelessness!*



**GIVE MORE  
IN 1944**



## Iš New York - New Jersey Vyčių Suvažiavimo

L. Vyčių N. Y. ir N. J. apskrities suvažiavimas įvykęs geg. 28 d., Bayonne, N. J., praėjo gražiai.

Jį atidarė pirm. L. Ketvirtis, pakviesdamas apskrities dvasios vadą kun. M. Kemežį sukalbėti maldą. Savo kalboje kun. M. Kemėžis ragino visus ko daugiausiai bendrauti su vyčių organizacijos nariais - kariais.

J. Adomaitytė, veikli apskrities sekretorė, skaitė praeito suvažiavimo protokolą. Sekė izdiniško K. Basanavičiaus raportas ir taip pat "Vyties" balandžio mėn. laidos pranešimas. Pasirodė, kad komisijai nuoširdžiai pasidarbavus, išlaidos apmokėtos ir dar likę keliolika dolerių Centro reikalams.

Įvykusių apskrities šokių raportą davė H. Pinkin. Nors tą vakarą buvusi didelė audra, bet likę dar ir pelno \$38.00.

Pirm. L. Ketvirčiui pranešus iš N. Y. ir N. J. Lietuvių Konferencijos, įvykusios geg. 14 d., pasirodė, kad L. Vyčių apskritis seka lietuvių amerikiečių veiklą už tėvų žemę Lietuvą, noriai dalyvauja viešuose susirinkimuose ir remia kiekvieną kilnų darbą. Konferencijai paaukota \$10.00.

Pranešta apie apskrities įvykiantį išvažiavimą - pikniką, birželio 25 d. naujai ištaisyta Lietuvių Parke, Linden, N. J. Šiame parengime dalyvauti vyčiai kviečia visą visuomenę.

Svarbiausia šio suvažiavimo dalimi buvo pašventinimas Roll of Honor (garbės sąrašo) ginkluotose pajėgose esančių karių, apskrities narių. Sąrašas labai gražai paruoštas komisijos, vadovaujant J. Boley - Bulevičiui. Visą meninį darbą atliko vyčė M. Sidtis (Jersey City), už ką jai išreikšta nuoširdi padėka.

5 val. p. p. suvažiavimo nariai suėjo į bažnyčią; nešta Amerikos vėliava ir garbės sąrašas. Kun. M. Kemėžis gražiai pravedė sąrašo šventinimo ceremonijas. Labai gražų įspūdį darė sugiedojimas vyčių himno, pašventinimas sąrašo, trumpas pritaikintas dvasios vado pamokslėlis, bendras rožančiaus kalbėjimas, palaiminimas Švč. Sakramentu ir sugiedojimas "Marija, Marija". Tai be galo gražus momentas, matant skaitlingą būrį jaunimo meldžiantis savo draugų - brolių intencija.

L. Vyčių organizacijos Seimo reikalu pranešimą padarė L. Vyčių vice-pirm. J. Boley. Seimas įvyksta rugsėjo-Sept. 23 ir 24 d.d., New Yorke.

Seimo priėmimo pasiruošimui išrinkta komisija: K. Kazlauskas (Brooklyno); J. Adomaitytė (Elizabeth, N. J.); J. Augustinas ir M. Augustinaitė (Maspeth, N. Y.); H. Pinkin (Elizabeth, N. J.) ir F. Vaškas (Newark, N. J.).

Vaišingieji Bayonės vyčiai, vadovaujant A. Ruzgytei ir J. Navickui suvažiavimo dalyvius pavaišino labai skaniais valgiais ir gėrimais — (kava, arbata ir pienu).

Suvažiavime dalyvavo atstovų nuo 7 kuopų, keletas svečių ir du centro valdybos nariai. Posėdis baigtas pirm. L. Ketvirčiui sukalbėjus maldą. Sužinoję, kad Philadelphijos Vyčių 3 kuopos jaunieji vyčiai yra atvykę vaidinti "Leitenantas Antanas", New Yorko Aušros Vartų par. salėje, susidaręs būrys J. Augustino ir J. Kaminsko automobiliais nuvyko į vaidinimą. Ten teko susitikti su Philadelphijiečiais, jų vadu kun. St. Ralja ir su vietiniais vyčiais. *Helen Pinkin.*

## WORCESTER, MASS.

### COUNCIL 26

Hello Knights and Ladies!

Good to see so many of you around. Congratulations extended to Mr. and Mrs. Paulukonis on the arrival of a baby girl!

What was that lone 116-er doing with the ten 26-ers at the Flying Yankee not so very long ago? Johnny, don't tell me your car still runs after packing the eleven of us in it?

Primping, tie-straightening and last-minute touch-ups were all one could see in front of church May 28th. The K. of L'ers were going to have their pictures taken for the Parish Jubilee Book. Jo, leave it to you to wear a large brimmed hat. Ruth, weren't you in the back row in the beginning? How did you get down front? It was a wonderful sight to see Joseph Bačys and Julius Jurgelionis home for this picture.

Ruth, how about telling us what draws you to the Lake every Sunday besides swimming?

Members, be on your toes. Be ready for a Weenie Roast at the end of this month. We'll be expecting all of you. Bring a friend.

Since warm weather has dropped in on us, most of the people like to take it easy, and I'm no exception. So until next month. *Vėtra.*

## Žymi vytė, apskrities vadė



MARIONA DAUNIS,

narė L. Vyčių 14-tos kuopos, Cicero, Ill., yra viena šių dienų žymiausių veikėjų organizacijoj. Ne vien daug veikia kuopoj, bet ir Chicago apskrities eidama pirmininkės pareigas. Be to, ji buvo Lietuvos Vyčių Chicago apskrities dienos (K. of L. Day) rengimo komisijos pirmininkė. Ši tradicinė diena įvyko Liepos 4-tą, Vytauto parke, kur, be paprasto pasilinksminimo, buvo išpildyta ir patriotinė programa.

## HARTFORD, CONN.

### COUNCIL 6

At long last, the "Chatterbox" awakens to the fact that Hartford hasn't been in the news for some time and we do have a great deal of it here. Without further explanation I'll proceed with the info.

To give recognition to those doing the most for our side I will say that our boys in the service are getting together overseas, one by one, namely, T. Spelis, A. Manikas, F. Petruvich, J. Bart, J. Viezialis, J. Dapkus, and V. Morkus who unfortunately has fallen into the enemies hands and to whom we wish the best of everything and that he will return to us soon.

A. Chase, J. Vilkas, and F. Klimas our recent Treasurer are carrying on also in the country's service. We wish all our boys luck and hope they will return to our community after the situation is well taken care of over there.

Here at home lots has taken place also. To

start with, Mrs. A. Chase is now the proud mother of a Chasey Jr. and is she proud! E. Staum has taken over the Treasurer's job and I'm sure will take care of our money matters. Ed Spelis (in the service) recently said, "I do" to Pinky of Providence and are both residing in Ala. just now. Dellie Vilkas just returned from State College Miss., to visit her husband. Has acquired a much admired coat of tan. Looks very good too. Lillian Budwich finally got that certain "Joe" to take her to the senior prom. Terry Yan-kauskas went along with "Bones" Ambrose and all claim they had a wonderful time.

We all wonder if "Si" and "Stinky" will ever become "Pros" on the golf course. It seems that the game is quite competitive. Ed Casman is in on it too. But that doesn't leave the girls behind. Dotty Y. and Helen B. are catching up on the game too and not doing so bad. Skip and Corky Stanuliš will vacation at New Hampshire this year. Hope you get that much needed rest kids! Rita Gechus couldn't we please call you "Gabby" for short? It's much more convenient. Wandie A. doesn't mind being called "Spike" does she?

That's all for now but I'll be around again soon.  
"Chatterbox".

## WORCESTER, MASS.

### COUNCIL 26

Greetings one and all. How's everyone after the picnic? Praise the Lord, it didn't rain. Although we had a great deal of competition from other clubs, we had a sizeable crowd. Toward evening it was rather chilly, but that didn't daunt our daresome twosome, Anna and Eva. Oh! no! They ventured into the water anyway, even though it was only for five minutes. All in all the picnic went off very well with a sizeable profit to our credit.

Leaving the events of the picnic, we now drift to the Weenie roast. Congratulations to Adelle's team who won on the scavenger hunt. That was fast work. It was so good to see old friends there. We even had some 116-ers. Leonore, don't pay any attention to them. You eat just as many hot dogs as you want. Eva, you didn't really go wading for those snails?

Eva J. and Anna B. have been practising up on the art of wrestling. They are very considerate and mop your floors free of charge. Isn't that so girls?

We had to have our pictures for the Jubilee book taken over again. The first ones were a mass of shadows. Let's hope these come out well.

At our last K. of L. meeting Mary Thompson was elected president of C-26 and Mrs. Mary Staney was elected to take over the vice-presidency. Good luck to both of you.

I'll be seeing you again in the "Vytiš", "Vėtra".



SACRIFICE TO "MILITARY NECESSITY" -- Vast quantities of rubble prevent an estimate of the full damage done to the famed Montecassino Abbey. First reports from the Allied Control Commission in Italy indicate that the Abbey can

be rebuilt along former lines, but the scanty remaining superstructure must be torn down. This exterior view, taken on the Monastery hill-top, shows the great gaps in its walls and the pulverized condition of its ruins. Acme photo.

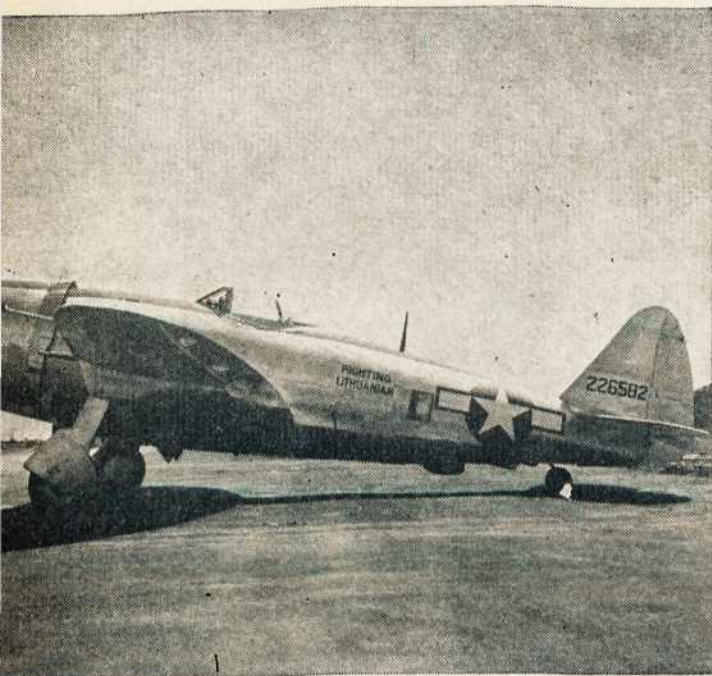
## Council 116 Present Activities

Although several weeks have passed since April 29th, the evening of the "Knightmares of 1944", we can still remember:

- how handsome our M. C. looked;
- how he kept everyone laughing all evening with his jokes and original skit;
- how ingenious were the sound effects of the skit;
- how lovely the chorus in their colorful gowns, looked against the stripped background of the stage;
- how hard the committee worked to decorate the stage and hall;
- how hard all the committees worked to make the "Knightmares" a success;
- how the fellow ushers standing around turned out to be part of the very talented show;
- how our V. Press. managed to be a one girl-usher corps;
- how the girl ticket-collectors wanted to admit all fellows gratis;
- how everyone tapped their feet to the polkas rendered by the accordion players;
- how well received were "Madame X" and her dancing partner;
- how the bathing beauty contest stopped the show with the charm, originality of costume and poise of the handsome contestants;

how the winner displayed a creation so original, it can never be duplicated;

- how enjoyable were all the numbers of the show;
- how hard Bill Burdulis worked to make them so;
- how he deserves a great deal of credit for the success of the show;
- how he procured a charming guest artist, from Westfield, who's songs were delightful;
- how he also was accompanist for all the participants;
- how well our fellow-knights, from other councils, patronized our affair;
- how glad we were to see the servicemen who attended;
- how we wished all our servicemen members were there;
- how we missed them all, especially for dancing;
- how our pin-up girl started to worry Sat. night about the out-come of the spaghetti supper slated for Sunday;
- how she needn't have worried for everything about the supper was perfect;
- how she and her committee deserve a vote of thanks for the delicious menu they prepared;
- how the council will never be able adequately to thank or show its appreciation to Fr. John



THUNDERBOLT was recently bought through the efforts of St. Peter's Lithuanian Parish, So. Boston Lithuanian Citizens Association, Cambridge Immaculate Conception Parish and Lithuanian War Savings Committee of the U. S. Treasury Dept. — John J. Grigalus, Chairman; Dr. A. L. Kapochy, D. A. Zaletskas, Phyllis Grendal, Katherine Namaksy, A. F. Knežys, Joseph Cunys, Anthony J. Young, Frank Razvadauskas.

for his part in this and all other affairs sponsored by the council.

The day following the "Knightmares", the council was host to the N. E. District convention. The convention went along as conventions usually go. Our Pastor, Fr. Vasys, unable to be present, a letter of greeting in which he announced he would donate \$25. to the "Vytis" Fund and another \$25., if our council would sponsor a future issue of the "Vytis". Fr. John promised to donate \$10. towards the council's issue.

The council thanks both of them for their generosity and in addition thanks Fr. Vasys for his kindness in allowing us to use the facilities of the hall and Church for the convention and the "Knightmares".

The council extends its best wishes to the following members of the club who were recently married.

Kitty Katinas to Francis St. Germain on May 6; Eleanor Dagilis to Anthony Listowich on May 20; Frances Gzauskas to Francis Blanchard on June 10; Lt. Wm. Kasper to Lillian Norton on June 10; Virginia Volungis to Withold Ivaska on June 24.

We hope they remain faithful to the K. of L. by retaining their membership.

Al Glavickas, Tony Godek, Charles Lapinskas and August Pupelis were home for short visits this past month. Al from Fla., where he was recently awarded his wings as a naval air-crewman. Tony from Wisconsin and Charles and August from equally distant points.

During the months of May and June, the council sponsored weekly game nights. The committee was comprised of the following members: I. Sviklas, E. Kasheta, R. Tamulevich, F. Winslow, R. Belauskas, N. Kosky, A. Kuzmickas, I. Stankus, A. Balukonis, L. & M. Meskinis, D. Levansavich, V. Rakauskas, E. Sundin, R. Wackell, E. Jonitis.

It also initiated the Lithuanian Committee, under the guidance of our Spiritual Adviser, whose members shall collect and in turn discuss any reference made of Lithuania and its interests in any respect. Also, where possible, to write to the source of the reference in commendation or contention as the case may be. The committee is, as follows: R. Wackell, V. Rakauskas, E. Sundin, F. Butkevich, V. Stakun, V. Thompson, E. Jonitis, E. Vaskas, H. D. Katinas, F. Kaliunas, V. Kunigonis.

On May 27, in answer to a challenge, the following girl bowlers traveled to So. Boston for a match. The fellows came out on top but the girls weren't so fortunate and lost. A return match took place June 10 at Worcester. The fate of the girls remained the same.

The fellows took a turn for the worse and lost. Bowling for the girls were: D. Kristapavich, H. Kristapavich, R. Belauskas, F. Winslow, D. Levansavich.

For the fellows: J. Andruska, J. Chesna, A. Kuraisa, F. Butkevich, C. Thompson, S. Karsok.

At the May meeting Fr. John delivered an interesting and instructive discourse on the preparation for and conduct during a sick call. He also distributed pamphlets to each member pertaining to the subject.

*Mary Jane.*

## Širdingai Ačiū!

L. Vyčių 116-tai kuopai So. Worcester, Mass., jų nuoširdžiam klebonui, kun. K. Vasiui, ir jų dvasios vadui kun. J. Jutkevičiui, L. Vyčių organizacijos ir savo vardu, reiškiu nuoširdžiausią padėką, už finansavimą šios "Vyties" laidos!

Jūs supratote sunkią organizacijos padėtį, kada mūsų per pusę narių karo tarnyboje ir atėjote į pagelbą, mes gi, suprantame Jūsų nuoširdumą organizacijai, tuo džiaugiamės ir amžinai būsime dėkingi. Ačiū!

*Pranas Razvadauskas,*

L. Vyčių Centro pirm.

## BROCKTON, MASS.

### COUNCIL 1

#### SOCIAL SEASON LAUNCHED

With fast and furious campaigning, our little up-and-coming council arranged a testimonial to our already glorified Basketball team. How fast? Just two full weeks to prepare an affair for approximately 200 people!

Little more than nothing was said about this venture at the New England District Convention, but evidently that was enough, for we did have guests from So. Boston, Providence and Worcester.

Following the tempting banquet prepared and served by our young "Ladies", the honored guests were greeted and applauded for their achievements by the speakers of the evening, including Mayor Joseph Downey and Coach Frankie Saba of Brockton High. The evening was topped with a dance in the upper hall.

Financial "boosters" for the affair included local business, social and civic organizations.

Thanks loads to all who helped make this our initial social affair, the hug success that it was!

#### SERVICE FLAG DEDICATED

Mother's Day found our council busier than ever. The young ladies of the parish, together with their Mothers, received Holy Communion and following Mass adjourned to the hall for a delicious breakfast. Each girl and Mother was presented with a Miraculous Medal.

At the same Mass our Parish Service Flag was dedicated — 307 Blue and 4 Gold Stars reverently displayed.

In the evening, our combined colors under the direction of our organist, Leona Gustaff, presented a delightful concert in tribute to our Mothers. The young people donated the entire proceeds of the evening to the Fund for our new home for our Sisters of Christ Crucified.

#### ATTENTION NEW ENGLANDERS!

You'll all admit our struggling council has been "right on the ball" in attending the affairs of surrounding councils. Although plans are not yet complete, we're definitely planning a gigantic outing at our Romuva Park. Details will be announced soon and we sincerely hope all you Knights and Ladies will be on hand for a rousing good time.

#### SVEIKAS GRĮŽES

Šiomis dienomis visi Brocktoniečiai linksmai sveikina grįžusį po 28 mėnesių karo fronte kareivį Longiną Druzinską.

Buvęs mūšiuose Guadalcanal, Bougenville, Fiji salose, Naujojoje Kalifornijoje ir Australijoje. Jis gavo "Presidential Citation" už savo didelę drąsą.

Longinas yra narys pasižymėjęsios "Americal Division" ir, po 21 dienų atostogų pas savo gimines Matulius, grįžo į Camp Butner, N. Carolina.

Linksma pranešti, kad Longinas jau prisirašė prie mūsų L. V. 1-mos kuopos.

Meldžiame, kad Dievas jį laikytų sveiką ir kad neužilgo jūs, ir visi kiti jaunikačiai, grįžtų į namus, pas jų laukiančius. "Slim".

## SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.

### COUNCIL 17

We've been visited by a few of our servicemen lately. Adolph Vallis, looking well tanned, Ernest N., still smiling, John Kontons, our Harvardite, and Teddy V. By the way, why don't all you servicemen drop us a line and let us know how you are. This goes for you too — Eddy, Bob, Tony, John, Pete, Joe and all you others.

The latest at the club is the dancing class. I hear its going pretty well. Why don't some of you boys drop a note in the mail box at the club and tell us about it. You regular attenders should have a lot to write. What say Paul, Ed, Tony, Joe, Al, Willy and Algy. Come up everyone and watch Albina, Milly, Lenny and Virgie swing a mean polka. John Chet and Peter B. are among the record bringers. Make a note of the nights they're held — Thurs. or Friday nights I'm told.

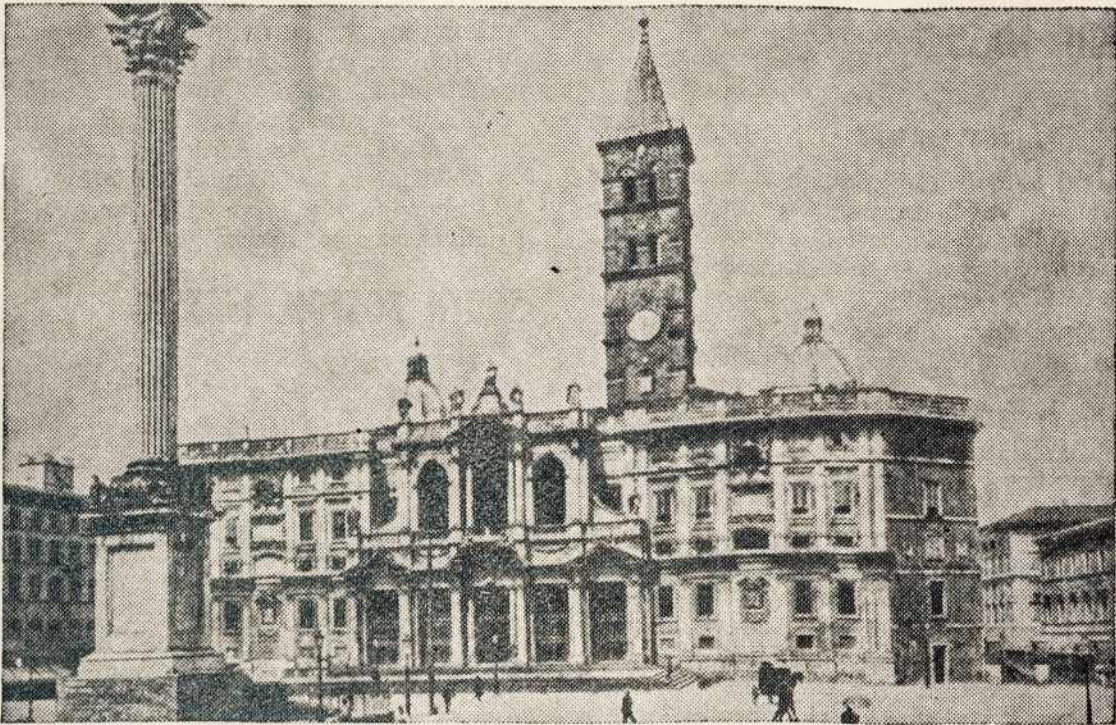
Our committee for the District Dance included: — Milly Vallis — Tickets; J. Jankauskas, N. Pechulis, L. Svelnis, J. Markelaitis, Mary Kleponis, P. Zibutis, L. Markuns. The dance was held in the beautiful N. E. Mutual Hall. Many others helped the committee.

Meetings during the summer months are held on the third Thursday of the month. We do have a good time. Why not come and see?

Our bowling teams held their own. We've played Worcester here and on their home grounds. We came out on top, although in the first match it proved to be a hard fight. The last match was a bit easier.

Council 17 is still very active. Our Refreshment Committee deserves a note of praise from all. It is one part of the meeting everyone appreciates. This time to stop. Don't forget the mail box. Šešėlis III.





YANKS VIEW HISTORIC ROMAN BASILICA—  
The Piazza and Basilica of St. Mary Major, one  
of the four major basilicas in Rome. American

troops passed by this historic church as the  
Allied Fifth Army entered the Eternal City over  
the Via Casilina. (NCWC)

Compliments of

DR. PAUL JAKMAUH,

So. Boston, Mass.



**UŽSISAKYKITE  
TONIKO PAS MUS**

Pristatom geriausį  
toniką — Pilnikams,  
Vestuvėms, Krikšty-  
nomis ir visoklems  
Parengimams.

Kainos prileinamos.

**Myopia Club Beverage Co.**

GRAFTON AVE., ISLINGTON, MASS.

Tel. Dedham 1304-W

PRANAS GERULSKIS, Sav.

Namų Tel. Dedham 1304-R

**ANNUAL PICNIC & DANCE**

*Linden K. of L., Council 113*

Sunday, July 30, 1944

LITHUANIAN LIBERTY PARK

*340 Mitchel Ave., Linden, N. J.*

Music By Anthony Pavydis Orchestra.

COMPLIMENTS OF

**SOUTH BOSTON CAFE**

VINCAS BALUKONIS, Savininkas

Good Food — Good Liquors  
Good Service

**260 W. Broadway,**

**SO. BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**