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Klišė — "Žvaigždės"

PRIE AUŠROS VARTŲ, VILNIUJE

*Kas gi ten blaškos audriam vandenyne?
Kas taip kamuojas žūtbutinėj karėj?
Tai mūsų laivas gyvenimo marėj
Blaškos su vėtrom, — tai mūsų Tėvynė!*

*Pastiprintoja krikščionių — Marija,
Stebuklingoji žvaigždė Aušros Vartų!
Tiek jau Tėvynę išgelbėjus kartų,
Gelbėk ir nūdien tą mūsų eldiją.*

*Tavo malonės meilingosios rankos
Marių galybę, kaip kūdikį, valdo,
Vėsulas lenkia ir audrą numaldo:
Liepk, tegu bangos taip rūsčiai netrunkos.*

*Liepk, tegu josios bedugnėn nugrimsta,
Nuo Tavo veido dangus tesiblaivo,
Saulė nužengia ant tautiško laivo
Ir iš pavojų Tėvynė atgimsta.*

*Nesuteptoji Pana Sūnaus savo!
Dvasiška Rožė, Trejybės auklėta!
Tūkstančiai metų nebuvo girdėta,
Kad ką apleistum, kas Tave maldavo.*

*Štai nusilenkę prieš Tave, Marija,
Klūpoja minios ir meldžiasi gaudžiai:
Ranką ištieski, palaimink tai liaudžiai,
Lietuvą laimink, priglausk Žemaitiją!*

*Ištisą mūsų palaimink šalelę:
Miestus ir kaimus, upes ir dirvonus!
Motina, Tavo žvelgimas malonus
Rodo Tėvynei išganyto kelią!*

M. Gustaitis.

WHAT DO FOLKS MISS MOST AWAY FROM HOME?

HAVE you ever noticed the crowds around news-stands that sell out-of-town-papers? Perhaps you have not only observed them, have been a part of them whether it was on New York's bustling Times Square, the breeze-swept Broadwalk of Atlantic City, or in one of Collins Avenue's gilded hostelrys in Miami Beach, or in Chicago, down town Loop. The folks always looked the same — a typical American crowd acting out a long-cherished American tradition — that of devouring the news from back home.

And now to all those who snatch up their favorite newspaper as eager-eyed as they open a letter from home, there have been added millions in the armed forces. To them a copy of the hometown paper is like a furlough with family and friends: it is as exciting as that new stripe, and as satisfying as a man-sized helping of home made apple pie. It is a tie that binds fighting men to the people and things they are fighting for.

It is not merely that distance lends enchantment, but really a matter of getting a truer appreciation of what counts most when one is away from home. From this vantage-point comes the fuller realization that the daily newspapers has enriched family life, welded community interest, fostered democratic ideals and been part and parcel of men and movements to make America strong and free. Here is a profound stirring of emotion that is the highest tribute to the service of newspapers in our Republic.

Here, in the Knights of Lithuania, years of toil and sweat and devotion to the common welfare have build The "Vytis" magazine into one of the country's leading Lithuanian-American magazines. Today, as it celebrated its 30th Anniversary, we can pay its founders and its present-day editor and staff no higher compliment than to say it is "what folks miss most when they are away from home".

Charles Bason.

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If you are thoroughly religious, you will be thoroughly courteous.

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"It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become a prey to the active. The condition on which God has given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he breaks, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt." — Curran.

The Baltic States

Europe Cannot Be Free and Democratic If the Baltic People Are Enslaved

(The New Leader — April 14, 1945)

ESTONIA, Latvia, and Lithuania have become a battleground — not only of armed forces, but of ideological forces. The fate of these small Baltic States has assumed an importance out of all proportion to their geographic or economic weight. They are a battlefield of fundamental ideas. The outcome of this conflict may decide the outcome of other more important conflicts throughout Europe — and the world.

No world security organization, no machinery for the prevention of future aggression, no peace settlement, can ensure enduring peace if its purpose is to freeze the *status quo post bellum*, to make permanent the injustices that have been and are being perpetrated, to establish in perpetuity the domination of the entire world by The Three.

If the San Francisco conference on Dumbarton Oaks, like previous conferences at Moscow, Teheran, Yalta, and Cairo, gives the stamp of approval to *faits accomplis* making multilateral the unilateral action of Russian imperialism in the Baltics, the Balkans, and Poland, and erects the machinery to enforce all these decisions, it will not be a step toward permanent peace, but toward World War III. If our experience between the first and second world wars taught us anything, it taught us that justice between nations is of paramount importance.



AMERIKOS LIETUVIŲ TARYBOS VYKDOMASIS KOMITETAS — Iš kairės į dešinę stovi: Dr. P. Grigaitis, Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybos sekretorius; Leonardas Šimutis, ALT pirmininkas ir Mikas Vaidyla, ALT išdin.

The so-called realistic school pretends that peace can be ensured by building the power of the great nations and maintaining an alliance between them, at the expense of the small and weak nations. In accordance with this false realism Europe is being divided into spheres of influence, and the age-old game of power politics is continued without change. Thus Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania have been incorporated into the Soviet Union, and Poland, Czechoslovakia, and all of the Balkans are handed over to the Russian sphere and her system of security, without regard to the desires of the 120,000,000 inhabitant of that area. The theory is that the interests of the lesser nations must be subordinated to the interest of the greater powers as a part of a wider plan for world security.

One of the essential principles advanced in 1919 was the self-determination of peoples. Another was the idea of the League of Nations. The security of the selfdetermined nations was to be guaranteed against conquerors by the combined forces of all free nations.

These principles, although badly applied during the period separating the two wars, have lost nothing of their value. We find them expressed again in the Atlantic Charter, but these principles were not incorporated in the proposals for the establishment of a general international organization to be called The United Nations. The Dumbarton Oaks proposals contain no reference to general principles. The main purpose of the new organization, if the proposals are not amended, will be to create for the "peace-loving" victor nations an instrument for maintaining the *status quo*.

The forceful incorporation of the Baltic nations into the Soviet Union means their enslavement and the arbitrary control of one single power over the Baltic Sea, which washes the shores of ten countries and forms the shortest route connecting north and east with western Europe. It is therefore impossible to exclude the problem of the Baltic States from any discussion of the future political and economic system of the world.

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Controversies Over Baltic History

The Russian version of history is that Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have belonged, since the eighteenth century, to the Russian Empire and

that they were forcibly separated from Russia by Germany in 1918, by the Brest-Litovsk Treaty. Soviet apologists further argue that the Baltic peoples declared themselves in 1917 for a union with Soviet Russia; that they were induced to fight Russia only by the Germans, and encouraged by the anti-Soviet policy of other European powers. Often the Versailles Peace Treaty is cited as the sole reason for the temporary independence of these nations. In 1940, according to the Soviet version, the Baltic peoples, after bitter experience with their "Fascist" governments and under apprehension of a new German invasion, voluntarily incorporated themselves, by means of a plebiscite, with the USSR. Some anti-Bolshevik Russians assert bluntly that the Russian patriotic war aims include "the regaining of territories and frontiers lost through the Brest-Litovsk peace, security of these frontiers from new attacks and acquisition for Russia of a place among the nations commensurate with her past, her life interests and relative weight in the world" (Alexander Kerensky in *N. Y. Times*, January 13, 1945).

Baltic patriots contend that the independence of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia constituted neither the cause of the present world war nor any hindrance whatever to the peaceful development of their powerful neighbor, Russia. By the simple fact of conquest in 1710 and 1795, they argue, Russia did not establish any perennial right to possess the Baltic lands, any more than the Tartars who ruled over Russia during 240 years or Lithuania which in days of old ruled over Ukrania can claim Russian land and Ukrania, or Great Britain, France, and Spai, have any right to American land. They reject the idea that Russia which already spreads over a sixth of the earth's surface and has shores on seven seas, really needs the 65,000 square miles of the Baltic States with 6,000,000 inhabitants.

The national resurgence in the Baltic countries, since the nineteenth century, has been gradual, going through successive stages which ended logically in an independence movement in 1917. Lithuania reached the peak of its power before becoming a member of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth, and shared, since the partitions of Poland (1772-1795), the fate of the latter. The name Lithuania disappeared from the maps of the Russian Empire; the use of the Lithuanian language in the schools and even the printing of Lithuania in Latin characters were forbidden in 1865. Estonia and Latvia were administered, under Tzarist Russia, by the German-Balt nobility (descendants of the Teutonic Knights) which exercised self-government through its "Landtags" and "Landrate". But in



PASITINKA SUGRĮŽUSĮ ATSTOVĄ — Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybos Vykdomasis Komitetas pasitinka iš San Francisco konferencijos sugrįžusį atstovą William T. Kvetką. Iš kairės į dešinę stovi: Dr. P. Grigaitis, Vykdomojo Komiteto sekretorius; atstovas William T. Kvetkas; Leonardas Šimutis, prezidentas; Mikas Vaidyla, išdininikas.

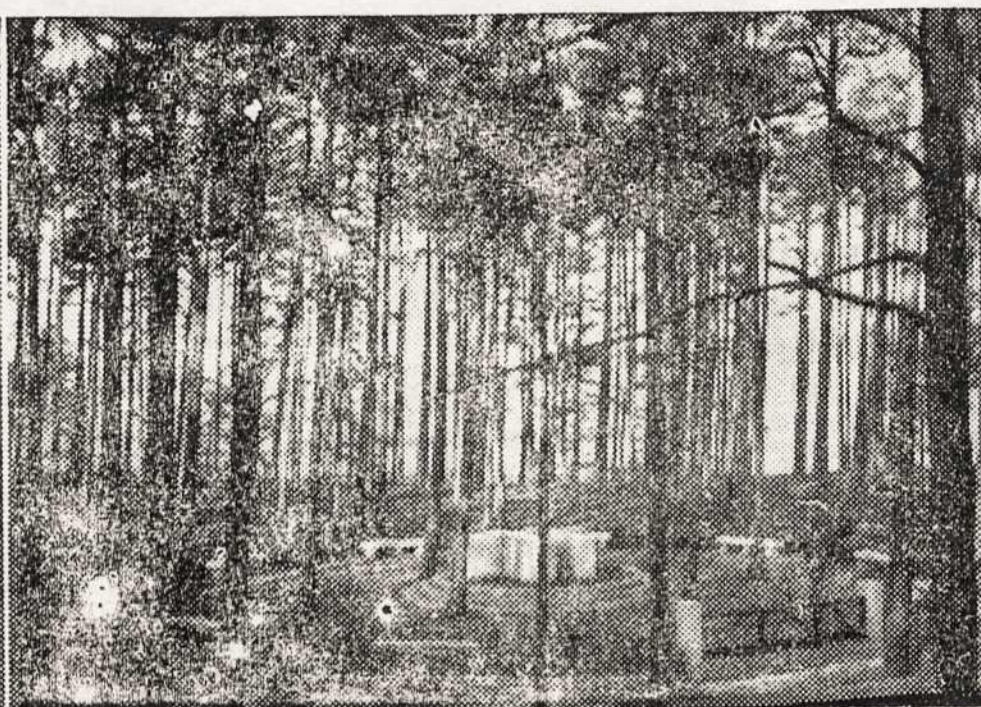
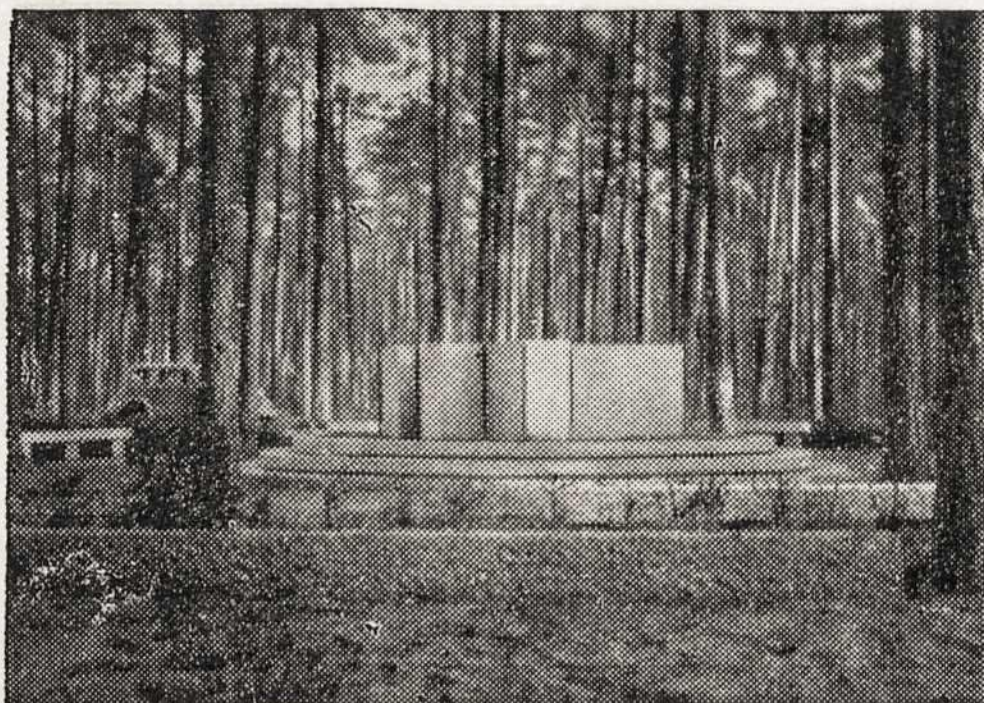
1904 the Estonians (Esths) succeeded in wresting the municipal administration of their capital city, Tallinn-Reval, from the Germans, who had controlled it by means of a conservative electoral law.

At the same time Riga, capital of Latvia, became more and more a city of Letts who arose as strong competitors of the Germans for leadership in the country. A vigorous cooperative and educational movement sprang up in the three countries; national consciousness was further developed by the press, and modern literature became permeated by the democratic ideas of Western Europe. The Russification policy which started in Lithuania in 1863 and in Latvia and Estonia in the 1880's had only fused the industrial and marine population of the towns into a common bloc with the peasantry, which was determined to assert its national and cultural rights. The political currents crystallized and took form in three parties, all of moderate political hue: Democrats, Progressives, and Social Democrats.

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Autonomy and Liberation Wars

After the collapse of the Tzarist regime, in February 1917, the Russian Provisional Government of Prince Lvov issued a special law on Estonian Autonomy on March 30, 1917. The Russian Minister of Justice, Alexander Kerensky, went to Tallinn and declared to the Estonians, on April 10, that henceforth they were free either to join the new democratic Russia or pursue their own independent way. The former province of Estonia was enlarged by the inclusion of the outlying Estonian-speaking districts in northern Livonia



STEPONO DARIAUS IR STASIO GIRĖNO TRAGIŠKO ŽUVIMO VIETA — Soldin' miškas, Vokietijoje, kur prieš dvyliką metų, Liepos 16 d., žuvo transatlantiniai lakūnai: Kapitonas Steponas Darius ir Leitenantas S. Girėnas. Buvusios Laisvos Lietuvos vyriausybės lešomis tragiško

žuvimo vietoje pastatyta šiame atvaizde matomas paminklas. Ši vieta dabar įeina į Sov. Rusijos okupacijos zoną. Baisu, kad bolševikai šios lietuvių šventovės neišniekintų, tai yra neišardytų, neišdraskytų.

and the Narva area of the Petrograd province (gubernia) within its boundaries. The Landtag of the nobility was abolished and an Estonian National Council (Maanoukogu), elected on the basis of universal, direct and secret suffrage, without distinction of sex, became the legislative authority, entrusted with the task of elaborating a permanent status for Estonia. The Estonian Provisional Administration also obtained permission from Petrograd, in the autumn of 1917, to organize Estonian contingents under their own officers, for defense of the country against the German invasion.

In March 1917, the greater part of Latvian lands were under a German domination (Estonia was occupied in February 1918). But a Lettish congress, meeting at Valmiera, urged the creation by the Russian Provisional Government of "an autonomous administrative unit to be called Latvia, out of portions of the gubernii of Livonia, Vitebsk and Kurland inhabited by Latvians". By an act of the Russian Provisional Government on July 5, 1917, Latvia was granted autonomy.

To the Lithuanians, whose country was at the time of the Russian Revolution entirely under German occupation, the Russian Provisional Government gave solemn assurances that their national aspirations would be respected. On October 21-22, 1914, Lithuanian leaders abroad met at the Chicago Congress which demanded the union of Prussian (Memel) and Russian Lithuania, declared for Latvian - Lithuanian federation, and affirmed the international character of the Lithuanian question. A Lithuanian National Council (Taryba) assembled at Vilnius-Vilno on September 18-22, 1917. This assembly declared that Lithuania must become an independent

democratically organized state within its ethnographic boundaries.

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The Soviet Bill of Rights

After the Bolshevik *coup d'etat* in Petrograd, the new Soviet Government issued a Declaration of the rights of the Peoples of Russia, on November 2, 1917, signed "in the name of the Russian Republic" by Joseph Djugashvili (Stalin) and V. Ulianov (Lenin). This declaration, as published in *Pravda*, November 3, 1917, reads in part:

"In the epoch of Tzarism, the peoples of Russia were aroused against each other. The results of this policy are known: massacres and pogroms on one side, enslaving of peoples on the other..."

"Executing the will of the Soviets, the Council of the People's Commissaries has resolved to be guided in the question of nationalities by the following principles:

"1. The equality and sovereignty of the peoples of Russia.

"2. The right of the peoples of Russia to dispose of their own fate, even to separation and the establishment of an independent state..."

Yet, when the Estonian National Council declared itself the depository of the supreme power in the country and resolved to summon an Estonian Constituent Assembly, Red soldiers garrisoned in Tallinn dissolved by force the National Council and, in January, 1918, forcibly terminated the elections to the Constituent Assembly.

Decisions, relating to the independence of Latvia, were taken by the Latvian National Council,

which met in Walka on November 17-18, 1917. Following the dispersion of the Russian Constituent Assembly by Soviet forces, this Council re-affirmed on January 18, 1918, that Latvia should become an independent democratic republic, comprising Kurland, part of Livonia, and Latgale.

Early in January, 1918, Estonian leaders rejected the German offer to proclaim independence under German occupation. The resolution of the Committee of the National Council, of January 23, 1918, states that "the Estonian people in their entirety are opposed to the occupation of Estonia by German troops and would see in that occupation a violation of the rights of the nation" (see *The Soviet Union and the Baltic States*, by Kaarel Robert Pusta, page 10).

Brest-Litovsk and Berlin Treaties

The Brest treaties of March 3, 1918, were concluded after the three Baltic nations had declared themselves independent (the Red Army had left Estonia by January 21). The Soviet Decree of Peace made public by the Russian delegation in Brest-Litovsk provided that:

"Nationalities not hitherto enjoying political independence are to be allowed the right to decide by means of a referendum whether they elect to be united to other nations or to acquire independence. The referendum is to be so arranged as to ensure complete freedom of voting".

Article 6 of the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk stipulated that Estonia and Livonia should be "occupied by the German police force until security [sic] is guaranteed by their own national institutions and until governmental order is reestablished".

The Estonian delegates in London (A. Piip, K. R. Pusta and Ed. Wirgo) wrote, on May 1, 1918, to Maxim Litvinov, at that time the Soviet plenipotentiary delegate at London, requesting the Soviet Government to recognize, as the sole supreme power in Estonia, its Provisional Government, instituted by the National Council before the arrival of the Germans.

In the Treaty of Berlin, August 27, 1918, Ger-

THE PROMISE of PEACE

The Star of Hope's still shining
As New Years comes again —
Thanks to the sacrifices
Of our brave fighting men;
War should not dim our faith and hope
For, shining through its strife,
The New Year Star still promises
A better way of life!

Mrs. M. Colney,

many and the Soviet Republic amplified the stipulations of Brest-Litovsk. And again Pusta in Paris and Piip in London protested to United States Ambassadors against the German-Soviet treaties and declared them null and void for the Estonian Republic and people.

The Latvian National Council sent on July 8, 1918, an extensive protest to foreign Powers concerning the activities of Germany and the territorial arrangements of the Brest-Litovsk Treaty. The Council demanded the creation of an independent Latvian State "under international guarantees".

After having occupied all of Latvia and Estonia, the Germans dissolved the national councils, sent the head of the Estonian Provisional Government, Konstantin Pats, to a Polish concentration camp and executed the Deputy Premier Juri Wilms. The assertion that the Baltic States were created by Germany is untrue.

Memel Question Again

Since Germany's frontiers were rolled back to the boundaries of 1937 a new problem confronts the Allies. Who will control one of the finest natural harbors on the Baltic Sea? This harbor is part of the port of Memel which Lithuania was forced to surrender to Germany in 1939.

Who will control it? Not Russia. For that is Lithuanian territory to which Moscow can lay no claim whatever for Memel was NEVER under Russia:

(a) Not under the Czars, for at the Polish-Lithuanian Partition of 1795 by Prussia, Russia and Austria, Memel was incorporated by Prussia.

(b) Not under the Soviets, for at the time of the Soviet engineered Lithuanian 'elections' of 1940. (grounds upon which Russia bases the annexation of Lithuania, repudiated by President Roosevelt and the State Dept.) Memel was under Germany!

Since Germany is stripped of her post — 1937 annexations, and since Russia has absolutely no claims to Memel, more than that, she has subscribed to "no territorial aggrandizements", and since Memel belongs to Lithuania, President Truman should see to it that this territory serve as the hub around which President Roosevelt's promise of October 1940 will be brought to fulfillment:

"Lithuania has not lost her independence; Lithuania's independence has only temporarily been put aside. Time will come and Lithuania will be free again. This will happen much sooner than you may expect."

Anthony Dainus.

THE REVIVAL OF AN ORDER

(A Brief Life Story of Archbishop George Matulevičius, the Reviving Spirit of the Congregation of Marian Fathers)

P. P. ČINIKAS, M.I.C.

(Continued from No. 5, page 12)

The two revivors of the congregation returned to Petersburg Academy, where Matulevicius was Inspector and Bucys, a professor. There they seemed to be the same zealous secular priests, but at heart they were the renowned reorganizers of an old congregation. While going about their duties as members of the faculty at the Academy, they were drawing up the rules of the congregation and mapping out the plans for the future of their dream.

The First Steps Forward

Each day spent in the Russian capital was indeed dangerous for Father Matulevicius and his novice-friend, Father Bucys. The Russian authorities were constantly on the lookout for secretly active religious congregations. Matulevicius and Bucys were then revising the old constitution of the Marian Fathers and that kind of evidence would certainly be hard to explain even though they were important men in the St. Petersburg Academy.

By Spring of the year 1910 Matulevicius had the constitution ready for inspection by the authorities of the Congregation of Religious in Rome. First of all, they wanted their new religious brethren to change the habit regularly worn by the old Marian Fathers. Venerable Father Senkus, the last of the old Marians, wore a pure white cassock and sash, which in no way fitted into the plans Fathers Matulevicius had laid out for the renewal. So, the first advocated change was a new habit, in fact, no special habit — just the ordinary secular priest's cassock for the ordained members and a modest suit of clothing for the lay brothers. In that way he was able to go about for a long time without being suspected of being a religious and the brothers passed as ordinary, modest, Godfearing men.

The second main change requested was the commutation of the religious vows from solemn to simple, so that the members of the congregation could lead a more active religious life. Matulevicius realized that solemn vows are a great distinction for any religious but the obligations attached did not fit in with the work being planned for the congregation. Yes, his foresight was really far-reaching and all-inclusive.



LAETARE MEDALIST — G. Howland Shaw, of Boston, diplomat and social welfare worker, who has been named the 1945 recipient of the Laetare Medal, Notre Dame University's award to the outstanding lay Catholic of the year. Mr. Shaw, who recently resigned from the post of Assistant Secretary of State, is a former president of the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

Extending the Invitation

With that task done, plans were laid for the summer's campaign. By this time Father Matulevicius had decided on acting quickly without heeding the voice of caution which was ever urging slow but safer action in regards the recruiting of members for his new army. This was a bold move for only disappointment and great danger could follow in its wake. The very idea of approaching men to join a congregation that was not only banned but was also just being reorganized should have discouraged him. Father Matulevicius planned going to secular priests and asking them to join his newly organized religious army for the good of the Catholic Church and the Lithuanian people. He must have foreseen the lift of the Russian ban against religious or the rise of independent nations which were struggling in the bonds of the Czar. Even in the year of 1909 or 1910 Matulevicius felt that the ban on religious in the Russian Empire would be lifted or Lithuania with some of the other minor nations would proclaim their independence to the world.

The task wasn't easy, for secular priests, the

group he wanted to attract, were, more or less, settled in their parishes and doing the work they liked. The recruiting of priests was the quickest method to get the congregation started, and in a way, the safest, for the gathering of young students or seminarians would certainly invite the inspection of the Russian authorities. But, Matulevicius was certain he would find enough fearless, zealous, and pious priests amongst his fellow countrymen to make the sacrifice for the greater honor and glory of the Church and the Lithuanian people.

The Ranks Increase

That summer one new member was added to the congregation. Father John Totoraitis, S.T.D., was a classmate of the two reorganizers. At that time he was a pastor of Sunskus parish, near Warsaw. Father Totoraitis had viewed the havoc Russians were causing by their Socialistic propaganda ever since the revolt of 1905 and the end of the end of the Jap-Russian war. Somehow he was convinced that only a religious congregation of zealous men could counteract the efforts of the Russians. He was especially interested in what could be done for the Lithuanian youth then being forced to study in the Russian schools filled with many young socialists, the type that gave Lenin and Stalin to the world. The spirit of sacrifice so overpowered Father Totoraitis that he began his novitiate year that very summer. Matulevicius also came in contact with two other zealous souls, Father A. Civinskis, S. T. D., and Father Pius Andziulaitis, a chaplain in the Veiveris Teachers Seminary. These two promised to join as soon as their duties would allow them to break away.

When the 1910-1911 school year began at St. Petersburg, three religious secretly planned and schemed for the future of a new force to conquer Socialism.

They thought it would be quite safe to operate there in St. Petersburg under the guise of professors. Soon they noticed that some strange would-be converts to Catholicism from the Orthodox Church were constantly anxious to visit them in their rooms. These young students acted so strangely that Father Matulevicius began to suspect their intentions of conversion and kept a watchful eye on their behaviour outside of the classroom. Later in the school year he discovered they were paid agents of the Russian government spying on the priests. From then on the priests had definitely decided to leave the Academy and start their novitiate house elsewhere.

Passing on the Banner

In the Spring of 1911, Father Senkus, the last of the old Marian Fathers died in his strong hold at Marijampolis. He died alone but a happy



KUNIGAS VLADAS K. JESKEVIČIUS, S. J., birželio 16 d., 1945 m., šv. Dvasios koplyčioje, Weston, Mass., Jo Ekscelencija Vyskupas Thomas A. Emmet, S. J., D. D., išventino į kunigus Vladą Kazimierą Jeskevičių, kurio tėveliai gyv. 92 Sawyer Ave., Dorchester, Mass.

Kunigas Vladas Kazimieras Jeskevičius, S. J., gimė sausio 27 d., 1916 m., So. Bostone, sūnus Juozo ir Marijonos (Arentaitės) Jeskevičių. Jis turi vyresnįjį brolių Silvestrą, kuris yra vedęs Suzaną Žukauskaitę.

Kun. Vladas K. Jeskevičius, S. J., lankė John Boyle O'Reily ir Joseph Tuckerman mokyklas So. Bostone. 1929 m., baigęs Mather School, Dorchesteryje, pradėjo aukštesnę mokyklą, Boston College High School. Baigęs šią aukštesnę mokyklą jaunas studentas Vladas jausdamas pašaukimą į vienuolišką gyvenimą, liepos 30 d., 1933 metais įstojo į Jėzuitų naujokyną, Shadowbrook, Lenox, Mass., kur po dviejų metų dvasiniame lavinime, liepos 31 d., 1935 m. sudėjo amžiną apžadus. Po to, ten pat pradėjo dviejų metų kursą klasikos bei literatūros. 1937 m. atvykęs į Jėzuitų seminariją Weston'e, pradėjo filosofijos mokslus, kuriuos baigė 1941 m. su A. B., M. A., Ph. L. laipsniais.

1941—1943 m. Vladukas jau puikiai išsilavinęs klierikas paskirtas dėstyti filosofijos, literatūros ir matematikos mokslus Boston Kolegijoje. Tenai, irgi mokino sekmadieninė mokykloje ir ėjo ceremonijų vedėjo pareigas Kolegijoje ir šv. Ignaco parapijoje. 1943 m. grįžęs į Weston'ą, pradėjo teologijos mokslus, kuriuos užbaigė šiais metais ir štai birželio 16-tą įvyko jaunųjų metų sunkaus darbo ir pasišventimo siekiamojo tikslo apvainikavimas — išventintas kunigu.

Kun. Vladas K. Jeskevičius, S. J., primicijas laikė birželio 24 d., šv. Petro par. bažnyčioje, So. Bostone.

Reikia pažymėti, Vladas dar prieš stojant į vienuolyną buvo energingas ir veiklus jaunuolis. Jis yra L. Vyčių 17 Algirdo kuopos narys ir daug veikęs su vyčiais. Jis yra priklausęs prie Marijos Vaikelių, buvęs altoriaus berniuku, choristu ir kitose kuopelėse uoliai darbuosis.

Kun. Vlado tėveliai paeina iš Lietuvos, Suvalkijos. Į Ameriką atvykę prieš 30 metų į So. Bostoną ir tik vėliau persikėlė gyventi Dorchesteryj.

Šia proga sveikiname naująjį Kristaus Vynuogyne Darbininką kunigą Vladą K. Jeskevičių, S. J., ir linkime sveikatėlės ir Dievo palaimos jūsų misionieriškuose darbuose!

consoled man, for he knew his three zealous spiritual sons were preparing to resurrect his hopes. His end came suddenly, after a very short



KUNIGAS JONAS PRANAS BERNATONIS,
birželio 29 d., 1945 m., J. E. Arkivyskupo Richard J. Cushing, D. D., įšventintas kunigu, šv. Jono Seminarijoje, Brighton, Mass.

Pirmas iškilmingas šv. mišias kun. Jonas P. Bernatonis atnašavo liepos 1 d., šv. Petro lietuvių parapijos bažnyčioje, West 5th St., So. Boston, Mass.

Kun. Jonas P. Bernatonis gimęs gegužės 4 d., 1920 metais, Nashua, N. H., kur tuomet gyveno jo tėveliai Juozas ir Marijona (Peteškaitė) Bernatoniai. Neilgai gyveno Nashua'oje pp. Bernatoniai. Jie greit persikėlė gyventi South Bostone, kur jaunas Jonukas išėjo pradžinius mokslus. Aukštesniąją mokyklą lankė Boston English High School, kurią baigęs įstojo į Marianapolio Kolegiją. Po dviejų metų baigęs Marianapolio kolegiją tęsė mokslus Boston College. Lankydamas kolegijas Jonukas kreipė savo mintis į kungystės pašaukimą. Ir štai antruoje metuose iš Bostono Kolegijos įstojo į šv. Jono Seminariją, Brighton, Mass. Ir štai šiandien po penkių ir pusės metų Jonukas įšventinamas į kunigus.

Džiaugiasi jaunas kunigas pasiekęs savo tikslą, džiaugiasi ir tėveliai; džiaugiasi giminės ir artimieji, bet nemažiau džiaugiasi ir lietuviai katalikai susilaukę gabaus ir energingo jauno dvasios vado asmenyje kun. Jono P. Bernatonio.

Reikia pažymėti, kad kun. Jonas iš pat mažens turėjo patraukimą prie bažnyčios ir drauginės veiklos. Jis per ketvertą metų tarnavo altoriaus berniuku, priklausė prie Marijos Vaikelių, Choro, Studentų ir Profesjonalių kuopos ir buvo aktyvus vytis. Taipgi lankydamas Marianapolio kolegiją bendradarbiavo "Studentų žodžiui" ir visą laiką bendradarbiauja "Vyčiui" ir "Darbininkui". Jis yra išvertęs į lietuvių kalbą ištisas knygas.

Kun. Jono P. Bernatonio tėveliai paeina iš Lietuvos, Vilnijos. Tėvelis Juozas Sabuvos parapijos, o motinėle Marijona Marcinkonių parapijos. pp. Bernatoniai yra pavyzdingi katalikai lietuviai ir veiklūs parapijoje ir draugijoje. Jie išaugino tris sūnus. Vyriausias tarnauja Dėdės Samo karo tarnyboje, o jauniausias gyvena su tėveliais.

Šia nepaprasta proga sveikiname naujai įšventintą kun. Joną P. Bernatonį ir jo tėvelius bei artimuosius ir linkime Dievo palaimos visai šeimai!

Vytis.

illness. Fr. Matulevicius could not very well be called before the end came, because the authorities were already suspicious of his activities. So

Father Senkus passed on without leaving any special message as to the future and no inspirational words are recorded. He went off to the next world as he had lived for so many years in the large monastery of Marijampolis — alone. But he admitted some time before his death while the he was communicating with Father Matulevicius about the reorganizing of the community, "I'd be exceedingly happy and could die peacefully, if all the plans I read in this letter come into being. May the Lord bless his plans". That was the first mile-stone in the reorganizing of the congregation, for from that time on Father Matulevicius was in full charge and was responsible only to Rome for the actions taken to revive the religious army.

In the summer of 1911, on July 14-th, Father Totoraitis made his profession, the other two fathers renewed their vows to Almighty God, and called their first formal council to elect a new Superior General. Before Totoraitis' profession this was not possible for all three were not fully members of the congregation. Naturally their choice fell upon Father Matulevicius, who then became the first Superior General of the Congregation of Marian Fathers in the new era of life. That also closed the St. Petersburg era for that autumm the novitiate house was opened in Freiburg, Switzerland, within walking distance of Freiburg University.

"Ei, Vyčiai, Gyvenam Tautai ir Bažnyčiai"

(Iš L. V. Draugovės sus-mo)

Chicago vyčiai ir vyčių draugovė (Senior), su bendrinę savo jėgas, pradeda veiklą nejuokais ir darbai seks vienas paskui kitą.

Vyčiai norėdami atgaivinti pirmąją dvasią, kuri vyravo organizacijoje, susirinkimuose ir parengimuose, rengia senovišką pikniką, liepos 15 d., labdarių ūkyj. Į tą pikniką suvažiuos senesniosios kartos buvusieji vyčiai su šeimomis, jų draugai, jaunieji vyčiai ir jiems prijauciantieji bei į organizaciją įsirašyti norintieji asmenys. Laikas bus praleista draugiškoje dvasioje. Visi atsiveš savo "lunch baskets", bendrai valgis, dalinsis, kalbės, turės barą ir linksminsis.

Ruošiamasi ir prie rimtų darbų. Štai, rugs. 21 ir 23 dienomis įvyks 32 vyčių seimas Cicero, Ill., prie kurio ruošiamasi visu stropumu. Gi rugsėjo mėnesį bus šaukiamas masinis jaunimo susirinkimas, kad pajudinti jaunimą iš stagnacijos.

Tad dirbkime, vyčiai, nes gyvenam Tautai ir Bažnyčiai.

Laisvutė.

Naujas Drabužių Rinkimo Vajus Nuo Liepos 1 d.

Bendrasai Amerikos Lietuvių Fondas — United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, šių metų liepos 1 d. pradeda antrąjį didelį drabužių rinkimo vajų, nukentėjusiems nuo karo lietuviams sušelpiti. Šis antrasis vajus tęsis tris mėnesius: liepos, rugpiūčio ir rugsėjo.

Pradėdami šį antrąjį vajų, BALF direktoriai, susirinkę į posėdį New Yorke, neabejoja, kad visi Amerikos lietuviai, kuriems rūpi sušelpiti skurstančius po viso pasaulio kraštus benamius lietuvius, ne tik darbu, ne tik dosnumu, ne tik žodžiu ir veiksmu prisidės prie šio milžiniško darbo, bet taip pat ir širdimi.

Kas gi yra kilnesnio, kaip nuoširdžią pagalbą ranką ištiesti vargstančiam; priglausti ir paguosti benamį, pridengti nuplyšusį. Atsiminkime, tarp išsisklaidžiusių Lietuvos sūnų ir dukterų yra ar gali būti daugelio lietuvių Amerikoje tėvas, motina, brolis, sesuo, sūnus, duktė ar artimi giminačiai. Kasgi jiems pagelbės, jeigu ne artimieji. Kasgi parodys jiems gerą širdį, jeigu ne mes.

Nuo šiaurinės Norvegijos fjordų iki Viduržemio jūrų, nuo Tolimųjų Rytų iki Atlanto pakraščių, apie 350,000 lietuvių yra atsidūrę po svetimas valstybes, ieškodami pagalbą, pastogės, maisto, užtarimo ir drabužių pridengti savo kūną, karo ir persekiojimų nuvargintą.

Ar teko jums kada nors svetimo duonos prašyti? Ar teko bristi per purvyną šlapiuose, kiau ruose batuose? Ar teko jums per keletą mėnesių gyventi savo kūno muilu nenuplovus? Ar teko žiūrėti į valgantį, kai pats keletą dienų buvai nevalgęs? Ar miegojai po atviru dangum, kada lijo?

Motina, ar tu sėdėjai šalia badaujančio ir verkiančio vaiko, kuris prašė valgyt, bet neturėjai ko jam duoti? Ar supranti, ką tas reiškia? Ar atjauti tokią motiną, tėvą?

Neužmirškime, šiandien visa Europa nualinta; kiekviena valstybė, kiekviena tauta turi pirmiausia apsirūpinti savaisiais, o tik paskui rūpinasi kitais. Šiandien lietuviai tremtiniai Europoje yra tarytum tie kampininkai, kurie gyvena pas svetimus ir priklauso svetimų malonės. Argi jie turi laukti, kol visi bus sotūs ir aprenkti, kad paskui gautų kas liks nuo kitų? Argi mes jų nesušelpsim dabar, tuč tuojau?

Dalinkimės su lietuviais tremtiniais, tuo ką turime. Visi dar turim rūbų, turime maisto ir viso kito. Bent dalį to, be ko galime apsieiti, duokime jiems — vargstantiems lietuviams.

Iš Europos šalių kasdien ateina balsai: "Duokite mums drabužių. Ištieskite dosnią pagalbą ranką! Mes vargstam ir mirštam! Kas gi daugiau gali mums pagelbėti, jei ne jūs, Amerikos



KUNIGAS ALFONSAS B. JANUŠONIS,

gimęs ir augęs So. Bostone, pradinius mokslus baigęs Thomas N. Hart mokykloje, du metu mokėsi Boston College High School ir 1937 m. baigęs aukštesnę mokyklą Marianapoly, vienus metus Marianapolio kolegijoj ir du metu Bostono Kolegijoj, rugsėjo 26 d., 1940 metais įstojo į šv. Jono Seminariją, Brighton, Mass., birželio 29 d. š. m. išvestas kunigu.

Kun. Alfonsas Bronius Janušonis iš pat jaunų dienų veikė su jaunimu šv. Petro lietuvių parapijoj. Būdamas Marianapoly, jis buvo Studentų organizacijos pirmininku 1939-1940 m. Daug veikė toje organizacijoje. 1940 m. kun. Alfonso mamytės, a. a. Emilijos (Zovytės) Janušonienės mirtis perbloškė jauną studentą. Tai buvo Dievo valia. Jaunas studentas, užbaigęs kolegiją, tais pačiais metais įstojo į Seminariją.

Skaidus buvo smūgis ne tik tėveliui, p. Antanui Janušoniui, bet ir broliui kun. Alfonsui B. Janušoniui, kai jie sužinojo, kad sūnus ir brolis, leit. Ronaldas žuvo lėktuvo nelaimėje. Tą dieną, būtent, gruodžio 24, 1944, kun. Alfonsas priėmė deakono šventimus.

Kun. Alfonso tėvelis Antanas Janušonis paeina iš Lietuvos, Rokiškio, o motinė — a. a. Emilija (Zovytė) paėjo iš švedasų.

Šiandien yra didžiausias džiaugsmas jo tėveliui Antanui Janušoniui, pamotei Onai (Griciūtei) ir jos sūnui Jonui Ivoškui, giminėms — p. Genovaitei Zovytei, p. Ferdinandui Zoviui, p. Jedvygai Averkienei, pusseserim ir pusbroliui, ir kitiems, sulaukus naujo Kristaus darbininko, naujo dvasios vado.

Kun. Alfonsas B. Janušonis priklauso prie L. Vyčių 17 kuopos ir yra tos organizacijos rėmėjas. Taipgi jis yra nuoširdus ir uolus "Vyties" bendradarbis.

Šia proga sveikiname kun. Alfonsą Bronių Janušonį ir linkime gausių Dievo malonių!

Vytis.

lietuvių..." Ar mes nusiųsim ir neišklausysim to maldaujančio balso?

Labai būdingas vienos moters laiškas, įdėtas į mažutį muftą, kurį ji pereito vajuos metu aukojo. Štai ką ji sako:

"Mažutei mergaitei, kuri gaus šį muftą: —

"Aš tikiu, kad šis muftas sušildys tavo mažytes rankutes, kaip sušildė mano, kada aš dar

L. Vyčių Naujos Anglijos Suvažiavimo Protokolas

Lietuvos Vyčių Naujos Anglijos apskrities metinis kuopų atstovų suvažiavimas įvyko balandžio 29, 1945 m., Šv. Kazimiero parap. salėj, Worcester, Mass.

Suvažiavimą atidarė vietos kuopos pirmininkė Ona Lukoševičiūtė, kuri, pasveikinus savo ir 26-tos kuopos vardu, pakvietė apskrities pirminką adv. Antaną J. Jankauską (Young) užimti vietą.

Maldą atkalbėjo vietos parapijos klebonas kun. Augustinas Petraitis.

Sugiedota Amerikos, Lietuvos ir Vyčių himnas.

buvau tokia pat mažutė mergaitė. Dabar aš jau moteris 67 metų amžiaus. Tegul tave, mergaitė, Dievas laimina."

Ši moteris muftą laikė kaip brangią savo jaunystės atminimą mažiausiai apie 60 metų, bet, širdyje atjausdama vargstančius, ji prie kitų savo drabužių aukojo ir tą brangią savo jaunystės atminimą. Ji aukojo žinodama, kad tas muftas anai, nepažįstamai mergaitei reikalingesnis, anos mergaitės rankos šala. Ir neabejojama, kad ateinančią žiemą, kur nors Lietuvoje ar kitur Europoje, vienos mažos mergaitės rankų šaltis nekankins ir ji visuomet bus tai moteriškai dėkinga.

Šio antrojo drabužių litemams vajuos metu aukokite dar daugiau, aukokite ne abejodami, o žinodami, kad jūsų auka pasieks saviškius ir apdengs juos. Aukokite ir širdyje žinokite, kad jūsų auka ne tik pridengs nuvargintą lietuvio kūną, bet taip pat jam primins, kad Amerikoje yra lietuvių, kurie turi širdį, jausmą ir dosnią pagalbą ranką. Užmirštieji lietuviai tegul žino, kad jų broliai ir Lietuvos draugai už Atlanto budi, dirba ir rūpinasi jiems pagelbėti. Jie žinos, kad jie ne vieni, neapleisti ir neužmiršti!

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Matas Zujus, Dir.

Sekantieji sveikino suvažiavimą:

Pirmininkas adv. A. J. Jankauskas (Young);

Kun. Augustinas Petraitis;

Kun. Jonas Bakanas;

Kun. Jonas Jutkevičius savo ir kun. K. Vasio vardu;

Pranas Razvadauskas, Centro pirmininkas;

Kun. Vincas Puidokas, Centro dvasios vadas;

Kun. Tamulevičius savo ir kun. Juraičio vardu.

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Benjamin Kaveckas iš Brooklyn, N. Y.;

Longinas Švelnys savo ir kun. Abračinsko vardu.

Protokolas perskaitytas ir priimtas.

Pirmininkas, adv. Jankauskas, išdavė Ritualo raportą, kuriame pranešė, kad iki šiol dar nėra daug nuveikęs, bet jau kalbėjęs su kitais ritualo komisijos nariais, ypač su kun. Juru. Raportas priimtas.

Adv. Jankauskas taipgi išdavė raportą "Vyties" leidinio. Raportas priimtas.

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Dr. Pauline Luzackas, Cambridge, Mass.;

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Kun. Jonas Jutkevičius, So. Worcester, Mass.



Linksmios lietuvaitės...

Mandatų komisija raportavo, kad suvažiavime dalyvauja 111 atstovų, kurie atstovauja 9 kuopas, 5 kunigai ir 7 svečiai.

Sekančios rezoliucijos buvo priimtos:

1. Kad apskritis išrinktų komisiją, kuri peržiūrėtų visus protokolus, surinktų visus įnešimus bei pageidavimus pirmesnių seimų priimtus ir padarytų naują iki šių dienų apskrities veiklos santrauką.

2. Kad apskrities suvažiavimas pasiųstų sveikinimą Jungt. Valstybių prezidentui Truman.

3. Kad apskrities suvažiavimas pasiųstų rezoliucijas kiekvienam nariui Jungt. Valstybių Delegacijos San Francisco Konferencijoje.

4. Kad Naujos Anglijos kuopos suruoštų ekskursiją į Marianapolį.

Valdyba apsiėmė rūpintis šia ekskursija.

Nutarta siųsti du delegatus į L. Vyčių seimą, kuris įvyks Chicagai ir užmokėti pusę kelio ir registracijos lėšas. Delegatais išrinkti atstovauti Naujos Anglijos apskritį Ona Lukoševičiūtė ir Ona Norkunaitė. Alternates: Larry Svelnis, Al Marcin, Stella Zuma.

VALDYBOS RAPORTAI —

Pirmininko raportas priimtas su pagyrimu.

Dvasios Vado, kun. Jono Jutkevičiaus raportas buvo priimtas su pagyrimu.

Iždininkė Ona Kudirkienė raportavo, kad išde yra \$76.79.

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Sekantis pusmetinis suvažiavimas įvyks Athol, Mass.

Suvažiavimas baigtas malda, kurią atkalbėjo kun. Puidokas už žuvusius vyčius.

Tillie Aukštikalnis, rašt.

RESOLUTIONS

The Knights of Lithuania is a national organization which strives to unite Lithuanian-American youth for the purpose of making them better citizens of "God and Country". Over 1000 of its members are now in service with the armed forces of the United States. At the annual convention of the New England District of this organization, held on April 29, 1945, in the church hall of St. Casimir's Parish, Worcester, Massachusetts, the delegates from the New England Councils unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, delegates from 46 nations are



PLATAKAS VĖL HANDBOLĖS ČEMPIJONAS AMERIKOJ — Visą savaitę ėjo National A. A. U. Handball tournamentas Town Club, Chicagoj, kur buvo atstovaujama kiekviena Am. J. Valstybė.

Amerikos Handball čempionu ir vėl liko Joe Platak, čikagietis, dabar tarnaujantis Amerikos laivyne.

Platakas per 8 metus (iki 1941) pavienis (single) čempionas, 1942 metais nedalyvavo, o 1943 metais pralošė Frank Coyle iš New York Athletic Club, kurį vėl nugalėjo punktais 21-19, 21-8.

Porų (doubles) lošime Platak buvo čempionu praeitą metų su partneriu laivyno Lt. Bob Quinn, bet šį metų jie du pralaimėjo.

Juozas Platakas amerikono yra gerbiamas už jo sportiškumą ir Amerikos spauda mini, kad Joe Platak atnešė garbės tam sportui, kuriame jis dalyvauja.

Stanley Shimkus iš Detroit pasitraukė iš lošimo.

Town Club surengė vakarienę pagerbimui lošėjų, ypač čempioną Joe Platak.

Garbė yra Chicago lietuviams turėti tokį atletą, kuris kelia lietuvių vardą svetimtaučių tarpe. lošimo turėjo progą pasimatyt su giminėmis ir pažįstamais. Po to vėl grįžo į laivyno stovyklą Norfolk, Va. J. Jakubauskas.

now assembled at the United Nations Conference at San Francisco, California, for the purpose of drawing up a charter for world peace and security; and

WHEREAS, the delegates have solemnly dedicated themselves to the task of forging a permanent peace and thereby of becoming "the architects of a better world"; and

WHEREAS, the members of the United States Delegation to the United Nations Conference have been instructed, in the name of suffering

humanity, to stand for and adhere to those principles which will benefit all mankind; and

WHEREAS, the American Catholic Archbishops and Bishops, in their statements released November 16, 1944, and April 14, 1945, have clearly and unequivocally defined the principles for which the present war is being fought and those on which permanent peace must be based; and

WHEREAS, the proposed charter, in order to be an effective instrument to keep the peace, must provide for the recognition of the principle that all nations, strong and weak, are bound by the moral law and also must provide for an international "Bill of Rights" for all peoples, irrespective of race, color or creed; and

WHEREAS, all nations, large and small, are endowed by Almighty God with the inalienable right to govern themselves without intervention from any outside source; and

WHEREAS, The Republic of Lithuania and the other Baltic Republics are numbered among the small nations who are over struggling to assure for themselves the free exercise of the God-given right to self-government; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the delegates to the San Francisco Conference be urged to rise willingly above personal interests and to strive conscientiously for the setting up of a definite organization to keep the peace;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates support articles in the proposed world charter which will be based on Christian principles such as defined by the two statements of the American Catholic Archbishops and Bishops;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the United States Delegation to the Security Conference unyieldingly insist upon a world organization which will assure justice and equal rights to all nations, large and small, strong and weak, and which will prevent the infringement by large nations of the right of small nations to self-government and independence;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a duly authorized representative of the Republic of Lithuania and of the other Baltic Republics be permitted to sit at the sessions of the conference;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States of America, His Excellency Harry S. Truman; to the Chairman of the United States Delegation, Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.; to the other member of the United States Delegation, former Secretary of State Cordell Hull, Senator Tom Connolly, Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Representative Sol Bloom, Representative Charles A. Eaton, Commander Harold E. Stassen, and Dean Virginia Gildersleeve; to the Senators from Massachu-

Vyčiai, vyfės, įsigykite šią knygą

Informacijos Centro vėliausias leidinys, — "Ghillebert de Lannoy in Medieval Lithuania", susilaukė gražių atsiliepimų.

Kun. Thomas C. Chase: "I find it to me interesting, scholarly and well-written. Am certain that it will very definitely be a fine contribution to the Lithuanian cause for which you are laboring with such magnificent devotion, zeal and patience."

Latvių Drauga Vēts redakt. Karlis Purgailis: "It certainly is a very good work containing information not known even among the Baltics themselves. I congratulate very heartily the editors of this valuable work. We'll be glad to review the book".

New England Historic Genealogical Society, The Catholic Historical Review, The Presbyterian Historical Society, The Holland Society of New York, ir kitos istorinės organizacijos pažadėjo knygą recenzuoti. Ann Su Cardwell sakosi esanti "delighted" su veikalu, kuris leido jai daugiau faktų patirti apie Ghillebert de Lannoy. National Grange pirmininkas A. S. Goss esąs dėkingas už progą skaityti "this interesting account".

Tai tik nuotrupos iš tebeplaukiančių laiškų.

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setts, The Honorable David I. Walsh and The Honorable Leverett Saltonstall; and to the Representative from the Fourth Congressional District in Massachusetts, The Honorable Pehr G. Holmes.

Anthony J. Young

President

Tillie Aukštikalnis

Secretary

Two Detroit women have organized a group pledged to invest 14 percent of their monthly income in war bonds.



Officialus Skyrius



FINAL RESULTS OF MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We are happy to announce that our membership has grown in size and strength by having 284 new members join the KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA organization these last few months.

WINNER

The council attaining the highest percentage of its quota (238%) is C-103, Providence, R. I., and is to receive \$25.00 War Bond.

Following councils exceeded its quota and will receive special money prize set aside for this drive:

- 2) C-7, Waterbury, Conn.
- 3) C-18, Cambridge, Mass.
- 4) Seniors Council (Draugovė), Chicago, Ill.

Following Councils Participated In The Membership Drive

C-3, Philadelphia, Pa.	5
C-6, Hartford, Conn.	5
C-7, Waterbury, Conn.	50
C-10, Athol, Mass.	6
C-12, New York, N. Y.	4
C-13, Chicago, Ill.	8
C-17, South Boston, Mass.	9
C-18, Cambridge, Mass.	20
C-24, Chicago, Ill.	1
C-26, Worcester, Mass.	41
C-29, Newark, N. J.	5
C-36, Chicago, Ill.	4
C-41, Brooklyn, N. Y.	5
C-52, Elizabeth, N. J.	6
C-61, Paterson, N. J.	1
C-78, Lawrence, Mass.	2
C-90, Harrison-Kearny, N. J.	12
C-96, Dayton, Ohio	8
C-103, Providence, R. I.	31
C-113, Linden, N. J.	4
C-116, Worcester, Mass.	15
C-124, Jersey City, N. J.	3
Senior Council (Draugovės)	24
Subscribers	15
Total	284

Let's continue to pledge ourselves to do our utmost in upholding our membership and the ideals of the KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA organization to which our service members desire to come home to soon.

Phyllis Grendal
Supreme Council Fin. Sec.

Lietuvos Vyčių Seimas

Mūsų Seimas įvyks rugsėjo mėnesyje 21-23 d., Chicagos Vyčių apskrities vadovybėje, Cicero, Ill. kolonijoje, kur gražiai veikia 14-ta Vyčių kuopa ir sumaniai parapijai vadovauja nuoširdus Vyčių prietelis kun. Ignas Albavičius.

Organizacijai Seimas yra labai svarbus įvykis, nes ten apsvartoma svarbiausieji organizacijos reikalai, keičiama Konstitucijos ir, užsibriežiama naujos gairės ateities darbams. Seimas svarbu, bet jis nesudarys daug įspūdžio jei į Seimą mes skaitlingai nesuvažiuosime, ir jei suvažiuosime nepasiruošę.

Tvirtai tikiu, kad organizacijos nariai pilnai supranta Seimo svarbą, bet vistiek šia proga noriu visus nuoširdžiai kvieisti jau dabar pradėti į Seimą ruoštis.

Sulig Konstitucijos, į Seimą galite siųsti vieną atstovą nuo dešimts pilnai užsimokėjusių narių Centre su sprendžiamuoju balsu, todėl kuopų sekretorių ir valdybų prašau patikrinti savo narių stovį, padauginkite jų skaičių ir skaitlingai į Seimą!

Taip pat prašau kuopas, sušaukti skaitlingus susirinkimus, apsvarstyti organizacijos veikimą ir padaryti Seimui naudingų nutarimų. Daug bus sveikiau organizacijai, jei visi vieningai reikalus spėsime ir pilnai nuoširdžiai išsiaiškinsime.

Tad vieningai, nuoširdžiai ruoškimės Seimui!

Jūsų,

Pranas Razvadauskas,

L. Vyčių Centro pirm.

Membership Drive Report

C-6, Hartford, Conn.	Sponsor	Points
4. Grace Balchunas	?	10
5. Anne Levinskas	Agnes Dubin	10
C-7, Waterbury, Conn.		
49. Anne Bogush	Anne Mendle	20
50. Anne Sabis	Rev. J. Bogusas	20
C-10, Athol, Mass.		
3. Francis C. Andreliunas	Rev. Tamulevicius	10
4. Julia Lapenas	Charles Pinigis	10
5. Geneva Rimsa	Antina Vaitekunas	10
6. John Talakowski	Paul Morkūnas	20
C-12, New York, N. Y.		
4. Paul Jencius	?	20
C-13, Chicago, Ill.		
1. Antoinette Ciplis	?	20
2. Lucy Diktus	?	20
3. Sophie Janasas	?	20

ŽIEMOS VAKARAS

(Puškinu sekant).

Tamsi pūga dangų kloja,
Neša sniegą pakeliu,
Tai sukaukia, suvaitoja,
Tai pravirksta vaikeliu.

Tai ant stogo, tai pas vartus
Sniego debesius sukels,
Tai keleivių pasivertus
Į langelį pasibels.

Mūsų senąją griūtiutę
Daužo, verčia vėsulai...
Ko gi tu, meili senute,
Prie langelio nutilai?

Ar tos raudos šalto vėjo
Gimdo sieloje skausmus?
Ar jaunystės pagailėjo,
Kad toks veidas neramus?

Padainuok man, kaip bernelis
Jojo ginti Lietuvos,
Kaip jis kovės, lyg arelis,
Bet negrižo iš kovos.

Kaip darželyje sesutė
Pina rūtų vainikus,
Apgiedodama Birutę
Ir prabėgusius laikus...

Tamsi pūga dangų kloja,
Neša sniegą pakeliu,
Tai sukaukia, suvaitoja,
Tai pravirksta vaikeliu...

"Ašarėlės".



KUN. JONAS J. BAKANAS,
šv. Kazimiero par., Worcester, Mass.,
vikaras, L. Vyčių 26-tos kp. Dvasios
vadas, birželio 14 d. š. m. minėjo sa-
vo kunigavimo 15 metų sukaktį.

Kun. Jonas J. Bakanas gimė vasa-
rio 13, 1906, Worcester, Mass. Jo tė-
veliai Juozas ir Agnieška Bakanai
buvo atvykę iš Lietuvos

Kun. Jonas baigė Canterbury pra-

dinę mokyklą su atsižymėjimu moks-
le. Lankė South High per du metus,
paskui persikėlė į Passionate Fathers
Kolegiją, Dunkirk, N. Y., kur vėl su
atsižymėjimu baigė. Įstojo į Grand
Seminariją, Montreal, Kanadoje. Pa-
skutinius du metus seminarijos baigė
švč. Marijos Seminarijoje, Baltimo-
re, Md. Kun. Jonas J. Bakanas tapo
įšventintas kunigu birželio 14, 1930,
Springfield, Mass. Įšventino vysku-
pas Thomas M. O'Leary.

Pirmas iškilmingas šv. mišias at-
našavo šv. Kazimiero par. bažnyčio-
je, Worcester, Mass., birželio 15, 1930
m., kur per keletą pirmųjų mėnesių
buvo vikaru, o vėliau perkeltas į Ath-
ol, Mass., laikinuoju klebonu. Iš
Athol perkeltas klebonu į Westfield,
Mass. Gegužės, 1934, perkeltas į
Aušros Vartų par., Worcester, Mass.,
kur gražiai darbavosi iki birželio,
1940 m. Ir nuo to laiko buvo paskir-
tas į šv. Kazimiero parapiją. Jo link-
smas būdas atkreipė jaunimo dėmė-
sį ir jis pradėjo veikti nusilpnėjusioj
vyčių kuopoj, kurią greit sustiprino
nariais ir veikla. Kun. Jono Bakano
gyslose teka tikras, karštas, lietu-
viškas kraujas ir jis yra nuoširdus,
uolus vytis ir tikras jų reikalų rė-
mėjas.

Šia proga sveikiname gerbiamąjį
sukaktuvininką ir linkime ilgiausių
metų!
Vytė.

4. Adeline Karklelis	?	20
5. Eleanore Laurin	?	20
6. Frances Synkevich	?	20
7. Anna Zabalevicius	?	20
8. Helen Zabalevicius	?	20

C-18, Cambridge, Mass.

1. Mrs. Helen M. Antil	Peter Puzin	20
2. Frances (Bakaveckas)	Burt Jean Malin	10
3. Aileen Culpin	Jean Malin	10
4. Albin F. Janunas	Dr. P. Luzackas	-----
5. Lt. Alberta D. Malin	Pauline Malin	20
6. Theodore J. Mankus	Peter V. Puzinas	20
7. Vito Pilkins	Pauline Malin	20
8. Albert G. Puzinas	Peter V. Puzinas	20
9. Edward Puzinas	Peter V. Puzinas	20
10. Joseph Puzinas	Peter V. Puzinas	20
11. John Raulinaitis	Peter V. Puzinas	20
12. John Samalis	Peter V. Puzinas	20
13. Alphonse C. Shakalis	Peter V. Puzinas	20
14. Lt. Edward Shakalis	Brenda Pilkins	20
15. Peter A. Shakalis	Dr. P. Luzackas	-----
16. Henry Survilas	?	20
17. Alice Skibauskas	Peter V. Puzinas	20
18. Adele M. Westyumas	Stella S. Zulon	10
19. Wanda G. Yankun	Pauline Malin	10
20. Natalie B. Zeles	Peter V. Puzinas	20

C-24, Chicago, Ill.

1. Theresa Akwich	Ignas Sakalas	20
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C-26, Worcester, Mass.

32. Rita Brazauskas	dur. memb. drive	10
33. Alberta R. Kavaliauskas	d. memb. drive	20
34. Rose Kuchinskis	Mary Kuchinskis	10
35. Rita Liubauskas	dur. memb. drive	10
36. Eve A. Maleskas	Ann Maleskas	10
37. Albina Matulis	Mrs. J. F. Jurgelonis	20
38. Helen Nagonionis	Adele Ivaska	10
39. Mrs. Mary Nygard	Irene Uzdavinis	10
40. Rita G. Rice	Mary Kuchinskis	10
41. Catherine Sturgis	dur. memb. drive	10

C-41, Brooklyn, N. Y.

4. Sylvester Klimas	K. Kazlauskas	20
5. Juliana Zukaitis	Joseph Boley	10

C-61, Paterson, N. J.

1. Adele Ragauskas	Dorothy Dutkus	10
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C-78, Lawrence, Mass.

2. Francis R. Vencius	dur. memb. drive	20
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C-90, Harrison-Kearny, N. J.

2. Mary Bachanas	?	20
3. Bernard Gerulat	?	10
4. Thomas Gerulat	?	20
5. Eleanor Katilus	?	10
6. Joseph Kohanski	?	20
7. George Matailitus	?	20
8. Antoinette McKeonis	?	20
9. Charles Nakrosis, Jr.	?	20
10. Ann Peters	?	20

11. Jack Stukas	?	20
12. John Zilas	?	10
<i>C-96, Dayton, Ohio</i>		
7. Lillian Naginis	Peter Petkus	10
8. Virginia Lea Naginis	Peter Petkus	10
<i>C-103, Providence, R. I.</i>		
24. Helen Belconis	Mrs. H. Kachanis	10
25. Peter Ciurila AOM 3/c	Mrs. H. Kachanis	20
26. Eleanor Murphy	Mrs. H. Kashanis	20
27. Evelyn Murphy	Mrs. H. Kachanis	20
28. Anastasia Savickas	Bertha Ciocys	10
29. G. Tamasauskas, Cox	Mrs. H. Kachanis	20
30. Ann Uždavinis	Mrs. H. Kachanis	10
31. Pvt. Joseph Vaitkunas	Mrs. H. Kashanis	20
<i>C-116, Worcester, Mass.</i>		
14. Helen Dusavich	Irene Sakus	10
15. Thomas Overka	Rev. J. Jutkevicius	10
<i>Senior Members (Draugovės nariiai), Chicago, Ill.</i>		
23. Jadvyga Čepulienė	Ig. Sakalas	20
24. Sophie Navickas Ward	Ig. Sakalas	20

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Jennie Penevich, Waterbury	Mrs. M. Colney	10

L. Vyčių Dovanų Kontestui Praėjus

Birželio 14 d., 1945 m., pp. Prano ir Genovaitės Razvadauskų, L. Vyčių Centro pirm. rezidencijoje, 5 "G" St., So. Bostone, įvyko skaitlingas pobankietinis L. Vyčių susirinkimas, kuriame buvo ir L. Vyčių dovanų laimėjimai išaiškinti ir laimingaisiais paliko šie: pirmą dovaną laimėjo — 27938 — Anna Bubness iš Dickson City, Pa.; antrą dovaną — 17040 — Emily Burbul, iš So. Boston, Mass. Laimingiesiems tuojaus pranešta jų paduotais adresais ir prašyta prisiųsti tikietus, kad galima būtų pasiųsti dovanas teisingam jų savininkui. *Rap.*

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N. N.	10.00
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Nellie Pechulis, So. Boston, Mass.	1.20
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Mrs. Lillian Kudarauskas	1.20
A. Šilalis, Worcester, Mass.	1.20
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Visiems nuoširdiems jaunimo prieteliams ir rėmėjams nuoširdžiausiai tariau ačiū!

Jūsų,
Pranas Razvadauskas,
L. Vyčių Centro pirm.

Širdingai Ačiū!

Širdingiausiai dėkoju vyčiui Petručiui Varakučiui iš Chicagos už jo nuoširdumą L. Vyčiams, kuris finansuoja šią Vyties laidą.

L. Vyčiai Jums bus amžinai dėkingi!

Pr. Razvadauskas,
L. Vyčių Centro pirm.

Highlights of the 30th Anniversary of "Vytis"

Our organization celebrated the 30th anniversary of the publication of its magazine the "Vytis" with a jubilee dinner-dance at the Hotel Touraine in Boston Wednesday evening June 6, 1945.

More than 400 attended this dinner-dance at the Hotel Touraine located in the heart of downtown Boston, with Father John Jutkevicius of So. Worcester and Spiritual Director of the New England District saying the opening prayer. A choral group from Worcester accompanied at the piano by Joseph Zemaitis led the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and the Lithuanian Anthem. Ludwig Juht, Contra bass of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, rendered bass solos during dinner.

Supreme President Frank Razvadauskas opened the after-dinner program with an expression of sincere thanks to the members of his committee, to the clergy, to all the businessmen for their generous contributions and to everyone present for making this occasion such an outstanding success. The progress of our publication throughout the 30 years of its existence was not a path of roses — we had our joys and our sorrows but we kept to our ideals and survived. The sincerity of his words will linger in the memories of all those present. In closing he presented Dr. Joseph Antanelis of Council 17, the toastmaster of the evening.

Dr. Joseph Antanelis in his usual inimitable manner lent wit and humor to this joyous occasion. He introduced the Rev. John Jutkevicius of So. Worcester who expressed apologies from his pastor Rev. Constantine Vasys who was unable to attend because of his church duties and read a letter, a special message from Father Vasys. In his remarks he wrote — "There is no doubt in any Catholic leader's mind that the "Vytis" cemented Lithuanian activity in America". As a penance, self imposed, for any disappointments he may have caused by not coming in person he enclosed his personal check for \$15.00 with wishes that we keep up our good work.

Vocal selections by the Worcester choral group, brought memories to many of the older persons especially "Močiute Mano" and "Oi, oi, oi". During these selections His Excellency Maurice J. Tobin, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entered and the audience burst into a thundering applause of welcome.

In his greetings, His Excellency the Governor, acknowledged the



p-lė LEONORA J. GLINECKYTĖ, L. Vyčių 17 kuopos Board Direktorė, birželio 7 d. š. m. po keturių metų sunkaus darbo sekmingai užbaigė mokytojų kursą Mokytojų Kolegijoje, Bostone, ir gavo B. S. laipsnį. Nuo pat pradžios mokslo p. Leonora pasižymėjo savo gabumais. Būdamą Mokytojų Kolegijoje, ji trečiaisiais mokslo metais buvo klasės vice-pirmininkė, metinio leidinio "Lompos" literatūros redaktorė buvo ketvirtaisiais metais, ir beveik visuose Kolegijos veikimuose ji buvo aktyvi narė. Ji parašė žodžius savo klasės dainai, kuri buvo sudainuota Klasės Dienoje.

Mokytoja Leonora Glineckytė dabar yra pilnai pasiruošus mokytojos darbui. Tikrenybėje, kaip tik ji užbaigė mokslus ir gavo laipsnį, tai buvo pakviesta mokytojauti Choate Burron mokykloje, So. Bostone.

Pažymėtina, kad mokytoja Leonora iš pat jaunų dienų veikia ir lietuvių jaunimo veikloje — Vyčiuose ir kitose jaunimo organizacijose.

Šia proga sveikiname vybę Leonorą ir linkime pasisekimo ir tolimesnės veiklos su Vyčiais! **Vytis.**

honor bestowed upon him as an Honorary Chairman of this occasion. He compared the struggle of Lithuania for independence throughout the years to that of Ireland, the mother country of his parents. "A country cannot be half free and half enslaved. Liberty is one of the natural rights of man endowed by God. We, here in America, want to see free people in the entire world. Lithuanians can only turn to the Lithuanians in America to gain salvation. If America principles do not survive at this peace table then our boys who have given their lives for the

preservation of the American way of life shall have died in vain."

Other pressing engagements made it necessary for the Governor to leave early. Before leaving Attorney John Grigalus of Council 17 personally introduced the guests of honor at the head table to the Governor in this order: Larry Svelnis, President of the New England District; Mrs. John Grigalus; Phyllis Grendal, Supreme Financial Secretary; Rev. John Jutkevicius, Spiritual Director of the New England District; Anthony F. Kneizys, Editor of "Darbininkas"; Mrs. Frank Razvadauskas, wife of our Supreme President; Dr. Joseph Antanelis, Toastmaster; Frank Razvadauskas, Supreme President; Mrs. Joseph Antanelis; Rev. V. Puidokas of Westfield, Supreme Spiritual Director; Mrs. Anthony J. Young, atty Anthony J. Young, Supreme Ritual Committee member; Mrs. Myra Alukonis, President of Council 17; Michael Norkunas, the founder and Father of our organization; Attorney Anthony Miller of Worcester; and Rev. Anthony Tamulevicius, Spiritual Director of Athol Council.

A stirring address was delivered by Supreme Spiritual Director, Rev. V. Puidokas. "Coming to Boston makes me feel that I come to the activity in America. Youth is the center of Lithuanian culture and foundation of the family and of our country. The Knights of Lithuania possesses the flower of youth growing and working for God and Country. Youth without faith in God is worthless, and he who forgets his mother country is not worthy of the respect of his fellow man. As long as we have united Lithuanian youth in America we will never lose our mother country. Hands out to the Lithuanian youth of America for they live and work for "God and Country".

Mrs. Myra Alukonis, accompanied by Ralph Jusko at the piano rendered a group of Lithuanian songs.

Attorney John Grigalus brought the greetings of the City of Boston in behalf of the Mayor John E. Kerrigan who was unable to be present.

Anthony Kneizys, editor of the "Darbininkas" and one of our active K. of L. members since its early days delivered the principal address. No person less qualified could so ably present to the audience the characters of our great leaders; the editors, the writers and contributors must have been endowed with a great spirit of complete devotion. Great are those men, who by their writings have enriched the American born Lithuanian with knowledge of Lithuanian history and the honor of our race. Still greater are those who read, listen and follow the advice of



SO. BOSTON, MASS.

COUNCIL 17

The K. of L. dinner held June sixth at the Hotel Touraine, Boston, Mass., turned out to be very successful. Many councils were represented. Even the distant ones, as Hartford and Waterbury, were well represented. We hope we shall continue to see them at our functions.

Father Al Abracinskas, our spiritual advisor, successfully carried out his campaign for collecting money for the Sisters' new home in Brockton.

We are looking forward to the first Masses held by Rev. John Bernatonis and Rev. Al Janusonis, both members of C-17.

Tony Strow, a servicemen from our council is now home on furlough, after being somewhere in the Pacific for nine months.

Frankie Markuns, brother of Lucy Markuns, one of our active members, was seen around Boston lately.

The council received a letter from Tony Zardeskas, in which he stated, among other things, that he would like to receive mail from his friends. At this point, the female members of our council took out their handkerchiefs.

Rumor has it that Steve Mickevich is now leading the life of a farmer.

those great idealists and by their example they guide our growing youth. Great leaders have come from our ranks and our present Supreme President is a symbol of such leadership.

Glancing around a bit we observed our outstanding businessmen but too numerous to mention all by name in this article. Clergy from Waterbury, Conn., Providence, R. I., Athol, Cambridge, Worcester, So. Boston sitting with their local council groups in a true Catholic atmosphere made this anniversary a typical Knights of Lithuania success.

To the dance music of the Douglas orchestra with graceful ladies in our arms we finished a memorable evening and feel sorry if you not there.

Your Observer.



DR. P. LUZECKAITĖ,

L. Vyčių 18-tos kuopos, Cambridge, Mass., pirmininkė, nuoširdžiai kviečia visus lietuvius ir jų prietelius atvykti į L. Vyčių pikniką, kuris įvyks Liepos - July 29, Keistučio Darže, Oakland Grove, East Dedham, Mass.

FORCAST: A wonderful time for all who will attend the picnic July 29th. It is being held by Council 17 and 18. We will challenge any council in strength: in singing, dancing or in eating. So bring out all your ablest members and get set for a wonderful time. "Wine (or a substitute) women, and all the available males we can lay our hands on, and song!" Plenty of the latter.

We will also challenge any other council's softball team, if they think they have the slightest chance in winning. How about it — you members of Brockton council?

OAKLAND GROVE in DEDHAM is the PLACE. JULY 29, 1945 is the DATE. We know that all who will attend, will wish to participate in the twilight singing. Bring some good singers along and see if there will be competition.

Wishes to Ruth Ykasala, vice president of Brockton council, for a

speedy recovery from recent operation.

NOTE: If Pat from Waterbury still likes blondes, he will find a good supply of them at our picnic.

Hoping to see many of you at Dedham, the 29th.

The Bubling Cauldron.

JUNIORS OF C-17

This is the first report emanating from the Junior K. of L. Since we are a new sub group, there is not much to report. We have had our first beano party and dance. Both were successful. Also, we started a bowling team and meet once a month — girls vs. boys. A whist party is scheduled next, which we hope will be a great success. Last of all, we are planning to have a picnic this summer. As you see there is never a dull moment.

Everyone ought to appreciate fully the value and importance of organizing the youth, because in the hands of our youth lies the destiny of the United States, Lithuania and the future K. of L.

The international standing of Lithuania's future will depend upon the affection and esteem that the Lithuanian youth for the country of their parents.

We all earnestly hope that other councils will organize Junior K. of L's and as a result a two-fold end will be accomplished. The first result will be that in the hearts of every youth there will be embedded a true love for Lithuania, the second end attained will be that juvenile delinquency will be curtailed.

It is due to Larry Svelnis' co-operation and under his guidance, that this junior club, numbering over 30 members, is flourishing.

Alphonse Palaima—president
Virginia H. Petraitis—vice pres.

(Let's hear from other junior clubs, recently organized).





P-nia PALMYRA ALUKONIENĖ,
(ANTANĖLYTĖ),

L. Vyčių 17 Algirdo kuopos pirmininkė, rengiamojo PIKNIKO, kuris įvyks Liepos-July 29, 1945, Keistučio darže, Oakland Grove, East Dedham, Mass., viena iš tvarkytojų ir sumanytojų. Jos pranešimu piknikas žada būti labai gražus. Įvyks žaidimai, visoki kontestai, dainos, dovanų laimėjimai, muzika, užkandžiai ir daug kitų surpizų. Pati p. Alukonienė yra simpatinga veikėja su jaunimu ir be to sekminga dainininkė. Ji nuoširdžiai kviečia jaunimą ir senimą atvykti į VYČIŲ PIKNIKĄ.

Atitaisymas

Straipsnyje "Dovanos už raštus "Vytį" Lietuvių kalba"

Nors redakcijos prierašas, jog talpina pilnai nieko ne pridėjus, vienok, tur būt, raidžių statytojas kaip ką apleido.

Skamba: "Darbininkas" išleido porą gražių knygų: Liurdo Stebuklai ir kun. P. Juro maldaknygę, o dabar ruošinama spaudai kun. Dr. K. Urbonavičiaus knygą — "Vytis ir Erelis". Tai begalo tinkama jaunimui knyga.

Kas rašinėš į "Vytį" straipsnelius, eilutes, juokelius, žinutes iš kuopų, apskričių veikimo bei šiaip jaunimo klausimais, tiems duosiu dovanas. Dovanas galės pasirinkti kiekvienas vieną iš viršminėtų trijų knygų, kuri kam labiausiai patiks, ir po 12 paveikslų.

Čia turėjo būti: kas rašinėš į "Vytį" straipsnelius, eilutes, juokelius, žinutes iš kuopų, apskričių veikimo bei šiaip jaunimo klausimais lietuvių kalba, tiems duosiu dovanų. Trys iš pirmųjų, kurie daugiausiai rašinėš, vieną iš virš minėtų knygų pasirinks

Pasitrauk, nežiūrėk...

(Laisvai verstas romansas)

Pasitrauk, nežiūrėk,
Leisk kentėti tyliai,
Meilės žodžių netart,
Amžinai, amžinai...

Aš klaidingam kely,
Kad tave taip myliu,
Vai, nelemta mums eit
Tuo pačiu keleliu...

Pasitrauk, nežiūrėk, ir t.t.

Į tave iš nykstaš
Kreipiu žvilgsnį liūdnei
Ir kasdien be vilties
Tau kartoja aidai:

Pasitrauk, nežiūrėk, ir tt.

Nesuprasi tu, ne
Aistrių mano minčių,
Neišvysi akim
Mano sielos kančių.

Pasitrauk, nežiūrėk,
Leisk kentėti tyliai,
Meilės žodžių netart
Amžinai, amžinai.

Ant. Žemaitis.

ir 12 fotografijų istorinių vietų iš Lietuvos.

Kiti visi, kad ir mažiausias tilps koks rašinėlis lietuvių kalba, gaus po 12 minėtų paveikslų.

Kuopų, apskričių ir centro valdybų raštai lietuvių kalba bus skaitomi eilėn. (Tai pridėjau, jog per daug seimų buvo užgirta, kad Centro reikalai organe būtų talpinami lietuvių kalba).

Redakcijos nuolankiai prašau atitaisyti.

Rašinius pradėsiu registruoti su birželio mėnesiu.

M. A. NORKŪNAS,

Box 371 Lawrence, Mass.



P-lė AMELIA VALLIS,

L. Vyčių 17 kuopos veikli ir uoli narė - vytė. Rengiant L. Vyčių organo "Vyties" 30-ties metų sukakties jubiliejinį bankietą, kuris įvyko birželio - June 6, Hotel Touraine, Bostone, ji buvo viena iš Priėmimo komisijos narių ir maloniai teikėsi patarnauti svečiams ir viešnioms.

Malonu čia pažymėti, kad p-lė Amalia yra kilus iš skaitlingos šeimos. Jos tėveliai išaugino aštuonius vaikučius — keturias mergaites ir keturius sūnus. Trys jos broliai tarnauja Dėdės Samo karo tarnyboje. Ji gi dirba Navy Yard karo darbą. Pereitais metais, kaip buvo nuleidžiamas ir suteikiamas vardas naujai pastatytam laivui — LST. 1000— ji buvo išrinkta iš darbininkių to laivo krikšto ceremonijose, kaip Maid of Honor. Dabartiniu laiku tas laivas tarnavo Okinawa salos karuose.

Džiaugiamės mūsų energingomis vytėmis ir linkime joms pasisekimo!

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A. A. JULIUS F. JURGELIONIS

Šiomis dienomis gauta liūdna žinia, kad mirė Julius F. Jurgelionis, m. m. 1/c, U.S.N.R., Vyčių 26 kuopos narys, vos sulaukęs 23 metų amžiaus, linksmas, tikrai lietuviškas jaunuolis, baigęs šv. Kazimiero pradinę mokyklą, Komercijos aukštesniąją mokyklą ir Worc. Boys Trade School, kur mokėsi mašinisto darbą. Taipgi mokėsi Patterson Correspondence School. Įstojo į USNR spalį 7, 1942, ir buvo išsiųstas į Wentworth Institute, kur toliau mokinosi mašinisto darbą. Baigęs mokslą, apturėjo machinist-mate 1/c laipsnį. Paskirtas tarnauti ir mašinisto pareigas eiti ant Destroyer ir per devyniolika mėnesių tarnavo Atlantike. Buvo Afrikoj Cassablankoj, Italijoje, Anglijoje, Airijoje, ir Pranciūzijoje ir apturėjo keletą žvaigždžių. Vėliau tapo išsiųstas į Pacifiko salas.

Sausio 7, 1945, buvo mirtinai sužeistas Okinawa saloj. Balandžio 10, 1945, palaidotas su gražiom, militariskom, katalikiškom pamaldom.

Jis buvo uolus, nuoširdus 26 kuopos Vyčių narys ir visuomet stropiai dirbo visuose parengimuose. Jo malonus balsas buvo girdėti visuomet šv. Kazimiero par chore. Jis visuomet sutikdavo visus su linksma šypsena ir lietuviška daina.

Dideliame nuliūdime paliko netik žmoną, Marijoną, tėvelius Praną ir Marcelę, sesutes Ievą ir Teresiukę, bet ir visą Vyčių 26 kuopą ir šv. Kazimiero parapijos chorą. Tikrai netekome nuoširdaus draugo ir gero pavyzdingo jaunuolio. Už jį yra daug užprašytų šv. mišių šv. Kazimiero par. bažnyčioje. **Vytė.**

CHICAGO, ILL.

COUNCIL 5

The K. of L. Council 5 of North Side has again opened its doors to renew old members and to gain new friends.

A very important meeting was held on Wed., June 13, at the Parish Hall. Quite a few old members attended this very important meeting of renewing the K. of L. again. There were also a few very distinguished guests to attend, to give us a few pointers to get started to help make Council 5 of North Side as good a group as we had in the years gone by. There were such guests as I. Sakalas, V. Pajaujis, S. Šimulis, K. Zaromskis, P. Misius and many others.

We then agreed to elect a temporary committee of offices to help form a better and bigger group. We elected the officers as follows; Pres. W. Bagentas, vice-pres. S. Cirbulis and V. Rėkus, sek. L. Stankus, treas. J. Lebzinskas, fin. sec. Al Planciunas, fin. trustees, L. Serpetis and E. Daugirdas.

After the meeting refreshments and drinks were served.

Secretary **Lillian Stankus.**

DAYTON, OHIO

COUNCIL 96

Greetings! Here I am again to give you the latest news on the latest doings of Council 96.

If you enjoy dancing the polka, you would have had a wonderful time at the K. of L. dance held May 12th in the church hall. Polka's, polka's, and more polka's were played during the evening... also, a few waltzes!

Šalta Žiemužė

*Šalta žiemužė žiedus sutraukė,
Jauna mergelė bernelio laukė!
Oi lylia, lylia, oi, lylia, lylia
Jauna mergelė bernelio laukė!*

*Laukiant sulaukė, piršliai atjojo.
Jauna mergelė pasidabojo.
Tėveli mano, senasis mano,
Ar mane leisi už to bernelio?*

*Motule mano, širdede mano,
Ar pažadėsi mane berneliui?
Broleli mano, jaunasis mano,
Ar palydėsi mane laukeliu?*

*Sesele mano, jaunoji mano,
Ar man suskinsi žalių rūtelių?
Pučia vėjelis iš ano krašto,
Vis nesulaukia bernelio rašto.*

A Mother's Day party was held on May 13th in the church hall and thanks to the service of Lillian Naginis, Pete Petkus, Martha Birbal, and Stella Birbal, who made the hamburger (and it was good, too!), waited on tables, and even worked behind the bar, the party turned out very nicely. The parents enjoyed themselves by playing cards and partaking of the refreshments.

Nothing new has been planned in the near future but you never know what's going to happen next — especially in Dayton!

Here is this month's "Who's Who": This month's lass is of medium

height;

Brown eyes and brown hair suit her just right.

Dancing, bowling, and baking (?) interest her most —

Also a certain solder, who is leaving for the coast.

She is often seen in her favorite color — very green!

Last month's "Who's Who" was... Miss Lillian Naginis. **S.M.B.**



p-lė EUGENIJA GLINECKYTĖ,

Jono ir Sofijos Glineckijų dukrelė, kuri šiais metais užbaigė South Boston High School, už nepaprastą pasižymėjimą moksle gavo tos mokyklos keturiems metams stipendiją Kolegijon. Iš penkių tos mokyklos graduančių dvi lietuvaitės laimėjo stipendijas keturiems metams, būtent, Eugenija Glineckytė ir Marijona Apolytė. Abi yra pavyzdingos katalikės, priklauso prie šv. Petro lietuvių parapijos ir Lietuvos Vyčių 17 kp.

Sveikiname Eugeniją ir Apolytę ir linkime pasisekimo moksle ir jaunimo veikloje!

CICERO, ILL.

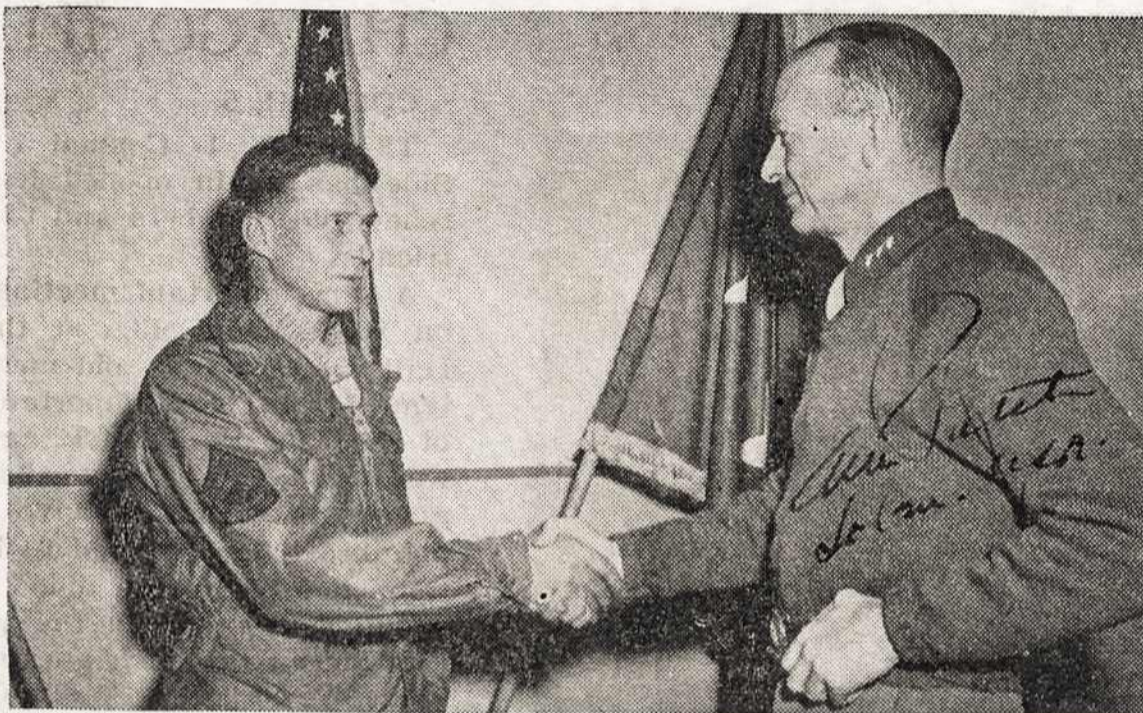
COUNCIL 14

Six years ago a few members grouped together and discussed the future welfare of Council 14. Stanley Kiskunas then suggested, "let's ask that new priest in our parish to be our Spiritual Advisor".

Fresh from Mundelein came a newly ordained priest to our parish, Father Juulian Grinius. Acting on Stanley's suggestion, this little group cornered a shy young curate. "Father, we want you to be our Spiritual Advisor". He was slightly awed and speechless, but answered firmly: — "I'll be glad to become a K. of L. member and your spiritual advisor". That was the begining of a long and beautiful friendship. The club was very small at that time having about eight active members. Father's acceptance went around in thunder bolt fashion and word spread like wildfire. "We have a priest, who is helping the K. of L's." Membership mounted and soared, reaching the pinnacle of satisfaction. The war began. Slowly the boys left for the service and membership gains halted. A slight recession and a temporary standstill had to be endured, but the club kept going on, for as one member remarked, "we still have Father Julian." When advice was sought, help needed, we always had the Padre. His tireless efforts and undying spirit always carried us through. In Father Julian we had a priest that one always dreams about.



IŠLAISVINTAS — Edward Uzemeckis, su savo sūnum Noel, 18 mėnesių amžiaus, išlaisvintas iš vokiečių nelaisvės. Prieš pašauksiant į karą, Ed. Uzemeckis buvo vieno Chicago dienraščių "Chicago Times" korespondentas.



MEDAL OF HONOR WINNER—T/Sgt. Stanley Benderis, of 3935 S. California Ave., Chicago, Ill., shakes hands with Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, Jr., commanding general, U. S. 7th Army, after receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor in France, Jan. 21. Benderis' was cited for leading an assault that destroyed two anti-tank guns, captured 37 Germans and killed 26, took town of La Londe, France, and three bridges intact. He is wearing the medal around his neck.

He was another Father Chisholm, as in The Keys of the Kingdom. We had, a priest who was with us in all of our undertakings and recreation. Father Julian was very instrumental in the success of the Chicago District. He always encouraged Marianne, the District president, to keep on going. He kept saying, "Marianne, the sun will shine brightly once you're there". Through his unrestrained energy in working for the District he helped bring the National Convention on our grounds under the auspices of the Chicago District.

We didn't regard Father only as a priest, he was one of us, a buddy — advisor and a Friend. When word was received that Father Julian was transferred, it seemed that a great black cloud overshadowed us. Tears were shed, for every one who knew him, respected and admired him. Every member of Council 14 will say, "thru the K. of L's we have gained a friend in need and deed, his spirit will live with all the members".

The work that our friend had begun must continue. That's how he wishes it to be. And that's how our dear Pastor wants it to be. For our beloved Pastor, Father Albavičius, knowing the needs of the youth, without further ado appointed Father Julians' buddy, the amiable Father Stanley Gaucius to Council 14.

At our last meeting, many members came through the torrential rains to welcome our new member and Spiritual Advisor, and thank the Pastor. Through everybody's heart

ran a singularly uniform phrase, "A friend of Father Julian's, is a Friend of Ours. Welcome to Council 14, Father Stanley. We hope to make your abode a happy one". Through a grape vine system we have already heard of the fine organizational work Father Stanley has done with the Sodalists in Bridgeport, and sincerely feel that he will like lending a helping hand to the K. of L's, too.

To Father Julian in his new parish, our love and prayers. May Almighty God help you in your new quarters, for you always know the friends you left on the other side of the fence will always be ready to help you in whatever you may need. God Speed and Good Luck". In closing, Father, remember you still are a Council 14 member and we know will always be with us and won't say good bye but" so long; we'll be seeing you later".

Much has happened in our councils calender of peaceful living, consoling thoughts to our vice president, Wally Arbir, our sincerest regrets on the loss of his mother.

Sympathetic words to Florence Yuravicius and her parents on the death of her uncle and mother's brother. Also words of condolence are extended to Eleanor Kandratas upon the sudden passing of her cousin Geraldine Davis.

Stelle has returned from a most enjoyable Eastern trip. From remarks heard it looks like a grand time was had. Also back to the grind stone is Aldona Sleinis, after a restful week out east. Or was it restful Aldut? ..Vince.

Lithuanian Legionnaires of the Darius - Girenas Post are initiating another important job, and that is, collecting the names of all Chicago's Lithuanian Servicemen and Servicewomen. The Darius-Girenas Post is erecting an Honor Roll on which these names will appear. We ask one simple thing of all Lithuanian, please secure and complete special registration cards which be obtained from parish rectories, newspaper offices, banks, Building & Loan Associations and local stores as well as directly from the Darius-Girenas Post headquarters to which these cards are to be returned.

Please fill in this card (print) stamp and mail at once. We are going to build a permanent Honor Roll for all the Lithuanian Servicemen of Cook County.



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Lietuvos Vyčiams

Brangus yr' vyčiai vardas jūsų,
Garsus protėvių jis darbais;
Ką nuveikė jie savo amžiais,
Tą jums nuveikti da priseis.
Protėviai jūs, tai dori ainiai,
Karšti, prakilnūs lietuviai;
Tai vyrai stiprūs, tvirto būdo,
Tai mūs narsiausi kareiviai!
Kad vardą tą, pagarbos pilną
Garsių protėvių užlaikyt;
Ir jums reik eiti jų pėdomis
Ir stengtis jų doras įgyt.
Dorų tų pamatu *Tikyba*
Tvirtai prie Dievo rišo juos;
Ji švietė jiems laike tamsybių,
Stiprybę sėmė jie iš jos.
Nėra jėgos visam pasauly,
Kurį tą žmogų nugalėt,
Kursai tikėdams vien tik Dievu,
Jį tikrai gerbtų ir mylėt.
Pilni tikybos mūsų bočiai,
Galiūnais tapo amžinai.
Ir jūs, vyčiai, galiūnais tapsit,
Jei tik tikėsite tvirtai.

Kun. J. Židanavičius.



Joseph A. Mickeliunas
Past Commander and Publicity
Chairman of Honor Roll and
Registration Committee.

War Department Approves Flag



Use of the veterans honorable discharge emblem on the World War II Employment Flag (shown above) has been approved by the War Department. Similar to the Service Flag showing the number of former employees in the armed forces, the Employment Flag designates the number of returned World War II veterans being employed. Display of an Employment Flag was originally proposed last year by the Disabled American Veterans, and since that time DAV Chapters throughout the nation have been urging industry to display the new Employment Flag. The emblem is gold on a white background, edged in blue.

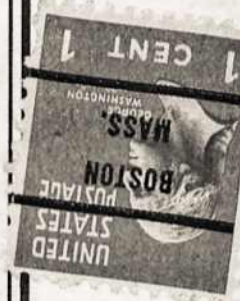
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