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# Pergalės Varpai...

## Žiupsnelis minčių Velykų proga

Niekad neužmiršiu ano šv. Petro bazilikos varpų skambėjimo Romoje! Tai buvo lygiai prieš 10 metų, kai dabartinis popiežius Pijus XII, kardinolų išrinktas, o šv. Dvasios paženklintas, sėdosi į šv. Petro sostą ir tvirtai suėmė Bažnyčios vairą į savo sumanias rankas.

Visi tada džiaugėmės ir pakilusia nuotaika išklausė Caccia Dominioni pranešimo: "Pranešu jums didį džiaugsmą!" Taip, visų širdys tada jautė tą džiaugsmą. O ką širdys jautė, tą skelbė bazilikos varpai.

Jų gaudimas pasklido kaip tik tuo momentu, kai minia pasuko į Tiberio pusę. Visų veidai kažkaip sykiu atsigręžė į varpus, kurie taip jaunai, sakyčiau, linksmi, sukosi bokštuose. Tai nebuvo įprastas skambėjimas! Tai buvo tiesiog šauksmas į erdves, į pasaulį, — galingas, visus virpinantis, banguojantis it galingos jūrų vilnys.

Minia žiūrėjo, klausėsi ir negalėjo atsидžiaugti. Mačiau net džiaugsmo ašaras akyse.

Ir tuo pat metu visus laikė apėmęs tas pat jausmas: pergalė stovi prieš akis... Varpų skambėjimas davė visiems drąsos ir kažkokių garantijų, kurių visi laukė, visi, kurie matė gedulo dienas, Pijui XI pasimirus, ir kurie žengė liūdnais "Scala dei Morti" laiptais. Gedulas nūdien nustumtas į užmiršimo pasaulį, o džiaugsmas ir būsiančios pergalės ženklai davė visiems tvirtybės, vilčių ir noro dirbti.

Ar ne panašiai gaudžia kasmet grįžtančių Velykų varpai? Velykos mums vaizduoja pergalę, kokios pasaulio istorija neregėjo ir neberegės. Jos mums primena anuos pranašo žodžius: "Vakar dar buvo verksmai, gi šiandien pakilo džiaugsmi". Vakar dar buvo niūri Didžioji Savaitė, o ypač Didžiojo Penktadienio tragedija. Kristaus priešai trynėsi sau rankas ir džiaugėsi besiantinančia pergale. Pilotas, Kaipas ir Erodas, — tai tik trys rūšys Kristaus priešų, anais laikais ir šiandien. Tuo momentu, kai priešai džiūgavo, tikėdamies "Jį sutrinti", štai pakilo pergalės garsai: "Jis prisikėlė". Kristus nugalėjo mirtį, sutramdė savo priešus, o visai žmonijai atidarė naujų vilčių ir naujo gyvenimo šaltinius.

Velykos visada vaizduoja mūsų pergalės šventę. Ir kasmet jos, grįždamos, suteikia mums naujų pajėgų, naujos drąsos, pakilimo iš apatijos ir nusiminimo. Velykos — tai savotiškas pavasaris. Gi Lietuvoj tat dar smarkiau pajusdavom, nes ir gamta tada įsijungia ten į kažkokį pergalės himną. Šilti vėjeliai varo nuo girių ir nuo kalvų rūkus. Sniegas tirpsta. Pakyla upės ir ežerai, nusipurto žiemos pančius ir laisvai, lyg dainuodami, skelbia savo pergalę. Pasigirsta vuturėlio čirenimas. Pavasario skelbėjai suteikia drąsos ir jėgų dirbti, krutėti, nepasiduoti.



POPIEŽIUS PIJUS XII

*Kovo mėnesį suėjo dešimt metų, kai popiežius Pijus XII valdo Katalikų Bažnyčią. Švento Petro Sostan jisai sėdo neramiais laikais. Ištikus karo audroms, jis skelbė tikrą, patvarią ir teisingą taiką visiems žmonėms ir visoms tautoms. Valstybių vadai neišgirdo jo balso, ir šiandien pasauliui gresia nauji sukrėtimai. Įniršę priešai puola ir pačią Katalikų Bažnyčią. Pijus XII didžiu sumanymu vairuoja Kristaus laivą per šias žemės audras ir rodo žmonijai meilės, taikos ir dvasios viešpatavimą.*

*Ištikus sunkiai daliai Lietuvą, Šventas Tėvas visa širdimi rūpinasi geresne jos ateitimi ir teisingumu mūsų tėvų žemei.*

Ką lietuviui skelbia velykinis gamtos atgimimas, tą pat sako ir tautos dainius Maironis. Ir jis prisimena buvusį liūdesį, buvusius vargus; bet randa ir paguodos:

*Nuo saulės rytų iki jos užtemimo  
Ant kryžiaus ištiesęs rankas,  
Paskelbė Jis žemei laikus atgimimo;  
Laimingas, kursai Jį supras!*

*Kam raudos ir verksmas prie karsto Mesijo?  
Raminkis, pasaule visa!  
Kas neša gyvatą, tas mirti nebijo!  
Jo garbei — tik dvasios tyla!*

Kiekvienas katalikas, kuris moka atšvęsti Velykas ir kuris stengiasi įsigilinti į anas paslaptis, kurias jos kasmet skelbia, negali nuleisti rankų, pasiduoti apatijai, nusivylimui. Garbingos dienos sakyte jam sako: "Drąsos! Pergalės varpai gaudžia ir tau!"

Jei pasidairysim aplinkui, rodos, tematom vargus, nelaimes ir nusivylimą. Laikai taip sunkūs, tiesiog neteisybė ir smurtas valdo pasaulį. Audros supa tautas ir kontinentus. Nelabasis, rodos, turi pilną laisvę šėlti. Jis sodina nekaltuosius į kalėjimus, o jo sėbrai gali laisvai kalbėti, kur jie nori ir ką jie nori. Rytai ir Vakarai tiesiog supami debesų ir miglų. Ir kiekvienas baugiai dairosi, kur perkūnas trenks, kam teks naujas smūgis.

Bet vėjų verpetuos, audrų kaukime išgirstam drąsius žodžius: "Ko jūs bijote, menko tikėjimo žmonės?" Ir ką Išganytojas prikiša mums, tą pareiškia ir prancūzų rašytojas Hello: "Pačiu sunkiausiu momentu Dievas pasirodo, kad jis vienas yra Dievas!" Kas gali bijoti audrų, jei laively sėdi Išganytojas? Kas gali bijoti nelabojo siautimo, jei Dievas yra tasai, kuris tvarko tautų ir asmenų likimus?!

Tai velykinių varpų padrašinimas! Drąsos ir pasitikėjimo, nors padėtis atrodytų beveik be jokios vilties! Ir mums reikia to, kas atsitiko prie Sinajaus kalno. Mums reikia atsigręžti į mūsų jėgų šaltinius, į visos vilties teikėją. Senasis Dievas dar gyvas ir jis lieka amžinai jaunas. Jis stovi lyg režisierius už visų įvykių. Gi mūsų kovos prasmė yra — pripažinti Jo galią ir pasitikėti jos gerumu. Ateis laikas, nelabasis bus sutramdytas, ir sutirps ranka, pakelta ant nekaltojo.

Kūdikis eina per tamsią girią ir nemato nei mėnulio nei žvaigždžių, bet jis nebijo, nes šalia jo žengia jo tėvelis ir laiko jį už rankos. Jokie žvėrys, jokios klaidinančios pelkių švieselės nenutruks jo nuo kelio, jo nebaugins. Kūdikis dar labiau prisiglaus prie tėvo šono ir eis tiesiu keliu į laisvą užgirį, į savo tėviškę.

Bet atsiminkime, kad reikia drąsos ir kryžiui

JURGIS BALTRUŠAITIS

## DAINA

*KAIP širdy nuo džiaugsmo jauna!  
Jo liepsna visus pagauna...  
Graudis mūsų laimę tyka,  
Pina ašarų vainiką...*

*Graudis skiria, džiaugsmas tuokia,  
Miršta, kas nebesijuokia —  
Bet kai gęsta, bet kai miršta,  
Saulės juoko nepamiršta...*

*Graudis kembsta, džiaugsmas žydi  
Ir kviečių vežimą lydi,  
Vaisių sunkią šaką remia  
Ir žiedais apsaugo žemę...*

nešti. Pergalės varpai skamba tik tam, kuris kovojo... Ir savo Bažnyčią Dievas veda kovos laukais. Kaip dažnai užmirštam, kad krikščionio vardas reiškia tą pat, ką reiškia kryžius. Bet kryžius puošia tik tas krūtines, kurios nesibijojo kovoti. Nedaug reikia drąsos, jei viskas eina gerai ir sklandžiai. Patogus gyvenimas gimdo tik bailių eiles, o ne didvyrių sielas. Evangelija mums rodo du asmenis, kurie, prislėgti Didžiojo Penktadienio įvykių, padarė nelaimingą žingsnį, apleisdami Jeruzalę, taikos ir vilčių teikėją, belaukiančią Velykų aušros. Užuo pasitikėję ir drąsiai kovoję su liūdesio šmėklomis, daugelis padaro nelemtus dalykus ir apsikartina tik sau gyvenimą! Atsiminkim ir apaštalo žodžius, kurie yra tikras velykinis padrašinimas kiekvienam katalikui ir lietuviui: "Iš visų pusių mus supa sunkumai, bet mūsų neprislėgia; esam be jokio poilsio, bet nenustojam drąsos; esam persekiojami, bet neapleisti; esam prispausti, bet ne sunaikinti (2 Kor. 4,812).

Velykos nori mus kasmet padrašinti, pakelti virš dienos pilkumos, duoti mums daugiau atsparos ir užsimojimų. Galimas daiktas, jog gyvenimas mus prives prie to, kad tik mūsų lavonai bus pergalės skelbėjai naujoms kartoms. "Tebūnie Tavo tokia valia!" Mums svarbu numatyti toliau, negu siekia mūsų siauras akiratis. Mums svarbu laikyti pozicijas ir kovoti. Pergalės varpai suskambės! Kada ir kaip, tegul sprendžia Tas, kuris tvarko tautų reikalus.

Tesuteikia ir šios Velykos kiekvienam katalikui ir lietuviui kuo daugiausia drąsos! Ypač mūsų jaunimas neturėtų nuleisti rankų ir pasiduoti apatijai. Jo draugijoje turėtų užvirti naujas gyvenimas; nauji užsimojimai turėtų pakelti nuotaiką. Tiesa, matyti daug darbo mūsų eilėse, daug planų gimsta mūsų draugijų centruose ir vadų galvose. Kažkoks užsispyrimas nepasiduoti dvelkia kovojančių tarpe. Tai tikras lietuviškas ženklas. Bet vistiek reikia daugiau velykinio entuziazmo, daugiau kūrybinių užsimojimų. Ir čia Velykos mums daug galės padėti, jei tinkamai jas atšvėsime ir jei gerai jas suprasime. Ne veltui dainius mus išpėja: "Paskelbė Jis žemei laikus atgimimo. Laimingas, kursai Jį supras!"

Kartą ir mums suskambės pergalės varpai. Tuo esam tikri. Bet iki to laiko mums belieka: Ora et labora! Melskis ir dirbk! Malda ir darbas turi būti kiekvieno šviesaus ir tauraus lietuvi obalsis. Mums reikia darbo ir mums reikia pagalbos iš viršaus. Tai yra du šulai, kuriais remiasi mūsų viltys ir mūsų tautos bei katalikybės likimas. Kas bandytų vieną iš tų šulų paneigti ar nulaužti, tas nusižengs tautos daugumai ir giliausiems lietuvių tautos norams bei jos tradicijai. Tie du šulai yra lyg bokštai, ant kurių remiasi mūsų pergalės varpas. Pasitikėjimas pagalba iš viršaus ir mūsų pačių drausmingas ir tvarkingas darbas privers tą varpą skambėti ir gausti mums pergalės dainą.

## Lithuanian Folk Art

Tai graži ir svarbi knyga anglų kalba apie lietuvių liaudies meną. Ją parašė Dr. Jurgis Baltrušaitis, žymus meno istorijos specialistas, davęs nemažą svarbių veikalų lietuvių ir prancūzų kalbomis. Tuo būdu "Lithuanian Folk Art" yra specialisto darbas, atsakęs visus šios srities mokslo reikalavimus.

Mums knyga ypač brangi, kad joje nagrinėjama mūsų liaudies kūryba ir parodoma, kiek grožio joje yra išreikšta. Veikale randame šiuos skyrius: "Architecture", "Crosses and Chapels", "Sculpture", "Painting and Engraving", "Domestic Art". Tai sudaro pirmą knygos dalį, apie

### LIETUVIŠKAS KRYŽIUS, PASTATY- TAS GĖLIŲ DARŽELYJE PRIE SENOVĖS PIRKIOS



Bet kam gi tu, budrus Dievuli mano,  
Prie lygaus kelio rūpestėliu rymai?  
Prie lygaus kelio, kur vargų vargeliai  
Vieni per dienas dūšaudami vaikšto.  
(Putinas).

80 puslapių. Antrąją dalį apima iliustracijos — namų, kryžių, koplytėlių, statulų, juostų, žiurštų ir t.t. Tų paveikslų yra per 80, ir jie tikrai gražiai išspausdinti.

Šis veikalas išleistas Vokietijoje.

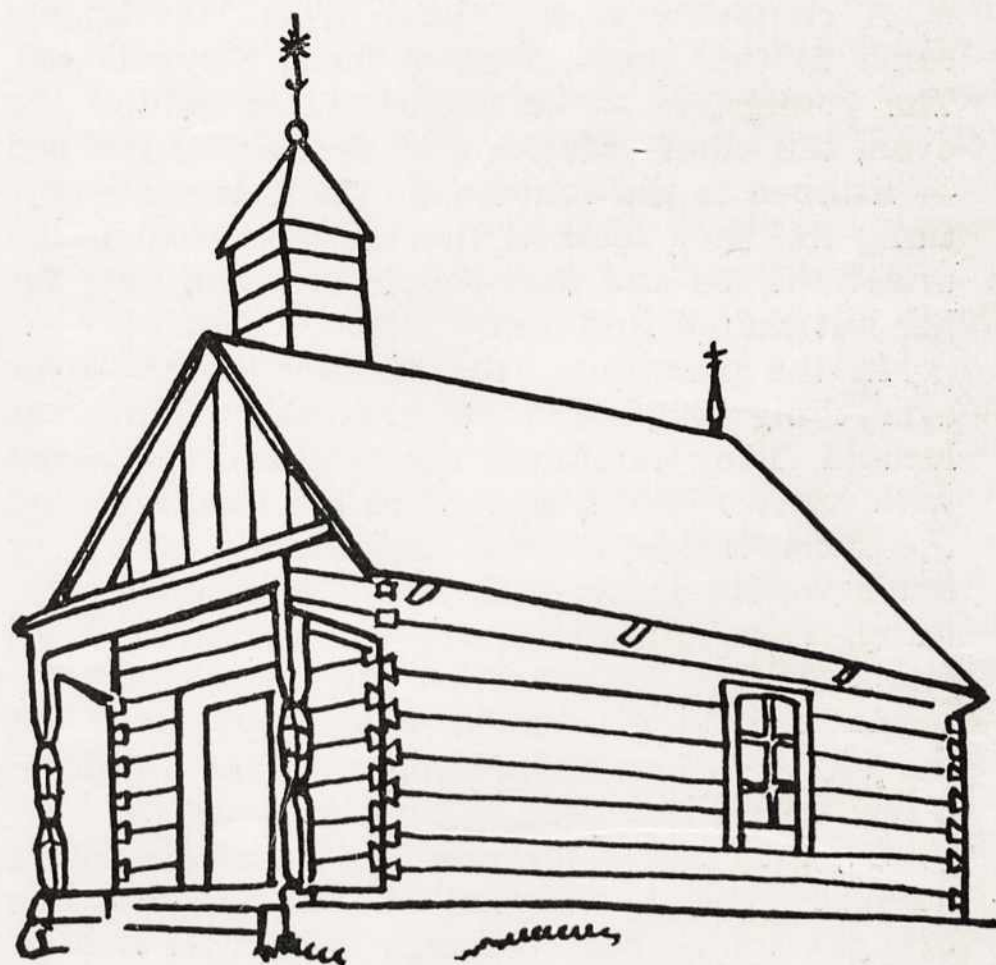
Paskutiniu metu ir daugiau knygų anglų ten pasirodė apie Lietuvą, jos praeitį, apie Vilniaus meną — ir dar daugiau ruošiamas.

Tai gražūs ir svarbūs leidiniai. Kiekvienam juos patariam įsigyti ir susipažinti, ką gražaus ir brangaus yra davus lietuvių tauta (Amerikoje šios knygos galima gauti: Lithuanian Information Center, 233 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y.).

Čia įdedame keletą paveikslų iš lietuvių liaudies meno lobio.



Medinė bažnyčia Utenoj.



Medinė bažnyčia Rumšiškėse.

(Other Lithuanian Folk Art illustrations appear in subsequent pages).

# Lured By Mommy

Translated by JOSEPH BOLEY

## II.

Up high the sun was already risen, when the creaking of the opening door awakened the children out of their deep sleep.

"Mommy came home!" shouted Katherine, rolling out of bed. Little Peter scrambled down from his perch. But the youngsters' joy was brief, for they saw the neighbor Rimkienė in place of their expected mommy. Both were disappointed and looked in the old woman's eyes as if awaiting some news from her.

The little woman said nothing and only nodded her head, with tears like peas rolling down her sad cheeks.

"When did mother go out?" she tersely asked the children.

"Yesterday at daybreak she was called out to wash clothes at Strypeika's. They made her stay overnight, you see... It won't be long before mommy will come home... She will come home?" Peter said, cheering himself.

The little old lady let out a sad sigh.

"She'll... hardly... come home," she said quietly, "hardly..."

She did not finish. Her voice quivered and, turning away, she walked out.

The children stood for a while as if nailed to the ground. An uncommon fear seized them, they sensed the approach of something terrible.

A couple of hours later several villagers came to the house, among them Strypeikienė. The youngsters — one squeezed in behind the oven, the other crouching at the foot of the bed — listened to the conversation and drank everything in. They learned that mother had fallen under the ice and that people are searching for her but cannot find her.

In the meantime the visitors looked over everything and noted where each thing was located. They examined the cow and the sheep with its two lambs, as well as the furniture and the dishes inside; even though there wasn't very much wealth there, still, after inspecting everything, it was quite tempting to appropriate it all for oneself.

After looking over the belongings, some got the desire to assume protection of the children; a few even discovered a kinship.

So, they began arguing. An adopted child is no hired help, everyone knows that; when brought under one's custody, he will neither flee nor complain; there is no wages to pay and no worry about food or clothing. And they're such resourceful children! Real work-horses on a farm!...

No wonder, then, that the men began to argue. Strypeikienė did not argue with anyone. Her eyes and mind were scheming quietly; she was thinking by herself, as she stood there in the doorway.

"Well, the day is not without end," she uttered aloud, as if to herself. "It is time to go home."

"The woman is right," said the men, and they began fumbling for their caps. "We'll meet in the market place, and we'll have to talk this over with our wives, too."

They all went out. Strypeikienė followed the men with her eyes and smiled.

"Talk it over, if you like! I've made my plans," she said, and, with her skirts tucked in, she trudged directly across the field home.

Not long afterward two sleds drew up to the door of the cabin, one sled being driven by a young farm-hand, the other by Strypeikienė herself. With the boy's help she began to gather everything under her wing and by sundown the children were already under the roof of the benign custodian.

And so, for the youngsters there began days of woe, a sort of existence where one has no one to turn to and no one to be defended by.

Lest the children get into mischief the guardian saw to it from the first day that each be assigned certain duties. Little Peter chopped twigs and later hauled them inside; he carried water; in the evenings he peeled potatoes or braided whips.

As soon as the hand wheel stopped buzzing in his weary hands, the mistress would call: "You, loafer! He's brisk only at the table: he eats like a dragon. But a little work and he's ill; he dozes off right away. Oh, one's bread weeps when it is eaten unearned!"

Peter said nothing; the hand wheel was buzzing again, while bitter tears dropped on the tow.

Peter at least was able to rest at night. It was otherwise with Katherine: though fagged out by the day's work, she had to watch the baby by night. She would throw a striped coarse linen blanket on the floor by the crib, and thus, without letting the rope which was attached to the crib out of her hands, she dozed. Often she had to carry the baby around, play with her and sing to her and, in the morning, wash the diapers, sweep the floor, launder clothes and peel potatoes.

The children were languishing before one's

very eyes. The girl grew pale; her big blue eyes seemed to lose their light and stared at people sadly. From her lips there flowed no jolly, care-free, childlike laughter, no happy song. She became timid as some wild creature; on seeing anyone she would run, visualizing him as her murderer.

Peter, on the other hand, was strengthened and steeled by adversity. When scolded, he did not cry any more; he would clench his black, skinny, veined fists and would mutter to himself:

"Not for long, not for long will you torture us!..."

Peter did not attempt to lay his hands on the mistress; he knew he could not overpower her. But several times he felt a sudden urge to teach her children a lesson, only he was not yet certain of his strength.

From the very first day the farmer's children hounded the orphans and molested them in every way imaginable. During mealtime they would pour ashes into the soup; as they passed by they would scrape their heads sharply with a knuckle; one or the other would suddenly trip Peter as he walked by with a bundle of twigs, and when Peter was spread out on the floor they all roared:

"Look at that skinny good-for-nothing! Too lazy to lift his feet!"

The parents went into convulsions over such cleverness of their offspring, and the children, thus encouraged, would get hilarious and devise new pranks.

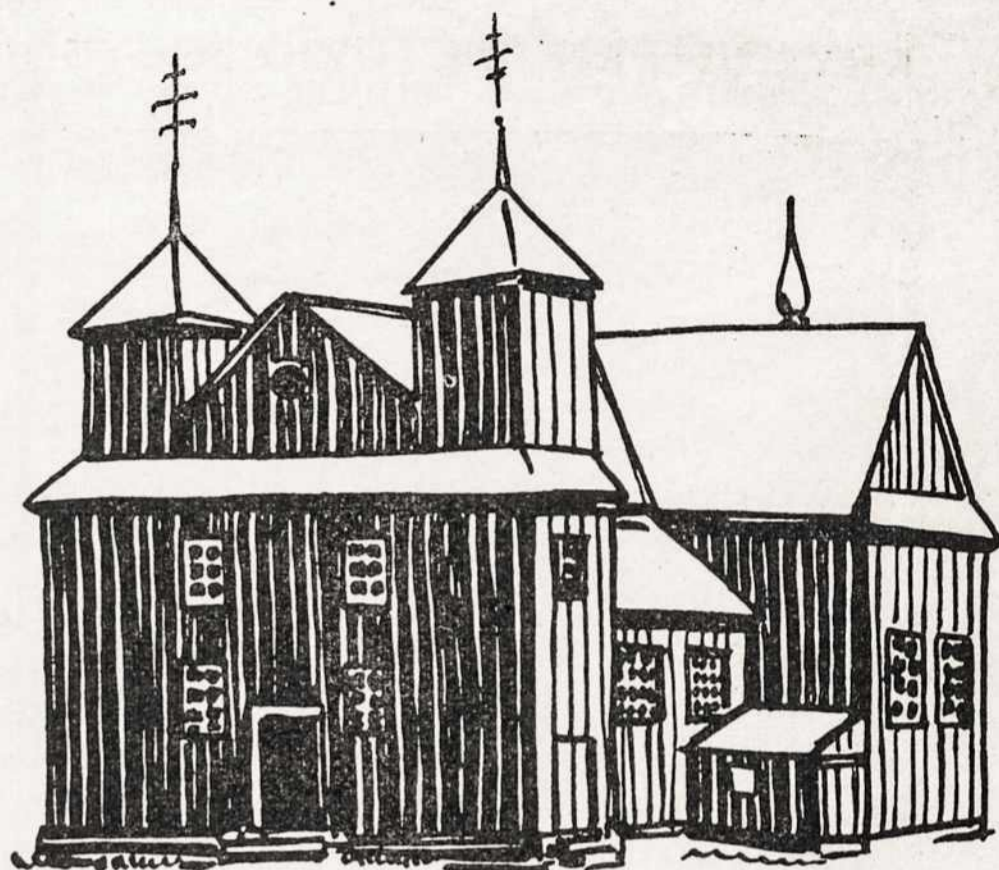
"You probably won't find another boy like our Steve, if you go the length and breadth of this world! Won't the girls fight for him at weddings and gatherings when he grows up!" Strypeikienė would say, laughing herself to tears.

Steve was their only son, so whatever he did was all right. For Steve there was always a whiter broth and an extra portion of everything. He usually slept until twelve and, after getting up, idled all day. He looked like a well-fed little pig: same size when standing or lying down, or, as some say: same width, same length.

Once, while Peter was carrying water, Steve shoved a rake handle under his feet. Peter sprawled out on the floor, spilling both buckets. The parents were not in the house. A light like a streak of lightning flashed in Peter's eyes. He got up from the floor and lunged straight for the hair of the unsuspecting Steve. He gave him a thorough trouncing and flung him into a puddle.

"Take that, and that!" he fumed, shoving Steve's nose in the mud. "There! Now you'll know not to annoy me! You'll know that I'm no blockhead. It was bad when I didn't have strength, but now I'll teach you all!"

Peter was still astride his head and dousing him in the mud, when suddenly the doors opened and in rushed Strypeikienė. Of course, there



*Medinė bažnyčia Kėdainiuose.*

was quite a commotion and Peter got a thrashing, but Steve learned his lesson.

From that time Steve never molested Peter, stopped calling him names and became rather more serious. Strypeikienė, however, from this day seemed to lose her senses completely; neither Peter nor Kathy was able to please her.

"You little devils, you'll get a taste of your own medicine," she would growl. "Tit for tat. As you to me, so I to you. I shall yet drive you to obedience!"

Everyone knows that the devil himself will not attempt what a crazy woman will do. So she abused the youngsters in every way she could think of. She almost never let the broom out of her hands; she brandished it about at every turn, while the very ground, as people say, gave way under her curses.

Once while she was thus ranting, a woman, a close neighbor, walked in unobtrusively. The Christian greeting froze on her lips; she merely asked:

"Why are you storming this way? Have fear of God!"

"You would be raving much worse, if you were in my place. The tiniest task I have to do alone; if I don't do it myself, it remains undone. You ought to see how they crawl out of the corners like snakes when there's food on the table. They're all healthy then, all very spry. They gobble it up like ravenous snakes. Oh, those hobgoblins! How they sap my strength. And as stubborn as their mother used to be! Immovable! Disagreeable! All they can do is devour food and loll about. Just say one word and they jump at you! Wasn't it their mother's perversity that brought her under the ice? I often told her not to wash clothes there. From olden times everyone knows that that place always was and

## KRYŽIUS PRIE LIETUVIO SODYBOS



*Antai tenai ant vakaro raudono  
Vaidenasi man Kristus dyvinai:  
Ir rankos, kojoms, ir atvertas šonas,  
Ir tie Jo erškėčiuoti smilkiniai...*

(J. Aistis).

always will be the witches' laundering place. As soon as it's dusk, you can hear the paddles *slap, slap, slap*. It happened to me once: the sun was just going down, and I thought I'll finish the washing. Suddenly there was a splash, and an old hag came floating on the water. She snapped my paddle and plunged back in. I started running, while I heard voices beckoning: "Come here; you will help us do our washing."

"Witches are nothing; if you don't bother them, they won't hurt you. But now it is really dreadful in that washing place... Whew! Even now I get the shivers," said the visiting woman, shuddering.

"Well, what happened?" asked the superstitious Strypeikienė.

"The other day, as it was getting dark, I was walking along the path past the witches' laundry and I decided to wash my feet. The water was warm, so I went in and started wading. Sudden-

ly I heard something go *slush, slush...* Someone was wading through the rushes. I raised my head and there, two steps away, entangled in seaweeds, stood..."

"Who?" timidly asked Strypeikienė.

"Why, the mother of these two..."

"Well?"

"I almost fainted. I pulled out my rosary and started waving it. But she said, 'Fear not, woman, and don't make the sign of the cross, for I am not the devil. Do not be afraid; let those have fear who murder children!' Having said that, she vanished: she turned into white mist and dissolved among the rushes."

"But, my dear, who is murdering those children?" Strypeikienė muttered angrily.

"She did not say, and I hadn't sense enough to ask."

Strypeikienė sat for a while, frowning severely and engrossed in her thoughts. Her neighbor glanced at her and continued her account.

"I wasn't the only who saw her, and I myself hadn't believed it until I saw it."

"I must seek some advice," said Strypeikienė. When such things begin to gad about, there is no end; one will be afraid to go out... I'll have to buy a mass or set up a cross by the river."

Then after a moment of silence she continued, "They say that in such cases one should chop off the dead person's head and place it at his feet so that he can't reach it and put it on; from then on it stops haunting."

"Crosses or masses or chopping off the head will not help in this case," affirmed her old neighbor with seriousness. "You cannot kill or calm a mother's spirit; at the slightest whimper of her child she's up and alive. Death does not silence a mother's love!"

"Oh, what trouble I got into simply through my generosity. Because of my kindheartedness I shall lose my peace of mind."

"What are you afraid of, sister?" the guest said, smiling. "For she herself declared, 'Let the oppressors beware.' So it doesn't affect you one way or the other."

"Tell me, why do these dev — little ones always take themselves over there? Without anyone saying anything to them, off they go to the bulrushes," Strypeikienė consoled herself.

"Perhaps they, too, have seen?"

"Even if they have, they will not say so."

"Of course," the guest added cheerlessly, "their mother draws them. The little girl is visibly languishing as if her mother had kissed her. You ought not to allow them to go there..."

"My children also persist in going down there; the rushes are supposed to be nicer there."

"It shows that their eyes are blinded already. You'll see how she will push them off the brink."

"Oh!" sighed Strypeikienė. "My head's spinning."



"But how time flies! I've been chattering too long; after all, the day's not without end. I must go. God be with you, woman."

"Good-bye. A safe journey," answered Strypeikienė. But she did not escort her guest as is the proper thing to do; she stayed behind with grave thoughts.

Her neighbor turned down the path through the juniper trees. Here, it seems, two women from the village were waiting for her.

"What happened?" both of them asked her. "Any luck?"

"It came out perfectly", answered Strypeikienė's guest. "They who do not fear God must beware of the devil and the ghosts. Did I upbraid her!"

"She must have scowled aplenty," they roared laughing.

"Maybe she will stop beating those poor youngsters. One could weep looking at them, all in tatters, their faces black as earth. Juozapienė related how the children never see a drop of milk; how she would throw away the milky soup to the pigs and pour into a cracked dish some thin, milkless liquid for the children. That heartless crone. Juozapienė will let us know what happens. There will probably be a change."

"Which Juozapienė?" her friends inquired.

"Why, the sister of Strypeika himself. When her husband died, Strypeikienė soon won her confidence. The foolish young woman fell for her slippery words and brought everything over, for she had several cows, sheep she owned, a little farmstead. Strypeikienė clutched these possessions for herself and kicked about her sister-in-law. Now the old woman weeps too late; she can't please her. The moment something happens, the first words she gets are: 'Go to the devil!' But where can she go? And what can she expect?..."

"Well, Strypeika himself doesn't stand by his sister," remarked one of the women.

"Go away! As the old lady plays, so he dances: barks like a dog and meows like a cat. You see, he too came into the estate; the land is hers."

"But he does the work! Where is justice?"

"Who cares for justice these days!"

Meanwhile in the home of Strypeikienė a great change took place. It was Saturday evening. As always, little Peter and Kathy pulled out a basket of potatoes and began peeling.

"No need to peel them tonight! Juozapiene, get some water and wash the children's hair!"

With such an unusual order coming from her sister-in-law, Juozapienė just opened her mouth and stared at her.

"Why do you gape?" Strypeikienė snapped at her. "You ought to think of this yourself every evening and take care of them, but you all wait for me. Look what those children have

become because of you!"

"Because of me?" sighed the old woman. A tremor ran through her sallow, wrinkled face and tears rolled down from her dim eyes.

"Please, don't scold our aunty because of us," the children spoke up from their corner. "She's good, very good."

"Keep quiet, you little devil! Who's asking you?" Strypeikienė shouted. But she soon checked herself, for something passed through her mind.

"Birds of a feather flock together," Strypeikienė mumbled gruffly. "What comradeship!"

Nevertheless, the youngsters got their clean shirts. When they were thus dressed, there was placed before them some white bread and, in a new, green bowl, some creamed soup. Little Peter was gulping it down so that even his ears were flapping. Kathy swallowed a couple spoonfuls and stopped.

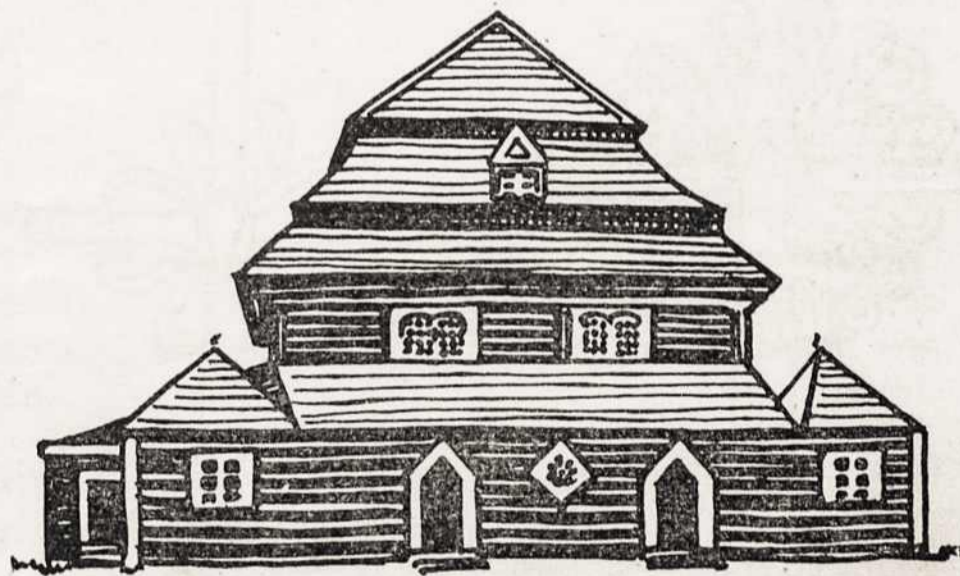
"Why don't you devour — why aren't you eating?" asked the guardian, observing the girl and feeling ill at ease.

"I don't want any. I don't feel well," she answered.

Toward evening Kathy began to feel unsteady, but until now no one saw it or wanted to see it. Perhaps Strypeikienė did see it, for she hasn't been forcing her to mind the baby for some time. Kathy was watching the pigs.

"I wonder how those children are in bed? Since I haven't had a look myself, anything can happen behind that oven," declared Strypeikienė, picking up a lamp from the table and going to investigate. "Didn't I say? Like a pig sty. It must be fixed decently at once! Oh, you'll answer before God for this! It's all Juozapienė's perversity!"

"Of course, you have to blame me," lamented the old woman. "You have utterly ruined me, you murderer. The tears of the poor will not go well with you; it's only a matter of time... Whatever anyone does, I must answer for it. Now it's my fault that the children are collapsing from hunger. My fault! — Yet when I wanted to give them that old pillow, didn't you, sister-in-law, say: 'Stick a hat-pin in the liver! Throw them a



Medinė sinagoga Valkininkuose.

bundle of straw'? And you told me to give them that stiff, striped, old cover. What can I do? I don't sleep any better myself, though I had brought six pillows with me."

It was late already when the house of Strypeikienė quieted down. Only behind the oven there was no rest. The girl was fidgety; she would jump from her sleep or stretch out her arms and bewail:

"Why did you leave us, mommy, to suffer so? Take us with you, mommy, please!"

Peter awoke from his sleep and listened. For some reason he was frightened; he began to waken his sister. He touched her cheek and was surprised to find it feverish.

"Let's go to mommy, Peter!... Mommy is standing there among the rushes, waiting for us. Mommy's longing for us. I'll go... I'll go..."

"Quiet! Be quiet!" Peter was trying to calm her. Kathy suddenly awoke and sat up in her bed.

"Gone! She went away!" she moaned and began to sob.

"Who?" the little brother asked her in a whisper.

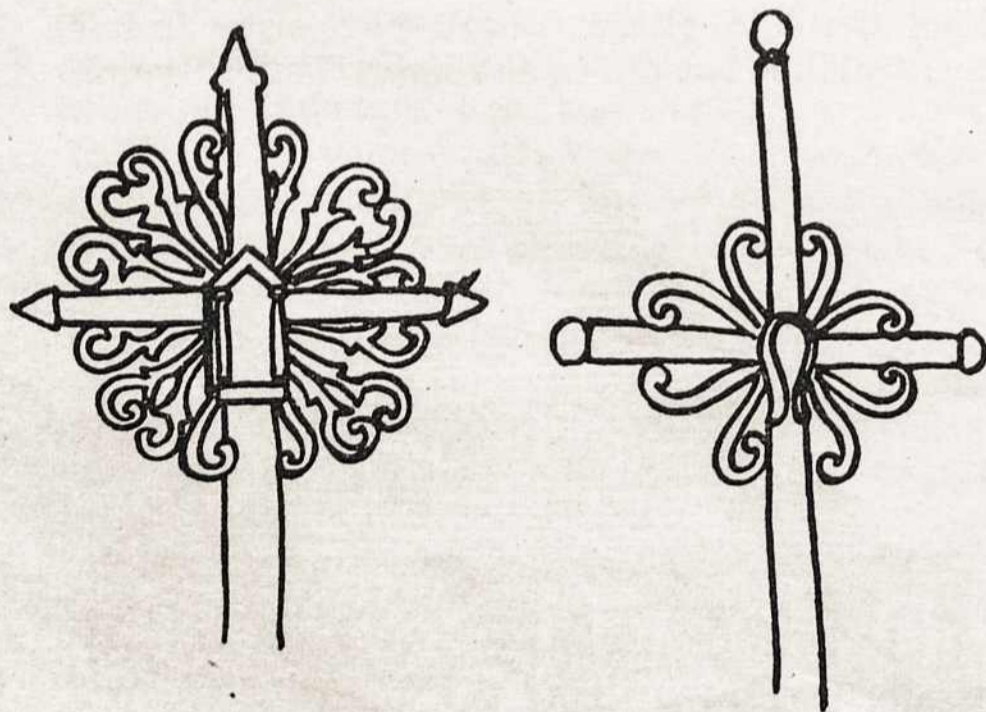
"Mommy was here. She kissed me and caressed me. She was happy and white and pretty... And there was a little angel... with golden wings... the same one auntie told a story about. And then he went away. He went away and left me!..."

"Will you keep still!" Peter quieted her. "You're ill; you're feverish. Oh, how hot your little head feels."

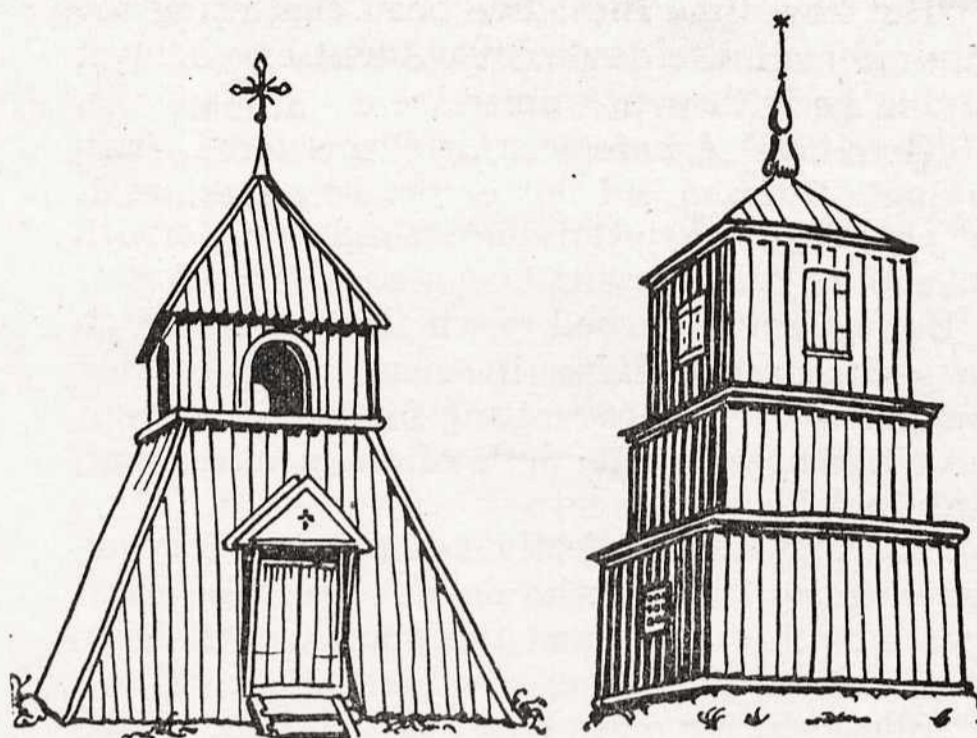
"I'm cold, Peter, very cold," the girl whimpered and again became drowsy.

Peter tucked her as well as he could: he piled everything he had on his sister, but she didn't cease to be delirious. After the crowing of the cock, just before dawn, she quieted down and fell asleep. Peter, going out to watch the cattle, left her sleeping soundly.

It was Sunday morning. The farmer and his



*Lietuvišku kryžiu pavyzdžiai.*



*Medinė varpinė Vaiguvėj ir Vajasišky.*

wife drove to church. Juozapienė went out to the fields with the pigs, for, Kathy being ill, there was no one else to tend to them. The farmers' own children slept till noon; the mistress took the youngest with her.

It was quiet in the house. The girl awoke and let out a sigh; she felt weak. She rose to look for water. She drank and drank, and again emitted a deep sigh.

It was a beautiful, sunny day. At the window flies were buzzing merrily. The air was full of bird song — the whistling of the thrushes, the chirping of the sparrows. It was so lovely and gay outside. Only in an orphan's heart there was sadness...

Little Katherine opened the window and listened to those happy voices of spring. But those voices failed to cheer her; her blue eyes filled up with tears...

Out there is the witches' laundry. Kathy heard the neighboring woman's talk yesterday, so how can she be happy!... Out there their poor mommy has been longingly waiting for them, while she and her brother knew nothing about it....

"I'll go to her. My poor mommy... She kissed me and caressed me so lovingly last night... Those women are afraid of mother... I'm not... I hope they don't catch me; they're envious..." She listened awhile. Not a sound anywhere. Slowly she climbed onto the window sill and dropped down outside.

She is short of breath; the spring air makes her dizzy. A droning sound fills her head; everything seems awirl...

The slender rushes at the river's edge rustle and sway, and there is whispering among the long, coarse leaves. They sway and rustle. At times, it seems, there is someone crying among them.

The little girl's heart began to beat faster.

"That's my poor mommy!..."

She went and stood on the bank, but... no mommy! Just a quiet, rippling stream. White lilies were swaying on the water. Occasionally a small fish would splash its way about. At every sound the girl would tremble, stand, wait...

"Mommy! Mommy!" she sighed. "Are you angry? Mommy, it is I, Kathy!..."

Suddenly from among the lilies a pair of arms reached out, and above the mysterious depths the girl saw her mother!

"Come, my daughter! Come, my little one!" whispered the slender rushes and the lilies.

"Mommy!" the girl cried out and, extending her lean arms, leaped into the water.

The rushes swayed, the lilies opened their blossoms, a few ripples ruffled the water, and again everything was as it had been; the earth again was full of beauty and sunshine...

Little Peter, coming home in the evening with his herdsman's tasks done, was quite upset when he found the bed empty. He searched all around, but found no sign of her. Suddenly his attention was attracted by the creaking of the open window.

"Could she have gone out?... Kathy! Kathy!" he called out.

There was no answer, only a humming in the trees.

"Kathy!" he shouted louder. Again no one answered.

Peter wept bitterly.

"Where has she disappeared?" he wondered. "Maybe mommy lured her?... Why has she left me?..."

He went outside, sat down on the doorstep and began to think. He raised his eyes upward. Bright stars were twinkling.

"How radiant it is up there! Maybe she's up in heaven, that such light is streaming through such a tiny window," mused Peter. "Perhaps mommy and Kathy are looking down through some little window... Pretty nice for them up there in heaven!... But maybe Kathy wandered off elsewhere... maybe to the place where the rushes grow, to look for mommy..."

"Peter!" he thought he heard Kathy's sobbing voice. He sprang forward a few steps, looked around and listened.

"Peter!" again came the voice from the rushes. Peter began running toward the voice. Then he stopped and listened again.

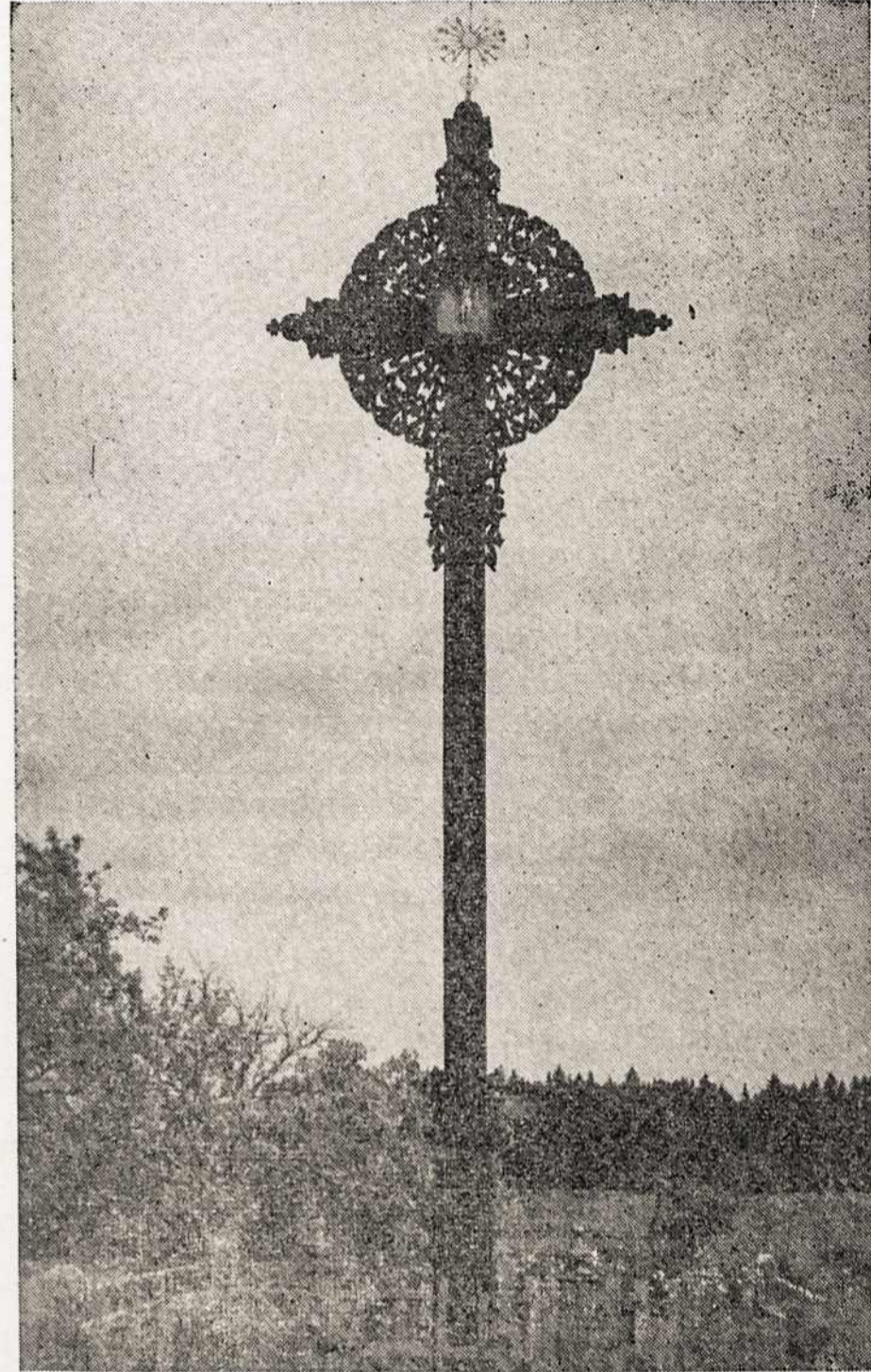
"PETER!" the boy was hearing distinctly.

"Kathy! Where are you?" Peter shouted, wading through the rushes.

No answer. He listened; there was only the rustle of the rushes as they swayed in the wind and the plaintive song of the nightingales.

Peter climbed up the willow tree that was leaning over the water and fell into a reverie. Through an opening in the branches he stared at

## AUKŠTAI IŠKELTAS, ŠIS KRYŽIUS SAUGO LIETUVOS LAUKUS, GIRIAS IR ŽMONES



*Dieve, tu per kančią kruvinaisiais skruostais  
Saldai mano skausmą, ašaras nušluostai.*

*(Faustas Kirša).*

the deep water and saw in it the stars and the moon.

"Everything in the water is exactly as here," he thought to himself.

The evening mist was settling on the river, and in that mist... there was his mommy, seated, holding Kathy on her knees and braiding her hair... and at their side stood a little angel, his golden wings afluttering.

"Peter, I'm so lonely without you! Come over with us!"

"I'm coming!" Peter answered...

And the leaning willow tree, relieved of its burden, creaked. Little Peter was gone to his kin...

The white lilies swayed awhile. Again a few ripples ran down the stream; again it was quiet, peaceful. The drooping willow tree by the river was shedding dewy tears and the slim rushes were whispering a prayer for eternal peace...

# JOINERS

By Rev. Stanley Gaučias,

Spiritual Director K. of L. Chicago  
District.

Everyone who becomes a member of an organized group can be called a "joiner". People "join" a church. They join religious, fraternal, philanthropic or social organizations. But there are joiners and joiners.

The one class of joiners is composed of those who sincerely feel that in organized religious, fraternal, etc. work, the good of humanity is better served. They sincerely believe that many minds and many hands with a single purpose will perform a given task more efficiently and more successfully. Aside from the common good, they seek the personal happiness which comes from doing good. There are many ways of doing good; helping one's fellow man to live a fuller life; spreading happiness or succor; promoting unselfish friendship in a selfish world; and you can name many others.

These "joiners" have certain characteristics. Upon joining, they quietly listen until they have learned the aims and have absorbed the spirit of the organization. Then they start quietly to co-operate (from the Latin "operare cum" i. e. to *work with*). This they do by offering suggestions and giving their time. This latter practically always calls for real sacrifice because it means putting personal (sometimes selfish) interests in second place. A person of this kind quite often has qualities of leadership of which he himself might not be aware. Very soon the members see these qualities and require this person to take on a position of leadership. This he will do with proper humility and with a sincere determination to make the sacrifices involved.

Blessed be this type of "Joiner".

On the other hand, the term "joiner" is most commonly understood to mean "professional joiner". Let us analyze this person. Sometimes he is one who joins many organizations — quite often indiscriminately — and the more the bet-

ter. Occasionally a person does this because he lacks inner peace and stability, and this lack almost compels him to forget himself in frenzied and superficial activity not always beneficial to the organization. Another might join because he thinks his chances in business or in politics might be enhanced. The organization to him is simply a means to a personal end. Then again we have the extrovert — as "kinds" we used to call him a "show-off". He is probably not sufficiently "appreciated" at home or in his immediate circle of friends, so he joins and joins and joins. At meetings he is constantly demanding attention to himself by taking up the floor with long speeches (inane, of course) or with repeatedly opposing any and all motions. The above characteristics are by no means exhaustive, and they can also be applied to a "professional" who belongs to only one organization.

## From the Asst. Editor's Desk

On February 21st, Rev. Francis M. Juras, honorary member of the K. of L., accompanied the Rt. Rev. Dr. M. Krupavičius, president of VLIK'as, who made a courtesy visit to the Lithuanian Consulate in Boston, Mass. Your assistant editor also greeted the Rt. Rev. Dr. Krupavičius in behalf of VYTIS.

In reference to the financial APPEAL of our national president, it is quite gratifying to notice almost immediate responses from several councils.

From reports given, our membership is increasing. Many veterans of World War II are also taking active part in the K. of L. activities and holding elective offices. We are quite optimistic that before long there will be a council in each Lithuanian community and parish throughout the United States.

SVEIKATOS! Du mūsų Garbės Nariai kovo mėnesį buvo sunkiai susirgę: Pranas Razvadauskas, buvęs Centro pirmininkas, kurs buvo išvežtas į ligoninę ir Dr. Kazys Pakštas, buvęs VYTIES redaktorius, kurs turėjo pasiduoti pavojingai operacijai. Abiems mūsų mylimiems nariams visi jų draugai linki greit pasveikt ir su atnaujinta energija tuoj sugryžt į Vyčių tarpą.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the Vanagaitis family on the loss of Antanas Vanagaitis, an outstanding composer, entertainer and radio broadcaster and to the honorary Lithuanian Consul, A. O. Shallna, whose sister, Mrs. Mary S. Yesulton passed on in New York City.

## PASĖJAU KANAPE

Pasėjau kanapę ant marių krantelio,  
Oi vija, kanapija,  
Ant marių krantelio.

Užaugo kanapė ant marių krantelio,  
Oi vija, kanapija,  
Ant marių krantelio.

Nuroviau kanapę nuo marių krantelio,  
Oi vija, kanapija,  
Ant marių krantelio.

# Officialus Skyrrius

## HAS YOUR COUNCIL CONTRIBUTED TO THE K. of L. FUND?

Our fiscal year is drawing to a close and many of our councils have not yet arranged an affair for the needs of the Center as specified in our Constitution.

It has been pointed out many times that the small membership dues in the K. of L. organization do not cover the cost of issuing "Vytis" and the other necessary expenses of the Center, even though these expenses are kept down to the lowest possible level.

During the past several years an annual prize drawing has been sponsored by the Center, but the great majority of members did not support these projects and, as a result, the profit from these ventures was very small, the last one netting slightly over two hundred dollars.

In view of this, the National Convention held in Detroit voted to discontinue these drawings and revert to the practice of the Constitutional provision whereby each council arranges a fund raising event once a year for the Center. We, therefore, ask that all councils give this matter their attention so that when the complete report is submitted to the National Convention in Elizabeth and published in "Vytis" your council may be listed as having done its full duty to the organization.

FRANK GUDELIS  
Supreme Council Treasurer

## Final Results: N. E. District Bowling Tournament for 1949

Girls		
Team		Total pinfall
First Place:	Athol	2543
Second Place:	Worcester (26)	2510
Third Place:	Westfield	2436
Men		
Team		Total pinfall
First Place:	Norwood	2831
Second Place:	South Boston	2805
Third Place:	Worcester (116)	2793

## INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS: N. E. DISTRICT SEMI-ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT

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### Girls

High Single: Anne Jutt, Westfield .....	113
High Team Single: Athol .....	461

### Men

High Single: J. Kotauskas, Worcester (26) .....	125
High Team Single: Norwood .....	517

### Girls: high averages

A. Jutt, Westfield .....	99
A. Bisko, Worcester (26) .....	95
F. Kleponis, South Boston .....	94
M. Jurgelonis, Worcester (26) .....	93
E. Grazulis, Worcester (26) .....	92
V. Bagdonas, Athol .....	92
R. Slanina, South Boston .....	91
R. Kondrotas, Worcester (26) .....	91
I. Mikluisis, Providence .....	89
A. Sarapas, Worcester (26) .....	89
G. Puris, Worcester (26) .....	89
M. Stasiunas, Athol .....	89
A. Kleponis, South Boston .....	87
A. Masionis, South Boston .....	87
A. Serapinas, Athol .....	87
H. Gvazdauskas, Worcester (116) .....	87
M. Gvazdauski, Worcester (116) .....	87
G. Kazlauskas, Westfield .....	87
J. Malin, Cambridge .....	86
J. Balutis, Norwood .....	86
R. Delonis, Worcester (26) .....	85
K. Saulin, Norwood .....	85

### Men: high averages

J. Pazniokas, Norwood .....	112
A. Pavolis, Worcester (116) .....	104
J. Lola, South Boston .....	102
M. Marks, Norwood .....	102
V. Kondrotas, Worcester (26) .....	101
J. Katauskas, Worcester (26) .....	101
V. Lucksavage, Worcester (26) .....	101
A. Mitkus, South Boston .....	101
F. Seluk, South Boston .....	100
J. Chetkauskas, South Boston .....	100
S. Contons, South Boston .....	99
B. Dixon, South Boston .....	98
J. Shipper, Norwood .....	98
E. Puzin, Cambridge .....	98
T. Markunas, Worcester (26) .....	97
J. Contons, South Boston .....	97
J. Krasinskas, Worcester (116) .....	96
F. Mamavich, Worcester (26) .....	96
A. Marcin, Cambridge .....	96

E. Rudis, South Boston .....	95
J. Talokowski, Athol .....	95

On Sunday afternoon, February 20th, the second half of the N. E. District Bowling Tournament took place at the Huntington Alleys in Boston, Mass. The final tabulation shows that the trophy winners are: the Girl's team of Athol and the Men's team of Norwood. The men's teams of South Boston and Norwood tied for the afternoon with a total pinfall of 1463. Norwood's slight edge from previous meet pulled them through victoriously.

With the exception of Hartford, all the councils in the district were well represented.

Following the bowling meet, everyone was invited to the K. of L. clubrooms in South Boston for an evening of dancing and refreshments.

The winning trophies for 1949 will be awarded at the New England District Convention banquet which is being held at the Hotel Vendome, Sunday evening, April 24th.

The success of the N. E. Sport's day was due to the hard work and planning of our Sports Co-ordinator, Stephen Contons, and the excellent cooperation of all the councils represented.

*Ruth F. Slanina*

## WANTED 3500 TO SOLICIT FOR LITHUANIAN CHARITY

BALF — United Lithuanian Relief Fund is a charity organization that is close to the heart of every true Lithuanian. In its campaign for funds which began on April 1 it urgently needs your help. It needs 2000 volunteers to collect \$25 each. It needs 1000 volunteers to collect \$50 each. It needs 500 volunteers to collect \$100 each.

All K. of L. members are especially urged to give their personal active support to the local BALF chapters and to volunteer to solicit for our displaced people in Europe from Lithuanians and non-Lithuanians alike. Let us each do our share for this most worthy Lithuanian cause.

### MOTULĖ MANE BARĖ

Motulė mane barė,  
Linelių raut išvarė.

Oi ly, oi ly, oi lialia,  
Linelių raut išvarė.

Aš tų linų nerausiu,  
Į skrynelės nekrausiu.

Oi ly, oi ...

Vidur tamsios naktelės  
Atjos šelmis bernelis ...

Oi ly, oi ...

Klabins svirno dureles,  
Žadins jauną mergelę ...

Oi ly, oi ...

Vidur tamsios naktelės,  
Žiba danguj žvaigždelės ...

Oi ly, oi ...

# LIETUVIŲ KALBOS KERTELĖ

## LANGUAGE LOGIC

*(Or — How to Get Married)*

Did you know that to say APSIVEDĖ or APSIVESTI when you speak of a man getting married is ungrammatical? So says L. Dambriūnas in recent issue of "Ateitis".

For a long time the Polish-inspired barbarism APSIŽENYTI, meaning APSIPAČIUOTI, was in vogue. To give the word a linguistic clean up the Polish part of the word — ŽENYTI — was dropped and VESTI was substituted. Now VESTI is a good Lithuanian word and means to lead a woman to your home to be your wife. VESTI, therefore, is complete as it is without the commonly used prefix APSI, which is not only unnecessary but confusing. For instance, APSISUKTI means to turn oneself around. Similarly APSIVESTI could mean to lead something about something, which is not the idea we wish to express. If we say APSIVESTI, a wedding would have to be called APSIVESTUVES, which would be utter nonsense. To be correct it is enough to say VESTI, VEDĖ etc.

Speaking of the woman getting married we use the term TEKĖTI, the basic meaning of the word being to run, to flow as a river, to rise as a sun. When she leaves her parents' home and goes to the man's home to be his wife JI IŠTEKĖJO. Speaking of a man and woman together we may say JIE SUSIVEDĖ, SUSITUOKĖ — never APSIVEDĖ.

The author calls APSIVESTI a linguistic weed which ought to be dug out, root and all, especially when we have a shorter and more esthetic form VESTI.

*Nevedęs.*

*Nepagailėk aukos broliui tremtiniui sušelpiti. Auką siųskite United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, Inc. 105 Grand St., Brooklyn 11, N. Y.*

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Lietuvos Vyčių naujos konstitucijos jau išėjo iš spaudos. Patartina kad visi nariai ją įsigytų ir su ja susipažintų. Ypač svarbu kad naujai įsirašantieji nariai būtų ją atydziai perskaitę pirm negu jie būna prisaikdinti ir oficialiai priimti organizacijon.

Su konstitucijų užsakymais prašau kreiptis tiesiog į mane. Knygelės kainuoja po 25

*Anna Mae Uznis,  
Finansų Sekretorė.*



## Chicagos Vyčiai Iškilmingai Minėjo Šv. Kazimiero Dieną

### 18 VYČIŲ PEKELTI Į GARBINGUS LAIPSNIS

Lietuvos Vyčių salėje buvo istorinis įvykis, kai 18 garbingų Lietuvos vyčių buvo pakelti į aukštus garbingus laipsnius sekmadienį, kovo 6 d.

14 daug pasitarnavusių vyčių priėmė 4-to laipsnio pažymėjimus, o kiti 4 vyčiai buvo pakelti į 3-čią laipsnį.

Po labai iškilmingų ceremonijų paminint šv. Kazimiero dienos šventę Nekalto Prasidėjimo parapijos bažnyčioje, Chicagos apskrities vyčiai vyko į savąją salę suteikti nepaprastus paaukštinimus savo nariams. Garbingai iškelti vyčiai padarė prisaiskas per pamaldas bažnyčioje ryte, o vakare vyko nepaprastai gražios užbaigtuvės.

4-to ir 3-čio Vyčių Ordinų suteikimas vyko per bankietą, kuriam vadovavo Chicagos apskrities dvasios vadas kun. S. Gaučias, šv. Antano parapijos vikaras, ir Chicagos apskrities pirmininkas Vincentas Ed Pavis (Pajaujis).

Pačiam ordinų suteikimui vadovavo Jack L. Jatis, Ritualo Skyriaus pirmininkas, o jam pagelbėjo Leonardas Šimutis, Lietuvos Vyčių Garbės Narys.

Sekantieji vyčiai tapo kavalieriais arba 4-to laipsnio nariais: teisėjas Jonas T. Zuris ir žmona Elena, p. Angela Šimutienė, p. Sofija Sakalienė, Dr Aleksandras Račkus, p. Ona Piežienė, p. Kazimiera Petrulienė, p. Stanislova Petraitienė, Juozas Miller, kun. Petras Gasiūnas, p. Louise Couble, Stanislovas Cibulskis, Rapolas Baliauskas ir Vladas Arbir. Visi šie vyčiai yra ilgamečiai nariai ir jų sudėtinis veikimo amžius siekia virš 340 metų. Šie vyčiai yra pasitarnavę visose vyčių veikimo srityse: dramoje, choruose, valdybose, sporte ir t.t.

Be to, sekantieji vyčiai buvo pakelti į trečiąjį laipsnį: Jonas Andrešius, p. Sofija Jankienė, Nikodemus Karlavičius ir p. Ona Valatkienė. Ir šie vyčiai nė kiek nemažiau yra pasidarbavę Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijos naudai.

Bankiete dalyvavo visa eilė vyčių

organizacijos garbės narių ir svečių. Tarpe svečių matėsi kun. Tulaba, rektorius šv. Kazimiero Kolegijos Romoje, kun. A. Briška, Nekalto Prasidėjimo parapijos klebonas, kun. Jureis Paškauskas, Gimimo Panelės švenčiausios parapijos klebonas, kun. P. P. Činikas, MIC. THE MARIAN redaktorius, Lietuvos konsulas D. P. Daužvardis ir jo žmona J. Daužvardienė.

Bankieto programoj ypatingai gražiai pasirodė mažytė Teresė Zakariatė ir jos teta Ann šukytė, (Chicagos Apskr. Prot. Raštininkė), kurios sudainavo duetus p. Zakarienei priitariant prie piano.

## Ohio-Michigan District

APRIL 30,

Afternoon: Get Acquainted Party — Holy Cross Hall. Chairman: Mr. and Mrs. Stan Sluzas.

Evening: Dance, Holy Cross Hall. Chairman: Mike Petkus.

MAY 1,

10 o'clock Mass, Holy Cross Church celebrated by Father Katarskis, district spiritual advisor.

1:00 P. M. District meeting — Holy Cross Hall.

6:00 P. M. Banquet — "Petrokas Place". Chairman: Sally Miller and Mike Petkus.

## Naujosios Anglijos Vyčių Apskritys

KVIEČIA kuopų delegatus ir svečius į metinį seimą, kuris įvyks balandžio — April 23-24 d., 1949. South Boston 17-ta kuopa visomis jėgomis dirba, kad šis seimas būtų pasekmingas. Išvakarėse, balandžio-April 23 d. įvyks šokiai, Shep Wolan orkestra, Vendome viešbutyje, 160 Commonwealth Ave.

Balandžio-April 24 — 10:00 valandą ryte, šv. Petro Lietuvių bažnyčioje bus laikomos šv. mišios vyčių intencijai. 1:30 valandą p. p., Vendome viešbutyje bus laikomos sesijos.

Kadangi, šis yra metinis seimas, prašome kad delegatai nepasivėlintų, nes darbo daug, o laiko mažai. 6:00 valandą vakare, Vendome viešbutyje bus bankietas į kurį nuoširdžiai kviečiame visus delegatus ir svečius. Tarp garbingų svečių tikimės, kad atsilankys Secretary of Labor

Maurice J. Tobin ir Gubernatorius Paul A. Dever.

Tadgi, visi Naujos Anglijos vyčiai iki pasimatymo seime Boston'e.

Juozas A. Lola,

N. A. Vyčių Apskrities pirm.

## Philadelphia, Pa.

COUNCIL 3

WELCOME to the following new members: Edward Musuros, Peter Raubertas, Albert Vaitkus, Anthony Klimas, Algis Vaiciunas and Valentino Raubertas. We hope to see you regularly at our meetings and social gatherings which are held on Senior club nights.

Girls! George Mazeika is a wonderful dancer — waltz is his specialty. Speaking of dancing, Algis Vaiciunas, how is one supposed to keep their feet on the floor when you revolve around like a spinning wheel.

Applause for the Junior Vyčiai! We are now looking forward to another show such as the last Minstrel Show put on. Our Juniors displayed wonderful cooperation and talent. Tom, Albert, The Bell Sisters, Joe and Nicky did a grand job and the imitation of the Man With the Little White Coat stole quite a lot of cheers.

Mary Grebloski received a letter of assurance from Senator Edward Martin with reference to Displaced Persons Legislation Bill. Nice work, Sis!

We thank Marie Yanulaitis, Joseph Rimgaila, Ed Ramoska, Joe Utkus, George Mazeika, Joseph Yanulaitis and our Juniors for painting the clubroom. Let's see, Miss Martusky, I think you did paint a speck in the corner somewhere.

On March first, a surprise birthday party was held for Lucy and Stacy Grebloski at the parish hall. Among those attending were Father Raila, Mrs. Grebloski, Mrs. Utkus and our VYČIAI. Ačiū visiems dalyviams už gražų ir jaukų gimtadienio vakarą.

Anthony Klimas, a recent D. P. and Pen University student, gave an interesting talk at our last meeting. We enjoyed it immensely and look forward to learning some of the Lithuanian Folk Dances he has in store for us.

"Stacy"

## New York and New Jersey District

Our district members commemorated St. Casimir's Day on March 6th by attending Mass at the Church of Our Lady of Vilna in New York City and receiving Holy Communion "in corpore." The celebrant of the High Mass and Benediction was Rev. Dr. M. Razaitis who also delivered a most inspiring sermon to the youth. The church choir sang beautifully and closed the morning services with the K. of L. hymn. All councils were well represented.

Host to the breakfast served was Council 12 of the parish, whose president is Larry Janionis. Among the speakers and guests were: Charles Bason, district president, Rev. George Gurinskas, pastor, Msgr. Mykolas Krupavičius, president of the Supreme Committee for the Liberation of Lithuania (recently arrived from Europe), Rev. Dr. Razaitis, Misses S. J. and Mae Zilin (Zilinskas), Josephine Adams and Joseph B. Laučka, NCWC. The principal speaker, Monsignor M. Krupavičius, urged all to be good Lithuanians and stated that he was pleased to be with us on such a commemorative occasion. We were most honored by his presence and talk. Daniel Averka was toastmaster.

In the afternoon, our bi-monthly meeting took place. Among the business transacted was the election of a Committee on Arrangements for a dinner in honor of Metropolitan Opera Star Polyna Stoska, consisting of Balys Laučka, chairman, Joseph Boley, national president, Ann Klem, Marcy Matulaitis, Jeanne Karpus and Walter Staskus. The dinner is to be held May 22nd. Miss Catherine Thompson of Scotland was guest at our meeting.

Election of 1949-50 district officers will be held in June. Newark (29) is to be host.

As a reminder — our picnic will take place on July 10th in Linden, N. J. We are seeking assistance and contributions from all councils.

At the close of the business session, a LEADERSHIP FORUM was held. Speakers — Joseph Boley, national president, Charles Bason, district president, Frank Vaskas, Joseph Sakevich, Jeanne Karpus, Ann Klem and Balys Laučka. This forum proved to be most instructive to both older and newer members. Such courses are most beneficial to our future leaders in order to carry on the work of our outstanding American Lithuanian youth organization — Knights of Lithuania.

Our district meetings will now be held every three months (quarterly) — JUNE, SEPTEMBER, DECEMBER and MARCH.

## KNICKERBOCKER NEWS

Male lawyers pushed over a bit since January 10th to make room for Albany's first one-woman law office. Sadye J. Zilin (Zilinskas) is forsaking the pattern of other Albany women barristers (that of becoming association with male members of the profession). She will hang out her own shingle at 93 State St. Her scholastic record reads as follows: Valedictorian of her graduating class in high school, graduate of New York State Teachers College at Albany with Cum Laude, and an honor graduate of Albany Law School in 1946. Miss Zilin attracted great attention shortly after her admission to the Bar when she was the 1st Albany woman lawyer assigned to defend a criminal case in County Court. Prior to opening her office, she was associated with the firm of Fitzsimmons and Wilsey. She is a member of the Albany County Bar Association, New York State Junior Bar Association and editor of THE HUSTLER publication of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Albany. Miss Zilin is a communicant of St. George's Lithuanian parish.

The Wanderer

## Kearny-Harrison, N. J.

### COUNCIL 90

Our newly elected officers for the year are: Spiritual Advisor, Rev. D. Pocius; president, Walter Staskus; 1st vice president, Ann Kiernan; 2nd vice president, Andy Leonard; rec. sec'y., Irene Kohanski; fin. sec'y., Jane Matulaitis; cor. sec'y., Irene Volmi; treas. Adele Yuknelis; sgts.-at-arms, Veronica Kemezis and John Vilkelis.

During our Membership Drive held on February 11 the following joined our council: George Laukaites, Frank Egnatovich, John Case, Louis Stukas and John Yarusavage.

Our district is holding a banquet in honor of Polyna Stoska, Metropolitan Opera star, on May 22nd.

The following members are to be congratulated on their forthcoming marriage: Eleanor Katilus and Willie Jenus (May 29), Ann Peters and Bernie Yarusavage (September 11), Rita Staskus and Gus Stukas (September 24), and Dorothy Tolin and Wally of Brooklyn (October 1).

Our spiritual advisor, Father Pocius and Father Kemezis (Bayonne) have returned from a month's vacation in Florida and Havana. Judging from their tan, they must have had ideal weather down South.

On March 13th, the District Bowling League met in Kearny. We are proud of our girls' team which won first place.

(Two Bits)

## Chicago, Ill.

### COUNCIL 112

Our council commemorated Lithuania's Independence Day by having a guest speaker, Rev. Peter Cinikas, a new member, give a very inspiring talk on Lithuania.

The February Social which was at the Youth Center was most enjoyable. Thanks to the efforts of Lucille Kilkus and Tony Yuknis.

Council 36 was most hospitable during St. Casimir's Day commemoration exercises.

Orchids to Eleanor Macikas for the splendid work she has done in the short time she has been member of our council.

Belated congratulations to Gloria Cibulskis, Stanley Balzekas, Vyt Lubert and Ed Pocius who received their degrees in February.

We are looking forward to seeing our friends from Dayton, Detroit, and Cleveland at the Inter-City Bowling Tournament on Memorial Day.

Has anyone seen the look in Jack Yerkes' eyes lately? Oh, yes, it is spring.

Council 112 welcomes our newest members — Julius Kazuna, Dolores Urba, Joan Kay, Josephine Cibulskis, Violet Krukas, Arlene Kareiva, Dorothy Kareiva and Dolores Talmont.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Yuknis and a very capable dance committee are completing plans for the Easter Knight Frolic. We extend a most sincere invitation to all.

Valerie Sarockas

## Brockton, Mass.

### COUNCIL 1

Our annual Communion breakfast, following Mass in honor of our Patron St. Casimir was held on March 6th. Among our guest speakers were Fr. S. Saulenas, spiritual advisor, and Father Klimas. The latter gave an inspiring talk about the Lithuanians. The committee chairman Valarie Kavaliauskas and her helpers Josephine Jegunas and Agnes Motekaites, deserve thanks for all arrangements. The breakfast served was delicious and the tables were decorated with beautiful American beauty Roses.

Our delegate to the New England District Convention to be held in Boston on April 23-24, was elected at our last meeting.

### NEWSIES

Our newly-elected president is on the job trying to increase our membership.

Valarie Kavaliauskas is a good "gaspadinė". We all enjoyed the bacon and eggs served at the Communion breakfast.

"Kit"



## South Boston, Mass.

### COUNCIL 17

The N. E. District Bowling Roll-off held at the Huntington Alleys in Boston was a huge social success. Our men's team gained second place. There was a lot of friendly competition and everyone had a good time. Lawrence (78) arrived in a chartered bus! After bowling, everyone crowded into our clubrooms for refreshments and dancing. Tasty refreshments were served by Ann Nevronis, Aldona and Dotty Jacobs.

Our monthly meeting was held on March 13th with John Contons presiding. Among the matters discussed were Lithuanian Affairs, district convention, leadership course, Minstrel Show, Ritual, monthly social and sports. Dr. Leimonas honored us by his presence and greetings as Pavasarininkų vadas. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

We are ready to greet all delegates of the convention which is to take place at the Hotel Vendome, April 23-24. The presentation of bowling trophies and third degrees will highlight the banquet. Also many notables will be present.

Our Ritual Committee is very busy presenting degrees to the eligible members. We hope to have quite a number of members receiving their third degree at the Founder's Day Banquet.

St. Casimir's Day was celebrated by Mass, Communion and a breakfast in the church hall. Our interesting guest speakers were Msgr. Casimir Urban, Atty. Connie Akstinas and Miss Avietinaitė, former Minister of Foreign Affairs in Lithuania, who held the audience spellbound with her talk on Lithuania and the Lithuanian people. The breakfast was tasty, thanks to the hard working committee which included Teddy Vallis, Lil Arcekauskas, Ann Chaplik, Nellie Svelnis and many others.

The penny sale for the church was also aided by the K. of L. members. Vinny Jackmauh walked off with a large electric cooker; Aldona and Joe Svelnis won an enormous ham, coffee pot, and sugar bowl and creamer; Nellie Svelnis and John Contons won huge teddy bears and Larry Svelnis won a box of Soap Chips. When are you taking in laundry, Larry?

### NEWSIES

Guess our girls' bowling team missed Milly Vallis and Mary Kleponis at the N. E. Bowling Tournament because they came in fourth.

Algy Mitkus gave such a fine talk on Lithuanian Affairs last month that he recruited two members for our L.A.C.

Vic Anchukaitis is working diligently on the Ritual, and our monthly social.

Congratulations are in order for Pat Zibutis and Al Akule, both active K. of L'ers, who have just announced their engagement.

Fr. Tamulevičius is still wondering how Joe Lola made those two 110's at the Roll-off!

John Chetkauskas and Gerry Michaels certainly have that certain gleam in their eyes.

Fr. Contons is in charge of the K. of L. baseball team. All baseball players are signing up rapidly.

### I Wonder

What kind of a "baby" John Contons was baby-sitting with, in Jamaica Plain. If Teddy Vallis' coffee tasted like essence from heaven. If Ann Nevronis had a hot time at the Fireman's Ball. If a certain cop is the reason for Ronnie Ivanauskas' dreamy eyes. Who Fr. Al caught asleep on the pool table at the bowling alleys. Where Steve Contons was on Sunday, May 13th!

### SUNSHINE

## Lawrence, Mass.

### COUNCIL 78

Our council started off with a bang in 1949 by presenting the famous play "Šnipsnyčio Vestuvės" written by Joe Lola on January 9th. The cast, our spiritual director and stage Manager spent endless hours for a successful play and were rewarded on the night of the play when "standing room" was the only call. P. S. It's still the talk of Lawrence. Guests were present from Cambridge, So. Boston and Worcester. May we express our sincere thanks once again to Joe Lola, Joe Matachinskis and John Contons. Leading roles were played by Frances Suslovitch and John Stanavich and known from then on as the "Ideal Couple". How is Mo and Juze getting along these days?

February saw our members getting a bit of fresh air (Brrr) on a "sleigh-ride" along route 28 before hitting Palanga after a very opportune snow-fall. At our parish camp the members were greeted by the "Weenie and Coffee Committee" with "hot refreshments". By the way the "Eats" disappeared, no doubt many a waist-line had to be trimmed — but, may be polka dancing did the trick. Most of us are still wondering where a certain someone got the so called "Wax". It certainly made our shoes a sorry sight. The "little black stove" was the favorite with everyone that day — thanks to Al Blazavičius. Many lasting friendships were made that day among our K. of L. members.

Candle pins still don't seem to be our speed in bowling. But we managed to hold our own. Give us Duck pins any day! On April 10th we ex-

pect to prove our ability when Worcester will be heading our way for a match. Probably we would have done better at the N. E. Bowling Roll-Off if we all didn't use half of our energy in a "Musical Revue" on the bus before we hit Huntington Avenue. Thanks to John Stanin we found our way home after a very delicious buffet treat and dancing at the K. of L. Club in Southie.

It's certainly surprising to see how the K. of L. spirit is growing in our council! Why, we were ready to hire another bus to get to the dance in Worcester. Late planning prevented us, but two cars did manage to get to the dance.

St. Casimir's Day was observed on March 6th, with the majority of members receiving Holy Communion in a body followed by a breakfast. Thanks to Frannie, Shirley, Arlene and Gen for the beautifully set tables. We were indeed fortunate in having as our guest speakers Dr. J. Leimonas, Mr. Lucys and our new member Adolph Armelis. The talks were most interesting. Father Peter Shakalys, our spiritual director, also was our favorite speaker for the day. Business session followed with a great deal accomplished.

Lithuanian classes are now being held every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 with Mr. Lucys, Dr. Leimonas and Fr. Peter as instructors. Those of us who have attended classes are most enthused. Tuoju gerai kalbėsime lietuviškai.

### What's What —

Al Blazavičius was overheard saying that a Motion should be made to have a bowling match with Athol and Hartford councils. Would that certain redhead and blonde from the respective cities have anything to do with that Motion?

What's this that we hear about Barbara Jukins and Bobby Zukas? How did the water feel, Barbara, after the ice mysteriously gave way at our "sleigh-ride?" Isn't it a bit early to go swimming in February?

Shorter executive and monthly meetings for John Zenevitch would help solve his "date-time" problem.

Arlene Marcinonis seems to have caught the "knitting bug". Where you see Arlene, you are sure to see the yarn and needles not far from reach. We don't blame you Arlene if they all turn out like the yellow sweater that was recently modeled.

Agnes Vilkisius was seen having a gala time at the dance in Worcester. Too bad we didn't get there sooner, but then, South Boston is nearer than

Worcester... (?)

June Stevenson was seen giving a few dancing hints to her heart-throb, Phillip Bingalis. We knew Phillip couldn't resist your charm much longer.

Kapusto galva

## Cambridge, Mass.

### COUNCIL 18

Congratulations from the entire council are extended to our hard-working, amiable "tourist" Al Marcin, on his recent engagement to a Worcester girl. "Those wedding bells are breaking up that old gang of ours," — we hope not.

### MARCH MEETING SCOOP:

Our popular Chaplain, Fr. Frank Beksha came out with the prize quip of the month speaking on St. Casimir. Father Beksha stated that there no longer was any doubt as to St. Casimir's nationality. "He is definitely a Lithuanian. So, the Poles better look for somebody else! Mr. Peter Kalade, recently arrived from Germany also gave us an interesting talk. In behalf of the displaced Lithuanian students in Germany he thanked the K. of L. for sending them many packages of clothing and food. While on the subject of our displaced Lithuanian brethren, we elected Alberta Malin, and Al Kontrimas, the latter back to the K. of L. wars after an extended layoff, to supervise the collection and mailing of parcels to Germany. Our dynamic president, Al Jankauskas, informed us that we have already collected a substantial sum of money in order to defray the cost of mailing parcels. Ted Mankus, our vice pres., explained the formation of an intra-Council Coed-team, Bowling League. He also mentioned that a prize would be given to the highest male and female bowler at the close of the bowling season. Ted's words did not go unheeded — we had a wonderful turnout at the following Thursday's Bowlaway.

We welcome the following new members: Annette and Helen Pakalniskis, two charming young ladies who are not strangers to the council, Marion Luinis, who was entertained by our prodigal, Al Kontrimas and Vin "Curve Ball" Paul Zukas.

### DISA AND DATA:

Our two "big wheels", to use an Armed Service expression, Al "Nescafe" Jankauskas and Ted "Disc Jockey" Mankus were both decked out in green corduroy sports coats. Must be a sale on them!

On account of her recent "trispalva" yellow, green and red punch making feat, Millie Wilcinski is now known as "Miss Punch."

Vin Zukas and Ted Mankus, self-appointed table tennis champs were finally dethroned by John "Honolulu Baby" Janunas and Paul Zukas.

Jean Malin, soft drink tycoon, arrived at our meeting just in time to give the all important treasurer's report.

Chance books for the April 24th raffling of the television set, which

**LITHUANIAN SELF-TAUGHT**  
— a 146-page book of useful words and phrases according to subject: travel, food, correspondence etc., plus a short outline of grammar. Published by Marlborough, London. A large New York book store called this "a best seller." \$1.40. You can get a copy from Jos. Boley, 5 East 62nd St., New York, N.Y.

have been circulating around Cambridge and vicinity like snow flakes in a New England blizzard, are going fast. Al Jakutis is so enthused that he spent one bowling night high pressuring a bevy of girls into buying some chances!

Plans are underway to establish new quarters in the lower hall of the newly organized Lithuanian Catholic Club.

(Read K. of L. Calendar for coming events. Editor).

Scoop

## Dayton, Ohio

### COUNCIL 96

The YWCA International Club will sponsor a "Festival of all Nations" on May 7th. Our council will feature two Lithuanian Folk Dances and the choir will sing several Lithuanian songs. Mr. Ambrose is chairman of the musical program, Father Katarskis is in charge of having a special display of various Lithuanian articles, while Mrs. Mary Lucas is responsible for the preparation of two kinds of Lithuanian foods. This will be the first time for the Lithuanians to be represented in all aspects of the Annual Program.

With the first issue of our new-paper being successfully published, we are now intensely interested in interchanging it with other councils. Any council so desiring may obtain a copy of our paper by sending one of theirs to Mr. Stan Sluzas, 134 Troy Street, Dayton, 4, Ohio.

Our membership committee has received a wonderful response in its drive. At our March meeting we had the following persons join: Jerry Yuknawicz, Bill Kripos, Mrs. Pauline Pietrzak, Mary and Anna Del Miller.

Our "Winter Bowling League" was climaxed with Mike Petkus' team taking first place by nine games — CONGRATULATIONS! We now have reorganized into a "Spring Bowling League" so that interested members may keep in good bowling shape for the Mid-West Bowling Tournament in Chicago. Already Pat Zelinskas rolled a 174 game and Anne Scott 165. Nice score for first-year bowlers!

Father Katarskis is working very energetically towards another "Lith-

uanian Variety Program" to be sponsored in May.

Frances Vangas and her committee are to be commended for the outstanding table decorations and lovely breakfast prepared for St. Casimir's Day celebration.

All plans are now complete for our District Convention. We are anticipating a good representation from all councils.

HAPPY EASTER HOLIDAY.

Dottie

## Hartford, Conn.

### COUNCIL 6

During our recent meeting a calendar of events was arranged from which we depict an interesting year of work and pleasure combined.

Our 1st affair — a Valentine Party, was attended by guests from Athol, Worcester and Westfield. We thank all for participating because without you we could not have had as much fun and added interest. By "added interest" we mean such as — Danny Madeskts' gaiety and enthusiasm in entertaining a certain blonde from Worcester; John Kriksciun's attention to Louise of the same city. Incidentally, his brother Paul likes blondes too; Ella Staum and "Morky" Markunas hitting it off together on the dance floor; Our crowned King and Queen for the evening, Mrs. Bea Kripas and Al Leonaitis, who so aptly showed what good sports are like. The pairing of broken hearts brought about a little turmoil but lots of laughs were had. Did anyone ever find Mr. and Mrs. Schmoo? Added kitchen detail came from Warren Butt, a guest, who we hope to see at the K. of L. club-rooms more often. George Petkaitis, our new organist, was mostly in the company of Irene Yankauskas who (I think) found much pleasure in learning a new way of dancing — Austrian style.

Another important event was our semi-formal dance, the proceeds of which affair was given to our church fund. The committee, consisting of Mrs. H. Mazotas, chairman, E. Mazotas, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kripas, Mrs. Anthony Stanulis, Dorothy Yankauskas and Joseph Adikonis is to be commended for the effort put in, also a note of thanks to our patrons for their contributions.

Several highlights of that evening were: Hobby-horse racing in which the Knustos couple had more fun than anybody, in maneuvering around. A special dance for the patrons brought about specific notice of all. Who had more fun than Danny Propiescius, I ask you? He sure can trip the light fantastic very gracefully. The J. Beckers appeared to be the most romantic pair among hearts and flowers.

M. E.

## Cleveland, Ohio

### COUNCIL 25

Vasario 8 d., Liet. Svet., L., Vyčių 25ta kp. turėjo mėnesinį susimą, kurį vedė naujasis kp. pirm. J. Baltrus. Nutarimus iš metinio susirinkimo skaitė M. Trainauskaitė, nut. rašt.

Buvo padaryti komisijų raportai. Iš sporto veikimo pranešimą padarė P. Kunsaitis ir M. Susin. J. Sadauskas raportavo iš teatro komisijos darbuotės. Spaudos komisijos veiklą nušvietė narė L. Taris.

Po pranešimo apie dvasios vado kuopai paskyrimą ir po laiškų skaitymo, ėjo komisijų rinkimas.

Veikiančioji komisija yra tokia: A. Buknis, G. Kunsaitis, M. Susin, P. Kunsaitis ir N. Oranskienė; Sekimo kitataučių spaudos: L. Taris (Tareškevičiūtė), N. Mikelioniūtė ir E. Vaškaitė; sporto komisija: A. Palšis, J. Brazis ir Kunsaitis; teatro komisija: J. Kuzas, M. Trainauskaitė, E. Užkuraitė, N. Oranskienė ir J. Sadauskas; choro organizavimo komisija: D. Venslovaitė, D. Susin ir E. Vaškaitė; ritualo komisija: J. Sadauskas, J. Kuzas ir N. Oranskienė; įvedinimo (initiation) komisija: J. Brazis Jr., A. Palšis, M. Trainauskaitė, E. Taris, G. Kunsaitis ir K. Garucas.

Kuopa nusitarė bendrai eiti prie šv. komunijos verbų sekmadienį.

Mūsų kp. dosnūs rėmėjas Aleka Banys paaukojo \$10 tam, kuris šiais metais prirašys prie kp. 20 naujų narių.

Šiame susirinkime dalyvavo kun. Dr. K. Širvaitis.

Vasario 12 d. Vyčių 25ta kp. buvo suruošus parengimą su šokiais ir užkandžiais. Publikos buvo tikėtasi daugiau šiame parengime. Kuopai pelno liks. Komisijoje darbavosi šie nariai: broliai Braziai, J. Baltrus, N. Oranskienė, P. Kunsaitis, A. Palšis, vytė Užkuraitė ir M. Susin.

Kovo 8 d. vyčių 25ta kp. turėjo mėn. susirinkimą.

Po protokolo skaitymo ėjo įvairių komisijų raportai. Veikiančiosios komisijos raportą pateikė Jurgis Brazis, kuris pasakė, kad kp. paskutiniam parengime buvo uždirbta virš \$53.

Sporto veikimo pranešimą padarė Pranas Kunsaitis. Jis pažymėjo, kad netrukus 25tos kp. bowling tymas važiuosias į Chicagą persiimti su tenyščių vyčių kp. bowling tymais.

Teatro komisija pranešė, kad patatyti kokį veikalą.

Šokių kom. pažymėjo, kad pirmutiniai šokiai Liet. Svet. įvyks Velykų dieną. Yra paimtas vienas iš Clevelando garsiųjų orkestrų.

Vytė L. Taris pranešė, kad ji yra parašiusi šiais metais apie 40 įvairių laiškų tiems asmenims ir redakcijoms, kurie yra ką gražiai parašę apie Lietuvą ar lietuvius, arba ki-

tiems, kurie yra blogai parašę. Ačiū jai už tokį gražų darbą!

Paskui buvo skaityti gautieji laiškai. Daytono kuopa savo laiške ragina Clevelando vyčius išrinkti atstovus į apskrities seimelį, kuris bus Daytono gegužės 1 dieną. Iš 25 vyčių kuopos apsiėmė važiuoti net 14 narių.

Šiame susirinkime buvo nutarta praveisti naujų narių prirašinėjimo vaju. Šie nariai ėjo į šį didelį darbą: Dr. A. Damušis, L. ir E. Taris, A. Mikelionis, A. Vaikšnoras, A. Oranskienė ir Al Samas.

Liet. Vyčių 25ta kp. susilaukė sau dvasios vado. Tai kun. J. Angelaitis. Jis atsilankė į susirinkimą ir pasakė gražią kalbelę. Po susirinkimo buvo užkandžiai.

Senelis.

## New York, N. Y.

### COUNCIL 12

Our District Communion breakfast was held on March 6th with Council 12 as host. There were 90 guests representing all the councils in the district. The food was typically Lithuanian and the delicious ham was baked by Al Yatkaukas. The committee is to be commended for arranging the breakfast, including Mr. and Mrs. Frank Samulenas, president and Mrs. Larry Janonis; also Francs Baskis and Betty Kscenaitis who handled the secretarial and financial chores on this project.

We were fortunate to have with us many noted guests. The principal speaker was Msgr. M. Krupavičius, head of the Committee for Liberation of Lithuania, who is well known for his work for the resettlement of Lithuanian DPs. Other speakers were Miss Sadye Zilin, attorney from Albany, Balys Laučka, Father Gurinskas, spiritual advisor of C-12, and Daniel Averka who was our genial toastmaster. Last but not least, Joseph Sable, our orator from Jersey City, added the light note where it was needed.

### Breakfast Sidelites —

In the audience was Miss S. Thompson a recent arrival from Europe.

Charlie Bason didn't allow his responsibilities at the speakers table to interfere with his shutter-bugging activities.

How did you folks from Jersey like our male choir? All the boys are K. of L. members, too. Eldy Simulinas, in concert with Fr. Gurinskas and Professor Tomasaitis, arranged the musical portion of the program.

Many of those who attended the breakfast remained for the Leadership Classes held later in the afternoon.

Stella Kaulis honored her mother and father on their 25th wedding anniversary with a party at the church

hall. More than 200 attended including K. of L'ers.

Because of the party we weren't able to attend the Linden Rumpus Nite in as great numbers as usual.

The last monthly social was another of those excellent get-togethers. Irene and Mary Antonaitis whipped up that delicious meal.

### SPORTS —

We've been shooting off our mouths about our bowling team fighting it out for last place. Well, — truth is often quoted in jest. The boys had one more chance to step out of last place at the grand finale held March 13th in Kearny.

Last week Steve Montvidas, under the tutelage of the maestro, Al Monkawitch, hit a score of 222. Another example of the student outdoing the teacher.

By the way, anybody out Jersey way looking for a softball game?

Belated Birthday wishes to Lorraine Remavich, Tony and Eldy Simulinas, Stella Kaulis and Stan Uschin.

Larry Janonis is taking a course in Insurance these days. Yank Yatkaukas is pursuing his ambitions at Columbia University. Our newest member, Steve Andryauskas, is majoring in Chemistry at Fordham University.

Saving your old shoes and rice? We'll need them when Mary Lovinkaitis and Ray get married. May 1st is the big day.

Two Wise Owls

## Linden, N. J.

### COUNCIL 113

We celebrated the feast of Casimir by attending the New York and New Jersey District Communion Breakfast at our Lady of Vilna Church, New York City. We were impressed with the speakers and feel we are really part of a wonderful nationality.

We are looking forward to our "Buttons and Bows" Dance to be held April 30th. Since everyone enjoyed our previous "Rumpus Nite", we now extend you another cordial invitation.

In the bowling league, which ended March 13th at Kearny, N. J., the teams entered by our council made a good showing. The men's team came in third and the girls second. Congratulations to the two winning teams, namely: Elizabeth (male) and Kearny (female).

Our regular meetings are now a combination of business and social. We make a special appeal to all members to attend meetings more frequently.

Our annual Communion breakfast will be held in May. Friends and former members are cordially invited to "break bread" with us.

## Elizabeth, N. J.

### COUNCIL 52

#### Convention Preview

The National Convention Committee is busy planning for the outstanding event of the year. The coming conclave will be held in the City of Elizabeth on September 8, 9, 10, 11 with our council acting as host. The committee, headed by Vincent Zakaravich and Charles Grinchis, co-chairmen, includes: Ann Mitchell, secretary, 269 Second St., Elizabeth, N. J., Ann Staboris, asst. sec'y., Helen Pinkin, Josephine Adams, William Senkus, and Daniel Degutis. The committee is working diligently in order to make this convention a memorable one.

#### BOWLING

It was no surprise that our council won first place in the New York — New Jersey District Bowling League. The "Dodgers", (men's teams) received first honor, with the "Yanks" only a step behind them. Our boys captured 11 out of 13 tournaments. We're mighty proud of these stellar performances.

The girls' teams also fared out well. The "Devils" rolled in third place, while the "Petunias" came in last.

The awards were made in Kearny on March 13th after the final matches. A beautiful golden trophy was awarded to our boys, giving them possession of it for the coming year. The bowlers are to be complimented for their grand sportsmanship. Charlie Oskutis, Larry Mack and "Butch" Kablis bowled exceptionally well.

#### Honor to our Pastor

Our pastor, Father Joseph Simonaitis, who is celebrating his 25th anniversary as pastor of our parish, was tendered a testimonial banquet by the parishioners, at which many of our Knights attended and a gift was presented to the celebrant by our council.

Father Simonaitis is an honorary member of the K. of L. and one of our foremost leaders in Lithuanian activities. May God give him many more years of successful priestly service among us.

#### COMMUNION BREAKFAST

On March 27th we commemorated St. Casimir's Day by attending Mass, celebrated by Fr. Kasper, our spiritual advisor, receiving Holy Communion, and having breakfast in the parish hall. Vincent Zakaravich and Bill Senkus saw to it that we were well fed at the breakfast. After breakfast, a council group picture was taken for the coming convention book.

#### MIXED DOUBLES

On April 3 our mixed double matches were held with George But-

kus and Karry Mack in charge. This is one event all members look forward to each year.

Our council presented a donation of \$100 to the American Lithuanian Council. This is a most practical way of showing our interest in the cause of Lithuania and loyalty to the fatherland.

#### COMING EVENT

Read the K. of L. Calendar!

THE SCRIBE

## Chicago, Ill.

### COUNCIL 36

Šiomet mūsų kuopa turėjo progą būti šeiminkais L. V. Chicagos apskrities tradicinėje dvasinėje puotoje, būtent šv. Kazimiero dienos šventėje.

Kovo 6 d. Nekalto Prasiidėjimo parapijoje susirinko per 300 jaunimo, kurių daugumas vyčiai, ir suvažiavė iš kitų kolonijų.

Iškilmės prasiidėjo išpūdinga procesija, kurioje dalyvavo Dariaus ir Girėno ir Don Varno postai su vėliavomis; apie 30 "Cub Scouts" ir "Boy Scouts", taipgi apsirengę savo uniformomis, darė gražų vaizdą.

Dalyvavo šv. Vardo draugija ir kelios kitos draugijos.

Visiems suėjus į bažnyčią, iškilmingas šv. Mišias atnašavo kun. dr. Vl. Tulaba. Asistoj buvo kun. A. Micūnas M. I. C. ir kun. V. Mikolaitis. Gražų pamokslą pasakė L. Vyčių apskrities dvasios vadas kun. S. Gaučias. Giedojo vyčių apskrities choras, vadovaujamas Leonardo šimučio Jr. Po šv. Mišių buvo įteiktas ketvirtas laipsnis apie 10 kandidatų. Po apeigų visi susirinko į parapijos salę; čia buvo parengti gardūs pusryčiai, kuriuos parūpino mūsų darbšti komisija: F. Macievic, A. Sarockas, K. Zaromskis, P. Rekašius, A. Shtell ir F. Urnėžus.

Mūsų naujų narių vajaus komisija, į kurią įeina F. Macievic, A. Sarockas, S. Dobrovolskis ir J. Poplauskas, labai stropiai dirbo, bet dar nežinome, kokie rezultatai, kol viskas bus sutvarkyta centre.

Gražus naujų ir senų narių būrys dalyvavo mūsų pereiname susirinkime.

Turėjome garbę savo tarpe matyti mūsų parapijos kleboną kun. A. Brišką su svečiu kun. dr. V. Tulaba. Jie prabilo į mus išpūdingomis kalbomis.

Po susirinkimo buvo mažas "social". Mat, susirinkimas buvo vyčių globėjo išvakarėse, tai norėjome ką nors "special" padaryti. Po gardžių užkandžių, kuriuos prirengė mūsų uolios šeiminkės Mrs. T. Norbut, F. Macievic, P. Rekašius, A. Shtell ir F. Urnėžus, buvo parodyta filmas "Bernadetos Giesmė".

#### BITS or NEWS

Recently Emily Kass and Marty Gestautas announced their engagement. Both are active members of our council.

PILYPUKS

## Pittsburgh, Pa.

### COUNCIL 62

At the Pittsburgh District meeting held after our Communion breakfast, the following members from our council were elected: Vic Zink, vice president; Custy Storolis, Lithuanian Affairs Committee; Andy Rozger and H. Palecki, Activities Committee.

The Knights are honored to help receive Bishop Brizgys, who is to visit us this month.

#### SPORTS

The skating party was a big success. There are some good skaters among us. Andy Rozger holds first place on bowling averages to date. Our next bowling match is with Council 16 at the Sheridan Alleys.

#### Notes —

Nellie Rozger spent a week-end in New Jersey. Marion Bernoth is president of her class. Helen Bernoth is taking singing lessons. Ruthie Dargis is secretary in a real estate office. Dr. and Mrs. F. Mazeika have moved into a new apartment. Custy Storolis is a Knight through and through; he is also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Hank

## Bayonne, N. J.

### COUNCIL 67

Plans were formulated at our last meeting for a Picnic and Dance to be held on the Parish Grounds, July 17th. We cordially invite our member Councils to attend this affair, which is the first we have attempted in over a year. Our treasury has been sorely depleted since a lull struck our council and this is our sincere attempt to bring life and funds to carry on. Likewise, we anticipate running a raffle for the benefit of the District banner. Visi kviečiami atsilankyti! Those who attended the District Communion breakfast really had a treat in hearing the well known Prelatas Krupavičius speak on Lithuanian Action. Our own Margie Gaupsas gave out with a bit of adlib. Nice going, Margie! The council contributed ten dollars to the American Lithuanian Council. It is only through cooperation that we will obtain a free and independent Lithuania. We are grateful to Fr. Karal for attending our meetings and guiding us in spiritual matters. Our council will receive Holy Communion in a body at the 8 o'clock. Mass on Passion Sunday. Our new officers are doing a fine job in reviving the council. Thanks, Connie Mack, for those delicious hot dogs at our past Social. Welcome to another new member, Mary Bruzas. Our parish hall got a New Look recently. We strongly urge all members to attend the Lithuanian instructions presented by the district. Atsiminkit, visuomet, vyčiai — dirbkime Tautai ir Bažnyčiai! "Birzgelė"

## Providence, R. I.

### COUNCIL 103

Our council turned out in full force, wearing white carnations, to observe St. Casimir's Day, on March 6th, by receiving Holy Communion. We hope that the impression created by this showing will inspire others into joining. After Mass, we assembled in the "All Occasion" Room (church hall) for breakfast. The singing of "Happy Birthday" to Bill Kaskewski and Helen Avizynis left the group in a festive mood to await the Bowling Tournament that afternoon with Worcester (26).

Although the Worcester boys gave us pretty stiff competition, Providence proved to be their superiors on duck pins. However, the Worcester girls wouldn't let us walk off with all the honors and took the Providence girls. The day's events were concluded with refreshments served at Bert Ciocy's home.

### SNAPSHOTS —

The picture of the month! The "Unholy Three", from Worcester, seen drinking frappes in a local ice cream parlor in Providence.

Can you picture our dancing "Jo" Kropis slaving over a hot stove baking luscious cream puffs? Hard to believe? You should have been at our last monthly meeting!

Girls, are you looking for a new pin-up man? Send ten box tops to "103" and receive a picture of our "Man of Success" Tony Gudas, whose picture has been appearing frequently in our local paper.

Newly-weds, Marge and George Alukonis, were a picture of bliss at our last meeting. Welcome back!

(Notice the K. of L. Calendar — editor).

### DOUBLE TALK

## Newark, N. J.

### COUNCIL, N. J.

At our last meeting we voted to contribute \$25 towards the purchase of our district flag.

We celebrated St. Casimir's Day on the 20th of March by attending Mass at the Holy Trinity Church, receiving Communion in a body, and after having breakfast at the Hotel Sheridan, we took a bus ride to the Bear Mountains.

The "KEY" staff is running a series of articles concerning the historical and cultural background of Lithuania. In this way, we hope to create a keener interest in Lithuanian affairs and to cultivate the desire to uphold and preserve the history of Lithuania.

The Sport Board announced that a team from our council will be entered in the softball league.

We welcome our newest member, Bob Kurt.

### Echoes from the Hall

Results of the district bowling league: our girls' team finished third and the boys were tie for fourth place. Bill Kennis scored 199 in the last game of the bowling season.

Our skating party was most successful. Have you heard that our boys formed a quartet?

We extend our best wishes to Walt Kranowski, Gene Morris, John Peldunas, John Skripsta and Ed Thompson, who were elected officers of the Lithuanian American Veterans organization.

We wish a speedy recovery to Dee Miller, who was recently operated on appendicitis.

Our group of Opera lovers are planning to take in "La Boheme".

Deep Purple



REV. DR. JOSEPH B. KONCIUS

### REELECTED BY "CARE"

The Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Koncius, President of the United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, has been reelected to the Board of Directors of CARE for the year 1949.

Dr. Koncius, born and educated in Lithuania, and active for many years in the interest of the Lithuanian people, will assist for another year in making the policies of CARE, the non-profit, government-approved organization which has delivered seven million food and textile packages in 14 European countries.

The United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, with 900 chapters throughout the United States, is a non-political, non-sectarian group which collects funds, clothing, food and other relief articles for the 50,000 Lithuanian displaced persons in western Europe, chiefly in the D.P. camps of Germany and Austria. It maintains delegates in such capitals as Paris, Rome, Brussels, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Zurich to supervise its program.

Rev. Dr. Koncius was ordained as a priest in Lithuania. He was a military chaplain to that country's armed forces in World War 1. In 1919, in Berlin, he became a member of the Allied Commission on the Repatriation of Military Captives, in charge of Lithuanian prisoners. Returning to his homeland in 1920, he became a professor at a Lithuanian college, and, the following year, was appointed Special Diplomatic Representative to Moscow.

In the United States since 1923, Father Koncius is now chaplain of the Blessed Sacrament Monastery in Yonkers, New York, and a Director of the National Catholic Resettlement Council.

His work with the United Lithuanian Relief Fund, and with CARE, is a reflection of a life interest in relief and resettlement work. As president of the Lithuanian relief group, a member agency of CARE, Rev. Dr. Koncius was one of the early organizers of the agency which sends food and textile packages to devastated areas.

## Great Neck, N. Y.

### COUNCIL 109

February 26th was our day of woe, when we traveled to Maspeth to have our first bowling match of the season. Maspeth was victorious, 2-1, both in the men's and the girls' teams. The girls tried to the end. Mary Truss, Jo Rusas and Chris received cuts on their thumbs using that popular No. 2 ball! The social that followed was heartily enjoyed by all. The entertainment provided by the "Whooser Mop-Shots" was certainly unique. We thank Maspeth for its sociability.

Quite a few of our members attended the N. Y. — N. J. District Communion breakfast held in New York on St. Casimir's Day. A round of applause to the committee for selecting such interesting speakers and for a well planned program.

Plans are progressing for our "Flowers After Showers" Dance on May 7th for the benefit of Supreme Council. The committee consists of Mary Truss, Jo Rusas, Bertha Stancavage and Al Wesey. Tickets are being sent to each council within the district. Give us a helping hand for a worthy cause!

Our Ritual Committee has made applications for 19 First Degrees. We have been rather lax in Ritual work, but a late beginning will make a good start. Ritual ceremonies will be held very shortly. Let's memorize those few requirements, so that we may realize higher degrees in the near future.

We're wondering why Alfred Savage doesn't attend some of our meetings.

Happy Easter!

.....Snoopy

## Worcester, Mass.

### COUNCIL 26

Our annual communion breakfast in honor of St. Casimir, was held on March 6th in the church hall. Mrs. Mary Jurgelonis, our degree master, bestowed 33 first degrees and 12 second degrees. Committee on arrangements consisted of: Adele Bisko, chairman, Ellie Grazulis, Angie Sarapas, Eve Jurgelonis, Adele Ivaska, June Bruinsma, Adele Katauskas, Vin Grazulis, Joe Sakaitis and Tony Morkunas.

Our council was well represented at the Valentine Party held in Hartford. There ought to be more parties like that.

Our own Valentine Party was held in the clubroom with C-116 as our guests. We are grateful to Angie Sarapas for supplying us with such fine assortment of games.

Our membership drive, held in the form of a Sports night, featured movies of basketball, not to forget Abbott and Costello, (with a special note of thanks to Fr. M. Tamulevich). It attracted many new friends who joined our organization. We welcome the following: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tagman, Wanda Jakubauskas, Alice Ceznickas, Ruth Patinskas, Rita Danelavicius, Eddie Grazulis, George Uzdavinis, Eddie Danelavicius, Ed Aderkas, George Personis, Bob Kelley, Paul Katauskas, Joe Geleckas, Al Struckus, Dan Longone, Joe Zuromskis and Gene Kellogg.

The Kondrotases sure are lucky people. Rita, Jennie and Frank all walked off with prizes at our recent military whist. The profit derived from that affair will go towards furthering our goal in improving our clubroom.

Read K. of L. Calendar — coming events. (Editor).

### SPORTS DEPT.

Although our teams missed the trophy at the N. E. Bowling Tournament, our girls came in second. The men promise to practise more before the next tournament.

Many of our bowlers will compete in the annual Worcester City Championship contest, sponsored by the local newspaper. A new high single record was made by Ellie Grazulis when she rolled 118 recently.

On March 6th, our teams went to Providence for a match with C-103. Winners were Worcester girls and Providence fellows. We thank our hosts and shall try to reciprocate in the next match. We're really hitting the road now. Bowling meets scheduled thus far are with Worcester (116), Hartford, Athol, Norwood and Lawrence.

Arrangements are being made for a ping-pong match with C-116. Our



champs are Connie Daucunas and Ellie Grazulis.

### THIS AND THAT

Our dream of a television set is now becoming a reality. We've had demonstrations at the clubroom and the committee is hard at work planning affairs to finance it.

Movies were shown at our last meeting. One of them was an actual broadcast of the "Telephone Hour." For those who do not appreciate the finer music, we hope to get Spike Jones's program at our next meeting.

Lithuanian classes are being held weekly at the clubroom under the instructorship of Miss Angela Sidlauskas, Lithuanian D.P. Many of our members have already signed up.

Spring is in the air! Joe Sakaitis was recently seen sporting a very lovely hankie with green crocheted dges. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Terry Jurgelonis, after an appendectomy. People whose faces we've missed: Vivian Piragas, Mr. and Mrs. Vitty Sepavich, Gabe Trumpaitis and Frank Thompson.

"The Spook"

## Detroit, Mich.

### COUNCIL 102

The K. of L. Variety show was a huge success. It was wonderful to notice the co-operation given by our members. We are beginning to realize that it takes a team and not a few individuals to achieve any goal. Because of this affair many new members wish to join our council. This gives us more enthusiasm and courage to sponsor such affairs in the future.

A talent scout approached me the night of the Show and said that Mr. Ziegfield may be interested in our chorus lines, which were made up of eight of the cutest fellows you have ever seen in ruffles, and six slick chicks in top hats and canes — ALL IN STEP! Elinore Slavinskas did a splendid job of directing the dance routines, besides working on her own specialty.

Would you believe it, we have amongst us a Romeo! Tony, "lover" Zyren stepped up in front of the spotlight and portrayed his true self. Then, of course, we had our Joker, Joe Bender. If the people weren't rolling in the aisles, he was Geo. "Jolson" Sinkus still has black paint behind the ears, His pantomime of SWANEE received a big round of applause. Vic Youdzukinas and his wife Marie certainly deserve the title of Champ Polka dancers, to say nothing of our two little pickaninny jitterbugs, Louise Simmonis and Geo. Sinkus. We never would have imagined the beautiful blond menace to be Joe Sakol, or Al Tamonis as a Salvation Army preacher doing his best to impress Bob Boris with the evils of "Cigarettes and Whisky and Wild, Wild Women", while Ray Petcavage kept insisting that he sing "Temptation".

Ray Medonis, as a hobo, was the envy of the cast. He was able to eat "blynies" out of his pack, while the rest of us sang with watering mouths. The fellows in the Bartenders Quartette looked pretty natural with their mugs of beer, overflowing.

Let's give credit to the back stage workers, and I do mean workers. Alice Brinza and Milly Slavin spent many a night making the costumes. The fellows rigged up all the scenery and the stairway. Vince York, has officially been named our No. 1 runner-arounder and human filing system, while Tony Bakanoski is the flash-bulb king. His brother Joe, certainly deserves credit for giving a top-notch performance while suffering from Lumbago, and working at the dance for the greater part of the evening.

Congratulations to Angie Besasparris, who bowled a high single game of 205, which is mighty fancy bowling.

Bob Boris, is doing a great job of getting packages of food and clothing out to Lthuanian refugee students in Germany.

Rudy Sakal, in the Army Air Corps since September, is certainly taking to military life. He is now at Hamilton Field and still has 2½ more years to go. Tom Plunkett, representing C-102 in another branch of the service, is doing us proud in the Navy at Key West, Fla.

We are honored to have Prof. Kazlauskas, a language instructor at the Grosse Point University of Detroit, join our council. He has already graciously consented to conduct a class in Lithuanian for our benefit.

Other new members are Rosemary Baachian, Betty Brinza, Helena Meskauskas, Bruno, hold on to your hats, another Sinkus, and Al Petcavage.

Al and Ray

*Balys Sruoga.*

## PIOVĖJAS

Ilgą, ilgą pradalgėlį  
Pievoj išvarysiu.  
Baltus, baltus dobilėlius  
Kaip skinte išskinsiu...

Sužvangės žvangiau neg varpas  
Dalgė plieno kieto,  
Ir atneš sesulė pievon  
Juosta pažadėta...

Ne tokią, kokia dabinas  
Šienpioviai kas ryta, —  
Raudonmargę, šilkaruožę,  
Iš gijų nupinta.

Man seselė pažadėjo  
Iš radastų juosta,  
Mėnesienos krupulingos  
Lūkesio atausta.

Man atneš seselė laukto  
Vandenėlio šalto,  
To kur geria baltos gulbės,  
Kurio stirnos saugo.

Susijuosiu žalią juosta,  
Pabučiuosiu sesę —  
Ot, guldysiu dobilėlius,  
Taip kaip pusnį balta.

## Pittsburgh, Pa.

### COUNCIL 19

The council's highligh of the month of March was the St. Casimir's Day celebration. Together with Council 62, the group, which numbered more than sixty and exemplifying the spirit of American Lithuanian youth in Pittsburgh, attended Mass at St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

Father Boley, district spiritual director, delivered the sermon pertaining to our Patron Saint. Then followed the Communion breakfast which was served at the school hall by Council 62's better half and women of the parish.

Installation of Knights into the various degrees took place with Father "Joe" Girdis as "Quiz Master". Twenty-one candidates received their first degree, twenty-two received their second degree, and one member, A. V. Sadauskas successfully obtained the third degree honors.

Next on the agenda were short speeches by the visiting clergy and guests. Most impressive of all speakers was 62's Pete Barkus. His lengthy discourse on patience and fortitude in his most fluent Lithuanian held the undivided attention of all. It's rumored Father Lunksis coached him.

Then followed the main event —

the election of district officers, which turned out to be a landslide for this council. The high honored position of president went to our aggressive Walter Chinik; Victor Zink (62) 1st vice president; Vytautas Jucevičius, 2nd vice president and chairman of the Activities Committee; Antoinette Naujelis, secretary; and since the reports showed the district had more money in its treasury than it started with, William Kolicius was un-animously reelected treasurer.

**SNOOPIN SAL**

## Cleveland, Ohio

### COUNCIL 25

We welcome Rev. Fr. Joseph Angelaitis, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, as our spiritual advisor. Father reminded us of our duties as Catholics and urged us to help the D. P's who are now residing in our community.

Last month, Adele Martin and Magdalene Samson joined our council. Don't forget our \$10 membership Contest! The Membership Drive Committee consists of Helen and Lillian Tores, A Damois, Nellie Arunski, Al Samas and Al Vaiksnoras. Many thanks to Gene Kuncytis for the posters and tickets which he had printed for our forthcoming "Easter Day Dance" to be held April 17, 1949.

Our annual "Initiation Party" is to take place on May 10, 1949. Ooh... what's going to happen to you?

Council members will receive Holy Communion on Palm Sunday at the ten o'clock Mass, followed by a breakfast.

The following delegates are planning to attend the District Convention on May 1st in Dayton: M. Derencus, Frank Kuncytes, Helen and Lillian Tores, Mary Susin, Joan and Dorothy Susin, Helen Vaska, Nellie Mikelonis, Al Samas, John and George Brazis, Mary Trainey, Andy Palzus and Gene Kuncytis.

### Strikes and Spares

We are making final plans to participate in the Bowling Tournament in Chicago. Qualified individ-

uals may contact Frank Kuncytes. The date is May 29-30...

A letter of appreciation was received from Dr. Kaminskas for the package we mailed him in Germany.  
**Blondie**

## K. of L. Calendar

APRIL 17 — Cleveland (25) Dance.

APRIL 23 — Elizabeth (52) Dance.

APRIL 23 and 24 — N. E. District K. of L. Annual Convention.  
Host — South Boston (17)

APRIL 24 — Chicago District K. of L. Choir Concert.

APRIL 24 — Cleveland (25) Dance.

APRIL 29 and 30 — Elizabeth (52) Variety Show.

APRIL 30 — Linden (113) Dance.

APRIL 30 - MAY 1 — Ohio-Michigan District Convention. Host — Dayton (96).

MAY 7 — Great Neck (109) Dance for Benefit of Supreme Council.

MAY 7 — Worcester (26) Dance at Maironis Park. Benefit of Supreme Council.

MAY 10 — Cleveland (25) Initiation Party.

MAY 14 — Kearny-Harrison (90) Dance.

MAY 15 and 16 — South Boston (17) Minstrel Show at Patrick Gavin School.

MAY 21 — New York (12) Dance.

MAY 21 — Cambridge (18) Dance.

MAY 22 — N. Y. - N. J. District testimonial dinner for Polyna Stoska.

MAY 28 — Providence (103) Dance.

MAY 29 and 30 — Chicago District Bowling Tournament.

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JULY 10 — N. Y. - N. J. District Picnic, Linden, N. J.

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**KLAUSIMAS.** — Kalbant apie kuopos valdybą, kaip lietuviškai pavadinti jos "officers"?

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Valdybos nariai.

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**KLAUSIMAS.** — Kaip lietuviškai vartoti žodį "meeting"?

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Jei visos kuopos — susirinkimas, jei tik valdybos — posėdis.

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**KLAUSIMAS.** — Ar galima sakyti kuopos, susirinkimo, vyčių ar šiaip organizacijos prezidentas?

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Ne. Lietuvoj buvo tik valstybės prezidentas. Vietoj prezidento geriausiai tinka imti žodį pirmininkas.

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**KLAUSIMAS.** — O gal vartotinas — pirmas?

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Tas žodis visai nevertotinas.

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**KLAUSIMAS.** — Kaip lietuviškai pasakyti strytas (street), pensilis (pencil), stepsai (steps), dišė (dish), peintinti (paint)?

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Lietuviški žodžiai yra šie: gatvė, pieštukas, laiptai, lėkštė, dažyti.

**KLAUSIMAS.** — Katras teisingai kalba: mano tėtis sako — "aš daryčiau", o mama — "aš darytau"? Abu atvykę iš Lietuvos, ir aš nežinau, katras jų gerai išsireiškia.

**ATSAKYMAS.** — Pirmą vietą reikia užleisti "aš daryčiau", nes taip priimta rašomojoje lietuvių kalboje (standard Lithuanian). "Aš darytau" yra tarmė (dialektas). Daugiausia taip kalba dzūkai.

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