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# Geroji Naujiena

Jau antras tūkstantis metų baigiasi, kaip pasaulis išgirdo Gerą Naujieną. Gerosios Naujienos vardu yra vadinama Evangelija, kurią Kristus skelbē žmonijai.

Geroji Naujiena anų laikų žmonijai buvo gaivinanti rasa po ilgos sausros. Ilgai laukta tos Geros Naujienos. Daug pranašų kalbējo apie jos artējimą. Dēl to ir buvo daug džiaugsmo jos sulaukus.

Gerosios Naujienos atējimą į šį pasaulį pasitiko dangaus angelų giesmēs garsai, kurie ligi šių dienų skamba neišsakomai gražiais ir giliai prasmingais žodžiais: Garbē Dievui aukštybėse, ramybė geros valios žmonėms žemėje.

Kristaus gimimo laikais priespaudos buvo daug. Greta laisvų ir turtingų pasaulio galingesniųjų, žymi žmonijos dalis kentė vergiją. Vergas nebuvo laikomas žmogumi. Jis buvo perkamas ir parduodamas. Jis buvo alkinamas ir mušamas. Laisvė ir šeimos džiaugsmas buvo ne jam. Jo dienos — prakaito ir sunkaus darbo dienos.

Kristaus Geroji Naujiena paskelbē, kad nēra vergo, nēra romēno nē žydo. Yra tik žmogus, kuriam Dievas suteikē nemirtinga siela ir pažadējo jam tēvainyste prie savo sosto. Jis kvietē ateiti prie Jo visus, kurie kenčia ir velka sunkia priespaudos našta. Jis pažadējo atpilda savo Tēvo Karalystēje ir už tai tereikalavo labai mažo dalyko: mylēti artima ir Dieva, pasaulio Kūrēja.

Pranašų skelbiamą Kristaus atējimą žydų tauta suprato kaip jų karaliaus atējimą. Karaliaus, kuris išvaduos juos iš romēnų valdžios, kuris atneš jiems gerovę, ir vēl mana snigs iš dangaus.

Tačiau Kristus juos apvylē. Jis atsisakē būti jų karalium, nes jo karalystē ne iš šio pasaulio. Ji skirta visiems, ne tik žydams. Jis atējo ne karaliauti, bet atpirkti žmoniją. Jis atējo pasakyti, kad Dievo akyse visi žmonēs yra lygūs. Neužmiršo priminti, kad Dangaus Karalystē nēra suteikiama už pinigus, nē už šio pasaulio valdžią bei puošnų rūbą. Ji duodama tik už artimo meilę ir gerus darbus. Ji atvira vargšui, lygiai kaip ir turtuoliui.

Geroji Naujiena patraukē minias, bet supy-

kino galingesniuosius.

"Jis kalba apie žmonių lygybę. Jis sakosi esąs Dievo Sūnumi. Jis nenori būti mūsų karalium ir išvyti ir Jeruzales romēnus. Jis piktžodžiauja — šaukē žydų vadai. "Nukryžiuoti jį!"

Ir Gerosios Naujienos nešējas mirē ant kryžiaus.

Bet Geroji Naujiena plito. Ji sklido po visą

pasaulį. Pasiekė bemaž visus žemės rutulio kampelius. Nesulaikė jos nei vėjai nei vandenys. Nesustabdė kalnai.

Žmonija nuo jos pradējo skaičiuoti savo metus. Žemē nusisagstē bokštais, po kurių skliautais garbina Gerosios Naujienos nešēją.

Gerosios Naujienos gimimo šventē per amžius minima. Ji tikra šeimos šventē, savo jaukia šiluma apgaubianti visus, didelius ir mažus. Ji džiaugsmo ir palaimos kupina. Ji skelbia ramybę. Ji neša taiką.

Jos išvakarēse mes žiebiam žvakutes, puošiam eglutes. Tai amžinosios šviesos išreiškimas. Tai geros valios ir kilnios širdies spindējimas. Atlaidus spindējimas ir į širdis tų, kuriose įsibriovē neapykanta ir užgeso meilēs šviesa.

Geroji Naujiena neša džiaugsmą. Ji niekam negrasina. Ji nesikēsina atimti niekeno valdžios.

O vis tik ji persekiojama. Šiandien komunizmo vardu stengiasi ąj išnaikinti, nušluoti nuo žemēs paviršiaus.

Geroji Naujiena raunama lauk iš kūdikio širdies. Jo nekaltos lūpos yra mokomos vergiją vadinti laisve. Jo širdelēn vieton meilēs skiepinama neapykanta visiems tiems, kurie negarbina komunizmo vadų.

Naujas šētonas atsirado. Jis gundo žmogų: Pagarbink mane, ir viskas bus tavo. Bet naujasis šētonas daug piktesnis už senąjį. Senasis pasitraukė nuo gundomojo, kai pamatė, kad šis nepasiduoda. Naujasis šētonas nesitraukia. Jei jam nepasiduoda, jis savo auką sunaikina.

Siaubas žengia per visą žemę. Jis griauna bokštus. Purvinomis kojomis jis mindžioja gražiausius žmonių kūrinius. Jis šaiposi iš mūsų meilės. Jis tyčiojasi iš gerų mūsų darbų. Vieton taikos žvakelės, jis kuria neapykantos gaisrus.

Naujoji vergija, daug baisesnē **už senąją**, plinta. Jos baisūs naikinantieji sparnai apgaubē didžią žemēs rutulio dalį. Jie skečiais vis toliau ir marių gaubia kraštus. Po jais vaitoja ir mūsų tēvų žemē.

Ji kenčia vien dēl to, kad jos vaikai trokšta meilēs ir laisvēs, kurią paskelbē Geroji Naujiena.

Žiebdami jaukiuose savo namuose šių metų Kalēdų žvakelę, prisiminkim tuos prispaustuosius ir kankinamus. Savo džiaugsmingose širdyse kaupkime pasiryžimą atsispirti šētono viesulams. Stokime į kovą prieš jo siautējimus.

Ramybē geros valios žmonēms žemēje — šiandien reiškia kovą. Kovą už Dievą, kovą už taiką, kovą už laisvę, kovą už žmogų ir kovą už artimo meilę.

A. G.

# Ten Seconds to Spell Success

(A Christmas Story)

It was the November meeting of the Knights of Lithuania, Council 999. The president was reading the committee appointments for the coming month.

"... will make up the Press Group, and Joe Vytaitis and Mary Lelis will head the Study

Circle."

"Wow, I've never done that before," said Joe more to himself than to Dolly who was to be his secretary for the project. Mary Lelis, who was sitting in front of Joe, received her rather pretty nickname one evening when the K. of L. members discovered that "Lēlytē" was not only Mary's surname, but was also the word for doll in Lithuanian. Dolly had come over not so long ago from a D.P. camp in Austria.

"What will we have to do, Joe?" she whispered, turning sideways. Of course, Dolly's w's sounded like v's and her th's like d's. But no one can blame her for that. Everyone gave her credit for learning English so fast. Why, in less than six months she had learned enough English to find herself right in the middle of all

K. of L. activities.

"Oh, we'll have to arrange the next study club meeting. I'll see you after the meeting. We'll talk about it then".

For the rest of the meeting Joe's brain was like a merry-go-round, but no matter how hard he turned the crank that set his ideas awhirling, he could not pick out a single thought that he could put in words. Before he knew it, Joe was listening to the president adjourning the meeting, "until our Study Club Session, two weeks from Friday".

As the young Knights and Ladies of Lithuania were leaving the parish hall, Joe and Dolly took over one of the tables on the platform. Joe took out some old envelopes on which to make notes and Dolly dug out her fountain pen and offered it to Joe.

"Oh, no. You take the notes, you're secretary, you know".

"Oh, yes. That's right".

"Look Dolly, you and I have to find some real interesting topic that we can discuss. Now, last month it was the atom bomb. And the month before it was D.P's and our American-Lithuanian youth organizations. Do you have any ideas?"

You could easily guess that Dolly was a poet from her answer.

"How about . . . Lithuanian poets in Europe today? I can easily prepare a talk on Lithuanian poets.

"Yes, and you could read us some of your own poetry. Some of it is really good".

"Oh, no, no. . . My poems are not so good . . . yet".

"But on second thought December is not a good month for that. We should have something about Christmas".

"About Christmas . . . hmmm. I know. Maybe I can tell about Christmas in Lithuania and you can talk about Christmas in America. Then both the Americans and the Lithuanians will be pleased".

"That's true, but we are not supposed to give talks. We should prepare discussions. What

can we discuss?"

At this point the idea merry-go-round became a silent duet, but the results were the same as before. No worth while idea developed. Not a single flying-horse would stop, pose, and let itself be harnessed in words.

Now it may be rather hard to believe the following, but it is true. Dolly and Joe were so hard at thought that they did not hear Father Francis come into the hall jingling his keys beside him. Father Francis was Spiritual Adviser of Council 999, K. of L. After about a hundred and twenty seconds of musical accompaniment to the thought-duet, Father thought it wise to add a few words to his music.

"Ahem . . . Something seems to be stumping

this sub-committee. Right, Joe?"

"Oh, hello Father. We didn't hear you come in. We stayed a few minutes after the meeting to think up a suitable topic for our next Discussion Circle".

"Are you having any success?"

"No, Father, not as yet. But now that you're here, it won't take us ten seconds to spell success. We need some problem to discuss, and it must be about Christmas".

"Oh, that is not so difficult. I could give you

a dozen problems, Christmas problems".

"Thanks, Father. But, we don't need a dozen. We'll settle for two or three". Dolly, jot these down, please".

"Jot?... jot?... what means "jot"?

"Oh, I'm sorry, Dolly. Jot means to write, to write down quickly".

"Thank you, Joe".

"Well," began Father Francis, "you could discuss the year of Christ's birth. That is a problem".

"What do you mean, Father? Wasn't Christ born in the year 1 A. D.?"

Father Francis smiled and shook his head. "No one knows exactly in what year Christ was born, but it is certain that He was born in the year 1 A. D."

"I never heard of that before. Why everyone knows that the birth of divided B. C. from A.

D. And it had to be the year 1."

"If you read the Gospels carefully, Joe, all

you will find is: "there went forth a decree from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrinus was governor of Syria". (Luke, 2, 1.) Roman history tells us that this census began in the year 8 B. C. So when Joseph and Mary went to their town of Bethlehem to register, it was about a year later, sometime between 8 and 6 B. C. And Christ was born during their stay in Bethlehem. That division of the ages into B. C. and A. D. did not come until centuries later. As a matter of fact, the way anyone would have written the year of Jesus' birth in those times would have been 744 A. U. C."

"And what, may I ask is that A. U. C.?"

"A. U. C. means ab urbe condita, which means...

"from the founding of the city, Father". That was Doolly offering her bit of information. She must have studied Latin in college in Lithuania.

"That is correct, Mary. In those times they used to keep track of the years by referring them to the founding of the City of Rome".

Now it was Dolly's turn to ask a question. "Father, what about the date and the month. Was Christ born on December 25?"

"No, Mary, it seems that Christ was not born on December 25. The earliest Christian writers used to put down different dates for the Nativity of Our Lord. Up until the year 200 or so, there is no fixed record of Chrismas. Some writers thought that Christ was born on November 19; others put down April 19 and April 20. The first mention of the Church celebrating the Birthday of the Lord on December 25 is in a document of the year 354 A. D. So you see, the twenty-fifth of December is merely the date set aside to commemorate Christ's Nativity, and should not be taken as being the exact date".

"That's super, Father . . . why . . . "

Mary interrupted. "Joe, you say, 'that's super'. What does means 'super'?

"Oh, I'm sorry, Dolly. 'super' means excellent, very good."

"Thank you, Joe".

"As I was saying, Father, that's *super*. The members will sure have plenty to discuss next session. How about one more problem, Father?"

"Well, let me see . . . Here it is. Do you think that Christ was born at the right time? By that I mean, would it not have been better for Christ to have been born, or at least have come into the world, right after Adam's sin. After all, God could have pardoned Adam and Eve in a minute. Or do you think it would have been better for Christ to await the end of the world before coming. You could imagine that Christ would come into the world just 33 years before the end of the world. Then live, suffer and die, and as His last act . . . the Sacrifice on Calvary . . .

the one and only Mass! Then, after saying, "Father, forgive them" and 'It is finished' give up His spirit in the sight of all the world. Finally, the world would be destroyed, the good would go to Heaven, and the evil to Hell. What do you think, Mary?"

"I don't know, Father. All I can think is that the golden middle is better".

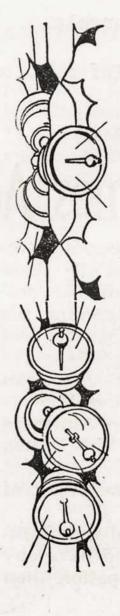
"She means golden mean, Father," explained Joe.

"Yes, I know, Joe", said Father Francis as he turned to Mary to congratulate her. "Mary, you are right. Ever since the time of the Prophets the words "In the midst of the years thou shalt make it known", give us the clue to God's Wisdom. We do not know how long the world will last, but if Christ was born "in the midst of the years" some people think that the world will last 10,000 years. You see, Christ was born in 744 A. U. C. which in the Jewish calendar would be over 5000 year since the creation of the world, and this would be exactly midway between creation and destruction of the world. But, I am sure that you have enough problems for your Study Circle. Hope you have lot's of fun. I'll be there, too. I hope my ideas prove helpful."

"You bet they will, Father", said Joe.

"Father, they are . . . they are SUPER!" echoed Dolly.

And so, the Study Circle headed by Joe and Dolly proved to be a great success, once Father Francis stepped in jingling his keys, to spell it for them.





# PREZIDENTO TRUMANO SVEIKINIMAS AMERIKOS LIETUVIŲ KONGRESUI

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1949

Dear Mr. Jurgela:

I am happy to send my greetings and best wishes to you who have gathered in New York for the meeting of the Lithuanian American Congress and to those Americans all across the country whom you represent.

You are to be congratulated for the contributions you have made to our democracy and for your desire that your kinsmen overseas may share the benefits and privileges and duties of a free people which we in the United States treasure so dearly.

Despite the existence in this world of those who place power and might above freedom and justice I have faith in the people of the world, faith that men and women like you and me can achieve a just peace for all the world on principles of freedom and justice and that with God's help we will achieve this goal. I know that you must share that faith and will work with your government to help make it a reality.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Constantine R. Jurgela,
Director,
Lithuanian American Information Center,
233 Broadway,

New York 7, N. Y.

# Soviet Russia's Crimes Against Humanity

The American Lithuanian Congress, held recently in New York City, expressed the sense of outrage which the people of Lithuanian descent in the United States feel concerning the conquest and enslavement of their native land by Soviet Russia.

And it is something for all the American people to think about on this Armistice Day.

There are more than one million American citizens of Lithuanian ancestry in the United States.

All of them are outraged by the plight of Lithuania under Russian rule.

Since it is hardly to be imagined that Lithuanians still living in their homeland have any better opinion of the Russian occupation than Lithuanians in the United States, it is most unlikely that the sense of outrage is any less there than it is here.

The most likely difference between Lithuanians in and out of the homeland is that in one case they have no right of dissenting opinion and can only express such an opinion under pain of death, and in the other case they enjoy complete freedom of opinion and expression in common with all other Americans, regardless of racial origin.

The real fact is that the American Lithuanian Congress, in denouncing the Russian occupation of Lithuania, is merely giving voice to what cannot be said in Lithuania itself.

Consequently, what it says is of very great

importance to the rest of the world in judging the validity of Russia's denial of aggressive acts against her neighbors.

It is especially to be noted in this connection that the situation of Lithuania is a very small part of the whole pattern of Russian expansion.

If the events in Lithuania constitute a crime in the view of the people of that country, the similar events in many other countries establish the full extent of the crime.

This is what the Lithuanians in America say about it, and undoubtedly it is what all Lithuanians and all the people of Soviet-occupied countries think about the matter:

The march of lawlessness and aggression initiated by Hitlerite Germany in partnership with Soviet Russia", reports the Congress, "has submerged in bondage Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Czechoslovakia, the Ukraine, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Albania, Yugoslavia, and parts of Austria and Germany."

All of them cherished their sovereignty and had enjoyed the respect of other sovereign nations.

But under Russian rule, as the Congress goes on to say:

# Apžvalga

#### SUĒJO 25 METAI NUO K. BŪGOS MIRTIES

Šiemet gruodžio 2 dieną suėjo 25 metai, kai netikėtai mirė didysis lietuvių kalbininkas Kazimieras Būga (1879 - 1924), pasaulinio garso vyras. Jisai ligi šiolei pasilieka svarbiausias autoritetas lietuvių kalbos dalykuose.

K. Būga buvo kilęs iš Zarasų krašto. Pirmas kalbos mokslo žinias jis įsigijo pas kan. K. Jaunių, kuris tuomet buvo žymiausias lietuvių kalbininkas. Vēliau gilinosi Petrapilio universitete ir buvo pakviestas profesoriumi.

Anksti K. Būga pradējo rinkti medžiagą didžiajam lietuvių kalbos žodynui. Buvo tai milžiniškas, daugelio metų darbas, kurį paprastai atlieka eilė asmenų. K. Būga pats vienas daugiausia nešė šį atsakingą triūsą ir mirdamas paliko per 600,000 kortelių su žodžiais pagrindiniam lietuvių kalbos žodynui. Jisai pats jau buvo pradėjęs leisti aną žodyną, bet mirtis nutraukė jo darbą. Tačiau pasiliko visa jo surinkta medžiaga, kuria vėliau kiti pasinaudojo, ruošdami žodyną.

Lietuvių kalbos žodyno parengimas yra pats didžiausias K. Būgos nuopelnas.

Jisai buvo ne tik kalbininkas, bet ir lietuvių senovės tyrėjas. Pasiremdamas kalbos duomenimis, jisai išvedė, kuriose vietose lietuvių gyventa priešistoriniais laikais. Jisai teisingai galvojo, kad tenai, kur nėra istorinių dokumentų, tik kalba "tegali šiandien savo šviesa pratikti

"Human rights are totally extinct.

"Millions of innocent people are being starved to death in slave labor camps of Arctic Russia under a program of genocide operations.

"The people are being molded into a mass of robots."

It is from such testimony as this concerning the authentic facts of the Russian crimes against humanity that the civilized people of the world are enabled to have real comprehension of the enormity of these crimes.

It is to the credit of the United States that such testimony can be given here, and the truth thus disclosed.

It is not to the credit of the United States that our country participated in the political decisions at Teheran and Yalta and Potsdam which abandoned so much of Europe to Russian aggression and subjugation.

The continuing "wave of terror unheard of in history" is a blight upon all nations which ever thought to pacify Russia by appeasing her. And America is regrettably among them.

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tautos arba tautų senovę uždengiančią miglą". K. Būga parodē, kad senovēj, dar priešistoriniais laikais lietuvių ir jų giminių sodybos yra beveik siekusios Maskvą ir kad jų pirmykštēs tēvynēs būta toliau į rytus.

## AMERIKOS LIETUVIŲ KONGRESAS

Lapkričio 4—6 dienomis New Yorke įvykęs Amerikos Lietuvių Kongresas buvo vienas iš įspūdingiausių mūsų visuomenės pasirodymų. Tą kongresą rengė Amerikos Lietuvių Taryba, kurios pirmininkas yra L. Šimutis.

Kongresas buvo stipri lietuvių manifestacija, praėjusi šūkiu: grąžinti Lietuvai laisvę! Į jį iš visų Amerikos vietų suvažiavo daug atstovų ir svečių. Jų tarpe buvo daug įžymių lietuvių, kaip Nepriklausomybės aktą pasirašiusis Mykolas Biržiška, ministeriai P. Žadeikis, St. Lozoraitis ir kiti. Labai uoliai dalyvavo tremtiniai. Kongresą aplankė įžymūs Amerikos valstybės vyrai, kaip gubernatorius Thomas Dewey ir Teisingumo sekretorius McGrath. Gal tai pirmas sykis paskesniais laikais, kad į lietuvių tarpą atvyko Amerikos vyriausybės narys. Buvo susilaukta sveikinimų iš prezidento Trumano, kuris gyrė lietuvius už pastangas Lietuviai grąžinti laisvę, teisingumo ir žmoniškumo principus.

Iš lietuvių svarbias kalbas pasakė prof. K. Pakštas, prof. P. Padalskis, K. Bielinis ir kiti.

Kongrese buvo padaryta svarbių nutarimų ryšium su Lietuvos laisvēs kova ir tai kovai va-

tūros vakaras ir t.t.

Šį kongresą reikia laikyti geriausiai nusisekusiu iš visų panašių žygių, kuriuos yra darę lietuviai paskesniais metais. Jis parodē, kad Amerikos lietuviams labai rūpi laisva Lietuvos ateitis, dēl kurios jie dirba, kovoja ir aukojasi.

Malonu pažymēti, kad tiek kongreso rengime, tiek jo posēdžiuose uoliai dalyvavo vyčiai.

#### LIETUVIŲ MENO PARODA NEW YORKE

Spalių 20 d. New Yorke, pačiame miesto centre, buvo atidaryta lietuvių meno paroda. Neskaitant liaudies meno, parodoje dalyvavo 32 dailininkai.

Reikia pripažinti, kad lietuviai dailininkai pasirodē stipriai. Kai lygini jų darbus su kitataučių menininkų kūriniais, tai gali pastebēti, kad lietuviai kartais yra neprastesni už ne vieną jau gerai žinomą svetimtautį.

Iš vyresnēs kartos dalyvių parodoje dalyvavo dvi stipriausios pajēgos — Adomas Varnas ir Adomas Galdikas. Abu jie yra plataus masto kūrējai.

Iš naujesnės kartos stipriausiai reiškėsi grafikas V. K. Jonynas, kuris savo menu išgarsėjo Europoje. Savo technika ir naujais siužetais įvairus yra tapytojas V. Kasiulis. Skulptūrą įdomiai atstovavo V. Košuba. Vertingų darbų išstatė P. Augius, P. Kiaulėnas, V. Petravičius, A. Valeška, T. Valius, V. Vizgirda ir kiti.

Tarp liaudies meno kūrinių būta ir labai senų: vienas rūpintojēlis parodoje buvo iš 1715 metų.

Parodoje buvo progos pasigrožēti ir gražiais lietuvių audiniais.

Šią parodą reikia laikyti vykusiu ir tikrai vertingu reiškiniu, kuris plačiajam pasauliui skelbia, kad lietuviai yra aukštos meninēs kultūros tauta.

#### "AIDAI" AMERIKOJE

Nepriklausoma Lietuva turējo eilę puikių žurnalų. Toki leidiniai kaip "Židinys" ar "Naujoji Romuva" būtų darę garbēs bet kuriai tautai.

Atsidūrę tremtyje, lietuviai Vokietijoje ir kituose kraštuose leido keletą žurnalų. Iš jų savo rimtumu aukščiausiai iškilo "Aidai", pavirtę rimtu ir aktualiu žurnalu.

Tremtiniams iš Vokietijos skirstantis, daugelis lietuviškų laikraščių tenai užsidarē. Sunkiau buvo ir "Aidams" beišeiti. Bet jie vis tiek neužsidarē, tik nuo Naujų Metų persikelia į Jungtines Valstybes.

Amerikos lietuviai susilaukia rimto žurnalo. Jį pasiėmė leisti lietuviai pranciškonai. Tačiau visiems reikės stoti talkon, kad šis žurnalas galėtų eiti be vargo. Geriausia talka — šį rimtą lietuvių kultūros leidinį remti prenumerata ir raštais.

## GARBĒS NARYS ANTANAS F. KNEIŽYS



Gimē Lietuvoje 1893 metais, birželio 12 d. Pradžios mokslus išējęs Lietuvoje. Į Amerikos Jungtines Valstybes atvyko rugpiūčio 1 d., 1911 m. Apsigyvenęs Hartford'e, Conn. gilino savo mokslo studijas ir sekē Amerikos lietuvių veikima.

Prelato Jono Amboto sumanymu ir pastangomis suorganizuota Šv. Kazimiero Apšvietos Jaunimo Draugija 1913 m. sausio 19 d., kurios pirmuoju pirmininku buvo Antanas F. Kneižys. 1914 m. Mykolas A. Norkūnas, Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijos įsteigėjas, atvyko į Hartford, Conn. ir, apsistojęs pas minētos draugijos pirmininką, įkalbėjo Šv. Kazimiero Apšvietos Jaunimo narius įrašyti į Lietuvos Vyčius. Po to, draugijos susirinkime buvo iškeltas įrašymo klausimas. Nutarta įrašyti. Tai buvo 1914 m., gegužēs 18 d. Tais pačiais metais Antanas F. Kneižys buvo deleguotas ir į L. Vyčių Seimą Brockton'an, Mass. Kneižio vadovybēje Lietuvių Vyčių 6 kuopa greit išaugo ir turējo per 200 nariu.

Kviečiamas L.D.S. įsteigējo Kan. F. Kemēšio 1915 metais lapkričio 8 d. atvyko į Bostoną dirbti "Darbininko" įstaigoje.

Apsigyvenęs So. Bostone, persikēlē į Liet. Vyčių 17-tą Algirdo kuopą. Nekurį laiką buvo tos kuopos pirmininku ir ėjo įvairias pareigas komisijose.

Kurį laiką padirbęs "Darbininke" užēmē sunkias ir atsakomingas redaktoriaus pareigas. Liet. Vyčių organizacija visuomet rado vietos Kneižio redaguojamame laikraštyje. Jis, kaip ilgametis organizacijos narys, sekē organizacijos veiklą ir reikale ją užtarē.

L. Vyčių organizacija įvertindama Antano F. Kneižio gausius nuopelnus organizacijai — pakēlē Jį į garbēs narius. Sveikiname!

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# Oficialus Skyrius

### SUPREME COUNCIL October 27, 1949 AUKŲ VAJUS

Centro aukų vajus, norēdamas padidinti centro iždą, naudos šiuos metodus pajamoms padidinti, kaip tai: ieškant pasigarsinimų "Vytyje", prašant tiesioginių aukų pas vyčių narius ir draugus, o taip pat įvairiais kitais keliais, kuriuos mes greit paskelbsim.

Jūsų kuopa ir šiais metais prašoma padēti mums šiame reikale, kurio pelnas eis tiesiog centrui. Todēl ir tam kaip tik yra dar laiko — jūsų kuopa gali imtis iniciatyvos ir pasiskelbti "Vytyje" sveikinimais, kurie ne tik išreklamuos jūsų kuopą, bet ir perduos nuoširdžius sveikinimus jūsų kaimyninēms kuopoms.

Be to, jūs visuomet galit užsipirkti vietą "Vytyje", paskelbiant jūsų šokius ar svarbius įvykius. Kurgi jūs galite geriau pasiskelbti, jei ne laikraštyje, kurį skaito visa Amerikos lietuvių katalikiškoji jaunuomenė?

Siųskite jūsų sveikinimus, pranešimus ar pasiskelbimus tiesiog mūsų redaktoriaus pagelbininkei Miss Phyllis Grendal, 366 W. Broadway, South Boston 27, Mass., arba mūsų piniginio vajaus pirmininkui A. Wesey, 102 Maple Street, Great Neck, N. Y.

Pasiskelbimo kainos "Vytyje" yra tokios: Pilnas puslapis — 35\$, ½ pusl. — 20\$, ¼ pusl. — 10\$, 1/8 pusl. — 5\$.

P. S. Ar jūs žinot, kaip padaryti gražią Kalēdų dovaną draugams? Žinoma, kad taip! Išrašyk jam (ar jai) "Vytį". Metams kainuoja tik \$3.00. Jūsų draugas nebūtinai turi būti vyčių narys, kad galētų priimt šią dovaną. Tai yra gerá proga pasitarnauti jūsų draugui ir kartu paremti centrą, dovanojant "Vytį". Tuo reikalu jūs irgi galit parašyt Phyllis ar Al.

A. Wesey, pirmininkas.

#### MEMBERSHIP STANDING AS OF OCTOBER 31, 1949

Council	Percentage
Cambridge, Mass. (18)	132%
Elizabeth, N. J. (52)	
Linden, N. J. (113)	
Great Neck, N. Y. (109)	
Providence, R. I. (103)	
Lawrence, Mass. (78)	
Maspeth, N. Y. (110)	
Dayton, Ohio (96)	
Westfield, Mass. (30)	
Brooklyn, N. Y. (41)	
Chicago, Ill. (112)	
Worcester, Mass. (116)	

Pittsburgh, Pa. (19)	98%
Waterbury, Conn. (7)	98%
Lewiston, Me. (2)	95%
Cleveland, Ohio (25)	95%
Worcester, Mass. (26)	94%
Chicago, Ill. (36)	94%
Harrison-Kearny, N. J. (90)	92%
Philadelphia, Pa. (3)	92%
Detroit, Mich. (102)	91%
Chicago, Ill. (5)	85%
Pittsburgh, Pa. (62)	85%
Athol, Mass. (10)	83%
Newark, N. J. (29)	82%
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Cicero, Ill. (14)	80%
Draugovē, Chicago, Ill.	80%
Bayonne, N. J. (67)	80%
Hartford, Conn. (6)	78%
So. Boston, Mass. (17)	76%
Jersey City, N. J. (124)	75%
Rochester, N. Y. (93)	75%
New York, N. Y. (12)	68%
Los Angeles, Calif. (133)	65%
Paterson, N. J. (61)	45%
Columbus, Ohio (125)	35%
Brockton, Mass. (1)	35%
Kankakee, Ill. (132)	20%
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Percentages are based on the number of members as of October 31, 1949, according to the Supreme Council records. (For example, a council with a 100% has the same number of members as it did on July 31st; a percenage over 100% shows an increase; a percentage less than 100% shows a decrease in membership.)

In councils where the total membership is less than 20, the percenage is determined by comparing the present standing to a base figure of 20. (Every council should have at least twenty members.)

Membership standing of all councils will be published quarterly.

Is your council near the top of the list this time? What standing will it have three months from now? Let's all try to enroll as many new members as possible to send percentage figures soaring for the next listing of membership standing.

Bertha Ciocys, Membership Chairman.

#### **SVEIKINIMAS**

Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijos nariai sveikina savo "Vyties" redaktorių prof. A. Vaičiulaitį ir Jo žmoną, susilaukusių šeimos prieauglio, Jiems labai mylimos dukrelės ir linki Jų šeimai gausių Dievo malonių.

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#### GARBĒS NARYS JONAS BRAZAUSKAS



Lietuvos Vyčių 36-ta kuopa 1947 m. vasario mēnesį nutarė statyti vytį Joną Brazauską į garbės narius Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijoje. Lietuvos Vyčių Chicagos apskritis tai užgyrė.

Jonas Brazauskas atvažiavo iš Lietuvos 1908 m. rugsējo 15 d. Gyvendamas šioje šalyje, pajuto liūdną lietuvybēs gyvenimą. Todēl 1914 metais rudenį jisai su kitais veikējais suorganizavo L. Vyčių 14-tą kuopą, Cicero, Ill. ir daug dirbo valdybose, įvairiose komisijose, dramos rateliuose ir vaidinimuose.

Jonas Brazauskas, persikēlęs gyventi į Brighton Park 1922 m., įstojo į bendrą L. Vyčių 36-tos kuopos veikimą įvairiose komisijose. Dvejus metus išbuvo dramos ratelio režisierium.

Chicagos apskrityje jis dalyvavo dramos ratelio vaidinimuose — "Živilēj", "Kęstuty", "Gedimine". Jono Brazausko darbuotē buvo įvertinta. 1939 m. jam buvo suteiktas ketvirto laipsnio ordenas.

Jonas Brazauskas nepailstamai darbavos ir darbuojasi L. Vyčių 36-tai kuopai. Išbuvo ketverius metus valdyboje. Darbavosi įvairių parengimų komisijose, dalyvavo dramos ratelyje, vaidindamas 10 veikalų.

Dabartiniu laiku jis yra Vyčių draugovės iždininkas, taipgi Vyčių namo vedėjas.

Jonas Brazauskas ne tik vien darbuojasi vyčiuose, bet yra išbuvęs parapijos komitete 8 metus, Labdarių Sąjungos Centro vice-pirm. 5 metus. Jis yra Tēvų Marijonų bendradarbis; L. R. K. Fed. veikējas; Šv. Kazimiero Akademijos rēmējas.

Jo obalsis per 35 metus buvo: už Dievo ir Tēvynēs garbę ir žmonijos gerovę.

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# ADV. A.J. YOUNG (JANKAUSKAS)

Vyčių Centro Ritualo Komisijos Pirmininkas. Savo mokslo patyrimus jis kreipia lietuviškam veikimui ir ypač sielojasi jaunimo organizavimu po Vyčių vėliava. Jis turi savo Teisių ofisą 315 E Street, arti Broadway, So. Boston, Mass. ir patarnauja lietuviams su visais legaliais reikalais.



#### Lawrence, Mass. (78)

Lawrence council has finally found its voice in the "Vytis" and we will try not to lose it.

#### **Elected Officers**

Congratulations and best wishes to our newly-elected officers: William Brown, president; Agnes Vilkisius, vice president; Shirley Laycock, secretary; Helen Marcinkevich, financial secretary; Julia Andrukaitis, treasurer. We wish to thank our past officers for a job well done.

Appreciation

Thanks Boston for your wonderful hospitality which you showed us at the bowling tournament. You were grand hosts and we all had a marvelous time. We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to "Chauffeur Schmo" (Eddie Rudis), who took us back to the station. His speedy driving was really amazing. In fact, he made us miss our train.

Bowling

To the Westfield fellows, our opponents, we admit their honesty in tabulating our scores so conscientiously. We couldn't have cheated even if we tried.

#### Social

All those who attended the Worcester dance spent an enjoyable evening, and found the members to be most hospitable.

Challenge

Our bowling teams are going to test their skill with South Boston sometime in November. With duck pins, we are ready to score a victory! Shirley Laycock is ready to accept offers and invitations from other councils. Just drop a line to Shirley at 20 Stafford Street, Lawrence, Mass.

#### New Members

We had a Halloween party Sunday Oct. 27, in our parish hall. All those who attended had a rare time, especially Helen Marcinkevich.

Jolly Jottings

Congratulations and best wishes to Anne Jezukevitch and Freeman Bartaux for a long and happy married life. Let's hope married life doesn't keep you away from our meetings.

Wonder why Agnes Vilkisius never misses an opportunity to spend a day in Boston.

We seem to have a new romance in bloom, none other than our own Dot Gulizan and Albert Blazavitch. "It Happens Every Spring".

What is the sudden passion Pauline Rimas has for accordian music. Could it have started in Boston?

Arlene Marcinonis has "us" girls all a drool when she breezes by with her "heart-throb" and his 1949 red convertible.

What is the attraction that Shirley Laycock has for the fellows especially at Council 26 dance?

When are June and Phil going to make up their mind!

We miss John Zenevitch since he left to further his studies in New York; we know a certain "MISS" in Worcester feels the same way, too.

John Kleponis has been transferred to Hartford and we wonder if he looked up his "blonde" yet?

Frank Hobitz broke many hearts when he joined Uncle Sam's Navy. HELP!! What has happened to our "male population!" Applications are now being taken by Council 78.

"Nosey Newshound"

#### New York, N. Y. (12)

Our members wish to thank the committee of the October 18th affair for the wonderful time. Our sound affects man, Joe Sable of Jersey City, really scared us during the play.

#### Newark Social

We enjoyed attending the Newark (29) Halloween dance very much. The music was grand! Brenda Bell had everyone fooled for a while in her clown costume, but Johnny Bell's outfit didn't fool anyone. Everyone guessed him by the shape of his head. Ed Thompson made a perfect angel! Tony Razeikas made such a perfect Frankenstein that he frightened the girls. Donations are now in order to buy Newark's hobo, Dynamite, a new shirt. He really acted the part.

#### Bowling

The district bowling season was officially opened at Kearny — Har-

rison with Fr. Kasper of Elizabeth rolling the first ball for the men, and Fr. Pocunis of Kearny for the girls. We didn't bowl too good. Come on teams, let's show those Jersey teams that they can't keep us down. The "kilbasi" served by Kearny (90) after the bowling esssions were delicious.

We bowled against Paterson (61) November 13th. Our girls won two out of three games and the men took one. Where did Dotty Dutkus ever find those alleys? They were practically in no man's land. After bowling Paterson's bowling teams treated us royally with refreshments.

#### Members welcome

We welcome Mildred Beres in our council. It's nice seeing Vinnie Zalis at our council meetings, again. Maybe some of our other members will follow Vinnie's example by attending our activities.

Don't forget to get those boosters and ads for our Reunion Dinner and Dance program book. The deadline is December 20th.

#### Wedding

Everyone had a wonderful time at Ann Lovitski and Mike Sera's wedding. Quite a numer of the K. of L'ers helped serve during the reception. Stella(?) caught the bride's bouquet; this makes it her third time! Maybe this is it, Stella?

#### Added attraction

At our monthly meetings, we now serve refreshments and have small socials.

#### Compliment

A good time was had by all at Maspeth's "Gay Ninties" Dance. Fran B. was a hit as "Miss Flat - bottom" and Johnny Bell was most handsome Stanley Steamer driver.

#### Lithuanian Art Exhibit

We visited the Lithuanian Art Exhibition, which is displayed in the Science Building, New York City. It's really a worth while take in. It makes you feel proud in realizing that Lithuania and Lithuanian culture is again gaining recognition in the world.

Don't forget our Reunion Dinner and Dance, January 28, 1950.

Nosey - - - but Nice.

#### Detroit, Mich. (102)

#### District Officers Elected

At the Ohio-Michigan District Convention held in our city, Dayton (96) and Cleveland (25) were well represented. Following officers were elected: Rev. Angelaitis (25), spiritual advisor; Frank Gudelis (96) president; Bob Boris (102), vice president; Theresa Zaliagiris (102) secretary; Mary Susin (25) treasurer; Anna Mae Uznis (102) and Mike Petkus (96) trustees.

This convention will be long lived in our memories, not only because of the important business transacted during the sessions, and the social committee, but because the Supreme Council K. of L. Executive Board having held its meeting that same week-end. Present were Jack Jatis, national president, Tony Lubert and Jerry Jesulaitis, all of Chicago, Ill. As toastmaster of the convention banquet, we were honored in having Prof. Pranas Padolskis, but because of an earlier commitment, had to leave for New York City to attend the American Lithuanian Congress, shortly after the banquet.

#### Convention Sidelights

One of the first arrivals at the dance, Jurgis Mikalauskas (96), enjoyed himself so much so that he was still bursting with vim, vigor and vitality when the orchestra played "Home Sweet Home". The Detroit girls are dressed in black, trying to gather the pieces of broken hearts left in the wake of the Ohio -Illinois invasion. Jerry Uknewicz, Louis (future citizen) and Buddy (didelis šturmas) Green of Dayton are the chief topics of conversation whenever the fairer sex meet. Tony Lubert of Chicago also managed to add a few more hearts to his very cosmopolitan collection. Vic Dunaitis (lighter than air) just seemed to float on clouds, when dancing with Mary Susin of Cleveland. Could they be serious?

#### Local News

Our council members received Holy Communion "in corpore" on December 4th, and offered Mass for the intention of M. A. Norkunas, founder of K. of L., who celebrated his 80th birthday on December first. The occasion was further commemorated by a breakfast following the Mass.

Tom Plunkett after spending a thirty-day leave at home, returned to Key West, Florida, to wind up his stay in the Navy. He expects to be honorably discharged in April.

#### Congratulations

To Vic and Marie Yuodzukinas, proud parents of a baby girl, whose godparents are Mary Plunkett and Hank Rigelski; to Elinor Ambrose and Ted Sluzas of Dayton upon their recent engagement; to Vince York

who presented Anne Ambrose with a beautiful diamond (to be wed the first of the New Year). What's this we hear about their having twenty-two bridesmaids!

Council 102 extends its best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy, successful New Year to all.

Al & Ray

# South Boston, Mass. (17) Nominations

Our monthly meeting, held at the K. of L. clubrooms, took place on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 13th. As this meeting was called for nominating of officers, many members attended. A majority of the old office holders, stepped aside to let the newer, younger members be nominated. It will be a close battle between Vic Anchukaitis and John Olevitz, both nominated for the office of president. The contest in other position will be just as close because capable members were nominated.

#### Guest Speaker

Also at this meeting we had a guest speaker, Mr. Edward Karnēnas, recently arrived displaced person, who gave an interesting talk on the Lithuanian Congress held in New York City, November 4th. A number of displaced persons were also guests at our meeting. We hope that before long, they will join our club. After the business session, a social hour followed and refreshments were served.

#### Ritual Degrees Conferred

One of the highlights of our activities was the very successful and Communion luncheon impressive that was sponsored by the Ritual Committee. At a high Mass, officiated by Rev. Albert Contons, four of our members, Joseph Lola, Joseph Matachinskas, Dr. J. Antanēlis and S. Mickevich received their Fourth Degree. After the Mass, a roast turkey luncheon was served in the parish hall. Mrs. Joseph B. Gailius and Mrs. Chas Plevokas prepared the delicious meal. Bronius Kudirka, district president, presented third degree medals to the deserving members. Our guest speaker, Rev. John J. Jutkevičius, national spiritual director, gave an inspiring talk on the ideals and purpose of K. of L. He spoke both in English and Lithuanian. Father John gave M.C. Joe Lola, some keen competition in telling jokes. Among other honored guests were Msgr. K. Urbonavičius, Rev. J. Virmauskis, pastor, Rev. A. Jurgelaitis, O.P., instructor at Providence College, Rev. A. Klimas, past national president Frank Razvadauskas, and asst. editor Phyllis Grendal. Vic Anchukaitis, chairman and his hard working committee are to be congratulated on such a grand affair.

#### Lithuanian Classes

Lithuanian classes held every Monday evening at the clubrooms are growing in attendance. Joe Lola is our instructor. Members who desire to learn, speak and write Lithuanian can still take advantage of this opportunity. Classes start at 8:30 p. m.

#### Dance

Another gala dance, sponsored by Council 17 and held at the Hotel Continental, Cambridge, was well attended by our own council members as well as neighboring councils. Pat and Al Akule, co-chairmen, and their committee, did a good job in spite of the many difficulties they encountered.

#### Newsies

Al Marks, Joe Kay and Tony Yak did their best to entertain the girls who came to the dance all the way from Providence, R. I.

Did you notice Bunny Boris and Steve Nesky, C-116's eligibles, giving all the girls a treat at the dance?

Joe Ginkus and Nellie Grinkewich very polka good together.

Alge Mitkus and his Lithuanian Affairs Committee are taking their work very seriously., Keep it up, boys, and C-17 will be tops on Father John's list.

Larry Svelnis, delegate to the Lithuanian Congress together with Steve Mickevich, gave a detailed report of the Congress.

John Olevicz and Joe Mat were dancing on air at the last dance. Somehow their feet kept sliding off the slippery floor, and they had to be held up by their partners.

Lithuanian classes are proving very profitable to Angie Masionis because not only is she learning Lithuanian but she also found three cents on one of the chairs.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Joe Slanina who were blessed with twin girls last month. Rev. Al Contons and John and Steve Contons are very proud uncles.

I still can't get over all of Alge Mitkus' cousins. He certainly has them by the dozens and they all happen to be very pretty girls. How come!

Steve Contons came up to our dance all the way from Newport, R. I. where he is working at present. His presence caused many a girl's heart to flutter.

Has John Contons deserted the Stag club? He spent most of his time and all his dances with one girl.

We would like to see more of the old familiar faces down at the bowling alleys on Monday nights. Alleys are reserved for K. of L. members from 8:30 p. m. How about it?

SUNSHINE

#### Kearny-Harrison, N. J. (90)

#### National Officers

C-90 was highly honored at the November meeting with the presence of our national president Jack Jatis. Other V.I.P. present were Al Wesey, district president, Helen Pinkin, national trustee and Charles Bason. Mr. Jatis outlined the sixpoint Center program for 1950 while Mr. Wesey felt that the district program followed very closely along the lines set up by the Center, with more emphasis being put on the Lithuanian Affairs Committee.

#### Cooperation

The surprise of the evening occurred when Walter Staskus requested volunteers for the dance committee, expecting the usual silence, got instead: Irene Butkus and Marcy Matelitis. In addition, Joe Kohanski and George Matelitis volunteered to help the volunteers! HOW ABOUT THAT?

#### Lithuanian Affairs Committee

The L. A. Committee is forging ahead in the district, thanks to the helping hand of Anne Klem. She has prepared a four — page bulletin and with the assistance of Al Wesey, copies will be distributed to members of each council in the district. The bulletin gives the aims and purposes of the L. A. committee, and ways in which every member can do his share. This is being done as part of the district program for Lithuanian Affairs along with work on the "Lithuanianism" program.

#### December meeting

In addition to the "Quickie Raffle", we are planning to have a speaker or some other form of entertainment, following the business meeting. Social committee in charge consists of Ann Kiernan, Ann Klem, Ronnie Kemezis and Joe Kasper. With a committee like that, how can we lose?

#### Bowling

Our Intra-Council Mixed Bowling League, which started off with a bang early in September, is still going strong with six teams at present. Officers are: Joe Minauskas, president; Elsie Pamper, secretary; Ann Abbott, treasurer. To date, leading "averagees" for the men and women are George Katilus and Marcy Matelitis, respectively. Frank Egnatovich was forced to withdraw from the league for a while due to having crushed a couple of toes, but we hear his condition has improved and expect to see him in action soon. However, the action of Fr. Dominic's "hook ball" has been very uppredictable, and we're still waiting for an improvement.

Both a men's and women's teams have been entered in the district bowling league. To date, the men have won 4 and lost 5 games, while the girls have won 6 and lost 3. C-90 acted as host for the social opening the season. Due to the efforts of Willie Grinewich, Anne Klem, Ann Kiernan, Julie Laukaitis and Marcy Matelitis, it was a huge success. The girls are fighting hard to take first place again this year in order to retain possession of the beautiful trophy they won last year. For permanent possession, a team must take first place in the league for 3 years, tho' not necessarily 3 successive years.

The C-90 men's bowling team is thinking very seriously about entering a team in the Mid West conference to be held in Ohio. Inasmuch as the Elizabeth council is planning to enter a team, Kearny would like to go along and make it a national conference.

The C-90 girls' basketball team has received a challenge from the Elizabeth team, and plans are going forward to arrange a game shortly.

#### Clubrooms

Now that the clubrooms at 6 Davis Avenue are really our own,

plans are being discussed regarding the purchase of a television set. However, with the juke box, coke bar, trophy cabinet and wonderful big kitchen for making coffee, etc., the situation is just right for socials. The New York — New Jersey District has been invited to use the rooms as a center for district activities, and a number of meetings have already been held there.

#### Cradle News

CONGRATULATIONS! to Irene and Gil Volmi on the new family addition, a girl; to Sue and Charlie Dasker on the welcome addition to their family, also a girl, Christine; and to Ann and Hal Abbott, on the adoption of twins, Robert and Elizabeth.

#### Dance

Just a reminder, our winter dance will be held on January 21 at the Jackson's Auditorium.

TWO BITS

#### K. of L. CALENDAR

DECEMBER 25 — Detroit (102) Christmas Night.

DECEMBER 31 — Great Neck (109) Social.

JANUARY 14, 1950 — Great Neck (109) Dance.

JANUARY 21 — Kearny-Harrison (90) Dance.

JANUARY 28 — New York (12) Founder's Day Dinner and Dance.

FEBRUARY 12 — New York —
New Jersey District K. of L.
Commemoration of Lithuania's Independence Day.

FEBRUARY 16 — Chicago (112)
Lithuania's Independence Day
Exercises — Program.

FEBRUARY 18 — Elizabeth (52) Dance.

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#### Elizabeth, N. J. (52)

#### "In Corpore"

We will have corporate Communion at the 8:00 a.m. Mass every third Sunday of the month. Plans were advanced at the recent council meeting held at Lithuanian Liberty Hall.

#### Convention Report

Ann Mitchell gave a comprehensive report on the 36th national convention which was held in Elizabeth. She was commended for her work as secretary to the Convention Committee.

#### Bowling

Charles Rusteika, sports chairman, outlined the bowling season which started October 30th at the Harrison Recreation Center, in New Jersey. Teams are as follows:

MEN (1st team): Charles Oskutis, captain; John Oskutis, Charles Siurplis, Charles Rusteika, Vincent Zakarevich, and Larry Mack.

MEN (2nd team): Joseph Matusevich, captain; Charles Chaponis, Peter Kasilionis, Joseph Pakstis, Edward Adamunis, Vito Ciparis, and Frank Clark.

WOMEN (1st team): Veronica Krezonis, captain; Ann Staboris, Ann Mitchell, Albina Kirvelavitch, Lorraine Paulauskas, and Antoinette Krezonis.

WOMEN (2nd team): Eva Potts, captain; Peggy Merritt, Phyllis Sundell, Doris Bendick, and Rose Pika.

#### Delegate

Ann Mitchell was delegate to the Lithuanian American Congress, November 4, 5 and 6 at the Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

#### Guests of Veterans

On November 8th, a group of girls from the council, attended a party at the Lyons Veterans Hospital.

#### Parish Bazaar

The council will participate in the annual parish bazaar to be held at St. Joseph's Hall, 216 Ripley Place, November 18th to the 20th. William Senkus, chairman, is to be assisted by Victor Yorkunas, Charles Oskutis, Daniel Degutis, Mary Barcas, Helen Linkus, Helen Lukash, Rose Pika and Jean Pasko.

#### Gift

A donation was made to the Holy Name Society of Sts. Peter and Paul's Lithuanian R. C. Church.

#### District Convention

Helen Pinkin, national trustee, reported on the recent New York — New Jersey District Convention held in Kearny, N. J., September 25th at which she attended as council delegate.

#### Dance

Our dance is to be held on February 18, 1950. Peter Kasilionis is social chairman, assisted by Phyllis Sundell.

#### Nepriklausomybės Apvaikščiojimas

February 12, 1950, is the date set for the commemoration of Lithuania's Independence Day by the New York — New Jersey councils, to be held at Lithuanian Liberty Hall in Elizabeth, N. J.

#### Donation

A painting was donated to Sts. Peter and Paul's Lithuanian School by our council.

#### Honored Guests

Alex Wesey, district president, and his wife, of Long Island, were recent guests of ours.

Reverend Anthony P. Kasper, spiritual director, was also present at our meeting at which Charles Oskutis, council president, presided. Council News

Congratulations to Eva Potts (52) on her engagement to Raymond Gramley.

Anthony "Spike" Pinkin at work again! This time for St. Joseph's R. C. Church, Elizabeth, as minstrel director. Charles Oskutis, president, will appear as end man in the show. Reply to Detroit (102)

As honorary member of your council, I will not be able to attend your meetings. Sorry! The strike is over and I'm back to work after 23 weeks. (signed) Kazimieras "Chip" Chaponis, member of Elizabeth (52).

"Ronnie"

#### Worcester, Mass. (26)

We extend our deepest sympathy to Daniel Benuskevich in the loss of his father.

#### Social

Our Annual Harvest Dance gets bigger and better all the time. Friends from Athol, Brockton, Cambridge, Hartford, Lawrence, wood, Providence, C-116 and So. Boston attended and enjoyed folk dances and polkas galore. Helen Gvazdauskas (116) was crowned queen. Credit for the affair's success goes to a very hard-working committee, namely, Joe Sakaitis, Tony Morkunas, Adele Ivaska, Frannie Nockunas and Ann Rainikaitis. A vote of thanks go to Leo Misunas and "Butch" Kandrote, two of our new members, who were initiated in grand style by sacrificing an evening of dancing to do their share of the work at the refreshment booth.

#### Council Activity

At our last meeting, "Teddy" Zizis, chairman of the Lithuanian Affairs Committee, reported that the number of letters written has increased greatly. Nominations of officers were also held. Results of elections will be published next month. Hotest contest will be for the coveted position of marshall. Candidates are Bob Kelley, Sparky Morkunas, Al Bender and Butch Kandrote.

#### Lithuanian Classes

Lithuanian classes are held every Wednesday evening at the clubroom. Many of us are turning out to be good Lithuanian speakers. Before long, your writers will surprise you with a C-26 column in Lithuanian!

#### Dainininkai

Our "Bus Choir" has been formed under the direction of Maestro Joe Sakaitis, for the purpose of teaching everyone the words and music to all the songs, so that everyone may join in the chorus on our trips.

#### Christmas Party

An enthusiastic committee is making plans for a gala Christmas Party to be held at the clubroom. Father Mike, Betty Alavosius and Vinnie Grazulis are working diligently to make the party for the school children most memorable. Many of the children are displaced persons, and it will be a nice way to get them acquainted with the American way of observing Christmas. Others on the committee include Rita Delonis, Louise Grazulis, Jennie Puras, Ruth Gadilauskas, Rita Brazauskas and Olga Kersis.

#### Bowling

The race for first place in our Friday night bowling league is all tied up by teams headed by Joe Katauskas, Al Rutelonis and Vin Luckasavage. Vin holds high average score of 102; the high single of 134 is held by Butch Kandrote and the high triple of 331 by "Kivver" Stepanauskas. Girls' high triple of 277 is held by Ellie Grazulis, and Mary Jankowski, Franny Nockunas and Lucy Tamasunas hold a girls' high single score of 102. Matches are scheduled with Athol and Lawrence.

#### Sodalists

A group of our girls recently journeyed to So. Boston to attend the New England Sodality Congress. Franny Uzdavinis was elected district prefect and Olga Kersis, treasurer. Congratulations to you both.

#### Frequent Visitor

Claire Grigaitis, resident of Hartford Conn. for the past two years, visits Worcester quite often.

#### Congratulations

Lillian Alexandrovich and William O'Connor marched down the aisle on Thanksgiving Day; Dot and Joe Virbasius are receiving felicitations on the arrival of their second daughter; Fran and Len Sarapas are proud parents of a little girl, Barbara; and none the less we are proud of Bob Yakutis, who was elected treasurer of the freshman class of Clark University.

#### Nauji Nariai

Hearty words of welcome go to new members Don Puzar and "Kivver" Stepanauskas.

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#### Worcester, Mass. (116)

#### Appointment

Our council extends its heartiest congratulations to Joseph Matachinskas of South Boston, a former C-116 member, in his recent appointment by the Mayor of the City of Boston as Overseer of the Boston Welfare Committee.

A few of our girls, who saw the "Student Prince" when it played in Worcester, were Mary and Irene Baluikonis, Teresa Kasper, Helen Gvazdauskas, Lillian Tamulavitch, Lillian Katkauskas and Dorothy Sinkavitch, and enjoyed it very much. Since then, they have been searching for the record of the Drinking Song in vain. If you can help us get the record, it would be greatly appreciated.

Our council is planning a weekend ski trip to Woodbound Inn, East Jaffrey, New Hampshire, the latter part of January. Lil Tamulavitch is in charge of the affair.

#### Crowned Queen

At the Worcester (26) annual dance which was held at Maironis Park, Shrewsbury, our own Helen Gvazdauskas was crowned queen of the dance. She was presented with a lovely crown of leaves and a box of chocolates.

#### Clubroom Facilities

Our clubrooms are open nightly but ever since the television set was installed everyone seems to forget we have a radio and phonograph. The ping-pong table is also overlooked. However, Father Bakanas comes down frequently and plays a few games.

#### In Memoriam

Our council extends its deepest sympathy to "Red" Butkevitch on the recent death of his beloved mother.

#### Guests in Boston

Charlotte Mitchell and Louise Totilas attended the So. Boston's Communion luncheon and Ritual degree ceremonies. They commented on the very impressive Ritual ceremony during Mass. After luncheon, Bertha Ciocys of Providence together with some local members, took them on a ten-cent tour of Boston.

#### Jack of All Trades

Have you heard that Charlotte Mitchell, our president, is on strike (steel industry) and in her spare time she's helping her aunt do some painting?

#### Treasury Increased

Our Military Whist held recently, was most profitable due to the hard working committee. Marion Lucason was chairman.

#### Greetings

Merry Chirstmas and a Happy New Year from C-116 to each and every one of you. May 1950 prove to be a bigger and better year for all of us! "Moon-struck"

#### Sports Review

Council 116's softball team ended a highly successful season being undefeated in the Knights of Lithuania competition! The pitching of Joe Krasinskas, Bob Zinkus and Jackie Kasper featured all the wins for the K. of L. nine. Manager-player John Andruski, Al Krasinskas, R: Wackell, Ed Butkevich, Jack Pedjoe, Neon Kamendulis, Mike Saurisaitis, Fran Butkevich and Chunis rounded out the rest of the team.

#### Bowling

Our bowlers (men) opened the bowling season by defeating their rival, Council 26, Worcester, by 99 pins, at the Huntington Bowling Alleys, Boston. Brothers, Joe and Al Krasinskas bowled exceptionally well.

District councils wishing to bowl with our teams, contact Joe Krasinskas, 93 Ward St., Worcester, Mass.

#### Basket Ball

Our sports-minded members would like to arrange basket ball games with other councils for the coming season. For games, write to John Andruski, 8 So. Ward St., Worcester, Mass.

#### Ping-Pong

Our Knights would like to match their skill with any other ping-pong players, particularly with our neighboring Council 26!

Your best bet for all-around competition, in sports, contact Council 116.

#### **Pappy**

#### Hartford, Conn. (6)

#### Felicitations

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mazotas who are proud parents of a baby girl and to Mr. and Mrs. John Dubin who have added another member to their family, a boy.

#### Marriage

We extend our best wishes to Frank Bart and Victoria Labesky, members of our council, who were married on Thanksgiving Day. The wedding took place at Holy Trinity Church.

#### Birthday Greetings

Irene Yankauskas celebrated her birthday on Oct. 24th with a party at her sister Terry's house. A number of her friends presented her with lovely gifts, especially the boys. See Joe Adikonis and John Kriksciun for added information in this respect.

Francie Ambrose also celebrated her birthday on Oct. 28th, by serving coffee and what-have-you at her home following the choir rehearsal.

#### In Memoriam

We wish to offer our sincere sympathy to Charlie Buskey on the recents loss of his beloved mother. Of Interest to Members

Irene Wilkos had an enjoyable

time at the Harvest Dance held in Worcester. From what is told, Rudy of Boston, succeeded in teaching her some of the Lithuanian folk dances that are so frequently displayed in Massachusetts.

Danny Madeska tells an interesting tale about one Methusalah. It's a long story, but he'll tell it to anyone who is interested in the acting profession.

Ella Staum spent a few weeks convalescing, per doctor's orders. We wish her a speedy recovery so that she will be active, again, in our council activities.

#### Nominating Committee

The committee met at Nell Knusto's home for the purpose of determining who we will be nominated for office. Among Nell, Dotty Yankauskas, Corky Stanulis and Joe Becker, it is told that a surprise list will be presented at our election meeting. Oh yes, that was very good pie and coffee that you served, Nell.

Joe Adikonis finally introduced his Alma Boleski to the group and from what I hear, she made quite a favorable impression.

Speaking of the boys, they are contemplating on procuring a television set. In general, what do you think about it, members? Has anyone donations to give to take care of the purchase price and installation?

#### **Domestically Inclined**

At our last meeting, Regina Zaranka was seen knitting some pink things. Wonder who those are for? Regina and Ann Zablaitis, incidentally, are very handy with paste and glue; if anyone is in need of repair work, please contact them.

#### Christmas Suggestions

Danny Madeska is very bad at determining sizes. He could use a tape measure.

Father Francis smokes De Nobili tobacco. Ugh! is that stuff strong! He may also need refills for that little black book on which he jots down notes quite frequently.

Stella Markin likes red roses as long as the donor signs his name to the gift card.

Dotty Yankauskas and Grace Wilkos like to eat, so anything in the line of food will be appreciated.

Johnny Peko prefers blondes!

Irene Urban could add another dog to her collection. Does she have to have so many to greet one at her door?

Father Paul makes a collection of records; please consult him before buying. He might have a choice.

Agnes and Joe are moving into their new house soon, so furniture or household goods in any form will suit them fine.

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#### Providence, R. I. (103)

Every second Tuesday of the month has gotten so that it is a day out of every month to which our council members look forward to. This could be attributed to such prominent guests as Father Jurgelaitis, O.P. and Father Zvirblis, O.P. both of Providence College. Lithuanian group singing is now a "must" after each meeting, and our new D.P. K. of L'ers are trying (we admit) to broaden our limited repertoire. Father Jurgelaitis who arrived in the States just about two months ago, always has at least two Lithuanian song books in his pocket.

We do, however, miss the monthly attendance of our two Bills — i.e., Bill Kaskewski, who is in his first year at R. I. State (college, that is), and Bill Belconis, who, no doubt, will again be sporting a tan this year in the middle of January after his oceanic cruise. We do hope they can both be home in time for the party we are planning for Christmas.

A motion is in order, at the parish bowling alleys, to buy a helmet for Joe Nadzeika's pin boy. It's mighty dangerous down there when that fellow throws a ball!

Joe Kairys, one of our D.P's has Americanized his Lithuanian so that we can understand him more readily. One of his favorite expression is, "Aš likinu".

At this point, we, of Council 103, would like to wish all of you a very Mery Christmas and a most Joyous New Year.

DOUBLE TALK

#### Dayton, Ohio (96)

Fall Dance

Our annual dance was most successful, thanks to Charlie Vangas and his committee. The hall had typical decorations. Anne Gudelis, Petronella Zelinskas and their committee are credited for the outstanding decorations. We were honored to have as our guest that week-end Aldona Nausedas, Terry Bender, Anna Mae Uznis and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Baiback, all of Council 102, Detroit, Michigan.

Council 134 Organized

October 26, Frank Gudelis, national treasurer, together with Anna Del and Sally Miller, Petronella Zelinskas and Louie Prasmantas, journeyed 50 miles south of Dayton to Cincinnati, Ohio. There with the help of Father Paul Gailevicius they formed a new K. of L. council, known as Council 134.

#### District Convention

October 29 and 30, fifteen of our council members traveled to Detroit, Michigan to participate in the Ohio-Michigan District Convention. We emerged from the convention with Frank Gudelis as the district pres-

ident. Congratulations, Frank, on your reelection!

Many of us returned home with fond memories of Detroit. Room 1601 was the most entertaining. The short skits put on during the dance were very entertaining Joe Sakal, Ray Modonis, Ray Petcavage and cast were excellent. Joe Bender, was known as Mr. Sheriff, during the dance. Why didn't Council 102, allow Louise Simonis to dance the Hucklebuck on the stage? She's terrific, although her sister Slyvia gives her plenty of competition. Mary Plunkett and Jody Lankaitis will be long remembered for their sweet personalities and rose petals. Anna Mae Uznis prepared a delicious dinner for Jack Jatis, national president, Tony Lubert and Jerry of Chicago, Frank Gudelis, Kitty Zubrick and the Miller girls from Dayton. Mr. and Mrs. Sakal and Mrs. Bender were hosts to the remaining Dayton group at the Sunday's dinner. Everyone enjoyed their sojourn in Detroit, immensely.

The climax of the district convention was a big banquet Sunday evening with Professor Padolskis of Detroit University, as toastmaster. Among our guest speakers were Jack Jatis, national president, Father Brazis and Frank Gudelis, district president and national treasurer.

Detroit (102) should be commended for the way it handled the arrangements for another successful Ohio-Michigan District Convention. Already Dayton is preparing to invade Cleveland in full force at our next district convention to be held in April, 1950.

After our banquet both Cleveland and Dayton members were serenading each other before returning home. Marian Derencus, Andy Palzes and John Brazas should have a copyright on "Oh We Hate to See You Go".

#### Basket Ball

We have formed a basket ball team. It is one of our best teams since the death of our coach, Joe Goldick. We are extremely interested in arranging games with other K. of L. councils. Contact Mike Petkus, 260 Air St., Dayton 4, Ohio, for further information.

Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, cochairmen, assisted by Mary Ann Ambrose, Petronella Zelinskas and Anne Gudelis, are making arrangements for a Christmas party.

New Members

Our council has obtained three more new members: Rose Ann Ambrose, Patricia Barcus, and Eleanor Barbianskas.

Happy Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott recently entertained the K. of L. Bowling

League with a "cocktail party" in commemoration of their 12th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations! Members Engaged

Our biggest and most pleasant surprise of 1949 was when two of our popular and ever faithful members became engaged. Elinor Ambrose received a beautiful diamond ring from Ted Sluzas. Elinor and Ted invited a group of K. of L. friends at their engagement party, November 12th, and received many wishes and congratulations. We are now looking forward to a big wedding in 1950!

Wishing all members a VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
MOST PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!
Dottie

#### Cleveland, Ohio (25)

Welcome, Knights

We of Council 25 are very happy to greet the following new members, Lillian Yacas, Irene Vidugiris and Al Pulaski.

Sunday Kegler

"Double or nothing" with our twins, Eleanor and Evelyn Kayackas! Together they get strikes and spares. Poor Joan Susin, two of her bowlers are absent due to illness. Get well, girls your team needs you. By the way, where did Joan Susin get all the rooters last week? It certainly did improve her team's bowling. A bouquet of strikes and spares to Nellie Arunski for her splendid job as chairman of Ladies Bowling League. Nellie Mikelonis and Ursula Yankauskas have their own instructors, namely, Al Samas and Ben Brazis.

Wednesday Kegler

Helen Vaska's team is trying to maintain first place. She scored 217 last week, and deserves commendation. The contest is very close. With Vic Palzes' team in first place and Frank Kuncytes' team a close second, Johnny Brazis has the nicest gutter balls. Who's been giving bowling lessons to our "Pres." Joe Baltrus?

Masquerade

The dance held at the Lithuanian hall, November 6th was a great success. Thanks to all who helped put it over... It's still a "mystery" as to who the Pirate was that caused all the excitement.

Parish Support

We thank all members who contributed towards the success of the bazaar sponsored by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

Christmas Spirit

Our spiritual advisor, Rev. Fr. Joseph Angelaitis, reminded us to remember the poor and the less fortunate during the forthcoming holidays. A very Merry Christmas to all and A Happy New Year!

Blondie

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#### Chicago, Ill. (112)

We find it necessary to form a "Floating" council for the benefit of three members who are now working for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and whose duties are apt to take them anywhere in the Middle West after a training period in Washington, D. C. We miss you already Sylvia Raczkus, Vyt Lubert, and Joan Kay but wish you success in your new positions.

Bob (šv. Robertas) Tumasonis is also out of town on the job. But since it's only Joliet, we hope to see him (and Jackie) around.

#### Nominations

Val Sarockas and Gus Gudas have their spot in the council all set for next year. They made special a request on the Nominating Committee and have been campaigning, in their own behalf, for the post of trustees for the ensuing year. This notice is not necessarily to be taken as an endorsement of their candidacy.

#### Class of 1970

The council is proud to announce that we have a new potential member, Thomas Micheal Yuknis, son of Delores and Andy Yuknis, who arrived October 21st. Tony Yuknis makes the proudest uncle we have yet seen.

#### Re-conventioning

You can't keep our girls away from the East. Sylvia Raczkus, Barbara Motiejus, and Lucille Venckus flew to New York for the ALT conference. Barbara found New Jersey and convention friends close at hand and reports having had a wonderful time. She relayed many personal messages which created a glow miles wide from here to the East coast.

#### Lithuanian Day

The newly-formed Lithuanian Affairs Committee is functioning admirably. It plans to commemorate Lithuanian Independence Day on February 16 as a supplemental to affairs planned by other groups. John Stoskus, Master of Ceremonies, will take charge of the arrangements.

#### Memorial Sunday

Jack Yerkes acted as a committee of one and made all arrangements for our annual Memorial Mass with breakfast and bowling following. He topped off the morning by inviting the group to his home where he and his charming wife, Eloise, were hosts. Many thanks to Jack for a well planned affair.

#### Hallowe'en

"Most memorable costume" mention goes to John Stoskus for the get-up he wore at our council's Hallowe'en Party. Details on the costume are all unmentionables. John and Val Sarockas played host

at the party, which took place at Jack Jatis' Ranch.

#### Lithuanian Fund

Barbara Motiejus and John Pocius made money for the Lith. Affairs fund the "hard" way. They sold kisses. Business was so good that Barb requested a ten-cent rebate for lipstick.

GOOGLES

#### Ohio-Michigan District

Ohio-Michigan Lietuvos Vyčių Apskričio metinis seimas buvo laikytas spalio 30, 1949 pas 102-trą kuopą, šv. Antano Parapijoje, Detroit, Michigan. 11:00 val. ryte Kun. Ignas Boreišis, L. Vyčių garbės narys, atlaikė iškilmingas šv. Mišias per kurias buvo pašventinta 102-ros kuopos įsigyta Vyčių vėliava.

Popiet buvo sesija parapijos mokykloje. Prezidiumą sudarė Edward Slavinskas, pirmininkas, ir Helen Smolek, raštininkė. Raportus išdavė visi apskričio valdybos nariai. Pasirodė, kad pereitais metais apskritis padarė žymią pažangą narių skaičiumi ir veikimu. Taipgi įsteigta nauja 134-ta kuopa, Cincinnati, Ohio, prie kurios įsteigimo daug pasidarbavo kun. Povilas A. Gailevičius, O.

Dēl tolesnio sustiprinimo ir praplētimo apskričio veiklos buvo paskirtos sekančios komisijos, kurios bus atsakomingos apskričiui ir išduos raportus ant ateinančio pusmetinio seimo.

Lietuvos Reikalų — Petronella Zelinskas, Lillian Tores, Vincent Boris; Sporto — Ray Medonis, Michael Petkus, John Brazis; Ritualo — Frank Gudelis, Robert Boris, Marion Derenčus; Lietuvybės Platinimo — Magdalena Samson, Kitty Zubrick, Edward Slavinskas. Apskričio valdyba tes aktyvią akciją dėl įsteigimo naujų kuopų.

Seime dalyvavo Centro pirmininkas Jack L. Juozaitis, kuris delegatams davē naudingų patarimų ir nupiešē vaizdą apie organizacijos užsibrēžtus siekimus dēl ateinančių metų.

Išrinkta sekanti apskričio valdyba 1949—1950 metams: Dvasios Vadas — kun. J. F. Angelaitis, Pirmininkas — Frank Gudelis, Vice Pirm. — Robert Boris, Raštininkē — Theresa Žaliagiris, Iždininkē — Mary Susin, Iždo Globējai — Anna Mae Uznis ir Michael Petkus.

Po sesijos seimo dalyviams buvo surengta vakarienē Shore's Cafe patalpose. Programą vedē Prof. V. Padolskis. Tarp kitų, kalbējo ir kun. Boreišis, kuris uoliai ragino kuoplačiausiai skleisti Vyčių idealus ir veiklą ir įkurti daugiau kuopų.

Sekantis apskričio pusmetinis seimas bus Balandžio mēn. Cleveland, Ohio.

F.A.G.

#### Chicago, Ill. (5)

#### Halloween

When the North Wind comes a blowing, and Jack Frost starts a dabbing his little ole brush a bit here and a bit there, it means just one thing: fall is here. This occurs annually, (we don't know about any place else, but in Chicago, it does) and ever since we can remember, at Halloween time, Council 5 has been holding a Halloween Dance. So as not to break the tradition, a committee of four girls and four boys was elected to manage the affair. The members of this committee were: Lillian and Dolores Stankus, Jeanette Gaudusas, Laura Yucius, Edward Lukosaitis, Alex Praner, Algird Oleskevicius and Ben Lenkart. Previously mentioned plans to sponsor a play at the same time earlier in the evening were cancelled.

The council always holds its affairs in the parish hall. The committee and a few extra workers, Lucille and Virginia Yucius, Bruno Videckis and Roger Biggus, went down two nights previous to the night of the dance, and decorated the entire hall with streamers of orange and black crepe paper. Under the supervision of Lillian Stankus, clowns were made and hung on the walls between each window. The boys went out into the country and brought back corn stalks to be tied around the four posts. Artists: Alex Praner, Lucille Yucius and Lenny Serpetis carved smiling faces on the pumpkins.

By Saturday evening, October 30th, when we entered for the dance, the hall had taken on an entirely new look. The effect was mystifying. The strains of sweet flowing music was generously supplied by The Spirits of Rythm. Our bar manager, Ben Lenkart, and a squad of "barkeeps" kept the joints of those in attendance well lubricated.

The evening breezes were so cool and refreshing. This was a particularly romantic night. Young and old, turned out to show a new dance step or two. Representation from other councils was exceptionally good. We heard it said that those who once come to one of our dances, make it a point to come again because they always have a good time. Of course, there was the confetti. We're getting to be quite well known for that. Everyone enjoys it, though. People are beginning to look forward to it now. But we don't think anyone has more fun with it, than the gal who sells the stuff!

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#### Philadelphia, Pa. (3)

#### **Honored Guests**

At the conclusion of our November meeting, we were honored by a representation from Elizabeth, N. J., and Al Wesey, president of New York - New Jersey District, who gave a short talk on promoting Lithuanian culture in our organization. Father Kaspar, spiritual director of the district and Elizabeth (52) highlighted his talk with a praise for our delegates to the 36th national convention for manifesting great Lithuanian spirit. Among our other guests were Helen Pinkin, Ann Staboris, Ann Mitchell and V. Lubert who extended a cordial invitation to attend the 37th national convention to be held in Chicago, Ill.

#### Two Happy Members

That spark in Ed Ramoska's eye for Antoinette really broke out into a fire. He now sports darkened glasses for his week-end optics. The wedding date is tentatively set for the seventh of May, 1950.

#### Among the Missing

We never see Joe Rimgaila any more.

#### News Items

Al Stankus has developed a tremendous interest in ballet music.

Father Raila, Algis Vaiciunas, Lucy Eitminavicius, Joe and Marie Yanulaitis attended the American Lithuanian Congress in New York City.

Some interesting characters at the Halloween Party were Helen Mager dressed as a scarecrow; Eddie Wollowitch and Ed Lusis were roaming around as prima donnas; Henry Barsevicius masked as an Indian; Albert Anona sporting a nose (I suppose) made out of bubble gum and crooked cane; Frances Nash brought her same self along and Helen Shields was the most handsome man. Pops suit came in handy, Huh!

#### Membership Increased

New members: Walter Platt, Anthony Frigaras, Grazina Jazbutis, and Eleanor Ziumbakis.

#### Announcement

Congratulations to Joe (Nerves) Jakstis on his engagement. (Here's hoping you get your wedding pictures sooner than your pal.)

#### Lithuanian Art Exhibit

Members are looking forward to an enjoyable trip to New York City, November 19, where they will view the Lithuanian Art Exhibit.

#### Benefit of Parish

Our council is sponsoring a card and bunco party for the benefit of our parish, December 4.

"Stacy"

#### Great Neck, N. Y. (109)

#### Communion Breakfast

Our semi - annual Communion breakfast was held on October 23 at the Au Petite Moulin Restaurant, following the 8:00 Mass at St. Aloysius Church.

#### "Jack Frost Frolic"

Our winter dance will be held on January 14 at Villa Nova Social Club, Main Street, Port Washington, L. I. It is directly across from the Beacon Theater. The location is very convenient for people coming by car and it is only two short blocks from the Long Island Railroad Station in Port Washington. You're sure to have a wonderful time, so bring all your friends!

#### Honored Guests

We were extremely honored at our November meeting to have as our guests Mr. Jack Juozaitis, Supreme Council President, from Marquette Park, Illinois, and Helen Pinkin, Supreme Council Trustee, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Mr. Juozaitis commended us on our wholehearted interest in the K. of L. organization and also on the splendid support and cooperation we always give to the Center. We, too, are very proud of our national vice president Al Wesey, who is also president of the New York — New Jersey District, and has done much in stimulating activity in councils whose interest in K. of L. doings was dulled during and since the post-war period.

#### Engaged

What a lovely surprise it was to hear about Amy Daknis' engagement. She received a beautiful ring on her birthday, the 31st of October. The wedding date is set for May.

#### New Year's Eve

We are looking forward to a New Year's Eve dance to be held at the Steamboat Inn, which is to be sponsored jointly by our council and B.A.L.F. of Great Neck. Let's start the New Year right by toasting our local friends and our neighboring K. of L. councils at this affair.

#### Let Us Resolve

It certainly would be a great help to your co-members, and even more so to yourself, if more of you 109'ers would attend our monthly meetings. There are many decisions and plans made each month that require the presence of each and every member. We do not think that we are asking too much by having each member devote one evening a month. So how about it, Great Neck! Please attend on the second Tuesday of every month. We really need your cooperation and suggestions.

"TeNiner"

#### Cambridge, Mass. (18)

#### Florist

Our popular member Al Jakutis, former prexy, recently has joined our steadily growing businessmen's fraternity by opening his own florist shop in Cambridge. Likeable "Jake", who, at the drop of a rose petal can tell you more about flowers than you'd learn going a dozen years to school, is wished bouquets of good luck in his not surprising venture.

#### Marriages

For the second month in succession a Cambridge 'K. of L'er has middle-aisled. First, it was Helen Pakalniskis becoming Mrs. George Yuse, and last month, it was Al Marcin wedding Frances Winsky of Worcester.

#### Halloween party reminiscings

Pete Puzin, who is forever witty, decided to be frightening for our annual affair. In his clever get-up as a raging man-monster, Pete would have scared the wits out of Boris Karloff. Alberta Malin who came dressed as a "Jauna Lietuvaitē", was absolutely petrified when Pete, who just had to greet everyone!, to see if they fainted easily, welcomed her with his realistic lion-like roar. Al Kontrimas, variously known as "The Voice" and/or "Mr. Video", appeared very "dashing" in his red-dyed "apatiniais". Wanda Jankun did justice to the Indians by coming dressed as a squaw... Then there was John Markunas... Well, John certainly showed how glamorous a sweater girl can be if she dressed like he did. WOW!.. "Yaza Boy", Al Marcin, with the help of a few pounds of charcoal, showed us all-how to masquerade as another Al Jolson, that is, did when he sang "Mammy"... Joe Puzin, hot shot M.C. for the night, fairly sizzled with his joke about "Holy Smoke".

#### Welcome home

To our "gas conversionist" and president, Al Jankauskas. He informed us he now has more than a passing fancy and interest in Newark, N. J.

#### Worcesterealities

Pete Puzin was the perfect host to a host of Cantabrigian post-wedding revelers in Room 409 at the muchvisited Sheraton. Vin Zukas, who is by no means a stranger in Worcester, also attended Al Marcin's wedding. So the home girls learned!

#### Sveiksta

Glad to hear our amiable treasurer Jean Malin, is well on the road to full recovery after being ill, also another officer, Ted Mankus.

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