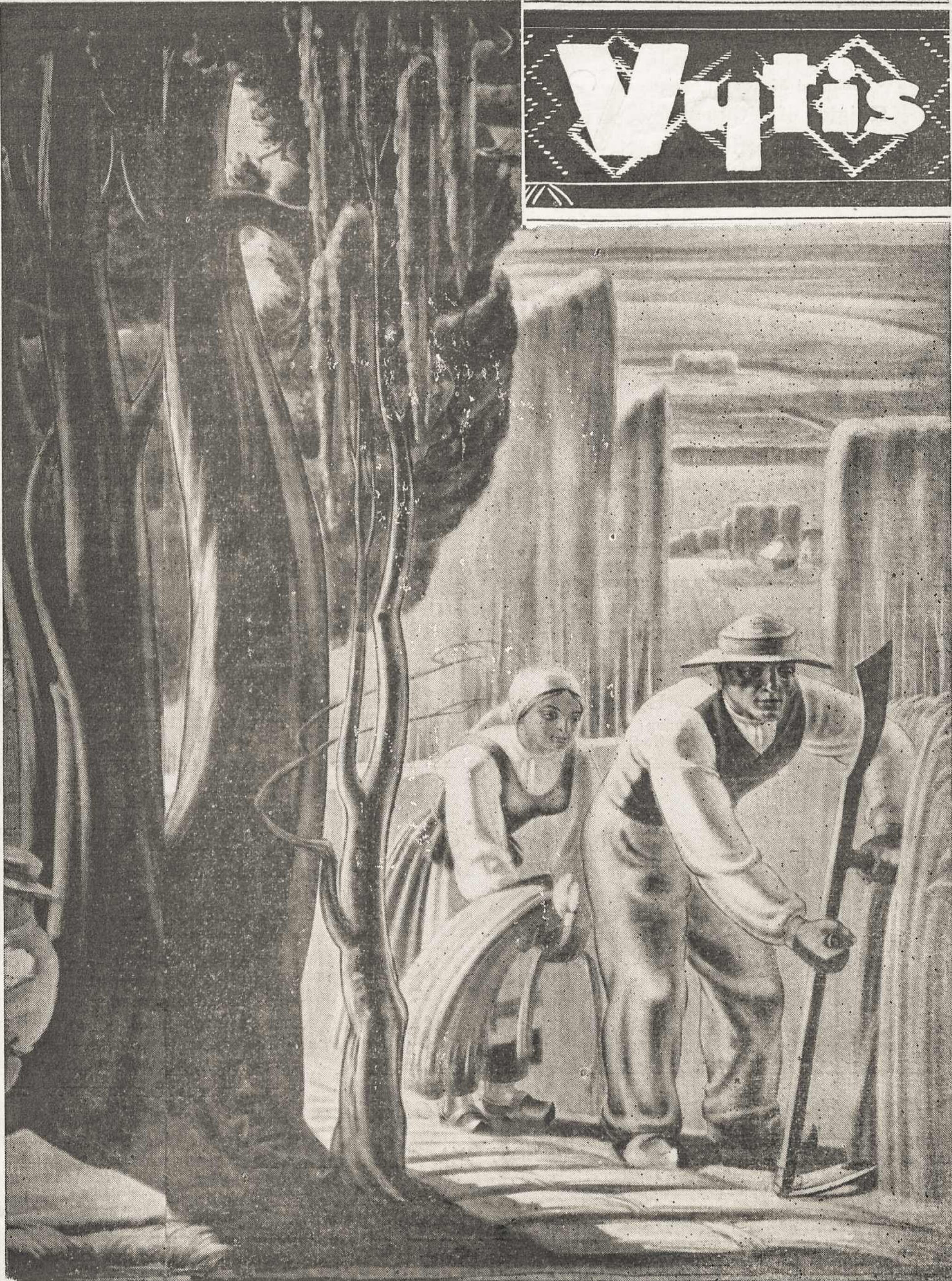


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Lietuvos Nelaimių Dešimtmetis

Birželio mėnesį suėjo lygiai dešimt metų, kai Lietuvą ištiko skaudus likimas. Rusai, susitarę su Hitleriu, užpuolė ramų Lietuvos kraštą, sutrypė jos laisvę ir išblaškė josios žmones. Ji ir šiandien tebėra pavergta, kai kiti kraštai, karo nelaimių paliesti, jau baigia gydytis savo žaizdas ir kuriasi šviesesnę ateitį.

Kai pažiūri, rodos, tik vakar tos nelaimės užgriuvo mūsų tėvų žemę. Rodos, tik vakar įsiveržė žiaurūs priešai į Lietuvą, — taip skaudžiai ir ryškiai tie įvykiai yra įsirėžę į mūsų protus ir širdis. O tačiau jau tiek daug laiko prabėgo ir tiek atsitikimų praėjo pro mus: didžiausi mūšiai, tautų griuvimas ir atsikėlimas, nuostabūs išradimai! Daug žmonių, mūsų pažįstamųjų, jau pasitraukė iš mūsų eilių — vieni mirę savo mirtimi, kiti žuvę karo lauke, dar kiti išžudyti koncentracijų stovyklose ir prie vergų darbo Sibire.

Per visą tą laiką buvo girdėti skaudi aimana. Tas skausmo balsas vaitojo mūsų pačių širdyse, nes senoji mūsų tėvynė buvo ir tebėra pavergta ir naikinama. Kaip ji neverks, nevaitos ir nesisuks pasauliui, jeigu diena iš dienos, be jokios pertraukos ir be jokio pasigailėjimo, ji persekiojama, naikinama ir žudoma! Yra tai naikinimas, kokio istorijos lapai nėra dar girdėję. Per tris okupacijas — rusų, vokiečių ir vėl rusų — Lietuva yra jau netekusi apie 800,000 žmonių. Vienus jų išžudė naciai, kitus naikino ir dabar tebenaikina Stalinas, kruviniausias visų laikų žmogžudys. Jo įsakymu gaudomi Lietuvos žmonės — vyrai, moterys ir maži vaikai — ir išraunami iš savo žemės. Traukiniai nesiliauja juos vežę į Sibirą ir į vergų stovyklas. Ir taip šis šiurpus tautos naikinimas eina ligi paskutinės valandos. 1948 metais gegužės mėnesį tik per vieną dieną buvo suimta ir išgabenta 100,000 lietuvių. Broliai, seserys, tėvai, maži kūdikiai —



visi jie buvo išblokšti iš savo sodybų ir iš savo krašto, gi jų likimas labai aiškus — žus jie Sibiro plotuose, šiaurės vergijoje, kaip jau tenai mirė tūkstančiai šviesių ir gerų lietuvių prieš juos.

Baisu, kada žudomas žmogus, bet dar baisiau, kada naikinama visa tauta. O ji naikinama visu žiaurumu, ir šios tragedijos dydį net sunku žodžiais apsaityti. Geriau mums tai paaškęs, jeigu atsiminsime, kad 800,000 iš Lietuvos išplėštų žmonių Jungtinėse Valstybėse prilygtų bemaž 40 milijonų gyventojų. Įsivaizduokite, kas atsitiktų šiam kraštui, jeigu ligi paskutinio žmogau būtų iššluotos New Yorko, Pensylvanijos ir Kalifornijos valstybės, tie didžiausi gyventojų centrai šioje šalyje.

Vienok Lietuva paliesta dar skaudžiau, nes jos nelaimėms galo nematyti. Ji ne tik kentėjo, bet kenčia ir šaukiasi šią valandą, ir vis neregi šviesesnės dienos. Ji šaukiasi, visu savo sąmonės ryškumu suvokdama nelaimės dydį ir... ironiją. Ironija gi yra toji: prie Lietuvos skausmų yra prisidėjęs ir demokratinis pasaulis. Didieji demokratijų vadai tarptautinėse konferencijose negynė Lietuvos laisvės, spekulavo jos vardu, net viešai ją žadėjo rusams (W. Churchillis), laikė jos vadus ir kovotojus atstūmę nuo savęs, nedavė jokios paramos. Tie žmonės visu cinišku šlykštumu nusispiovė į savo kilniausią pažadą — Atlanto Čarterį. Kas šiandien tarp galingųjų ji prisimena, kas rodo tautoms ir vykdo? Tik paskutiniu laiku, kada Maskva vis išūliau lipa pačiai Amerikai ant sprando, ištariamas žodis ir apie Lietuvą, bet tik žodis. Nei Jungtinės Valstybės, nei Anglija, nei Prancūzija nei kiti demokratiniai kraštai nepajudino nė piršto, kad Lietuvos laisvės byla būtų iškelta ir laimėta, kad jos laisvės kovotojams būtų teikiama reali parama, kad laisvos Lietuvos atstovai ir kovo-

Lietuvos Steigiamojo Seimo 30 metų sukaktis



Aleksandras Stulginskis, Steigiamojo Seimo pirmininkas ir Lietuvos prezidentas. Rusų išvežtas į Sibirą.

tojai būtų išileidžiami į svarbius pasitarimus, kuriuose jie galėtų būti juo naudingesni, nes turi tokį audrų ir kovų patyrimą, kokių reta kas gali pasirodyti.

Jei šiandien mes girdime Lietuvos balsą, nors graudų ir šiurpų, mūsų širdis turi dar džiaugtis ir tikėti. Džiaugtis dėl to, nes žinome, kad mūsų tėvų žemė dar gyva. Ji dar nemirė: nors baisiai prislėgta, ji vis nepasiduoda, ji vis tebėra kovojanti Lietuva. Ji stovi ten, baisaus priešo apsupta, ir šaukiasi mūsų, savo vaikų. Neužkietinkime savo širdžių ir padėkime jai, nes ji, mūsų geroji tėvynė, šią valandą kenčia, kraują lieja ir ieško užtarimo. Nors liūdni ir sunkūs laikai, Lietuva vistiek nepasiduoda. Jos giriose stovi partizanas — savo tėvų žemės sargyboje ir kovoje. Ta kovų dvasia eina per visą kraštą, nes kiekvienam lietuviui šviečia didelis tikėjimas: ir baisiausioj nedalioj jis tiki savo Dievui, kuris prieš tūkstančius metų Lietuvos žemę pastatė laisvą tarp tautų ir kuris ją vėl išves į laisvės dienas.

Toks yra ir mūsų visų tikėjimas: Lietuva kelsis laisva po tiekos kančių, sielvarto, naikinimo ir neteisybės šiame baisiame mūsų amžiuje.

Amerikos Lietuvių Tarybos

Pranešimas

Gegužės mėn. 15-toji yra nepaprastai reikšminga data lietuvių tautos atgimimo istorijoje.

1920 m. gegužės mėn. 15 d., t. y., prieš 30 metų, pirmą kartą Kaune susirinko Lietuvos Steigiamasis Seimas, susidedęs iš 112 atstovų ir išrinktas slaptu ir visuotiniu balsavimu. Lietuvos istorijoje tai pirmutinė pačių gyventojų demokratiškai išrinkta tautos atstovybė. Visi Lietuvos piliečiai, vyrai ir moterys, turėjo lygų balsą ir betarpiškai rinko atstovus.

Pirmuoju Steigiamojo Seimo aktu buvo ratifikuotas Lietuvos nepriklausomybės paskelbimas priimant Lietuvos valstybei demokratišką formą. Šitaip buvo realizuotas vieningas ir nepalaužiamas lietuvių tautos troškimas visiems laikams atsikratyti svetimųjų priespaudos ir savo valstybinį gyvenimą tvarkyti laisvai ir demokratiniais principais.

Šituo aktu užbaigęs Lietuvos valstybės atkūrimą, Steigiamasis Seimas padėjo tvirtus pagrindus tolimesniam nepriklausomos Lietuvos politiniam brendimui, materialinei gerovei ir kultūrinei pažangai: davė kraštui valstybės konstituciją, kuri visiems piliečiams garantavo žodžio, spaudos, sąžinės, susirinkimų ir draugijų laisves; apgynė kraštą nuo išorinių priešų; tarp-tautinėmis sutartimis įjungė Lietuvą į pasaulio valstybių šeimą; įvedė nuosavą valstybės valiutą; išleido Žemės Reformos įstatymą, kurį įvykdžius ekonomiškai sustiprėjo lietuviškasis sodžius; įsteigė Lietuvos universitetą. Žodžiu, Steigiamajam Seimui vadovaujant, Lietuva tvirtai atsistojo ant kojų kaip politiškai organizuota, pati sugebanti tvarkyti savo valstybės gyvenimą ir visų kitų pasaulio kraštų pripažinta valstybė. Jungt. Amerikos Valstybės de jure pripažino Lietuvą suverenine valstybe 1922 m. liepos mėn. 28 d.

Per Steigiamąjį Seimą pareikšto savo troškimo būti laisva ir nepriklausoma lietuvių tauta niekuomet nėra atsižadėjusi...

Ši reikšminga Lietuvos Steigiamojo Seimo sukaktis dar kartą teprimena kiekvienam sąmoningam lietuviui didžiąją bylą; tesustiprina kiekvieno lietuvių pasiryžimą visomis išgalėmis ir nepaliaujamai kovoti, iki Lietuva vėl atgaus suverenines teises.

Svarstyti klausimai Chicagos seime

L. Valiukas

Čia pat jau ir metinis Vyčių organizacijos seimas, įvyksta rugsėjo mėn. pradžioje Chicagoje. Pravartu jau iš anksto ne tik Centro Valdybai, bet ir kuopų delegatams susirūpinti ir atvykti ne tuščiomis, o su naujais pasiūlymais organizacijos veiklai pagerinti, praplėsti bei pagyvinti.

Mūsų ar mūsų tėvų gimtojo krašto dabartinė padėtis įpareigoja mus praveisti šį seimą Lietuvos vadavimo ir vargstančių lietuvių šelpimo dvasioje.

Seimas neturėtų būti apkrautas ilgomis kalbomis, priverčiant visus delegatus likti tik klausytojais, bet priešingai, leisti pasisakyti kuopų atstovams opiausiais mūsų tautos ir savo organizacijos reikalais, pasisakymus sutraukti į nutarimus ir kitų metų veikloje tai įgyvendinti.

Mano nuomone, šių metų seime šie klausimai turėtų būti nepamirštami ir pirmoje eilėje apsvarstomi: 1. Lietuvos vadavimo reikalai; 2. Vargstančių lietuvių šalpos reikalai; 3. Įstatų papildymas ir 4. Centro pajamoms šaltinių paieškojimas.

Paprastai suvažiavimuose svarbesniems reikalams aptarti yra sudaromos iš keletos asmenų atskiros komisijos, kurios savo posėdžiuose joms pavestus klausimus nuodugniai išnagrinėja, padaro nutarimus ir pateikia suvažiavimui ištisai ar su pataisomis priimti. Ir mūsų organizacijos šių metų seime paminėtiems klausimams išspręsti turėtų būti suvažiavimui prasidėjus sudarytos atskiros komisijos, kurių nutarimai turėtų būti pateikti seimui patvirtinti dar prieš Centro Valdybos rinkimus.

Norėčiau po truputį sustoti prie kiekvieno klausimo atskirai.

Lietuvos vadavimo reikalai.

Plačią vagą šiame darbe yra išvariusi Lietuvos Reikalų Komisija, vadovaujant žymiajam jaunosios lietuvių kartos veikėjui kun. J. Jutkevičiui. Tas darbas ir toliau tęsinas. Tačiau, mano supratimu, vien tik tuo nereiktų apsiriboti. Šis darbas plėstinas dar keliomis šakomis. Reiktų aprūpinti viešąsias ir mokslo įstaigų bibliotekas literatūra apie Lietuvą bei komunistų terora už geležinės uždangos. Paieškoti kelių ir imtis konkrečių žygių A. L. T-bos veiklai paremti. Išleisti dideliu tiražu bent vieną leidinuką apie Lietuvą ir komunistų vykdomą masinį lietuvių tautos išnaikinimą.

Vargstančių lietuvių šalpos reikalai.

Dar tūkstančiai mūsų tautiečių, nesuradę niekur prieglaudos tebevargsta išvietintųjų asmenų stovyklose Europoje, kiekvieną dieną kęsdami alkį ir kitus nepriteklius. Kitų tauty-

bių amerikiečiai savo kraujo žmonių įkurdinimui ir sušelpimui šiais metais surinko šimtus milijonų dolerių. Tuo reikalu ir mes neturėtumėm likti abejingi. Turėtumėm paieškoti kelių B. A. L. F-o veiklai paremti ir griebtis visų kitų galimų priemonių savo tautiečiams sušelpiti.

Įstatų Konstitucijos papildymas

Čia aš nesiimu ištisai nagrinėti dabartinių organizacijos įstatų, o noriu tik pasisakyti dėl vieno kito punkto, kurie tikrai turėtų būti papildomi bei keistini.

1. Centro Valdyba turėtų būti renkama slaptu balsavimu ne mažiau, kaip iš septynių narių, pareigomis pasiskirstymą paliekant jiems patiems. Pirmajam vicepirmininkui, be turimų pareigų, turėtų būti pavedama rūpintis ir Lietuvos vadavimo reikalais. Antrajam vicepirm. rūpintis kultūros ir vargstančių lietuvių šalpos reikalais. Septintam valdybos nariui turėtų būti pavedami sporto reikalai. Kuopų valdybos turėtų būti renkamos ne mažiau, kaip iš šešių asmenų slaptu balsavimu, pasiskirstymą pareigomis taip pat paliekant pačiai valdybai. Kuopos valdybos sudėtis būtų ši: pirmininkas, vicepirmininkas ir kartu valdybos narys Lietuvos vadavimo reikalams, sekretorius, kasininkas, einas kartu ir finansų sekretoriaus pareigas, valdybos narys kultūros ir parengimų reikalams ir valdybos narys sporto reikalams. Tuo būdu renkant sudaroma pajėgesnė valdyba, kas organizaciniame gyvenime jau daugelyje pasaulio kraštų yra seniai praktikuojama.

2. Vietoj izdo globėjų išrinktina iš trijų asmenų (pirm., sekret., narys) Centro ir kuopų kontrolės komisijos. Jos kartkartėmis patikrintu Centro ir kuopų piniginių stovį ir prižiūrėtų, kad tiek Centro, o lygiai ir kuopų valdybos nariai tinkamai eitų savo pareigas bei laiku atliktų jiems pavestus darbus.

3. Kuopų narių susirinkimų darbotvarkės paliktinos nustatyti pačioms kuopų valdyboms su narių pataisomis susirinkimuose prasidėjus. Susirinkimų darbotvarkėse tarp kitų svarstomų klausimų turėtų būti paskaita ar referatas iš lietuvių kultūros gyvenimo, istorijos ar religine tema, su po to sekančiomis diskusijomis.

4. Vyčių organizacijos įstatų (konstitucijos) lietuviškas tekstas—visai nevykęs vertimas iš anglų kalbos: kas trečias-ketvirtas žodis svetimybė, stilius gramozdiškas. Prieš duodant spausdinti, ypač dar įstatus, reikia visad pavesti lietuvių kalbos žinovui, kad jis pataisytų kalbą. I ką tai panašu tokie išsireiškimai bei žodžiai: "imti dalyvumo", "prisirišimą į", "užgirti", "le-

Į Talką Mūsų Vadams!

Tebūna išgirstas ir mano vytiškas balsas, kada centro, apskričių ir kuopų valdybos su pilna energija bei narsumu įtempė jėgas išugdyti organizaciją nariais ligi pirmo dešimtmečio stovio, kada eina naujų narių prirašinėjimo vajus.

Pavyzdinčiai dirba J. Juozaitis, Al. Vasiliauskas, P. Gudelis ir kiti. Tebūna žinoma vyčiams Al. Vasiliausko kelionė į Philadelphia, Pittsburghą, Clevelandą, Detroitą, Čicagą ir kitur. Juozaitis aplankė ir patikrino apskričių ir kuopų veiklą nuo vakarų iki rytų. Kiek tų dviejų vyčių pašvęsta laiko!

Padėkime ir mes visi šiems veikliams vyčių vadams, kurie nesigaili laiko kelionei. Jie myli organizaciją, myli jos narius. Rodykim ir mes savo meilę jiems, pritardami ir dirbdami su jais. Nėra reikalo mums daryti ilgų kelionių nei kratinėti išlaidoms kišenes: suraskime nors po vieną naują narį ir prirašykime, ir jau būsite atlikę didelę vyčio pareigą.

Mūsų darbas, be Dangaus Galybių paramos, bus bergždžias. Todėl kreipkitės į Šv. Kazimierą, vyčių globėją, kad ir Jis maldautų Dangaus Viešpatį laiminti vyčių šeimynėle. Prisiminkite ir tuos vadus, kurie neįsileidžia savo aplinkon vyčių, kad Viešpats apšviestų jų protus ir pakeistų jų mintis. Daugiausia nukentėjo Connecticut ir Pennsylvania. Jos kadaise buvo didžiausios kuopomis (27), o paskui nebuvo nei vienos. Kun. S. Railos dėka, vyčiai atgaivinti Philadelphiaj, o Mažeikos rūpesčiu—Pittsburghe. Connecticut pasiliko dvynukės 6 ir 7 kuopos.

Vyčiai, pakelkime savo širdis prie darbo Tautai ir Bažnyčiai. Eikim drauge su savo vadais, kuriuos mes visi patys įgaliojom, ir pavedėm jiems savo organizacijos vardą.

Pirmyn, pirmyn! Tegul gerasis Dievas lydi ir laimina!
M. A. NORKŪNAS.

galis", "rekordas", "raportas", "nuskirti", etc. Keliose vietose tik iš angliško teksto gali suprasti, kas norima pasakyti.

Centro kasos papildymo reikalas

Beveik nė neįmanoma įvykdyti didesnių užsimojimų, neturint pakankamai piniginių išteklių. Lietuvos vadavimo darbe, propagandinių leidinių leidime nė žingsnio nepažengsi su tuščia kasa. Tam tikrą nuosimtį (pavyzdžiui 15%) galėtų visos kuopos skirti nuo gauto pelno iš visų daromų parengimų. Būtų galima surengti didesnę loteriją, įpareigojant visas kuopas paimti po tam tikrą bilietų skaičių. Gal būtų galima pasvarsčius rasti ir kitų šaltinių Centro Valdybos kasai papildyti.

Čia pateikiau tik keletą minčių—pasiūlymų. Tikėkimės, kad seimas ir tiems klausimams apsvarstyti sudarytos komisijos pagrindinai į tuos reikalus pažiūrės, ir padaryti nutarimai pasitarus kenčiančiai lietuvių tautai ir Vyčių organizacijai.

Mirė buvęs Lietuvos Prezidentas Grinius



Šių metų birželio 4 d. Čikagoje mirė buvęs Lietuvos Respublikos prezidentas Dr. Kazys Grinius, atvykęs iš tremties į Jungtines Amerikos Valstybes 1948 m.

Dr. Kazys Grinius gimė 1866 m. gruodžio 17 d. Solemos kaime, Sasnavos valsčiuje, Mariampolės apskrityje. Buvo žymus Lietuvos veikėjas, politikas ir patriotas. Steigiamojo Seimo laikais buvo ministerių pirmininkas, ir 1926 m. jis tapo išrinktas Lietuvos Respublikos prezidentu.

M. Dagilelis

PANEMUNĖMIS

*Oi, gražybe prigimimo,
kas tat apdainuos?
Kas išaiškins įkvėpimą?
Kas kraštus jam duos?*

*Šitai, Nemuns išsitiesęs —
milžinas ramus —
ritin greit šlaitų pavėsiais
vandenis savus.*

*Medžiai stiprūs, gumburiuoti
dūli ant krantu,
it seneliai liemeniuoti
iš senų kartų.*

*Ten saulytė galvą sveria —
leidžiasi žemai,
čia krūtinė kvapą geria,
kvepia pušynai.*

*Lakštutėlė atsišliejus
čiauška ant šakos,
čiauška dainą pamylėjus
iš širdies visos!..*

*Oi, gražybe prigimimo,
kas tat apdainuos?
Kas išaiškins įkvėpimą?
Kas kraštus jam duos?..*

Pirmieji partizano žingsniai

(Iš Lietuvos partizano atsiminimų)

J. DAUJOTAS

Lauke mus pasitiko sausio vidurnakčių šaltis. Traukėm apytikriai žinoma linkme, akimis spigindami tamson. Stengėmės eiti kuo atsargesniais žingsniais, kiekvienu momentu jausdami pavojų. Kaip naujokams, tas vyko ne per geriausią. Suragojusi nuo šalčio žemė, atrodė, per daug barškėjo po kiekvieno mūsų pėdos palietimo, nejaukiai ir nepakenčiamai ardydama aplink viešpataujančią tylą. Šlapesnėse dirvose, vienur kitur vagose pasitaikantis plonutis sausledis trupėjo aštriai, kaip laužomas stiklas, nemaloniai veikdamas įtemptą klausą. Nakties tolumoje keliose vietose tingiai amsėjo šunės.

Pasiekę mišką, patraukėm spindžiu, nes didesniais keliais leisti buvo neprotinga: galėjome susitikti su rusais. Mažiau pažįstamais miško takais keliauti buvo taip pat neįmanoma ir dėl tamsos ir dėl pavojaus paklysti. Gi einant spindžiu, visuomet galima, neblogai orientuotis, nuolat šnairuojant į dangaus prošvaistę, ženklinančią spindžio kryptį.

Keleto kilometrų mišką perėjome visai laimingai ir atsidūrėm plynuose laukuose. Pradėjo tyliai kristi baltos sniegulės, pamažu glaudamosios prie sustingusios žemės. Mums iš paskos driekėsi paliekami pėdsakai. Šiuo metu jie buvo nepavojingi, nes po keliolikos minučių naujos sniegulės juos užklos. Susidaręs plonutis sniego sluogsnis mažino mūsų pačių keliamą, nepakenčiamą "triukšmą".

Tolesnis kelio galas būtų buvęs visai malonus, jei ne pakeliui sutikta upė, kurią būtinai reikėjo perkirsti. Ji buvo dar nuo rudens gerokai išsiliejusi, nes vėlyvai pasirodęs šios žiemos šaltis dar nebuvo suspėjęs jos suvaryti į vagą. Nežinodami per ją jokių lieptų nė sėklumų, buvom priversti keltis ties ta vieta, kurią pirmiausia pasiekėm. Pliaukšėdami lediniame vandenyje, pasiekėm vagą. Vaduodamiesi nukarusiomis krūmų šakomis, persikorėm į kitą pusę, sušlapdami tik iki pusei kinkų. Dar keletas kilometrų, ir mudu jau pasiekėm sutartą vietą. Čia jau radome mus aplenkusius septynis partizanus: Mykolą-Joną, Karda, Uosį, Miškinį, Rainį, Šatą ir Kairį.

Tiek aš, tiek brolis jautėmės tikri naujokai. Kaip kalboje, taip ir judesiuose bei santykiuose su kitais partizanais trūko tikro laisvumo, kurio mes pavydėjome draugams. Gerai nesiorientavom, nė kaip su ginklais elgtis — kur kiekvienu momentu juos laikyti, kaip pasidėti... Ir didžiausias trūkumas, kurį jautėme, tai stoka partizaniškos nuotaikos, kuri visada laidavo neišsemiamų pokalbių temas, tiek su gyventojais, tiek tarpusavyje, į kiekvieną, nors ir tragiškiausią padėtį žiūrint pro humoristišką prizmę.

Buvo nutarta pas šitą ūkininką praleisti ateinančią dieną. Vieni nušliję ant suolų trumpam poilsiui, kiti patylomis šnekučiavosi. Laikas nuo laiko keitėsi sargybos.

Prieš pat švintant staiga į kambarį įgriuvęs sargybinis pranešė, kad vieškeliu nuo N. N. link X dvaro šviečia ilga vora mašinų. Ši žinia visus sukėlė ant kojų. Kardas išbėgo nakties žiūronais stebėti mašinų judėjimo; išvilkusieji skubiai rengėsi.

Visiems pasiruošus, gavome komandą, dengiantis ūkininkų sodybomis, trauktis į netolimą mišką. Pirminiams mūsų pasitraukimo pėdsakams užmaskuoti, šeimininkas išvarė iš tvarto gyvulius, vaikydamas mūsų šviežiomis pėdomis.

Greit pasiekėm anksčiau minėtą upe ir, perėję ją lieptu, trejukėmis leidomės miško link, nuolat stebėdami dvaro pusėn žvbčiojančius keliasdešimties mašinų prožektorius. Girią pasiekėm jau gerokai prašvitus. Bet čia likti negalėjome, nes mūsų nuomone, pavojaus atveju šis miškelis buvo per menkas prieglaudai. Dėl to jį perskrodėm ir jau dienos šviesoje, prisidengdami raižytais bei medžiais apaugusiais upės krantais, persimetėm į kitą girią, rusų visai nepastebėti.

Sulinde į tankumynus, susikūrėm iš mažiau dūminančių malkų ugnele ir pradėjome džiovinėti. Aš su Uosiu išlindome į palauke žvalgybai. Uosis supažindino mane su besidriekiančiomis į toluma vietovėmis, kartu duodamas reikalingus žvalgybai paaikškinimus. Prisiglaudžiau prie paūglės eglaitės ir, prisidengęs jos šakomis, pradėjau su žiūronais dairytis po apylinke. Pamiške, trisdešimties metrų atstume nuo mūsų, tiesėsi vieškelis. Toliau lygumoje draikėsi ūkininkų sodybos ir paskiros medžių grupės. Už poros kilometrų dunksojo dvaras. Kairėje raitėsi upė. Nieko itartino nepastebėjęs, nuleidau žiūronus, ketindamas napolkti atšalusias rankas. Bet tuo pačiu metu iš kairės keliu pasirodė du rusai, jau beveik praeina pro mus. Nežymiai pritūpiau ir, paleides žiūronus, viena ranka patraukiau Uosį po eglaitę, kita griebiau savo ginklą. Rusai vilkosi visai iš lėto, mūsų nepastebėję. Pirmasis paruoštą automatai laikė rankoje, antrasis savo ginklą buvo užsimetęs ant pečių. Atsargos dėliai Uosis jau suspėjo pirmąjį paimti ant kryptuko. Dešimtuko vamzdis pamažu krypo, sekdamas praeinančių ivanų judesius, paruoštas kiekvienu momentu iššauti. Tačiau veltui: ruseliai, nepamatę savo pavojaus, nuėjo, o mes, jų nepastebėti, ugnį taip pat neatidarėm.

— Na, ir žlibi tie ivanai, pro pat nosis prariogline — ir nė krypt. Bet tai jų laimė, kitaip be šermenų nebūtų apsieita, — nuleisdamas šautuvą juokavo Uosis.

Pamokyti savo neatsargumo, atsitraukėme šiek tiek toliau nuo vieškeliu gilyn į mišką, į žvalgybai tinkančius jaunuolynus. Čia prabudėję porą valandų ir nepastebėję masinio rusų judėjimo, grįžom pas besidžiovinančius draugus. Mudu pakeitė antroji žvalgų pamaina.

Po pietų į mūsų postovio vietą žvalgai ativedė civilinį pilietį, kuris mums suteikė smul-



Lietuvos partizanai su ginklais Lietuvos miškuose
(Jų veidai uždengti, kad bolševikai nepažintų ir nekeršytų giminėms)

kių žinių apie pasirodžiusių rusų judėjimą ir tikslus.

Pasirodė, kad į dvarą atvyko apie 900 enkagiebių „suorganizuoti“ priešrinkiminio mitingo. Dvare jau esą prievarta suvartų keli šimtai plačios apylinkės gyventojų. Kiekvienas iš jų atskiruose kambarėliuose kamantinėjamas rinkimus liečiančiais klausimais ir gale verčiamas „įsipareigoti“, kad tikrai balsuos. Asmenys, atsisakiusieji duoti tokį pasižadėjimą, esą daugomi ir uždaromi rūsyje — „politiniam persiorientavimui“. Tos akcijos pasėkoje nemaža gyventojų sulindę ir susislėpę į šiaudus ar pasitraukę į miškus. Ir jis atbėgęs į mišką slėptis. Paliktas tuščias sodybas antrinės enkagiebių voros valančios nuo maisto bei vertingesnių daiktų.

Apie trečią valandą visi išlindome į pamiškę stebėti bolševikų mitingo vaizdų. Išsidėsčiusios vilnėmis, kailiniuotos rusų grupės slinko nuo sodybos prie sodybos, kiekvieną atskirai apsupdamos ir po kurio laiko rastus gyventojus išsivarydamos su savimi. Savomis akimis žvelgėme į Tarybų Sąjungos „demokratiškiausių“ rinkimų priešrinkiminius pasirengimus.

— Domėkis, Daumantai, ir mintyk, kokių priemonių tau teks griebtis, kad išdilytum šimtams gyventojų šiandien įvaromą baimę ir įtikintum juos ryžtis nesibijoti rinkimų dienoje pareikšti savo valią, — kreipėsi į mane apygardos vadas.

— Aš pasitikiu tautos sąmoningumu ir atkaklumu, o tai daugiau sveria negu priešo grasinimai teroru. Tos šiandien gainiojamos per šaltį ir pliekiamos masės tikrai nebalsuos. Leiskite, vade, mūsų rinktinei paskelbti bolševikų mėgiamas „soclenktynes“; lenktynių objektas — rinkimų boikoto rezultatai, — atkirtau apygardos vadui.

Jis šyptelėjo ir, nieko neatsakęs, stebėjo dvaro pusę.

Pradėjus temti palikom mūsų stebėjimo vietą ir patraukėm Z. linkme. Daug kur dar šeiminkavo rusai, todėl turėjom būti ypatingai atsargūs, praeidami pro kiekvieną sodybą. Ke-

liais dar prašvilpdavo mašinos, nuo kurių prožektorių tekdavo lįsti į krūmus, ar gulti laukų dūburiuose.

Ties dvaru vis užė mašinų motorai, švysčiojo prožektoriai, o apylinkėje raižė nakties tamsą pavienės signalinės raketos, ragindamos užtrukusias „operacijoje“ grupes skubiai grįžti.

Šio mūsų žygio tikslas, apie kurį man pranešė Uosis tik pusiaukelėje, buvo Viesulo kuopos dalinė vizitacija. Mykolas-Jonas, kaip apygardos vadas, buvo pasiryžęs aplankyti visas Tauro apygardos partizanų grupes. Šį kartą jo vititacija vyko mūsų rinktinėje.

Sutartoj vietoj mūsų jau laukė Viesulo pavaduotojas Naktis su keliais kuopos vyrais — Tigru, Radastu, Gaidžiu, Dalia ir kitais. Jie visi jau buvo prisitaikę prie sniego, dėvėjo baltas maskiruotes. Čia rasti vyrai buvo Dievo apdovanoti aukštu ūgiu, kone visi arti dviejų metrų. Prie jų ūgio puikiai derinosi išblizginti kulkosvaidžiai.

Instruktavimas ir pasikalbėjimas truko apie tris valandas. Tada, paėmę tris pastotes, persimetėm prie miškelio. Tikėjomės, kad šitoje vietoje galėsime ramiai praleisti dieną, nes kaip tik čia vakar dūko „mitingieriai“. Pasirinkę dvi gretimas sodybas ir pasidalinę pusiau, apsidienojom.

Apie antrą valandą po pietų sargybiniai pranešė artėjant iš kitos upės šono trisdešimties rusų grupę. Mykolas-Jonas įsakė tuojau palikti ūkį ir pasitraukti į miškelį, kad nesuėjus į kautynes. Prisidengdama trobesiais, mūsų grupė nepastebėta pasiekė mišką ir išsidėstė pakrašty esančiuose apkasuose, pasirengdama paleisti į priešą, reikalui esant, sparninę ugnį, jeigu jis bandytų pulti mūsų antrąją, kiek suvėluotai besitraukančią grupę. Ši grupė gerokai suvėlavo ir prieš akių išvengti negalėjo. Vadovaujami Nakties, jie traukė miško link išsitiesę voroje.

Pirmieji bolševikai jau radosi arčiau mūsų negu pasitraukiantieji draugai. Pastebėję partizanų, jie susilaikė slinkę pirmyn ir nepuolė, nors buvo kelis kartus gausesni. Tur būt, juos nugąsdino nepaprastas partizanų ūgis bei velkami trys kulkosvaidžiai, kurių bolševikai nė vieno neturėjo. Taip paspartintais žingsniais mūsų kariai pasiekė mišką, priešui nedrįstant pradėti kautynes.

Nežiūrint to, saugiai jaustis negalėjome. Buvom pastebėti, ir kiekvieną valandą reikėjo laukti didesnių priešų jėgų sutraukimo ir miškelio apsupimo. Dėl to nedelsdami pasiekėm kitą miško pakraštį ir iš ten patraukėm Y. miško link. Jį pasiekėm bolševikų nepastebėti.

Išlindę apie pusę kilometro nuo palaukės, apsisostojom. Temo. Parinkę sausesnių žabų, susikūrėm ugnelę ir, kol ji išblėso, apygardos vadui vedant, sukalbėjome partizanų maldą ir labai tyliai pusę lūpų sugiedojom: „Marija, Marija“ bei Tautos himną. Kartu su paskutiniais himno

žodžiais užgeso mirksėdamos mūsų ugnies pašutinės kibirkštys. Išžarstėm po sniegą ugniavietės pėdsakus ir artėjom prie palaukės.

Gerokai įtemus, susiskirstėm į tris grupes: Viesulo vyrai išėjo link savo veikimo ribų, apygardos vadas, Kardas ir Uosis išmovė kažkur ryšio reikalais, o mes penkiese likome nakvoti miške.

Apygardos vadas su palydovais iki rytmečio žadėjo grįžti. Išėjo kiek kitaip — išlaukę ligi gero įdienojimo sutartoj vietoj, jų nepamatėm. Apylinkėse vėl pasirodė gaujos enkagiebištų.

Y. miškas, kaip vėliau sužinojom, glaudė ir daugiau partizanų, ne tik mus. Praėjusią naktį į čia buvo atžygiavusi Dešinio kuopa ir apsistojo tuščiam ūkyje. Juos ryte užklupo bolševikai. Partizanai, stipriai atsišaudydami, traukėsi į mišką. Atsipalaiduojant, žuvo Dešinio kuopos kovotojas Rambynas. Negalėdami nuslėpti pasitraukimo pėdsako, partizanai visą laiką buvo persekiojami.

Į šį persekiojimo plotą pakliuvo ir mūsų penkikė. Jautėmės gana nejaukiai. Iš visų pusių buvome priešų ir savų apšaudomi, neatskirdami nei kur savi, nei kur priešai. Prisiplakėm prie žemės ir laukėm, kol bet kuri grupė tiek priartės, kad galėsime susikalbėti ar žodžiais ar ginklais. Tokioj padėty mums teko išlaukti ilgokai. Partizanai, pasiekę patogias pozicijas, bolševikams sudavė stiprų smūgį. Abeji, gerokai įsitvirtinę, apsišaudė kelias valandas. Bolševikams bandant apsupti, partizanai pasitraukė. Šią progą išnaudojome ir mes ir, iš dviejų pusių apšaudomi, patraukėm A. link, kol pavyko išnersti iš apšaudomų plotų. Kaip tik pradėjo stipriai pustyti. Per keletą minučių mūsų pėdsakai dingę.

Priėję neseną miško kirtimą, sulindome į suverstą eglių šakų krūvą ir, gerai užsimaskavę, ryžomės laukti. Dūkstanti pūga debesimis gainiojo sniego dulkes, neaplenkdama nė mūsų "pastogės". Bet dėl to mes tik džiaugėmės. Ji turėjo visiškai užnešti mūsų pėdsakus ir dabartinę mūsų slėptuvę. Pasirodė, kad ji buvo pakankamai saugi. Išvargę enkagiebištai, beveik užmerktomis akimis nuo pustomų, praslinko pro mus vos už kelių žingsnių, neatkreipdami dėmesio į mūsų "šakų" krūvą. Dėkojom Dievui, kad pavyko išvengti susišaudymo, nes kautynės būtų buvusios toli gražu nelygios: priešų keli šimtai, o mūsų tik penki.

Naktį palikę mišką, sužinojom per ryšininką N, kad Mykolas-Jonas, Kardas ir Uosis dėl naujai iškilusių uždavinių kurį laiką nuo mūsų atsiskiria. Mums gi dėl vykstančio siautimo suteikiamos dviejų savaitių atostogų.

Atsisveikinę su draugais aš su Tautvydu patraukėme į savas apylinkes ketindami gauti atostogų metu susimedžioti daugiau šaudmenų ir mudviem stokojančių pistalių.

Šviesus žmogus jau vienu savo buvimu teigiamai veikia kitus žmones.



Žmogus turi būti savo asmenybės budėtoju.



Pyktis yra nuodinga būseną.

Vydūnas

Remkime Lietuvišką Spaudą

Lietuviškas spausdintas žodis, tai vienas iš lietuviybės saugotojų, palaikytojų. Jojo kelias J. A. V-se yra gana sunkus, pareikalaujantis iš spaudos darbininkų daug pasišventimo, triūso bei pastangų.

Mes, vyčiai, suprasdami spausdinto lietuviško žodžio reikšmę lietuviybei, turime stoti spaudos darbuotojams į talką, patys užsiprenumeruodami po vieną kitą katalikišką lietuvių laikraštį bei žurnalą, paragindami tai padaryti savo pažįstamus, o taip pat užsakydami bent vieną laikraštį savo tėvams.

Vyčių kuopos savo susirinkimuose, mano supratimu, turėtų rimtai į šitą reikalą pažiūrėti, išdiskutuoti ir sudaryti lietuviškos spaudos platinimo ratelį. Lietuvių kolonijose, kuriose dar nėra spaudos kioskų, vyčiai turėtų imtis iniciatyvos tam įgyvendinti. Kiekviena vyčių kuopa taip pat turėtų steigti bibliotekėlę, skirdama kiekvienais metais tam tikrą sumą pirkti naujų knygų.

Dažnas iš vyčių, kai jam pasiūlai užsiprenumeruoti laikraštį ar žurnalą, atsikalbinėja, kad jis neturįs pinigų, nemokąs gerai lietuvių kalbos, vieną jau gaunąs — "Vytį" ir panašiai. Tai, žinoma, nėra rimtas pasiteisinimas, o tik išsisukinėjimas ir parodymas savo lėkštumo.

Artimiausias ir prieinamiausias čia gimusiems ir apskritai vyčių dvasiai yra mėnesinis iliustruotas lietuvių ir anglų kalbomis žurnalas "*Lietuvių Dienos*", išeinąs Los Angeles, Calif. Metams jis kainuoja 3,-dol., jojo adresas yra "*The Lithuanian Days*", 9204 S. Broadway, Los Angeles 3, Calif. Kiekvienam vyčiui rekomenduotinas šis žurnalas užsisakyti, nes jis ten ras puikių vaizdų iš Lietuvos ir lietuvių gyvenimo visame pasaulyje ir straipsnius lietuvių ir anglų kalbomis apie Lietuvą, lietuvių kovas dėl laisvės bei žinučių iš lietuvių kultūrinio gyvenimo. Geriau mokantiems lietuvių kalbą patartina užsisakyti ar pirkti pas platintojus šie lietuvių laikraščiai bei žurnalai: "*Aidai*", mėnesinis kultūros, meno ir mokslo žurnalas (metinė kaina 5,-dol., adresas: "*Aidai*", Kennebunk Port, Maine); "*Eglutė*", žurnalas vaikams (metinė prenumerata 3,-dol., adresas "*Eglutė*", 107 Concord st., Lawrence, Mass.); "*Draugas*", dienraštis, išeinąs Čikagoje; "*Darbininkas*", du kartus išeinąs per savaitę, leidžiamas Bostone; "*Tėviškės Žiburiai*", Kanados lietuvių savaitraštis, išeinąs Toronte, Ont.; "*Amerika*", savaitraštis, išeinąs Brooklyne; "*Lietuvių Žinios*", savaitinis, išeinąs Pittsburghe; "*Valio*", mėnesinis juokų laikraštis, išeinąs Philadelphijoje; "*Ateitis*", katalikų jaunimo žurnalas, išeinąs Brooklyne.

Nepamiršk, mielas lietuvi, kad remdamas lietuvišką spaudą, kartu paremsi ir kovą prieš Lietuvos pavergėjus komunistus!

Dr. W. Elmer Ekblaw, Lithuania's Friend



June 6 marked the first anniversary of the death of Dr. W. Elmer Ekblaw, one of the best friends Lithuania ever had. His concern for the freedom of Lithuania was so heartfelt that we feel it is fitting that we recall his memory at this time.

The late Dr. Ekblaw was a long-time professor of geographpy at Clark University in Worcester, Massachu-

setts. His knowledge of the geographic structure of the world was amazing. He traveled extensively in order to get first hand information and the many articles he wrote for a number of scientific publications earned for him in 1948 a citation for distinguished service by the Geographic Society of Chicago.

Among the many places he visited on his expeditions was Lithuania. The beauty of the land and the hospitality of her people intrigued him. He never forgot this and once he said to the writer: "A people who are able to enjoy living off the land as Lithuanians do deserve to be admired and loved by the entire world. Friends should ever be theirs."

An editorial which appeared in the WORCESTER TELEGRAM at the time of his death had this to say about him among other things: "He was a strong advocate of peace but he was no pacifist. He was quick to denounce evil and he was ever the champion of the enslaved and the oppressed." No truer words could ever have been said. He loved peace and his God-given talents to promote the efforts for peace in a chaotic world. Yet he was all for war if it meant the only way out for a true and lasting peace. As he once wrote: "I have absolutely no use for war except for a righteous cause and Lithuania's cause is a righteous one."

He lost no time in defending the cause of any people who were unjustly downtrodden and enslaved. That partly explains why he was such a staunch supporter of the Lithuanian cause. He once stated: "Russian domination over Lithuania and the other countries of Eastern Europe is as unjust as it is unjustified." He used his pen to defend Lithuania against the inhumane treatment accorded her by the Soviet. He used his talents to make the world know Russia was a country that could not be trusted. He was

vehement in his denunciation of Russia's inhumane policies. Every medium possible was used by him to wake up the American people to a realization of Russian atrocities in Lithuania. For several years before his death, he wrote a feature article on Lithuania for the WORCESTER TELEGRAM on the occasion of Lithuanian Independence Day. These editorials were reprinted in the Congressional Record and in many political periodicals of Europe and this country. His lectures often referred to the sad plight of Lithuania and her people. Truly he was one of the best friends Lithuania ever had or will have.

It may be at this time appropriate and profitable to recall some of his statements concerning Lithuania.

"If I could be Russia's dictator for one day, I should restore the Independence of Lithuania and the other Baltic States the first thing after breakfast."

"I abhor tyranny of every kind but there can be none worse than the Russian kind."

"Nothing can so fully justify the faith of the Lithuanians in the ultimate restoration of their sovereignty and freedom as their devout allegiance to their religion."

"A terrible wrong has been and is being done to the land of Lithuania, her people and their culture. It grieves me beyond expression."

"Every occasion that I can, I shall support Lithuania's cause. Do not hesitate to call upon me for any service that it is within my power to do for Lithuania and her people."

"I have been impressed by the notable history of Lithuania... and it is tragic that her people have had to suffer so many and such terrible hardships in the course of their long and glorious development."

"I cannot understand how the free countries like France, England and the United States can tolerate Russian oppression and tyranny or continue diplomatic relations with Russia."

"Rest assured that I shall keep up the good fight for Lithuania."

"I shall do all I can to help Lithuanians in their HOLY CRUSADE for Lithuania's freedom and resumption of her glorious place in the family of nations."

The one thing that amazed him the most was the fact that young people of the K. of L. have taken such an active part in the struggle for Lithuanian Independence. Having spent practically all his life with youth, teaching and guiding them, he well knew what it meant to continue in a concrete way the fight such as the K. of L. was and is still waging in behalf of Lithuania. This surprised him and that is why he had so much respect for our organization. He often

MINĖKIME LIETUVIŲ GENOCIDO DIENĄ

1941 metų birželio 14-toji diena amžiams įėjo į Lietuvos Tautos kančių ir aukų istoriją. Masiniais areštais ir deportacijomis į sovietines vergų darbo, bado ir mirties stovyklas Sovietų Sąjunga tada pradėjo visuotinį mūsų tautos naikinimą. Tuo vienu sykių buvo deportuota mir-



1941 m. birželio mėn. 26 d. Lietuvoje bolševikų nukankintas Plungės advokatas V. Petronaitis

said: "Urge them to continue their great work without ceasing. I am certain that God will eventually bless their efforts."

Let us at this time recall the memory of Dr. Ekblaw, Lithuania's friend. Let us send up a prayer to God that He be merciful to his soul and at the same time let us look up to him as an ideal example whom we may follow in our work for the restoration of Lithuanian Independence. If a non-Lithuanian, like the late Dr. Ekblaw, had such a great love for the land of our forebears, a love that was manifested by concrete, positive action and by unselfish, true sacrifice of time and effort, then there is all the more reason why we should never relent in our efforts to aid Lithuania and her suffering people. Lithuania needs it.

Rev. John C. Jutkevičius

čiai apie 40,000 lietuvių. Bet tai tebuvo pirmoji Sovietų Sąjungos pavergtosios Lietuvos kruviniųjų Kalvarijų stotis. Birželio 14-oji mūsų tėvynėje kartojasi kiekvieną dieną! Sovietų Sąjungos genocidinis režimas Lietuvoje jau yra sunaikinęs daugiau kaip ketvirtąją dalį visos mūsų tautos. Kas ketvirtas lietuvis yra nužudytas, nukankintas arba pasmerktas mirti. Esantieji krašte kiekvieną baimės ir nerimo dieną laukia, kada tepasotinamas NKVD molochas pareikalas ir jų laisvės ir gyvybės aukos.

Chartos ir deklaracijos, sutartys ir tarptautiniai Sovietų Sąjungos išipareigojimai jų neapsaugoja ir neapgina. Diena dienon, metai iš metų milijonai ir dešimtys milijonų sovietinės diktatūros kankinių šaukiasi teisingumo ir išvadavimo. Bet laisvasis pasaulis tikrai yra savotiškas. Jis jaudinasi dėl nelaimės ištikto gyvulio, bet yra kurčias ir nejautrus milijonams žudomų nekaltų žmonių, milijonams kankinamų kūdikių, milijonams našlaičių ir suardytų šeimų, milijonų kapams Komi, Kolymos, Atlajaus ir kitose Sibiro ir arktikos srityse.

Laisvojo Pasaulio Lietuviai, birželio 14-oji mus išpareigoja ne tik prisiminti Sovietų Sąjungos vykdomo genocido aukas: nukankintus ar tebekankinamus mūsų artimuosius — mūsų motinas, žmonas, vyrus, vaikus, mūsų brolius, draugus ir pažįstamus. Birželio 14-oji mus išpareigoja priminti tą mūsų tautos ir kitų Sovietų Sąjungos naikinamų tautų šurpią tragediją visam laisvajam pasauliui. Birželio 14-oji išpareigoja laisvojo pasaulio lietuvius taip šūktelti, kad kurtieji išgirstų ir aklieji praregėtų, koks baisus žmogaus ir tautų naikinimo nusikaltimas vykdomas anapus "geležinės uždangos". Birželio 14-oji ypačiai išpareigoja tuos laisvojo pasaulio lietuvius, kurie patys yra buvę anų siaubo dienų liudytojai, kad jie tą siaubą liudytų laisvojo pasaulio sąžinei, ir drąsintų laisvojo pasaulio valią ryžtis žmogaus ir tautų naikinimą Sovietų Sąjungoj sustabdyti.

Birželio 14-oji yra lietuvių susikaupimo ir gedulo diena. Lietuvos vėliava tepakils iki pusės stiebo ir kiekvieno lietuvių nešiojamą Vyties ar tautinių spalvų ženklą pridengs gedulo šydas. Gedulo ženklan tą dieną lietuvis neorganizuos ir nelankys pramogų.

Laisvojo Pasaulio Lietuviai, birželio 14-oji yra mūsų tautos skausmo diena.

Tegu šitas skausmas sutiprina mūsų pastangas Tėvynei išlaisvinti ir tautai išlaikyti gyvai.

Tegu šis skausmas visus laisvojo pasaulio lietuvius suriša su Tėvynėje kovojančiais ar genocidiniame ištrėmime kankinamais ir nukankintaisiais mūsų broliais į vieną gyvą ir nesunaikinamą Lietuvos Tautos Bendruomenę.

*Vyriausias Lietuvos Išlaisvinimo
Komitetas*

Vokietija, 1950 m. gegužės 10 d.

Organization, Concord and Unity

The presence of evil in this universe has incited a serious trend of thought among the peoples of the world. Let us hope that this uneasiness precipitates a new trend in thought among the non-interventionists in this nation, who have during the course of time assumed the attitude of: "Let George Do It."

In Europe many small nations are being subjugated by force to the Communist way of life imposed by the tyrannical despots of Soviet Russia. In Lithuania, the inner hurts suffered by the bewildered and oppressed people are too many to cite individually. This nation has no imperialistic designs. Although warriors of note during the early centuries, the present day Lithuanians are a peace-loving gentry with no other ambitions than to rule and govern their own nation; to be permitted to work their land, and to be free to heal the wounds inflicted upon them by the ravages of war.

Reduced to a state of helplessness by ruthless war lords, the people of this nation were unable to flee when the war descended upon them. They saw their lands laid waist; their possessions confiscated by looters; their way of thought and life suppressed by a nation that believes that might is right. Beset by evil on all sides, this valiant nation withstood the ruthlessness of the invader, bearing the brunt of terror, hardships and suffering with a fervent hope that some day in the near future her plight be recognized by the world and the *Red Terror* would be expelled from her native soil.

Man is not an impotent force. During the past few decades, man has conquered torrential waters, increased the longevity of life and has contributed considerably to the culture of the world. Man can also conquer, not with the necessary might the pernicious evil that is besetting millions of people in this universe. All over the world, men and women must stand shoulder to shoulder to suppress the vicious propaganda of the Communists. They must blend voices in concord to shout to the world their fulmination against that which suppresses the civil rights of human beings. The Lithuanians in this free America must strive unceasingly in one concerted effort to organize and alert all members of the Lithuanian race to the perils of the men, women and children under the Red Yoke of Terror in Lithuania.

We must never permit the social culture of Lithuania to fall into obscurity. We must continually remind our younger generation of the



ALEXANDER G. KUMSKIS, member of Council 112, Marquette Park, Chicago, Illinois, a well known organizer and strong Lithuanian patriot, is president of the Chicago Park District Directors organization. Al has been active in Lithuanian circles for many years and should be a great help to the national convention committee this year.

important role that Lithuania played in the building of Europe and of the active role it portrayed in bringing Christianity to western Europe. We must portray to our children the heroic sufferings of Lithuania under the Communist rule. We must, emphatically, expound a program that must be carried on relentlessly until Lithuania is rid of its ruthless protector. We must, all of us Lithuanians, study the history of our native land — to be able to speak and write of the glories of Lithuania in a manner that will create a clearer understanding to the peoples of the world the suffering and plight of Lithuania.

Let us take advantage of the freedom of speech and press in this America. Let us organize and wield an army of pens into one huge program of enlightenment and understanding. Let none tear us asunder in our endeavor to place Lithuania back in its rightful place — a free nation; governed by and for Lithuanians. We must aid and abet those in our native land to escape the ruthlessness of Russian aggression. Let us, here in America not rest until the greed, injustice, cruelty, slavery and oppression are driven from Lithuania. It is up to us, the free, to replace the sorrow, pain, suffering, defeat and death that mars the landscape of our Lithuania; to replace it with the taste of happiness and freedom of thought and worship.

Jon T. Patashus

Officialus Skyrrius

GOOD 'OLE SUMMERTIME

Just about this time of the year, as the weather gets warmer, most of us are beginning to think about the vacations, picnics, beach trips and other get-togethers that are always an important part of the summer social season. We are all looking forward to these activities because they usually mean happy hours spent with friends in pleasant surroundings.

Now, instead of having just an enjoyable summer, why not make it a profitable one, too,—for your K. of L. It should be easier in the summer than during any other part of the year to sign up new members, for instance. Most of our activities then are group activities, where you will be meeting many people. A picnic, a day at the beach—seldom does such an outing end without your having made some new acquaintances. Why not do a little friendly campaigning for our organization and see that the prospective members get to your next meeting.

Let's not pack away K. of L. activity in mothballs with winter woollens. Let's instead see that as many as possible of our new summer friends become year 'round friends as fellow members of the Knights of Lithuania.

BERTHA CIOCYS

Membership Chairman

NOTICE TO ALL COUNCILS

All Mandates for the National Convention must reach me not later than August 12, 1950. Address all mandates to Miss Dorothy Miller, 210 Richmond Avenue, Dayton 6, Ohio. Remember councils that one delegate for every ten members in good standing is permitted for the National Convention. Your kind cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Dorothy Miller

Supreme Council Financial Secretary

The publishing of JUNE-JULY, 1950 issue of VYTIS was delayed through no fault of the editor or assistant editor.

Fourth Annual New England District K. of L. Sports Day — In Tribute to Memory of Lieut. Al Blozis, Famed Lithuanian Athlete

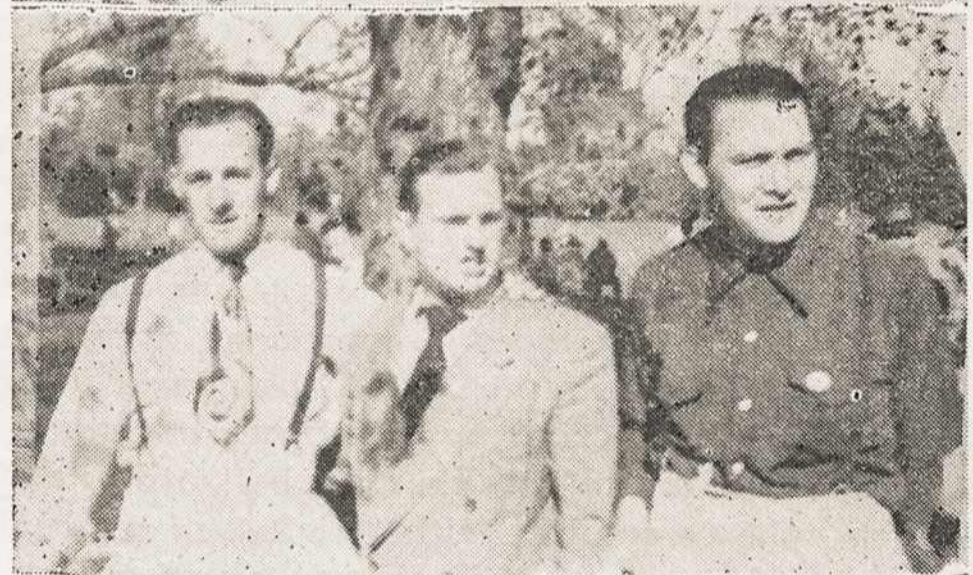
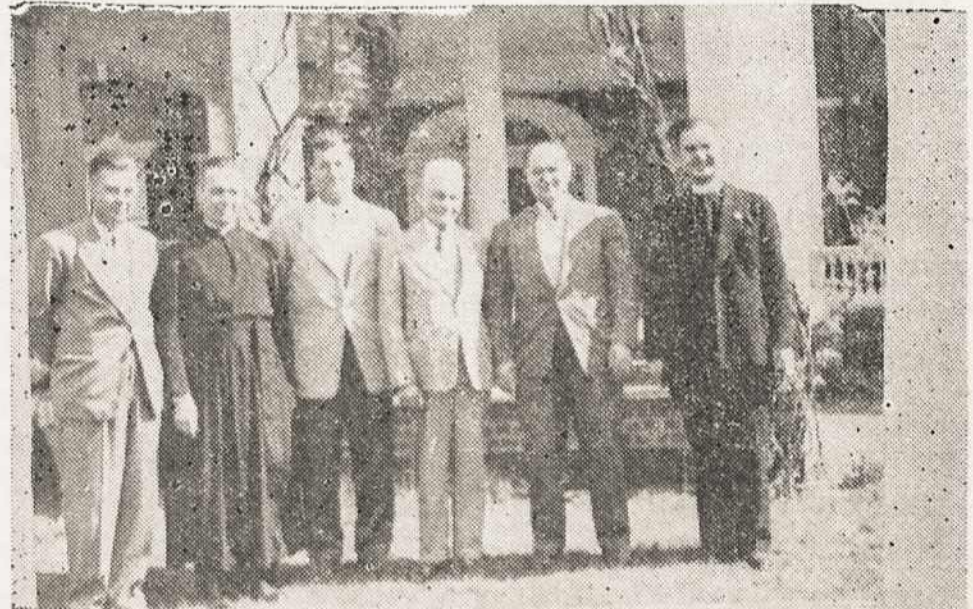


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AT MARIANAPOLIS, THOMPSON, CONN.
(MAY 21, 1950).

- 1) Top, left to right: Bronius Kudirka, chairman, Rev. John Skrodenis, M. I. C., Fritz Barzilauskas, Freshman Line Coach, at Yale University, guest speaker; Tėvas M. A. Norkunas, Alex Marcin, chmn. transportation, Rev. Anthony Jurgelaitis, O. P., of Providence College.
- 2) At refreshment stand, left to right: Peter Puzin, Ed. Vaskas, co-chairman, Edward Puzin.
- 3) Hitting a home run is Vito Pilkonis of Cambridge, Mass. (18) whose team beat Worcester, 4 to 1.

OUR FRONT

The definition of front is a stand, or a solid opposition.

As we are a progressive organization—with our motto and constitution—we must interpret it broad-mindedly and pursue its purpose further than is expected of us. To say we stand for God and Country, isn't enough; to work for our spiritual welfare as well as showing our patriotism is not sufficient. We must act, speak and live beyond what is expected of us.

The ordinary organization or its active members should not be satisfied with what they do for their organization within their organization, or even within their parish. You must take part in larger community activities. You must step out of your Lithuanian line and habit, to use the Lithuanian name and advertise it amongst other nationalities, work with other nationalities or political organizations, always waiting for the opportunity to explain or talk about our cause, our parent's nation's plight and the sufferings of the Lithuanian people.

Our cause is easily expounded. As christians we love and pray to God and His Blessed Mother for everything good and successful. We pray for ourselves, our families. As christians, besides prayer, we must spread propaganda, we must write articles, strengthen our Lithuanian Affairs Committee that it will be the strongest committee in our organization. We must be truthful and battle the communist with articles of truthful propaganda—plenty of it—ant in all directions.

Our patriotic fervor should also be of high caliber. Let's not be cheap politicians. What we do, let's do for our country and our community, not for ourselves. Here too, we can use our organization, its name, and have it benefit through our patriotic work.

As good patriots, we must mix with other groups and not be isolated. Isolation is being unknown and we must not be unknown. As a politician exploits himself at election time, we must always be ready to exploit ourselves on various occasions. Let's get into patriotic activities, not necessarily political ones, through our own initiative, our own offering, not waiting to be called or asked. Be the aggressor, and the willing helper, not the isolationist nor the bystander.

In Lithuanian we say "Vyčiai pirmyn". Well, let's go!

AL. WESEY,
Supreme Council Vice President

K. of L. National President Jack L. Juozaitis, Felicitates Lithuanian Consul at Boston



1. Jack L. Juozaitis, president, observes deep appreciation of the historical and more important Lithuanian views in Album prepared by M. A. Norkunas, founder of K. of L., and presented by him to Lithuanian Consul Shallna.

2. Frank Razvadauskas, former president of K. of L., M. A. Norkunas, founder of K. of L., Lithuanian Consul Shallna, Phyllis Grendal, assistant editor of VYTIS and Consulate's secretary, Jack L. Juozaitis, national president of K. of L., Anthony Peldzius, manager of DARBININKAS, admiring M. A. Norkunas' work of art.

3. Jack L. Juozaitis, president, with his party consisting of Messers. Peldzius, Gurka, Vaskas, Jonitis, Kumpa, Razvadauskas, Norkunas and Shallna on a visiting tour in the Darbininkas Publishing Co., where VYTIS is published.



Amsterdam, N. Y.

COUNCIL 100

Father Robert K. Baltch's arrival at St. Casimir's parish meant more than the parish would have a long awaited assistant pastor. His enthusiasm, zeal and effort brought about the re-organization of the Knights of Lithuania here in Amsterdam. After seeing Father's enthusiasm in action, (Father Baltch is now spiritual advisor of Council 100), we can be sure that the K. of L. is here to stay!

The revived council elected the following officers: President — Valentine Kerbelis; Vice President — Raymond Togaila; Recording Secretary — Eleanore Svegzda; Financial Secretary — Edward Bablinskas; Treasurer — Sadie Kissel.

Councils from Elizabeth and Kearny, New Jersey, sent Helen Pinken, Josephine Adams and Anne Klem out here to us.

The council's first venture was a card party given at the American Lithuanian Club on April 30, and it was well attended. A great deal of credit for the success of our first activity is due to our committee of Ed. Bablinskas, Sophie Olbie, Flo Mikolaitis and Gene Gobis, plus the helpful cooperation of many other active members. Cake and coffee were served to round out the afternoon. Flo Mikolaitis and Frank Raila poured — coffee, that is. By the way Sophie, tell us the secret of your selling success.

Welcome, to the new council being formed out Albany way—it will be nice having a neighboring council!

Say you, K. of L'ers who have been missing meetings — you're missing more than you think! Those snacks (?) put out by the committee are really delicious, and Father Baltch's assistance at the piano and vocally, really make for a gay evening of food and song.

Smile and Sparkle

Chicago, Ill.

COUNCIL 112

In Memoriam

We are sorry to announce that the mother of Val Sarockas and Jean Strisko died on April 29th after a long illness. We of the council offer our deepest sympathy.

Bowling Tournament

The Dayton bowling tournament looms large on the social, excuse please, sports calendar. Mighty contenders from Council 112 will be John Pocius, Dom Yocius, Delores and Andy Yuknis, Gus Gudas, Barbara Motiejus, Walter (Stash) Klevinsky, Julie Greicius, and others. (Tony Lubert, of course.)

Blondes

We understand that our president, John Pocius, is having "trouble" with three blondes. Good going, John.

When we now see our traveling sec'y of the Supreme Council, Sylvia Raczkus, she is generally wearing a lovely blonde fur cape, looking glamor plus.

Traveler

Lucille Venckus flew to Washington to visit Sylvia Raczkus and came back a convert to culture. While there, she visited the National Gallery of Art (I have a post card to prove it) and the next Sunday, back in Chicago was seen wandering about the Art Institute.

Which reminds me of a New York incident. Last year, Barbara Motiejus spent 20 minutes in the New York Public Library waiting for Gus Gudas who was paying a duty call. Barbara's chief concern was that no one find out about this visit for fear that it would ruin her reputation.

Tour

George Jonikas made a tour of the Eastern K. of L. councils with Jack Jatis, national president, and now has, for a new member, a good idea of the national scope of the organization. More of our members will be made aware of this with the coming of the convention to Chicago.

Appointment

Delores Yuknis, mother of Tommy, has been appointed district chairman of the Lithuanian Affairs committee. She is not only active in K. of L. affairs but is also president of the St. Casimir Academy Alumnae Association.

Bon Voyage

This comes under the heading of vacations I should like to be taking. Helen Sandom is planning a pilgrimage to Rome for the Holy Year.

Googles

COUNCIL 13

It's nice to have Father Zak and Cecile Kincie with us again after their Pilgrimage to Rome. Father Zak has taken colored movies of all places visited in England, France and Italy. He promised us a showing including a travel talk in the very near future.

Frances Petrauskas, Connie Petrauskas and Ed Sluzewich are back after their three-week California vacation. They rubbed elbows with Hollywood celebrities, visited Los Angeles, San Francisco, Mexico, etc.

We had an enjoyable evening at the Great Northern where "Lend an Ear" is playing at the council theater party arranged by Tony Diktus. We spent the rest of the evening at Council 5's dance.

Council president Jerry Jesulaitis was elected captain of the Illinois-Indiana district team which won the trophy at the Mid-western Bowling Tournament at Dayton. Other council members attending the tournament were Al Rimkus and Messis. Frank and Richard Jurgaitis.

We extend a warm welcome to our members Aldona Lukosius and Peter Grigaliunas.

If Frank Jurgaitis is nominated for the Academy Award for his performance in "Teismas" we wouldn't be surprised. By the way, Frank, who is your make-up man?

At the June social we had a few words from Father Andriuska of the Marian Fathers regarding the building fund for the new high school for boys. He asked for our help in promoting the sale of the tickets on the ranch type home, radio & TV console and 1950 Hudson Car that are being raffled off in the fall.

June is the month of weddings and graduations. We have no weddings, but we do have a graduate. Congratulations to Eleanore Laurin who received her Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from De Paul University.



ELAINE BRAZINSKAS, iš gim. šv. P-lės Parapijos, Chicagoj, gavusi L. Vyčių stipendiją.

Lietuvos Vyčių 112 kuopa Chicagoje įteikia jai ketvirtąją stipendiją, kuri šį kartą tenka p-lei Elaine Brazinskas, studijuoti šv. Kazimiero Akademijoje. Iš dešinės į kairę: Komiteto pirmininkė, Dolores Yuknis, Dominik Yocius, stipendininkė Elaine Brazinskas, Augusta Gudas ir John Pocius, 112 kuopos pirmininkas.

Chicago, Ill.

COUNCIL 5

"And God bless... Dan Serpetis... and John Kupson, and the girls; Jean Gaudusas, Dolores Stankus, and Lucille Yucius for being the hard workers they were at church carnival."

More Workers

Edward Lukosaitis and Ben Lenkart are members of the National Convention DinnerDance Committee. Laura Yucius is chairman of the National Convention "Get Acquainted" Party. She is also chairman of the Knights of Lithuania Agency for the Marian Building Fund. Bruno Videckis and Roger Biggus compose the committee for summer council outings. Come on, fellows, we're all eager beavers to be a-goin' some place.

Odds and Ends

It is with great pride we announce that Edward Lukosaitis has passed the bar examination... More congratulations: to Victor Shimkus and Ann Masiliunas who have officially declared their love by recently announcing their engagement, and to Virginia Yucius who graduated from Josephinum High School for Girls. To her other responsibilities, Louis Yucius has added the vice presidency of the Josephinum Alumnae Association.

Birthdays

A gay crowd assisted Dolores Stankus celebrate her birthday this year. Another party attended by all K. of L'ers was held in honor of

Edward Lukosaitis, Council 5 prexy, Laura Yucius, vice president, acting as hostess. Bruno Videckis had some job maneuvering Ed to the surprise party without him suspecting. Ed received a rather large and beautiful package containing a box of potato chips with a cute verse, and in another box was a note informing him that a genuine cordovan calfskin men's secretarial wallet was on its way from New York just for him because it was something he always wanted.

Peeking through a Key Hole

We heard that Jerry Jesulaitis (13), George Jonikas (112) and Laura Yucius (5) were the first to arrive in Dayton for the bowling tournament, and were the last to leave along with Gussie Gudas (112)... that our Laura Yucius is being taught the art of driving a car by a very popular young man about the district... that Joe Svedis has made a mid-year resolution to inform his passengers to step down. He's the proud owner of a new Hudson, and up to now, a number of people have fallen flat on their faces getting in. Now we know why Barbara Motiejus (112) was always bragging about her Dayton cousin. We met up with Stan Vaitkus and discovered the same B. J. M. magnetic personality. Wonder of nature: complicated love life of Laura Yucius. Where are Eleanor and Loretta Macekonis keeping themselves these days? We'd like to see more of you, and a few of our other members.

The social event of the spring season — Our Annual May Dance — was held successfully. Well, it wasn't any surprise when Bill Civins, Bruno

Videckis, Roger Biggus, Edward Lukosaitis, Ben Lenkart, Jean Gaudusas and Laura Yucius made up the committee. At this point, we'd like to thank all the workers, including Lillian and Dolores Stankus for their help with the decorations, and everyone who attended.

The Holy Name Society of the parish and our council paid homage to the mothers of the parish by sponsoring a Mother's Day Communion and Breakfast. The affair was well attended. The new coffee pot jointly purchased by our council and the Holy Name Society for the parish, made its debut at the breakfast.

Everyone who attended the K. of L. District Choir Concert at Kimball Hall came back with raving notices, and chill bumps caused by high notes.

Many, many thanks to Dayton, Ohio (96) for its wonderful hospitality during the bowling tournament. Dolores Stankus, Jeanette Gaudusas, Lucille and Laura Yucius, Edward Lukosaitis, Bruno Videckis, Leonard Serpetis, Roger Biggus and Edmund Daugird returned with many pleasant memories. Number's 621, 611, 620, 822, 624, 811, 837, 805, 802, 828, and above all 826 will long be remembered.

Three of our members aided in bringing back the trophies to our district; namely, Dolores Stankus, Lucille Yucius and Bruno Videckis. Lu and Laura Yucius also made out with some extra spending money. Lu took first place for high series, and Laura second for high single game with handicap.

"Dream Eyes"

COUNCIL 112

Bowling Tournament

Council 112 sent a delegation of 12 members to Dayton for The Bowling league. The team, consisting of Andy Yuknis, Dom Yocius, John Pocius, Delores Yuknis and Gus Gudas, was remarkable in that it avoided winning any prizes. In our routing section were Julie Greicius, George Jonikas, John Stoskus, Jack Jatis, Tony Lubert and two members of the floating council, Vyt Lubert and Sylvia Raczkus. Conspicuous in her absence was Barbara Motiejus who announced her engagement to Walter (Stash) Klevinsky the previous week. We visited with old friends and made many new ones. (Hi Stan, Andy, Pat, Steponas.) We send special thanks to all the Millers including Mama Miller who treated us royally at their home.

Day of Recollection

Our annual Day of Recollection at the Holy Family Villa was held under the chairmanship of Delores

Yuknis and Virginia Balnis. Fr. Stanley Valuckis, former spiritual advisor, gave us an inspiring talk. The peaceful country atmosphere of the Villa added to the feeling of being away from the business of the city and helped put us in a thoughtful mood.

Weddings

Al Leberes (Pres., 1949) was married June 10th to Vicki Korsak. A large number of 112ers were on hand to wish them well. The wedding party included our president John Pocius, Larry Strode, and Jean Korsak. Our next bride will be Eleanor Macikas, corresponding sec'y, who plans to be married July 30 to Johnny Cocco.

Graduations

We have two graduates amongst the council members this June. Anthony Phillips, Jr. received a degree from St. Joseph College and Ed Budreck, sargeant-at-arms, graduated from the University of Illinois. Ed's graduation gift is a Lincoln Cosmopolitan, girls.

Orchids

A new member who deserves a word of commendation is Virginia Pilitauskas who has not hesitated to take on her share of the work of the council. It is what she does over and above what she is asked to do that amazes this member who is always reckoning how to cut a corner.

Evergreen Park

June board meeting was held at the Yuknises home in Evergreen Park and we had an opportunity to discover Delores' excellence as a cook and Andy's geniality as a host.

Scholarship

The scholarship committee headed by Delores Yuknis awarded the 4th annual scholarship to Elaine Brazinskas of Nativity Parish. Her aides were Andy Yuknis, Gus Gudas and Dominick Yocius.

Googles

Chicago, Ill.

COUNCIL 8

Council Revived

How important are our efforts in behalf of our forefathers? How proud are we being descendants of the Lithuanian race?

Yes, we find the greatest of pleasure in being with our own. We are proud of the accomplishments of our forefathers and our present day American-Lithuanians. We try to do our part. We attend Lithuanian affairs, belong to choirs, clubs and church sodalities.

This is all fine, but don't we lack co-ordination, interest, and definite purpose. Who, outside of our own community, our own little local

corner, knows or cares what these groups are doing?

So, why not join forces with the only American-Lithuanian Catholic Youth Organization in America today and put your small efforts together with this great organization. Let our work win recognition on a national scale. Let's make a dent in the American-Lithuanian History of our own.

Elected Officers

We are happy to announce that, after several conferences with various local leaders, including Jack L. Jatis, national president; K. Zarmoskis, honorary member; John A. Stoskus, Illinois-Indiana district president; Sylvia Raczkus and P. Rekasius, national secretaries; Anne Shukis, district secretary; Anthony Lubert; Jerry Jesulaitis and Rev. Ed. Abromaitis, aides to the national president; and Barbara Motiejus, district treasurer, we have now officially resumed activity of Council 8, Roseland. Elected officers are:

Rev. J. Saulinskas, pastor; George Smulkis, president; John D. Dauginas, 1st vice president; John A. Sudantas, 2nd vice president; Loretta Javra, recording secretary; Bernice Zebrauskas, financial secretary; Joseph A. Aliosius, treasurer; George Shamis and Tony Stakulis, sgts.-at-arms; Stanley Kernagis and Edmund B. Kancevich, trustees; and Leonard Jusko, chmn. of Lithuanian Affairs Committee.

We also thank Stella Cisien, Richard Sabonis, Loretta and George Zilis, Al. Krisciunas, Anthony Vaitkus, Joseph Noreikis, Frank Pavalon and Paul Meskauskas for their cooperation and assistance in reviving this council.

Cicero, Ill.

COUNCIL 14

April showered bliss upon pretty Margaret Good when Cleo David wished her a very happy birthday on April 24th with a scintillating diamond.

A roll-icking time was had by all who attended our Card-and-Bunco Party April 25. Among the lovely prizes, many of which were donated by our own members, JOSEPH MILLER won the first door prize — a set of lovely dishes — just a few minutes after he arrived. Sue Mack has a good start for her hopechest after taking home a beautiful coffee container donated by Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY PETKUS. A summer quilt which Mrs. ELENA MOTIEKAITIS donated for a raffle was won by JOHNNY BART'S mother. ELEANOR MURASKA and Mrs. FRANCES KISHKUNAS did a grand job of contacting donators for prizes. The committee wishes to thank JERRY, JOHN and JOE

KASULAITIS, Mrs. STELLE PAVIS, HELEN GUDAUSKAS, STELLE WAITEKUS, RUTHIE DAUKAS, Mr. and Mrs. WALLY ARBIR, MR. and Mrs. JIMMY BOYD, PHIL GOOD and all others who were generous in making their contributions.

It's good to see ELEANOR MURASKA back with us again and working with that true K. of L. spirit.

SUE MACK and CHARLES RAUDONIS have set their wedding date for August 5. Maid-of-honor and best man will be SUE's sister LORRAINE MACK and CHARLES' brother SIMON. Other K. of L.'ers in the bridal party will be DIANA SATKUS, DOROTHY KERSNAUSKAS and PETE NOVINSKY.

Cicero's five singing canaries are recuperating temporarily after exercising their vocal chords during K. of L. choir practice. Now that their May 13th concert has successfully passed, ANNE SHUKES, president of the choir, JEANNE PAVIS, PETE NOVINSKY, HELEN GUDAUSKAS and RUTHIE DAUKAS will soon be chirping again for a concert in July. The K. of L. choir also sang on May 7th.

Through the generous hospitality of WALTER and FLORENCE ARBIR one of our meetings was held at their home. Our hosts prepared a social afterwards and their six-year old son entertained us with his accordion. Since everyone had spent a very enjoyable evening, Mrs. STELLE PAVIS and Mrs. ELENA MOTIEKAITIS invited our council members to hold future meetings at their homes.

Does anyone in the near vicinity have a comptometer? FRANK HIGGINS is itching to get his fingers on one; that is, for repair purposes.

You're on a dark subject when it comes to RAY ELSIN's hobby. He spends his evenings in the dark room where negatives are in the developing stage.

Cruising down the lane is exactly where you'll find ANN and JOHNNY BART over the week-ends since they bought their 1950 lime-green Ford. The same goes for JOAN KATILIUS who is seen with hubby and the children sporting their new cream-colored Dodge.

Everybody wants to get into the act and it had to happen to poor BRUNO WHITE who stood up for ALDONA MOCKUS' and ED ANDERSON'S wedding April 22. After discovering only one candid snapshot on which he decided he looked a bit presentable, alas, the center of attraction was a little girl in the background bending over picking up rice!

COUNCIL 14

A hearty welcome to our new members MARIANNE and AGATHA KELPSAS, RAMUTIS NORVAISAS and MARY DVILAITIS. Already they are pitching in with that true K. of L. spirit.

Athletics

Here's the status of our two teams after completing a season with the Indiana-Illinois K. of L. District Bowling League. "Mustangs" came in second place after being in first for almost half of the season. Although the "Wildkits" brought up the tail end of eighth place, they insist they had a wagging good time.

HELEN GUDAUSKAS, STELLE WAITEKUS and RUTHIE DAUKAS were the three lassies who represented our council at the bowling tournament. They all had a wonderful time and thank Dayton, Ohio (96), host.

On the Side

MARY HELEN MONDEIKA is quite a talented young musician. She directs the parish Sodality choir and also plays the organ during church services.

Is it really for the purpose of helping ROY BOCUNAS keep the back of his grocery store clear of boxes and crates that ERNIE KAMINSKAS and HAROLD BOCUNAS are regularly participating in weight-lifting in the rear of the store, or could the main reason be to keep in trim for the lassies?

MRS. MOTIEKAITIS prepared a delicious original Lithuanian cake as a specialty for a social council meeting held at her home. Present guests were JOHN STOSKUS, Illinois-Indiana district president, and TONY LUBERT (112).

As the story goes, usually people get the bologna but in RUTHIE DAUKAS' case, she lost it. During a raffle at a moonlight picnic and dance, RUTHIE and STELLE WAITEKUS were midnight strolling in an adjoining cemetery while the bologna she won in the raffle was passed on to someone else.

I Forgot

After FRANK HIGGINS constantly reminded JULIA PUGZLIS to be present at one of our council's social meetings, came the social and JULIA but no FRANKIE. His excuse — "why didn't someone remind me?"

PHIL GOOD, working in PAUL PUTRIM'S grocery store seems to be having a tough time with the D. P. customers. One customer asked him for "apelsinu". After a few inquiries he discovered they were oranges. A few minutes later he received an order for "svogunu". When informed they were onions, he suddenly beamed, "I knew that one, only I forgot!" "Frenchie"

Cleveland, Ohio

COUNCIL 25

Congratulations

To Janet Gimmel, who graduated from Villa Angela Academy.

Convalescence

One of our most active members, Mary Susin, is now recuperating at home, after being laid up in the hospital with a broken jaw she received in an auto accident. Hurry and get well Mary, we're all rooting for you.

Bowling Tournament Memories

We were glad to see all of our old friends from Dayton and Detroit, and also meet some new friends from Chicago. Four lovely ladies, Mary Plunkett, Jody Lenkaitis, Terry Bender and Aldona Nausedas were seen roaming through the hall in their evening attire. Bob Borris, Tom Plunkett, Tony and Joe were getting nourishment in the form of good old-fashioned Lithuanian Suri. A warning to Fred Astaire, beware when Bruno Videckis is around, the competition will be great. Thanks to Dorothy Miller for her kind hospitality, we had a lovely time.

I Spy

Ray Gilys riding around in his new car... Dorothy Venslovas sporting new sun glasses... Mary Susin losing weight because of her accident.

At the Cleveland Cultural Arts Association Costume Ball

Lithuanians were represented by Lillian and Helen Tores. The Association is headed by Mr. Andrica of the Cleveland Press, who I am sure is remembered by all members present at the district's convention banquet for his wonderful speech on Lithuania.

Ardent Workers

A difficult task was well performed by Joan Susin as chairman of the district convention. Two of her most faithful workers were Maggie Samson, who printed all the beautiful programs, and her wonderful mother Mary Susin. A bouquet of roses to Joan, Maggie, Mary and the entire committee for a job well done.

Brazis Farm

Plans are now being made for a social picnic to be held at the Brazis Farm. Last year the same spot was chosen and we do hope everyone will enjoy swimming, dancing and boating this year.

Bowlers

The following is the K. of L. Girl's League team standing at the end of bowling season:

1. Team V—Ursula Yankauskas;
2. Team IV—Nellie Arunski;
3. Team III—Connie Praznik;
4. Team VI—Evelyn Kreczko;
5. Team II—Mary Trainy; and
6. Team I—Joan Susin.

Lingering Memories of the District Convention.

Jack Jatis (Chicago) being one of the first to arrive at the afternoon reception and welcomed by Yours Truly. Mike Petkus (Dayton) freezing upon arrival to our fair city, (Baby it's Cold Outside). Al Mickus (Detroit) learning the routine.. Mary Plunkett leaving the key to her room in the hotel lobby. Bob Simkus playing a seven-foot trumpet.. George Mikalauskas getting a peek at the Lithuanian Cultural Gardens through the rain drops. Bob Boris being scared by someone or another in the hotel halls. To Aldona Nausedas, Do you still have a taste for Blue Cheese? Anna Mae Uznis looking slick in her red outfit. Kitty Zubrick almost leaving her scarf and gloves for remembrance. Every one from Detroit singing Ei-Ei-Ei-O when leaving, and at last our wonderful weekend coming to an end.

Sue

Pittsburgh, Pa

COUNCIL 19

Congratulations

To Ruth Marie Greblunas who was recently graduated at Duquesne University with a Bachelor of Science degree. May her future plans be also crowned with success. J.

Cincinnati, Ohio

COUNCIL 134

On May 13th, our first dance was held in the American Legion Hall, situated amidst historic buildings in our "Queen City." We thank Barbara Rafalo, head of the committee, for her efforts in making this affair a memorable event. We are also grateful to George Mezur and his assistant, Robert Ritter, for handling the bar so efficiently. Jim Med, president, donated four beautifully decorated cakes which were raffled off. Marcella Archibald arranged a fine floor show and Viola Moore was hostess at the dance. We thank them equally. Our neighboring Council 96, Dayton, Ohio, had a good time, even though they missed the real Lithuanian polka music (we did, too). At the dance, we noticed Mrs. Catherine Grant and her two daughters, Eleanore Wall and Viola Moore, were sporting lovely tans they acquired during a recent trip to Florida.

We will resume our council meetings in September. In the meantime, we shall endeavor to increase our membership during the summer months.

"Kaye"



ILLINOIS - INDIANA LIETUVOS VYČIŲ APSKRITIES CHORO DALIS.

Dešinėje matome komp. Leonardą J. Šimutį, dirigentą.

Lietuvos Vyčių choras yra vienas veikliausių chorų Chicagoje. Sausio 22 d. dalyvavo Immigrants' Protective League koncerte. Vasario 16 d. dalyvavo L. Vyčių 112-tos kuopos surengtame Lietuvos nepriklausomybės minėjime ir sekmadienį, vasario 19 d. Am. Lietuvių Tarybos surengtame Lietuvos nepriklausomybės minėjime Chicagoj. Taip pat dalyvavo bendrame koncerte su Chicagos Simfonijos orkestru, "Orchessra Hall" kuriam vadovavo žymus muzikas Dr. Leon Stein.

Šis choras yra parodęs savo gabumus Railroad Fair, radio stočių WGN ir WCFL programose, Museum of Science and Industry, De Paul Universiteto ir įvairiuose kituose parengimuose.

Metinė Lietuvos Vyčių choro programa buvo išpildyta gegužės 13 d.

Lietuvos Vyčių seimo atstovai ir svečiai galės išgirsti šį chorą sekmadienį, š. m. rugsėjo 10 d. šv. Jurgio lietuvių parapijos bažnyčioje, Detroit, Mich.

JONAS A. STOSKUS,

Illinois-Indiana L. Vyčių apskrities pirmininkas.

ILLINOIS - INDIANA DISTRICT

We are Happy to Announce

That Council 8, Roseland, has officially resumed activity in our organization. Temporary officers were elected and a very interesting meeting was held on Wednesday, June 14. Rev. J. Saulinskas, pastor, has shown us his cooperation and valuable assistance, for which we are sincerely grateful.

The district bowling team won the Mid-West bowling tournament held recently in Dayton, Ohio. The FIVE GREATS are: Jerry Jesulaitis, Joe Noreikis, Bruno Videikis, Lucille Yucius and Dolores Stankus.

Jerry Jesulaitis, Andrew Yuknis and Helen Sirvinskas are co-ordinators of the National Convention-Ad-book. They urgently request YOUR immediate cooperation.

Lithuanian Affairs

Your council is asked to keep a record of all letters mailed by your council committee members. Mrs. Andrew Yuknis must have this record in order that she may submit her proper report of the committee's work in our district.

Providence, R. I.

COUNCIL 103

Our members have taken to outdoor activities! Tennis enthusiasts are spending many hours on the courts — a few are already expert (ball chasers). Seems that the tennis racquets are the objects of much borrowing and lending, too. Now, finally, just who has whose racquet, Joe Nazaka?

In the offing is a combination mystery ride and frankfort roast, with Ruth Savickis and Bill Belconis in charge of arrangements. Ruth and Bill are being properly myste-

rious about the location but they did let slip that the rental for the frankfort roast site will be all of fifty cents. It is very considerate of them to be so budget-minded but now... we really are wondering about the place.

Many of our members attended the New England district picnic in Marianapolis a few weeks ago, working some, playing and dancing more-spending a most pleasant day. Some of these same members didn't think too much of this modern push button era on their way home from Marianapolis. The top of the convertible in which Helen Avizynis, Bert and Ruth Savickis were riding refused to go up, and as the evening had become very cool, these three Knights of Lithuania arrived home thoroughly chilled and windblown.

Congratulations this month — to our spiritual advisor, Father Anthony Kacevicius on the anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood; — to Marion Cyronak, Vyto Savickis, Joe and Ambrose Gumasakas on the occasion of their graduation from high school.

Šis-Tas

IMPORTANT

When the VYTIS is sent out there is NO FORWARDING SERVICE... therefore, your address should be up-to-date at ALL times or your VYTIS will not reach you. Please cooperate with us, so we can be sure each member receives VYTIS.

Cleveland, Ohio

COUNCIL 25

Vyčių Seimeliui prabėgus.

Balandžio 29—30 dd., Clevelande įvyko Ohio ir Mich. L. Vyčių apskrities seimelis. Bal. 29 d. įvyko vyčių 25-tos kp. didieji šokiai. Rengimo komisija visus delegatus pavaišino.

Šokių metu Liet. Vyčių centro pirm. P. Juozaitis, P. Gudelis, Ohio ir Mich. apskrities pirm. ir centro išd., apskrities vice pirm. R. Borisis, 25-tos kp. pirm. A. Aranskienė, apskrities išd. M. Sušinskienė (Susin) ir J. Sadauskas turėjo pasitarimą dėl apskrities ir Vyčių organizacijos veiklos.

Balandžio 30-tą valdybų nariai ir švč. Panelės N. Pagalbos parapijojs bažnyčioje išklusė mišių ir padėkavojo kun. J. Angelaičiui, Liet. Vyčių 25-tos kp. ir apskrities dvasios vadui, už gražų atsiliepimą bažnyčioje apie vyčius.

Iš bažnyčios visi vyko į Lietuvų svetainę, kur 25-tos kp. seimelio rengimo komisija turėjo paruošus skanius pietus delegatams ir visiems svečiams. Ta proga pažymėtina, kad buvo 35 delegatai ir apie 10 svečių.

Antrą val. apskrities pirm. P. Gudelis paprašė visus užimti vietas ir pradėti seimelį. Pirm. seimelį atidarė malda. Nesiradus apskrities nut. rašt. jos vieton buvo išrinkta R. Sukytė, 25-tos kp. nutarimų rašt.

P. Gudelis perskaitė paskutinio seimelio protokolą. Toliau jisai ir kiti apskrities valdybos nariai padarė savo pranešimus. Visi raportai buvo priimti.

P. Juozaitis, Liet. Vyčių Org. centro pirm. padarė apžvalgą iš savo lankomos Clevelande ir kitose kolonijose vyčių kp. Jis pažymėjo, kad vyčiai visur auga, stiprėja ir atgavinamos senos kuopos.

Seimelį žodžiu sveikino A. Damušis, Ateitininkų centro pirm., ir Alekas Banys, BALFo skyriaus pirmininkas.

Baigiant seimelio posėdžius, buvo traukimas bilietelių, kuriais rūpinosi apskrities valdyba. Daugiausia bilietelių išplatino Marijona Sušinskienė, 25-tos kp. narė, gal ir laimėtojų daugiausia buvo Clevelandiečių.

Seimeliui pasibaigus, rengimo komisija visus vadino sėsti prie stalų, kurie buvo papuošti gėlėmis ir skaniais valgiais. Prieš pradėdant vakarienę, delegatai ir svečiai sugiedojo Vyčių ir Amerikos himnus, o J. Sadauskui vadovaujant, visi sukalbėjo maldą.

Visiems pasistiprinus, Anelė Aranskienė, 25-tos kp. pirm., pasveikino kitų kp. atstovus ir vakaro vedėju pristatė J. Sadauską, kuris pristatė vakaro kalbėtojus. Savo mintis pareiškė P. Gudelis, D. Mileškevičiūtė centro fin.rašt., R. Borisis, O. M. Uznis, M. Petkus, J. Kuzas, J. Brazis, J. Baltrus 25-tos kp. vice pirm.,

J. Jonikas, P. Juozaitis centro pirm., J. Andrica, garbės svečias, ir kun. J. Angelaitis.

Visų programos dalyvių kalbos buvo pagražintos solistės P. Galdikienės dviem gražiom liaudies dainelėm.

Vakarienė buvo užbaigta 25-tos kp. dvasios vado malda ir Lietuvos himnu.

Šie nariai daug pasidarbavo rengiant Ohio ir Mich. L. Vyčių apskrities seimelio: Ivan Susin (Susinskaitė), komisijos pirm., ir kom. nariai, M. Samsonaitė, J. Brazis Jr., G. Kunsaitis, I. Vidugeriūtė, E. Vaškaitė, M. Derenčiūtė, A. Kunigiškis, J. Gembel, pati kp. pirm. A. Aranskienė ir kp. nut. rašt. K. Šukytė.

Šiai komisijai daug pagelbėjo: M. Susin (Susinskienė), Ona Mikeliūnienė, F. Vidugirienė, P. Vaskienė ir Ed. Kunigiškis.

Aplankė.

P. Juozaitis, L. Vyčių centro pirmininkas, Ohio ir Mich. apskrities pirm. P. Gudelis ir J. Jonikas, padarė vizitą Braziams, Clevelando lietuvių įžymiems biznieriams. Svečiai, Brazius aplankė jų puošnioje rezidencijoje. Svečias J. Juozaitis ir J. Jonikas padarė vizitą ir J. Sadauskams. **Senells.**

Detroit, Mich.

COUNCIL 102

For the second time in the space of a few months one of our members was called into eternity. Alice Brinza, 29, wife of Tony and the mother of 2 boys, went to her Maker on the eve of her fourth wedding anniversary. Alice, 3rd degree member, had held many offices in our council and had won the hearts of all who knew her. In tribute to her memory, members recited the rosary in corpore for the repose of her soul, and K. of L. men acted as pall bearers at her burial.

Our bowling banquet at Major's brought out all the bowlers including some guests. Among the more illustrious was Peter Podalskis, who came forward to claim the trophy which was won by his team. Louise Simonis put on such a good floor show that Joe Bender laughed until he landed on the floor. The proprietor of the restaurant was more than a little startled when we took over the dance floor during intermission and danced "Noriu Miego".

Detroit may not have brought home a trophy from the Mid-West Bowling Tournament in Dayton, but never let it be said that we didn't put up a good fight. (Just ask George Senkus! Prizes were presented to: Joe Guerriero (men's high single without handicap); Evelyn Galinas (women's high single without handicap); and Ray Medonis and Stan Zvirbnis. Mary Plunkett just went along as a guest, but is convinced

that she had the "bestest" time of all.

We have added another possession to our list of assets. Our council is now the proud possessor of a bright and shining new mimeograph machine. Plans are well under way to publish a council newspaper. Up to their ears in work to get the first issue out in July are: Editor in Chief: Charles Stepanauskas, Co-Editor: Bronius Polikaitis, Religious: Benedict Ambrose, Lithuanian Affairs: Robert Boris, Sports: Thomas Plunkett, Social: Julie Bender and Sylvia Simonis.

Eleanor Slivinskis has never given us the impression of being the Librarian type! She has undertaken the job of organizing a library for the benefit of our members. The books will be about Lithuania, written in English or Lithuanian and Catholic books, many of which are being donated by various members.

New Members Welcome

Adolph Agonis, Joseph Bazley, August Bernosky, Jean Ivinskas, Lillian Plasky, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Russell and Petras Rukas. Don't forget — each member is commissioned to bring in at least one new member!

Congratulations to our newlyweds, Janet and Bob Hill, who spoke their vows on June 17th.

Frank and Isabel Peterson are now comfortably settled in their new home — way out in the suburbs.

Clem and Evelyn Galinas have extended an invitation to us to have our annual outing at her mother's cottage — Estro Beach on Lake Erie, July 16th. The Galinas hospitality is well known in these parts.

Our K. of L. Moonlight picnic held on June 10th, at Beechnut Grove was very smoothly handled thanks to the efforts of Ray Medonis and Terry Zaliagiris. Their right-hand man was Ben Ambrose, who along with Jody Lenkaitis, Mary Plunkett, Louise Simonis and the Bender Girls combined efforts to make the evening a success. Conspicuous because of his early arrival was Tony Polikaitis, who didn't even wait until the committee finished sweeping the dance floor to make his grand entrance. The only complaint of the evening came from the single males who wanted to know — "How come Frank Bunikis rates so highly with all the fair sex?"

Added attractions were the visits of Aldona Kaminskas and Sophie Zukas of Chicago, and Al Polaski of Cleveland. The following afternoon saw them as guests at the Bender residence. Joe was the perfect host and Terry Bender's "horst-dovers" were all she said they would be — but Aldona K's wit will long live in our memories, — and Hank Rigelski's! **Donna**

DETROIT, MICH.

COUNCIL 102

Our most heartfelt thanks to Council 25, Cleveland, Ohio, for a very pleasant district convention week-end. The reception, Saturday afternoon, gave us an opportunity to greet our old friends and make new ones. In the evening we danced the hours away to the music of an excellent polka band. After Mass, on Sunday, we were served a luncheon of good Lithuanian food and one of our newly arrived members, Bronius Polikaitis, discovered the meaning of "eye-opener"! The business meeting was followed by a banquet and the sad good-byes were said as we promised to meet again in Dayton, within a month, at the annual Mid-West Bowling Tournament. Clem and Evelyn Galinas broke in a brand new Pontiac on the trip, which is getting to be quite a habit around Detroit.

We missed seeing the ever exuberant B. J. Green among the Dayton crowd, but were pleasantly surprised when he blew the "didelis šturmas" into Detroit one week later. His main objective was to go through the Ford Plant assembly line — did you Buddy? or did Julie B. side-track you?

Our spiritual director, Rev. Dr. I. F. Boreisis, celebrated the 30th anniversary of his ordination on May 7th. Various organizations of our parish united to give a banquet in his honor. The K. of L. was well represented with our president, Frank Peterson, as chairman of the committee, and Anna Mae Uznis, secretary. Other members participating were Joseph Bender, Bob Boris, Clem Galinas and Edward Nausedas. Among the many gifts and mementos of the occasion, Father received his K. of L. medal of the Order of St. Casimir. Father received the Fourth Degree in March, but we waited until this time to present the medal.

The K. of L. choir sang the Mass in the morning and in the evening entertained the guests by singing Lithuanian folk songs. Bob Boris, newly-elected chairman of the choir, has been working diligently to make it the best choir St. Anthony's parish has ever had.

A round of applause is well deserved by the committee that arranged our Mother's Day breakfast. After receiving communion with our mothers, we were treated to a three-course meal prepared by Joseph Bender (chief cook and bottle washer of the day), Evelyn Aleks, Edna Klucens, Tom Plunkett, Bob Sinkus and Sylvia Simonis.

The softball season is now under way, and although the K. of L. team

has played only one game to date, Captain Joe Bakanoski reports that the boys are getting into great shape!

A hearty welcome to our new members, Al. Barakauskas, Chester Naslenas and Joe Zankauskas.

Everytime we turn around, it seems that Tom Plunkett is home on leave. This time, he is back to stay — we hope. Only home a couple of weeks, Tom has attended the district convention, is member of the softball team, sings in the choir and has worked on several committees, with time out to break a couple of feminine hearts — what a man!

Somewhere the sun is shining, and somewhere hearts are gay—BUT—there is no joy in the hearts of the members of the Civic Theatre bowling team (S. Jeckewicz — capt., T. Aleks, E. Medonis, A. Nausedas and R. Wagster). On the last day of bowling and during the last game of the day, they lost their coveted first place to the chief challengers, The Alytaus Bar team (T. Bakanauskas —capt., E. Aleks, T. Jeckewicz, D. Kootsillas and E. Stankunas). With tears streaming down their saddened cheeks they bravely congratulated the trophy winners in a true display of good sportsmanship.

Donna

Dayton, Ohio

COUNCIL 96

The warm reception and hospitality shown by Cleveland, Ohio (25) during the Ohio-Michigan district convention will long be remembered. Our delegates were Petronella Zelinskas, Anne Gudelis, Mike Petkus, Sally Miller, Louis P., Kitty Zubrick, Dorothy Miller, Frank Gudelis, Mickey and Joe Mikalauskas.

Mike Petkus, Sally and Dottie Miller wish to express their thanks and appreciation to Marian Derencus for her kind generosity in entertaining them at her home on Sunday.

Council 96 was very proud of the wonderful reports that were prepared by our committee chairmen and the manner in which they were presented to the district.

We were also greatly honored by having our national president Jack Jatis present at the meeting. He gave many ideas that our district councils hope to fulfill to the highest extent.

Bob Boris submitted all important reports to the convention in behalf of Detroit, Michigan (102). We thought Bob was only vice president of the council; but now we are wondering how many offices he really holds:

Bowling League:

Our bowling league ended on April 23rd, and two of our teams

ended in a deadlock for first place. The two teams were "Reds" Mike Petkus, captain, Anne Gudelis, Mickey Mikalauskas and Mary Ann Ambrose; and the "Cardinals" Kay Sluzas, captain, John Scott, Chuck "Sir" Petkus and Dorothy Miller. These two teams met for a roll off on May 7, and the "Reds" won out, but were forced to bowl three games before winning.

The scores in all three games were very close and it was really heart breaking to the Cardinals to lose after holding first place most of the season. We enjoyed bowling Sunday nights, and are anxiously looking forward to another exciting season.

For two consecutive years the team captained by Mike Petkus had won our League Trophy. We offer our congratulations to both the "Reds" and the "Cardinals" who bowled enthusiastically throughout the season.

Final standing

Team	Won	Lost
Reds	42	28
Cardinals	41	29
Yanks	39	30
Braves	29	40
Dodgers	25	44
Giants	22	47
Team	Won	Lost

THREE TOP AVERAGE BOWLERS**Knights**

Mike Petkus	154
Pete Petkus	153
Ted Sluzas	144

Ladies

Kay Sluzas	132
Dorothy Miller	127
Pat Zelinskas	114

HIGHEST GAMES (WITHOUT HANDICAP)**Fellows**

Mike Petkus	235
Joe R.	231

Girls

Dorothy Miller	175
Anne Gudelis	174

Dottie

K. of L. CALENDAR

- JULY 16 — New York - New Jersey K. of L. District Picnic.
- JULY 16 — Dayton, Ohio (96) Picnic.
- JULY 16 — Detroit, Mich. (102) Outing.
- JULY 22 — Great Neck, N. Y. (109) Party.
- JULY 23 — New York, N. Y. (12) Bus Ride.
- SEPT. 17 — Detroit, Mich. (102) Picnic.
- SEPT. 30 — Bayonne, N. J. (67) Dance.
- OCT. 12 — Detroit, Mich. (102) Family Night Party.
- OCT. 28 — Worcester, Mass. (26) Harvest Dance.



LIETUVOS VYČIŲ 62-os PITTSBURGHU KUOPOS ŠOKĖJAI, kurie šoko Balandžio 29 d., Carnegie Music Hall.

Sėdi priešakyje: — H. Paleckytė, M. Tamkevičiūtė, J. Gudaitytė, Antanas Gražulis — akordionistas, K. Žilinskaitė — šokių vedėja, O. Markūnaitė ir O. Žasinienė.

Stovi antroje eilėje: — O. Salnorytė, Irena Ewalt, Justina Fletcher, Z. Mažeikienė, M. Jakelynė, O. Petraitytė ir J. Maruškaitė.

Stovi paskutinėje eilėje: — K. Štarolis, Inž. A. J. Mažeika — kuopos pirmininkas, P. Škerys ir A. Žasinas.

Philadelphia, Pa.

COUNCIL 3

Prof. K. Pakštas

Our council was very much honored at our May 7 monthly meeting by having a distinguished guest speaker, Professor K. Pakštas from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, who at present is teaching world politics. He urged us to strive for a higher education or help others to achieve the same and spoke of many incidents, humorous indeed, and of his trips in various parts of the world. His interesting speech and undying humor was enjoyed immensely by our Knights.

To Greet Father Raila

We simply can't wait for Father Raila's return. Our council, Tretininkai and Ateitininkai are tendering a banquet in honor of Father Raila's return from Europe and hope that many of our neighboring Vyčiai will attend.

Crunch! Crunch! — we're all hoping you'll share your television set with that certain lonely one. Let's not wait Theresa.

I'm surprised to find out that Joe Kananavicius is studying medicine in the evening. He tops all that off by the so-called Flirtology here in U. S. A.

Best Wishes on your Birthday

May 26 — Emily Lukosius; June 2 — Peter Raubertas; June 3 — Blanche Volertas; June 8 — Tony Frigaras; July 3 — Vyt Vidugiris; July 4 — Valentino Raubertas; July 6 — M. Sicenavage; July 8 — Lucy Eitminavicius; July 10 — Hettie Sarczewicz; July 15 — Al Rupsis; July 16 — J. Soudaugas, and July 18 — Al Vaitkus.

That sparkle in Vigurisis' and Helen Mager's eyes make me think of just one thing.

Congratulations to Joe Rimgaila and Jo Masuros on their recent engagement.

NOTICE: Members!

Will you kindly inform me if you change your residence and supply me with your present address.

Financial Secretary

It is said that Joe Jakstis plans to wed in September.

Valentino Krysevicius has recently changed his name which I presume is King.

During a Sodality Conference held here Alice Zemaitaitis entertained the sodalists with her renditions on the piano and Dolores Horny, Frannie and Marceda Sicenavage displayed quite a step or two.

"Stacy"

Pittsburgh, Pa.

COUNCIL 62

Vyčiai ant Televiso

Lietuvos Vyčių 62-os Pittsburgho (Espleno) kuopos šokėjai labai puikiai išpildė lietuviškų tautinių šokių programos dalį podraug su "Maironio" ansambliu gegužės 19 d. didžiuliame Forbes Field, Pittsburgh, Pa. stadijone Pittsburgho "Welcome Week" iškilnių proga, kur dalyvavo iki 15,000 žiūrovų. Vyčių šokių perstatymas buvo toks įspudingas, jog nors šokėjų programoje dalyvavo ir 5 kitos tautybės, tik vyčių perstatomas šokis pakartotinai buvo transliuojama per televiziją. Šokiams vadovauja Kazimiera Žilinskaitė; akompanuoja Antanas Gražulis: šokių grupę suorganizavo ilgametis vytis ir organizacijos Garbės Narys, dabartinis kuopos pirmininkas inž. A. J. Mažeika.

Sekanti šokėjai dalyvavo Forbes Field iškilnėse: Mary Jakelis, Justine Fletcher. Ann Markunas, Sue Mažeika, Joan Marušauskas, Ona Petraitis, Mary Tamkevičiūtė, Paul Gabalis, Kęstutis ir Vytautas Matulonis, Richard Šimelis, Peter Škerys, Const. Štarolis ir St. Sandanavičius.

Be virš minėtų pasirodymų ši vyčių šokėjų grupė labai vykusiai išpildė šokių programą viešame Lietuvos Nepriklausomybės paminėjime vasario 12 d., Lietuvos Vyčių Pittsburgho apskrities suruoštame paminėjime vasario 16 d. ir dalyvavo podraug su "Maironio" ir "Čiurlionio" ansambliais amerikiečių suruoštame Lietuviško Meno viešame pasirodyme balandžio 29 d. didžiulėje Carnegie Music Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa., kur buvo suvirš 700 publikos. Dar Espleno vyčių šokėjai turi kvietimą išpildyti lietuviškų tautinių šokių programą Amerikos Nepriklausomybės iškilnėse liepos 4 d. didžiuliame Langley Field.

Vytė

WESTFIELD, MASS.

COUNCIL 30

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to our council president, Barbara Navickas, on the recent loss of her beloved father.

On Mother's Day, members received Holy Communion during solemn high mass, followed by a breakfast served in the church parlors. The afternoon program consisted of Lithuanian folk songs, dances and guest speakers.

The committee on arrangements for our council dance which was held June 9th at St. Casimir's Hall, included Anne Jutt, Barbara Navickas, Dolores Walkowski and Irene Bartkus.

Here and There

Anne Jutt recently visited Washington, D. C., to view the cherry blossoms.

Bail-a-hay

Dayton, Ohio

COUNCIL 96

Mother's Day Observance

On May 14th all Mothers and members received Holy Communion in a body. This created quite an impressive scene, especially since it was the largest group in our history. The Mothers wore pink and white carnation corsages. In the afternoon, Lithuanian program was presented for the parents at which refreshments were served. Mary Lucas, Kay Sluzas, Louis Prasmanas, Elinor Ambrose and Mickey Mikalauskas comprised the committee, and they are to be commended. Mrs. Petrokas showed moving pictures taken at a Mother's Day party of several years ago. In the pictures we saw our Mothers and their children dancing polkas and playing games. We are very grateful to Mrs. Petrokas for bringing back such wonderful memories.

July 16, is a date to remember. Our "Annual Picnic" will take place at Valley View Grove. John Scott and Stan Sluzas are the co-chairmen. All councils are cordially invited.

Mid-Western Bowling Tournaments Memories

For the third consecutive year, the Ohio-Michigan district teams were left heart-broken as the Illinois-Indiana district won the beautiful trophy once again. Congratulations!

How many flat tires can one have on a new car? Ask George Sinkus of Detroit.

Has Bob Boris learned to drive? Can't think of a better place to learn than between Dayton and Detroit!

Wonder why Bud Green is losing sleep these nights? Could it be because of a certain friend in Detroit?

Found during the Bowling Tournament: man's hat at the Biltmore Hotel and a cuff link at Miller's home.

Congratulations to Joe Petkus who graduated from University of Dayton; Bud Green from Sinclair College; Rose Ann Ambrose and Pat Barcus from Kaiser High School. Rose Ann Ambrose graduated with honors (which seems to be a tradition in the Ambrose Family) and also won a writing contest held by Northwestern University. She was one of the three top winners. She is now planning on entering a nursing school. We wish her continued success in her chosen vocation.

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for our good friends, Terry Zaliagiris and Ray Medonis, Detroit, Michigan (102) and, from the "Windy City" of Chicago, (112). Barbara "Nepasiduok" Motiejus and Stan Klevinsky. Best wishes!

Dottie

Ohio-Michigan District

Ohio-Michigan Lietuvos Vyčių Ap-skričio pusmetinis seimelis laikytas balandžio 30, 1950 pas 25-tą kuopą, Cleveland, Ohio. 10:00 val. ryte delegatai nuvyko į Nesiliaujančios Pagelbos švenčiausios Panos Marijos Bažnyčią, kur atlaikė aukštas šv. Mišias ir pasakė pritaikintą pamokslą kun. Juozas F. Angelaitis, kuopos ir apskričio dvasios vadas.

Popiet buvo sesija Lietuvių Sve-tainėje, 6835 Superior Ave., kurią vedė apskričio pirmininkas Pranas Gudelis ir raštininkavo Clara Shukis. Raportai buvo skaityti nuo apskričio valdybos, apskričio komisijų ir kuopų pirmininkų. Iš raportų pasirodė, kad Lietuvos Reikalų komisijoje, lietuvių platinimo progra-moje, Ritualo įvykdinime, sporto ir dramos srityse, yra aktyviai veikiama apskričio kuopose.

Pirmininko raporte pranešta, kad buvo daroma pastangų atsteigti daugiau kuopų, kaip tai Youngs-town, Akron, Grand Rapids, ir kad šios pastangos bus tęsiamos toliau.

Posėdyje dalyvavo Centro pirmi-ninkas Jack L. Juozaitis. Jis išdavė raportą apie pažangą, padarytą L. Vyčių organizacijoje šiais metais,

Clevelando kuopos įnešimai kad kuopų dramos skyriai perstatytų veikalus kituose miestuose, kur veikia L. Vyčiai, kad būtų surengta rajoninių žaidimų įvairiose sporto šakose, ir kad kuopos prisiūstų daugiau paveikslų dėl patalpinimo organe "Vytyje", visi buvo priimti.

Delegatais į visuotiną seimą Chi-cagoje išrinkti Nellie Arunskienė, Cleveland, ir Robert Boris, Detroit. Pavaduotojais — Anna Mae Uznis, Detroit ir Clara Shukis, Cleveland.

Sekant posėdį buvo suruošta de-legatams ir svečiams vakariene Lietuvių Svetainėje. Vakaro vedėju bu-vo Juozas Sadauskas. Kalbėjo kun. J. F. Angelaitis, kuris pridavė vy-čiams gražių linkėjimų ir parodė planus naujos bažnyčios, kurios statyba bus pradėta šį metą. Trumpas kalbas pasakė ir eilė kitų pareigūnų.

Vieta metiniam seimui spalio mėn. palikta apskričio valdybai. Numato-ma laikyti Dayton arba Cincinnati, Ohio.

F. A. G.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

Annual picnic of the district will be held at the beautiful Picnic Grove of Miller's on Faitoute Avenue in Kenilworth, New Jersey, on Sunday, July 16th — 3:00 p. m.

A varied program is being plan-ned by the committee. There will be dance music, singing of folk songs and softball game between the mar-ried and single men of the distri-ct.

All members and guests are in- vited to attend. We promise a good time for ALL.

Committee

Norwood, Mass.

COUNCIL 27

President John Shipper surprised everyone by conducting a large portion of our last month's meeting in Lithuanian for the benefit of the D. P.'s who attended. Brownie Ku-dirka also spoke a few words of welcome to our potential members.

A very favorable report on the dance and raffle was given by Fran-nie Nevins. The prize for selling the most raffle books was awarded our secretary, Kay Saulen, who sold 48 books. Good work!

Helen Cormier is formulating great plans for our fall Minstrel Show.

Convention reports were given by Eddie Tarutis in English and Ann Kudirka in Lithuanian for the be- nefit of our visitors.

When the subject of attending a night baseball game was brought up, everyone was in favor of it. The only question is whether we should see the Braves or Red Sox. We might end up by seeing two games. Not a bad idea!

Attention all members!

Our meetings have been ad- vanced from the second Thursday of the month to the first Thursday. Please make the necessary changes in your date books.

Just before Father Janunas was called on to give his speech, the familiar tune of "Happy Birthday" filled the hall and he was presented with a small gift. He was equally surprised and delighted and after a few words of thanks Father gave us a very timely talk on "Mother Love" which included the reading of the article "An Open Letter to Workers."

To conclude the meeting, one of our prominent D. P.'s Justinas Za-ronka, gave us a resume on Li- thuanian History.

Sea Breeze

Social for next month will be a Weenie Roast at the Pazniokas Estate with Special Police Officer Jasper Pazniokas keeping law and order. By the way Jasper, this will be a good occasion for you to use the Shampoo and Wave you won at the Penny Sale. — We were glad to see you at our meeting, Helen and Stan Dallasis. How about showing up more often? — Even though our bowling team did not win this time, we had a rare old time. Shipper, what was your score at the K. of L. Bowling Alleys? Maybe 100 (proof)? — Helen Paz-niokas is now walking around minus her appendix. — We hope to see Ben Chervokas out of the hospital for good soon. — Eddie Perednia took the fatal step in Worcester and will be residing in Norwood. Come on down to the meetings Eddie so that we can get to know Jane.

YOUNG K. of L. MEMBER
ALICE PLEVOCKAS
APPOINTED MUSIC
SUPERVISOR



Miss Alice Plevockas of South Boston, Massachusetts, member of Council 17, having graduated the New England Conservatory of Music June 20, 1950 with a Bachelor of Music in Education degree, has been appointed music supervisor of Deer Isle, Maine and neighboring towns where she will be in charge of all music.

Since 1944, Alice has been very active in the Knights of Lithuania organization and has served on many important committees, including St. Casimir's Day communion and breakfast, Mother's Day commemoration, St. Peter's Lithuanian Church Fund, New England district convention, Founder's Day banquet, and in 1949 was council delegate to the national convention of the Knights of Lithuania held in Elizabeth, New Jersey. She holds a second degree.

Miss Plevockas took part in several minstrel shows and comedies sponsored by the local council, and was music director both in 1949 and 1950. During her spare time, she taught displaced person Americanization and the English language in St. Peter's School, and is also credited with enrolling a number of students into the K. of L.

In 1945, she obtained a scholarship to study at the New England Conservatory of Music, and during the same summer attended Lassell Junior College.

As a person, Miss Plevockas is energetic, zealous and musically inclined since her childhood days. She has participated in many K. of L. and community affairs, and as a professional violinist has proved her skill.

South Boston, Mass.

COUNCIL 17

We were honored at a special board meeting last month with the presence of Jack Juozaitis, national president. Jack gave a detailed report on what the Supreme Council officers have done thus far in bettering our organization, and what they expect to accomplish in the future. His visit in Boston and other cities in New England will help strengthen our membership.

The long-awaited council bulletin called KEYHOLE NEWS has finally become a reality. The first issue contains some valuable information especially the comment made by Father Al. Contons, spiritual advisor.

Council 17 was greatly saddened by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matachinskis having moved to Brooklyn, New York, where a more responsible job awaits Joe. Both Mary and Joe have been ardent K. of L. workers. We wish them continued success in their new surroundings, and hope they will find time to be as active in the New York and New Jersey district.

On May 21st, our council presented a Lithuanian play — "Šnipšnytis Kariuomenė", written and produced by Joe Lola. We wish to thank the entire cast, including Albinas Neviera, fourth degree member, who acted as Generolas, and Alice Plevock, music director. In all, it was a fine performance.

Our K. of L. softball team is worth seeing in action. It beat the Lithuanian Melody Hour team, and we are proud of our players. Those of you who are still interested in playing on the K. of L. softball team, contact Al Medonis or Vyto Markeionis.

After the N. E. Roll-off, we find that our council boys are still on top with the girls in second place. Keep it up! Let's see if we can't have the trophy at our clubrooms this year.

Members of the K. of L. baseball team held a dance last month, the proceeds of which were allotted towards paying for equipment, etc. The affair was well attended.

Suggestion — how about the girls forming a softball team? We have enough material. Let's go, girls!

What's new in the club

New ping pong table has been set up. Also our pool table has just been rebuilt and once again the balls are bouncing around. John Contons, Chairman of our CLUB IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE informs us that soon we'll acquire a new card table.

Newsies

Wonder why John Contons stands up and starts cheering every time someone says "They're off."

We hear Edward A. Zaleskas, member of our council, was the only Lithuanian who appeared on the President's List of the Freshman Class of Teacher's College. We wish him continued success.

Notice our president, Vic Anchukaitis, is sporting a car. Business at the "college" good, Vic?

Congratulations, Arthur Gailius, on being elected Trustee. It's good to see some of our newer members taking interest in our club activities. (Off the record — shortly after Arthur became Trustee, he bought a new Cadillac. He'll certainly be the envy of the gang now!).

Alice Laudansky is quite proud of her tremendous dialogue since the play. Keep it up, Alice, and you'll be a star some day.

What has happened to Ronny Ivanuskas, Tony Yakavonis, Al Tuma and J. Luzaitis? Did they join the foreign Legion? Snoop

Providence, R. I.

COUNCIL 103

Thanks to our many friends who attended the Maytime Ball this year which proved to be the most successful dance yet in our annual series. The committee members and chairman, Tony Gudczauskas, are to be highly commended for fine work accomplished in arranging the affair.

"After the ball was over", many of the dancers adjourned to get-togethers at Helen Belconis' and Bert Ciocys' homes.

At our recent Parents' Night meeting, the star of the evening's special program was "Pansy — Twinkletoes of the horsey set." Her dancing may not have been entrancing but it certainly was effective for producing howls of laughter from the audience. Well done, "Pansy", alias Al Straznick, front half — Johny Walaska, the other part. Other features of the program that added to the general merriment included, Helen Avizynis and John Walaska as the "Gay 90's" era bride and groom; Vytautas Jurgelevicius in his portrayal of a lad six months old, then at the age of nine years; and Algird Straznick as "Madame Oska" star of the famed Neopolitan Opera Company. Bertha Ciocys was director of the program and John Beinoris provided musical accompaniment.

Our council's something new in the news is the bulletin now to be issued monthly. Helen Belconis has been elected editor, with Joseph Kairys and Aldona Kirklys to assist in the Lithuanian department.

Mother's Day was observed here by the members attending a special mass and receiving Holy Communion in a body. Šis-Tas

Worcester, Mass.

COUNCIL 26

Bowling

Our bowling season was finished off in proper form by the devouring of 30 delicious steaks at our banquet, held at the YD Club. Awards were presented by Fr. Mike Tamulevičius to the following: Rita Kondrotas and Charlie Tagman, high averages; Louise Grazulis and "Butch" Kandrote, high singles; Ellie Grazulis and Joe Katauskas, high triples, and Vinnie Luckasavage's team, "Vince's Princes" received prizes for coming out on top of the league. Everyone agreed that we had a lot fun, met many new friends, and we're all looking forward to doing the same next year.

Spring fever or something of that sort must have hit our bowlers at the tournament held in Boston—they'll have to be really "on the ball" at the next one.

N. E. District Delegates

Joe Sakaitis and Louise Grazulis, delegates to Waterbury, turned in very fine reports of a successful convention. Joe especially enjoyed the food served immediately following the session.

For Benefit of Parish

C-26 sponsored a military whist. Cooperation was wonderful, and a beautiful display of prizes was won by many a parishioner.

Sparky Morkunas

He gave all girls a whirl at the dance in Providence. Nothing stopped him — polkas, waltzes, obericks, or even sambas! And he keeps on insisting he needs lessons.

Al Drumstas

Our manager of the softball team (yes, we have one this year, and it's doing very well in the City league) is very optimistic about his team. He's got an enthusiastic group, and if we lose a few games now and then, it won't be because we didn't try. The softball committee is hard at work thinking of ways and means to raise money to pay all expenses incurred.

Bus Ride

Once again this summer C-26 will invade Ocean Beach Park, New London, Connecticut. This will be our third trip there, and we expect many more to make it this year.

Commendation

Who said we have no more henns around! You should have seen Vinnie Grazulis, Leo Missunas, Joe Sakaitis and Joe Katauskas getting the Marianapolis grounds set up with booths and tables the day before the N. E. District Sports Day—Picnic. Good work fellows!

Welcome Mat

Goes out to Bob and Al Laukaitis, Freddy Kievra, George Kuzmeckas and Joe Kondrotas, our newest addi-

tions. Hope you boys will enjoy being members of our council.

"Little Iodine"

Hats off to many C-26'ers for really pitching in and doing their share of work at the Sports Day at Marianapolis. Kathie Yakutis, chairman, is to be commended for the smooth job she did running things. She was the first to arrive that day, and the last to leave.

Our clubroom is once again a popular spot for the summer. It's at least 15 degrees cooler there. Even the girls come down once in awhile. The bachelors who spend a lot of time down at its club, complained they were getting rather lonesome all by themselves.

Weather permitting cooperation and a good crowd made our dance and picnic one week-end to remember. Visitors from Hartford, Norwood, Providence, Southie, Athol, and C-116 attended. The "Chelsea Hop", we noticed, has finally taken root in Worcester. We also noticed many visitors enjoyed the popular folk dances which are featured at Worcester K. of L. dances. Our friend Louise of Manchester, Conn. seems to have a bit of Irish luck in her. She seems to win all our raffles, prizes, and was chosen queen at a recent dance of ours. Visitors from Norwood and Providence had such a nice time, they decided to stay overnight.

A warm sunny day brought out many a future K. of L'er with their parents to the picnic. Donna Mary Jankowski at the age of 7 weeks attended her first affair with Ma Mary and Pa Peter, as did Barbara Sarapas with parents Franny and Len.

Alfreda and Bob Kelley, Vinnie Grazulis and Teddy Tromovitch gave their vocal chords a good exercising taking care of the chocolate concession. Bob also increased his Lithuanian vocabulary. He's added the words, "Kas daugiau".

Men, for the most part, took over the work in the kitchen. Joe Delonis, Vitty Gadilauskas (accompanied by better half Ruthie), Eddie Grigaitis, Bill Bengtson, Bob Yakutis and Vinnie Luckasavage displayed their cooking talents. The girls, however, (and clad in their Sunday best, too) had the task of scouring all the pots and pans after the men finished with them (Thank you, Angie). Al Rutelonis, Joe Sakaitis and Adele Ivaska worked on the refreshment booth all day without relief. Thanks go to Vinnie Grazulis and Joe Sakaitis, co-chairmen, and their hard-working gang for this week-end.

Softball

Congratulations, boys, for doing a wonderful job in the first half of

the city league. After getting a somewhat slow start, they climbed steadily to second place. We're confident they'll be up on top for the second half. Al Drumstas, coach and manager, deserves a lot of praise for all his time and effort spent organizing the team. Many of the boys never played the game before, yet he's made them into a winning team. Handshakes also to pitchers Joe Kondrotas and Teddy Tromovitch for their part in winning games. The players are Johnnie Drumstas, Bob, Al and Frank Laukaitis, Eddie Grigaitis, Fred Kievra, Joe and Frank Kondrotas, Teddy Tromovitch, Pete Virbasius and Paul Grabauskas. Leaders in the home run department are Frank Kondrotas, Fred Kievra and Bob Laukaitis. Extra games have been with the Rutland Vets and double-header with Council 116. If there are any teams interested in playing a home series with C-26, contact Al Drumstas, 59 Penn Avenue, Worcester.

Congratulation to "Sis" and Al Bender on the arrival of a bouncing baby boy... to Winnie Sereicikas and Alfred Carl who are on the seas of marriages... to Ruthie Kacevich and Danny Aiksnoris who also walked down that aisle.

Joe Drumstas paid us a thirty-day visit recently, and has gone back to Uncle Sam's Army. Ed Grazulis is now at the Naval School in Newport, Rhode Island, prior to his entering college with the NROTC next fall. He makes it home just about every week-end. Good to see Joe and Ed.

We bade a fond farewell to Anne Puisys, who left us to enter the order of the Sisters of St. Casimir. Good luck and God bless you, Anne.

It's amazing how much Tony Morkunas, popularity has increased since he started sporting around in that new blue Plymouth.

A big smile of welcome to Frank Laukaitis, our newest member.

Speaking of members, girls, let's sign up some new girls. We don't know how it ever happened, but the girls are outnumbered, but good. We've had a lot of new male members, but Bertha Adomaitis has been the only member of the fairer sex to have dotted line this year. How about that!

Mom Yakutis had a joint birthday party for daughter and son, Kathie and Bob, which was attended by many members.

The New England Sodality girls recently attended a Red Sox game in Boston. They were accompanied by two spiritual advisors. Fr. Al spent most of the time explaining balls, strikes, Texas leaguers and why Ted Williams got walked to a few bewildered spectators. Thank you, Father Al, for your patience.

"Tom, Dick and Harriet"

South Worcester, Mass. /

COUNCIL 116

N. E. District Convention

Many of our members attended the convention held in Waterbury, Conn. A few arrived Saturday to attend the pre-convention dance. Ed Vaskas (C-116) was re-elected vice-president. Congratulations, Ed. We extend our thanks and appreciation to the Waterbury members for their wonderful hospitality.

N. E. District Bowling

The district's second bowling roll-off took place April 30th at the Huntington Allies. Our girl's team consisting of Ann Miller, Teresa Kasper, Helen Gvazdauskas, Charlotte Mitchell and Aldona Pauliukaitis jumped from third place to first. Good work girls. There's one more roll-off and if the girls keep it up, there will be a new trophy to adorn our clubroom.

Mr. President

A few weeks ago, both Worcester councils were honored with a visit from our national president. Jack Juozaitis. Members from C-26 and our own council got together for an informal "gab session". Frank Vaskas from New Jersey was also an honored visitor.

Fishing

One Saturday morning, Bob Stevens, Bill Kissell, Dave Vaskas, Dot Sinkavitch and Ronnie and Teresa Kasper decided to go fishing. Naturally it rained but this didn't stop our staunch K. of L'ers. After fishing all morning and afternoon they came home wet, hungry and with six five-inch kivers, one twelve-inch perch and one medium-size hornpout. Better luck next time!

Sis-Tas

Welcome to our newest member, Valentinas Endriuskevicius. So many of our members seemed to have enjoyed the last Monte Carlo so much that the committee has planned another one. A shower was held April 29th in honor of John Karol and Albina Barisas. They were married June 3rd. A miscellaneous shower honoring Daniel Aiksnoras and Ruth Kacevich took place May 6th. They were married June 10th. Congratulations! A Military Whist was held June 2nd for the benefit of the Supreme Council. Thanks to the K. of L'ers from Boston, Great Neck, N. Y., Lawrence, Norwood, Providence, Westfield, and Worcester (C-26) for the fine showing at our annual dance held at the Elk's Home.

Gods Blessings

We extend our heartiest best wishes to Father John Bakanas on

his twentieth anniversary of priesthood. Father Bakanas was our council's spiritual advisor from 1934 to 1940.

Welcome

Four new members, Valentine Endriuskavicius, Peter Chunis, Robert Shillinsky and Vytautas Ryksytys.

Fishing

At least once a week, you can find a good number of our members fishing at one of the many lakes and ponds surrounding Worcester. Do they ever catch any fish? Naturally! These great fishermen are: Helen Gvazdauskas, Ronnie Kasper, Teresa Kasper, Bill Kissell, Ann Miller, Charlotte Mitchell, John Puras, Cesin Savickas, Dot Sinkavich, Bob Sinkavich, Bob Stevens and Dave Vaskas.

Dan Cupid

Albina Barisas and John Karol became Mr. and Mrs. on June third. Ann Barisas, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Dan Aiksnoras and Ruth Kacevich were married on June tenth. Teresa Kasper, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. The couple are honeymooning in Canada.

Military Whist

Held June second, was a huge success thanks to the able committee headed by Cesin Savickas and Charlotte Mitchell. A very special vote of thanks goes to Helen Urevich who donated not one, not two but twelve handmade articles which were used for attendance prizes. Second prize for high scorer was won by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chalecki and Bill Kissell. Bob Stevens, won a whiskbroom that night and donated it to the clubrooms. Thanks Bob, it will come in very handy.

Friendship

They say the world is a small place and no one knows any better than Al Tumas, our Navy member. Al is stationed in Memphis, Tennessee and to his great surprise found that a fellow K. of L'er, Anthony Jonaitis from C-30, Westfield, was living with his wife there in Memphis. It didn't take long for the two to get together and become great friends. Al spent Easter Sunday with the Jonaitises and enjoyed many of the delicious Lithuanian dishes Mrs. Jonaitis prepared.

This and That

At the P. N. A. dance hall recently, Dot Sinkavich won two tickets to a Red Sox game. Lillian Katkauskas accompanied Dot and enjoyed the game very much. Vittie Rakauskas is home from school in Florida for the summer and already is sporting a lovely tan. Cesin Sa-

vickas, Ronnie Kasper, Helen Gvazdauskas and Dave Vaskas went exploring one of Worcester's landmarks, Bancroft Tower, a few nights ago. Did you find or see anything of interest? At the softball games played at our district's Sports Day, in Marianapolis, our boys lost to the Cambridge-Providence team but beat Worcester (26) team. On May 28th, our boys once more met C-26 on the softball diamond in a double-header. Each team won one game. At our last Monte Carlo Night, Joe Varaska won a wallet which was given as a door prize. First prize for having won the most chips at the end of the evening was awarded to Dick Wackell and second prize to Al Krasinikas. Hats off to the committee for the fine arrangements. The Lithuanian dance group meets every Monday night and the progress made is remarkable. Something new has been added to this group! Music is provided by our new member, accordionist, Peter Chunis. Tentative plans are being made to have a deep sea fishing trip some time in August. Congratulations to Shirley Miller, Bernice Burdulis and Mary Klimkaitis upon their graduation from the High School of Commerce. Shirley was selected one of the graduation speakers. If you have been wondering who has been keeping the clubrooms spick and span all the credit goes to Bill Kissel who has been doing a wonderful job as custodian.

"Moon-struck"

Kearny-Harrison, N. J.

COUNCIL 90

Our annual Mothers' Day communion and breakfast was held on May 14th. Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of Sorrows Church (Harrison) by Rev. Dominic Pocius, spiritual advisor. Lady's Sodality choir sang; Miss Genevieve Moroses and Mrs. Peter Velevas were soloists. Following mass, breakfast was served at the Holy Name Hall (Kearny). Guest speakers were Al Wesey, New York and New Jersey district president, Father Pocius, and Mayor Healy and Councilman Vincent of Kearny. Bill Grinevich was toastmaster. This marked the twentieth anniversary of this affair.

Chair lady Ronnie Kemezis and her committee are working hard towards the success of the New York and New Jersey district picnic to be held on July 16 at Miller's Grove, Kenilworth, New Jersey. With the cooperation of all councils in the district, it's bound to be a success.

Our deepest sympathy to Irene, Barney, and Joe Kohanski on the sudden death of their beloved father.

"I"

Cambridge, Mass.

COUNCIL 18

Wedding Bells Still Ringing

Ann Puzin, accustomed to wearing white as an "Angel of Mercy" for the past few years, wore much more formal white in April when she became Mrs. Stanley P. Pladziewicz.

Congratulations and best wishes from the whole council, Ann and Stan.

Bringing Home The Bacon

Well, I guess the Cambridge male strong-armed bowlers showed their championship form in the recent New England Bowling Tournament.

With smiling Vin Zukas showing the way — he bowled a stratospheric 135 for one string — we took the tourney by surprise and moved into second place in the over-all standing. Only 36 pins stand between us and the leadership. Wait till the Fall!

Sick Bay Report

According to the council's medical bulletin one of our star female bowlers, Alberta Malin, is on the road to recovery after suffering an ankle injury while bowling for our young ladies' team in the N. E. Tournament. She appreciated so much the flowers and best wishes all her council sympathizers sent that she kiddingly said, "Maybe I should do it more often."

Membership Grows and Grows

Two more members joined our ranks last month. We heartily welcome Juoza Mindauga and Pete Urban into the fold and know they will be a credit to '18.

Mustard and Relish Please!

A hayride was considered out of the question for a June activity for the simple reason Pete Puzin says, "The horses we'd use are running at Suffolk." So, a "Weenie Roast" is scheduled instead. The committee for this gala event consists of Aldona Strazdas, Ann Tamulynas, Ted Mankus, and "Vin's other brother" Paul Zukas.

More Comfort

Ted (Jet) Mankus preferred a large bus ("the larger the better, you want to be able to move around coming back") when he discussed the Marianapolis transportation problem last month. That led Millie Wilcinski to ask, "Are you going?" What in the world did she mean?

Get The Gaff!

Sgt.-At-Arms Pete Puzin and "Kirby" Mankus are representing '18 in quest of a sea-going craft for our annual fishing trip this summer.

Transfusion

"Everyone is to be commended for the teamwork displayed in putting over our most successful venture in

the history of our council," said Pres. Al Jankauskas commenting on the recent chance book circulation. Treasurer Jeanne Malin smiled.

Cappy's Cappers

The bowling committee for the past season, made up of newlyweds Jule and Anne Savilonis and "Man Friday", Vito Pilkins, deserves a big hand for the efficient season-long record keeping and dues collecting, but most of all for the splendid preparation of every seemingly insignificant detail which made our bowling banquet a tremendous — social success.

At the candlelight feast the following six 1949-1950 bowling champs were presented trophies: In the female department Wanda Yankun for piling up the highest three string total; Pauline Malin, the "Number Please Miss", who now is combining work with play at nearby Hull, for strike and sparing up a high single string total; Anne Savilonis for top season average.

The men champs also honored were: Bob Dixon, high string man, Jule (Groom) Savilonis, high single string, and smiling Vin Zukas, the highest season long average.

Chicken, Steak or Lobster?

Only four of the members were hungry enough to eat lobster... Helen Zukas, Anne Savilonis, Al Kontrimas and Scoop... Al Jakutis wished he were in the TV business... He suggested a Video set for Wanda and Pauline... You've got to have a place to put the trophy, don't you? Somewhere everyone will see it all the time... Ed Puzin likes ringside seats... He certainly had one at Cappy's... We guessed why... Vito Pilkins was the M. C. and was the official photographer for the night... The pictures did not come out, though... It was no reflection on his photographic ability, he says... The most excited gentleman of the night was John "Head" Janunas... He received a cup... Another trophy room is in the process of construction at 19 Maple Avenue!...

Heartfelt Sympathy

The entire council offers Millie Wilcinski sincere condolences regarding the recent sudden loss of her uncle of Peoria, Ill.

Marianapolis Pic(nicks)

Council 18 was the only one of N. E. arriving by bus... Although all of us who Trailwayed to Thompson had a gala time, the happiest member was Al Marcin... For about a

half century he had hoped to make a profit by hiring a bus... Well, you finally made it, Al!... We had big hand in the Cambridge-Providence, 4-3 win over the flashy Worcester (116) green-panted softball outfit... Ted Mankus brought along a book with the intention of studying for a final exam... Due to complications, such as no lighting facilities on the homeward trip, reading was impossible... Besides big Ed Puzin sat next to him!... Someone started a rumor Millie was to make it two intra-council weddings in a row, shortly... She quickly spiked the scuttlebutt as being "ill founded"... It was reunion day for Pres. Al Jankauskas... Pete Puzin won something at one of the tables... A commodity which disappears fast... Alberta Malin showed no signs of her recent leg injury... Proof?... She just about wore out a pair of shoes dancing...

Weenie Nocturne

Although the water at Lynn's "Century Progress" Beach was cold, the charcoal fire was hot enough to make good weenies... Paul Zukas knew where to get the good charcoal... While Vinie Zukas smiled at his graduation banquet and feasted on something more formal — not "kilbasi" either!... Chairman Ted (Razza-ma-tazz) Mankus, Anne Tamulynas, Aldona Strazdas and Paul Zukas, the committee, take bow or three for the neat job, well done... The marshmallows were good, too... There was some singing (sic) but Al Marcin was missing hence the harmony was not up to snuff... Al Jankauskas, after flexing his muscular torso, hurried home to keep up his daily letter writing... Vito Pilkonis who had three steaks at Cappy's recently, had pleasant company at the Beach, so, a dozen more weenies were left for the rest of the group... Al (Pontiac) Kontrimas played us "Holiday for Teeth"... He said the water was a little cold and forgot to bring his fur-lined gloves... We sent out a posse to round up the Puzin boys, who were expected... No word yet!... Millie was belatedly presented a "cup" for her bowling exploits.

Foreign Interests

"Kirby" Mankus has, of late, turned "roving Ambassador"... I'm informed he really doesn't have to go any farther than Providence to keep us well informed on Rhode Island's foreign policy... Another excursionist: Al Kontrimas... The Economic condition of Worcester fascinates him, I suppose!

Loyalty Questioned

"I make a motion," said Al (Business is Pretty Good) Jakutis, "all members take the loyalty oath"... He said those words at our June meeting and without seeing John Janunas sporting his familiar, incandescent red tie! Scoop

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Make your plans now.

AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK
COUNCIL 100

Father P. Janaitis from Stillwater, New York attended our monthly meeting and was the guest speaker. He enlightened us about the hardships of the Lithuanian people in Europe. Another point which he stressed was ways in which we can become better Catholics.

The new council from Albany was well represented at this meeting. A delegation, including Maryann Zilin, Josephine and Frances Lapinskas, Anna Zacharkevicius, Ruth Gregatis and Frank Stanaitis, attended. Maryann gave a very interesting talk about the future plans and activities of the K. of L. in Albany.

Hats off to Saddle Kissel, Rose Karuzas, Helen Gustas and Sadie Vaitelis! Girls, the home-baked cakes which you served with ice cream really hit the spot.

The K. of L. wishes to express its deepest sympathy to Frances Raila on the recent loss of her beloved mother.

What's What

As we look into our crystal ball, we see Ann Didziulis, Regina Pakenas and Marian Jakaitis having a gay time at Lake George this July.

The unexpected happened to Flo Mikolaitis. As she was driving along—two blocks from her home—the car suddenly stopped. Alas, the same old story—NO GAS!

Bernice Blusis has been seen stepping out lately with a certain person. How about a little pep talk to persuade him to join our organization?

Some of our K. of L.'ers who are active members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of our parish, are planning to visit the Franciscan Nuns in Pittsburgh this August. They are: Sophie Olbie, Edna Gustas, Sophie Gavry and Emily Jankunas.

We have a number of businessmen in our midst. Anyone who wishes either to buy or sell property, be sure to get in touch with our president, Val Kerbelis. He's a super salesman. If you are in the market for a car, see our capable financial secretary, Ed Bablinskas. (You boys can pay us later for this plug.)

Pauline Urban, Fran Di Bart, Eleanore Svezgda and Don Niksternas manage to attend all our meetings. We wish others would follow their example.

Here's hoping Ray Togaila can talk his buddies into joining our group. Good luck, Ray.

What happened to our Professor Olsauskas? We missed him at our last two gatherings. How about coming around, Prof.?

Smile and Sparkle

LAWRENCE, MASS.
COUNCIL 78

Mr. Norkunas, Helen, Shirley, Dolly and Johnnie Zemis enjoyed their trip to the district outing in Thompson, Conn. The girls are still talking about all the new friends they made. That same evening, Pauline and Anna representing Lawrence at the play in Southie. Joe Lola did a grand job as "šnip"—as usual.

"Where can we find someone to teach us the "Chelsea-hop!" is the cry of the girls who attended the dance in Southie. They enjoyed the dance but had to stick to the old fashioned method of polka-ing. We also enjoyed Southie's picnic which was held in Brockton. The weather was perfect. Did you see all the girls soaking up the sun? There was many a golden tan displayed the next day.

Johnny Zemis was quite busy extending invitations to all to attend our outing on June 25th. Our guests had a gala day of swimming, dancing, softball and refreshments. The committee deserves praise for the fine arrangements.

We will all miss Shirley Laycock when she leaves us this month for her summer position in Andover. This fall, Shirley plans to enter Framingham Teachers College. We don't know what Council 78 will do without its sunny-dispositioned secretary.

Council 78 is well represented in this year's graduating classes. We extend our congratulations to Helen Marcinkevich, Anna Marcinkevich, Shirley Laycock, George Unick, Arthur Fyfe, Philip Bingales and June Stevenson.

Several members are planning to continue studying while others will join the ranks of the working class. Whatever their chosen vocation is, we are sure they will make a success of it if they display the K. of L. Best of luck!

New York, N. Y.
COUNCIL 12

Social

At the May 16th social a surprise party was held for Vinny Zalis and Steve Montvidas, two members who recovered from their serious accident. The boys received wallets as gifts from the council. In the musical chair game Vinny beat Steve out. His prize was a book on calories! In the polka contest Steve almost won that but Joe Sable and his partner held out for a second longer.

Parish Supper

Father Gurinskas' parish supper on May 28th was well attended. Fa-

ther thanked all the council members who put so much effort into helping to make it a success.

Bus Ride

Don't forget the Bus Ride to Salisbury Mills on July 23rd. Make it a must on your calendar. There will be something new added to the Ride this year.

Dinner

In October, our council will tender a dinner in honor of some of our past member who helped to organize it. It will be up to the present membership to make it a success. Remember, any progress made will be a credit to you.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations are in order for Brenda Bell and Tony Razeikas (Maspeth) who were united on June 4th and Stella Kaulius and Henry Kolesk who walked down the aisle on June 10th. The receptions, attended by many members, will long be remembered. We wish the newlyweds many years of happiness.

Birthday Wishes

To Tony Razeikas who combines his with his wedding anniversary on June 4th; Henry Kolesk who celebrated his on June 9th and 10th; and Lillian Zindzius who celebrated her birthday on June 12th.

Sports

With the bowling season ended, the only problem we have now is how to spend our winnings.

Suggestion

Read your copy of the By-Laws! It took the committee a lot of time and work to get a copy to you! This is the first time in about 15 years that the By-Laws have been brought up-to-date. Now each member has received his copy. We especially thank Adele Dronsky, non-member, for going out of her way to stencil and mimeograph the By-Laws.

This and That

Steve Andryauskas, after studying at Fordham, will now spend his vacation in Long Island helping his brother-in-law, Frank Samulenas, build a home. We will miss Ray Arnashus (Newark) who has left for California. We wish Fran and Ann Baskis lots of luck in their new apartment. It was nice meeting Stella Kaulius' cousin, Valerie, of Brockton, Mass. who was a member of Stella's bridal party. Happy to learn Fran Talutis has recuperated after her operation. Walter and Olga Markunas are proud parents of a baby girl, Christina, born on Mother's Day, May 14th, Bill Kale-da is the godfather,

We Two

Elizabeth, N. J.

COUNCIL 52

Better late than never! Happy Birthday, Father Kasper!

Here's an account of our activities for the past six months: Our annual Christmas party was held at the Lithuanian Liberty Hall, at which Mrs. Simon Staboris and Mrs. Adam Naiva prepared a delicious dinner. The Elizabeth "Petunas" bowling team (girls), including Joe Kasey and Herbert Harbais of the downtown Vets, decorated the Yuletide tree. Charles Rusteika played the part of Santa Claus. Charles Oskutis, president, presented our spiritual advisor with a gift in behalf of the council; also Mrs. Staboris received a beautiful purse and Mrs. Naiva, a compact. Prof. Joseph Zilevičius, accompanied the community singing which was lead by our president.

In January, Beatrice Montvilla became engaged to Tommy Eonaitis of Jamesburg, N. J. Best wishes.

In February, our council sponsored a Valentine dance. Music was provided by Andy Wills and His Orchestra; the chairman was Peter Kasilionis. Our annual communion and breakfast was held on February 26th. Mrs. Staboris and Mrs. Naiva prepared a delicious breakfast, and Ann Staboris, Francis Butkus, Helen Balandis and Ronnie Krezonis served. Rev. Anthony P. Kasper, spiritual advisor, celebrated the Mass. Rev. Joseph Simonaitis, pastor, lauded us for our untiring efforts in the K. of L., also commended Josephine Adams and other members who were in Amsterdam, N. Y., that day, reorganizing Council 100.

On March 5th, our council was well represented at the Bayonne communion and district convention. Marion Bernotas became engaged to George Markowitz of Rahway, N. J. on March 25th, her birthday. Ann Staboris also celebrated her birthday same day. We wish them all happiness.

April 1st, our council sponsored a benefit card party in behalf of the Supreme Council. Many Newark and New York members attended it. That same month, Helen Balandis spent two weeks in Florida.

May 6th, Rose McKeon, member, was wed to Vito Murzinski. Bridal party consisted of Peggy Merritt, Phyllis Sundel and Charles Rusteika, all K. of L'ers. In the evening, our council held its dance in the parish hall.

Victor Yurkunas, vice president, was elected Social Chairman due to the resignation of Peter Kasilionis.

RITUAL — First and second degrees were bestowed upon a number of members, June 20th.

Lorraine Paulauskas and William Garby were married at St. Peter and St. Paul's R. C. Church on June

24th. We wish them both a lifetime of happiness together.

Ann Mitchell was elected 1st vice president of the New York and New Jersey K. of L. District. Congratulations, Ann — and HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Feast Day — Father Kasper!

HARTFORD, CONN.

COUNCIL 6

Easter week was spent in many unusual ways by my fellow K. of L. members. Ann Zablaitis and "Vy-tis" spent most of their time partying at the Simkus residence on Mortson St. John Pikow, when last seen was getting ready to spend some time at the Vets Hospital in Newington getting his knee back into shape. John Kriksciun played an Easter Bunny very convincingly to his nephew, Tommy. Wandie Ambrose, Irene Yankauskas and Irene Urban were seen wearing lovely corsages on Easter morning. And who were your Easter Bunnys that brought you those, girls? Joe Adakonis spent the holiday in his home town of Shenandoah, Penn. Dotty Yankauskas entertained with breakfast at her home following 5:30 Mass. Francie Ambrose contributed her services by frying eggs for the breakfast in her own "once-over lightly" fashion. Danny Madeska tells of his strenuous tea and crackers diet over the Lenten season. Vince Juselis had the boys over to his apartment on Easter Eve. Have the dishes in the bathtub been washed yet? Stella Markin spent hours getting some fancy eggs ready for distribution. The unusual size was called an "Easter Special". Incidentally Stella is ready for action again as her ankle is completely healed and she swears she will make up for lost time.

The annual K. of L. play was put on, April 16th at the school hall. It was a tremendous success, drawing a capacity crowd. Our actors, namely, Charles Busky, Mickey Kripas, Terry Endrulunas, Stella Markin, Vy-tis Salemonas, Joseph Becker and Danny Madeska played their character parts superbly. Between acts we had the Bushnell Ballerinas who put on a skit deserving of much praise. Starring in their dance were Ann Zablaitis, Helen Klimas and Buddy Sabeckis. To fill in the rest of the program, selected songs and dances were contributed by the choir, the men's octet and the Folk Dance Group.

In concluding the evening a few hours were spent dancing and refreshments being served to those that got thirsty. We have Father Francis Prancus and Father Paul Sabulis to thank for their work in making this affair as successful as it was.

Great Neck, N. Y.

COUNCIL 109

Our "Rainbow Romp" on May 20 did not receive the support we expected from all our neighboring councils, however we do want to thank Maspeth, N. Y. (110) and Brooklyn (41) for attending. The television set was won by Kitty Thomson of Elizabeth, N. J.

A pleasant surprise at this affair was the attendance of eighteen members from Hartford, Conn. (6). We certainly were happy to see them. Thanks for the wonderful support, Hartford!

On May 28 our council held a social at Steamboat Inn. Short skits, songs and recitation of poetry made the program very interesting. Leonardas Zitkevicius, a recent arrival from Europe, was our guest for the evening. He read some very impressive poetry, which he wrote, on the actions of Russians towards Lithuanians. Vladys Butenas' narrations on the mannerisms of different people in our council at the dance was certainly quite novel. And of course Tony Kober's rendition of a girl taking a bath was very humorous and enjoyed by all. We're waiting for the next episode, Tony! Gladys Banks and Chippy Chapin prepared the delicious meal that was served.

We want to extend our deepest sympathy to Harry Rubenau upon the recent death of his beloved mother.

On April 15, five of our members attended a dance in Worcester, Mass. These travelers were Al and Star Wesey, Jo Rusas, Mary Wesey and Mary Truss. The following week-end the same group attended the dance held in Waterbury, Conn. The following day the New England district convention was held in Waterbury.

We welcome Keistutis Michilas and Leone Simkieviciute into our council. We are glad to have such gifted members in our organization. Keistutis, Leone, and Vladys Butenas took part in a Lithuanian play presented on June 15.

Congratulations to Amy Daknis on her marriage (May 21).

Eva Ippoliti is now back in Maine, and hear she is planning to wed in October.

In the forthcoming months our council will endeavor to find out just how our organization can become a closer, more compact, and more interesting one to its members. We will try to bring back old members, and bring in new members.

Great Neck, indeed, is very proud of the fact that three of its members have been elected to offices in the New York-New Jersey district. Al Wesey was re-elected president, Vladys Butenas was elected recording secretary, and Jo Rusas was elected financial secretary.

"Jan"

New York, N. Y.

COUNCIL 12

Baseball Dance

Our dance of May 29th proved to be a social success. Irene Butkus and Marcy Matalitus, Kearny, helped to entertain some of us before things got underway. With the new sink added to the bar, our boys have no trouble of getting in each other's way. Steve Montvidas and Vinny Zalis sure looked swell after recovering from their serious accident.

District Activities

On April 15th, the Sorokowsky girls arrived at Newark's Circus Dance dressed as clowns. All came back with good-time reports. Two of our members couldn't sit any of the dances at the Candy Kisses Dance sponsored by the Linden council. The band was really terrific! Ed Thompson (Newark), who arrived at the last minute won the door prize... a box of candy Kisses. Such luck! At Elizabeth's Barn Dance we sure had fun doing the square dances. Joe Sable, Jersey City, was lawyer most of the night for those put in jail. Fran Baskis was bailed out by an unknown friend, at one time. The event of the evening was the marriage of Victor Gusavich, Linden, to Helen (?), Kearny. Her veil was of the softest lace — two dish towels. Vic made a very nervous groom. Lucky for him his best man was strong enough to hold him up during the ceremony. There were four bridesmaids and ushers dressed to perfection — in the nicest of peasant clothes. It was a wedding not to be forgotten by anyone present.

Belated Birthday Wishes

To Stella Kaulus who celebrated hers on March 21st. To Joe Sable, J. C., — March 24th; Lorraine Rymovich — March 25th; both Stella Sorokowsky and Terry Razickas (Maspeth) — April 15; Eldy Simulinas — April 29th; Ed Thompson (Newark) — May 8th; Evelyn Savage — May 9th, and Lillian Baker (Linden)—May 11th.

Weddings Anniversaries

On May 1st, Ray and Mary De-nauskas celebrated their first anniversary and Larry and Jeanne Janonis celebrated their fifth anniversary on May 12th. We all wish you many more years of love and happiness.

This and that

The District Sports Committee's dance held on May 13th, at our hall in New York, was a success socially. For the first time there were more fellows than girls at a dance. Boy, did we have fun! The committee would like to thank all those

who attended and helped to make it a success.

Congratulations to Florence Strumilo on her engagement to William Kaleda on Easter. Both are members of our council.

Henry Kolesk was right on the ball when he led a group, at our social of April 18th, in singing Lithuanian folk songs. Hank, why not come down more often and teach the members more Lithuanian songs? Fran Baskis and some of her friends had their picture published in the papers with Willard Marshall, Buddy Kerr and Sid Gordon of the Boston Braves, on the Opening Day at the Polo Grounds, New York. They were also featured in the Newsreels. To think that Fran's boss gave her the afternoon off and asked her not to do anything about it!

We Two

Brooklyn, N. Y.

COUNCIL 41

Dramatics

No sooner had the rain slowed down to a slight drizzle, the house lights flickered, and the curtain came descending upon the finale of a three-act play entitled "Baisusis Birzelis." It brought forth many a tear from a well mannered audience which gathered the idea why we are proud to be American Lithuanians and not "communist dominated Lithuanians." The cast consisted of Joseph Boley, director, Adele Bobin, Al Mikolaitis, Gene Karpis, Ed Kaster, John Andrews and Gene Bender, prompter. Lighting and sound effects were carried out by Matty Kairys and John Lashinsky. Stage hands were Ed Butan and Al Keskonis. All of Council 41.

We thank Pranas Bilenas of Great Neck, N. Y. (109) for taking a leading part in the play; also Marie Kasetaitis, Aldona Jesinskaite, Vladas Butenas and Vincas Trainis for volunteering their services. During intermission (between acts) the girls showed us art of dancing the Charleston and Samba, while the men back stage enjoyed a delicious meal cooked by Mus Tumasonis.

Stepping Out

Connie Kay, past president, felt like a million dollars when he drove up in his new "Buick" to attend the play and help serve refreshments. What happened to Ray Kay?

Auld Lang Syne

After knowing a person so long and enjoying his company, one hates to see such a friend leave for another city. We speak of Ed Tumasonis, our financial secretary, who plans to leave us by the end of the year. Wish you success in your new environment, Ed.

Loyalty Day

As the parade passed by on Fifth Avenue, we took one glimpse of the marchers and spotted Ray Kay and John Andrews struggling with their wind-blown banners. Some day, Johnnie might arrive on time to give you boys a helping hand!

Just an Eye Lash

Bayonne, N. J.

COUNCIL 67

On June 13th, 1950, Rev. Walter Karalevicius, our spiritual director, celebrated his 13th anniversary as a Priest. To Father Karalevicius we, the members of Council 67, extend our heartfelt congratulations and wish that he will continue the wonderful work he has done for the betterment of our organization. By reason of his unselfish devotion and through his blessings we have become an active and significant council.

At our monthly meeting held the same evening, it was voted that a Resolution, protesting to the occupation of Lithuania by the communistic Russian forces, be published in our local newspapers and copies thereof be sent to the President of the United States, Secretary of State and President of the United Nations.

The first half of our K. of L. Shuffle Board League is winding up and the second half will begin immediately. The committee is making arrangements for the presentation of a trophy to the winning team of the first half. This league has been the most successful of all our endeavors. We K. of L'ers look forward to it weekly.

Person-Oddities:

Birthday congratulations to Agnes Dzurak and Connie Mack who celebrated their birthdays in June... A handsome couple Stanley Jurewich and Gertrude Brzoska were married June 4th. Good Luck and Best Wishes to both of you... We would like to wish Margaret Goupsa a "Bon Voyage," Marge will be cruising down the river this month to the Bahama Island... You could hardly recognize Dot Milwid with her new hairdo, but it's good looking and goes well with her personality... Helen Dancisin went fishing one sunny day and when she returned, to our surprise, she had a bag of fish. What did you use for bait. Helen?... Al Brunza is learning to play a ukulele and does some good strumming. Look out, Arthur Godfrey, here comes competition... The K. of L. Barber's Quartet (John Novitt, Mike Griggs, Martin Rusgi and John Bauers) is a sensation! You should hear them... The tango dance was done by Gloria Mack and Vince Maculaitis the other night. They did it so beautifully that we now call them the second Marco dancers...

Adam and Eve

New England Candlepin Roll-off

The New England Candlepin roll-off was held at the Huntington Alleys, Boston, Mass. on Sunday, April 30th at 3 P.M. One hundred fifty K. of L'ers from Massachusetts and Rhode Island participated in the event with twenty teams of men and women bowlers entering in the second round. South Worcester # 2 and Cambridge # 2 joined the bowlers for the first time and we hope to see more of them in the future.

The championship is to be decided on the total number of pinfalls. The final round will take place in September and winners will be awarded trophies.

A meeting will be held later this summer to form both a men's and women's league. A regular tournament will be held in which all teams will be invited in mid-winter. There will be prizes for team single, team total, doubles and mixed doubles and all events.

Wish to thank Steve and John Contons for the fine job they have done and the wonderful cooperation of all who assisted them.

Men

South Boston, Mass.	2777
Cambridge, Mass.	2741
Norwood, Mass.	2725
So. Worcester, Mass.	2707
Providence, Rhode Island	2012
Worcester, Mass.	2609
Athol, Mass.	2514
Westfield, Mass.	2435
So. Worcester, Mass., # 2	1325
Cambridge, Mass., # 2	1292

Women

So. Worcester, Mass.	2543
South Boston, Mass.	2507
Worcester, Mass.	2499
Westfield, Mass.	2497
Cambridge, Mass.	2272
Providence, R. I.	2251
Athol, Mass.	2241
Norwood, Mass.	2184
Lawrence, Mass.	2164
Brockton, Mass.	2059

Men (Average over 90%)

V. Zukas	101
Andruski	97-2/3
E. Jonaitis	97-2/3
J. Nazeika	95-2/3
A. Jankauskas	95
J. Paznokas	93-1/3
J. Zukas	93
W. Pilkins	92-2/3
J. Savilonis	92
A. Strasnick	92
B. Dixon	91-2/3
S. Contons	91-2/3
B. Belconis	91

V. Lucasavage	90-2/3
<i>Women (Average over 80%)</i>	
M. Couch	98-1/3
J. Casper	97
A. Miller	95-2/3
I. Ross	94-2/3
P. Malin	91-1/3
Gutkauskas	89-1/3
N. Lingaitis	88-1/3
C. Mitchell	85-2/3
L. Tomasunas	84-2/3
B. Savickas	83-1/3
L. Grazulis	82-1/3
H. Grazdukas	82-1/3
M. Kleponis	82-1/3
A. Jutt	81-2/3
V. Bagdonas	81-2/3
A. Nevronis	81-1/3
A. Svenkonis	81-1/3
B. Gutauskas	80-1/3
J. Kondrotas	80-1/3
F. Tamulynas	80-1/3
H. Avizinis	80

Men

High Single	V. Zukas	
High Three	V. Zukas	303
High Team Single	Cambridge	500
High Team Total	Cambridge	1411

Women

High Single	Marion Couch	118
High Three	Marion Couch	295
High Team Single	So. Worcester	463
High Team Total	So Worcester	1313

Phil Carter

New England Sports Co-Ordinator

Results of the Mid-Western Bowling Tournament

May 27-28, 1950, Dayton, Ohio. Host Council 96

Girl's high game with handicap.

Mary Wingler	C-25	205	1st place
Laura Yucius	C-5	204	2nd place

Men's high game with handicap.

Jim Kavalauskas	C-96	227	1st place
Stan Zvirbus	C-102	217	2nd place

Girl's high series with handicap.

Lucille Yucius	C-5	550	1st place
Sophia Zukas	C-36	532	2nd place

Men's high series with handicap.

Joe Noreikas	C-36	664	1st place
Mike Petkus	C-96	574	2nd place

Girl's high game without handicap.

Evelyn Galinas	C-102	180	1st place
Dolly Obraitis	C-25	167	2nd place

Men's high game without handicap.

Joe Guerriero	C-102	208	1st place
Stan Lucas	C-96	199	2nd place

Girl's high series without handicap.

Ursula Yankauskas	C-25	441	1st place
Nellie Mikelonis	C-25	433	2nd place

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Men's high series without handicap.

Joe Mikalauskas	C-96	523	1st place
Ray Medonis	C-102	503	2nd place

TOP FIVE GIRLS HIGH GAMES

TEAM:

1st Illinois-Indiana District	Total Pins	2798
Members: B. Videckis, D. Stankus, L. Yucius, J. Noreikas,, J. Jesulaitis.		
2nd Brighton Park—C-36		2767
Members: J. Meizis, H. Sirvinskas, A. Jasper, A. Sirvinskus, J. Kilkus.		
3rd Cleveland, C-25		2675
Members: N. Mikelonis, G. Wanckick, G. Wanckick, U. Yankauskas, V. Palzes, A. Poloski.		
4th Detroit, C-102		2670
Members: S. Jeckewicz, E. Stankunas, R. Medonis, Al Galinas, J. Guerriero.		
5th Cleveland, C-25		2607
Members: F. Kuncyctis, R. Obraitis, D. Obraitis, J. Brazis, J. Jakobs.		

TOP FIVE HIGH GAMES

Women		
Evelyn Galinas	C-102	180
Nellie Mikelonis	C-25	169
Ruth Obraitis	C-25	167
Eileen Stankunas	C-102	161
Ursula Yankauskas	C-25	158
Men		
Joe Guerriero	C-102	208
Stan Lucas	C-96	199
Joe Noreikas	C-36	198
Stan Zvirbnis	C-102	195
John Kilkus	C-36	195

Bowling Committee

Illinois - Indiana K. of L. District
Bowling League Final Standing

	Won	Lost	Total Pins	Average
Bums	(36) 67	35	64,417	.631
Mustangs	(14) 61	41	66,669	.653
Wolverines	(5) 56	46	62,958	.617
Shylocks	(36) 52	50	59,788	.586
Repeaters	(36) 51	51	55,078	.539
Spitfires	(5) 47	55	59,839	.586
Schmo's	(112) 38	64	60,022	.588
Wildkits	(14) 36	66	55,844	.547

Team High Series	Team High Game
Mustangs 2400	Bums 748
Wolverines 2099	Spitfires 744
Schmo's 2021	Wildkits 714

Individual High Series

Men	Women
Wally Arbir 686	Aldona Kaminskis 464
John Norvillas 587	Theresa Cibulskis 463
Pete Waichunas 572	Carol Masilunas 459

Individual High Single Game

Men	Women
Pete Novinsky 255	Sophia Zukas 175
Ed Rackauskas 226	Dolores Stankus 175
Zenon Meizis 196	Jeanette Gaudusas 170

Perfect Attendance

John Norvillas	Dolores Stankus
Roger Biggus	Laura Yucius

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

	Team Name	
Peter Novinsky	Mustangs	165.98
Peter Waichunas	Schmo's	164.52
Walter Arbir	Mustangs	161.98
John Norvillas	Shylocks	154.98
Ed Rackauskas	Bums	153.7
Joseph Noreikis	Repeaters	144.53
John Shimkus	Wolverines	143.81
Leo Zagorski	Shylocks	142.10
John Bart	Wildkits	140.14
Bruno Videckis	Wildkits	139.19
Victor Shimkus	Spitfires	135.70
Zenon Meizis	Bums	131.51
Albert Sirvinskas	Repeaters	126.1
Jerry Talmont	Shylocks	125.6
Leonard Serpetis	Wolverines	123.84
Casimir Serpetis	Spitfires	123.
Roger Biggus	Wolverines	118.7
Edward Lukosaitis	Spitfires	115.20
Aldona Kaminskis	Bums	130.82
Sophia Zukas	Bums	125.66
Jeanette Gaudusas	Wolverines	118.79
Joan Katilius	Mustangs	115.66
Dolores Stankus	Wolverines	113.99
Carol Masilunas	Schmo's	110.88
Theresa Cibulskis	Schmo's	110.66
Ann Jasper	Bums	110.7
Eleanor Puikas	Mustangs	108.95
Gloria Cibulskis	Schmo's	107.71
Ruth Daukas	Wildkits	107.40
Lucille Yucius	Spitfires	106.16
Laura Yucius	Spitfires	103.95
Helen Thomas	Repeaters	103.77
Helen Gudauskas	Mustangs	103.1
Delores Talmont		
Waichunas	Schmo's	101.75
Ann Bart	Wildkits	101.28
Sue Mack	Wildkits	100.19
Adeline Shytell	Shylocks	91.87
Philomena Rekasius	Shylocks	89.10
Helen Sirvinskas	Repeaters	88.81
Peggy Zakaras	Repeaters	81.65

The season ended with a buffet social at the Youth Center. Through the efforts of Laura Yucius, treasurer, and Sophia Zukas, secretary, the bowlers and guests enjoyed a delicious buffet style supper. The party was also attended by John Stoskus, district president, Stephen Kane, 1st vice president, and Kastas Zaromskis, honorary member. Edward Lukosaitis, president of the league, turned the program over to Laura Yucius, who announced the winners, and Stephen Kane, who awarded the prizes. Congratulatory speeches were given, and the 1949-50 season was officially closed.