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Stepping Across the Line

It was one of the dramatic moments in history. Francesco Pizarro, a fearless soldier of Spain, had come to the New World to carve out an empire in Peru. But his army had grown weary of the constant marches, wretched food, ravaging sickness, and enemy harrassment. The spirit of rebellion was rife in their ranks. Pizarro stopped and bending over he drew a line in the sand.

"To the north", he said, "there awaits you an easy life without danger; but that life is without honor for us, and will bring us poverty and disgrace. Marching to the south we shall have to fight hard, make sacrifices, and suffer, but waiting for us will be success, riches, and honor. Now make your choice."

Inspired by their leader, the soldiers to a man faced southward and stepped across the line. The journey was fraught with hardship: through forests, across rivers, and over mountains. Their ranks were decimated by sickness, hunger, thirst, and battles. But they won their goal: they conquered Peru. They gained gold and glory in the eyes of their fellow countrymen.

MOMENTS OF DECISION

Moments of great decision are not limited to great military leaders. They come in the life of every young man and woman.

Stepping across the line of decision is the youth who crosses the stage to receive his diploma. Stepping across the line is the youngster who kneels at the Altar Rail to receive the Holy Chrism of Confirmation from the hands of the bishop. Stepping across the line is the young person who answers the call of his vocation. Stepping across the line is the young leader who accepts the challenge of duties in organizational work. Stepping across the line is the young couple who kneel on the altar steps to exchange marital vows.

These are moments of great decision, because youth is meant for greatness. The only tragedy in life is to fall short of the greatness for which one is destined by God.

In the Far East even to this day there stand some ruined columns of an ancient temple dating back 2000 years before the birth of Christ. Other columns can still be seen strewn about the ground nearby. But there is one place along the side of the

temple where a column should have stood, but was never erected. This column was later found in a quarry close-by. It was an imperfect column, having no beauty in it. It was not considered worthy to be erected in the temple dedicated to the honor of an ancient sun goddess.

So it is with men! In every life there are moments of great decision. Greatness is within one's grasp. A youth has the making of an efficient parish worker; a first class engineer; a zealous priest; a successful businessman; an inspiring teacher; a devoted father. A young woman has all the qualities of a loving mother; a self-sacrificing sister; an enthusiastic youth worker; a dedicated leader. Yet greatness does not materialize. Perhaps it is because there is lacking the courage to step across the line of decision. Or more likely, although the decision is made, there is wanting the relentless drive and perseverance to pursue the decision to its goal.

GREAT MEN

Teddy Roosevelt, a former president of the United States, was once told that he was a great man. "If by great man you mean that I have done things that no one else could do, you are wrong, for I haven't. But if you mean that I have done things anyone else could do and did not do, then, yes, I am a great man." This was the reply of a man of perseverance.

The American historian, Prescott, although almost blind, spent ten years learning modern languages so that he could finish his monumental work, "Ferdinand and Isabella."

Thomas Edison was hardly out of his infancy when he was already spending long nights reading works on mechanics, chemistry and electricity. No wonder he eventually unravelled the mysteries of electricity.

Dante, the famous Italian poet, spent 30 years completing his immortal work, "The Divine Comedy."

These are examples of men who made great decisions, and had the will power to carry them out.

Members of the K. of L., you are meant for greatness. Recall the example of Pizarro and his soldiers. Step across the line of your decision, and drive hard toward your goal.

LIETUVIŠKI ŽIBURĖLIAI

Alfa Sušinskas

Ne apie mirusiuosius lietuvių šį kartą; ne apie tuos, kurie protu ir širdimi yra nutautę ir po konomis pamynę visa tai, už ką tūkstančiai heroiskųjų lietuvių yra paaukoję gyvybę; šį kartą ne apie tuos lietuvius, kurie gėdijasi savo lietuviškosios kilmės, lietuviškosios kalbos, kurie yra atsižadę savo lietuviškojo vardo... Nors tokių ir yra, bet kur daugiau, ačiū Dievui, turime garbingųjų lietuvių, save lietuviškai laikantių ir pagal turimas sąlygas bei išgalėjimą dirbančių lietuvišką darbą. Iš šių taurių lietuvių daugelis nėra nė matę Lietuvos ir nėra joje gyvenę, o tačiau lietuviškoji jų dvasia yra gyva Lietuvai ir lietuvių.

Lietuviškajam gyvenimui kiekvienas lietuvis yra brangus ir reikalingas. Visas lietuviškasis darbas yra visų lietuvių bendras reikalas, o ne vien tik kaikiurių, ne vien vadinamųjų veikėjų... Lietuviškasis darbas būtų neįmanomas be eilinių lietuvių — be lietuviškosios bendruomenės, be lietuviškosios daugumos prisidėjimo.

Lietuvišką darbą galima dirbti įvairiausių būdu ir įvairiausiose vietose. Tiek Leituvoje, tiek ir Amerikoje gimusieji bei augusieji norėdami suranda būdų ir priemonių, kuriais jie gali pasireikšti lietuviškai ir palaikyti bei stiprinti lietuvišką gyvenimą išeivijoje. Šio lietuviškojo gyvenimo pats didysis siekis yra Lietuvos laisvė, ir šia kryptimi turi būti nukreiptas mūsų visas lietuviškasis darbas.

O kokių šviesių ir gražių lietuviškojo gyvenimo pavyzdžių mes turime tarp savo tautiečių!

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— Piniginė Balfio rinkliava gatvėse... Kitaip sakant, piniginė rinkliava vargstantiems lietuviams šelpti... Kas gi begali būti gražesnio ir kilnesnio, kaip savo tautiečiams padėti? Jokio vargo ir nepatogumo neturėtų būti bijomasi. Na, ir ji, jau 60 metų lietuvių, savo jaunystėje į Ameriką atvykusi, išėina su aukų dėžute

gatvėse rinkti aukų iš praeivių. Vieni duoda, kiti ne — bet ji išbūna iki vėlaus vakaro, net smarkiam lietuviui lyjant. Jos lietuviškasis nusiteikimas yra čia visiems žinomas. Kai būna kokie nors lietuviški minėjimai su užkandžiais, ji visada savanore pasiūlo virtuvėje dirbti, lėkščių plauti... Iš tikrųjų, ir lėkščių plovimas kadaisi gali būti naudingas ir reikalingas lietuviškajam darbui...

— Šis, čia gimęs, gyveno tokiose sąlygose, kad niekas jo lietuviškai nemokė. Dalyvavęs Antrojo Pasaulinio karo Europos mūšių laukuose ir atitarnavęs kariuomenėje, jis grįžęs nutarė lietuviškai mokytis. Jis susidraugavo su vienu tremtiniu, ir šis jam daug padėjo lietuvių kalboje. Po kelerių metų jis lietuviškai tiek pramoko, kad gali laisvai susikalbėti ir skaitydamas suprasti lietuviškus laikraščius. Dabar jis gražiai ir našiai darbuojasi Vyčiuose, reikšdamasis savo gyvenime kaip aiškus ir susipratęs lietuvis.

— O jį galima matyti dažnuose lietuviškuose susibūrimuose, minėjimuose, lietuviškose šventėse. Ji gimusi Amerikoje ir gyvena dideliame mieste. Per dieną ji dirba įstaigoje, o po darbo ji dar turi atlikti visą namų ruošą, nes jos abu tėveliai yra ligoti ir turi per 80 metų amžiaus. Nežiūrint visų savo darbų įstaigoje ir namie, ji visada suranda laiko ir lietuviškajam darbui ne tik Vyčiuose, bet ir kituose sambūriuose. Savo lietuvišką kalbą ji yra gerokai patobulinusi ir, jos pačios žodžiais tariant, ji supranta skaitydama gryną lietuvių kalbą leidžiamus laikraščius bei knygas.

— Skaičiuojant geneologiškai, jis yra jau trečioji lietuvių karta Amerikoje. Jis teturi 17 metų ir pernai yra baigęs viduriniąją mokyklą. Iš savo lietuvių tėvų, deja, jis labai nedaug tegavo lietuvių kalbos, nes jie retai ir mažai lietuviškai tekalbėjo. Lietuvių kalbą jis mokosi iš draugų tremtinių, kurie gyvena jo apylinkėje ir su kuriais jis draugauja. Dabar jis jau lietuviškai susišneka ir aktyviai dalyvauja lietuviškajame gyvenime: priklauso lietuviškam chorui ir uoliai pasireiškia įvairiuose lietuviškuose pasirodymuose.

Iš tikrųjų, mes daug turime šviesių lietuviškųjų žiburėlių, kurie šviečia lietuviškumu ne tik sau, bet plačiai ir kitiems.

Kiekvienas, kuris jaučiasi esąs lietuvis, pagal savo galėjimą turi stengtis ir lietuvių kalbos daugiau pramokti ir kuo nors prisidėti prie bendro lietuviškojo darbo, kurio yra tiek daug, ir progų jam dirbti — taip pat daug.

Norintysis daug ką gali atlikti lietuviškojo gyvenimo kelyje... Bet pirma reikia norėti...

If someone does something wrong,
We cannot wait to tell him so.
But if it's something good he's done,
Where did all the people go?

We often speak too soon,
Words we may regret.
And though we are forgiven,
It's quite hard to forget.

We're never satisfied,
With just what we have got,
If we seem to have a little...
We always want a lot.

Not a day goes by,
When people don't complain.
We've either had too much
Or not enough of rain.

The summers are too hot...
The winters are too cold...
The oldsters wish that they were young...
The youngsters, they were old.

If we'd just be satisfied,
With the way things really are,
The world would be a better place
In which to live by far.

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K. of L. CALENDAR

- June 26 — Pittsburgh, Pa. (19) Picnic,
Lithuanian Country Club.
- July 17 — Amsterdam, N. Y. (100)
Picnic.
- July 24 — New York - New Jersey District
Picnic, St. Michael's Grove,
15 E. 23rd St., Bayonne, N. J.
- August 25-28 42nd K. of L. National
Convention. Host: Newark,
N. J. (29). Convention head-
quarters — Robert Treat
Hotel.



WHY I AM A K. OF L. MEMBER

Bernice M. Burdulis

Editor's note:

A year or so ago, "Draugas", the only Catholic Lithuanian daily newspaper in our country, sponsored a column dealing with news from K. of L. councils. To create interest in K. of L. news, the column announced an essay contest among the members on the subject: "Why I am a K. of L. Member?" Prizes were to be awarded to those writing the best essays.

However, it was unfortunate that lack of interest caused the contest to be cancelled. Yet it did move one member to write on the subject. The author of this article has been a member of Council 116 for about seven years. She is presently a Senior at Clark University in Worcester. We are happy to publish her article which we feel the readers of the "Vytis" can read with a great deal of interest.

When the topic for this essay contest sponsored by "Draugas" was announced at the Convention in Pittsburgh, the only reason I could give myself for being a member of this organization, was to participate in its social activities, a subject on which a suitable article could hardly be written. The question was brought to fore when our own council bestowed the first degree upon some of its members. Upon being asked, "Why did you join the K. of L.?", the members gave answers something like this: "It seems like a good organization," or "All my friends belong" or "They (the members) have a lot of fun." Only one boy responded, "It will bring me closer to God." I wonder whether this was his actual belief or whether he just thought this would be an appropriate answer to such a question.

After this episode I began thinking, "There must be a deeper meaning behind the K. of L." The founders of the K. of L. must have had greater values in mind when they planned this organization. And why has it spread so that now it is on a national basis?

For inspiration I turned to the motto, "For God and Country." *For God?* Yes, I had to admit: we do serve God; we do have a Communion Breakfast once a year, and also our Spiritual Adviser does give us a religious talk at our monthly meetings. *For Country?* Oh yes, that small select group, the Lithuanian Affairs Committee, does work hard writing letters to help liberate Lithuania and some few do what they can to spread Lithuanianism.

But to me, these reasons did not seem sufficient and I began to probe a little deeper. The clue to the solution of this puzzle came when I began to compare K. of L. members with persons who have not been as fortunate as I am to have such an affiliation. In fact I have been told by outsiders how fortunate I am to belong to such an organization. I have now come to the realization that the benefits derived from active membership are varied and infinite in number. They include spiritual, social, nationalistic and psychological values.

As I see it, too many of us take our K. of L. membership too lightly and too

matter-of-factly. We think we are doing the organization a favor by belonging to it, but actually the values received from this affiliation are greater than the work we do for it. I shall try to explain some of the benefits derived.

First, the K. of L. is an organization with spiritual values but the work of the K. of L. along the spiritual line is not merely to add to the number of religious activities we must attend or to the number of sermons we must hear. It is an organization which binds together the Catholic Lithuanian youth of America. By this unification it tries to make us, its members, realize in a most vivid way the importance of being a BETTER Catholic. It inculcates within us the conviction that Catholicism is a way of life which we must live every hour, every minute, every second of every day and which manifests itself in our every thought, word and deed. From this it becomes clear to me that it does more than merely teach the fact that we are bound to go to mass on Sunday, to confess and receive Holy Communion at least once a year, and abstain from meat on Friday.

It is through organizations such as the K. of L. that an awareness of the Catholic ideals is kept alive in us. Too many Catholics are merely "Catholics by habit" i. e. they go through the routine of being a Catholic merely because they have been brought up that way, but once they venture forth out into the secular world, they begin to break these habits and religion loses the little meaning it had for them. The K. of L. tries to make us Catholics not from force of habit, but from a deep religious conviction of the truth behind Catholicism. Too many individuals find

that their only contact with Catholic philosophy lies in attendance at Sunday Mass whereas on the other six days of the week, they come in contact with individuals holding various anti-Catholic philosophies. To remain steadfast in one's beliefs is not always easy in such cases and many times the arguments of those of the secular world seem quite logical. As a result, not a few either lose their faith entirely or believe in the teachings of the Church only partially. They become more or less nonchalant about the whole subject of religion.

The K. of L. however, strives to prevent this for it provides a means of strengthening our faith. Through associations with people who think the same as we do, we can derive strength to adhere to our Catholic ideals even though those with whom we work or go to school may present quite contrary beliefs and may even scoff at ours. It must be remembered that although faith is a gift from God, it cannot be neglected and still survive. It must be fed, and through associations with Catholics, we can derive a deeper insight into the faith which will then have a greater meaning for us. These associations will also make us more desirous of fulfilling our Catholic duties because we will become more aware of their tremendous importance in the daily life we live.

In addition, the K. of L. gives us an opportunity to have a parish priest as a friend. Many Catholics see their parish priests only on Sunday mornings as they say Mass at the altar and the relationship that exists between the priest and parishioner is more or less that of strangers. Therefore, they are afraid to approach him when problems arise, and only when they are in dire need, all other methods of solution having failed, do they venture forth to the parish priest for help.

PERSONAL CONTACT

Through personal contact at club meetings, committee gatherings and social affairs however, a K. of L. member can really get to know his parish priest and friendship between the two can easily arise. He then becomes someone with whom one can talk when problems arise, from whom one can seek help in making decisions and receive reassurance should any doubt concerning the faith arise. These doubts can thus easily be erased before any real damage is done.

Lithuania and America are the two countries served by the K. of L. The work of the Lithuanian Affairs Committee is perhaps the direct means whereby the K. of L. serves Lithuania. However, indirectly, every single member serves her. I am

reminded of the speech Bishop Dearden gave at the national convention in Pittsburgh at which time he stated that America has been mistakenly called the "melting pot" of the world. He preferred to call it a "symphony" in which each nation had a certain part to play — and the beauty of this symphony was due to the arrangement of the individual parts. Due to the efforts of the members of the K. of L., the part assigned to Lithuanians can be heard loud and clear in this great American symphony. Through the efforts of the K. of L., the customs, the traditions, the language, the folk songs and dances of Lithuania are being kept alive and are cherished not only by the older folk but also by the youth. I have never attended a K. of L. dance at which Lithuanian folk dances were not enthusiastically performed or a K. of L. outing at which Lithuanian songs were not sung. Affiliation with such an organization promotes a feeling of kinship toward all Lithuanians, a feeling which is not shared by descendants of these nationalities who have had the great misfortune of losing their native culture and traditions.

HISTORY AND CUSTOMS

Being of Lithuanian parents, naturally I am not forgetful of the land which gave me my Lithuanian ancestry. Yet I often wonder how much I would know about Lithuania were I not a K. of L. member. The chances are that I would be like a good many Lithuanian young people who know that Lithuania exists and that is about as far as it goes. They know nothing about her history, customs and traditions. They ignore the Lithuanian language which, according to philologists, is the key and gateway to all the ancient languages that ever existed. They fail to realize that the language which we try to speak is the oldest living language today. They lose contact with things Lithuanian and soon they become indifferent to everything that is Lithuanian.

I do not profess to be one who speaks the language fluently or knows the customs thoroughly but I can honestly say that my membership in the K. of L. has helped me to realize that Lithuania is a country with a glorious past, that its language, because of its unusual beauty and philological worth, is to be cherished and that its customs and traditions are too wonderful to be forgotten. Talks at conventions, discussions at meetings, articles in the "Vytis," contacts with members thoroughly imbued with true Lithuanian spirit, all these have taught me that Lithuania is a country to be better known and better loved. All these have aided me to

become, and I can say this very humbly, a BETTER Lithuanian.

The K. of L. serves America in as much as it molds its members into better citizens. It develops future leaders and teaches them to live harmoniously with their neighbors. It instills in them democratic ideals, the fundamentals of good government and the importance of exercising their voting privilege.

BINDS TOGETHER

The parish that is blessed with a K. of L. Council is indeed a most fortunate one for it serves to bind together the youth of the parish into a working group. Although this group is united by the K. of L., it does not confine its activities to the K. of L. It broadens its scope to include not only K. of L. projects but also parish - sponsored activities. It makes us, its members, aware of the needs of the parish and directs our efforts in such a way as to fulfil these needs according to our capabilities. It gives us not only the satisfaction of having done good but also fun in doing it. It helps us to know each other and instills within us a feeling of "belonging" to the parish. It promotes a feeling of loyalty and faithfulness to the parish because it makes us realize that the parish is a source of those values which can be obtained only there and no where else. It enlightens us, the younger members of the parish, to the fact that parish work is not only for the older folk, but also for us as well. This contributes to making the parish not a dull but a dynamic organization.

Lastly, the K. of L. can contribute to the development of our personality. Through the K. of L., we can develop whatever qualities of leadership we possess, and we can gain poise and confidence through election to office and through committee work. It also develops us as social individuals through the availability of social and sports activities. It widens our circle of friends and gives us an opportunity to travel. Furthermore, the K. of L. works toward the prevention of juvenile delinquency in as much as many of the councils have clubrooms which afford a place of recreation for the older members and which is instrumental in keeping the younger members off the streets nights and in discouraging street corner "gangs."

In conclusion, I am a K. of L. member because I know of no other organization which serves so many causes: God, the Catholic Church, two countries, America and Lithuania, the community in which we live and us as individuals. What organization can compare with it?

Juozas Leimonas

Liaudies Meno Motyvais



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Tai gražiai, meniškai išleistas Prof. Igno Končiaus rinkinys — albumas, kuriame atkurtas religinis mūsų tautos liaudies menas reikštas lietuviškais kryžiais bei koplytėlėmis. Kūrybos pagrindas paimta Žemaitijos kryžiai ir koplytėlės ir tas mūsų liaudies menas pajvairintas Prof. Igno Končiaus individualinės kūrybos motyvais. Tuo būdu mūsų liaudies kūryba lyg ir pratęsiama, išvystoma.

Tai yra didelis kūrybiškas darbas, kuris mus tikrai nustebina. Mus stebina Prof. Igno Končiaus tų dalykų gilus išstudijavimas, į juos įsigyvenimas, jo kruopštumas ir galia tokį milžinišką darbą atlikti. Šis darbas yra ypač svarbus dabar, kai Lietuvoj bolševikiški okupantai negailestingai naikina šią mūsų tautos liau-

dies kūrybą. Tuo būdu Prof. Ignas Končius tartum pavaduoja Lietuvoj pasilikusius mūsų tautiečius, kurie negali šių dalykų toliau kurti ir savo kūrybą dabartinėse bolševikinės okupacijos sąlygose gyvendinti.

Šis albumas buvo mūsų lietuviškos spaudos ir apskritai visuomenės šiltai sutiktas. Gal čia tik pravartu būtų pažymėti, kad Prof. Igno Končiaus kūryboj užtinkama naujumu, kurie mūsų dvasiai yra gana svetimi, tai kai kuriuose kūriniuose panaudojimas laužtų kryžių motyvų. Lietuvio krikščionio sąmonėje kryžius yra nelūžtantis dalykas, nes Kristus, mirdamas ant kryžiaus, kėlė iš numirusių, mirtį nugalėjo. Dėlto kryžius tapo laimėjimo simboliu. Tiesa, banditas arba banditų gauja, kuria kartais tampa

ir valstybė, gali daug naikinti, griauti, žudyti. Bet visi tie žudikai negali sunaikinti žmogaus sielos ir mirties nugalėti. Ir jie patys viens po kito vienokiu ar kitokiu būdu gauna galą. O kryžius, kaip ir Dievas, lieka nenugalimi.

Taip pat iškyla ir harmoningumo klausimų kai kurių grupių derinime, pav. psl. 113, 123, 147. Bet, apskritai imant, tai yra vertingas įnašas į darganą dabarties mūsų gyvenimą ir šį įnašą su džiaugsmu sutinkame. Neabejotina, kad šis Prof. Igno Končiaus kūrinių albumas bus lietuvių mėgiamas ir branginamas. Jis galės būti graži dovana ir kitų tautų žmonėms, lietuvių prieteliams, juoba, kad parašai yra lietuvių ir anglų kalbomis.

In accordance with Article IX of the K. of L. Constitution and By-Laws, the following amendment to the constitution, passed at the Boston Convention in 1953, revised, is being published at least 3 months before the convention, to be introduced by the Supreme Council at the Newark Convention held August 25 - 28, 1955.

Edward A. Daniels

1st Vice President, Supreme Council

KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA JUNIORS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I Name, Patron, Insignia

1. The name of the organization is Knights of Lithuania Juniors.
2. The patron is St. Casimir.
3. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors have as their emblem the Lithuanian Knight on a white horse with a cross on a shield.

ARTICLE II Purpose

1. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors strive to unite American youth of Lithuanian descent and to develop in them qualities of leadership and prepare them for eventual membership in the Knights of Lithuania.
 - A. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors adhere to Catholic philosophy and precepts, furthering among its members a deeper understanding and more zealous practice of the Catholic Faith, and by appropriate means safeguard their moral conduct.
 - B. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors educate their members to become good American citizens.
 - C. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors encourage among its members an attachment for the land of their forefathers and an affection and respect for the Lithuanian language and customs.
 - D. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors strive to encourage its members to higher education.
 - E. The Knights of Lithuania Juniors strive to establish wholesome sports groups for the physical development of members.

ARTICLE III Membership

1. Membership is open to all Catholic youth of Lithuanian descent.
2. Anyone belonging to a group whose purposes conflict with the Catholic Religion, or which is subversive to the American Government or which encourages disrespect for Lithuanian tradition may not become or remain a member of the Knights of Lithuania Juniors.
3. Those who have not reached the age of sixteen are eligible to join a Junior Council.

ARTICLE IV Organization

1. A Junior Council may be organized with a minimum of five members.
2. The establishment of a Junior Council must have been approved by a majority vote of the sponsoring adult council. A Junior Council must have constant supervision of the regular council.
3. Each Junior Council will be the number of the sponsoring council, under which organized.
4. The counselor sees to it that all necessary information pertaining to Junior Councils be forwarded to Supreme Council Officer in charge of Juniors.

ARTICLE V Dues

1. Each member pays an initiation fee of 25c.
2. Regular dues are 10c a month.
3. Each Junior Council pays an annual fee of \$5.00 to the Supreme Council. Each Junior Council will receive 1-5 copies of the "Vytis" depending on the size of the council.
4. A Junior member transferring to another council does not pay the initiation fee.
5. A member who has not paid his dues for three months is considered a member not in good standing, loses his right to vote and other council privileges.

ARTICLE VI Officers

1. Officers for Junior Councils shall be: A) President. B) Secretary. C) Treasurer. In larger groups additional officers may be D) Vice-President. E) Corresponding Secretary. F) Sgt.-at-arms.
2. Elections will be held annually.
3. Duties of officers: A) President shall call together meetings and preside over them; B) Vice-President functions upon the absence of the President; C) The secretary takes minutes of the meeting and notifies members of the meetings. Keeps a record of those attending, and handles correspondence. D) Treasurer keeps financial records, collects dues and turns money over to the counselor.

ARTICLE VII Meetings

1. Meetings must be held at least once a month. Special meetings may called when the president deems it necessary.
2. The business meetings may follow the following pattern:
 1. Opening of meeting.
 2. Prayer.
 3. Roll call.
 4. Reading of minutes.
 5. Reports.
 6. Admission of new members by solemn oath.
 7. Unfinished business.
 8. New business.
 9. Announcements.
 10. Closing of meeting.
 11. Prayer.

ANNOUNCING
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At Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, N. J.

Tentative Program

Thursday, August 25

- 11:00 — 5:00 P. M. Registration, Robert Treat Hotel,
 Main Lobby
 Leadership Courses
- 8:00 P. M. Reception, St. George's Lithuanian
 Hall, 180-82 New York Avenue

Friday, August 26

- Mass, Holy Trinity Church,
 207 Adams Street
- 10:00 A. M. Opening Session, Robert Treat Hotel
 2:00 P. M. Second Session
- Evening Program to be announced later*

Saturday, August 27

- Mass, Holy Trinity Church
 10:00 A. M. Third Session, Robert Treat Hotel
 12:30 P. M. Luncheon
 2:00 P. M. Fourth Session
 9:00 P. M. Semi-Formal Dance

Sunday, August 28

- 10:30 A. M. Solemn High Mass,
 Holy Trinity Church
 2:00 P. M. Closing Session
 6:00 P. M. Banquet

VADAMS KURSAI

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A MODERN FABLE

By John V. Chervokas

"Gee, Waldo, from what I can gather those human beings are having quite a time for themselves. They all seem to be killing off each other. They have accidents in those funny things called automobiles. They murder each other. They have wars. I just can't figure it out."

"You're right, Juozuk. It's odd. There are so many more of us worms than human beings and we never fight amongst ourselves. And somebody once said that those people have more brains than animals. Just 'cause we're so small doesn't mean that we're dumb."

"Take your brother for example. Isn't he going to some special school?"

"That's right. He's studying to become a book-worm."

"Gosh, it doesn't take much sense to realize that killing is an awful foolish thing to do. We live such a short time anyway, why should we make it any shorter?"

"You're absolutely correct. Why we're always in danger without even fighting each other. Just yesterday poor Vladas and his brood —

"Who?"

"You know Vladas. He and his family used to live under the cabbage patch."

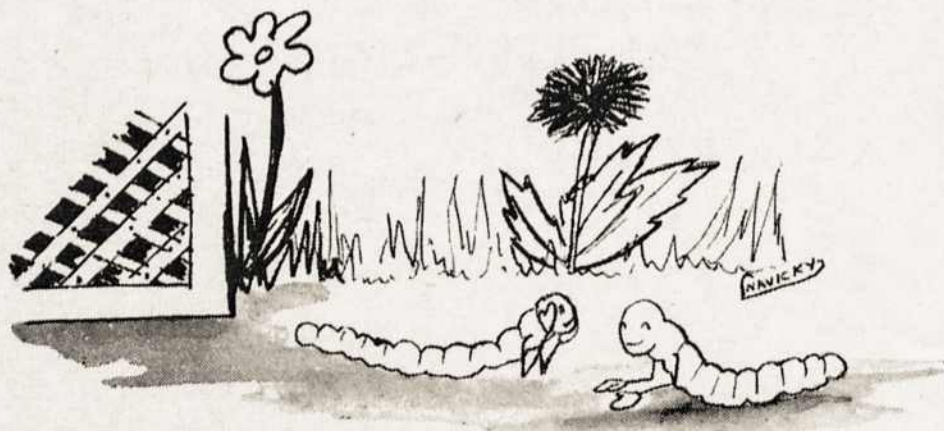
"Oh, yea. He has a nice home. It's real damp."

"You should say he HAD a nice home. That small size of a human being they call a boy was going fishing yesterday and he took Vladas —

"You don't mean —

"Yep, bait."

"That's a shame. At least they could keep killing themselves if they want to kill so much. They don't have to stoop to killing worms."



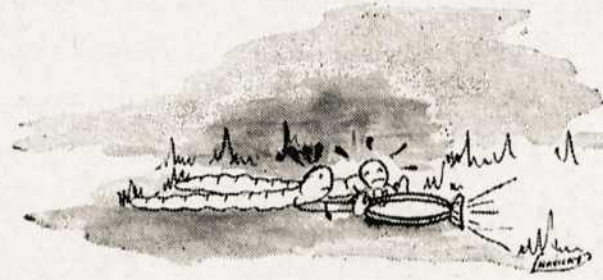
"Yes, but you must remember that they should be pitied rather than criticized. They're a sad case."

"I bet we worms could help them, but we're too doggone small to do anything."

"And they need help badly. Why they're so misinformed that it's pathetic. I heard that person they call Sue just yesterday call a man, 'You worm'."

"What's the matter with that? I'd be proud if I were that man."

"In the human world, though, 'you worm' means that you're bad. They think that we worms are evil little creatures."



"Poor people."

"And you know something else, they don't tell the truth like we worms always do. You remember that Sue I was talking about. Well, the man she called a worm is what humans call a boy friend. She's really in love with him but she was angry about something and yelled at him. I was under the porch and heard the whole thing. She even threw the engagement ring at him."

"The what?"

"Engagement ring. Like we have a curl put in our tail when we're going to get a wife, they have rings to put on their fingers."

"You mean she threw it away?"

"Yep, and I bet she's sorry now."

"She probably is."

"After a while she came outside and looked and looked for it but she couldn't find it."

"Say, that's a downright shame. Hey, what's that way over there."

"Where?"

"To your left, that shiny thing. Crawl over and see what it is, willya?"

"Sure thing. I'll be back in ten minutes."

"Just a minute. I'll go with you."

After a lengthy crawl the pair reaches the object and find that is Sue's missing ring.

"Waldo, this is our chance?"

"Chance for what?"

"Now we can do something for the humans."

"What are you talking about?"

"Listen, the sidewalk is only a fifteen minute crawl from here. If you and I can combine our strength we can push the ring onto the sidewalk where she can see it."

"That's a swell idea. You take this side and I'll take the other."

The two creatures pushed feverishly. Exerting all their energy, they tugged and tugged. After a half hour their objective was attained and they reached the sidewalk.

"Whew, Juozuk. That ring sure is heavy. I'm pooped. How do you feel?"

"Yea, I'm so tired I couldn't crawl another inch, not even with a tapeworm to measure it."

"Say, look up there."

"It's two girl humans."

"Yea, it's Sue and her sister, Birutė. They're looking down here."

Atop the stairs, Birutė spies the ring and shouts to her forlorn sister, "Sue, isn't that your ring down there on the sidewalk?"

"Oh, Birutė, it is, I think. Isn't that wonderful?"

Juozuk noticing the actions calls, "Hurry up Waldo. Let's get out of here. She's coming down to get it."

"Oh, I'm so tired. I'll try. Let's go."

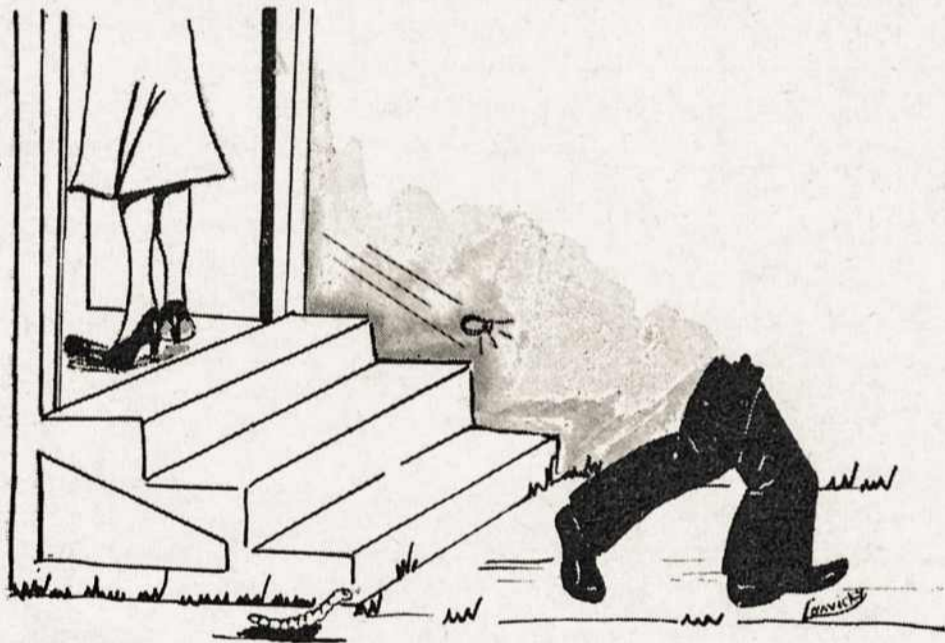
The excited Sue scampers down the steps. Hurriedly she grabs the gem and shouts to her sister, "It's the ring."

Birutė dashes down to Sue's side and joyously exclaims, "Isn't it just grand?"

"It sure is. What a fool I was to throw it at poor Pranas."

"Well you found it and that's the important thing. Hey, what's that there on the ground near where your ring was?"

"Well, I'll be. It's two worms. I must have stepped on them when I ran downstairs. Oh, what difference does it make. Come on inside, I have to call up Pranas."



Moral — How often do kind-hearted individuals go thankless, or, Don't try to crawl out of an engagement because the worm might turn.

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- Šiais metais sueina 175 metai nuo žinomo lietuvių rašytojo Darkiemio klebono, kun. Kristijono Duonelaičio mirties. Jo veikalai išversti į 12 kalbų.

- Kiek talpina didžiausios pasaulio bažnyčios? Didžiausia pasaulio bažnyčia yra Šv. Petro, Vatikane, Romoje; joje telpa 54.000 žmonių; Šv. Povilo, Romoje, 32.000; Koelno katedroje — 30.000; Milano katedra, Italijoje, — 27.000; Šv. Povilo, Londone, 25.000; Šv. Patriko, New York, U.S.A. 17.000; Šv. Stepono, Vienoje, Austrija, 12.000; Šv. Morkaus, Venecija, Italijoje, 7.000.

- Kristaus drobulė bus rodoma per 87 television stotis. Praeitais metais buvo rodoma per 31 tel. stotį. Ta drobulė, kaip yra manoma, yra ta pati, kurion buvo įvyniotas Jėzaus kūnas, kai buvo nuimtas nuo kryžiaus. 1896-8 metais ją tyrinėjo daugelis mokslininkų: kunigų ir pasauliečių. Prieš antrąjį pasaulinį karą ypač buvo garsus tyrinėjimas netkinčio slovakos med. daktaro Hynek, kuris vėliau atsivertė į Kat. Bažnyčią.

- Mažoji Airija didelė misijonierių davėja. Airija turi 2.960.593 gyventojų, o pasauliui davė 4.870 airių misijonierių. Jų tarpe yra 2.162 kunigai, 479 broliukai, 2229 vienuolės. Daugiausia išleidžia Dublinas (Visų šventųjų Kolegija, Šv. Dvasios Kongregacija). Daugiausiai darbuojasi: Australijoje, N. Zelandijoje, P. Afrikoje, Kinijoje, Japonijoje.

- Keliaujanti Marijos statula atvyko į Santjago, Čili. Pasitiko didelė žmonių minia ir prezidento žmona Dona Graziela de Ibanez; taipgi dalyvavo diplomatų korpusas.

Vasario mėn. 8 dieną minimoji stovyla atvyko į Boliviją.

- Panamoje busią išleisti pašto ženklai su popiežių atvaizdais. Šiais metais mano išleisti keletą serijų. Pirmoje serijoje numatyta išleisti popiežių: Grigaliaus, Benedikto, Leono, Jono; taipgi dabartinio pop. Pijaus XII dviejose serijose. Bus leidžiama keleta metų, kol turės 263 popiežių atvaizdus. Paveikslus piešė H. Davis, Denver, Col. Jis dabar gyvena Washington, D. C. Paveikslų originalai bus padėti Regis kolegijoje, Danver, Col.

- Šiais metais sueina lygiai šimtas metų nuo mirties didžio lietuvių poeto Adomo Mickevičiaus, mirusio 1855 m. Konstantinopoly (dabar vad. Instambul). Jis rašė lenkų kalba, kaip tuo laiku buvo mada. Savo kūryboj jis reiškė daug meilės Lietuvai ir lietuviams.

- *Verkianti Madona iš Syracuse, Itali-*

joje. 1953 metais Angelo Januso vedė Antoinette Giusto. Jo sesuo Marija Grazia, kaip vestuvių dovaną, davė vienos pėdos didumo moliņę šv. Marijos Širdies stovylėle. Jie laikė minėtą stovylėle jų miegamajame. Po šešių mėnesių Nekalčiausios Marijos Širdies oktavoje, Antoinette susirgo. Ji pažvelgė į minimą paveikslą. Jis verkė! Tai buvo 1953 metų rugpiūčio mėn. 29 dieną. Paveikslas verkė ir tris sekančias dienas. Tūkstančiai matė paveikslą, jį fotografavo ir ašaras nusiuntė į laboratoriją chemiškam ištirimui. Sicilijos vyskupas gruodžio mėnesio pradžioje iškilmingai paskelbė, kad tai yra tikros ašaros ir žmogišku būdu negalima išaiškinti.

Kardinolas Ruffini, lydymas Sicilijos vyskupų ir vyriausybės atstovams dalyvaujant, pašventino kartinį akmenį "Verkiančios Marijos" bažnyčios. Panašiu vardu statoma bažnyčia ir Syracuse, N. Y.

Gal tai yra ženklas, kad mes turime daryti atgailą ir savo ašaras jungti su Marijos, kaip atsilyginimą ir permaldavimą už daromus Kristaus įžeidimus.

- Atsišaukimas į Jungtines Tautas, kuriuo reikalaujama, kad Sovietų Rusija įgyvendintų padarytas sutartis, išvestų kariuomenę, policiją, politinius agentus, kolonistus iš Lietuvos, buvo atspausdintas "Congressional Record". Atsišaukimą yra patiekęs p. Petras Daužvardis, Lietuvos Konsulas Chicagoje, minint 37 metų Lietuvos Nepriklausomybės sukaktį.

- Katalikai naujame Prancūzijos kabinete. Naujasai Prancūzijos ministerių pirmininkas Edgar Faure, buvo išrinktas remiant jį visoms partijoms, išskyrus komunistus ir socialistus, kurie yra aršūs kat. mokyklų priešai. Tarp pasižymėjusių katalikų naujame kabinete yra: Antoine Pinay (independ.) užsienių reikalų ministeris, Robert Schuman (M. R. P.) teisingumo min., Generolas Joseph Koenig (De Gaul) apsaugos ministeris, Pierre Pflimlin (M. R. P.) finansų ministeris, Paul Henry Teitgen (M. R. P.) ministeris Prancūzijos sritims užjūriuose.

- Š. m. vasario 21 dieną Bostono arkivyskupas R. J. Cushing pašventino "Our Lady of Railroad" koplyčią, turinčią 500 sėdimų vietų, kad keleiviai prieš kelionę galėtų susikaupti prie Marijos kojų. Buvo susirinkę 3000 žmonių ir ta proga pasakė garsųjį pamokslą, pradėdamas šiais žodžiais: "Mano mieli žydai, protestantai, katalikai..."

Prieš porą metų minėtas Arkivyskupas pašventino "Our Lady of Airways" koplyčią aeroplanų stoty prie Bostono.

- Didžiulis Bostono dienraštis "The Boston Globe" nuo gavėnios pradžios spausdino kurinį "Jėzus ir Jo laikai" parašytą Daniel - Rops. Tuo slapyvardžiu yra prisidengęs garsus rašytojas Henri Petiot, kurį šiais metais Prancūzų Mokslo Akademija yra įtraukusi į savo nemirtingųjų eiles. Jis gimė Vogezuose, katalikas. Mokslus pradėjo ir universitetą baigė Grenoble. Dijon universitete jis įgijo Istorijos daktaro laipsnį. Jau pirmą knygą gerai įvertino Prancūzų M. Akademija. "Jėzus ir Jo laikai" Prancūzijoje yra išėjusi 400 laidų; išversta į 15 kalbų. Apie ją gražiai atsiliepė ir nekatalikai.

- KOKIA KALBA KALBĖJO JĖZUS? Abraomas yra laikomas žydų tautos tėvas; jis kalbėjo Urchaldėjų kalba, kuri vėliau išsivystė į hebrajų. Nuo to laiko žydai kalbėjo hebraiškai. Būdami išvaryti į Pietų Babiloniją ir tenai gyvendami penkias gentkertes, žydai primiršo savo kalbą, o išmoko valstybinę, aramjų kalbą. Ketvirtame šimtmety prieš Kristų jau pilnai buvo persimė aramųjų kalba.

Aramųjų kalba yra semitų kalbų šaka. Prie semitų kalbų priklauso: finikiečių, arabų, aramųjų, etijopų ir hebrajų. Aramųjų kalba yra viena iš paprasčiausių, labiausiai neišskultuotų kalbų. Aramajai buvo klajokliai, besibastydami siekė tolimas sritis. Kadangi jų gyvenamas plotas buvo lig kelias, kuriuo ėjo anų laikų prekyba tarp Rytų ir Vakarų, Šiaurės ir Pietų, tai aramųjų kalba virto prekybos kalba. Ši kalba labiausiai buvo paplitus Persų galybės laikais. Ezdros ir Danielio pranašo raštai parašyti geriausia aramųjų kalba. Gal būt, kad aramųjų vardas paeina nuo senovės Sirijos pavadinimo: Sirija seniau buvo vadinama Aram. Taigi ši kalba, kuria kalbėjo ir Jėzus, buvo nužemintųjų kalba, sakytum praščiokų, be literatūrinio išdailinimo. Tačiau ta kalba Jėzus pasakė svarbiausius žmonijai dalykus.

VYČIAI SENDRAUGIAI

(Atkelta iš 15 psl.)

Pasitraukė iš direktorio pareigų. Vincas Pavis, sendraugių kuopos išdininkas, nuo pat nupirkimo Vyčių namo Vykdomojoj taryboj ėjo pirmininko pareigas, kartu buvo ir vyriausiuoju Tarybos knygvedžiu (buchalteriu). Šiomis dienomis jis iš tų pareigų pasitraukė. V. Pavis atstovavo Chicagos apskritį. Ką apskritis paskirs jo vieton, vėliau sužinosime.

Kartu pasitraukė iš eitujų pareigų ir vyriausias Vyčių namo užvaizda Vincas Paukštis, sendraugių kuopos Tarybos narys.

Kaip V. Paukštis, taip ir V. Pavis yra įdėję daug darbo ir pastangų Vyčių namo labui.

FORBIDDEN MIRACLE

Author Stasius Būdavas, in Lithuania, was well-known for his many short stories and novels. His current book, "Forbidden Miracle," is a story of a youth's struggle for freedom, happiness, and love — all against a backdrop of Nazi brutality and savagery during World War II.

The purpose of the book, according to the author, is to show that "all peoples of the world have the same equal rights to freedom, happiness, and independence," and that people everywhere "must offer constant resistance to oppression of any kind" lest they be destroyed by enslavement.

St. Būdavas points out in his book that even under the extreme hazards of war, when humanitarian and moral principles are disregarded, the morally strong are able to emerge triumphant.

THE FORBIDDEN MIRACLE,
The Comet Press, 11 West 42nd
St., New York, N. Y. \$3.00.

Peter waited in the Vienna—West Station all through the night. The trains were going one after another, but it was impossible to climb aboard. It was very crowded and only men of great strength and power could get out of the waiting hall to reach a train.

He decided to leave Vienna. The city was wonderful, but now it was too dangerous. He got his passport and waited for an opportunity to find a room in a hotel.

To find a room in Vienna was hard during those days. The city was jammed with refugees. Peter wandered from morning till evening trying to find a simple room. The hotel managers and porters paid little attention. They demanded extras beside the official price, even gold and other jewels for cigarettes, bacon, or liquor.

Peter hunted through the restaurants, met many of his countrymen, and asked after his sister and other relatives, but they knew nothing about them.

Finally, enemy bombers began to appear to demolish the beautiful city. The enemy lost his plan. He began to terro-

rize innocent habitants and threw his bombs everywhere, on parks, residences, and churches.

Danger was imminent in every peaceful corner. Peter decided to go West at once. He reached the West station just before sunset and stood in the line-up. The crowd was huge. He struggled for many hours, and just before midnight he received a ticket. After that, he forced his way through stuffed halls to exit doors. At the doors, he waited again for an opportunity to get out to the platform.

On the platform, the mob fought for every foot. They cried and screamed. The noise always began when an empty train appeared near the platform. Now, they moved forward with all their might to get only one foot inside the car, between the doors, or even on the stairs outside. However, only those with strong arms and powerful muscles achieved their purpose.

Before daybreak the military police appeared inside the station again and checked all men, especially the younger ones.

One officer came to Peter: "your passport, please."

Peter gave him his paper and waited tensely.

"You are a foreigner, Mr. Radys."

"Yes, sir. I came from Lithuania," Peter answered.

"How, and why have you arrived here?"

"I escaped from the Reds."

"No, I ask why you are here in the station?"

"I go to St. Poelten, sir. I want to get a job there."

"Is there no possibility to get a job in Vienna?"

"Yes, Sir. But it is too hard to get a room here."

"But every factory has its special camp for workers."

"I don't know, sir. I arrived in Vienna just a few days ago..." Peter looked innocent.

"Do you know that foreigners can travel not over 100 kilometers?"

"Yes, sir, I know it. Here is my ticket for less than 100 kilometers".

The officer looked at the ticket, then the passport again, and took a paper with a long list from his pocket. He checked his list slowly and carefully, looking at the passport again and again. Then he returned the passport to Peter without saying a word and went away.

Peter waited, worried. He supposed that the officer would be back any moment to bother him again. However, the officer did not appear. Peter watched the other officers. They crept among the young men, requiring everyone to show papers, and from time to time, took one away.

After sunrise, Peter forced his way through an exit door onto a platform. Outside, he breathed the fresh air into his lungs and felt better after the hard, sleepless night. But he had no hope of getting into a train.

Peter took his suitcase and tried to take a short walk along the platform. He stepped a few paces, looked around, and saw an end'ess crowd of people. He came back, found a little space, put his suitcase between his legs, leaned against the wall, and closed his eyes. No worries, no troubles disturbed him. Suddenly the crowd cried out from deep joy, and Peter awakened.

He saw an unexpected picture. A train appeared with the magic inscription: EXPRESS.

Everybody rushed to the train, which was still moving. They grasped handles and jumped between doors. When the train was at full stop, the fighting started in earnest. Powerful men jumped over women's heads, others crowded through windows and pulled their friends and their bundles after them.

In a short time, all the cars were stuffed. The stairs were crowded with people. There was no place left. The people moved forward with force again and again.

Finally, young boys jumped upon the roofs of the cars, and drew up their boxed, bundles, and luggage. Military police appeared, and called all youngsters down from the roofs.

The foregoing material is a representative chapter of a novel, "Forbidden Miracle", written by a well-known author of independent Lithuania, Stasius Būdavas. In presenting it here, the editors call your attention to the book's being the first literary works of a Lithuanian author to be published by an American press.

Peter stood still and looked around. He was quiet and had no intention of leaving his place because any chance to get into the train seemed hopeless.

He bowed his head and closed his eyes again.

"Hey, you! Listen to me. You there, by the wall!" A young girl just over twenty, brown haired, and middle sized was crying to him through the car window.

Peter opened his eyes. The girl waved to him with both hands, and cried with all her might, "Yes, yes, I call to you. Have mercy on me. Look, there is my basket not far from your legs near that baby carriage. Bring me my basket, please, through the window."

Peter left his suitcase and picked up the basket. It was heavy and not so easy to lift from the ground. Finally, he lifted it, and propped it against the wall, to put it onto his shoulders. Then he brought the load through the crowd. The girl was overjoyed, and had tears in her eyes.

"You are such a kind man," she said. "A hundred people passed by. I cried, nobody wanted to bring my basket. Thanks, and may God bless you..."

He lifted up the basket and pushed it through the window. The girl took it on one side, and pulled it with all her might. She acted quickly and said something to him.

Peter didn't answer. He finished his work and turned back to his suitcase. He felt tired and exhausted.

"Why are you going away? Wait a minute please," the girl cried.

Peter stopped.

"Do you go by train? What is your destination?" the girl asked.

"There." He pointed toward the west.

"Board the train, please. I have a place for you," she said energetically.

Peter shrugged his shoulders and hesitated. He looked at the crowded doors, steps, and shook his head.

"Here, here, please. Not there. Straight through the window," she called loudly. "Give me your suitcase. I'll help you."

Now Peter awakened. He ran to his suitcase and brought it to the car. She grasped it and pulled it into the car. Then she turned back again, gave him her hands, and cried, "Jump in, jump in, I'll help you."

She pulled him in with all her might. Peter clung to the window very firmly. He was almost through when a military policeman coming by took him by his feet. The girl held onto Peter firmly, and encouraged him. "Go in, go in, faster, hurry up!"

Peter pushed forward and fell in onto the basket and his own suitcase.

"Who is he," Why does he crawl through the window? Get out, get out!" the policeman cried, threatening with his weapon.

The girl stood at the window. "What do you want? Why do you want to take away my husband?"

"Who is he? Why does he crawl through the window?" The policeman was mad.

"Well then, take away my husband."

The policeman was surprised by the energy the girl exhibited. His anger passed a little. He looked at her, mutely.

Meanwhile, a big noise was heard in another car. Policemen were fighting with a youngster on the car's roof. The angry policeman rushed to help his friends on the roof.

"Thank God! He's gone," the girl said to Peter. "Don't be afraid. Keep quiet. He has disappeared. Sit down, please, on my basket. We have enough room."

They sat down on the basket and waited until the train left the station.

"I am much obliged to you," she said. "Only you helped me to take the basket, only you." Her voice was friendly.

"I am thankful, too," Peter said finally. "You were very clever and protected me from that policeman."

"Are you a foreigner?" The girl turned suddenly to him.

"Yes, I am." He felt a little uncomfortable.

"Where are you from?"

"Lithuania."

"Lithuania?" She thought for a moment. "Oh, yes, I know Lithuania. There are big battles there now between the Germans and the Bolsheviks. You are a refugee?"

"That's true. I am. Many people fled from the Reds."

"Have you a wife? Children?"

"No," she answered quickly.

Peter was tired; it was very hot in the car. He wanted to sleep. But he supposed it was not polite to stop talking so suddenly.

"Are you German?"

"No," she answered quickly.

"But you speak German fluently," he said. "Perhaps, you are Hungarian, or Italian?"

"Not at all. I am Austrian," she replied.

"I supposed that Austrian and German were the same," he said.

"Absolutely not."

Peter felt confused.

This moment, the train hissed, budged, and left the West station. Soon they were outside Vienna. The train ran fast and swung a little. Peter fell to slumbering again. His head slumped forward.

"You are very tired," she said.

"Yes, I am a little tired," he murmured sleepily.

"Where do you go?" she asked.

"To St. Poelten."

"Have you relatives or friends there?"

"Oh, my God!" Peter thought, "she is such a troublesome girl." He answered, "No, I have neither relatives nor friends there. My purpose is to go West as far as possible." He bowed his head again.

"But St. Poelten is not far from Vienna," she continued.

"Yes, I know it, but I have no permission to go a longer distance than a hundred kilometers. You know why, I am a foreigner."

"I am sorry. You look very tired," said the Austrian girl. "You must rest. Don't be afraid to fall into a deep sleep. I will waken you before St. Poelten."

"Thank God, she stopped bothering me," he thought.

The train raced like a nimble eel. Sometimes it climbed down among beautiful valleys, and sometimes it ran up mountains. Villages and towns appeared and an old castle, or a church on a hilltop.

The train ran with all possible speed toward the West.

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CHICAGOS MĒRAS SU LIETUVIAIS VEIKĖJAIS

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Pradedama ruošti sukaktuvių minėjimui. Gegužės mėnesį sendraugių susirinkime išklaudyta pirm. Ign. Sakalo planai kuopos dešimties metų jubilėjui minėti ir išrinktos įvairios komisijos tiems planams vykdyti. Sudarytos komisijos: programos, propagandos, bilietų, skelbimų rinkimo programinei knygai ir k. Spalio 23 d. bus vyčių sendraugių šventė, kurią, be abejo-

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Jaunimo veiklos mecenatai. Inž. Antanas ir Marija Rudžiai liko jaunimo veiklos mecenatai, paaukodami ALRK. Federacijai \$100. A. Rudis buvo vienas sumanytojų Maldos žygio į Šv. P. Mariją Fatimoje. Tą žygį sėkmingai veda Katalikų Federacija.

(Nukelta į 12 psl.)

Lietuvos Vyčių Istorija

Ignas Sakalas

(tęsa)

55-ji KUOPA

55-ji kuopa Indiana Harbor, Ind., įsteigta 1916 met., balandžio 2 d. per suruoštas prakalbas, kuriose kalbėjo dr. A. Rutkauskas ir K. Pakštas. Apie kuopos įsteigimą sekantį rašoma "Vyčio" nr. 6, 1916 m.:

"Balandžio 2 d. įvyko puikios prakalbos. Kalbėjo dr. A. Rutkauskas ir K. Pakštas. Po prakalbų susitvėrė Lietuvos Vyčių kuopa iš 18 narių. Betveriant kuopą trukšmadariai mėgino kelti trukšmą ir ardyti, bet ant to nieko nepaisyta".

Per daugiau kaip du metus nieko nebuvo rašyta apie kuopos veikimą. Tikrai 1919 m. "Vyčio" nr. 1 rašoma, kad "Gruodžio 17 d. 1919 m. bažnytinėje svetainėje L. Vyčių 55 kuopa laikė priešmetinį susirinkimą. Po apsvarstymo savųjų reikalų, pirmininkas, Petras Milius, kalbėjo, kad kuopai reikia prisidėti prie tautos darbų, prie Liet. Raud. Kryžiaus, Auksinio Kardo po \$10. Vietinis vargonininkas Antanas Glemža, teatro skyriaus vedėjas parėmė įnešimą".

Toliau rašoma, kad vasario 15 d. 1920 m. Ivanovo svetainėje nutarta rengti vakarą su vaidinimu, dainomis ir deklamacijomis, vadovaujant Antanui Glemžai. Vakarą pelnų skirti pusę parapijai, o pusę Liet. Raud. Kryžiui.

Renkant naują valdybą pirmininku išrinktas teatro skyriaus režisorius A. Glemža, o vicepirm. Jonas Gusčius.

Tų pačių metų "Vyčio" nr. 12 rašoma, kad birželio 6 d. buvo suruoštas kitas vakaras, kurio programą išpildė 82-ros kuopos iš Gary, Ind., dramų grupė. Atvaidinta 4-rių veiksmų drama "Vagis". Veikalą režisavo A. Šlapelis, Gary, Ind., lietuvių parapijos vargonininkas. Po vaidinimo dar dainavo Gary parapijos choras, vedamas to paties A. Šapelio, o kalbą apie draugijų naudą pasakė prof. kun. P. Bučys, "Draugo" redaktorius iš Chicago, Ill.

Tų pačių metų gruodžio 30 d. metiniam kuopos susirinkime patiekta praeitojo meto veiklos apžvalga. Neminint ruošų vakarų, koncertų, paskaitų, kuopa nupirko Lietuvos Laisvės Paskolos boną už \$50, Liet. Raud. Kryžiui per Lietuvos Misiją paaukavo \$50, savo parapijos reikalams įnešė \$105 ir per įvairias parapijas pramogas atskirai dar surinko

\$431.55. Anais metais šitokios sumos buvo nemažas įnašas.

Susirinkime išvardinti ir veiklesnieji nariai: A. Glemža, S. Radžiūtė, O. Simoniūtė, V. Petrauskaitė.

Kad 55-ji kuopa anais laikais buvo pajėgi lietuviškam veikimui, rodo dar faktas: 1921 metais Centro Valdyba, vykdydama keleto seimų pakartotą nutarimą nupirko spaustuvę Chicagoj, užtraukdama organizacijai \$10,000 skolą, kuri buvo išdalinta kuopoms, žiūrint jų narių skaičiaus. 55-tai kuopai buvo paskirta sukelti \$125.00.

Neturint rekordų, negalima tikrai pasakyti nuo kurių metų kuopa ir jos veikla pradėjo silpnėti. Tam buvo keletas priežasčių: kaikiurių narių išvažiavimas į kitus miestus, sukūrimas šeimų ir pasitraukimas iš organizacijos narių gretų. Ypatingai sunkus smūgis kuopai buvo varg. A. Glemžos mirtis: parapija neteko vargonininko, o vyčiai visuomet giedrios nuotaikos veikėjo. Antras Pasaulinis karas dar labiau susilpnino kuopą, nes daug narių buvo pašaukti prie ginklo. Pagalios nutrūko betkoks veikimas ir kuopa iširo.

Po karo suskatus vyčiams vėl organizuotis, vietos kleb. prel. K. Bičkausko paskatinimu Chicagos vyčių veikėjai kuopą atgaivino ir įstatė į senas veikimo vėžes. Dabar kuopai priklauso jau čia augęs jaunimas, kuris sekdamas senųjų ateivių pėdomis, veikia, šviečiasi leituviškoje dvasioje ir stengiasi išlaikyti ne tik brangų tikėjimą, bet ir lietuviškas tradicijas.

56-ji KUOPA

56-ji kuopa buvo įsteigta Braddock, Pa., lietuvių kolonijoje. Neturima žinių nei kuriais metais, nei kieno iniciatyva bei pastangomis buvo įsteigta ir puoselėta.

Kuopoje veikė dramų, sporto ir kiti skyriai. Mergaitės buvo įsteigusios ir ilgai palaikė mezgimo, nerimo ir siuvinėjimo kursus, kurie kas savaitę veikė paeiliui narių namuose. Kursų vakarais buvo skiriama valandėlė ir pasikalbėjimui įvairiais organizacijos reikalais.

Kaip nežinoma, kada kuopa buvo įsteigta, taip nežinia nei kuriais metais kuopa paliovė veikusi.



**CADET CHESNAUSKAS
IS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST
AT WEST POINT**

Commended for Academic Work

Mr. Adam Chesnauskas of Brockton, Mass., has been notified that his son, Ralph, a cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point, has been named to the dean's list for the semester just closed. The letter from the dean of men contained both the announcement of the honor and high praise for the cadet's superior academic achievements. This makes the third time this year that Chesnauskas has received the honor.

Last month the West Point Army football team staged spring practice and the All-American guard took part in the drills. The popular guard was placed in tackle position during the practices by Coach Col. "Red" Blaik. Chesnauskas states that "playing tackle in practice doesn't necessarily mean that I will be playing that position when football begins in the fall. I like playing tackle and now that I weigh 215 pounds maybe I will wind up in tackle position in the fall."



Lithuanian Consul Shallna (Boston) and U. S. Senator Knowland (Calif.) taking counsel over status of Lithuania. In May, during the first visit of the Senator in N. E., at the annual dinner of the Suffolk County Republican Club, of which Mr. Shallna is a Director, the Senator and the Consul compared notes of their efforts in the fight for the independence of Lithuania, the other Baltic States and genuine peace of the world.

The cadet has been elected captain of the academy's hockey team for next year and also is outfielder for the West Point baseball team. During the spring football practice Chesnauskas often found himself playing both football and baseball the same afternoon.

Chesnauskas will complete his academic year at the end of the month and then will be a platoon leader with 300 men under him as he participates in intensive maneuvers at the academy.

When Cadet Chesnauskas was named All-American last fall he became the first West Point cadet of Lithuanian origin to make an All-American team. Further honors were bestowed upon him when he was chosen army's hockey captain. According to Stan Balberis' Lithuanian "Who's Who" record book, Chesnauskas has the honor and distinction of being the first and only cadet of Lithuanian parentage to captain an academy hockey team in the school's history.

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SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

by Phil Carter

- Q. *How many seasons did Cy Young play in major league baseball?*
- A. He pitched 22 seasons for 5 different clubs in both league including one perfect game.
- Q. *Does a kangaroo use its front legs in running?*
- A. In traveling, kangaroos use only their hind legs and move in a series of powerful hops, using their tails to balance them. Their small front legs, meanwhile, are lightly clasped to their chests.
- Q. *Is it possible for a man to swim in the extremely salt water of the Dead Sea?*
- A. Swimming is almost impossible, for the arms and legs of the swimmer protrude out of the bouyant water. The water is extremely bitter to taste and oily to touch.
- Q. *Does going from one climate into another effect the playing quality of a football team?*
- A. Players may be effected by change of climate. Teams coming from the warm climate into moderately cold climate when the air is pure and crisp, are very often helped by the change. Few teams are ever helped by moving into warm climates where it is so hot and uncomfortable that the players become fatigued.
- Q. *In what state was boxing first legalized? What was the longest bout?*
- A. At one time New Orleans was the boxing center of the world, and in 1891 Louisiana became the first state to legalize the sport. The longest bout in boxing history was staged in New Orleans on April 6, 1893, between Burke and Bowen. It lasted 7 hours 19 minutes went to 110 rounds and ended in a draw.
- Q. *Who originated the football team "Ivy League?"*
- A. Stanley Woodward of the New York Herald Tribune coined the name, which was quickly taken up by other journalists.
- Q. *How many boxing deaths were there in 1954?*
- A. The death of Eddie Sanders, on Dec. 12, 1954 was the third in pro. boxing and the sixth in both professional and amateur boxing.
- Q. *What is the maximum over-weight a race horse may carry?*

- A. The most over-weight a horse may carry in a race is five pounds.
- Q. *Why are the stadiums called by this name?*
- A. The word comes from the Greek "stadion", a measure of length equal to 606 ft. 9 inches. This was the distance of the original Olympian foot race, which was named for the measurement. Later the term was applied to the place where the race was run.

- Q. *What sport was rated oddity of the year?*
- A. The sports oddity of the year occurred on Jan. 1, 1954. That's an oddity in itself.

The scene was the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, where a capacity crowd watched Rice romp over Alabama. Dick Moegle, elusive Rice half-back was running wild and apparently there was no way Alabama could stop his long runs. That is, there was no way until Moegle burst into the clear and started on a 95 yard jaunt toward a touchdown. As he ran near the Alabama bench a fired-up youngster named Tommy Lewis forgot he wasn't in the game jumped up and tackled Dick Boegle, still 42 yards from the goal line. The officials, of course, gave Moegle and Rice credit for the full distance and the touchdown and poor Lewis was almost overcome by chagrin as Rice won the game 28 to 6.

But the unpredictable public didn't cast any blame on Lewis. He was hailed as a "great competitor." He was buried under sympathetic letters and telegrams and deluged with offers to appear on radio and television shows.

Only one other event came close to that one as an oddity in the opinion of the sports writers. That was the 1954 World Series.

The experts found it hard to believe that the Cleveland Indians who had set an American League record by winning 111 games during the season, could collapse completely or that the New York Giants were a good enough club to blank Cleveland in the Series. There were two ways of looking at it, but the result still remained the same — Giants in four games.

Several others picked on one aspect of the Series — the home run clouting of a pinch hitter — Dusty Rhodes — as the year's great oddity. Many thought it most strange that Cleveland's Bob Feller, after waiting six years for such an opportunity, didn't get to pitch even one ball in the series. Then there is the oddity of a rabbit appearing on the playing field at the Iowa, Notre Dame football game.

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COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

LOS ANGELES (C-133)

At a regular meeting held in St. Casimir's parish hall, it was voted to commemorate Mother's Day by receiving Holy Communion "in corpore" and to hold a communion breakfast after mass.

During the council's Membership Drive, a YOUTH DANCE is to be held once each month, so as to try and get new members to join.

The council voted to donate \$10.00 to the Lithuanian Catholic Fund — Chicago, Ill., and \$25.00 to St. Casimir's Church Fund — Los Angeles. *A. Sk.*

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

KEARNY-HARRISON, N. J. (C-90)

Well, here we are back again in the fold. It's a long time since Council 90 has been represented in the "Vytyis" but let's hope "Those days are gone forever."

Many, many things have happened in the interim, the most important of which was the building of our new church, a dream came true after many long years of waiting and planning. Now we're trying to build up the membership in our council in much the same way. Father Leo has given \$5 as a 1st prize for the individual in our council bringing in the most new members; 2nd prize — box of 25 Carats candy was donated by Al Borris; and 3rd and 4th prizes of \$3 and \$2 will be given by our own council. Maybe that will be an incentive to push our drive over the top.

Mother's Day

As always, we held our annual Mothers' Day communion breakfast this year and we had a wonderful turnout. It was grand to see all the members in attendance honoring their mothers. Two of our Gold Star Mothers were present and it was in-

deed an honor to have them as our guests. We also had all of our "old faithfuls", Joe Boley, Mayor Healey and Councilman Vincent, present. They can always be counted on to make their appearances. We'd like to congratulate Ann Klem for doing such a grand job as Mistress of Ceremonies — an unexpected pleasure, wasn't it, Ann? And while congratulations are in order, let's congratulate Alice Salkus and Ursula Nakrosis for making the affair the success that it was. We know it was a lot of hard work and we sure appreciate it.

This and That

We heartily welcome Eleanor and Al Borris, Eleanor and Lennie Rokus, and Rita and Gus Stukas who have rejoined our council as of the May meeting.

Also at the May meeting we were glad to see Father Leo. It has been some time since we've had Father at our meetings and we certainly enjoyed having him there.

Birthday greetings to Ursula Nakrosis (June 8) and Alice Smigelskis (June 27).

Congratulations to Father Dominick Pocus, our curate, on the 10th anniversary of his priesthood. We're all looking forward to the banquet in his honor to be held June 5 in the new church hall.

Looks like a busy season ahead — plans are in the making for a summer outing and also for a theater party among other things. More about future activities next month. *"Two Bits"*

GREAT NECK, N. Y. (C-109)

During the past few weeks, our members had participated in two bowling meets held in Maspeth. Although many who bowled were stiff and sore for a few days, they had a very nice time. Refreshments served by the Host Council was greatly enjoyed.

Since the weather is getting so nice and warm, all thoughts are on the many summer picnics that we are planning. Everybody seems to enjoy these picnics, especially the ones which are held at Jone's Beach.

Rickey Marks

PHILADELPHIA, PA. (C-3)

Just about the happiest member amongst us these days are the proud parents of little Maria Mc-Allister. Congratulations Lucy and Jim!

Though unable to review the recent Weanie Roast at Harpers Meadows, I hear that all had an enjoyable time in spite of the cool night and minus a few needed eatable articles. We thank the entire committee, including Johnny Mickunas, its chairman.

The Membership Drive in our area has finally gotten underway, under the direction of Vice President Peter Utkus. His able assistants are Joseph Yanulaitis, Rita Mazeika, Joan Tamosaitis and Stacy Utkus. Members are asked to give their wholehearted support towards this great project.

On June 5th, our council will tour the city of Washington, D. C. and though it be a little early to predict the outcome, we hope you will be looking in on the next issue.

"Down among the sheltering palms" may sound like an old tune, but it really was a grand vacation for our Financial Secretary Ann Olbikas, who took a trip to Florida.

Lately missed at council meetings are Albert Anona, Patricia and Thomas Meron, Emily Lukosius, Eliz. Penkauskas, Anna Mae Wallowich and Theresa Mazeika.

Looking into the ads of "happy house hunters" we now find the McAllisters residing in the McKean St. area — good luck in your new home! Just remember, that if the music gets a little high at times it's none other than your neighbors; Stacy Utkus tuning in her new Betsy Ross Spinnet and hubby Joe playing the saxophone. Best of luck to Emily Lukosius also, in her new apartment.

Recently released from active duty are John Podziunas and Joseph Budelis. Happy to have you both back with us and looking forward to seeing you at our council functions.

In conclusion, we wish a hearty welcome to Charles Petronis. P. S. Watch those cigars!!

"Cukoo Bird"

NEWARK, N. J. (C-29)

Founder's Day

While the coming national convention is uppermost in our thoughts, other phases of activity have also kept us quite busy!

A Founder's Day commemoration was held on Sunday, April 17th, at St. George's Hall. The celebration was opened with a prayer by Father Peter Totoraitis, curate of Holy Trinity Church, followed by the Allegiance to the American flag and the singing of the Lithuanian hymn. 1st and 2nd Ritual degrees were bestowed upon the following large class of qualified members: **FIRST** — Frank Galan, Joan Yankauskas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Douches, Daniel Laukzemis, Marilyn Swetell, June Youch, Charles Stankunas, Mr. and Mrs. Pius Gioba and Louis Stukas; **SECOND**— Mr. and Mrs. Charles Balchiunas, Charles Sipaila, Anthony Malakas, Mrs. John Bieksha, Christina Korbet, Helen Malakas and Mr. and Mrs. Albin Jankauskas.

Speakers on the program were — Father Totoraitis, Joseph Sakevich, 2nd national vice president, Vera Laukzemis, 2nd vice president of Council 29 and Edward Tamosiunas, president. A vote of thanks go to Edward Tamosiunas, Vera Laukzemis and Joseph Sakevich, for having arranged such a fine program.

National Convention

We hope that all (from both the Eastern and Western hemisphere including the Pacific Coast) are making plans to be on hand for the 42nd Annual Conclave. Must compliment the Convention Committee for the time and effort it has been putting towards making the 42nd national convention of the Knights of Lithuania a memorable one.

As it has already been announced, the Robert Treat Hotel will be Convention Headquarters. This hotel is located in the center of the town and across the street from Military Park, which dates back to the founding of our city and in the earlier days was called the Town Common and was used as a training place for soldiers of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. Don't forget the Convention dates — August 24—28, 1955.

Memo to All Councils

The Convention Committee is endeavoring to provide an interesting and well balanced program. We hope that every council will be well represented at the

42nd national K. of L. convention. For further information, write to: Edward Thompson, convention chairman, 675 Belmont Ave., Newark, N. J. or Mrs. Charles Douches, secretary, 419 Ridgeview Avenue, Scotch Plains, N. J.

A Bit of This and That

Congratulations and best wishes to William Senkus (C-52) and Ann Barcas who were united in marriage at a Nuptial Mass in SS Peter and Paul's Church, Elizabeth, N. J., on May 28th. Also to Philomena Rekasius of Chicago, Ill. (C-36) who middle aisled with Joseph Sudeikas, on May 28th and pronounced the vows at a Nuptial Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church.

Our heartfelt prayers and best wishes to Father John Jutkevičius who celebrated his 15th anniversary in Priesthood on May 15th. May he continue his labors and good works in the Lord's Vineyard for many years to come.

Don't forget the New York-New Jersey District's annual picnic which will take place at St. Michael's Grove, 15 East 23rd St., Bayonne, N. J., on Sunday, July 24th. *The Wanderer*

AMSTERDAM, N. Y. (C-100)

At our monthly meeting held May 2nd, plans for the annual outing, which will take place on July 17th, were made. The committee is made up of Sophia Gavry, Sadie Karbus, Sophie Olbie, Gene Gobis, Pauline Urban, and Donald Nikstenas.

Most appropriate for the month of May Father Baltch gave a talk on Our Lady of the Lourdes. It was in the rocky grotto of Lourdes that Our Lady spoke these words to Saint Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Father Bob gave a brief talk on Lithuania. He showed us a book, giving the historical background of Lithuania's many cities, towns, and villages. He mentioned that one of the first of seven Catholic churches was built in Ukmergė in the year 1387. Pauline Urban's dad comes from Trakai. So, we next got the facts on this city. We also checked on Utenos apskritys, Panevėžys, and Klaipėda.

Coffee and cake were served at the close of the business, by Gene Gobis.

Belated birthday greetings to Pauline Urban (April 26).

Special... Gene Gobis is taking golfing lessons.

Smile & Sparkle

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

PITTSBURGH, PA. (C-19)

On April 14 Bill Marculaitis presided in the absence of our president George Levinskas, who was of town on that day. The important discussion at this meeting was the Card Party (May 10) to be held in St. Casimir's Hall for the benefit of the K. of L. Radio Program. Nell Kuntz, our very capable chairman has many good and ambitious workers who have excelled themselves in soliciting prizes and donations of all sorts. To name a few girls: The - Beaver - Twins, Bernice Balamootis and Tillie Kaupinus, Eleanor Allen, Madlyn Petraitis and Ann Kevalis.

Our first Picnic of the season will be held on June 26 at the Lithuanian Country Club. Chairman for this occasion is Steve Onaitis and his assistants are: Dick Simalis, Andy Rozger, and Al Onaitis. Let us display as much enthusiasm on the Picnic as on the Card Party!

Council 19 is buzzing with thoughts and plans to attend the Bowling Tournament in Detroit on May 28-30, and many members are looking forward to attend both as participants and guests. The Pittsburghers love to travel, especially to K. of L. affairs.

On April 23 Lori and Vita were married in St. Casimir's Church. Lori made a very charming and stately bride. The members who attended the wedding and reception had a most enjoyable time. Members wish the couple much happiness in their wedded life.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Ruth Rapalis, whose father died on March 31.

Julia Aleshunas is back on her feet after being "Lady-of-Leisure" for many many months and the story goes that she is to be a lady plumber or shall we say work in the plumbing field. Good piping, Jul.

Peggy Saliunas, one of our staunch K. of L. workers, was confirmed on April 28 at St. Casimir's.

We have had the good fortune of having another guest, Al Zakarka from Amsterdam, N. Y. He is spending a few months at Westinghouse Educational Center under the Student Plan. Welcome Al!

Birthday Greetings to: Marion Bartkus, Raymond Bukauskas, Vyto Jucevičius, Anne Kevilas, Ann Kolicus, Wm. Marculaitis, Marcella Onaitis, Ellen Pavlosky, Alice Pocius, and Eleanor Vale. *M.P.*

OHIO-MICHIGAN DISTRICT

CLEVELAND, OHIO

Iš Vyčių Apskričio Suvažiavimo

Balandžio 23-24 d., Clevelande įvyko Ohio-Mich. valstijų Vyčių apskričio suvažiavimas-seimelis, kuriame dalyvavo šių miestų vyčių jaunimas: Clevelando, Daytono ir Detroito, o svečiais buvo atvykę net iš Rochester, N. Y. ir iš Pittsburgh, Pa.

Seimelis bei jo sesijos vyko Hollenden viešbutyje, Cleveland, Ohio. Posėdis prasidėjo 2:30 val. po pietų ir tęsėsi apie tris valandas. Nesant dvasios vadui, maldą atkalbėjo apskričio vice-pirm. — B. Karklius. Delegatų buvo apie 18. Sekančios kuopos turėjo savo atstovus: L. Vyčių 25ta kp., L. V. 96-ta kp., 102-ra kp., o svečiais buvo: Joana Gudaitė, 93-čios kp. pirm., Virginia Pauza, Freda Rimkutė, Marijona Vezelytė ir Rich. J. Pauza, Rochester, N. Y., o iš Pittsburgh, Pa. — Vincas Količius, Vyčių Centro išd.

Seimelio prezidiumą sudarė: St. Vaitkus pirm., Dayton, Ohio, B. Karklius vice-pirm., nut. rašt. — V. Žitkutė, Cleveland, Ohio. Seimelio vedėjo buvo pakviestas J. Sadauskas pasakyti įžanginę kalbėlę ir pareikšti pasveikinimus nuo 25tos kp. Po jo tarto žodžio, sekė buvusios valdybos raportai. Nutarimus iš pereinamo seimelio gražiai skaitė V. Žitkutė, fin. raportą pateikė K. Petkus, bendrą apskričio pranešimą padarė St. Vaitkus. Iš visuotinio vyčių seimo įdomų raportą davė Ad. Neimaniene. Visi raportai buvo priimti su padėka.

Toliau sekė nutarimai: 1. kad kiekviena šiam apskričiui priklausanti kp. turės įmokėti bent \$10.00 nario mokesčio. 2. parašyti J. Jasulaičiui, vyčių didžiajam veikėjui, užuojautos laišką, jį ištikusioj skaudžioje nelaimėje, kurią niekšai įvykdė Chicago, Ill.; 3. nutarta parašyti laišką L. Vyčių 19-tai kp., Pittsburgh, Pa., kad ir ji prisidėtų prie Ohio-Mich. valstijų vyčių apskričio, nes jau šiame seimelyje buvo gautas žodis nuo V. Količiaus, kad jų kp. mielai tą padarys. Tokiu būdu, šis apskritis gal dabar bus vienas iš didesnių vyčių organizacijoj. 4. nutarta prašyti ir paraginti vyčių org. centro valdybą, kad ji parodytų daugiau veiklos savo organizacijoj, o ypačingai, kad daugiau ir dažniau parašintų pranešimus ir paraginimus "Vytyje" bei kituose liet. katalikiškuose laikraščiuose.

Toliau sekė apskričio naujos valdybos rinkimai. Atsisakius St. Vaitkui iš pirminko pareigų, nors jis buvo prašomas pasilikti dar ir sekančiam metui, bet viskas buvo veltui. Taigi šis seimelis išrinko se-

kančią valdybą: dvasios vadas — kun. Dr. K. Širvaitis, pirm. — M. Trainauskaitė, vice-pirm. — B. Karklius, nut. rašt. — V. Žitkutė, Cleveland, Ohio, išd. K. Petkus, Dayton, Ohio, išdo globėja — M. Usnytė, Detroit, Mich. Ritualų komisija susidaro iš šių narių: P. Gudelio, R. Borio ir A. Buknio. Delegatais į visuotiną Vyčių seimą išrinkti: Ad. Neimaniene ir P. Gudelis. Seimelio ūspūdžius aprašyti lietuvių spaudoje išrinktas J. Sadauskas. Seimelio uždaryme malda buvo atkalbėta už a. a. Mykolo Norkūno sielą. Ją atkalbėjo B. Karklius, naujasis apskričio vice-pirm.

Vakarop, 8-tą val. vak., Sothen's Rathskeller užėjo įvyko susipažinimo pobūvis, šokiai ir užkandžiai. Čia buvo draugiškai ir linksmi praleista keletas valandų.

Balandžio 24 d., 11 val. ryto, Šv. Jono katedroje, buvo atnašautos šv. mišios už vyčių mirusių narius, o apie antrą val. po pietų, Nelson's Restaurane, buvo pietūs — banketas, kuriame dalyvavo gana gausiai svečių. Po užkandžių buvo trumpa programėlė ir įteikimas trims vyčių 25-tos kp. nariams trečio laipsnio garbės medalių, būtent: Uršulei Jankauskaitei, Valerijai Žitkutei ir Adelei Grybauskaitei. Šiuos garbės ženklus malonėjo įteikti Ohio-Mich. valstijų Vyčių apskričio dvasios vadas kun. Dr. K. Širvaitis.

Programėlę pradėjo M. Trainauskaitė, vyčių 25-tos kp. pirm., kuri nuoširdžiai pasveikino visus delegatus - svečius, padėjo už gražų seimelio pravedimą ir šios programėlės vedėju pristatė J. Sadauską, kuris irgi tarė paskatinantį žodį ir pristatinėjo svečius. Buvo pakviesta pakalbėti: Vincas Količius, Vyčių Org. centro valdybos išdininkas, kuris savo įdomioje kalboje apibudino Vyčių Org. finansinį stovį; taip pat jis prisiminė ir apie kun. J. Jutkevičiaus finansinį vąjį, kuriam Bostone įvykęs Vyčių Seimas pavedė šį darbą atlikti, tik nežinia, ar visi vyčių nariai šį sumanymą parems. Kiekvienas narys jau gavo tuo klausimu paraginimo laišką. Toliau nuoširdžiai sveikinimo ir padėkos žodį pareiškė: St. Vaitkus, K. Petkus, 96-tos kp. pirm., Dayton, Ohio, R. Boris, 102-ros kp. narys ir buvęs Vyčių Centro val. I vice-pirm., Detroit, Mich., Joana Gudaitė, 93-čios kp. pirm., Rochester, N. Y. Na, o dabar teikėsi prabilti visų laukiamas garbingas svečias ir šio apskričio naujas dvasios vadas kun. Dr. K. Širvaitis, Akron, Ohio. Jis savo gražia kalba uždegė lietuviybės idėjomis ir vaizdžiai apibudino vyčių nuveiktuosius darbus savo tautai ir mūsų bažnyčiai. Kaip vietiniai vyčiai, taip svečiai yra labai dėkingi kun. Dr. K. Širvaičiui už tokią gražią vyčiams pasakytą kalbą. Toliau žodį tarė vyčių garbės narys — Pranas Gudelis, kurio širdis ir jausmai visada dega vyčių dvasia.

Dar šiame pobūvyje buvo perskaitytas pasveikinimo laiškas nuo A. L. R. K. F. centro valdybos pirm. Dr. A. Damušio, kuris buvo priimtas su gilia padėka.

Baigiant Vyčių 25-tos kp. pirm. M. Trainauskaitė padėjo už gerai atliktą darbą seimelio rengėjams bei veikiančiajai komisijai, ypačingai R. Gužauskienei, U. Jankauskaitei, V. Žitkutei ir kitiems šios kom. nariams.

Juozas Sadauskas

CLEVELAND, OHIO (C-25)

Highlights of the District Convention

Now that the hurry and bustle of the convention days are over, we here in Cleveland can relax a little, light up our pipes and reminisce.

Delegate and Guest List

We were very happy to welcome: Bill Kolicus, — Supreme Council Treasurer from Pittsburgh; Stan Vaitkus, Charlie Petkus, Frank Gudelis, Connie Mikalaukas, George Mikalaukas, "Butch", Jim and Jeanne Kavalauskas, all of Council 96, Dayton; Florence Bilah, Anna Mae Uznis, Aldona Mikstenas, Diane Neverouck, Jean Kay, Virginia Kirsch, Dolores Neverouck and Robert Boris of Council 102, Detroit; Virginia Pauza, Freda Rimkus, Joan Gudas, Mary Vezelis and Richard Pauza of Council 93, Rochester, New York. With faithful friends like Council 93, the K. of L. will live forever!

Sessions

Stan Vaitkus, district president, presided over the meeting. Joe Sadauskas of Cleveland welcomed the delegates and told of his delight at the large attendance.

Charlie Petkus (Dayton) read the financial report for his brother Pete who was unable to attend — your a "good boy" Charlie! Valeria Zitkus (Cleveland) did a wonderful job with the minutes. Stan Vaitkus gave a brief run down on his council's activities. We could all learn a lot from Dayton. Adele Neimoniene (Cleveland) gave a brief, but detailed report of the past national convention. We're proud of you Adele!

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to invite Pittsburgh District to merge with the Ohio-Michigan District.

The new Ohio-Michigan District Officers are: Rev. Dr. K. Širvaitis, Spiritual Adviser; Mary Trainy (C-25), President; Ben Karklius (C-25), Vice President; Valeria Zitkus (C-25), Secretary; Charlie Petkus (C-96), Treasurer; and Anna Mae

Uznis (C-102), Assistant Treasurer.

Ritual Committee: Frank Gudelis (C-96), Bob Boris (C-102) and Tony Buknis (C-25).

Delegates to represent the District at the coming National Convention: Adele Neimonienė (C-25) and Frank Gudelis (C-96). You lucky people!

Best wishes to the new officers and our heartfelt thanks to the outgoing officers who did a fine job.

Social — Saturday

Practically all the delegates and Council 25 members and friends tripped the light fantastic to the music of Tony Buknis and his protege at Sothen's Rathskeller. We thank "Milly" Lesky for having prepared the delicious buffet snack at the Social.

Sunday — April 24

We were quite pleased at the turnout for the 10 o'clock mass held at St. John's Cathedral.

After aluscious dinner at Nelson's Restaurant, and we do mean luscious, Mary Trainy welcomed all the delegates and their friends and thanked them for helping to make the Ohio-Michigan District Convention a success. Joe Sadauskas ably presided as Master of Ceremonies.

Greetings from the various councils were given by: B. Kolicius, Pittsburgh; S. Waitkus, C. Petkus, F. Gudelis, Dayton; B. Boris, Detroit and J. Gudas, Rochester.

Fr. Sirvaitis, our newly-elected district spiritual adviser gave a very beautiful talk on the K. of L. and what our heritage should mean to us.

3rd Ritual Degree Bestowed

Congratulations to: Valeria Zitkus, Adele Grebauskas and Ursula Yankauskas (C-25). Fr. Sirvaitis presented the beautiful medals to the qualified candidates.

A letter of welcome and best wishes was read at the Banquet from the A.L. R.K. Federation President, Dr. A. Damašis.

Our convention couldn't have been the success it was without the help of all these wonderful people: Tony Buknis, Bernie Buknis, Ben Karklius, Eddie Kunigiškis, Milly Lesky, Valeria Zitkus, Adele Grebauskas, Joan Susin, Tony Kunigiškis and Ruth Guzauskas and Ursula Yankauskas, co-chairladies.

We certainly enjoyed being host to the convention.

P. S. — Our co-chairlady Ruth Guzauskas is now the proud mother of her second son. Congratulations, Ruth! *Urs*

DAYTON, OHIO (C-96)

Engaged

Congratulations to Dorothy Miller and her fiance, Richard Conrady; also to George Mikalauskas and his fiancee, Mary Dill. Wedding dates have not been set but will take place sometime in the Fall.

Among the members who attended Joe Petkus and Lillian Clark's wedding on April 16th were Barbara and Stanley Klevinsky of Chicago, (Marquette Park council). It was a lost week-end for Barbara and "Dudley" who were house guests of Ted and Elinor Sluzas. Stan and Helen Vaitkus, Mike, Fran and Charlie Petkus helped to fill in their entertainment while here. Barb certainly was "at home" in Dayton. We just wonder if she had a voice left after talking to her many friends and relatives. Dudley was quite amazed by Stan Vaitkus' trained "seal".

On April 23-24 many of our members traveled to Cleveland for the annual district convention, namely, Stanley Vaitkus, Frank Gudelis, Charlie Petkus, Jim and Joanne Kavalasuskas, George Mikalauskas and his fiancee Mary Dill. The turnout at the convention was excellent. Included was a touch of optimism for a great year in the district.

Among other business it was voted to invite the Pittsburgh councils to merge with our district. Final vote on this will take place at the next district convention (Detroit in '56). Also councils were encouraged to seriously start Junior Councils and to financially support the district and Supreme Council.

Tid Bits of the Convention

Enough couldn't be said, by the Dayton members, about the wonderful hospitality extended them by Mary Susan and her daughters. As far as this council is concerned, the Susans can't be beat. We are all looking forward to seeing them on May 13th. George and his sister Connie Mikalauskas have plans all set up for them.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations are extended to Rose Ann Ambrose and her husband Robert Fletcher. Many of the members who attended their wedding reception on May 7th had a grand time. Ask Ted Sluzas! Pat Zelinskas certainly enjoyed herself. Charlie and Fran Vangas brought their new twins along. That was one time Fran didn't need to worry about a baby sitter!

Rose Ann's dad was a wonderful host! John Razauskas kept all the lovely ladies busy. Bet you had aching feet the next day, John. Many of the guests meandered

over to Dr. and Mrs. Gineitis' home to finish out the evening.

Mother's Day

Members and their mothers received Holy Communion in a body at the 8 o'clock Mass, May 8th. In the evening, a buffet supper was served to all members' mothers and fathers. The turnout was great! Mary Lucas & Pat Zelinskas were in charge of the buffet supper. Sally and Dorothy Miller made some good cakes and salads — Dorothy sure is getting practice in for her future job — housewife. Elinor Sluzas looked tired after the wedding, but gamed. Gus and Mary Ann Blum are looking awful'y proud these days. Big question — What will it be? Certainly was good to see Kay Sluzas up and about after her recent operation. Missed Kitty Prasmantas — was home with the children battling Mr. Small Pox. Joanne Kavalasuskas and Ann Goldick, like always, pitched in with the chores. John and Ann Scott looked tired. Was that also part of the after effects of the wedding?

Our prayers and thoughts are sent to Ada Sinkwitz who is recovering from a very sudden illness. We sure miss you, Ada, so hurry and get well.

We wish a speedy recovery to Joe Somintus after his recent illness.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Gudelis Family on the recent loss of their mother; also to the Petkus, Mantz and Rafalo Families on the loss of their husband and brother - in - law. May they rest in peace.

April birthday wishes go to Eloise Bercezelly and Elinor Sluzas. May greetings to Elizabeth Winters (nee Kubeleus), Sally Miller, Joe Sinkwitz and Charlie Petkus. Anniversary congratulations to Joe and Eleanor Mantz.

Us Petkus'

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

NORWOOD, MASS. (C-27)

At the April meeting, much business was transacted. A social followed, the first one since the Lenten season. Those who served on the committee were: Pat Spurr, Dick Mills and Frank Kaseta.

The entertainment consisted of music and food. To supply the former, a choice selection of records was played over the Hi-Fi sound system of Pete Rakauskas who later on in the evening accompanied the records with a piano. Sounded good, too. As for the food, if you could by the stretch of the imagination call it that,

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the two notorious masters of the culinary arts, Sirs Richard and Frank, were banging around grating up the spuds for the well known delicacy of potato "blynq" which probably now everyone in the council hates to the *n*th degree.

The potatoes were peeled with great gusto and needless to say with great care, Dick handling the job very capab'y. The tool used for the job was one of special and intricate design and is available at some very exclusive stores. It is commonly known, strange as it might seem to most, as a potato-peeler. Maybe an old rasp file should have been used instead, who knows.

The next operation was one requiring great dexterity on the part of those bold enough to try it, namely that of grating up those poor little potatoes. Dick grasped a spud firmly with a determined look and went right to work. To help the course of progress, his worthless assistant picked up another grater and went right to the bone — I mean town. After the apples of the earth were well mashed up, what a mess, the appropriate quantities of seasoning, flour, eggs and what have you were added as needed. This potent mess was spiced by the skin, blood and finger nails of one of the performers, to the delight of the stomachs of those who didn't know it.

The process of frying then began, late of course, what do you expect. Pat went right to work in cooking up her apple "blynq" batter and to rescue the male components of the committee a few kind hearted young ladies were nice enough to lend a most needed hand. Those who risked burning their skins besides Pat were, Agnes Kulbok, Adele Antoinitis and Elaine Pupalagis.

The final result of all these efforts was a very small pile of sickly, dried up looking "blynq." The apple ones were all right. However, both varieties, apple and potato, tasted very good to those who had the courage to try eating them. I wonder how many got sick.

To wash all this down or more accurately, to keep it all down, coffee was served with some cake baked by Agnes. Congratulations Agnes, the cake was very good.

After eating, some of the members danced to the records that were played on the fine sound system owned by Pete. At last we had a system that had volume as well as fine tone quality.

Finally, at around eleven o'clock everyone left to bring to a close an interesting

social which we hope left no one too sick the following day.

Fred Picard was home for a weekend and it was nice to see our representative of the Navy in fine shape as he usually is anyway.

Dick Mills was home from Fordham University for a week only to return finally to face a series of final exams to end his four years of study with a well earned Bachelor's Degree.

Johnny Stadalnick is still working away at his clarinet making with beautiful music. Someday in the near future a combo will be formed to provide torture and agony for all those who are willing to do penance by a few select musicians of K. of L. vintage. Then there will be the groaning and gnashing of teeth.

We now have an officer on the district level with Vin Kasauskas acting as Trustee. A good man for the job. Not only that, John Chervokas is one of two district delegates to the national convention. Both were elected to their respective positions at the district convention held in Providence on the 24th of April.

Things are getting pretty rough now with some of the boys hitting finals in a couple of weeks. Why even the birds are walking. This is the top of the news as it looks from here where I am now located, in the basement of a brewery.

"Bee Cee"

BROCKTON, MASS. (C-1)

Newly-elected Officers

Stanley Balberis, president; Doris Tamulevich, vice president; Pauline Ratkiewicz, secretary and James Condon, treasurer. Congratulations!

It was voted to hold our first outdoor POLKA PARTY of the season at Romuva Park on June 11th. Will report its outcome in the next issue of VYTIS.

The female members of our council participated in the "Play Day" sponsored by the Sisters of Jesus Crucified, Brockton, Mass.

"Bunny"

ATHOL, MASS. (C-10)

Mother's Day

Our council commemorated Mother's Day by attending Mass in the morning and by the showing of movies, and serving refreshments in the evening in St. Francis' Church Hall.

The committee consisted of Nellie Melaiika, Marie Sienkiewicz, Mary Gauronsky, Dot Pinigis, Barbara Milosh, Maryann

Rodski, Bill Wisnauskas, Brownie Kukauskas, Lennie Davadonis, Charlie Pinigis, Joe Miskunas and Frank Anoris.

Notes

Congratulations to Lennie Davidonis who recently became engaged to Clara Zetkowsky of Gardner. Clara is a frequent visitor to our socials. Bill Wisnauskas was elected vice-president of the Holy Name Society from the Sacred Heart Church in Gardner.

ANSONIA, CONN. (C-135)

We are celebrating our Fifth Anniversary as a council! It's just like one big happy family.

We commemorated the occasion at Lories Restaurant in Derby. The few members who couldn't break away and come, missed the Grand Daddy of them all. The chairman of the affair was Joe "Red Top" Draugelis. He did a fine job. Floyd "Arthur Murray" Trapkauskas together with his dancing partner Lil "Cathrine" Chaplik entertained the members with their different types of dances! Floyd claims that Pete Gumbulevich's dancing can be improved and that Olga will see to it that he does. Do you folks remember when Pete didn't even WALK to music? Vinnie Packer was heard telling "Trap" that he taught someone how to dance, but wouldn't say if it was Pete... Lil Chaplik and Joe Drauge'is introduced the hit steps of "Dance with me, Henry." ... "Judge" Joe Chernauskas kept taking his rubbers off before each dance and putting them on again. Evidently the floor was too slippery for Joe who enjoys DREAMY music while dancing... It was nice to see the Barrys drive up in their new Kaiser... It was good to have Bill Kwaitkowski family with us after their ordeal with tough luck.

We welcome into our fold two more new members (men take notice) — Joan Augustine and Helen Case. Glad to have you, girls!

We wish to thank all councils for sending us copies of their council bulletins and in keeping us informed as to their activities.

Another good man biting the dust is Al Yurevich. He got tired of roaming and sett'ed down with a nice little girl in Seymour. Lots of Luck, Al and Ann, from all of us.

Congratulations to C-135 on joining the CLC (Connecticut Lithuanian Catholic Federation). We all know that the Federation has another good club in its midst.

"Nakties Pelėda"