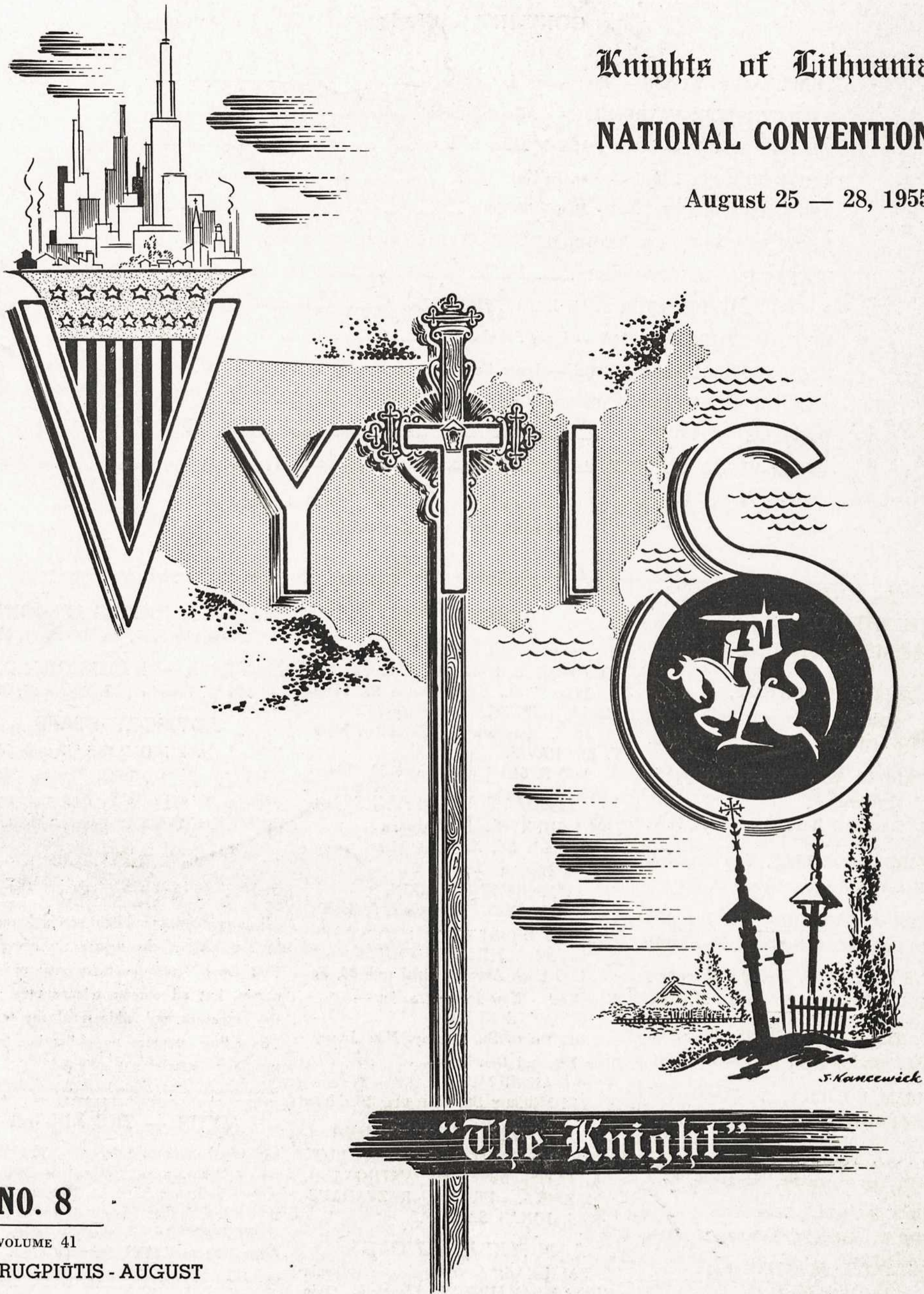


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THREE MAGIC WORDS

Rev. Albert J. Contons



St. Thomas More, the famous chancellor - saint of England, lost his head because of his Catholic faith. It all happened because he refused to renounce his faith at the bequest of king Henry VIII, who used to change wives as fast as women change hats. Instead, St. Thomas accepted beheading.

A friend of Thomas More was leading a wicked life. Thomas urged him to mend his ways, but to no avail.

"Oh, don't trouble yourself about me," replied the sinner, "You see, I have three words that will secure me the pardon of God at the moment of danger or death."

"What are these three magic words that are so powerful with God?" asked the saintly chancellor.

"The three words," replied the rash fool, "Lord, forgive me."

Thomas tried to reason with the obstinate sinner. "To gain God's forgiveness you must be sincerely sorry. You must do penance and change your life." But the foolish man did not listen and went his merry way.

One day the sinner went horseback riding and came to a bridge. The horse became frightened, plunged into the river, and both horse and rider drowned. The saint asked a friend who had seen the accident if the victim had had an opportunity to speak before he drowned. "Yes," replied the friend, "he still had time to speak three words before going under." "What were these three last words?" anxiously queried the saint. "His last words were: 'May the devil...'"

K. OF L. CONVENTION

K. of L. delegates from council in the U. S. and Canada will assemble in Newark at the end of August for their annual convention. Solemn prayers will be spoken, fiery speeches will be heard, friendly hands will be shaken, night corridors will be haunted, and jovial songs will be executed.

On the convention floor a variety of reports will be presented. Some chests will be rightly inflated to capacity as the proud tale of mighty accomplishments is recounted for enthralled listeners. Some jaws will hang in disappointment at the

thought of gigantic accomplishments frustrated because Father Time refuses to allot more than twenty-four hours to the K. of L. day. Some cheeks will flush in embarrassment as the uncomfortable glare of the convention spotlight beats down on the omissions and negligences of the past year.

But chances are that all convention oratory will blossom out with flowery tributes to the K. of L. motto: "Dievui ir Tėvynei." These three magic words will be counted on to inspire the spiritless, to quicken the slow, to encourage the timid, to deflate the boastful, to inflate the humble, in a word, to be the cure for all that ails the K. of L.

Unfortunately MAGIC WORDS do not bring MAGIC RESULTS. For a successful convention we need more than MOTTOES of WORDS. We need MODELS of WORK. The K. of L. will make progress only to the extent that there arise K. of L. members who are willing to work in a realistic, practical way for the Knights of Lithuania.

As a K. of L. member before going to the convention, ask yourself if you are interested in: "What practical good turn can I give to the K. of L.?" or "What practical return can I take from the K. of L.?" On your answer depends the progress or stagnation which the K. of L. can expect from the Newark meeting. The paradox of the K. of L. is that the member who GIVES the most to the K. of L. eventually RECEIVES the most from the K. of L.

What can you do to improve the financial condition of the K. of L.? Have you paid your dues faithfully? Have you contributed to the Vytis Fund or Medal Award Fund? Since the treasurer's report will probably reveal that the K. of L. has been operating at a loss for the last few years, are you willing to increase the annual dues to get the organization out of the red?

Is there any practical way in which you can improve the VYTIS magazine? Are you willing to join the ever increasing ranks of members who are writing original articles for the VYTIS? Would you like to write articles on Lithuanian history, culture, and literature if given material and help in beginning? Would you like to do some sketching or painting to illustrate our magazine? Are you interested in photographing K. of L. events and submit-

VALDANTIEJI IR VALDOMIEJI...

Alfa Sušinskas

KĄ RINKTI Į VALDYBAS?

Gana sunkių klausimų ir nemaža neaiškumų iškyla, kai tenka rinkti valdybos, visokie pareigūnai. Ką tokį rinkti? Kuris tinkamiausias? Ar išrinktasis vėliau neapgaus ir neapvils tų, kurie jį išrinko?..

Pirmiausia, kas nemano dirbti bei veikti, tegu niekuomet nesutinka būti išrinktas kurioms nors pareigoms; tegu neina į jokias valdybas ir tegu nekandiduoja į jokių pareigūnus tas, kas nenori kitiems tarnauti, o tik ieško sau asmeninės garbės: toks dirbs ne organizacijai, bet sau. Garbė su visais laurais nusileidžia ant galvų tiems pareigūnams, kurie yra pareigingi, aukojasi ir atsi- duoda savo organizacijai.

Būti kuriuo nors pareigūnu organizacijoje reiškia, kad nariai tave savo tarnu būti pakvietė- išrinko (ir tu sutikai), o ne dyka- duoniu ponu, kuriam visi kiti tu- rėtų tarnauti...

Ne tas yra geras organizacijos pareigūnas, kuris tik daug kalba, daug šūkauja ir dar daugiau gi- riasi, bet kuris organizacijai daug dirba ir ja uoliai bei sąžiningai rūpinasi.

Organizacinis pareigūnas betgi turi dirbti tik savo pareigos dar- bą ir nesiekti apžioti kitų parei- gūnų turimus atlikti darbus.

Teisingumas, taktingumas ir nešališkumas organizacijos pa- reigūnams yra būtinos savybės. Eiliniai nariai tuojau pastebė, ar jų išrinktasis pareigūnas yra jiems visiems teisingas, ar ne, ar

jis juos skirsto į sau mėgstamus ir nemėgstamus narius...

Įvairūs organizaciniai pareigū- nai, ypač pirmininkai, turi, bent daug kuo, tikti skiriamosioms pa- reigoms. Jie turi išmanyti, kaip elgtis įvairiose situacijose ir su įvairiais žmonėmis; jie turi būti iniciatyvos žmonės, kurių nereik- kėtų vis pastumti kuriam nors pajudėjimui; jie turi mokėti val- dyti savo jausmus ir nelinguoti pagal kiekvieną papučiantį vėje- lį; savo valia jie turi būti tvirti ir pastovūs, savo jausmais — švel- nūs ir malonūs.

Ne kiekvienas tinka į vadus, į organizacinius pareigūnus. To- dėl prieš išrenkamas tegu jis ge- rai save išegzaminuoja, ar jis tin- ka toms pareigoms, kurioms jis yra kviečiamas.

NARIŲ PAREIGOS IR KENKSMINGI NARIAI

Eilinais nariais vadiname tuos, kurie priklauso organizacijai, bet nėra valdyboje ir neturi jokių specialių pareigų.

Iš vienos pusės, eiliniai nariai turi drausmingai paklusti savo organizaciniam pareigūnams, bet iš antros — jie turi būti sąmo- ningi ir savo pareigūnų darbą vertinti kritiškai akimi.

Labai klaidingai elgiasi tie na- riai, kurie galvoja, kad įvairūs pareigūnai turi už juos visus or- ganizacinius darbus nudirbti. "Juk mes juos išrinkome, tegu jie ir dirba" — yra neretas ir labai kenksmingas kaikurių narių gal- vojimas. Organizacijoje kiekvie- nas narys turi atlikti savo parei- gą: pareigūnai — savo, eiliniai nariai — irgi savo. Taip pat nere- tai pasitaiko, kad kuris nors na- rys, ar kuri nors maža grupelė nori, jog prie jų nuomonės derin- tųsi valdyba ar net ir narių dau-

guma. Šitoks narių elgesys yra niekas kita, kaip organizacijos ardymas. Eilinis narys į savo iš- rinktus pareigūnus turi žiūrėti kaip į patį save, kaip į savo pa- ties valios vykdytojus: juk parei- gūnai yra išrenkami narių dau- guma ir jų pasitikėjimu.

Sąmoningas narys savo orga- nizacijos atžvilgiu elgiasi ir gal- voja tuo būdu, lyg nuo jo vieno pareitų visa organizacijos galy- bė bei gerovė. Juk kiekvienas at- skiras narys yra atsakingas už savo organizaciją lygiai tiek pat, kiek ir jos pareigūnai. Narys, sa- vo organizacines pareigas kitam nariui užkraunęs, yra prastas ir net kenksmingas narys: organi- zacijai būtų naudingiau, jei jo iš viso joje nebūtų. Taip pat kenks- mingas yra ir toks narys, kuris viską nori gauti iš organizacijos, jai nieko pats neduodamas.

Organizaciniu gyvenimu nusi- vilia ir savo organizacija esti ne- patenkinti dažniausiai tokie na- riai, kurie organizacijai yra pa- syvūs ir joje tik savo pavarde te- dalyvauja, o ne širdimi ir ne dar- bu. Juo daugiau darbo ir rūpes- čių narys įdeda į savo organiza- ciją, juo brangesnė ji jam yra: toks narys tada jaučia, jog jo or- ganizacija yra jo paties dalis.

NARIŲ SUSIKLAUSYMAS

Visi organizacijos nariai yra saistomi organizacinės draus- mės, nes organizacijos pagrindas yra drausmė, be kurios negalėtų egzistuoti ir pati organizacija.

Teisingai suprantamoje orga- nizacijoje eiliniai nariai ir įvairūs pareigūnai sudaro nedalomą, vienalytį organizacinį kūną, ku- ris tik tada yra pajėgus veikti ir daug reikšti, kada čia yra har- moningas susiklausymas ir są- moninga vienybė.

ting them for use? Are there any suggestions you would like to make to the editors?

Are you doing your best to make your local council a strong and effective unit? Do you attend monthly meetings and give constructive help to the officers? Do you volunteer your services for committee work? Are you faithful to monthly Confession and Communion? Do you invite your spiritual director to give a religious instruction at the meeting? Do you help in making the meetings interesting and worthwhile? Are you interested in helping

the Juniors and in encouraging your friends to join the K. of L.?

Attention to detail makes for a strong and effective organization. It's the old story repeated, "For want of a nail the shoe was lost, for want of a shoe the horse was lost, etc...the kingdom was lost." Practical, realistic work on the part of dedicated Knights and Ladies is the only formula for MAGIC RE- SULTS. Just as in the story of the saint and the sinner, "Dievui ir Tėvynei" are not THREE MAGIC WORDS.

"WE ARE THREE"

by

Alice Jakmauh

"Come on, upsie daisy!" Renee said gently, managing to smile as she roused the little boy and raised him, protesting and sleepy, from his crib.

"I'm so sleepy, auntie!" he protested, rubbing fat fists into heavy eyes. "What time is it? Is it morning? Can't I go back to bed? I'm so tired."

"No, Bruce darling," she said, helping him with a tiny blouse. "Listen, sleepy-head: we're going on a big adventure — you and I — and it's going to be grand, I know. We're going on a big bus!"

He grinned, still half-asleep. Bruce loved to ride on the bus.

"A long ride?"

"A long ride, yes, a very long ride. We're going to New York. Auntie just got a telegram — there's a job — a position waiting for me in New York and we've got to leave tonight. If we don't hurry, we'll miss the last bus and I just can't afford to lose this chance!"



Once dressed and sleep washed out of his big eyes, Bruce rushed about the small room, anxious to help. He wanted to catch that bus, to glide swiftly through the dark night, watching the lights in the distance, snuggling warmly against Aunt Renee when he was tired again.

A sudden thought brought him back to her side. "Can I — can I take Lucky?"

At the sound of its name a worn fuzzle cat sprang from nowhere onto Renee's lap and purred loudly. Renee laughed, and smoothed its soft ears. "Of course, we'll take Lucky — darling, we'll be needing luck!"

When she buttoned Bruce into his dark jacket she hugged him closely for a minute, feeling that he was something like

that stray cat they had taken to their hearts — a little boy who had only her to stand between him and fate. He was so merry and sweet, yet so wistfully dependent on her.

"Bruce, honey, I might have to find a school for you when we get to New York.

He smiled up at her. "But I go to kindergarten now!"

"I mean — a school where you could stay and have a hot lunch and good care — while I worked—"

"But not nights, not nights!" he cried, his arms about her neck. He was so afraid of the dark. His mother had always kept his crib close to her own bed and he missed her so...

"We'll — we'll see. Now, let's get going!"

And then they were at Park Square, buying tickets and a magazine with pictures for Bruce. Renee was grateful for the warmth of the waiting room but Bruce coughed several times and sat close to her. Already the excitement had died down for him and he was sleepy again. "When can I go to bed?" he kept asking.

"Soon, darling. O, I wish I didn't have to drag you out at night like this!"

"Don't let me lose Lucky!" He held tightly to the box from which a faint sound came now and then to bring a smile to his face.

"Yes, this is your bus!" the efficient and kindly starter told her. "Little fellow going for a long trip, huh? Well — watch that box, sonny!"

"That's my Lucky!"

As she settled him on the seat next to her, Renee whispered. "This is our adventure, Bruce! We are two against the world." He smiled understanding, and in a few minutes was fast asleep again.

Now at last Renee could sit back and watch her fellow passengers. Two violinists were going to Radio City, she gathered from their talk. An older couple were travelling to New York for the first time and the woman was like a twittering bird, aglow with adventure and excitement. The man just opposite her, thought Renee, looked like a bored salesman. Two young girls and their mother — this was all

speculation but it deadened the sense of loneliness that pressed on her as they left the city and rode on through the night.

Was he a salesman and was he really bored? There was a tinge of sadness in the twist of his sensitive mouth and a slight droop to his shoulders. But that might just mean that he was tired. He turned to her suddenly and she saw that his eyes were a deep blue with light laughter lines under them. Why, he looked familiar! She started suddenly and Bruce woke, crying, "Auntie — I'm falling outa bed!"

"No, darling, you're right here with me — see, I've got my arm around you and you can't fall!"

And then the tall, broad-shouldered man was standing beside them and saying, "Aren't you Irene Sadler — the little girl who went to Stetson School?"

She smiled up at him, and her heart warmed to this old friend. "You're Jack Sims, of course!"

"Of course!"

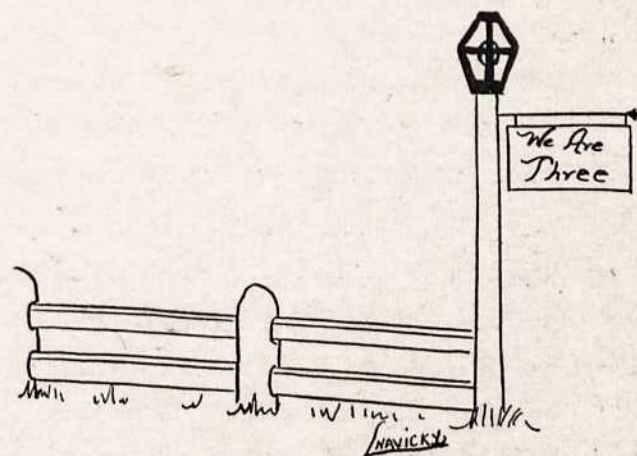
"But I'm not little any more," she laughed, "and you — you're not Jack — well, not the same old Jack the girls all thought was so grand—" She blushed then.

"I don't know how grand I was — but I do know I'm darn glad to see you, Renee!"

"Do you travel much — I mean, are you a salesman?" she asked, curiosity getting the best of her shyness.

He laughed. "Not exactly. No, I'm just going up to the big city to see if it won't wake me up a bit. I've been feeling sort of let down lately. And who is this young champion?"

"Bruce? He's my sister's boy. You see, I'm the only one left to care for him and he's such a darling, but I'm afraid that



when I start working — I've been promised a position in New York — that I'll have to send him to a boys' school so that he'll have the proper care. I hate to do it — he'll miss me so!"

"I shouldn't wonder!" Jack agreed with a grin. "I — say, I'd miss you myself!"

Irene colored. He was the same Jack Sims, indeed, and his companionship was a bright spot in this dark night. For hours they talked on about old times and new. Jack's plans for his farm and Renee's plans for her new life in the city. They even argued about which life was the best for a growing boy — life at a boys' school — life in the city — life in the country. Renee agreed at last, but with a sigh, that the farm was the only place for a lively boy of Bruce's age.

Jack took her hand and suddenly became very serious. "Irene, how would you like to put Bruce back in his own bed — and not to send him away to any school?"

"More than anything in the world!" she cried, cuddling the boy against her.

"That's all I want to know — we're taking the next bus back."

"But — Jack!"

"But me no buts, fair lady! I've a plan to tell you about — will you listen?"

"O, yes — if I could get a job in Boston —"

"I might even get one!" he laughed, "but this is a little different. Now, how long have you known me?"

"All my life, I guess!" she answered, wonderingly.

"And you like me a little—"

"Oh, a lot!" His eyes laughed at the innocent declaration and she looked away. "I mean—"

"You mean you like me a lot! Why, you might even get to love me — in time —"

"Why, Jack!" She could feel her own eyes glowing now but she faced him bravely. "Well — I even might!"

"Renee — you do love me — Answer me yes! I want to take you right back to the farm with me — you and Bruce — we can get that little bed of his and put it in my old room. Why, we'd be a grand family!"

Bruce stirred again, saw the strange man and sat up. "Auntie, are we near New York—"

"We're going home," she told him, her voice shaky, her eyes wet.

He threw his arms about her climbed into her lap, looking over her shoulder at Jack.

"Going home? All of us?"

"Yes, darling, all of us."

ALONG MEMORY LANE

By Stan Balberis

In the world of sports, towering giants have been often regarded as curious freaks. Of course, there have been a number of them who have made imperishable sports history, but for every one who made good, a dozen have been laughed out of the world of sports as big goofs who were no better than pathetic freaks. This is the story of a big Lithuanian goof.

Al Blozis was a giant, as towering a man as ever came into the world of sports in search of fame and fortune. Seventeen years ago he popped up at Georgetown University. Promptly, he was labeled a big "goof", a huge, clumsy guy who seemed to get into everyone's way.

Another youngster might have accepted the inevitable fate, but not Al Blozis. This young Lithuanian giant determined to prove to his friends and schoolmates that he was more than just a useless freak. So he went out for the football team. But despite his tremendous size, he wasn't much of a football player. He wasn't even good enough to make the school team. And indeed, it appeared as if he would turn out to be just another big guy who turned out to be a sports-failure.

But Al Blozis was a determined youngster. So he went out for the Georgetown track team. He made it, and his specialty became tossing the shotput. The 16-pound shot and Al Blozis seemed to be made

Bruce looked from one to the other and then said, "Well, we're three now — three against the world!"

Jack laughed and took the boy over on his knee so that he could put his arm around Renee and have a little attention himself. "Well, son, we're three — but not against the world. The world will be with us, I hope."

At a quiet wedding, Irene became Mrs. Jack Sims.

And on the road to Boston one can see the sign "We Are Three" swinging from the porch of a white farm house. One can see, too, a tall, bronzed Bruce playing with Jack and Judith, the twins. Mother is rocking Baby Clare while Dad sits by smoking. The Sims family have grown but they always remember "We Are Three!" that solemn declaration of little Bruce when he declared "We Are Three" now and they started on their great adventure of life.

for each other. For Al could throw that 16-pound ball of iron like an apple. And it wasn't long before the fame of Al Blozis spread far beyond the Georgetown University campus.

The huge Lithuanian became a terror of the track world. Almost every time he entered a track meet, he broke a record. In March of 1941, he tossed the 16-pound shot for the incredible distance of 56 feet, 4½ inches — an American track and field record. It was a superb achievement. But a couple of months later, Al Blozis came to the intercollegiate championships, and bettered his own amazing record, by putting the 16-pound shot 56 feet, 61/8 inches. And before many track championships had passed, Al Blozis won international track renown as the world's shotput champion, the greatest of all time. That was quite an achievement for our landsman. Al Blozis had proved that he could do more than just tower into the skies. He now had surrounded himself with all the fame and glory of a world's champion!

But Al Blozis, a determined youngster, once again, went out for the Georgetown football team. This time he made it. And Al Blozis became such a success at football that he was voted an All-American tackle. The handsome Lithuanian was now sports-famous, twice over. For not only was he the world's shotput champion, but he was an All-American football star, as well. Perhaps another youngster might have been satisfied, but not Al Blozis. He was a giant in size, and he had giant ambitions for sports-glory. And so, he became a pro football player with the New York Giants. They said that Al Blozis would find the going tough in big-time football. They said that the gold-dust boys of the gridiron would tear the big man apart in the pro ranks. But Al Blozis not only made the team, and he not only played good pro football but he was voted just about the best tackle in the professional football world!

Came the war, and once again the Lithuanian proved his worth, to the sorrow of a nation. For the last headline was:

"Lieutenant Alfred Al Blozis, world shotput champion and All-American football player KILLED IN ACTION."

OUR NEW COVER PICTURE...

Stan Kancewick of Chicago, Illinois, pen-and-ink artist of considerable skill, designed the cover picture for this convention issue of VYTIS — See story on page 11.

KAD LAISVĖ IŠAUŠTŲ

(Dr. Petro Mačiulio paskaita Lietuvos Vyčiams Sendraugiams Chicagoje š. m. vasario 15 d. minint Lietuvos Nepriklausomybės sukaktį).

...*“laisvę laimėjom per aukas ir pasišventimą”*.

Šitie žodžiai aukso raidėmis buvo įrašyti Karo Muzėjaus Vytauto Didžiojo kapelos frontone kiekvienam lankytojui priminti, kad už brangiausią žmogaus turtą — laisvę reikia labai brangiai apmokėti ir dideliu pasišventimu dirbti jos atgavimui, kai žiaurusis priešas ją kartais smurtu laikinai išplėšia.

Nuo XVIII-to šimtmečio pabaigos (1795 m.) iki Vasario 16-os 1918 metų išaugo penkios lietuvių naujos generacijos, o vienok ir rusų pavergtas lietuvis, ir gyvenęs senose Prūsų sodybose už Nemuno po vokiečiais, niekad nenusustojo kovojęs ir tikėjęs, kad kartą jis vėl laisvas bus. Ir šis visos tautos tikėjimas, darbas ir aukojimasis už tautos laisvę mūsų neapvylė: mes patys buvome to laimėjimo liudininkai, mes patys per 22 metus alsavome laisvos Lietuvos oru, kurdami naują, geresnę ir laimingesnę rytojų, kaip laisviems žmonėms dera.

Lietuvos Laisvė Ir Lietuvos Vyčiai

Ir jūs, mano mieli Bičiuliai, gyvendami JAV-ėse, džiaugėtės savo tėvų ir bočių žemės atgautąja laisve, nes nemažiau dirbote už mus ten, Lietuvoje, rinkdami parašus po peticija Amerikos Vyriausybei už Lietuvos pripažinimą, į Tautos Fondą sudėdami arti milijono dolerių aukų pinigais, ir, pagaliaus, Jums Vyčiai, tenka didžiausia pagarba, kai pirmojo dešimtmečio laisvos Lietuvos proga, pirmosios visos Lietuvos Dainų šventės metu, Kaune, Petro Vileišio aikštėje, pirmajam laisvos Lietuvos kariuomenės vadui, generolui Silvestrui Žukauskui, iškilmingai įteikėte auksinį laisvės kardą... Daugelio tūkstančių minia tuomet nuščiuvo, giliai susikaupė iš pagarbos tiems, kurie už Lietuvos laisvę galvas padėjo; visų akyse sužvilgo neišsakomo dėkingumo ašara tiems Amerikos broliams ir sesėms, kurie tokiu pasiaukojimu lydėjo visus mūsų žygius ir kovas, davė Lietuvai tokius savanorius, kaip Darius ir Girėnas, kurių vardai iš mūsų istorijos niekad neiškris. Nes niekas kitas, bet šitie Lietuvos didvyriai, 1933 metais ryžosi vėl tapti sumegsti bepradedančius trupėti tarpusavio ryšius šiapus ir anapus okeano gyvenančių lietuvių.

Šios svarbios mintys aktualios ir šiandien. *Redakcija.*

Mūsų Klaidos

Nelemtas ir negudrus vienos politinės grupės nedemokratinis valdymas daugeliui amerikiečių nelipo prie širdies, kaip sakoma, gi buvo tokių, kurie pikčiausiu būdu, kur tiko ar netiko, puolė Lietuvos valdžios žmonės, gal nė negalvodami kad tuo pačiu aitrino Amerikos lietuvių nuotaikas, jas nuodijo ir tuo pačiu temdė ir šaldė mūsų tarpusavio nuotaikas ir santykius. Juk Jums, mano Bičiuliai, nepaslaptis, kad II-jo pas. karo metu net 40 tūkstančių lietuvių priėmė Amerikos pilietybę, gal daugumoje dėlto, kad jau į Lietuvos pusę buvo numoję ranka... Ta pačia proga, didelis skaičius žmonių net savo lietuviškos pavardės atsisakė, pasirinkdami naują ar senąją taip sudarkydami, kad lietuviški graboriai randa reikalo, mirties pranešimus skelbdami paminėti mirusiojo buv. tikrąją pavardę.

Bolševikų Smurtas Ir Mūsų Veikla

Rusiškojo bolševizmo klasta ir smurtas, susitarus su vokiečių naciais, jau 1939 metais pakirto nepriklausomos Lietuvos laisvės medį, kuris 1940 metų birželio 15 dieną buvo nuverstas. Šis tarptautinio masto bolševikų smūgis Lietuvos žmonėms, lygiai kaip ir Jums, kurie laisvos Lietuvos vaizdą savo širdyse nešiojotės, buvo lyg perkūno trenksmas giedrią dieną. Niekas šitos nelaimės nepramatė ir jos pasitikti nebuvo pasiruošęs. Tą pačią dieną iš Lietuvos pasitraukė ir vyriausias krašto atstovas, mūsų didžiausiai nelaimei palikęs savo vietoje pavaduotoją. Viena bėda, kaip sakoma, ne bėda, bet kai prisideda prie jos antra ir trečia, tada jau pamatome kokia klaike ta bėda. Taip ir čia: jei valstybės prezidentas, pasitraukdamas iš savo krašto, būtų pasiėmęs visą savo vyriausybės sąstatą, dabartinės mūsų kovos už smurtu išplėstos laisvės atstatymą, šimteriopai būtų lengvesnis ir tikresnis. Visi mes gerai žinome ir suprantame, ką reiškia dokumento originalas bei kaip kartais esti sunku išsiversti su jo pakaitalu, kurio dažnai ne-

norima pripažinti. Taip ir čia. Netekę užsieniuose savo krašto vyriausybės galvos, mes šandie vedame nelygią kovą už savo krašto teises, pasikliaudami pakaitalu, kurio net vienas - kitas buvęs Lietuvos atstovas nenori pripažinti, tuo pačiu šitą mūsų šventąjį žygį slopindamas. Jau dešimts metų tęsiasi nelemtas ginčas kas geresnis: ar Vyriausias Lietuvos Išlaisvinimo Komitetas, ar kelių žmonių, buvusių Lietuvos atstovų užsieniuose, savotiškas nusistatymas? Atsakymą mes randame jau pas senovės romėnus: — Concordia res parvae crescunt, discordia — dirruntur... Jei nors dešimta dalis laiko ir energijos būtų buvus panaudota tam, kad sudarius visų lietuviškų politinių veiksmų vienalytę kovos programą, mūsų laimėjimo apaušrys jau gal ryškiau būtų pramatomas. Tokio darbo pasiskirstymo plano mes ligi šiolei neturime, o tarptautinio įvykių pletojimosi pasekoje mes galime atsirasti tuščiomis rankomis, lygiai kaip ir birželio 15 d. 1940 metais, pastatyti prieš įvykdytą smurtą. Mūsų spaudoje ne kartą tenka pastebėti naryvus raminimasis: girdi, ana štai ir lenkai tarpusavy nesutaria, ukrainiečiai nesulipdo vienos savo atstovybės, baltgudžiai svaicioja apie didesnę pusę Rytų Lietuvos, na, klausykite, ar ne pasakos?.. Kai ALTAS iškelia kokį sumanymą, tai iš Washingtono sugrįžęs dažnai telkiasi Lietuvos Vyčius: Ei, Jūs, vyrai, rašykite laiškus kongresmanams, senatoriams, ir visiems šventiems, jei tas būt galima, kad mūsų pabiras mintis visa Amerika paremtų! Žinoma, Jūs paklustat ir parašote pe kelis tūkstančius tokių laiškų, bet ir Jūs patys jaučiate ir suprantate, kad tai ne originalus darbas, bet paliatyvas, kaip nežinomų žmonių palaidos mintys.

Lietuvos Vyčiai Nepriklausomybės Minėjimuos

Kodėl aš taip išdrįsau prabilti į Jus, mieli Bičiuliai? Labai paprastai galiu į tai atsakyti. Pastaraisiais metais nebuvo ne vieno Vasario 16-tos minėjimo, kad ir man nebūtų buvę pavesta kur nors nuvykti, o nuvykus — susipažinti su Alto skyrių žmonėmis ir pastebėti, be kitų gerų dalykų, ir tuos trūkumus, kurie krinta į akį: — svarbiausia, sąlyčio stoka su Alto centru; jokio plano politinėms gairėms, jokių nurodymų. Kas man krisdavo į akį, tai visas skyriaus veikimas — Vasario 16-tos minėjimas, kaip vienintelė metuose proga pakolektuoti Alto centrui lešų. O vėliau vėl viskas aprimsta iki... sekančios vasario dienos priminimo. Sunku man įtikinti patį save, kad čia, Amerikoje, šiuo metu mūsų susirinkimai vien lešų telkimo prasme teturėtų. Noriu manyti, kad Lietuvos Vyčių kuopų

yra visose, didesnėse ar mažesnėse lietuvių gyvenamose kolonijose, nors, dėja, kad ir tokios Vasario 16-tos proga, organizuotai jų neteko niekur pastebėti. Neatrodė, kad Vyčių obalsis — Dievui ir Tėvynei — jau būtų visiškai numarintas, bet to pirmųščio entuziazmo, to jaunų širdžių veržlumo, jaunatviško užsidegimo nebegali įžiūrėti. Jaunieji kunigai dažnai nebetalkina Vyčiams, o patys vieni palikti vyčiai praranda orientacijos gaires. Senieji idealistai pavargo arba visai iš gyvenimo pasitraukė, o jaunuosius kadrus kaž kas dėjosi sutelksiąs, įvesdamas angliškas skiltis į vyčių žurnalą — Vytį.

Pavardžių Keitimas ir Lietuvių Vieningumas

Ir šitoje vietoje man prisimena didžiojo Lietuvos atgimimo dainiaus, Maironio, žodžiai: "Pameskim, broliai, rūbą seną, kurį užvilko svetimi! Tegul jį meilė sukurena tėvynės darbui pakili." Taip mano Bičiuliai, Eisenhoweris savo vokiškos pavardės nekeitė ir nekeis, o mūsų tarpe Kiškūnas sakosi Kish, Vaičiūnas — Walter ir taip iki begalybės! Savaimė suprantama, kad tie, kurie savo gražias lietuviškas pavardes sukarikatūrino, niekadosis neis su lietuviais, taigi ir su Vyčiais. Tai labai liūdna tikrovė, bet tai tikrovė ir jai privalome tiesiai pažvelgti į akis! O man prisimena iš studentavimo Romoje laikų ir toks faktas, kad 12-os žmonių Columbo Vyčių delegacija lankėsi pas anametinį popiežių, Benediktą XV-jį, ir ta proga paliko Bažnyčios bendriems reikalams čekį tik... trijų milijonų dolerių. Aš jau tuomet gerai žinojau, kad Amerikoje yra ir Lietuvos Vyčiai, todėl netiesioginiai didžiavausi tokia šaunia jaunųjų katalikų organizacija, kuri prieš 35 metus labai daug padėjo Lietuvos reikalui. Kai prieš kelis metus ir į Chicagoą prigužėjo daug naujų jėgų, mes tikėjomės surasti bendrą kalbą, ištraukti į organizacinį darbą, žodžiu — talkininkauti vieni kitiems, bet... Iš šio miesto lietuviškųjų šeiminių nesulaukėm iniciatyvos, todėl ir bendro fronto visuomeniškame darbe nesudarėm.

Pasaulio Lietuvių Bendruomenės Reikalai

Kad sutelkus lietuviškas jėgas, kad ir naujieji ateiviai nepaskęstų svetimybų liūne, Vlikas išleido Pasaulio lietuvių bendruomenės statutą, kuris kad ir vėžlio žingsniu bandoma realizuoti. Ar mano Bičiuliai, Lietuvos Vyčiai, bus pirmieji šios bendruomenės ramsčiai, parodys ateitis. Būtų labai gaila ir liūdna, jei ir šiuo metu nesidomėtų LB

organizavimu, nes, kai mes neisime, ateis kiti ir mus visai išstums iš lietuviško visuomenės gyvenimo, kaip kad šandie anglicizmas baigia išstumti lietuvių.

Trisdešimts septintąjį Vasario 16-tos sukaktį minime labai skaudžiose mūsų tautai valandose, todėl ir mūsų čia praskleidžiamos mintys nėra nei šventiškos nei perdaug optimistiškos, bet jos nėra ir beviltiškos. Dviejų dalykų mums tereikia, būtent: tikėjimo ir darbo. Šv. Paulius sako, kad ir tikėjimas į Jėzų be gerų darbų yra negyvas. Lietuvos laisvei sugrąžinti reikia dar labai daug, tiesiog milžiniško, sutelktinio darbo ir pasiaukojimo, kaip savo laiką padarė Jūsų Darius ir Girėnas. Ir aš noriu tikėti, kad Lietuvos Vyčiai ne vien jais didžiuosis, bet ir paseks jų pėdomis.

Pažinti Ir Veikti

Pereitų metų gale, mūsų Vyskupas V. Brizgys, Kristaus Karaliaus šventės proga, "Draugo" puslapiuose pasakė šventą tiesą, kad, girdi, daugelis žmonių šandie netiki Dievą dėlto, kad Jo nepažįsta. Kad tikėti ir pamilti Dievą galima tik tuomet, kai Jį pažįstama... Taip ir čia, perfrazuojant šituos mūsų Ganytojo žodžius, galime sakyti: tikėti Lietuvos ateitimi, jos atvadavimui pašvęsti visas savo gerąsias jėgas ir tam aukotis iš visos širdies tegalima tik tai tada, kai gerai žinoma, suprantama ir įvertinama viso šito milžiniško pasiaukojimo prasmė. Pirmieji Lietuvos Vyčių organizatoriai daugumoje šitą žinojimą buvo iš Lietuvos atsivežę, gi čia gimusiems ir augusiems reikalinga daugiau ne tos informacijos, kurią Vyčiai randa savo žurnale, nes kitą lietuviškąją spaudą tik retas kuris teskaito. Begaliniai didelės reikšmės yra tarpusavio bendravimas, gyvųjų žmonių pasakojimai ir liudymai, tad kodėl šis šaltinis nepanaudotinas? Mano giliu įsitikinimu, jis yra šandien būtinas, kad mes neišsisklaidytume, anot to priežodžio, kaip žydo bitės.

Vyčiai Ir Ateitininkai

Tad jau šandie, šito Lietuvos Nepriklausomybės paskelbimo išvakarėse ryžkimės sudaryti planą, kaip sėkmingiau tą padaryti, kad iki sekančių metų būtų pasiekta konkrečių rezultatų. Suburkime į vieną sutelktinį barą visą lietuvišką katalikų inteligentinį jaunimą — senuosius ir jaunius Lietuvos Vyčius su Ateitininkų Federacija ir jos padaliniais ne rezoliucijomis, bet gyvuju bendravimu visur ir visuomet, parodykime vieni kitiems daugiau lietuviškos širdies ir supratimo, ir joks darbas bei pasiaukavimas nebus primestine sunkenybel!

PUOŠKIME "VYTI" GRAŽIOMIS ILIUSTRACIJOMIS

Juozas Leimonas

"Vyties" redakcija susirūpinusi turėti "Vyty" gerų, įdomių fotografijų iš vyčių gyvenimo ir veikimo. Be abejonės, tokių fotografijų yra, tik jos nepasiekia "Vyties" redakciją. Be to norėtume dar paskatinti vyčius daryti tokių fotografijų, kurios būtų ir patiems vyčiams įdomios ir tikėtų "Vyties" žurnalui.

Kokios tos įdomios fotografijos turėtų būti? Fotografijos gali būti įdomios iš įvairiausių vyčių gyvenimo ir veikimo sričių. Ir juo įvairesnes sritis apims tuo bus įdomiau. Tik svarbu, kad fotografijos reikštų bet koku būdu akciją, arba mažiausiai bent originalesnes, įdomesnes pozas, susigrupavimus. Fotografijos, kuriose tik sustingusiai sėdima ar stovima ir žiūrima į fotografijos aparatą, yra tiek atsibodusios, kad jos mūsų akių jau nevilioja, mus nedomina — visi mes esame pasiilgę kitokio tipo fotografijų, naujų, originalių ir veiksmingų. Ir vyčiai fotografuodamiesi to naujumo ir įdomumo bei gražumo, kiek pagalvoję, tikrai suras.

Tokių fotografijų mes prašytume kuodaugiausiai "Vyties" redakcijai siųsti. "Vyties" redakcija atrinks iš jų įdomiausias ir talpins "Vyty" savo lėšomis. Prieštas fotografijas, kurios "Vyty" bus talpinamos ar netalpinamos, mes atsiuntusiems negrąžinsime. Kodėl? Iš jų mes norėsim sudaryti prie "Vyties" redakcijos iš vyčių veikimo ir gyvenimo albumą, kuris bus vertingu dokumentu vyčių istorijai. Tokio albumo vyčiai lig šiol dar neturi. Todėl prašytume tų fotografijų iš visų vietovių daugiau siųsti.

Bet, kaip lig šiol buvo, vyčiai gali savo nuožiūra siųsti "Vyties" redakcijai jau padarytas klišes arba fotografijas, kurias nori, kad jos "Vyty" tilptų ir už tų fotografijų klišių padarymą apmoka. Tokios fotografijos, kaip lig šiol buvo, bus skubiai "Vyty" patalpintos.

Taigi laukiame vyčių bendradarbiavimo ir šioj srity. Darykime "Vyti" gražiai iliustruotą.

Lithuanian Newsmonger

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STANLEY PIEZA of Chicago, Ill., 4th degree member of K. of L., will accompany His Excellency, Cardinal Stritch on a trip to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, this summer, in order to attend the Eucharist Congress. Mr. Pieza is correspondent not only for the CHICAGO AMERICAN newspaper but also the INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

Parishioners of *St. Peter's Lithuanian Church* attended a banquet and reunion at Blinstrub's Village, South Boston, on June 26th. Some 600 persons gathered for the event, which was initiated last year on the 50th anniversary of the church. Principal speaker was *Rev. John B. Rusteika of Kansas*, whose parents reside in South Boston. *Rev. Francis A. Virmauskas*, pastor and *Rev. John D. Zuromskis*, spiritual adviser of N. E. District K. of L. and banquet chairman, also spoke.

Airman 2-C Katherine A. Pechulis (Whitinsville, Mass.) who recently finished a three-year tour of duty as flight attendant with the Women's Air Force at McCord A. F. B., Wash., has reenlisted and been assigned to McGuire A. F. B. in New Jersey. She is a former women's pro baseball player and holds a trophy as an outstanding softball player with the McCord teams. She is former captain of the High School basket ball team.

The Fourth Annual Boston Arts Festival sponsored by the City of Boston (June 4-19, 1955), whose Honorary Chairman was Mayor John B. Hynes, among the Staff Members mentioned was FRANCIS SIDLAUSKAS, Production Manager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kastantas Šidlauskas of South Boston, Mass.

179th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence was commemorated on July 4, 1955 in Faneuil Hall (Cradle of Liberty) Boston. Principal speaker was Hon. Clare Booth Luce, Ambassador to Italy. Presiding at the exercises was Mayor John B. Hynes. Among the invited guests were Consuls of Greece, Germany, Italy, Ireland and Lithuania — *Hon. Anthony O. Shallna* of Boston.

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY KONNIE SAVICKUS of Chicago, Ill., Legal Adviser of the K. of L. and basketball instructor in Lithuania (1935-1936), finished in second place in State's Attorney GUTNECKT'S GOLF TOURNAMENT and won himself a classy new golf bag.

Dr. Evelyn Bender of Boston, Mass. upon receiving her Doctor's degree in Mathematics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, last year, taught at Cornell University. This fall, she will teach at Boston College.

CADET RALPH J. CHESNAUSKAS is the first and only Lithuanian - American from Brockton, Mass. to enter the *United States Military Academy at West Point*. Previously two other Lithuanian boys were appointed to the *U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis*, *Capt. Alexander John Couble* (Kubilus) USN (Ret.) in 1917 and *Admiral Peter M. Moncy* (Moncewicz) USN (Ret.) in 1918.

MRS. JOSEPHINE J. DAUŽVARDIS, wife of Consul of Lithuania at Chicago, Ill., graduate of Northeastern University School of Law, Worcester, Mass., who has lectured extensively on Lithuania and Lithuanian folklore, and appeared on TV and radio programs with Lithuanian recipes, has compiled and published POPULAR LITHUANIAN RECIPES, booklet form, 120 pages. As far as can be determined, this is the first attempt to compile and publish in English a more extensive collection of recipes which were and are popular among Lithuanians. Cost is only \$2.00. Write to Lithuanian Catholic Press, 2334 So. Oakley Ave., Chicago 8, Ill.

AMERICAN BALTIC COMMITTEE of Chicago, which is a combine of LITHUANIAN, LATVIAN and ESTONIAN delegations, received a message of greetings and sympathy from STATE SECRETARY DULLES. PROF. GEDIMINAS GALVA chaired the meeting at the Central YMCA which passed a resolution requesting PRESIDENT EISENHOWER and SECRETARY DULLES "That sovereign rights and self-government be restored to the BALTIC COUNTRIES." Representing Lithuania were ALBINAS DZIRVONAS and ALEKSANDRAS KUCIUNAS. The Lithuanian Consul PETRAS DAUZVARDIS, also spoke.

The DON VARNAS POST of the American Legion posted colors at the INDEPENDENCE DAY K. OF L. PICNIC in

Willow Springs, Ill. This Post mostly consists of LITHUANIANS who fled Europe, and later fought in Korea. It was founded by LITHUANIAN - AMERICANS of World War II. ADAM ANDERSON, Post Commander, is member of Council 112.

The walls and roof of the new and beautiful NATIVITY B. V. M. CHURCH, Chicago, Ill., are up already. The architect of this masterpiece is MULOKAS. The style is BAROQUE — the predominant style in the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries. Its dominating feature is its use of curved and contorted forms.

EDDIE WAITKUS, former Cub now with the BALTIMORE ORIOLES played in 78 games last year, at first base, without making an error.

UNITED NATIONS tenth anniversary session was thrown into an uproar when Cuba's chief delegate, DR. EMILIO NUÑEZ - PORTUNDO, denounced RUSSIA for the enslavement of the BALTIC STATES and her designs for world domination. The gallant doctor was gavelled down and silenced amidst a thunderous ovation from the galleries. He spoke long enough to get his words into the records.

MOLOTOV stopped off in Chicago en route to the U. N. convention in California with his "Peace Mission" for the entire world. Molotov was greeted by pickets carrying many different signs. One pictured a corpse on the gallows and was labeled "Russian Peace." Another read "SOVIET PEACE HAS LIQUIDATED ONE MILLION ESTONIANS, LATVIANS AND LITHUANIANS." Amidst the greeters were members of the DON VARNAS POST.

GEORGE PIKTUZIS, Cubs property, hurled an impressive shutout in his debut with the LOS ANGELES ANGELS. However, this highly touted southpaw has been having a rough time of it in mid-season as the ANGELS almost hit the basement in the Pacific Coast League. We hope the ANGELS have a strong finish. Anyway, best of luck with the CUBS next year.

LONGINAS (Larry) SVELNIS of South Boston, Mass., chairman of the K. of L. Ritual Committee and this year's president of the Baltic American Society of New England, at several June meetings including Mr. Kneizys' radio program, read the BALTIC STATES FREEDOM DAY PROCLAMATION issued by GOVERNOR CHRISTIAN A. HERTER.



Art Director Stan Kancewick and his wife, Julie

Art Director Stan Kancewick and his wife, Julie. As a result of the continuous efforts of the "Vytis" Editorial Staff, we are pleased to have succeeded in getting Stan Kancewick, of Chicago, Ill. to be our Art Director. In addition to the design for the cover of this issue, we shall let you in on a secret about him and tell you from a very close and confidential friend of his that he is a man of many talents. Mr. Kancewick is a World War II veteran with almost four years of Navy time to his credit. He is a graduate of All Saints (Lithuanian) Grammar School, De La Salle Institute (Christian Brothers) High School, Art Institute of Chicago, American Academy of Art (Chicago) and Illinois Institute of Technology, Institute of Design. For eight years he had been Plant Artist for Clearing, Illinois Plant of "Continental Can Company"; from 1940 to 1942 — Plant Artist of "Gary Steel Works"; United States Steel; Navy Artist for "Officer of Naval Officer Procurement" (Chicago) from 1942 to 1944; Artist for "Advanced Base Supply Training Camp" (Williamsburg, Virginia) from 1944 to 1945; Artist in Illustrators Unit, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C. from 1945 to 1946; then back to United States Steel to present time.

In addition to that, he does free-lancing. Stan is particularly active in "Toastmasters - Interna-

tional" — in the past two years has twice captured first place in the annual Illinois State speaking contests. In the same years, he bid for greater speaking honors as he advanced to the finals in international competitions at Columbus in 1951 and Detroit last year. In 1953 Stan received a trophy from H. Hosche of Toastmasters - International. He is called on to preside as master of ceremonies at a number of public gatherings, and he considers this as his most serious avocation. As a photo enthusiast, he often combines photography with art work. He does Commercial Art, covering assignments in illustration, lettering, cartooning, layout, and design, for letterheads, booklets, posters, magazine illustration, panoramas, greeting cards, tickets, folders, etc. Among Stan's hobbies are bowling, golf, dancing and of course photography with one or all of four cameras. Stan, member of the Knights of Lithuania for several years in the late thirties, has always been partial to our organization. He is also an active member of Artists Guild of Chicago, Society of Typographic Arts (Chicago), Loyal Order of the Moose and American Legion. His wife, nee Julie Kaupas of Marquette Park, Chicago, is also active in the Lithuanian community and they are both blessed with a daughter, Mary Ann who was born on April 1, 1955.

Lietuvos Vyčių Istorija

Ignas Sakalas

(tęsa)

60-ji KUOPA

60-ji kuopa, Kewae, Ill., įsteigta 1916 metais. Steigiamajam susirinkime įsirašė 19 narių. Per sekančius susirinkimus narių skaičius tiek išaugo, kad pajėgta suorganizuoti chorą, kuris ne tik bažnyčioje sekmadieniais per pamaldas lietuviškas giesmes giedodavo, bet suruošė ir keletą vakarų, koncertų. Pirmaisiais metais buvo suvaidinta karo vaizdelis "Karo metu" ir "Knarkia paliepus".

Dar žymesnis kuopos veikimas buvo 1918 metais. Rengta ne tik vakarai, koncertai, bet atkreiptas dėmesys ir į kitas kultūrinės sritis: vakariniai savęs lavinimosi kursai su paskaitomis iš Lietuvos praeities. Kiekvienas narys buvo įsipareigojęs priklaustyti Tautos Fondo skyriui ir mokėti metinį nario mokestį.

JAV įstojus į pirmąjį Pasaulinį karą, į pirmąsias gretas buvo pašaukti sekantieji veikėjai: K. Songaila, J. Miškinis, B. Kučinskas, J. Sakalauskas, J. Nedvaras, B. Maršalka, M. Mikėnas. Išleidus juos kuopa nenusiminė ir veikime nesustojo. Tai liudija 1919 metais suruošti keli vakarai. Vienas didesnių vakarų buvo birželio 14 d. Suvaidinta komedija "Piršlybos", o choras savo dalį taip pat gerai atliko, padainuodamas net sunkesnių dainų, kaip Sasnausko "Karvelėli" ir k. Kuopa taip pat turėjo gerų deklamatorių.

Lietuvai pasiskelbus nepriklausoma, kuopa nepasiliko neatidavusi savo duoklės ant tėvynės laisvės aukuro. Per Tautos Fondą, neskaitant narių metinių mokesčių, suaukojo keletą šimtų dolerių. Savo parapija ir organizacijos reikalai taip pat nebuvo pamiršti. Vienų vakarų visą pelną, o kitų dalį skirdavo parapijai palaikyti, "Vyčiui" paremti. Yra prisidėjus ir prie nuosavos spaustuvės įsigijimo ir tt.

Laikui bėgant ir daugeliui narių išvažinėjus į kitus miestus kuopos veikimas pradėjo silpnėti, o ilgainiui ir visai sustojo.

1928 metais klebonaujant kun. B. Verbiui buvo prisiminta anksčiau gyvavusi ir gražiu veikimu pasižymėjusi vyčių kuopa ir sumanyta ją atgaivinti. Pats klebonas tuo reikalu kreipėsi į vyčių Centrą ir tuometinis Centro sekretorius K. Gervilis nuvyko su visomis informacijomis. Spalio 21 d. buvo sušauktas jaunimo susirinkimas ir jame kuopa buvo atgaivinta. Susirašė 47 nariai. Valdybon išrinkta: dvasios vadas kun. B. Verbis, pirm. J. Kavolas, vi-

cepirm. E. Lakaitė, sekr. B. Vaičiūtė, išd. O. Drummond. Centre kuopa įregistruota nauju numeriu, būtent 121-ju.

Kun. Verbiui išvykus kitur pastoracijos darbo dirbti, nesant vadų, kurie būtų sugebėję vadovauti veikimui, atgaivintoji kuopa neilgai gyvavo.

Visam kuopos gyvavime savo veikime pirmose gretose stovėjo sekantieji veikėjai-jos: Iq. Dambrauskas, M. Kvietinskaitė, O. Galeckiūtė, M. Mikėnas, L. Laukeniūtė, M. Maršalkiūtė, E. Brazaičiūtė, Al. Jočis, P. Zujus, V. Višniauskaitė, J. Nedvaras, K. Songaila, J. Miškinis, B. Maršalka, J. Piliponis ir k.

61-ji KUOPA

61-ji kuopa Patersone, N. J., įsteigta 1916 metais birželio mėnesį. Kuopos steigėjais buvo K. Pakštas ir K. Vaškas iš Newarko. Jiedu susitarę su klebonu kun. J. Švagždžiu suruošė prakalbas parapijos salėj ir įsteigė kuopą, kurion iš pradžių susirašė nedaug narių. Valdybon išrinkta: kun. J. Švagždys, dvasios vadas, Pranė Venskūtė, Pirmininkė, ir J. Spranaitis, sekretorius.

Nors kuopa buvo įsteigta ir apie tai pranešta Centru, tačiau iki spalio mėnesio negauta jokios žinios. Tų metų seime Centro sekretorium išrinkus Joną Šaliūną, jis pranešė, kad kuopa įregistruota, duotas numeris ir prisiuntė čarterį. Nuo to laiko kuopa drąsiau pradėjo veikti ir verbuoti naujus narius.

Sekančiais metais kuopa pradėjo rengti vakarus, vaidinimus, kas dar labiau pagyvino veiklą, gi a. a. kun. J. Petraičiui užėmus parapijoj klebono vietą, kuopos veikimas taip pakilo, kad narių skaičius siekė iki septyniasdešimt. Buvo įsteigtas kuopos orkestras, kuris gyvavo apie tris metus. Tais metais daugiausiai gyvumo kuopon įnešė a. a. Marcijonas Staniūlis, Ignas Kulikaitis ir Pranas Baltuška.

Sekančiais metais buvo perorganizuotas parapijos choras į vyčių chorą ir suruošta keletas didesnių koncertų. Taip pat suruošta visa eilė vakarų ir suvaidinta nemažai veikalų: komedijų, dramų, tragedijų. Nuo kuopos įsisteigimo iki 1937 metų kuopos veikloje, taipgi vakarų suruošime ir vaidinimuose daugiausiai reišėsi iš merginų: M. Gri-baitė, M. Petraitė, O. Volkaitė, V. Serapinaitė, M. Sasnauskaitė, P. Usaitė, M. Ubelevičiūtė, Irena ir Eleonora Staniūlaitės, F. Žyliūtė, o iš vaikinų: J.

Spranaitis, Ig. Kulikaitis, a. a. M. Staniūlis, J. Žylius, T. Rimas, J. Obelevičius ir daugelis kitų.

1919 metais parapijos salėj kuopa įsteigė nuosavą klubą, kuris gyvavo apie tris metus. Tuo pačiu laiku buvo suorganizuota ir kuopos basebolo rinktinė, kuri žaidė ne tik New Yorko ir New Jersey val. apskrityje, bet ir su Patersono geriausiomis rinktinėmis. Pirmaisiais rinktinės vadais buvo: J. Spranaitis, J. Venskuskas, o geriausiais žaidėjais buvo E. Ulčinskas, T. Rimas, J. Jasulaitis, J. Dutkus, D. Osipauskas, J. Spranaitis II-sis, Stasys ir Povilas Dutkai. Rinktinė laikėsi iki 1932 m. Po to perėjo į Šv. Vardo draugijos globą.

Bendrai, nuo pat įsisteigimo iki 1938 metų kuopa Patersono lietuvių kolonijoje lošė pirmąją rolę. Kuopai pirmininkavo ir daug veikė: Jonas Spranaitis, Tamas Rimas, J. Jasulaitis, J. Jenušaitis, Jr., J. Spranaitis II-sis, A. Lekavičius, Ed. Staniulis; sekretoriavo: P. Venskaitė, V. Serapiniūtė, O. Volkaitė, P. Usaitė, M. Sasnauskaitė, M. Obelevičiūtė ir k.

1926 metais atvykus į Ameriką prof. J. Eretui, Lietuvos Pavasarininkų atstovui, kuopa suruošė didelę prakalbą. Svečias išsivežė ko gražiausių įspūdžių.

1936 metais atvykus į Ameriką dr. J. Leimonui, kitam Lietuvos Pavasarininkų atstovui, kuopa taip pat suruošė didelę prakalbą. Ed. Staniulio pasidarbavimu, svečias aplankė miesto mērą John Hinchcliff, kuris savo nuoširdumui parodyti svečiui įteikė miesto raktą. Be to, apžiūrėta spaustuvė didžiausio Patersono laikraščio "Evening News".

1937 metais kuopai buvo didelis džiaugsmas, kuomet tų metų seimas už didelius nuopelnus organizacijai į Garbės narius pakėlė J. Spranaitį, Sr.

Iki 1941 m. kuopos veikimas daugiausiai buvo nukreiptas į sportą, ypatingai į kegliavimą N. Y. ir N. J. valst. apskrityje. Be to, suruošta nemažai išvažiavimų ir kitokių pramogų.

Nuo 1941 iki 1944 m. kuopoj veikimas buvo silpnas, nes daugelis veikliųjų narių buvo pašaukti į karinę tarnybą II Pasauliniame kare.

Kad ir silpną veikimą palaikė valdybos nariai: A. Lekavičius, J. Baublis, J. Lapinskas, M. Jackeivičiūtė, A. Skubus ir ypatingai Garbės narys J. Spranaitis, Anne Baltuska ir Dorothy Dutkus.

1945 m. kuopa persiorganizavo, išrinkta nauja valdyba ir pasukta didesnio veikimo kryptimi. Įsteigti lituanistikos kursai, suruošta eilė vakarų, nariai pradėjo daugiau domėtis sportu ir dainos menu ir bendrai kultūriniais pasireiškimais.

Nuo pat įsisteigimo kuopa rėmė parapiją įvairiais parengimais, darbu ir aukomis. Tautos, lab-



MISS LILLIAN NAVICKY of Dorchester, Mass. Among the more interested Lithuanian - Americans in the work of the Knights of Lithuania, we have Miss Navicky, member of Council 17, who is coming forward with some of her work. She was born in Boston 21 years ago and is the oldest of six children. Lillian is a graduate of Dorchester High School for Girls where she studied Art. She draws in her spare time only. For the past five years she has been affiliated with APOTHECARY Magazine and is Production Manager.

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darybės, kultūriniais reikalais nėra sudėjęs didelių sumų, bet niekuomet neatsisakė nuo aukos, kuomet buvo reikalas kam aukoti. Pačios organizacijos reikalai taipgi buvo atjaučiami ir aukota pagal izdo išgales.

Iš jaunosios kartos veikėjų daugiausiai kuopai yra nusipelnę Dorothy Dutkus. Nuo pat įsirašymo organizacijon ji buvo pavyzdys, kaip reikia dirbti ir pasišvesti, kad organizacija gražiai gyvuotų. Jos vardas bus nemirštamas kuopos istorijoje.

VYČIŲ SENDRAUGIŲ SKYRIUS

Redaguoja **IGNAS SAKALAS**

Sendraugių pirmininkas laimėjo konkursą. Metropolitan operos solistas Algirdas Brazis Indiana valstybėj prie Michigan ežero vadinamam Indiana Dunes rajone įsigijo vasarvietę ir paskelbė jos vardo konkursą. Pasibaigus laikui, Konkurso komisija, peržiūrėjus daugiau kaip 900 atsiųstų vardų, vienbalsiai parinko "Vila Albra" vardą, kurį sugalvojo Ig. Sakalas, "Draugo" redaktorius ir vyčių sendraugių pirmininkas. Jam vilos savininkas išmokėjo \$50. Konkurso komisiją sudarė žinomi Chicagos veikėjai, laikraštinkai ir finansininkai: F. Bulaw (Komisijos pirmininkas), Anna Kuzma, Julius Kuzas, M. Vaidyla, J. Pakiel, Stanley Molis, Della Kuraitis, Teodora Kuzas ir A. Dzirvonas.

Išsikėlė Kenoshon. Petras ir Petronelė Kvietkai, ilgamečiai Brighton Park (Chicagoj) gyventojai ir veikėjai, pardavę čia savo nuosavybę, išsikėlė į Kenosha, Wis., kur taip pat įsigijo nuosavybę.

Tarpe vyčių organizacijos pirmųjų narių Chicagoj Kvietkai stovi pirmose gretose. Prieš keturiasdešimt penkerius metus lietuviams pradėjus apsigyventi toje kolonijoje, P. Kvietkus buvo vienas pirmųjų Nek. Prsidėjimo Šv. P. Marijos parapijos organizatorių ir įvairių draugijų steigėjas. Įsteigtai vyčių 36-tai kuopai jis su savo žmona ilgai vadovavo ir visą laiką buvo pavyzdingi nariai. Prieš dešimtį metų, įsteigus sendraugių kuopą, jis su žmona įsirašė ir į sendraugius.

Jų sūnūs ir dukterys, kol nebuvo išskridę iš gimtojo lizdo ir pradėję savistoviai gyventi Chicagos priemiesčiuose ir kitose valstybėse, buvo žymūs 36-tos kuopos ir Chicagos apskrities veikėjai.

Sendraugiai linki Kvietkams naujoj vietoj pasisekimo ir nenutraukti ryšių su Chicagos vyčiais sendraugiais, bent retėmis progomis atsilankant į žymesnius parengimus.

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VYČIŲ SEIMĄ!

Pasitraukė iš Namų tarybos. Vincas E. Pavis, vienas pirmųjų vyčių sendraugių narių, žymiai prisidėjęs prie Vyčių namo įsigijimo ir sudarius Namų tarybą (trustis) pavyzdinčiai jai pirmininkavęs, taip pat buvęs vyriausiu buhalteriu, š. m. gegužės mėnesį pasitraukė iš tarybos. Taryboj jis atstovavo Chicagos apskritį.

Vincas ir jo žmona Stela yra labai daug pasidarbavę ne tik Chicagos apskrityje, apskričio chore, apskričio dramos ratelyje, Vyčių namo reikaluose, bet ir sendraugiuose. Visur buvo ne eiliniai nariai, bet valdybose, komisijose ir t. p. Šiuo metu Vincas yra sendraugių kuopos išdėininkas, o jo žmona labai stropi finansų sekretorė.

Prieš porą mėnesių jų vienturtė duktė, kuri taip pat priklauso vyčiams, ištekėjo už vyčio A. Žemaičio. Gražios vestuvės buvo Vyčių salėj.

Prieš įsikurdamas Chicagoj V. E. Pavis gyveno Youngstown, O., kur tebegyvena jo motina, broliai, seserys, kur buvo įsteigęs ir vyčių kuopą, o vėliau jo iniciatyva sudaryta ir Ohio - Pennsylvania (vakarinės dalies) vyčių apskritis. Už šakotą ir didelį įnašą Liet. Vyčių organizacijai, Chicagos apskritis ir sendraugių kuopa prieš trejetą metų pasiūlė organizacijos seimui pakelti į Garbės narius. Vyčių organizacijoj V. Pavis yra išsiskyręs iš tų narių-veikėjų, kurie, kaip meteorai, sušvinta, gi po kiek laiko užgesta ir dingsta nežinioj. Tokius narius, kur jie nebūtų — Rytuose ar Vakaruose — turime gerbti.

Kad ir pasitraukė, bet nuoširdžiai padeda. Vincas Paukštis, per keliolika pastarųjų metų pavyzdinčiai vedęs Vyčių namo reikalus (menedžieriavęs), atsisakė iš einamųjų pareigų dėl nesveikatos. Švelnaus būdo, atviras, nuoširdus ir taktingas jis visų buvo mėgiamas, vertinamas ir gerbiamas. Turįs ilgų metų patyrimo prekyboje (biznyje) ir kaipo senas lietuvių organizacijų veikėjas, turįs plačią pažintį, jis ne tik daug savo patyrimo įnešė į Vyčių namą, bet buvo pirmūnas sumanumu namo išlaikymo atžvilgiu.

Nors V. Paukštis iš savo pareigų pasitraukė, tačiau neatsisako padėti kiekvieniame svarbiame reikale.

Sendraugiai vertina Vinco įnašą į namo reikalus ir linki sveikatos toliau padėti savo darbu, patarimais ir sumanymais.

TOP THIS

(If You Can)

FIGHT TALK

The fight was dull. The two fighters did nothing but circle each other. Not a punch was tossed.

Then out of the silence, a spectator howled: "Hit 'im, ya bum! You got the wind wit' ya!"

(Submitted by Mary, C-3)
Philadelphia

GOOD ADVICE

At the first Council of Trent all the religious orders began fighting as to which among them was the best order. Among these present were the Jesuits, Franciscans, and Dominicans.

At times the fighting became bitter and almost ended with fists flying. During one of these affairs a piece of paper floated down. On it was written the following:

"Stop fighting and remember your work." Signed, "God, S. J."

(Submitted by Joseph Sepas
C-26, Worcester)

(The editors invite K. of L. readers to contribute to this department by sending in their own humorous anecdotes, jokes, or plain corn. Include name and council of sender so proper credit can be given. Address to TOP THIS editor, 201 K. St., So. Boston 27, Mass.)



Augina Lietuvai naują vyti.

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Lucille Roklan (17)	Mary Vezelis (93)	Mr. & Mrs. Adam Anderson (112)
Mary Ann Rodski (10)	B. Stukas (93)	Julia Abracinskas (36)
Gediminas Penney (10)		

OFICIALUS SKYRIUS

CALL TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

The forty-second annual convention of the KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA will be held at the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, New Jersey, Friday, August 26, Saturday, August 27th, and Sunday, August 28th.

REGISTRATION fee of \$15.00 shall be paid by each delegate, alternate and guest at time of registration. Make checks payable to NEWARK KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA COUNCIL 29.

The meeting of the SUPREME BOARD will be held Thursday evening, August 25th.

Leadership Course (Workshop) to be held Thursday morning, August 25th, 10:00 a. m.

The opening session of the convention will be held at 10:00 a. m., Friday, August 26th.

REPRESENTATION and VOTING BODY: "Council delegates participating in the convention have but one vote for every 10 full-paid members at the Supreme Council as of the end of the fiscal year. Each delegate has but one vote. Districts may delegate only two representatives to the convention. No delegate can represent more than one council, district, or Supreme Council office. The fiscal year of the Supreme Council ends on July 31." The membership of the council shall be determined in accordance with the records of the National Financial Secretary on the thirtieth day prior to the date of the National Convention.

PURPOSE: The convention is called for the following purposes:

1. To receive the reports of officers, district chairmen and chairmen of standing, special and convention committees.
2. To elect national officers for the ensuing year.
3. To vote on the proposed amendment — KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA JUNIORS CONSTITUTION. (Published in June, 1955.)
4. To vote on the proposed amendment to ARTICLE VI, Membership Dues, Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Constitution and By-Laws; Sections 6 and 7 to be eliminated; present Sections 8, 9 and 10 to become Sections 6, 7 and 8 respectively. (Published in July, 1955.)

Note: Recommended for consideration by vote of the Supreme Board in April, 1955.

5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

RESERVATIONS should be addressed to the hotel. Make your reservations early.

Alexander Wesey - Vasiliauskas, President

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The following resolutions have been adopted by the Supreme Council for presentation at the 42nd National Convention at Newark, N. J. They are herewith being published in accordance with Article IX, Section 13, of the Constitution:

RESOLVED: That Article VI, Section 3, of the Constitution be changed to read: "All regular members pay \$3.00 yearly to the Supreme Council, which includes a subscription to the Vytis."

(Note (a) and (b) would remain unchanged.)

RESOLVED: That Article VI, Section 4, of the Constitution be changed to read: "In families having several members belonging to the organization, including married couples, one member may pay \$3.00 yearly dues while each of the others may pay \$2.00 yearly dues. The option of paying \$2.00 and not receiving the Vytis is available to a member only if another member of his or her family living at the same address has paid \$3.00 annual dues and is in good standing. Only the member paying \$3.00 receive the Vytis."

RESOLVED: That Article VI, Section 5, of the Constitution be changed to read: "All dues are payable annually on August 1, the beginning of the fiscal year of the Supreme Council. Members joining less than six months after the beginning of the fiscal year pay the balance of the yearly dues, on a prorated basis. Members joining more than six months after the beginning of the fiscal year pay the balance of the yearly dues, on a prorated basis, plus the full yearly dues for the succeeding fiscal year."

RESOLVED: That Article VI, Sections 6 and 7 of the Constitution be eliminated. The present Sections 8, 9, and 10 would then become Sections 6, 7, and 8 respectively.

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\$400.00 New England District, K. of L.
 \$25.00 Council 25, Cleveland, Ohio
 \$20.00 Rt. Rev. Constantine Vasys, Worcester, Mass.
 A Friend
 Rev. John Zuromskis, So. Boston, Mass.
 15.00 Rev. Anatolijas Stanevicius, Chicago, Ill.
 10.00 Most Rev. Vincent Brizgys, Chicago, Ill.
 Rt. Rev. Ignas Albavicius, Cicero, Ill.
 Very Rev. John Balkūnas, Maspeth, N. Y.
 Mr. Antanas Buknis, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Rev. Albert J. Contons, So. Boston, Mass.
 Rev. Benedict Gauronskas, Ansonia, Conn.
 Miss Phyllis Grendal, So. Boston, Mass.
 Rev. Albin Janiūnas, Lawrence, Mass.
 Rev. A. Jutkevičius, Shelburne Falls, Mass.
 Rev. J. A. Jutkevičius, Turner Falls, Mass.
 Rev. John Jutkevičius, Worcester, Mass.
 Rev. Vladas Karalevičius, Bayonne, N. J.
 Mr. John G. Kasulaitis, Cicero, Ill.
 Mrs. Mary Kober, Port Washington, N. Y.
 Rev. Joseph Naudziūnas, Cambridge, Mass.
 Rev. Felix Norbut, Norwood, Mass.
 Rev. John Pakalniškis, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Mr. John Sprainaitis, Paterson, N. J.
 Rev. John Švagždys, Brockton, Mass.
 Rev. John Vysnauskas, Chicago, Ill.
 Rev. Walter Washila, Southold, N. Y.
 Rev. Albin Yankauskas, Athol, Mass.
 Lith. Minister P. Žadeikis, Washington, D. C.
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COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

JUNIOR PAGE

JUNIOR COUNCIL 96

At the first meeting of the Juniors held on July 7th in the Holy Cross parish hall, Dayton, Ohio, the following officers were elected: Father Walter Katarskis, spiritual adviser; Veronica Omlor, president; Ann Sinkwitz, vice president; Carol Leasure, recording secretary; Robert Omlor, financial secretary and treasurer; David Rimkus, sgt.-at-arms; and Elaine Lucas, VYTIS correspondent.

It was voted to hold a meeting every second Friday of the month. Next meeting to be held August 12th.

Our first project was to find means of increasing our treasury. Elaine Lucas and Margaret Kavalauskas volunteered to sell Christmas cards this coming fall. Joseph Sinkwitz, Jr. volunteered to be in charge of the Paper Drive. All Ohio sales tax stamps which are refundable by the Ohio State Law will be turned in at each meeting.

Our members have offered their assistance to Father Katarskis with the parish's Garden Party — July 16-17; also Council 96 with its Picnic — July 31.

Wanted!

Pen pals from other Junior Councils. Come on, kids. Write to us. We'll have loads of fun exchanging ideas. Mail your letters to: Miss Elaine Lucas, 134½ Troy St., Dayton 4, Ohio. Please state your name, address and age. *Elaine Lucas*

JUNIOR COUNCIL 26

The Junior Council of the K. of L. in Worcester has been doing fine in its social affairs during the past few months. We have had the K. of L. from Providence down for two of our dances. The dances turned out to be a big success because of the wonderful children that came down here from Providence. We have also gone down there for a dance and everyone had such a wonderful time we are waiting for another invitation.



An exciting day was spent by our Juniors at our "Weenie Roast" June 27. Dancing, volleyball and swimming were enjoyed by all.

The Juniors were very proud when they were asked to represent the Senior Council 26 at the annual picnic at Marianapolis. The Juniors showed great talent dancing the Lithuanian Folk Dances. The "Windmill" and the "Blacksmith" were danced by Algis Norkevicius, Casimir Matonis, Daniel Glodas, Raymond Zidzunas, Algis Garsys, John Matusaitis, Eleanor McMorrow, Alvira Staras, Eugenia Cesna, Ann Marie McMorrow, Irene Staras and Aušra Vedeckas. The dance group received tremendous ovation.

Spiritually, the Juniors are quite active, too. We held two Communion Breakfasts, one on March 6th, and the other on March 20th. Most of the Juniors participated.

This coming month, the Seniors are going to gain what the Juniors unhappily will lose — about 20 members because the members are old enough to join the Senior Council. The Seniors are most elated to get such good members.

Alvira Staras

Eleanor McMorrow

JUNIOR COUNCIL 3

Happy are we to welcome the newly-organized Junior Council of Philadelphia, Pa., under the leadership of Father Shimkus and Helen Shields.

The first initial meeting was held on June 10 and the following officers were elected: Leona Penkauskas, president; Carol Krupsky, secretary; and C. Cheplick, treasurer.



JUNIOR COUNCIL 26, Worcester, Mass. Front row, left to right: Aušra Vedeckas, Irena Staras, Ann Marie McMorrow, Eugenia Česna, Eleanor McMorrow and Alvira Staras. Back row: Ray Zidziunas, John Norkevičius, Daniel Glodas, John Matusaitis, Casimir Matonis and Algy Garsys.

Jau pradeda gyvai organizuoti jauniesiems vyčiai. Laukiame daugiau žinių iš jų veiklos.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

BROCKTON, MASS. (C-1)

Our council sponsored its first annual outdoor dance — The Polka Party at Romuva Park on June 11th. All money made from the dance was donated to the new rectory building fund at St. Casimir's Church. Members will continue to hold such a dance as an annual affair, on the same idea as the council's present annual "Snow Flake Ball."

Officers and members who helped make this outdoor dance a success included: Stanley Balberis, president; Doris Tamulevich, vice president; Pauline Ratkiewicz, secretary, James W. Condon, treasurer, Sylvia Shukis, financial secretary; Rev. Albert C. Abracinskas, spiritual adviser; and James Wallent, Rita Tamulevich, Lorraine E. Tautkus, Irene Milutis, Marilyn Wallent, Edward Cominsky, Jean Chamberlain, Patricia Hughes, Patricia Bukant and Anthony Skirins.

Msgr. Urban hall at St. Casimir's Church was transformed into a traditional Lithuanian country fair when a June festival was sponsored by the Holy Name Society. Among the organizations in the parish assisting with the program was K. of L. Council 1. Serving on the general committee were Rev. Albert C. Abracinskas, spiritual adviser and Stanley Balberis, vice president, co-chairman and publicity director.

ILLINOIS-INDIANA DISTRICT

CHICAGO, ILL. (C-5)

Past Activities

On March 12, our council played host to Council 8. The two councils got together for an evening of bowling at the Congress Arcade Bowling Alleys. Following the bowling, a social was enjoyed at the clubroom. Our thanks to the Roseland Council for making the evening an enjoyable one.

On April 2, the Illinois-Indiana Ping Pong tournament was held at the Youth Center. Two of our members won the trophies — Diane Rekus (girls' championship for the second time) and Leo Juratis (men's).

Paul Gabiliauskas, who recently joined our council, has started a "Pen Pal Club" so that our members may become acquainted with his friends in South Ame-

rica. Paul's mother is honorary member of the K. of L. Don't forget to write those letters!

Father A. Valancius, our spiritual adviser and honorary member, celebrated his 25th anniversary in the Priesthood. Sveikiname!

During the month of May, the district bowling league held its banquet at the Youth Center, at which many of our members attended. Although the "CUBS" finished the season in eleventh place, individual members on the team were "sweepstake" winners. The other council team — "POLAR BEARS" finished the season in eighth place. It won't be long before another bowling season starts, so don't put your bowling balls and shoes in "mothballs."

Our Quarterly Communion took place on June 5th, at the 9:30 Mass in St. Michael's Church. Hope to see more of our members attend this most vital and important spiritual activity at the next one.

On June 5, our members, together with Council 82, Gary, Ill., enjoyed an afternoon of bowling at the Humboldt Park Recreation. After bowling, members met at the clubroom where food and refreshments were served.

Reminder — each FRIDAY NIGHT is club night at the K. of L. clubroom. Also, council meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month. "Stud"

OHIO-MICHIGAN DISTRICT

CLEVELAND, OHIO (25)

Our apologies to Detroit for not sending a team to compete at the bowling tournament. We will try and have a good team next year.

Our council is planning more and better activities in the months to come — picnic and beach party, also an outdoor play at Cain Park "Here Comes Charlie", a comedy.

Our picnic held June 12th was well attended despite the inclement weather. Members and friends enjoyed dancing, weenie roast. Ever try to build a fire in the rain? We thank Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Karnenas for the use of their beautiful grounds.

Two of our members are receiving congratulations on their becoming naturalized citizens — Ben Karklis and Valeria Zitkus.

Anthony Kunigiskis made an annual trip to Kentucky and visited his son who will be ordained Trappist (missionary) soon.

Vacationers! Anthony Buknis flew to New York to visit relatives and friends; Mary Trainy, district president — is enjoying a trip to Pittsburgh.

Leonard Flann (Pittsburgh) spent a few days in our fair city and enjoyed sightseeing.

Couple of our members are proud owners of a new 1955 Ford — Lillian Torris and the Susin family. Tony, the paint job on your car is good — next time stay away from boats!

Belated birthday greetings to George Guzis, Joseph Sadauskas, Edward and Anthony Kunigiskis, Ben Karklis and Ruth Guzauskas.

Nellie Arunsky and Joan Susin were elected delegates to the 42nd K. of L. National Convention to be held in Newark. Mary Susin and Anthony Buknis were elected as alternates. We hope the 1956 convention will be held in Cleveland!

Many of our members attended a concert which was held at Severance Hall in honor of Alfonsas Mikulskis, on his 25th anniversary as director. Al Brazis, famed Metropolitan singer, also participated.

If you see a stock car No. 47 speeding down the road, then it's Ed Kunigiskis who is behind the wheel. He races at Sportsman's Park every Sunday evening.

For the past few months, many of our members having been arriving at our meetings late. We wish to emphasize that our meetings start promptly at 7:30 p. m. Let's try to be on time. We hope to see some of the other members who haven't been at meetings recently, too. JMZ

DAYTON, OHIO (C-96)

On June 25th, our council enjoyed its first wiener roast of the reason on Bill and Eva Leasure's farm. The turnout was great. We thank our hosts for making us feel at home. Ann Scott and Eva took charge of the cooking. Carol Leasure, secretary of our Junior Council, sure put out some good noodles!

Main event of the evening was a surprise birthday cake and GE clock-radio which were presented by our members to Father Katarskis, spiritual adviser, in appreciation for his help in all our activities. Mary Lucas baked Father's cake while Pat Zelinskas whipped up one for Ann Scott, who also celebrated her birthday. Fran Vangas entertained us with her accordian; Charlie Vangas had us laughing with his tricks! It was good to see Jimmy Omlor enjoying himself. There was quite a bit of buzzing going on among the Ladies — Pat Zelinskas, Joanne Kavalauskas, Elinor Sluzas and Fran

Petkus — who are planning to take a trip to Newark and attend the national convention.

On June 30th, our council held an informal meeting and acquainted the prospective Juniors with the purpose and activities of the K. of L. The enthusiasm displayed by our future Juniors was most encouraging. It was decided to hold their first formal meeting on July 7th in the parish, 7 p. m. The campaign for officers has already begun!

We were pleasantly surprised by the visit of Rev. Paul Gailevicius, O. P. and former spiritual adviser of Council 134, Cincinnati, Ohio, in our community.

We extend our deep sympathy to Dick Conrad, Dorothy Miller's fiance, on the loss of his mother.

Rita Ann Vaitkus and James Shaneshy have become engaged. Congratulations.

Vacationers: Mary Ann and Gus Blum took a trip to California via Texas, Nevada and New Mexico; John and Ann Scott enjoyed a trip to Minnesota; Alex and Polly Pietrzak vacationed in Northern Michigan; George Mikalauskas made a long trip to the Gulf of Mexico. Our members really get around!

In July, several of our members celebrated their birthday — Peter Petkus, Stan Vaitkus and Frank Petkus.

See you in Newark! *Us Petkus'*

DETROIT, MICHIGAN (C-102)

The Bowling Tournament is over with... nothing to do but relax until the fall. In all respects the weekend was a great success except for one small detail... we didn't win the trophy. The committee under the capable chairmanship of Joe Guarrario did a terrific job of planning, organizing and working together. We were very pleased to hear the many favorable comments on the centralization of activities at the hotel. The climax was the delicious roast beef dinner served in an unusual buffet style. Music provided by talented Al Tamonis turned the evening to one of beautiful dancing. (Most unfortunately Al was killed in an auto accident a month after the convention.)

"Satin and laces, old shoes and blue garters" are the order of the day, as of late, throughout our council. Jean Vagonis had but two letters to change for a new name when she became Mrs. Eddie Madonis in May. That wonderful gal Betty Brinza said "I do" in June and Joe Sakle took the big step on July 2nd. Bruno Sinkus, will "no longer be a bachelor" after August 27th and Julie Bender is planning a cool September wedding.

This of course means more members for our council!

Jody and Chuck Stepanauskas are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy. Congratulations! This last event was staged the same night as our bowling banquet June 8th. This last event was staged the same night as our bowling banquet June 8th. After clearing the hall of cigar smoke we all pitched in to some terrific steak... hugh, tender and juicy... just draping over the platter. The feast was followed by dancing.

Our June meeting was held at President Mary Ann Guarrario's home followed by a wiener roast at Rouge Park. Dogs were roasted on sticks obtained by a couple of members, who I believe had to scale a tree for them. Those who came had a good time talking, singing (such singing!) and of course eating.

July 15 is the night of our annual moonlight cruise on the Bob-Lo boat. This usually proves to a delightful evening.

So you see Council 102 has been quite busy this summer and we will keep it up just watch and see.

The Cue Ball

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (133)

Members attended a meeting held on June 12th at the home of Eugene Skiman (Van Nugs). Five new members were welcomed into our council, namely: Edna Davis, Anna Karanauskas, Vytautas Puikunas, Joe Barkauskas and Kęstutis Zubrickas.

Plans were made to go deep-sea fishing (trip to Catalina Island) in July.

After the meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Skiman served refreshments. Later in the evening, members enjoyed folk dancing and singing in their orchard. Our council thank Eugene's parents for their wonderful hospitality!

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

NEWARK, N. J. (C-29)

National Convention Hosts

The following have been selected to serve on the Convention Committee for the 42nd National Convention of the

Knights of Lithuania at the Hotel Robert Treat August 25-28: Honorary Chairman Rt. Rev. Msgr. I. Kelmelis, pastor of Holy Trinity Church;; General Chairman — Edward J. Thompson; Co-Chairmen— Vera Laukzemes and Albin Jankauskas; Publicity — Frank Vaskas and Ann Mensler; Treasurer — Peter Podgalsky; Correspondence Secretary — Gladys Douchess; Recording Secretary — Carmen Galan; Thursday Evening — Anthony Malakas; Friday Evening — Louis Stukas; Dance — Joseph Sakevich; Banquet — Matthew Buyus Convention Journal — Albin Ponelis.

At our regular meeting held on June 21st, Edward Thompson, President and General Chairman of the National Convention gave a report on the plans for the coming conclave. Also report on the New York - New Jersey district convention held in Paterson was given.

Rambling Along

Mrs. Julia Strolis and Walter Brazaitis were sworn in as new members of our council at the June meeting... Raymond Thompson and four other seminarians from Immaculate Conception Seminary at Darlington are enjoying a three months' tour of Europe (itinerary includes Rome, London and Paris)... Raymond is a brother of our council president... Congratulations and best wishes to Carol Bowen (Elizabeth) and Dorothy Horvath (Harrison) who this past June received their Sheepskin from Cooper Union and Montclair State Teachers, respectively... A welcome home party was tendered recently at St. George's Hall to Robert Pocius who completed a two-year hitchhike in Europe... Holy Trinity parish will observe its 60th anniversary on Sunday October 9th. We extend our Pastor and Spiritual Adviser Msgr. Kelmelis heartiest congratulations on his 39th anniversary in the Holy Priesthood (June 24th) and birthday greetings (July 31st).

Flash

This is a final notice and call to all members and guests who are planning to attend the K. of L. national Convention August 25-28 in our city. This convention is something that not only our members are looking forward to, but Lithuanians in our community are very much interested in. It will be turning back the pages of yesteryear when Lithuanians held such an important gathering — in the largest city of New Jersey. Delegates throughout the United States are expected to attend this convention — and for one whole week, truly Newark will hold the spotlight.

Our Convention Committee certainly did sacrifice many hours these past months in working out a schedule. We must remember that while the social side is quite desirable — there is also the serious side of this coming convention, namely, the good and well being of the Knights of Lithuania — organization which we have grown to love so much. We expect delegates to come with resolutions and suggestions for the betterment of the K. of L. We extend a friendly and warm welcome to all. Pasimatysime Lietuvos Vyčių Seime.

The Wanderer

DISTRICT CONVENTION

News Whiffs

The annual convention of the district took place on Sunday afternoon June 19, at St. Casimir's parish hall, Paterson, N.J. with council 61, as host. The schedule include a welcoming address by Rev. John Kinta and John Sprainaitis, honorary member of K. of L. Annual reports by the various officers and committees were given. A good word should be said for our officers and committees. During the year they all worked hard and produced fine results. Some of us, it is to be feared, do not always realize what a debt of gratitude we owe to our faithful members.

It seems as if every council is having its share of trouble concerning non-attendance at meetings. And our district convention is no exception. The following councils were amongst the missing: Linden, Elizabeth, Great Neck, Maspeth and Brooklyn. The council officers should get wise to themselves and see to it that their quota of delegates are present. After all, this idea of not sending delegates only dampens the spirit of the council that does send delegates. Remember we should all cooperate.

Elected as officers were: Larry Janonis, president; Albin Jankauskas, 1st Vice president; Edward Thompson, 2nd Vice president; Dorothy Dutkus, recording secretary; Ann Klem, treasurer; Vera Lang, membership secretary; and Connie Mack, Lillian Zindzius, Charles Bason, trustees. Delegates to the National Convention — Ann Klem and Charles Bason. Rev. John Kinta, installed the new officers. Our thanks to Dorothy Dutkus and her committee for being such wonderful hosts. Many of those in attendance expressed their satisfaction and pleasure with the refreshments.

Opie..

PHILADELPHIA, PA. (C-3)

Smile a while!

Does it cost such a great deal
To laugh aloud so that one could almost
feel

The deep emotion, kindness and pleasure
That's worth more than riches, treasure?
Life isn't just existing and being;
It's much more important and worthwhile
seeing.

Laughing can sound like the chimes in
the air

That every young mortal would like to
share.

Hate is the whip and the bait for hell;
To get lured in is like a great cast spell.
So if a misty fog appears,

Strive and fight until it clears,
For a world of tears is a world ungained
But the smiles and laughter are worth
while claimed.

'Tis True?

Believe it or not, our June 5th trip to Washington had been canceled due to most unusual circumstances. We strongly hope and look to our newly organized Social Committee for better results in the future: Joseph Budelis, chairman; Dolores Budelis, secretary; and able assistants: Frances Majaikas, Mary Brebloski, Daniel Buguliskis, Diana Stein and Geraldine Marchig. Forecast — a swimming party at Clementon, N. J. and a social a month to follow the regular meetings.

Colleagues closing their books for the summer season include Theresa Mazeika — Chestnut Hill College, Joseph Turanski — Villanova, Hedy Sarcewicz — Temple, and Joseph Yanulaitis — Penn University. As to John Zitkus, we hear that time is short and so John remains at his studies way down there in Milwaukee.

On June 12th, the district convention held in Paterson, N. J. was well represented by Mary Grebloski, Theresa Mazeika, Helen Shields, Rita Mazeika, Ann Olbikas, Dot Barauskas, Joseph Budelis, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Budelis. In behalf of those attending we wish to thank Paterson members for their wonderful hospitality and congratulate them in making it a success.

June 26th was the day of our parish picnic and the turnout of such a beautiful day may well be attributed to those of our council who remembered to attend the 7:30 A. M. Mass and receive Communion in a group. A light breakfast followed in the school basement which was prepared by our President — Helen Shields.

In the future!

Though October be the month for wedding bells for Alice Zemaitaites and Peter Utkus, not one day of the 31 has yet been picked.

Who will predict what's next in the K. of L. surroundings?

What will the Jefferson Hospital staff do without the ab'e assistance of Frances Majaikas R. N. when she leaves for the New England States?

Will we see an increase in membership and attendance at meetings?

Remember, meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 P. M.

"Cuckoo Bird"

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

Our Council is abuzz with activity — not enough weekends in the year for all that we've planned to do.

Our Nautical (K)ights Dance on May 21st was a social success. Though it was not too well attended, those that were there succeeded in "breaking the ice." We want to thank our neighboring councils who helped us in our endeavor to make the evening an enjoyable one. We understand Bill Bernatovich found a rainbow at this dance, — in the form of a cute little blue-eyed blonde. Bring her around, Bill, we'd like to meet her!

On May 29th, we had one of our summer picnics in the Kings Point Park. Our guests came from Brooklyn, New York, Maspeth, and Newark. Most of the fellows played softball while the gals sat on the sidelines cheering them on. It was nice seeing some of the old-timers there small families — Evelyn and John Bell, Bertha and Harry Rubenau, and others. The picnic itself turned out to be one of the friendliest we've ever had, partly because of the downpour of rain in the early evening. When everyone congregated under the shelter, it was one happy group! Everyone later journeyed to the Steamboat Inn, where the mood of the picnic was carried on until the wee small hours of the morning. We hear that Lou and Walt Wezwick of Maspeth renewed old acquaintances to their very best advantage.

News-Bits:

It is good to see our members, Bill Bernatovich and Tony Kober, attend our functions now that the bowling season is over. These "Hustlers" certainly have done all right, — having attained First Place in their particular league.... Congratulations to Peter Kurtinaitis, former member, who was recently married and

now living in Port Washington. Lots of happiness to you and Mary... Received a visit from Lil Remenchus who "came back home" to see all of her old friends. Lil and Joe are now permanent residents of Miami and have recently purchased a home there. We miss you; come back real soon!... Nice to have our college scholars, Jerry Kaye and Ricky Marks, back on their summer vacation. Seems like old times... Mary and Julius Picardi will soon be crooning "and then we'll be three" sometime in September. Better brush up on your lullabies!... Gladys Banks has just left for a month's trip abroad. She is on a pilgrimage which will take her to all parts of the continent. We'll be anxiously awaiting for her return... Celebrated Starcy Wesley's birthday at our May meeting with a cake especially prepared. Many happy returns! Haven't seen too much of Star and Al these days; their Garden and Nursery Supplies sure are keeping them busy. And talking about gardening, our sun-bronzed gal, Amelia Chapin, is another one with "a green thumb." What a bundle of energy!... Ann Martens has been keeping our members in a trance with her antics on the boxing matches she has been attending. This gal sure enjoys this sport and is getting us all enthused... Mary and Tony Kober will soon start the construction on their new home in Port Washington. Smooth sailing ahead!... Haven't seen Helen or Kestutis Miklas lately now that they're living in Garden City Park. Kestutis has been a busy beaver arranging Lithuanian activities, having recently planned the Lithuanian Day commemoration. We need more like him... Where is Rosemary Glowacki, Jeanette Rogers and Jonas Ciplickas? Come on down to the meeting, folks; it would be nice to have you with us again... A handshake to Lou Ann Sosaris who has decided to give up her own beauty shop and to become an employee instead of an employer. She looks better all ready... We're wondering when Walter Wezwick, presently hanging his hat in New Hyde Park, is going to transfer to our council. We're waiting!

Coming Events:

You members who think our council isn't active enough — listen to this! On September 25th, we have planned a Barbecue Picnic at the Kings Point Park. Admission will be charged, but it will be one of our greatest events. On October 15th, our council will have its Fall Dance at the Steamboat Inn, Great Neck. Start planning to attend now. The very next day, Sunday, October 16th, we

are planning a small picnic at the Park, to which guests will be invited. Come to the dance Saturday; recuperate Sunday. In the late Fa'l, a Rummage (White Elephant) Sale is being arranged, and all donations are currently being accepted. More details on the above events at a later date.

Newark Convention:

Our Great Neck membership conveys their heartiest wishes to the Newark Council for a very successful Convention. We need not say that all of us will be there — already our guys and gals are making plans to attend. See you there!

...."Snoopy"

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

PITTSBURGH, PA. (C-19)

Best wishes for continued happiness to many members who have and are celebrating wedding anniversaries: On May 8, Mildred and Walter Chinik, also Peg and Joe Saliunas. Adelaide and Adma Marculaitis celebrated their wedding anniversary on June 30. On July 4, Ann and Bill Kolicius, and Anne and Simon Aleliunas, July 27.

The Bowling Banquet at Paule's Look-Out was very well attended. Prizes were distributed to the Champs, and of course a booby prize was included for the poorest bowler. The committee also included very attractive figurine favors for the guests. The champion bowlers were: Men's High — John Dobo; Womens' High — Ruth Milewski. Most improved bowler, Pat Valenta; Lowest average — Nellie Yakstis. The bowling league consisted of the following members:

	Total	Average
John Dobo	9167	127.3
Andy Rozger	9056	125.8
Walt Chinik	8972	124.6
Bill Marculaitis	8672	120.5
John Katella	8355	116.0
George Pavlosky	8096	112.4
Ed Marculaitis	8088	111.4
Ruth Milewski	7600	105.6
Ann Salnoris	7549	104.9
Dick Simelis	7374	102.4
Bill Kolicius	7356	102.2
Albina Ewalt	7382	102.5
Bernie Labuskes	7303	101.4
Justine Dobo	7208	100.1
Marie Bramer	5994	99.9
Vyto Jucevicius	7141	99.2
Lori Yucius	6885	95.6

Tony Mockevicius	6850	95.1
Ruth Greblunas	6790	94.3
Mildred Chinik	6449	89.6
Vic Salnoris	6356	86.9
Nellie Kuntz	4892	67.9
Pat Va'enta	4650	64.6
Nellie Yakstis	4647	64.4

TEAM STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
1. TEAM 4 BILLIES	23	13
2. TEAM 1 ANDIES	17	19
3. TEAM 3 WALLIES	17	19
4. TEAM 2 JOHNIES	15	21

On June 26 a picnic was held for members and their parents in S. Park at Willow Brook Grove. Plenty of good food and refreshments were on hand for the hungry and thirsty. The oldsters enjoyed card games out in the open, while the younger members indulged in sports.

Everyone is looking forward to the Big Picnic of the K. of L. Catholic Radio benefit. The date: July 31, at the Lithuanian Country Club in Willock, Pa. Plans have been in progress for weeks to make this picnic a success. An excellent committee is very busy with many new and novel ideas for this picnic. Visitors, are welcome from far and wide.

Birthday wishes are extended to the following members: For May - Alice Beacon, Mildred Chinik, Edward Marculaitis, Alire Onaitis, and Nellie Yakstis. For June — Isabelle and Stanley Caldwell, Tillie Kaupinis, Stanley Kondrat, Betty Ann Navickas and Peter Stanisauskis. In July — Anne Dabulis, Anne Kelmekis, Bernard Labuskes, George Levinas, Frank Lucas, Loretta Milutis, Antoinette Naujelis, Peter York, Bernice Balamootis, and including our good St. Casimir's pastor, Father Magnus Kazenas.

Members are still talking about the Detroit convention and some members are nursing an intense desire to receive an invitation for a repeat visit.

We hope Al Zakarka enjoyed his trip west to attend the huge K. of L. Chicago picnic. Congratulations are in order for Al — heard the lovely little girl he met in Detroit at the Bowling Tournament has captured his entire attention. Cupid tells us that things are going to happen sometime in October.

Pittsburghers are getting on their toes for the coming Newark Convention. Many members are making tentative plans, and are anxious to attend. Good Luck, Newark — we know what you are going through right now. *M. P.*

Knights of Lithuania

42nd Annual Convention

HOTEL ROBERT TREAT

Newark, New Jersey

August 25, 26, 27, 28, 1955.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

	THURSDAY, AUGUST 25th.
10:00 A.M. to Evening	Registration at Hotel Robert Treat.
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon	Leadership Workshop at Hotel Robert Treat.
2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.	Leadership Workshop at Hotel Robert Treat.
8:00 P.M.	Meet Delegates — St. George's Hall, 180 New York Ave., Continued Registration. [Newark]
	FRIDAY, AUGUST 26th.
8:00 A.M.	Mass at Holy Trinity R. C. Church.
10:00 A.M.	First Session — Hotel Robert Treat.
2:00 P.M.	Second Session — Hotel Robert Treat.
6:00 P.M.	Outing to Forrest Lodge (Swimming Pool, Food and Refreshments - Dancing.)
	SATURDAY, AUGUST 27th.
8:00 A.M.	Mass for Deceased Members—Holy Trinity R. C. Church.
10:00 A.M.	Third Session — Hotel Robert Treat.
12:30 P.M.	Luncheon — Hotel Robert Treat.
2:00 P.M.	Fourth Session — Hotel Robert Treat.
9:00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M.	Semi-Formal Dance — Main Ballroom — Hotel Robert Treat.
	SUNDAY, AUGUST 28th.
10:15 A.M.	Solemn High Mass — Holy Trinity R. C. Church.
	Group Picture of Delegates after Mass.
2:00 P.M.	Fifth Session (If necessary.)
5:30 P.M.	Closing Banquet — Hotel Robert Treat.

Note: Coffee and after each Mass.

Be sure to bring your bathing suits for Friday Evening.

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To unite American Lithuanian youth into a strong organized force in accordance with the following regulations:

To further among its members a deeper understanding and more zealous practice of the Catholic faith.

To organize JUNIORS and develop in them qualities of leadership and prepare them for eventual membership in the Knights of Lithuania.

To educate their members in good American citizenship, urging them to participate in national public affairs.

To encourage among the youth an attachment to the land of their fathers — Lithuania and an affection for the Lithuanian language and customs.

To spread education and culture among their members and among Lithuanians in general.

To form and maintain in all councils wholesome sports branches and unite them into districts.

To arrange lectures, plays, concerts; evening courses for the study of the Lithuanian languages and history.

To establish libraries and clubs.

To publish newspapers, pamphlets, books and other publications.

To encourage the youth to education, trades, professions, business and other useful occupations.

To offer moral and financial support to Catholic press and Lithuanian Catholic institutions.