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VISIEMS PASAULIO LIETUVIAMS

gegužio 13-tos proga

Žmogaus gyvenimas pertrumpas, kad viską suprasti mums pakaktų vien tik savos išminties ir savos asmeninės patirties. Daug padedame vieni kitiems dabar gyveną, o dar naudingesnis yra praeities prisiminimas ir jos pažinimas. Jau senovės romėnai, nors stabmeldžiai, sakydavo: "Žmonės nepažįstą praeities visada pasilieka vaikais". Mūsų laiko gyvenimas yra labai triukšmingas, žmogų išblaško daugybės jo paties susikurtų menkniekių. Vistiek tačiau ne tik žmogaus naturalus garbingumas, ne tik žemiško gyvenimo saugumas, o ir sielos išganymas liepia mums susitelkti, pažvelgti praeitin toliau už mūsų pačių išgyventas dienas.

Žmonės turėtų daug visokios naudos, jeigu dažniau skaitytų per Pranašus ir per Jėzų Kristų pasakytus išpėjimus ir pamokymus. Žmogus mokytojas nesekioja visą gyvenimą paskui buvusius savo mokinius ir nekartoja jiems mokykloje kalbėtų dalykų: Jeigu žmogus nori būti išmintingas, jis turi pats pasirūpinti prisiminti tai, ką gero išmoko praeityje. Taip ir Dievas kasdien nekartoja, ką yra kartą pasakęs. Naujame Istatyme pranašystės ir apreiškimai yra labai reti. Žmonių žinojimui ir teisingam gyvenimui pakanka to, kas Dievo yra jau seniai žmogui pasakyta.

Kokiais nors ypatingais atvejais Dievas ir dabar žmones išpėja. Mums lietuviams naudinga prisiminti ir pamastyti, kokios naudos buvo ir yra iš to, kad mūsų tauta nepamiršo Šv. Marijos išpėjimų prieš kelis šimtus metų pasakytų Šiluvoje. Sunku net įvertinti, kiek tai turėjo įtakos suformuoti lietuviuose tokią giliai krikščionišką dvasią, kurios paminkliniu liudininku yra Sibiro vergijoje lietuvaikių parašyta maldaknygė. Ji plinta visame pasaulyje ir pasiliks kaip brangus istorinis dokumentas kalbantis ne vien apie jo autorių sielą. Tai visos kenčiančios tautos siela. Dideli dalykai tačiau greitai nesukuriami. Ir ta dvasia Lietuvoje formavosi, brendo per ilgą laiką, daugelio žmonių pastangomis.

Mūsų laikais Šv. Marija kalbėjo Fatimoje. Jos žodžiai liečia visą žmoniją, bet mūsų ir kaimynų tautas ypatingai. Jos skelbtas tautų likimas yra salyginis, kaip ir visu laikų Dievo išpėjimai. Priklausys ateitis nuo to, kaip elgsis mūsų laikų žmonės ir jų vaikai. Atsiliepdami i tuos žodžius, Lietuvos vyskupai dar Lietuvoje buvo nutarę viešu aktu ir iškilmingai pavesti Lietuvą Šv.

Marijos Nekalčiausios Širdies globai, skatinti Lietuvos žmones i didesnę atgailą, i didesni pamaldumą. Karo ivykiai neleido visa tai padaryti Lietuvoje. Tas, kuris Bažnyčios paskirtas turėjo teisės kalbėti visų Lietuvos katalikų vardu dvasiniuose reikaluose — Lietuvos metropolitas, Kauno arkivyskupas amžinos atminties Juozapas Skvireckas, tai padarė Romoje. Kiekvienais metais 13 d. gegužio minėdami tą ivykį vis nuoširdžiau ir jautriau prisiminkime Šv. Marijos žodžius liečiančius mūsų laikus. Mes esame atsakingi už dabartį ir iš to sekančią ateitį. Mūsų laikais yra labai daug pavojų žmonėms tapti paviršutiniškais, visus ivykius praleisti be susidomėjimo, be susitelkimo, be atsakomybės jausmo. Lengva yra nieko nesiekti neapsisunkinti jokiais pastangomis ar aukomis, pasyviai laukti, kas pasaulyje susikurs be mūsų pastangų. Tokios nuotaikos tačiau yra tu žmonių, kurie nesirūpina savo pareigomis, žmonijos ir net savo vaikų ateitimi, o gyvena viendieniu gyvenimu. Kur tokia dvasia išigali, ten visada laimi pikto viešpats. Ne tik veiklieji bedieviai, o ir nieko nepaisą krikščionys yra antikristo karalystės talkininkai.

Tobijo maldas, atgailas, gerus darbus kiekviena dieną arkangelas patiekdavo prie Dievo sosto. Atėjus laikui, Tobijui, jo sūnui ir daugeliui kitų buvo taip gausiai atlyginta net žemiškojo gyvenimo palaima, kad Tobijas pats niekad nebūtų drįsęs tiek daug iš Dievo prašyti. Daug reiškia nuolatinė tikinčiojo malda (Jokūbo 5, 16). Dar daugiau reiškia malda sujungta su atgaila ir geromis pastangomis. Per jas tokia didelė dalis buvusio stabmeldiško pasaulio jau gyvena Dievo vaiku šviesa ir laisve. Auksčiau minėtoji maldaknygė liudija, kad mūsų tautoje yra ir Tobijo ir Jobo ir kankinių ir išpažinėjų dvasios žmonių. Gegužio 13-os proga patikrinkime kiekvienas save laisvame pasaulyje gyveną lietuvių. Tik maldos, atgailos ir apaštališkos veiklos gyvenimas duos mums teisės save laikyti vertais kovojančios Bažnyčios ir mūsų kenčiančios ir kovojančios tautos nariais. Norėkime jais būti ir jais būkime. Žmonių sielų meilė, mūsų pačių tautos kraujas mus teskatina.

Dievo palaima ir Šv. Marijos globa mus testiprina.

Jūsų Kristuje

Vysk. V. Brizgys.

Your Mother Too?

If someone asked you "Just what does 'Mother' mean to you," what would you say? Well, here's what I would say —

When I think of "Mother" ("amžina atilsī") I picture a little old lady with graying hair, attired in a well-worn apron or perhaps a babushka, and some of the things she said or did comes to my mind. I can see her busy about the house, preparing the meals, doing the family wash, puttering about her flower garden, rūtos, mētos ir lelijos, perhaps a few vegetables. Or again, remembering such words as "Kur eini... eik valgyt... eik gult... persižegnok... ar vesi į bažnyčia." An unpleasant assignment was labeled 'baudžiava' reminiscent of czarist servitude. Sometimes an admonition on being sent to a store "Tiktai žiūrėk, kad neapgaut." Always solicitous.

Then too, she had what I might call an innate knowledge of child psychology — no matter what little thing you did for her, she would say with enthusiasm "Oh boy," just as though you did her the greatest favor. Sad to say, this fine lesson in pedagogy has not been imitated by her children!

Again, I can picture her off in a corner saying her beads, reading a well thumbed and yellowing prayer-book near a window, perhaps "Šaltinis" or "Kantičkos"; staying up at night to see one of the children get home safely.

She was slow to discard anything that might still be serviceable; she was thrifty but not to a fault. "Reikia pasiūst Seselems" or "pabėgėliams" not forgetting her regular obligations.

I recall how her eyes would light up when someone mentioned "Lietuva, Nemunas, Alytus, Aušros Vartai, Kalvarija" or the holy days, "Sekminės, Žolinės" etc. ("Žolinės" — Feast of the Assumption — she would take a bouquet of garden flowers to be blessed in church in honor of the Blessed Virgin.) She would relate how the neighbors of the "kaimas" would walk for miles to get to the churches or shrines of Lithuania. At "Aušros Vartai" even



PROCLAMATION issued by Governor Robert B. Meyner, designating February 16, 1960 at "Republic of Lithuania Day" in New Jersey. K. of L'ers present at the State House, Trenton, left to right (seated): Frank Vaskas of Council 29, Governor Meyner, John Remeika of Council 29, Standing, Eva Ellis (Newark), Kazys Nakrosis of Council 90, Eva Trečiokas (Newark), Eva Sharan, Kristina Korbet, Isabel Dilis, Dr. Peter C. Young and Andrew Salvest (Kearny), Deputy Attorney General.

Sveikiname visas vyčių motinas ir joms dėkojame, kad jos išaugino tokį didelį jaunimo būrį lietuviškoj ir katalikiškoj dvasioj ir jam talkininkauja eiti per Lietuvos Vyčių organizaciją garbinguoju Dievi ir Tėvynei keliu. Ilgiausių ir gražiausių metų!

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the Jewish merchants would tip their hats!

When she came to America she was a "grinorka"; and she only got here by sneaking across the Lithuanian "rubežiu" along with others (after paying the agent). But there never was any doubt — her heart was still there.

These memories spell out one thing — my Lithuanian heritage, a birth-right, not to be sold for a

mess of pottage. The Lord, in His infinite wisdom, saw fit that mankind should have many tongues, otherwise the world would now speak one language. He chose the ancient Lithuanian for my mother, lest it die as others did.

Bless the Lord,
Bless Mother,
Please Lord, bless her "vaikelį."

—DETROITO DZŪKAS.

PASKUTINIS ĮSPĖJIMAS

(Apie Dievo Motinos apsireiškimus Fatimoje)

SŪKURIŲ PETRAS

Paskutinis didžiausias stebuklas pasaulyje, tai 1917 m. Dievo Motinos Marijos apsireiškimai Fatimoje, Portugalijoje. Per ją buvo pranešta svarbus Dievo įspėjimas žmonijai. Tie dalykai kiekvienam tikinčiajam būtina žinoti ir vykdyti. Apie tai čia ir norime trumpai pasakyti.

Dievo Motina Marija apsireiškė ir kalbėjo Fatimoj trims vaikučiams, būtent Jacintai, Liucijai ir Pranukui. Jos pasirodymų reiškinius matė ir tūkstančiai žmonių, kurie atvykdavo į tuos apsireiškimus iš toliau arba toje apylinkėje gyvendavo. Štai ką Dievo Motina pasakė.

Aukojimasis

Pirmame savo apsireiškime 1917 m. gegužės mėn. 13 d. Ji paklausė vaikučių, o per juos tartum ir visų tikinčiųjų: "Ar jūs sutinkate aukoti Dievui aukų ir priimti visus jo siūsimus kentėjimus, kaip atitaisymą už daugelį nuodėmių, kurios ižėidžia dievišką Jo esybę? Ar Jūs sutinkate kentėti už nusidėjėlių atsitvertimą, už atitaisymą piktažodžiamų ir už visokius Nekalčiausios Marijos Širdies ižeidimus?" Vaikučių vardu Liucija atsakė, kad jie sutinka.

Pragaras

Trečiame savo apsireiškime 1917 m. liepos 13 d. Dievo Motina pasakė: "Kalbėkite rožančių karo pabaigai išprašyti. (Tada dar vyko pirmas Pasaulinis karas.) Toliau Dievo Motina Liucijai, kuri paprastai vaikučių vardu su Marija kalbėdavo, pasakė: "Aukokis už nusidėjėlius ir dažnai, ypač darydama aukas, kalbėk: "O Jėzau, tebūnie tai dėl Tavo meilės, už nusidėjėlių atvertimą, už Nekalčiausios Marijos Širdies ižeidimų atlyginimą". Ir čia pat parodė vaikučiams baisų pragaro vaizdą į kurią eina nusidėjėlių sielos. Parodžiusi pragarą, Dievo Motina Marija vaikučiams pareiškė: "Jūs matėte pragarą, kur pateks vargšų nusidėjėlių sielos.

Joms gelbėti Viešpats nori įvesti pasaulyje pamaldumą į mano Nekalčiausią Širdį. Jei bus daroma tai, ką aš jums pasakysiu, daug sielų išsigelbės, ir bus taika. Karas eina prie galo. Bet jei žmonės nesiliaus ižeidinėję Viešpaties, tai prie ateinančio popiežiaus kils kitas dar blogesnis. Kai jūs pamatysite vieną naktį, nušviestą nežinomos šviesos, žinokite, jog tai yra Dievo duodamas netolimos pasaulio bausmės ženklas. Ta bausmė bus karas, badas, Bažnyčios bei Šv. Tėvo persekiojimai. Toms bausmėms nukreipti aš prašysiu paaukoti pasaulį mano Nekalčiausiai Širdžiai ir priimnėti atlyginimo komunijas pirmais mėnesių šeštadieniais. Jei mano prašymo išklausus, Rusija atsivers, ir pasaulyje bus taika. Jei neklausys, ji (Rusija) paskleis savo klaidas visame pasaulyje, sukels karus ir Bažnyčios persekiojimus. Daug gerųjų bus nukankinta, daug kentės Šv. Tėvas, keletas tautų bus sunaikinta". Toliau pasakė: "Galų gale mano Nekalčiausioji Širdis pergals". Ir galop dar pabrėžė: "Kalbėdami rožančių, po kiekvienos dešimties "Sveika Marija" pridėk: "O mano Jėzau, atleisk mums mūsų kaltes, apsaugok mus nuo pragaro ugnies ir vesk į dangų visas sielas, ypač tas, kurioms Tavo gailingumas reikalingiausias".

Saulės Stebuklas

Šeštajam ir paskutiniam 1917 m. spalio 13 d. apsireiškime, Dievo Motina pareiškė: "Žmonės turi taisyti, prašyti nuodėmių atleidimo ir daugiau nebeįžeidinėti mūsų Viešpaties, kurs yra jau per daug ižeistas". Po šių paskutinių žodžių, įvyko vadinamasis saulės stebuklas, kuri matė į apsireiškimo vietą susirinkusių apie 70.000 žmonių ir kelių dešimčių mylių plotyje tos apylinkės gyventojai. Saulė pradėjo suktis, šokinėti, visokių spalvų šviesas skleisti ir galop kristi žemyn. Žmonės, tai stebėję, persigando, manė, kad atėjo pasaulio pabaiga, krito

ant kelių ir meldė Dievo pasigailėjimo. Galop saulė vėl įėjo į savo normalią padėtį.

Nauji Įvykiai

Ir visa, ką Marija pareiškė, tikrai įvyko. Pirmas pasaulinis karas baigėsi 1918 m. lapkričio m. Žmonės nesitaisant, Rusijoje ir kitur bolševizmas plito, reikšdamasis nepaprastu žiaurumu, ypač prieš tikinčiuosius. Ispanijoje kilo šiurpus pilietinis karas, kuriame buvo daug išžudyta tikinčiųjų. 1938 m. Sausio 26 d. tarp 9 val. vakare ir 2 val. ryto Europos padangėje pasirodė ypatinga šviesa, daug kur kraujo, gaisrų spalvų atspindžio. Apie tai plačiai rašė ir tuolaikinė Europos spauda. O 1939 m. rugsėjo 1 d. prasidėjo antras pasaulinis karas savo baisumais pralenkęs visus iki šiol buvusius karus.

Išvados

Atėjus gegužės mėnesiui, mes Marijos žemės vaikai, stengsimės parodyti didesnę pamaldumą Dievo Motinai Marijai. 1951 metais gegužės 13 d. Lietuvos vyskupai paaukoko Lietuvą ir viso pasaulio lietuvius Nekalčiausiai Marijos Širdžiai. Ši istorinė lietuvių tautos šventė jau 9 metai iš eilės yra švenčiama. To paties mėnesio 13 d. 1917 met. įvyko pirmasis Dievo Motinos pasirodymas Fatimoje. Šis įvykis šiemet bus ypatingai minimas visame katalikiškame pasaulyje. Dievo Motina pasirodydama Fatimoje prašė melstis ir daryti atgailą už pasaulio išsigelbėjimą iš visų dabarties nelaimių ir dar baisesnių sunaikinimų ateityje bei už Rusijos atsitvertimą, kuri kaip tik ir yra didžiausia šio meto nelaimių kaltininkė. Lietuviai yra tiesioginiai šių nelaimių paliesti, mūsų tėvynė Lietuva kenčia sunkią bedieviškojo komunizmo priespaudą, todėl mums visiems ypatinga pareiga su dideliu atsidėjimu ir susikaupimu tą dieną paminėti ir pasiruošti išpildyti Dievo Motinos prašymus.

THE COMMUNIST THREAT

By JOANNE H. NEVIERA

In 1937, in his encyclical on atheistic communism, "Divini Redemptoris," Pope Pius XI said:

"How is it possible that such a system, long since rejected scientifically, and now proved erroneous by experience... how is it, we ask, that such a system could spread so rapidly in all parts of the world? The explanation lies in the fact that too few have been able to grasp the nature of Communism. The majority, instead, succumb to its deceptions, skillfully concealed, by the most extravagant promises."

And today, in 1960, how many more unwitting people have fallen prey to Communism, the diabolical octopus, with tentacles so vast and intertwining that the scope of its operations is incomprehensible to the average person.

Since the late 40's, the Communists had been enslaving 7,000 people, every hour, of every day; and in 1958, that number became 12,000 people. 12,000 people, every hour, of every day! Within this system which promises heaven on earth, but which instead creates a hell — within this hell, covering one-third of the world, these savages have imprisoned more than one billion human beings created in God's image and likeness. Most of these prisoners of tyranny, with the notable exception of China, are members of the Church which Christ founded.

Everyone agrees that Communism is a threat — but do they realize what kind of threat it is. Do they realize that there are 25,000,000 Communists with no cohesive force opposing them dedicated to the total destruction of our cherished liberties? In the United States, the democratic land of the free, there are 10,000 known Communists. This sounds like an infinitesimal figure in comparison to our population of 170 million people. But, you don't measure the strength in numbers of people, you measure it by the fanatical zeal with which these

servants of Satan have for all that is evil. You measure it by the dedication that the true Communist has in feeling that the party does not owe him a thing; it is he who owes everything to the party.

For every card-carrying Communist, there are ten non-card-carrying dupes; liberals, pseudo-liberals or anti-anti-Communists. These individuals are of far, far greater value to Communism because for the most part they are people of influence, who are in every field of endeavor — education, science, politics, business, industry, communications, press, and entertainment. These are respected individuals who very often talk out of both sides of their mouths. They even talk against Communism, for purposes of deception.

Because of our democratic form of government, Communists have managed to obtain positions of trust in every department of our government and that of England and Canada. As a result, Russia has obtained our Atom and Hydrogen Bomb secrets, Radar secrets (even the most ultra secret phases), latest development of explosives and propellants, latest developments of Submarine detection and complete defense plans of the Western Hemisphere, and thousands of secret government documents. Except for the prosecution of the Rosenbergs, not one other person has been tried for treason due to statute of limitations. An astounding fact is that there is not one law in our books now that can be used to combat Communism — the laws are in existence, but because they have been changed around as a result of Supreme Court decisions, etc., they are of no avail. For example, an American Bar Association report gives us the case Pennsylvania vs. Steve Nelson. This took place about five years ago, and the ruling of the case was influenced by the change in one of our anti-Communists laws which was in effect. The Supreme

Court decision changed the law, saying that Communism is a province of the federal government, and not of state governments; therefore, this resulted in the disqualification of anti-Communist laws in 44 states of our country. (This came under the category of Anti-Sedition Laws).

One of the major objectives of Communists in our country is to discredit the F.B.I. At this very moment, there is a Commie Front organization known as Emergency Civil Liberties Union engaged in what they call "operation abolition." This is an insidious plot to restrict the F.B.I. and the Congressional and Senatorial Un-American Activities Committees, if not completely abolish them. The alarming thing about this is the fact that prominent and influential Americans are unwittingly working for this. One can only imagine the disastrous effects if our F.B.I. and un-American Committees are put out of business; they are the watchdogs of our Nation. The Communists realize this only too well; they realize that J. Edgar Hoover is one of their chief obstacles, that he is a man who has dedicated his life to hinder their pats of progress. He realized fully the implications when he said that "the cause of Communism is the greatest and most arduous cause in the history of mankind."

The Communist attack on the United States is mainly subversive; to infiltrate their Godless, corrupt ideas by means of carefully-devised propaganda; to create chaos and confusion — having the American people not know which way to turn, what to believe. And they are succeeding. For example, The American Bar Association Report in 1958 stated that one of the eleven major objectives of the Communists was to stop nuclear warfare testing in the United States. Cards and leaflets were printed for the unsuspecting American mothers declaring the deepest need for all American

K. OF L. NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE



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Back Row — left to right: Joseph J. Sakaitis, Joseph C. Ginkus Jr., Joseph P. Sipas, Mary R. Jankowski, Joseph T. Paulukonis, Joseph J. Kondrotas, Tillie A. Gerulis, Joseph A. Drumstas, George F. Cote, Edward A. Daniels.
Not pictured Claire Grigaitis.

mothers to insist upon a ban on all nuclear testing. If not, their children would suffer the terrible effects of radiation, and their children's even more so. How could they be heartless and cruel, and let this monstrous radiation menace go on? They had to do something to stop it; and, unsuspectingly, they did. The Communists had scored another victory, by appealing to the "hearts" of the American mothers. With an emotional situation created, who would think of checking the cold facts, which would prove the erroneousness of this "danger." The National Academy of Sciences in its report on "the biological effect of atomic radiation," said: "The United States population is exposed from the natural, cosmic rays of the sun, in daily living, 4.3 roentgens; from x-rays, 3 roentgens; and from the amount of nuclear testing in the next ten years, would get in 30 years as much of a dose or radiation as from the radium dial of a wrist watch." Therefore, if nuclear testing is continued at the same rate as that of the past 5 or 6 years, it will give us a 30-year dose of 1/10

of a roentgen. This report was later confirmed by the Medical Research Council of Great Britain.

The Communists continue to plague our country with such reports in their "aesopian" language. (Upside language for which they have their own definitions, to suit their own objectives). The Communists believe that every act contributes to the Communist conquest is a "peaceful" act — murder, treachery, and torture are frequently "moral" acts. They have instilled in them a powerful drive that they must destroy the capitalistic system, employing any means for their ultimate goal. "Peaceful co-existence," for example. 30,000 young children, as young as 5 years of age, were killed in a week and a half in Hungary in 1956. This is peaceful co-existence?

We are so preoccupied with our own personal problems in our daily lives, and in working for our families to obtain the things of this world, that we have become engulfed in materialism.

There is little room for Christ or prayer in our daily lives. Forty-

three years ago, our Blessed Mother asked us, through the children at Fatima, to pray the Rosary. She warned us then of the approach of Communism. A few short months after the Blessed Mother's warning, the twentieth-century Frankenstein, the Anti-Christ was born. The apostles of Satan set to work with feverish zeal to saturate the world with the evil doctrine of Communism. And in 1960, they are that much nearer to their goal of world domination.

His Eminence, Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston said in January, 1959:

"Within 40 years 1/3 of the population of the earth has been swept behind the Iron Curtain. It is unfortunately still true that few people, especially in our own country understand what Communism is, what are its techniques, its method, its line. The greatest asset the Communists have at the present time is not the E-Bomb, certainly, nor the Soviet satellites, but world ignorance of their tactics, strategy, and objectives."

This is the case.

K. OF L. HISTORY

Would a K. of L. history be of any benefit to the organization?

First of all, a history will be a permanent record of the organization's efforts and accomplishments. There is much that the Knights of Lithuania can be proud of. Without a printed record the work, the sacrifice, the achievements of so many of our dedicated men and women in all our councils and districts from the Year One to the present day would be lost to posterity.

Second, we ourselves need it. We want to know how the organization came about and why it came into being. Sometimes a most simple fact, such as the founding date of the organization, becomes an item for argument, but we lack a convenient source of reference to answer our most elementary questions.

Third, our future membership will need it even more. Lacking the guidance and the inspiration that came from the founders and the early pioneers, the new members cannot be expected to follow a clear, undeviating policy and design which have been solid enough to spark our interest and enthusiasm through all these years. A K. of L. history will give us a more accurate sense of direction and a greater pride in the organization. The book's value to the organization will increase with each passing year.

What is being done about publishing a K. of L. history?

There are two important elements involved in such a publication: a careful assembling of all available records and financing the publication.

The idea that we need some sort of collection of facts and figures about the organization is at least 15 years old. For several years before his death, Mykolas Norkunas, founder and first president of the K. of L., was seriously engaged in research on this very subject. More recently the task of gathering the material has been officially entrusted to Ignas Sakalas, who in the VYTIS issue of February, 1960, has again appealed to all councils and members to send him photographs of their past activities, old minute books, program sheets, copies of district and council seals, convention badges and any other information and material that might have historical value. All of this material would later be transferred to the K. of L. archives or returned to the sender if desired.

Since with each year of delay our sources of information dwindle and more valuable material gets lost, our last convention in Detroit, realizing the urgency of the matter, appointed a committee of 3: Longinas Svelnis (Boston), Stanley Vaitkus (Dayton) and Joseph Boley (New York) to appeal to our membership for action. The immediate task before us is to raise at least 3 or 4 thousand dollars.

Isn't it rather difficult to raise such a sum of money for a mere book?

One person or even a committee of ten cannot raise several thousand dollars, but with everyone's

cooperation it can be done quite easily. It has been done in several other projects and we can do it again. If everyone who understands the need for a K. of L. history will send in a worthwhile contribution, the stacks of material now being assembled can soon be going to the printers.

How can I as a member further the publication of this history?

1. Send in your personal contribution according to the value you place on such a history. Make your check payable to K. of L. History Fund and send it to the national treasurer, Mrs. Rita Pinkus, 76 Providence St., Worcester, Mass. Those contributing \$5.00 or more will receive a copy of the book as soon as it is published.

2. Organize a community project — concert, party or other affair — in which the entire Lithuanian community can participate and thus contribute at least the price of admission toward this publication.

3. Approach at least 5 persons who are likely to appreciate this type of K. of L. project and try to interest him or her in making a contribution to the Fund. Be sure to include your ex-members, especially those who might have been organizers of your council, in your list of prospective donors.

Can't the money be raised through the sale of the book after it is published?

Before we can even talk with the printer, the engraver and the others we must know where we stand financially. We shall have to pay in advance for the paper, the engraving, the type setting, the binding etc. The History Fund must be ample to take care of the bills in advance, or there will be no book to buy later. Each contributor to the Fund can proudly consider himself or herself an associate publisher of the history. Since the size of the Fund will determine the size and scope and appearance of the book, our immediate participation is urgently needed. Procrastination is a deadly vice, which does no good to us or to our organization. Let us begin the long delayed task at once.

But I can send only a dollar or two; I'm sure that little sum won't make much difference.

On the contrary, that dollar or two is most important. Since the publication of the history will in itself be an historical project, let not one name be missing from the great Honor List. To make this dream of many years a reality will, of course, require many ten and twenty dollar contributions. It will also be in need of hundred dollar donations. But what it will mostly need will be, for once in our 50 years, our unanimous participation, even if only to the extent of a dollar or two. Without it the work cannot get started. So please make your decision as to the proper amount and send it in now.

Joseph Boley, Chairman

The Den of Wolves

By S. MORAVSKA
Translator — V. ADOMAITIS
Edition — A. VEGÈLE

SWAMP DEVILS

Chapter V

The dungeons of the Teutonic Knights' castles were planned with underground canals that extended to the Vistula river. These subterranean passages were used for sewage disposal and also — for dumping the dead bodies of those who had been murdered by these German knights. However in order that the stench would be eliminated, fresh water streams were diverted into the canals in order that everything would be washed into the Vistula.

Thus when Siaurutis and John had fallen into the hole in the dungeon floor, the swift moving current in the underground channel had caught them and carried them with it. The poor lads instinctively moved their hands and feet in order to keep at the surface. Siaurutis eventually grabbed a rock and crawling onto it, rested. Suddenly he saw what appeared to be a body floating by.

"John!" shouted Siaurutis and jumped off the rock after him. Finally the lads found themselves among thistles and both just lay there on the river bank as if dead. After awhile Siaurutis' strength returned. He heard the voices of people in the distance but could not quite see what was happening. Only the warm sun and the gentle wind mixed with the songs of birds told him that these was life about him. Suddenly he heard a groan coming from nearby bushes. There lay John, half in the water and all dirty and bloody.

"John it's me! Wake up! We both are free. Look at the sun and birds! How did it happen?"

"How did it happen?" repeated John as he opened his eyes; but he was too weak to understand anything.

About this time, Siaurutis began to feel the intense pains of his injured body. He observed that like John, he also was bleeding and dirty. Siaurutis then forced himself into clear water in the river and cleansed his wounds. He felt better but soon hunger began to gnaw him. He tried to awaken John but the latter barely moved his lips and lay still.

Siaurutis tried very hard but he could not gather enough strength to lift John. Finally after agonizing effort, he eventually pulled John near some clear water. He splashed the cold refreshing water onto his friend's face but suddenly he lost his balance on the bank and both tumbled into the river. However the cold water's shock revived John and two of them swam back again feeling better.

Some time later while crawling along the river banks they were unexpectedly heard groaning by some women washing clothes. The latter were fortunately so superstitious that Siaurutis and John were thought to be devils and the poor women ran away leaving the clothes behind them! A short time later, blind Bernard had found the abandoned clothing, and had left some food and drink so that anyone who might have need of it could strengthen himself. He had not found the lads but thought that he had heard their groans somewhere in the thistles. Bernard trusted that Providence could take care of the details... (continued)

VYTIS

New Deadline

The August and September issues of VYTIS will not be published.

Starting this fall, the new deadline in mailing "Vytis" material (articles, council news, photos, etc.) will be the 5th of the month preceding the issue.

For October issue — all material (English) should reach the Editors, Phyllis Grendal by September 5; (Lithuanian) — dr. Juozas Leimonas.

VYTIS space is allotted to all councils and districts. Why not take advantage of it? Send your news to the editors to be published in the next issue.



NEW PRESS CHIEF — Governor Foster Furcolo of Massachusetts (left) administers oath of office to William V. Gorski of South Boston whom he appointed as his Press Secretary. Mr. Gorski is a member of Council 17, Knights of Lithuania.

Dear Member:

Over 200 members have so far sent in donations to the Our Lady of Siluva fund. To all of them we express our sincerest appreciation for their kind generosity and thoughtfulness.

Thanks to their good-will and to the fact that we sold a few thousand copies of the booklet, we have been able to pay for the entire cost of publishing the booklet on the apparitions of Our Lady in Siluva.

The booklet recently received front-page attention in the March 25, 1960 edition of the National Catholic weekly, The Register. It was sent to the Editor by Council 96 of Dayton, Ohio. This newspaper has over a million readers. One can well imagine how many of them read for the first time in their lives what actually happened in Siluva some 350 years ago. Thanks to the thoughtful members of Council 96, knowledge of the Siluva apparitions has been spread to countless numbers of the faithful.

Council 96 is to be commended for its foresight and interest. Would that more councils would follow its splendid example! The purpose of the booklet is to spread devotion to Our Lady of Siluva. So why not do what Council 96 did: obtain copies and send them out to the Editors of your newspapers, to your libraries, to convents and monasteries, to anyone who may be interested.

I regret to inform you that only a handful of our Pastors responded to our appeal to spread the booklet. Perhaps this is due to the fact that so many councils neglected to do anything about it.

As a cultural activity and out of love for Our Lady of Siluva, please see your Pastor and arrange to have the booklet sold after the Sunday masses in front of your church. Do what you can to make the apparitions better known not only among our own people but also among non-Lithuanians.

Booklets may be had at the following rates:

- 1 — 4 copies — 25¢ each
- 5 — 24 copies — 20¢ each
- 25 — 49 copies — 18¢ each
- 50 — 99 copies — 17¢ each
- 100 — 499 copies — 16¢ each
- 500 and over — 15¢ each

Address: Rev. John C. Jutt, 41 Providence Street
Worcester, Mass.

With God's choicest blessings,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

REV. JOHN C. JUTT

Dear Father:

Please send me copies of the booklet **OUR LADY OF ŠILUVA**.

Please accept my donation to cover cost of publishing the booklet **OUR LADY OF ŠILUVA** \$.....

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VYČIŲ SENDRAUGIŲ SKYRIUS

Redaguoja **IGNAS SAKALAS**

ŽINIOS IŠ CHICAGOS SENDRAUGIŲ VEIKIMO

Penkiolika metų šalpos telkimo darbe. Chicagoj didesnėse lietuvių kolonijose veikia Balfo skyriai, kurie nuo pat fondo įsteigimo nenutraukia šelpimą tremtinių Vokietijoje, o paskutiniu laiku ir Sibirian ištremtųjų ir Lenkijos valdžion patekusių Punsko apylinkėse lietuvių.

Kaip žinome, šis fondas buvo įsteigtas senosios kartos lietuvių, kurių eilės, kaip fondo veikėjų, dabar jau gerokai praretėjusios. Vieni mirė, o kiti pavargę ir senatvės palenkti į poilsį išėjo. Bet dar nemažai yra ir tokių, kurie nesitraukia iš fondo veiklos. Ypatingai vyčiai sendraugiai, kaip E. Samienė, J. Kerulis, A. Bacevičius, K. Rubinas, J. Jagminas, V. Paukštis, J. Aukštaitis, J. Kass (pastarasis pasitraukė iš veikimo todėl, kad išsikėlė užmiestini gyventi).

Garbė ir padėka jiems už neuils tamą sielojimąsi šelpimu brolių ir sesių karo išblaškytų ir komunistų ištremtųjų.

Iš karto dvi anūkės. Prekybininkas D. Jurjonas, turįs nuosavią krautuve adresu 3251 S. Halsted St., Chicagoj, paskutiniu metu patapo dvigubu "grandpa": jo duktė Salomeja, ištekėjusi už Petro Šmaižio, Šv. Elzbietos ligoninėj pagimdė dvynukes, kurioms duoti vardai Rasa-Marija ir Vida-Aurelija.

Sveikiname mielą sendraugį, o jaunai motinai sveikatos, gi naujagimėms sveikoms augti ir pasekti savo tėvų ir "grandpa" pėdomis.

Užgavėnių vakaras. Užgavėnių, kitaip sakant blynų vakaras sendraugiuose įeina tradicijon. Gal tiktai reiktų jis atkelti į artimiausią užgavėnėms šeštadienį ar sekmadienį, nes šiokiadienis darbo žmonėms nėra patogus pavakaruoti. Mat, daugelis turi anksti keltis, darban eiti.

Kaip ir pernai metais atsilankę į Vyčių salę buvo patenkinti ir skanių blynų vakariene ir bendru dainavimu. Tarpe liaudies dainų buvo padainuota ir naujų humoristinių dainų apie blynus, apie dzūkus, že-

maičius, zanavykus. Visos dainos tiek dainuojančiuose, tiek klausytojuose sukėlė daug skanaus juoko.

Ši kartą turėjom ir žymių svečių: Draugo red. L. Šimutį ir Manelį, Ateitininkų sendraugių pirmininką su žmona.

Kad nebūtų skundų. Naujoji sendraugių finansų sekretorė S. Jonutienė, kuri Draugo administracijoje veda skelbimų skyrių, perėmus pareigas pareiškė, kad jai bus labai nemalonu išgirsti narių skundus, kad Vyčio negauna, nors yra sumokėjęs nario mokesčius. Dėlto dėsianti pastangų, kad nei vienas narių nebūtų pasilikęs su nario mokesčiais ir palaikysiant artimus ryšius su Centro finansų sekretore, kad visų sendraugių adresai būtų Vyčio administracijoje.

Tradicinė vyčių šventė. Jaunimo globėjo šv. Kazimiero šventė šįmet buvo suruošta kovo 6 d., sekmadienį. Iškilmingasis Mišias Nekalto Prasidėjimo Švč. Marijos bažnyčioje atlikė tos parapijos vikaras ir 36-tos kuopos dvasios vadas kun. P. Juknevičius, asistuojant apskrities dvasios vadui kun. A. Miciūnui, MIC., ir kun. J. Budzeikai, MIC. Pamokslą pasakė organizacijos garbės narys vysk. V. Brizgys. Pamokslas buvo trumpas, bet naujas savo turiniu ir aktualus šiems laikams. Nariams būtų labai naudinga tą pamokslą pasiskaityti "Vytyje", nors jis tilptų ir gerokai po šv. Kazimiero. Gražu buvo, kai visi vyčiai, ir jaunieji ir sendraugiai, pasipuošę gėlėmis bendrai ėjo prie šv. Komunijos. Mišioms pasibaigus, parapijos choras, vedamas varg. J. Kudirkos, kuris per Mišias giedojo, visiems vyčiams padedant sugiedojo Vyčių himną. Tik nesmagu buvo, kuomet pradėjus giedoti himną, legionierių grupės su savo vėliavomis pakilo eiti iš bažnyčios. Žinoma, juos turėjo sekti Lietuvos, vyčių ir ateitininkų vėliavnešiai. Buvo aišku, kad iš šventės rengėjų, 36-tos kuopos, arba apskrities, nebuvo vadovo reikalingo kiekvienai panašiai eisenai.

Pusryčiai ir akademija įvyko vyčių salėj. Čia oficialę programą pradėjo 36 kp. pirm. Loretta Kassel.

Pasveikinus susirinkusius, programai vadovauti pakvietė S. Kancevick. Reikšmingą kalbą pasakė teisėjas A. Wells, trumpai kalbėjo vysk. V. Brizgys ir konsulas P. Daužvardis. Keturiems trijų kuopų nariams įteikti Trečiojo laipsnio ženklai, apskr. pirmininkei Eleonorai Laurin — dovana už nepaprastą jos veiklą tiek kuopoje, tiek apskrityje. Laipsnius įteikė Ritualo komisijos atstovė Irene Sankus, o dovaną 36 kp. pirm. W. Tenclinger. Viešnia Alice Stephens choro solistė Zapolis jausmingai padainavo dvi dainas. Kitais metais programos vedėjas supažindindavo susirinkusius su kuopų pirmininkais. Šįmet buvo perstatyti tik kaikurie žymesnieji or-jos nariai: Draugo redaktoriai ir garbės nariai L. Šimutis ir Ig. Sakalas, garbės narys S. Šimulis, 36 kp. pirm. W. Tenclinger, kun. A. Miciūnas, MIC, Vyčių skyriaus Drauge vedėjas Edv. Šulaitis. Amer. Legiono abiejų postų komandotojai ir kaikurių or-jų atstovai. Ši eilė buvo galima dar papildyti keliolika tokios garbės vertų vyčių.

Akademijai skanūs pusryčius paruošė vytės sendraugės: Norbutienė, Petrulienė, Žemaitienė ir Čiuprinskienė.

Kovo mėnesio susirinkimas. Vyčių salėj kovo 15 d. įvyko sendraugių susirinkimas, kuriam atsilankė nemažai narių. Be to, visuomet dosni vyčių reikalams B. Paliliunienė perstatė naują narę Barborą Lazdauskienę, gyv. 6838 So. Maplewood Ave. Sekančiame susirinkime ji bus priimta pirmojo laipsnio skyriun.

Padarius trumpą apžvalgą iš šv. Kazimiero dienos minėjimo, padaryta keletas kritiškų pastabų šventės ruošėjams — 36-tai kuopai, ypačiai dėl neturėjome vadų eisenai iš salės į bažnyčią ir iš bažnyčios į salę tvarkyti.

Metinių mirusiųjų narių minėjimo iškilmių reikalu dar nieko konkretaus nepadaryta. Kuopos ir apskrities komisijos neturėjusios bendro posėdžio. Pageidaujama, kad į komisijos posėdį būtų pakviesti ir apskrities dvasios vadas kun. A. Miciūnas, MIC., ir sendraugių dvasios vadas prel. Ign. Albavičius. Sen-



VINCAS GRAŽULIS,

šiu metų Lietuvos Vyčių Seimo Rengimo Komiteto Pirmininkas. Seimas įvyks rugpiūčio 18-21 dienomis Worcester, Mass.

draugiai taipgi pageidavo, kad tos iškilmės būtų ruošiamos lapkričio mėnesi.

Susirinkimas pasidžiaugė suruoštu blynų vakaru užgavėnėse ir padėkojo komisijai: T. Norbutienei, U. Žemaitienei, H. Širvinskienei ir K. Petrulienei, kurios ne tik skanūs blynus kepė, bet ir dainomis linkmino svečius. Pelnas paskirtas prožektoriaus fondui.

Vyčiai sendraugiai vis palaiko tradiciją paremti aukomis mūsų vienuolynus ir katalikiškąją spaudą, žinoma, kiek tai išgalima. Praėjusiam susirinkime buvo paskirta auka N. P. Marijos seselių rėmėjų seimui, o šiame susirinkime paaukota Tėvų Marijonų rėmėjų metiniam seimui.

Pirmininkas pranešė, kad sendraugis Stasys Rumšas, šiuo metu gyvenąs Spencerville, Ohio, negalėdamas dalyvauti sendraugių parengimuose, nei bendrose Chicagos vyčių šventėse, kaip Šv. Kazimiero dienos iškilmėse, prisideda aukomis. Ir taip anksčiau yra atsiuntęs stambesnę auką prožektoriaus filmams rodyti fondui, o paskutiniu metu atsiuntė \$5 Lietuvos Vyčių Istorijos Fondan. Auka persiūsta Centro išdininkei. Tai ar nebus tikrai pirmutinis narys paaukojęs tam fondui. Garbė sendraugiams savo ei-

JAUNYSTĖS ŠVYTURYS

ALFA SUŠINSKAS

Jaunojo žmogaus gyvenimas yra labai judrus. Jo vaizduotė visada be paliovos gyvai veikia. Pasaulis jį traukia įvairiausiais būdais, ir jis visomis savo jaunystės jėgomis viskuo domisi, viskam skirdamas savo gražų laiką.

Tačiau neretai jaunojo žmogaus gyvenime kaip ir nebelieka laiko Viešpačiui ir savo sielai... Šūkis "Viskas gyvenimui ir nieko Viešpačiui Dievui" yra pražūtingas jaunojo žmogaus idealas, vedąs klaidingu gyvenimo keliu.

Jaunasis žmogus be tikro ir pakankamo religinio gyvenimo yra lyg augalas be žiedų ir be saulės tamsoje; be religinės praktikos jis yra lyg žiedas, kurio viduje tūno išisukusi griaužianti kirmėlė; be meilės savo Viešpačiui Kūrėjui jis yra tarytum ledais apšalusis širdis, negalinti kaitriai suspinduliuoti ir sušvysti jaunystės idealizmu; jaunystė be Dievo yra lyg tamsybės apgaubtas grožis.

Kai senatvė meldžiasi ir Viešpačiui nusilenkia — yra gražu. Betgi kai jaunystė meldžiasi — pajunti nuostabų pirmųjų žiedų kvapą ir žavėsi, kuris traukia į save viską, kas yra aplinkui.

Jaunasis žmogus niekuomet nėra vienas su savo religija: jo nuoširdus, gyvas ir gaivalingas religinis gyvenimas ir kitus nuteikia religine dvasia; religingas jaunasis žmogus yra įtakingas apaštalas, veikias ne tuščiais žodžiais, bet savo žydinčiąja jaunyste.

Jaunasis žmogus be religinio gyvenimo pakerta savo ateities laimę.

Jaunystė visada esti pilna naujų kūrybinių polėkių, dažnai ir nesu-

valdomų, net griaušančių jėgų. Jai reikia neklaidinančio švyturio, nušviečiančio tikrą ir saugų kelią, kuriuo ji galėtų lėkti pati nesudūždama ir kitų nesudauždama. Gyvas religinis gyvenimas ir yra tas reikalingasis jaunystės švyturys. Jai nurodąs saugų ir tikrą kelią, kuriuo ji gali neštis į priekį sveika, nepaklysdama, kūrybinga, teikianti laimę sau pačiai ir džiaugsmą kitiems.

Gyvas jaunojo žmogaus santykis su Viešpačiu, savo Kūrėju, įprasmina jaunystę: ji tada žino savo tikrąją tikslą ir išmano, kam ji yra skirta.

Jaunystė yra ugninga bei galinga ir norėdama sugriauna visas kliūtis, jos kelyje iškylančias. Norėdama ji taip pat suranda gražiausių būdų ir puikiausių progų bendrauti su savo Viešpačiu ir Atpirkėju.

Relingingas jaunasis žmogus geriausiai supranta savo jaunystę ir tinkamai su ja elgiasi. Religinis gyvenimas jį įkvėpia herojiškiems siekiams ir darbams; religinių tiesų laikymasis jį apsaugo nuo skaudžių bei katastrofingų nuklydimų į tamsius ir klampus gyvenimo užkampius; religinė šviesa pripildo tiesos trokštančią jo širdį grožio, gėrio ir tiesos džiaugsmu.

Jaunystė yra palaimingu, žydinčiu gyvenimo pavasariu tik tada, kada jaunieji ir gležnieji jos žiedai bręsta Viešpaties meilėje, kada vedamoji jos žvaigždė yra pats Visatos Kūrėjas.

Jaunasis žmogus norėdamas viskam turi laiko. Išmintingai elgdamas, jis išteks jo ir Viešpačiui bei savo nemirštamai sielai, o taip pat ir savo dvasinei gyvybei stiprinti.

lėse turėti tokį narį, kaip S. Rumšas.

Nutarta gegužės mėnesį suruošti pramogą Vyčių salės sodelyje. Komisijon išrinktos K. Petrulienė ir H. Širvinskienė, kurios pasikvies sau reikalingų talkininkų.

Vyčių salės užvaizdams K. ir A. Petruliams nusiskundus, kad per didesnius parengimus Vyčių salėj

pritrūkstama stalų, nutarta paimti iš izdo tam tikrą sumą pinigų ke liems naujiems stalams nupirkti. Komisijon įėjo izd. N. Karlavičius, A. Petrulis ir J. Vilkišius.

Po susirinkimo K. Petrulienės pasidarbavimu ir auka, ant ilgo balto stalo atsirado kugelio ir taip susirinkimas buvo baigtas šeimyniškoj nuotaikoj.

OFICIALUS SKYRIUS

KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING

A special Supreme Council - type meeting was held on February 20, 1960, at the K. of L. Building, Chicago, Ill. The meeting opened with a prayer at 2:30 P. M. with Joseph Sakevich presiding. Attending were: Joseph Sakevich, National President; Loretta Kassel, National Secretary; Eleanore Laurin, Ill.-Ind. District President; Albin Manst, Ill.-Ind. District Board Chairman and Vice-President; Irene Sankus, Ill.-Ind. District Secretary; Leonard Salas, Council 79 (Detroit) Trustee; Leo Galinskas, Rep. of Council 102 (Detroit); Walter Tenclinger, Ill.-Ind. District Vice-President, C. 36 Pres.; John Cibulskis, Ill.-Ind. District Archives Chairman; Albert Kassel, National Sports Co-Chairman; William J. Juodwalakis, Council 102 (Detroit) Treasurer; Jock L. Jatis, Honorary Member, National Ritual Comm. Chairman; Robert S. Boris, Council 102 (Detroit) President; Edward T. Pocius, Ill.-Ind. District Trustee; Albert C. Dajis, Council 112 (Chicago) President; Helen Zimmer, Council 5 (Chicago) President; Tony Yuknis, National Public Relations Committee Chairman; and Vincent Samoska, Rep. Council 36 (Chicago).

Mr. Sakevich explained the purpose of this meeting—to discuss problems of the K. of L. in the Midwest and to gather ideas from Midwest leaders for Supreme Council activities.

Loretta Kassel read the minutes of the last Supreme Council meeting and the financial reports of the General Treasury, the Scholarship Fund, the Building Fund, and the Ritual Fund.

The following reports were given by those attending: ILL.-IND. DISTRICT: Eleanore Laurin.

Membership: In addition to individual council work, efforts are being made to effect reorganization of Councils 14 (Cicero), 8 (Roseland), 47 (Waukegan), and 38 (Kenosha).

Juniors: No Junior activity is in progress yet.

Ritual Committee: This committee is very active. First and second Ritual degrees are awarded

several times a year. Third degrees are awarded on St. Casimir's Day.

Lithuanian Affairs: Helen Zimmer, newly-appointed District L. A. Chairman, to reactivate this work in all councils.

Sports: A Midwest Golf Tournament is planned for in Chicago, this June. Basketball play-offs are to begin soon. Al Manst heads these activities, and is aided by Al Kassel, Al and Ed Pratt.

DETROIT ACTIVITIES: Bob Boris, Len Salas (Councils 102 and 79).

Both councils continue to be active. Council 102 was prominent in paying last respects to Father Boreisis, and also in welcoming Father Stanevich, new pastor and K. of L. spiritual adviser.

A week's camp, with accent on Lithuanian activities (singing, dancing) is planned for Junior K. of L'ers and prospective members of Junior age at the Lithuanian camp in Michigan this August. Such activity is looked forward to as a good opportunity to increase the ranks of Junior K. of Ls. in the Midwest.

PUBLICITY: Tony Yuknis.

More news of non-Chicago councils is needed for the K. of L. Column in "Draugas". Mail news to Ed Sulaitis, % "Draugas". Messrs. Sadauskas, Vaskas and Sulaitis are expending much effort in K. of L. Public Relations.

HONORARY MEMBERS: Jack Jatis.

Mr. Jatis, chairman, is to remind all districts to reimburse the committee for cost of medals presented to their members.

Other important topics discussed were: VYTIS (our official monthly magazine); revising of the K. of L. Constitution; Junior activity in the Midwest. Bob Boris asked for national support of the Juniors' Lithuanian Camp Week in August.

JUBILEE YEAR:

Mr. Sakevich recommended that much thought be given to planning for our Jubilee Year in 1963—to improve the organization in every way by that

*K. of L. Youth Camp Week
at Lithuanian Roman Catholic Federation*

Youth Camp Dainava at Manchester, Michigan, August 14 – 20th.

Under the joint sponsorship of Councils 79 and 102 of Detroit, a K. of L. Youth Camp Week will be held August 14 to 20th, this summer, at beautiful "Dainava" the Lithuanian Roman Catholic Federation Youth Camp located at 15100 Austin Road, Manchester, Michigan, approximately 65 miles west of Detroit, Michigan. The joint K. of L. Youth Camp Planning Committee is composed of Ralph Valatka, Chairman; Aldona Bunikis, Secretary; and Frank Bunikis, Anthony Dainus, Bronius Polikaitis, Ann Valatka, Mart and Ruth Wagster and Frank and Sophie Zager. Children of Lithuanian descent, ages 7 to 14, are eligible to attend.

The Youth Camp is under the direction of the

year. Loretta Kassel, member of the Jubilee Year Committee, will welcome any ideas to aid the committee's work.

FINANCES:

Greater effort should be made to obtain outside financial help from philanthropic individuals, business and professional people, in order to increase our Treasury — which greatly maintains the cost of publishing VYTIS; also the K. of L. Scholarship Fund.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

That Committee Chairmen and the Supreme Council Officers make more use of National Conventions — to personally contact council presidents and officers in order to promote their projects. Such personal contact should prove more effective than stereotyped letters... That greater devotion to OUR LADY OF SILUVA by the K. of L. should be promoted nationally. All councils are urged to honor "en corpore" the Feast Day of OUR LADY... More accent should be put on Council Communion Sundays (monthly or quarterly)... Sports in the Knights of Lithuania organization should be highly promoted throughout the country.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer at 6:10 p.m.

*Loretta I. Kassel,
National Secretary*

Sisters of the Immaculate Conception (Lithuanian) of Putnam, Conn. Our K. of L. Youth Camp Week will be under the direct supervision of Detroit Councils 79 and 102. Some counselors will be provided by the Youth Camp administration. A trained nurse is in attendance at all time. A trained life-guard and two assistants are on duty. The program is well planned in advance to assure each youngster the most enjoyable week of his or her life. It is expected that out of-state children will be accompanied by at least one counselor parent from each locality. The activities will consist of swimming, hiking, games, songs, dances, crafts, art, sports, nature study, sports, etc. Children are encouraged to bring musical instruments and sports equipment. There just won't be any time for boredom at the Youth Camp. *Here is a typical day:* Up at 7:15, morning colors at 7:45, morning prayers at 7:55 and Mass at 8:00 a.m. After the Mass, breakfast, barracks duty. From 9:45 to 12:25 morning program of activities. Lunch at 12:30 and relaxation until 2:00 then swimming (closely supervised) from 2:00 until 4:00. After swimming, afternoon snack and preparation for evening programs. Supper at 6:00 p.m., evening colors at 7:15, after which there is the evening program of activities, singing, games, etc. Evening snack at 8:15 and evening prayers and bedtime at 8:30. 9:15 lights out. Those planning to attend must submit a doctor's certificate attesting to the child's fitness to participate in sports. The following is necessary to register: Child's name, birthdate and age, parent's name, address and phone number, name of the school child is attending and grade. A deposit of \$5.00 is required for each child registered. The all inclusive fee for the first child is \$25.00, \$20.00 for the second child and \$15.00 for each additional child in the family. The uniform of the day for boys is dungarees and T-shirts. For the girls it's a bright colored skirt and white blouse. Each child must also bring two sheets and a pillowcase (one blanket will be provided); sneakers, socks, swimsuits, robe and slippers, two towels and two washcloths, sweater and jacket, shorts (bermuda or jamaica length), pajamas, (one head scarf for the girls for church services), soap, toothpaste, comb, etc. Further information regarding the K. of L. Youth Camp Week may be obtained from your council president or by writing to the K. of L. Youth Camp Planning Committee Secretary, Mrs. Aldona Bunikis, 24127 Andover, Dearborn, Michigan.

*Ralph J. Valatka,
Chairman*

VYČIAI VEIKIA



COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Waterbury, Conn. — 7

Nell P. Meskunas

ACTIVE YEAR (1959)

In January, we K. of L'ers decided that it was about time we came out of hibernation and really started to make things hum! January also found the K. of L'ers with a few extra committees such as the RITUAL, the LITHUANIAN AFFAIRS, and the LITHUANIAN CULTURE. Our main project was conferring degrees on worthy and conscientious members in conjunction with St. Casimir's Feast Day. Our National Spiritual Director Rev. Albert Contons, Joseph Sakaitis, National Ritual Committee member, our council's Spiritual Adviser Rev. Albert Karalis, who is also chairman of our Ritual Committee, Frank Shaknaitis, Walter Pitcavage and Neill P. Meskunas, Secretary of the Ritual Committee succeeded in making the first Ritual ceremony a pompous one. Fr. Contons' sermon on the Life of St. Casimir brought tears to one's eyes. Prof. Alexander J. Aleksis added the final touches to the ceremony with the ever touching VYČIŲ HYMNAS and ŠV. KAZIMIERO HYMNAS. Such ceremonies had been set aside during World War II, but with the understanding, encouragement and the everfatherly advice of our former pastor, Fr. Valantiejus, once again the K. of L'ers remembered that their purpose was DIEVUI IR BAŽNYČIAI.

Our next project was the annual "MOTHER'S DAY" Communion Breakfast. Who can forget the honor we bestowed our mothers by escorting them to church, receiving Holy Communion and praying that the good Lord keep them for a long time to guide our way. Following Communion Breakfast at St. Jo-

seph's a concert and dance were held in the evening.

"OLD TIMER'S" month. There again, Wally Pitcavage, Charlie Amodeo, Hap Greblunas, Frank Shaknaitis, Agnes Zdanis, Atty. Joseph Alisauskas, Leocadia Sulauskas and our "LIVE WIRE" Pat Richards, helped us reminisce of the old days when our parents used to give out with "Kai Aš Turėjau Kaime Mergele". Our council also made a wonderful showing at "HOLY WEEK" vigil with OUR LORD during His LAST HOURS of agony.

On June 14th, we honored our beloved Prof. Aleksis on his resignation from his duties as St. Joseph's choir director. We really are very glad that our new pastor, Fr. Gradeck, asked Prof. to stay on. We sure appreciate his talents, advice and experience, especially in Lithuanian language and arts. May you never leave us Prof...

After our barbecue held at Connie Wozniak's, we took a breather for summer vacation, (not the Board of Directors — we met every month) to get prepared for our "FAMILY OUTING" in September.

Our "Family Outing" or Clam Bake was a huge success, thanks to the entire committee, too numerous to mention.

Forty Hour Devotion to The Blessed Sacrament brought out the K. of L'ers once again with members keeping vigil throughout the entire services. Here, again, they are worthy of honorable mention.

Halloween and the Gremlins roamed the K. of L. clubrooms to give the youngsters the time of their life, after which the oldsters took over to complete burying the "SPIRITS." November found the K. of L'ers supporting our new pastor with raffle tickets for the benefit of the parish. You can say it again... we worked like beavers and made out... Our annual Christmas party

was handled as usual by Aggie Zdanis, and "SANTA CLAUS" handed out over 60 gifts.

New Officer for 1960: Rev. Albert Karalis, spiritual adviser; Walter Pitcavage, president; Walter Blinn, vice president; Patricia Richards, secretary; Lillian Paulauskas, financial secretary; and Eleanor Barkauskas, treasurer. **Board of Directors** include Frank Shaknaitis, Eleanor Barkauskas, Walter Pitcavage, Walter Blinn, Patricia Richards, Charles Amodeo, Lillian Paulauskas, John Alanskas, Leokadija Sulauskas, "Hap" Alfred Greblunas, Eddie DiNapoli, Rev. Albert Karalis and Nell P. Meskunas. **Ritual Committee** — Rev. Albert Karalis, chairman, Frank Shaknaitis and Nell P. Meskunas. **Lithuanian Affairs** — John Alanskas, chairman; Lillian Paulauskas, Frank Shaknaitis and Leokadija Sulauskas. **Lithuanian Culture** — Nell P. Meskunas, chairman; John Varanauskas, John Alanskas, Patricia Richards, Rev. Albert Karalis and Frank Shaknaitis. **VYTIS Correspondent** — Nell P. Meskunas.

The above mentioned new officers served on all or most all committees last year. Other members active on committees will be reported next month.

REV. EDWARD A. GRADECK'S SPEECH DURING ST. CASIMIR'S COMMUNION BREAKFAST

K. OF L. MEMBERS, BOARD OF
DIRECTORS, OFFICERS,
REV. FATHERS AND FRIENDS:

They tell the story about two clergymen, one an Episcopal Minister and the other a Catholic priest who just weren't hitting it off right even though their churches were almost next to one another. But, being men of the cloth and knowing the Doctrine of Our Lord to forgive past grievances they decided to patch things up. So they met one day by mutual agreement at a

downtown restaurant and the first one to speak was the Episcopal Minister. "Well Father," said he, "let bygones be bygones, we are both doing the Lord's work aren't we?" "That's true, and your so right," said the priest. "Let's, therefore, do His work to the best of our ability." "You in YOUR WAY," and with a twinkle in his eye concluded the Priest — "I — in HIS." Yes, Ladies and Gentlemen, like everybody in life, each one of us has our job cut out for us. You have yours, I have mine.

St. Casimir, the Patron Saint of Lithuania and the Knights of Lithuania in particular, from his young days knew what his duties were and the obligations of his state in life. He was a Prince, who could have lived in the lap of luxury, — the hard way, to put his talents to work. He definitely understood the reason why God made him and he, therefore, resolutely resolved from early boyhood that he must save his soul. So he set out to do it in the one and only way possible — to do good, practice penance and self denial — receive the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist fervently, and most of all, obey the Commandments of God, by loving his God and his neighbor.

Many are the stories told of his charitable exploits, whereupon his return to his home, he would be minus cloak, shoes, and with an empty purse. He saw in each human being the handiwork of God and an immortal soul. He burned with angelic zeal in his purpose and seldom was the opportunity missed to do good. He prayed fervently. Early in the wee hours of the day he would arise and meditate giving Glory to God, the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit with ever a special remembrance of the Blessed Mother. In fact, some years ago when his tomb was opened, there was found a beautiful hymn written by him in honor of the Blessed Mother. Casimir knew that prayer being the lifting of a troubled mind and heart to the Creator was the best medium to talk to God to ask for the many favors that He alone could give. Casimir is an example to all of us, **how to pray.**

He practiced heroic penances all his life, but with a special fervor during the Holy Season of Lent, he

always wore a hair shirt under his royal robes, the better to make his body understand that it was subject to his will. Self denial in foods and pleasures were constant; for there could be but one master, not the animal that craved for satisfaction and pampering, but the soul that seeks, searches and is ever inclined to God and heaven. His faithful daily attendance at Holy Mass in all kinds of weather brought many a luke warm Catholic back to church.

St. Casimir exemplifies all that is good, holy and christian. His life is a word picture of a will bent to do the will of God, and a mind subject to the laws of God. He was obedient. He had learned from childhood the very essence of bowing to the will of God. That, my friends, is the essence of christian obedience. The saying, and it is true, tells us that souls are not born but they are made. The life of St. Casimir mirrors this truth and hence he is an example worthy of imitation. Most of us are willing to go only half way. Half way with God, half way with our fellowman. If the day ever comes when we will go all the way, in either case it means but one thing — reaching, seeking and attaining perfection — Isn't it true that we are shirkers, moaners, groaners, prone to criticize, — always seeing the beam in another's eye but never seeing the most in ours? What makes us such? Why do we, most of us, fall in this category? The answer is a varied one — but this much is true. There is a weakness in our make-up and this weakness comes because of our fallen nature. We inherited it from first parents Adam and Eve. And, if we don't forget it, all that is lowest and meanest in us comes to the fore instead of our good nature.

Knights of Lithuania, in concluding my talk this morning, I would like to say: Try to live up to the definition of a Lady and Knight, in that you have consideration always for another. Be less prone to criticize and condemn. Be generous in your praise of another. Be willing when necessary to help your fellowman. Live up to the moral principles of the Ten Commandments. Love God and your neighbor, and it shall follow as the day does the night. You cannot then be false to anyone. . . "Zypké"

Westfield, Mass. — 30 Genovaité

At the meeting held April 5, 1960, the big news was the Convention to be held in Hartford, Connecticut on Sunday, May 1, 1960, and of course, the dance the night before. Marcia Dardinski, Jim Rodgers, Carleen and Bob Smyk were elected as delegates to represent Council 30. Many others, including our president and his wife, plan to attend the dance. See you there!

Congratulations to the lucky winners for the Easter Basket Raffle. First prize went to Helen Alexik and second prize to Fr. Puidokas. The returns were very good, thanks to the work of all the Knights.

Despite the cool temperatures still prevailing here in New England, the last meeting surely got everyone in the Spring spirit with the movies shown of home painting projects and summer sports.

Misc.: Happy Birthday to Edna Bernadicius.

Worcester, Mass. — 26 Knightimes

Annually, the Knights of Lithuania organization, through its Scholarship Fund Committee, makes an award to some worthy Knight to continue his education. Last year, our own Anne Marie McMorrow, was the recipient of the Scholarship Award. This year, members who would like to apply for the grant, should contact Father Mike for an application. To help raise the K. of L. Scholarship Fund, BE A BOOSTER NOW and call Mrs. Mary Jankowski, 36 Hingham Road, No. Grafton, Mass.

Ritual. Our Ritual Committee, under the leadership of Ed Daniels, is quite active. Members to receive the 1st Ritual degree at our next meeting are: Genevieve Pustis, John Mattrick, Francis Mattrick, Carol Zuma, Agnes White, Betty White, Eleanor Anusauskas, Janice Jarzobski, Mary Zaleskas, Wanda Pajeda, Jane Warnecke, Judith Anne Bagurskas, Patricia Volungis and Robert Bagdis. Members qualified for the 2nd and 3rd Ritual degrees will be notified by mail and receive necessary information as to time and place when such ceremonies will take place. Those eligible for the 2nd degree are: Karen Butkus, Rich Karsok, Anne Marie

McMorrow, Jay Paulukonis, Ted Pinkus, Jr., Beverly Ranucci, Jack Ridick, Mary Ann Roland, Carol Tagman, Adelle Urevich, Ed Vaitkunas, Joe Sipas and Joanne Ridick. Those eligible for the 3rd degree are: Anne Bucinskas, Anne Ridick, Joe Drumstas, Helen Gillis, Joan Grigas, William Grigas, Bill Jecketer, Marge Ranucci, Everely Yvonauskas and Charlie Tagman. 4th degree potentials are: Rita Brazauskas, Adele Ceraska, V. Grazulis, Claire Grigaitis, Olga Kersis, Tony Morkunas and Rita Pinkus.

New Members. There is a great drive on for new members. Since the first of the year, several have joined. We urge our members to continue to sponsor new members.

Wedding Bells. Last month, the following were united in marriage: Joan Grigas to Ed Marculitis and Joyce Broman to Jim Shilinskas. Best wishes to our newlyweds!

District Bowling. Our bowlers traveled to Boston (Kenmore Alleys), and the men's team, after losing the first point by some forty pins, came back in the next two strings to take three points. The team's three-string total was over 1600. Our girls were more fortunate — they took all four points. The return match was held in Worcester at the 20th Century Alleys.

Maytime Melodies Dance. Our neighboring Council 116 is sponsoring a dance at the Bungalow, Davis Way, Shrewsbury on May 7th. There is expected a good representation not only from our council, but also the district.

Annual Spring Dance. Our council is holding a dance at the Lithuanian Vets Club in Shrewsbury on May 21st. Music will be provided by Joe Russell and his Happy Artists. In charge of the affair is Joe Drumstas.

Convention Notes. We have finally made all the arrangements for the National Convention to be held August 18-21 at the Hotel Bancroft. Sports and Social activities include Golfing in the morning, Bowling in the afternoon, and get-together at Maironis Park in the evening of August 18th. Semi-formal dance at the Bancroft, Friday evening, August 19th.. (Music will

be provided by the well known Larry Chesky and His Orchestra — popular Polka recording artists.) Saturday evening, August 20th, delegates and friends to spend the evening at Webster Lake (Indian Ranch). Sunday, August 21st, at the close of the convention, a Banquet to be held.

K. of L. Library. Have you searched your attic, bookcases to see if you have any material pertaining to Lithuania and the K. of L., which you might donate to our Library?

Our Juniors. Committee is planning a Scavenger Hunt and Skating Party for the near future... The last paper drive was a success. Father Mike informs us that sixty dollars was derived from the drive and will help pay bills incurred from the Washington, D. C. trip, etc.

Worcester, Mass. — 116 Equestrian

Annual Ski Trip. A convoy of about 10 cars traveled to the Purity Spring Resort in East Madison, New Hampshire, to enjoy a weekend of Skiing and outdoor sports. Some of the members seen on the slopes were Janica "Ostrich" Sabonaitis, Maryann "Ski Patrol" Sienkiewicz, "Oh That Tow" Anne Miller, Mary "Black and Blue" Klimkaitis, Richie "Nighthawk" Swedis, Bob "Vanishing" Stevens, Frank "Sargent" Ciras, Pauline "Airplane" Savage and Stan "The Man" Grigas.

Winter Carnival. On a 2-day whirlwind, and in a fun and friendly atmosphere, Council 10 in Athol held its annual Winter Carnival. The snow was plentiful. Members from our council who enjoyed it all were: Pauline Savage and beau, Richie Swedis, Bob Stevens, Gladys Pinkus, Dot Glaster, Vin Savage, George Tamulavich, Fr. Al, John Burdulis and Joe Bunevitch.

District Bowling. In the New England District League, the news is very good as far as our council is concerned. The girls' team took 3 points from last year's champs C-26. The men's team also swept their opponents but the fellows bettered the girls' record as they took 4 points despite a 357 by City Leaguer Joe Kundrotas of C-26. It was a team victory for C-116.

NEW YORK NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

Philadelphia, Pa. — 3 "Twinkle"

Since the trip to Union City, New Jersey to see the Passion Play was such a success, plans are being made to take a tour of the St. Charles Seminary in Overbrook, Pennsylvania sometime in the near future... Some of our members went on an excursion to the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C. on May 15... Council 3 members were very glad to be hosts at the Junior Rally on April 24, at St. Casimir's Hall in Philadelphia. We hope the Juniors keep up the good work... We had an unusual time at the Eatnik-Beatnik Party held on Tuesday, April 19, in St. Casimir's Hall, at which the chef, Johnny Mickunas, served all the kool kats blynai. It was delightful!... Welcome to Irene Baltus, a new member, and Alex Noreika, who rejoined... Question of the Month! Will he (Walter Svekla) or will he not go into the Army this month?... After a bit of looking around, Joe Yanulaitis has round a job, as a substitute school teacher. Good Luck!... There's nothing like celebrating your birthday twice a year, just ask Irene Varevice!... Eleanor Chebatoris has been going to night school for Stenography... Theresa Macey has just returned from a weekend retreat at Elkins Park, Penna... Chit-Chat about cars — Isn't the fireplace in Al Ozalis' car neat? Is Tommy Meron's car running yet? Has Steve Salnaitis finally gotten the right size tires for his Nash Rambler? Anyone else having difficulty with their car?

Newark, N. J. — 29 The Wanderer

Annual St. Casimir's Communion and Breakfast. There was a large representation from our council attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion on Sunday, March 13th, in commemoration of St. Casimir's Feast Day. Rt. Rev. Msgr. Ignatius Kelmelis, pastor and spiritual adviser, delivered the sermon. Breakfast was served in St. George's Hall, and Vice President John Remeika acted as Master of Ceremonies. The guest speaker was Dr. Camill A. Ronay, a graduate of the University of

Hungary in Budapest with Cum Laude, and personal secretary to the Minister of Education in Hungary in 1945. A leader of the underground movement and closely associated with Cardinal Mindszenty in the fight against Communism in their country, he left Hungary in 1956 due to the transformation of the Governmental System there and has since resided in the United States. Other speakers included Charles Strolis, president; Edward Thompson, past president; Jonas Gvazdaitis, Albin Janks, national Ritual Committee member; Frank Vaskas, p. Lithuanian Affairs chmn., and National President Joseph A. Sakevich.

Crumbs from Breakfast Table. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yowaisis and their son, Joseph Jr. took a solemn oath administered publicly during the Communion Breakfast by our National President Joseph Sakevich. Following this unique procedure, 1st Ritual degree was bestowed upon Julianna Strolis, Eva Sharan, Teresa Norris, Edward Mazionis, Yowaisis Family; and Dorothy Dutkus and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Vosylius, 2nd degree. In charge of Rituals was Stanley Pocius, and assisted by National President Sakevich, Council President Strolis, Vera Thompson, Ann Pocius, John Remeika and Frank Vaskas.

The morning festivities came to a close with a prayer led by our National President Sakevich, and the singing of the K. of L. hymn. In charge of all arrangements were President Strolis, Mary Balchiunas, Anna Pocius, Julia Strolis, John Remeikia and Frank Vaskas. Our Communion and Breakfast was widely publicized in the Newark publications, namely: The Star, Ledger and Evening News and the Advocate, official publication of the Catholic Archdiocese of Newark. During Breakfast, an announcement was made that a Resolution adopted on February sixteenth, in commemorating the 42nd anniversary of Lithuania's Independence, had been entered in the Congressional Record dated February 29th, thanks to Congressman Peter W. Rodino, Jr. The Resolution was signed by Eva Trečiokas, chairman of the Lithuanian Affairs Committee and Frank Vaskas, secretary. The day's program was brought to



Brooklyn, N. Y. (Queens) Council 41 Folk Dance Group performed at the Annual St. Casimir's Day commemoration, also to participate in the gigantic Lithuanian Dance Festival (Tautinių Šokių Šventė) together with the New York Folk Dance Group and the Rūta Folk Dance Group on May 15th at the Schwaben Hall.

Top, left to right (standing) — Elaine Danowitz, Eugene Marcis, Helen Matusevičius, Thomas Michalski, Mrs. Jadvyga Matulaitienė, director, Carolyn Nagin, Anthony Mažeika, Joan Mažeika, Michael Savage; front — Carol Galenski, Nick Dzvonar and Irene Sandanvičius.

Bottom, from left — Carol Galenski, Elaine Danowitz, Irene Sandanvičius, Joan Mažeika, Carolyn Nagin and Helen Matusevičius.

Youths in your Parish — Members of the Knights of Lithuania? Invite them to join our great organization!

a close with a Card Party, arranged by President Strolis, and assisted by Charles Sipaila, Julia Strolis, Mary Balchiunas, Anna Pocius and Julianna Strolis.

K. of L. Scholarship Fund. During one of our recent Socials, under the leadership of Julia Strolis, Mary Balchiunas, and Anna Pocius, a collection was taken up to reward the ladies for their fine services and repast. The committee unanimously voted that the \$17.00 realized from the collection, be donated to the K. of L. Scholarship Fund. We are deeply grateful to our Ladies for such a fine gesture!

Brooklyn, N. Y. (Queens) — 41

"Never Say Die"

On Sunday, March 13, Council 41 held its annual St. Casimir's Day Communion Breakfast at the Annunciation Parish, Brooklyn, which proved to be a full success. All the "old-time" Brooklyn members, our present members and their parents attended. Guest speaker, Father Jaskievicius, head of the Lithuanian and Russian Institute at Fordham University, gave an interesting and most inspiring talk on the progress of Lithuanian recognition in the United States. A delicious breakfast was prepared by Mrs. Sandanavicius and Mrs. Matusevicius and was served by the hardworking girls of our council.

Our post-breakfast program included a piano recital by Joan Mazzeika, a rendition of Lithuanian songs by our accordionist Nick Dzvoznar, and a group of lively Lithuanian folk dances by our council's Dance Folk Group. The program proved to be interesting not only to the spectators, but was equally enjoyable to all those participating.

On Saturday evening, March 26, our council held a "big birthday splash party" at St. George's pool celebrating our President Tony Mazzeika's twentieth birthday. Amid the screams, "splasings" and "dunkings", one could tell that Council 41 was having another hilarious time! Immediately after, all Tony's friends helped him celebrate his birthday at "a pizza palace."

Our meeting on Sunday, April 10, gave us many new spring and summer "money-making projects," and

other group events which will keep us busy for quite awhile. These included an Easter Bunny Hop to be run at Elaine Danowitz's home. Everyone is to bring a few friends, a bottle of soda or a cake. Admission is to be \$1.00. We are also planning a joint council picnic with Great Neck Council 109 sometime in July. Our own K. of L. band leader will play with his orchestra.

On May 1st, we have planned our annual attendance at a Byzantine Rite Mass, at Fordham University, which is a beautiful and inspiring experience.

On May 14th, our own Folk Dance Group will take part in the "Tautinių Šokių Šventė," a gigantic dance festival to be held at Schwaben Hall. We are all looking forward to this event with great excitement and enthusiasm.

On Good Friday, our group attended its annual Holy Hour Vigil from 12 to 1 A.M. at Annunciation Lithuanian Parish Church. On Easter Sunday morning, we attended the beautiful 6 o'clock Resurrection Mass at Annunciation Parish.

Chatter Box

Our deepest sympathies to Mary Ann Snieckus upon the death of her mother... We wish a very happy birthday to Carolyn Nagin, assistant secretary, who recently celebrated her seventeenth birthday... We welcome our newest member, Marie Nekunas, who has already made herself a very valuable and helpful member... Tony proudly displayed a beautiful new sport shirt at our swimming party — a birthday present from Carolyn Nagin... Thank you, Helen Matusevicius, for the delicious birthday cake you baked for Tony's and Carolyn's birthdays... Lately, Martin seems to have perked up a bit. Could it be the influence of a new girl acquaintance?...

Amsterdam, N. Y. — 100 Smile & Sparkle

Our annual Communion Breakfast was held at the Club Aloha after the 9 o'clock Mass, Sunday, March 6, 1960.

After breakfast, Father Baltch distributed "Our Lady of Siluva" medals to all present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Matthew Kazlauskas. Our secretary,

Eleanore Stakauskas read the minutes. Our "money making" scheme was discussed. Father Baltch showed us Governor Rockefeller's Proclamation of February 16th which was mailed to Gene Gobis. Father also read Congressman Samuel Stratton's message which he gave in the House of Representatives on the commemoration of Lithuanian Independence Day. He also advised us of the editorial that the New York Times carried on Lithuanian Independence Day which was written by Tolisius. Besides our own nation's Independence on July 4th, Lithuania's Independence was the only other which merited space in the New York Times' editorial section. Of course, we cannot forget our own Amsterdam Evening Recorder which has printed editorials on the commemoration ever since we have requested the editor to do so.

The preface from the prayer book, "Mary Save Us" written by 4 Lithuanian girls and published by the Paulist press was read to us by Father Baltch. The preface was written by Archbishop of Boston, Richard Cardinal Cushing. This prayer book may be procured by contacting Anthony Baleckas.

The St. Casimir stamp was briefly discussed. We were shown a picture of the stamp in the Lithuanian Days magazine. It was the first stamp ever published by the Vatican that was created by an artist living in the United States.

NEWS BITS

Our deepest sympathies go to two of our members in the recent death of their fathers, Pauline Urban and Ed Baranauskas... Also, a speedy recovery is wished our financial secretary's mother, Mrs. Josephine Urban... Gene Gobis has acquired a new name "Limpy." Since February 20, she has been getting about on crutches. Cause of this mishap — contact with a bit of ice. She hopes to be in A-1 condition soon. Thanks to John Alankas, (Hartford, Conn.), for his help in our council's drive to raise money. Isabelle Dopkus is a very happy girl since April 15. Reason — everyone's tax problems will have been taken care of.

On April 11th, our council got together at the church's club rooms

for the monthly meeting. The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rev. Robert K. Baltch. President Matthew Kazlauskas asked our secretary, Eleanor Stakauskas, to give her report. Matt asked Gene Gobis to advise the group as to what progress has been made in the council's efforts to raise money. Gene gave the members an added incentive by offering a prize for the member who works the hardest at raising funds.

Our president next spoke in great detail on getting more members to join. He said that each member should list a few prospects and then visit them personally, giving them the reasons why they should join the council. By personal contact, he said, each member should be able to get at least one new member. So, — boys and girls, — let's give it a good try. Let's double, or better yet, let's triple our membership. Matt continued with a discussion on the Scholarship Fund, and the joining of the Booster Club.

Holy Week Services and the Lithuanian distinctions were discussed by Father Baltch. Lithuanian churches still have the Easter procession at the first mass. They also have the Blessed Sacrament exposed on Good Friday, and Holy Saturday up until the early Easter mass.

Ann Beleckas baked the most delicious orange - pineapple cake for our group. Margaret Boccio brought in cookies that just met everyone's fancy. Congratulations to Ann and Margaret on their baking efforts.

NEWS BITS

It was good to have Pauline Urban with us again.

We must compliment Pat Sargalis and Pat Olbie on the success of our Communion Breakfast.

We have a new driver on the road — Milda Zemaitis.

Pat Sargalis spent a week-end in New York recently and saw the "Flower Drum Song".

A busload of our parishioners went to Union City, New Jersey, on Palm Sunday to see, "Veronica's Veil". Among the group were Ann Beleckas and Margaret Boccio.

Edna Stokna made a lovely model at the Hat Show held by St. Casimir's Ladies Auxiliary a few weeks ago.

MID-CENTRAL DISTRICT

Detroit, Mich. — 102

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Greetings from Dynamic Detroit! It is so good to be reporting what's new in our fair city — or perhaps it should be the Tale of Two Cities. We and Chicago have become quite friendly. Every few weeks, it is either our making a trip to Chicago or their visiting us in Detroit. In fact we have even started a Bowling Tournament and at the moment the trophy is in Detroit, but competition vows it will soon be transferred to Chicago. All in all, we are finding these get-togethers such refreshing fun and just can't wait for the next one to come.

St. Casimir's Day was celebrated with High Mass at St. Anthony's Church and was followed by a Communion Breakfast. This was a joint function of both Councils 79 and 102, with Council 102 acting as host. Rita Neverouck was the very able chairman of this affair and her well planned schedule resulted in a very successful breakfast. Rita was privileged in getting some wonderful assistance from her fellow members and also from the ladies of the Rosary Society, who prepared the breakfast menu. It was at this affair that six K. of L. members received their 3rd Ritual degree. They were, Donna Bunikis, Mary Anne Guerriero, Bruno Polikaitis and Evelyn Galinas all of Council 102, and from Council 79, they were Jody Step and Julius Bridgevaitis. It was a heart-warming recognition for some well deserved recipients and our heartiest congratulations to you all. At the close of the breakfast, we heard some words of wisdom from Father Stanievich; Father Kundrat; Frank Zagar, president of Council 79; and Bob Boris, president of Council 102 who also acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Our congratulations to Loretta Paulauskas on her engagement to Roman Vainauskas.

The bowling season is drawing to a close with just a few more weeks remaining for some fabulous scoring. Competition is keen. To brave mentioning first or second place teams at the moment would be disastrous — for it could be any-

body's title — and to keep friendships in tact — suffice it to say may the best team win. We are just wondering — what are the coaches going to do now that the season is just about over, not to mention the captains. Suppose we shall all have to further our keeping in trim at Metropolitan Beach and really tackling those calisthenics sessions which are for free. Surely it can be safe now to say we shall see you at the beach — but if it should snow, we will see you on the slopes.

Detroit, Mich. — 79 Knight Life

Ritual Degree. The Ritual ceremonies were held at the Divine Providence Church Hall on March 5th, 8 p.m. Following received the 3rd Ritual degree: Donna Bunikus, Mary Anne Guerriero, F. Bridgevaitis, Bruno Polikaitis, Evelyn Galinas and Jody Step. The "freshies" who received their 1st and 2nd degrees, were Father Stan, Father Dagalil, Frank Bunikis, Ruth Grasha, Magdeline Smailis, Ruth Wagster, Rita Neverouck, Bill Juodwalkis, Dolores Neverouck and Pat Ramas. Oh what a "knight" it really was!

You, as K. of L. Member! As the books are closed on a most important chapter of K. of L. History, we feel our pulse slowing down from the near hysterical gallop of "Conventionaitis." This affords an opportunity to take inventory or examine our conscience. We have proved to the world that Detroit takes a back seat to **no one**. A glance at the post-convention VYTIS or the stacks of mail received after the convention verify — "It was the Greatest." What is more important, we have confirmed our faith in ourselves. **We Can do Anything**, with a little faith in God, some sincere cooperation and if we give our very best. The spirit of Council 102 has reached an all time high. A parental gleam of pride shines forth as we look with pride upon Council 79, (which has surpassed the parent in phenomenal growth.) The less than half dozen instigators of Council 79 who formed a council hardly a year ago are now beaming with utter unbelief, upon realizing they're here to stay! The feverish tempo of 1959, left little time for consideration of our internal problems, with everything focused on the conven-

tion. Now we look for bigger and better things in Detroit for '60.

Consider for a moment: 1. What can I do to make the K. of L. bigger and better? 2. How many of my friends and acquaintances can I invite to join? 3. What new activities could make the K. of L. more interesting? 4. What contribution or talent can I offer? 5. What can I do to make the jobs of the officers easier? 6. Am I seriously planning to attend every meeting and activity? Think these over and 1960 can be the greatest year ever.

Social Bowling. Even after the change of date, a fairly nice group of twenty-eight showed up on February 6th. We professional bowlers were happy to see the usual "kibitzers" there to cheer us on. Our new member, Margaret Smailis, is some bowler! She won the women's jackpot and came out second in prizes with Money... There's a rumor that our Chairman, Lenny Salas, had the whole thing rigged. All prizes, but one, were won on two alleys. Joe and Aquiline Zane won 1st prize, Leo Smilgis and Margaret Smailis won 2nd, Jack Millard and Leonard Salas (see what we mean) won 3rd, and 4th was won by Ed and Barbara Sackle, who were on the other alley. Sorry C-102 members didn't win anything, better luck next time!

New Chef. Our new President, Frank Zagar, is not only providing to be a good leader but he can also make a "mean" Pizza. He and his wife surprised us all with Pizza after our last meeting. It was sort of a celebration of a resolution issued by Ralph Valatka that the day of our meeting be ANTHONY DAINUS DAY. Following the resolution, a gift was presented to Tony from the council in appreciation for all the hard work that went in to reorganizing our council. Without his leadership in our first year, we would never have had such success and enjoyment. Thanks, Tony.

St. Casimir's Day. We commemorated the Feast Day of our Patron Saint jointly with Council 102 at St. Anthony's and a delicious breakfast was served in the church hall by our co-host, Council 102. Many thanks to the committee, consisting of Dolores and Rita Neverouck, Ruth and Mart Wagster and Pat Ra-

mas. Thanks, also, to Isabelle Caldwell, Diane Neverouck, Bill Juodwalkis, Anna Mae Uznis and Bob Boris for their assistance. About 80 members were witnesses to 6 members receiving their 3rd Ritual degree medals: Council 102 — Donna Bunikis, Mary Anne Guerriero, Bruno Polikaitis, Evelyn Galinas. Council 79 — Jody Step and Julius Bridgevaitis. Breakfast was closed by a few words from Father Stanievich, Father Kundrat, Frank Zager, president of C-79, and Bob Boris, president of Council 102 and MC.

Get Well Wishes to Leonard Salas' father and sister, who are in the hospital... **Congratulations** to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Repshas on the arrival of a little bundle of joy — it's a boy... To **Loretta Paulauskas** on her engagement to Roman Vainauskas... **Deep Sympathy** to Ralph Valatka on the death of his mother, March 4th.

We are proud of our Editorial Staff of KNIGHT LIFE: Pat Ramas, editor; Tony Dainus, Pat Ramas, Lillian Stephan, Bob Boris, reporters; and Lillian Stephan, mailing.

Dayton, Ohio — 96 Elaine Lucas

Our council is busy making final arrangements for the Annual Midwest Bowling Tournament to be held this month. Also, a "Whink" party for the benefit of our Treasury, under the chairmanship of Mary Lucas, is being planned.

"In the Spring, a young man's fancy turns to love." Veronica "Ronnie" Omlor received an engagement ring from Kenneth Heitkam of Minster, Ohio. The wedding is to take place in October.

Belated congratulations to Catherine Fretic who became engaged to Steve Cimprich at Christmas... An August wedding is being planned by Paul Kavalauskas and his fiancée, Jean Sieverding... Our Folk Dance Group was invited to perform at the Cosmopolitan Club's banquet... We wish a speedy recovery to Mary Ann Blum who underwent an operation recently.

If you are interested in obtaining the English-Lithuanian dictionary that was mentioned in last month's Bulletin, contact Steponas Bucmys.

Did you read the column "Listening In" in the March 25th publication of the Catholic Telegraph Re-

gister? This edition's article was on "Our Lady of Siluva" (booklet edited by Father Jutt).

Second Ritual degree test was taken and passed by George Mikalauskas, Lionginas Prasmantas, Ted Sluzas and Frank Petkus following the February and March meetings. Frances Mikalauskas and Charles Petkus passed their 3rd Ritual degree test; and Charles Vangas and Ann Scott will be taking their 4th Ritual degree test at the District Convention to be held in Detroit, later this year. If you are eligible for a Ritual degree, contact Frank Gudelis.

Ada's Delicatessen is owned and operated by John and Ann Scott. Your patronage is most welcome.



Dayton, Ohio, Council 96 Folk Dance Group. Pictured, top left to right: Jimmy Kavalauskas, Joan Kavalauskas, Tony Noreikas, Rosalie Vanagas, Charles Vanagas, Frances Vanagas; bottom, Marilyn Lucas, Barbara Rimkus, Anne Sinkowitz and Elaine Lucas.

ILLINOIS-INDIANA DISTRICT

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S VISIT

Chicago took on the vise of a K. of L. Convention town — in miniature — the weekend of Feb. 20-21, with the arrival of several out-of-towners, to attend an important K. of L. meeting, and to socialize with their many friends in Chicago.

Festivities began with the arrival Friday night (through sleet, snow, etc.) of our National President Jo-

seph Sakevich, and continued at a great pace until late Sunday. On Saturday, the "Detroit Delegation", namely Bob "Maxwell St. Fan" Boris, Bill "Black Wolf" Juodwalkis, Len Salas, and Lee Galinskas, arrived in the Windy City, just in time to enjoy lunch and renew friendships of several Chicago people, at the Kassel's home, enroute to the K. of L. Building for the Saturday afternoon meeting.

The meeting, attended by many national, district, and council officers of this area, provided an excellent opportunity for us to discuss our organization's problems with our National President Sakevich, as well as to express and pass on to the Supreme Council our ideas, and recommendations regarding the work of National K. of L. Committes.

For post-meeting relaxation, good food, and atmosphere galore, we journeyed to the Diamond Head Restaurant, where our guests learned why we made sure they wore fresh, "hole-less" socks. Shoes had to be left at the door, to eat in the authentic setting of a Japanese tearoom — while seated on cushions on the floor! We hear our "Black Wolf" is currently offering lessons on the proper use of chopsticks. But even dining at Diamond Head was in keeping with the the "K. of L. Spirit" — for we found its owner to be a Lithuanian - American (who's married to a Japanese girl).

Saturday evening, we again convened at the K. of L. Hall where more Chicagoans appeared for an Open House "Šurum - Burum" party. The Detroiters literally had to "sing for their supper" — and entertained us with excerpts from the Convention Variety Show. In between these special acts, Wally Tenclinger and accordion accompanied the group in Lithuanian and English community singing and dancing.

The out-of-towners, and those intowners who found it too early to head for home, after the Open House continued on to the Sankus household for a "coffee and..." party, and returned after Mass Sunday for a most delectable dinner prepared by Mrs. Sankus and Irene. We hear Eleanore Laurin and Gerry Mack, after serving refreshments at the Kassels' and the Sankus'

homes are now classified as first class experts. Joe Sakevich was prevailed upon to join our District Bowling Party, Sunday afternoon. The Detroiters left earlier in the afternoon.

St. Casimir's Day

Our Patron Saint was duly honored by the Illinois-Indiana Knights with the annual St. Casimir's Day commemoration on March 6. Guest Color Guards of Don Varnas and Darius - Girėnas American Legion Posts, representatives of Ateitininkai, dressed in Lithuanian costumes, and our own K. of L. Flag-Bearers led the procession of Knights into the Immaculate Conception Church, where all attended Mass, received Communion, and listened to the inspiring sermon delivered by Bishop Brizgys. The Solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Paul Juknevičius, Council 36' spiritual adviser. Rev. A. Miciunas, MIC, district spiritual adviser, and Rev. Budzeika, MIC, assisted as deacon and subdeacon.

After Mass, members and guests gathered at the K. of L. Building for a brunch, prepared by Council 36's talented cooks, Mrs. Norbut, Mrs. Chuprinskas, Mrs. Zemaitis, and Mrs. Petruilis. Speakers were His Excellency Bishop Brizgys; Hon. Petras Dauzvardis, Lithuanian Consul; Hon. Alfonse F. Wells, Municipal Judge of Chicago; and our own District President Eleanore Laurin. Toastmaster was Stan Kan-
cewick.

The 3rd Ritual degree medals were awarded to Estelle Rogers and Al Zakarka of Council 112; John Meizis of Council 36; and Joe Stanaitis, Council 99. To these four worthy elevated members we extend our sincere congratulations!

A special award, presented by Host Council 36 their choice for the title "Illinois - Indiana Knight of the Year" was presented to Eleanore Laurin — who is most deserving of the award, for her very hard work and many ideas and efforts in behalf of the K. of L. Eleanore Zapolis provided the program's "dessert" with her beautiful renditions of several Lithuanian and American songs. Host Council 36, its President Wally Tenclinger, and the day's Chairman Loretta Kassel, extend to all participants of the day

their sincerest thanks for helping make the day truly a day St. Casimir can be proud of.

"Ooh's and Ah's" now accompany members' visits to the newly-remodeled Lounge of the K. of L. Hall, thanks to the professional talents of Vyt and Tony Lubert, the ingenuity of the rest of the Decoration Committee, and the hard work of all who devoted several weekends to remodeling the Lounge. Seems the remodeling bug has spread to the rest of the hall, for new lighting will soon grace the hall proper, thanks to the profit made on the recent Bingo Party, and to several council donations. Orchids go to Helen Sirvinskas and her committee for a most successful District Bingo Party.

Ed Sulaitis (C-99), and Gerry Kantaut (C-112), were crowned Ping-Pong Champs, while Len Malas (C-112), finished as Star Pinocle Player of the evening. Though no champion "perch-eater" was chosen (the competition was too great), Helen Sirvinskas (C-36), deserves a cooking trophy for preparing the delectable meal. Congratulations also go to Al Kassel (C-36), for his efforts in planning the successful event.

The first step in "Knight-hood" in the K. of L. was passed April 3 by Rev. Peter Cibulskis, MIC, Marilyn Kulik (C-112), Ursule Zemaitis of the Seniors, and Virginia Balzekas, Bill Kulikauskas, and Joseph Sudeikis (C-36), when they received their First K. of L. Ritual Degree. Congratulations! Special Congratulations go to Rev. Paul Juknevičius and Vince Samoska (C-36) and to Rev. V. Zakarauskas, John Chaplin, Pat Usavage, Gerry Kantaut, Ed Krivickas, and Florence Rumsas (C-112) who merited their Second Degree the same day, and are now on the "hard work road" to earning the Third Degree.

Gary Council 82 played host on March 27 to the District Monthly Bowling and Supper Club — in true "Gary style"... lots of fun and competition in bowling, and an abundance of delectable food afterwards. After all worked-up appetites were more than satisfied, bowling prizes were awarded. First prize went to Tony "Kile" Wask and Gertie Carver, and "surprise award medals" were given to Helen Zim-



LITHUANIAN WOMEN in the Worcester (Mass.) area numbered more than 400 at a reception and tea given by them in honor of Governor and Mrs. Foster Furcolo at the Eden Gardens in the city. Left to right: Governor Furcolo; Mrs. Tillie Gerulis, president; Mrs. Kay Furcolo, and presenting a bouquet, Miss Francis Chibas.

mer and Gordon Gudas for holding up the league so well!

On the weekend of March 19-20, two Chevy Impallas, with a Volkswagen "sandwiched" between, invaded Detroit, bringing 12 Chicago K. of L's to meet the Detroiters in the first of a series of Match Games in Bowling.

Although our hosts won the match by an "unmentionable number" of pins, Chicago bowlers Aldona Kaminskas, Al and Lor Kassel, Loretta Macekonis, Gery Mack, Len Malas, Al Pratt, Al Pecilunas, Irena Sankus, and Helen Zimmer, and Cheerleaders Eleanore Laurin and Wally Tenclinger didn't seem to mind a bit. It could be that the entertainment provided at Killarney Club in Windsor, and at the Uznis and Boris homes in Dearborn — plus the "as-ever-overwhelming" hospitality of hosts Anna Mae, Bob, and others of Councils 79 and 102 — softened the blow of defeat! However, rumor has it that Chicagoans are practicing night and day to prepare for the return match, April 23 in Chicago.

The resignation of Albin Manst from the office of District First Vice-President to give more time to his other duties, Board Chairman, among others, was accepted by members of the district with deep regret, for Al has been — and is — one of the hardest working and most interested Knights we have. We commend Al on his many ef-

forts and accomplishments — in setting up a variety of Sports activities... in starting action on reorganizing several councils in our area... in keeping prospective Junior members interested and close to the organization... and in the many other unnoticed jobs he has performed for the good of the K. of L.

Congratulations to the other Al — Al Kassel — who was elected to complete the term as First Vice-President... and who's already hard at work, organizing softball, volleyball, etc. for the Juniors.

Chicago, Ill. — 112 "ARDEE"

Ritual degrees were presented to six of our members on April 3. Congratulations to Marilyn Kulik upon receiving her First Degree; and to Geraldine Kantaut, John Chaplin, Ed Krivickas, Pat Usavage and Florence Rumsas who were presented with their Second Degrees.

Drury Lane Theatre, in the Martinique Restaurant, played host to our council on March 23, for our March Social. About 24 members enjoyed Gypsy Rose Lee in "Light up the Sky."

Our girls' Volley Ball Team, with Marilyn Kulik in charge, is all set to "get that ball bouncing" on May 1, when they will play their first game of the season. As yet a team name that would ably describe our fair damsels has not been chosen,

K. OF L. CALENDAR

May 14 — Newark, N. J. (29) "One Night in May" Dance. Music by Ed. Sharkus and His Orchestra, \$1.25, 9 p.m.

May 21 — Worcester, Mass. (26) Annual Spring Dance, Lithuanian Vets Club, Shrewsbury.

May 27-30 — Annual Mid-West Bowling Tournament, Miami Hotel, Dayton, Ohio, Host — Council 96.

June 25-26 — First Annual Mid-West Golf Tournament, Gleneagles Country Club, Orland Park, Ill. Al Kassel, chairman.

July 4 — Annual Illinois-Indiana District Picnic, Willow-West (Butchas), Willow Springs, Ill.

July 23 — Aug. 20 — K. of L. Eucharistic Congress Pilgrimage. Rev. Fr. Albert J. Contons, National Spiritual Director.

Aug. 14-20 — K. of L. Youth Camp Week, Lithuanian R. C. Federation Youth Camp DAINAVA, Manchester, Michigan. Co-sponsored by Council 79 and 102, Detroit, Michigan.

August 14 — Dayton, Ohio (96), Annual Picnic at Eintracht Park. Mike Petkus, Chairman.

August 18-21 — 47th K. of L. NATIONAL CONVENTION, Worcester, Mass. Host — Council 26.

October 8 — Annual Dance, Dayton, Ohio. Charles Vangas, Chairman.

but after we see them in action, suggestions no doubt will start pouring in.

Our Easter Hop on April 17, was chairmanned by Wally Gregor.

Happy Birthday to our following members: May 1 — Jim Jagiella, May 3 — John Chaplin, May 14 — Len Shemaitis, May 19 — Lenny Kantwill, May 25 — Janina Carrig, May 26 — Dominick Yocius, May 29 — Walter Klevinsky and May 30 — Ray Dudones.

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47th ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA CONVENTION

August 18 - 21, 1960

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Hosts: Council 26

Fellow Knights:

Council 26 cordially invites you and your guests to attend the 47th National Convention August 18—21. We are very anxious to extend to you our hospitality and assurance of a program that will be most enjoyable to our guests. Your presence will assure us of a most successful Convention.

CONVENTION - PROGRAM

AUGUST 18, (Thursday)

9:00 A.M. — 9:00 P.M.
8:00 A.M.
2:00 P.M.
8:00 P.M.

Registration, Hotel Bancroft, Mezzanine
Golf Tournament, Mt. Wachusett Country Club
Bowling Tournament
Get Acquainted Party, Maironis Park on Lake
Quinsigamond, Shrewsbury, Massachusetts

AUGUST 19, (Friday)

8:30 A.M.
10:00 A.M.
12:15 P.M.
2:00 P.M.
9:00 P.M.

Mass at St. Casimir's Church followed by Coffee "and" in church hall.
Convention Session — Baroque Room
Luncheon — Crystal Room (Sports awards to be presented)
Convention Session — Baroque Room
Semi-formal Dance — Larry Chesky's recording orchestra.

AUGUST 20, (Saturday)

8:30 A.M.
10:00 A.M.
12:15 P.M.
2:00 P.M.
5:00 P.M.

Mass at St. Casimir's Church followed by Coffee "and" in church hall.
Convention Session — Baroque Room
Luncheon — Crystal Room
Convention Session — Baroque Room
Buses leave Hotel for Indian Ranch at Lake
Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg,
for an informal evening of Barbecued Chicken,
swimming, dancing, sports and entertainment.

AUGUST 21, (Sunday)

8:45 A.M.
9:00 A.M.

9:45 A.M.

2:00 P.M.
6:00 P.M.

Members will meet in the front of Hotel Bancroft.
Members will parade to St. Casimir's church escorted
by Lithuanian War Vets' Color Guard and the Lithuanian
Drum Corps (Walking distance 10-15 minutes)

Mass at St. Casimir's Church followed by pictures in front of the Church
and Brunch in church hall.

Convention Session — Baroque Room
Banquet — Main Ballroom

A Registration Fee of \$20.00 will include Thursday get acquainted Party, Friday and Saturday Luncheons, Sunday Brunch, Semi-formal dance, Saturday outing including bus service, and the Banquet. Golfing and Bowling fees will be announced at a later date.

KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA
47th National Convention Committee
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