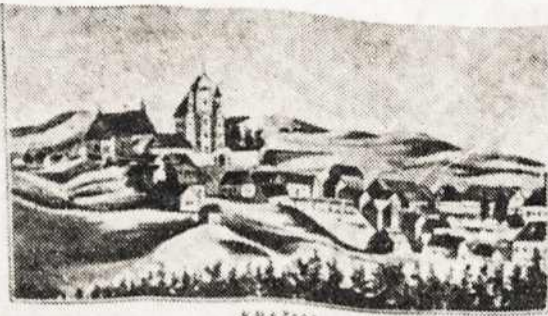
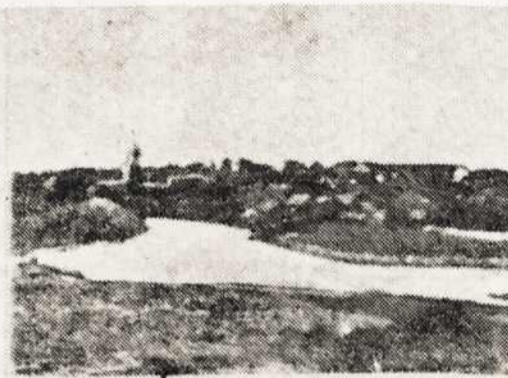


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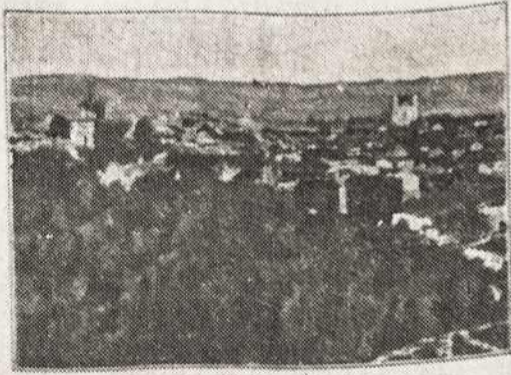
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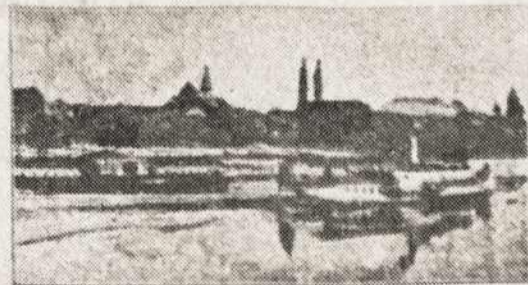
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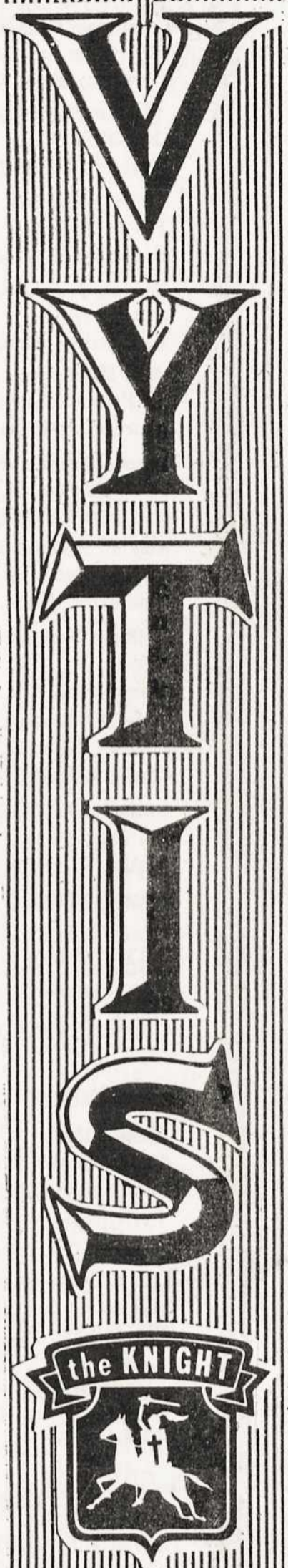


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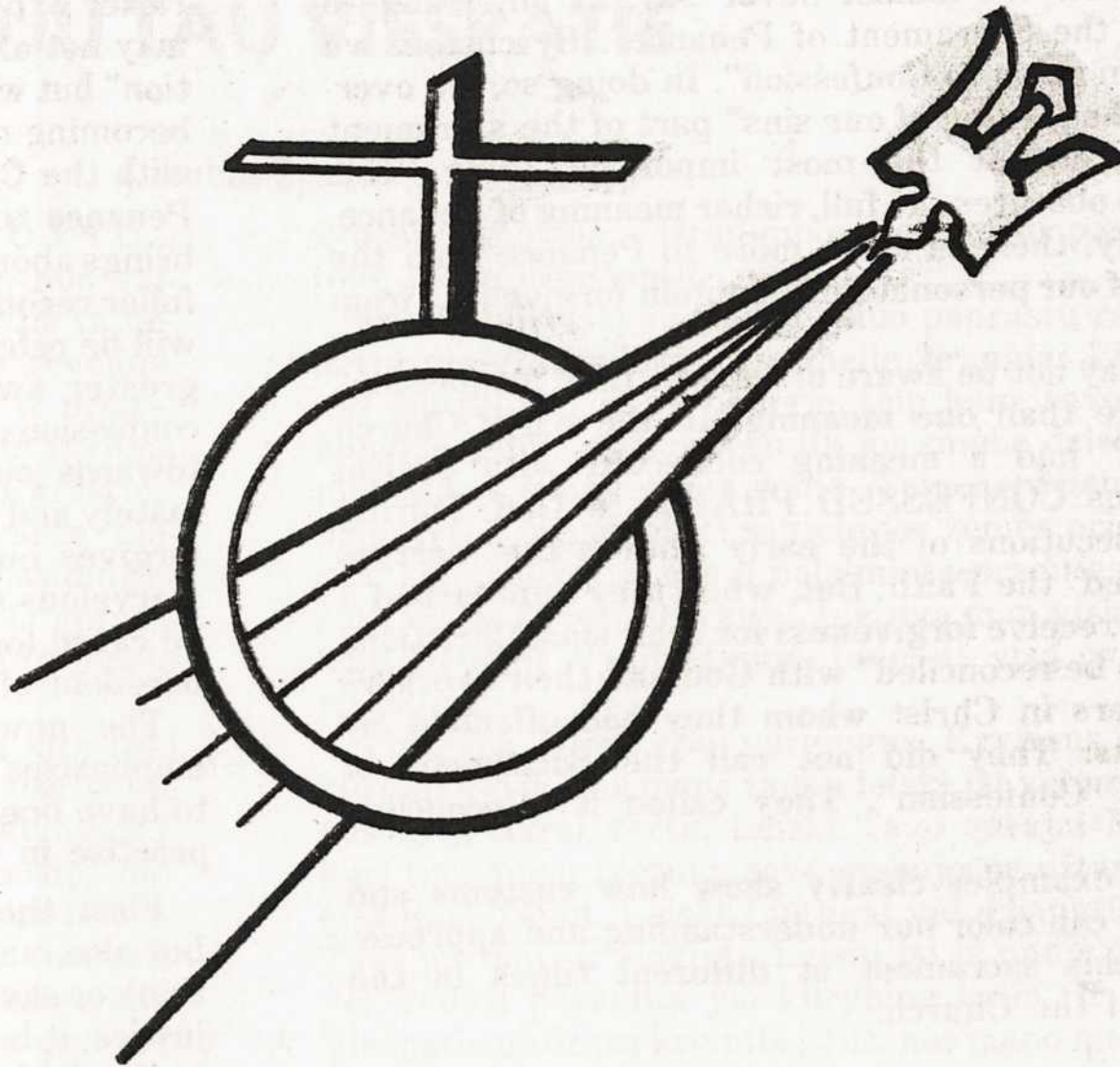
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CONFESSION

THE NEW LOOK



Something very strange and truly puzzling has been happening in the attitude of Catholics regarding "Confession" during the past ten years, or so. What used to be a rather regular and boring chore for many and, perhaps, most Catholics - "going to Confession" - is no longer so: Catholics, in general, took it upon themselves to do away with the boredom of this religious chore by abandoning the regularity of "going to Confession". I suppose the thinking behind this was: "If I don't go to confession so often, I won't be bored so often in repeating my same, sad story week after week, month after month".

Exact figures are lacking, of course, but the consensus of bishops and pastors is that Catholics are not receiving the Sacrament of Penance so much any more. You can verify this consensus by asking yourself: during the past year, how many times have I received this Sacrament? Then compare that figure with the figure for, say, nine or ten years ago. Would it be three or four times now versus twenty or more then? Whatever the figures, the fact will emerge that most of us have been neglecting an important sacramental help and source of spiritual progress. On the other hand, the figures on reception of the Eucharist have multiplied enormously. You will agree that it is puzzling: almost everyone in church on a Sunday "goes to Communion"; almost no one on a Saturday afternoon "goes to Confession". Yet, both are precious Sacraments instituted by Christ for our spiritual welfare.

While this neglectful attitude was developing among the People of God, Church leaders were

actively studying this problem in depth. One of the directives of Vatican Council II was to revise the public prayer-life of the Church, to make it more effective and appealing to the People of God. We have already accepted and put into practice changes in the Mass and revisions in the other Sacraments. Recall the changes that took place in Baptism, in the Sacrament of Matrimony and in the Sacrament of Extreme Unction, which is now called the Sacrament of the Sick.

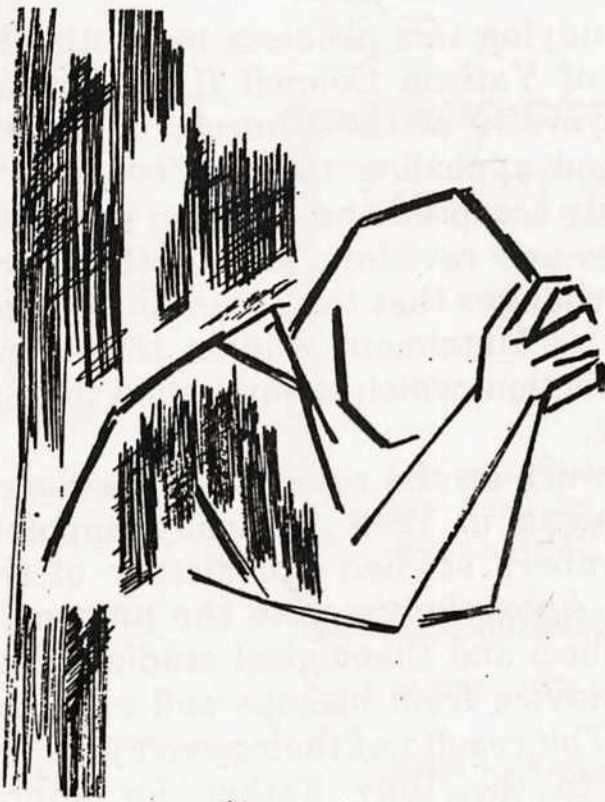
Serious work on the revision of the Sacrament of Penance began in 1966. Specially appointed committee members studied the history of this sacrament from Apostolic times to the present; they reviewed biblical and theological studies; they sought input and advice from bishops and experts all over the world. The results of their seven year labors was submitted to the Holy Father for approval and finally, on December 2, 1973, the revised Rite of the Sacrament of Penance was promulgated. On March 11, 1975, the English translation of the "new look" of the Sacrament of Penance was approved. During the past two years the Bishops' Conferences all over the world have been making plans to implement this revision which not only gives the Sacrament a "new look", but also explains more clearly the basic idea of this sacrament, which seems to have been obscured by certain customs and practices that crept in over the centuries.

For an example of a custom, or practice, that tended to make Penance a boring chore, at times, consider for a moment the name usually given to this

sacrament. We almost never say, "I am going to receive the Sacrament of Penance". By custom we say, "I'm going to Confession". In doing so, we over-stress the "telling of our sins" part of the sacrament and make that the most important thing. This attitude obscures the full, richer meaning of Penance. Certainly, there is much more to Penance than the recital of our personal sins to obtain forgiveness from God.

We may not be aware of the fact that "confession" has more than one meaning. In the early Church "confess" had a meaning connected with praise: Christians CONFESSED PRAISE to God. During the persecutions of the early Church the martyrs "confessed" the Faith. But, when they approached a priest to receive forgiveness for their sins, Christians came "to be reconciled" with God and their brothers and sisters in Christ whom they had offended by their sins. They did not call the Sacrament of Penance "Confession". They called it "Reconciliation".

These examples clearly show how customs and practises can color our understanding and appreciation of this sacrament at different times in the history of the Church.



Now, as a result of deeper study and reflection we are coming to realize that the Sacrament of Penance is more than just "confession of sins". It is an act of praise, it is an act of faith in addition to being an accusation of our sinfulness, in general, and a confession of our sins, in particular. It is an act of reconciliation with God and with the Church.

From now on we shall be hearing more and more about CELEBRATION of Reconciliation. We shall be invited to PENITENTIAL SERVICES several times a year. The revised rite of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation will provide Catholics with a far

richer experience of the love and mercy of God. We may not always use the words "celebrate reconciliation" but we will more easily experience the reality of becoming more and more "reconciled" with God and with the Church. This sacrament will still be called Penance to indicate the conversion to God that it brings about. It will gradually become a surer step to fuller reconciliation with God. In time, the sacrament will be referred to as Reconciliation. There will be a greater awareness of confession of praise to God, confession of the Faith, renewal of charity and justice towards our neighbor. We will realize more intimately and personally the love and mercy of God who forgives our sins through Christ, His Son in this marvelous sacrament. No doubt about it: there will be cause for celebration. Gone, we hope, will be the boredom of "going to Confession".

The new Rite of Penance and Reconciliation emphasizes certain fundamental truths that seemed to have been obscured and somewhat overlooked in practise in the recent past.

First, the truth that sin is an offense against God, but also, an injury to the Church. Whatever evil we think or say or do, does harm to the Church. It twists justice, it breaks up charity that should be prevalent in the Body of Christ, which is the Church.

Secondly, through the Sacrament of Penance the sinner is not only reconciled to God, restored and renewed in friendship with Him by absolution from sin; the sinner is also reconciled, reinstated to healthy membership in the Church. This double aspect of Penance is very important. The "new look" of "Confession" emphasizes this.

Thirdly, in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation both God and the Church are active in converting the sinner to his rightful position among the People of God.

I think that we can conclude from the above that Penance is not simply a private, individual effort to obtain forgiveness for sins committed after Baptism. It has a community, Church-wide dimension that calls for an up-dated set-up (or rite) that would make this dimension clearer. This is why, in the near future, Penance will become a community or parish event. Members of a parish will meet for penitential prayers, Scripture readings and meditations to prepare for a reconciliation with God and a more genuine renewal of Christian lives.

We can look forward, therefore, and see that this sacrament will enrich our lives and become a more vital and effective spiritual activity in which we receive God's mercy and peace and love, not only as individuals, but as members of the living community of the Church.

Fr. Anthony A. Jurgelaitis, O.P.

(More on this fascinating Sacrament later)

DĖKOJU TAU VIEŠPATIE

Jokubas Stukas

Kad leidai man gimti LIETUVIU... Nors išvydau pasaulį šioje Atlanto pusėje, nuo vaikystės dienų pamilau tą Lietuvą... Dėkoju už tą nekainuojamą paveldėjimą: už brangiuosius tėvelius, brolius, lietuvių parapiją, daugybę draugų ir prietelių... ir Lietuvos Vyčiuose surastą taurią ir mylimą žmoną, kuri ne kiek mažiau sielojasi tėvų kraštui.

Dar vaikas būdamas, kai paminėdavo vardą Lietuva, ar užtikdavau tą vardą spaudoje, iš pasididžiavimo ir meilės manyje užvirdavo kraujas. O gerasis Dieve, kaip galiu Tau atsidėkoti, kad turiu tą didelę garbę save vadintis *l i e t u v i u*?

Suraskite man Jūs visi kiti - bent vieną kitą tokį kraštą, kuris taip garbingai, sumaniai kadaise valdė didžiausius Europos plotus... tokių šaunių kunigaikščių vadovaujamas? Suraskite Jūs kitą gražesnę, garbingesnę, senesnę kalbą už mūsų... Suraskite ištvermingesnę šalį tiek daug iškentėjusią ir dar tebekenčiančią už savo tikslus. Nesurasite kitos šalies kuri būtų darbingesnė už mūsų. Tik trumpame nepriklausomybės laikotarpyje ji parodė pasauliui kiek daug gali laisvėje atsiekti moksle, mene, kultūroje, kūryboje ir gyventojų gerbūviui. Nerasite ir kitos šalies tokios gražios su laukais, kalneliais, ežerais ir miškais. Ir koks kitas kraštas turi tiek daug gražių merguželių kaip lelijėlių, ir vyrų kaip stipriausių ažuolų? Nėra pasaulyje kitos tautos turinčios tiek daug malonių dainų, sukurtų žmonių samantose bakužėse... ir iš širdžių...

Ir šiandieną pasaulio laikraščiuose nuolat minima lietuvių laimėjimai, pirmenybės sporte... meno var-

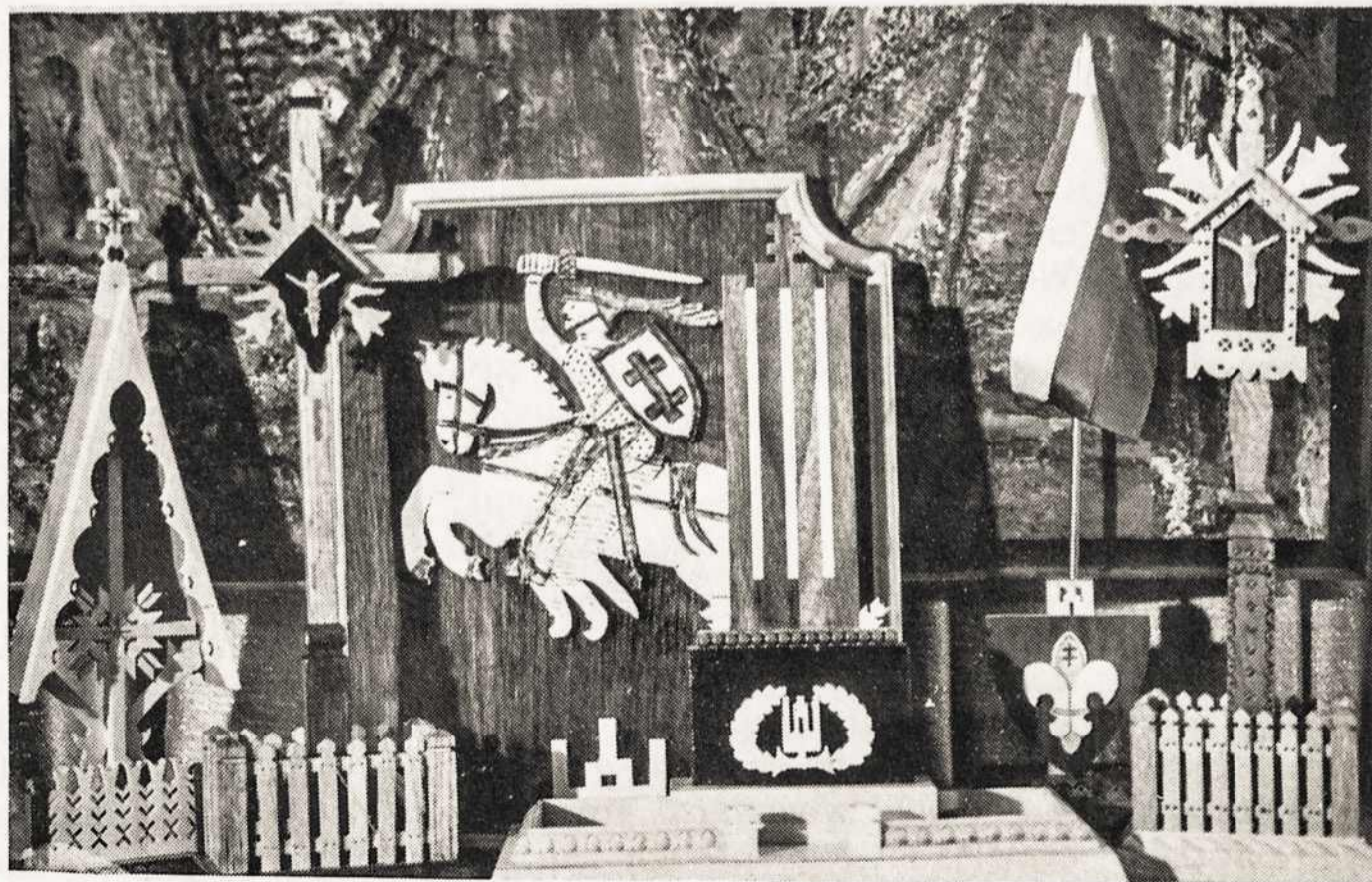
žybose... moksle... išradimuose, ir mūsų pastangos tėvų žemę išlaisvinti.

Kantrusai Visagalis Dieve, šiuo paprastu rašinėliu noriu viešai išreikšti savo meilę brangiai Lietuvai, nes jaučiu, kad ji yra manyje, taip kaip Tavo Sūnus dangiškoj duonoj, nors esu tik jos smėlio dalelė, vėjų nupūstas į šią svetingą žemę. Taip norėčiau ją vėl pamatyti... ir priglausti saujelę jos žemės prie krūtinės, kaip relikviją, nes ji palaiminta praeities didvyrių, laisvės kovotojų krauju. Lietuva man viską davė, kaip giedama Vyčių Himne, todėl aš visą gyvenimą jai skiriu.

Visagalis Dieve, po vargingus Kryžiaus Kelius, kuriuos ėjo ir eina mano tauta, leiski jai vėl prisikelti, nes to ji tikrai verta. Leiski Tavo gerajai Motinai, kuri turi mūsų Lietuvą savo globoje, ją užtarti Dangiškajam Tėvui. Leiski Lietuvai vėl džiaugtis laisve Tave garbinti ir šlovinti. Leiski jai iš naujo keltis ir vėl įrodyti pasauliui jos kūrybinę galią. Ir atleiski Viešpatie už drąsą kreiptis į Jus, nes mano meilė tėvų žemei tokia gili ir nepakeičiama.

O Tu, brangioji Lietuva... esi Mindaugo Karalija... garsiuju Kunigaikščių Kęstučio, Vytauto didžioji žemė... Tu esi Donelaitis, Baranauskas, Valančius, Basanavičius, Vydūnas, Kudirka, Maironis, Čiurlionis... Tu knygnešių, savanorių kūrėjų žibintuvas... Tu Vasario 16-toji su Smetona, Grinium, Stulginskiu... Tu partizanų Tavo miškuose viltis... Tu tremtinių paguoda. Tu naujo laisvės ryto aušra.

O man, Lietuva, esi saulelė motinė. Nuo pat jaunystės tu mano laimės spindulys. Tu visų mano darbų tikslas. Tu... Tu... esi man viskas!



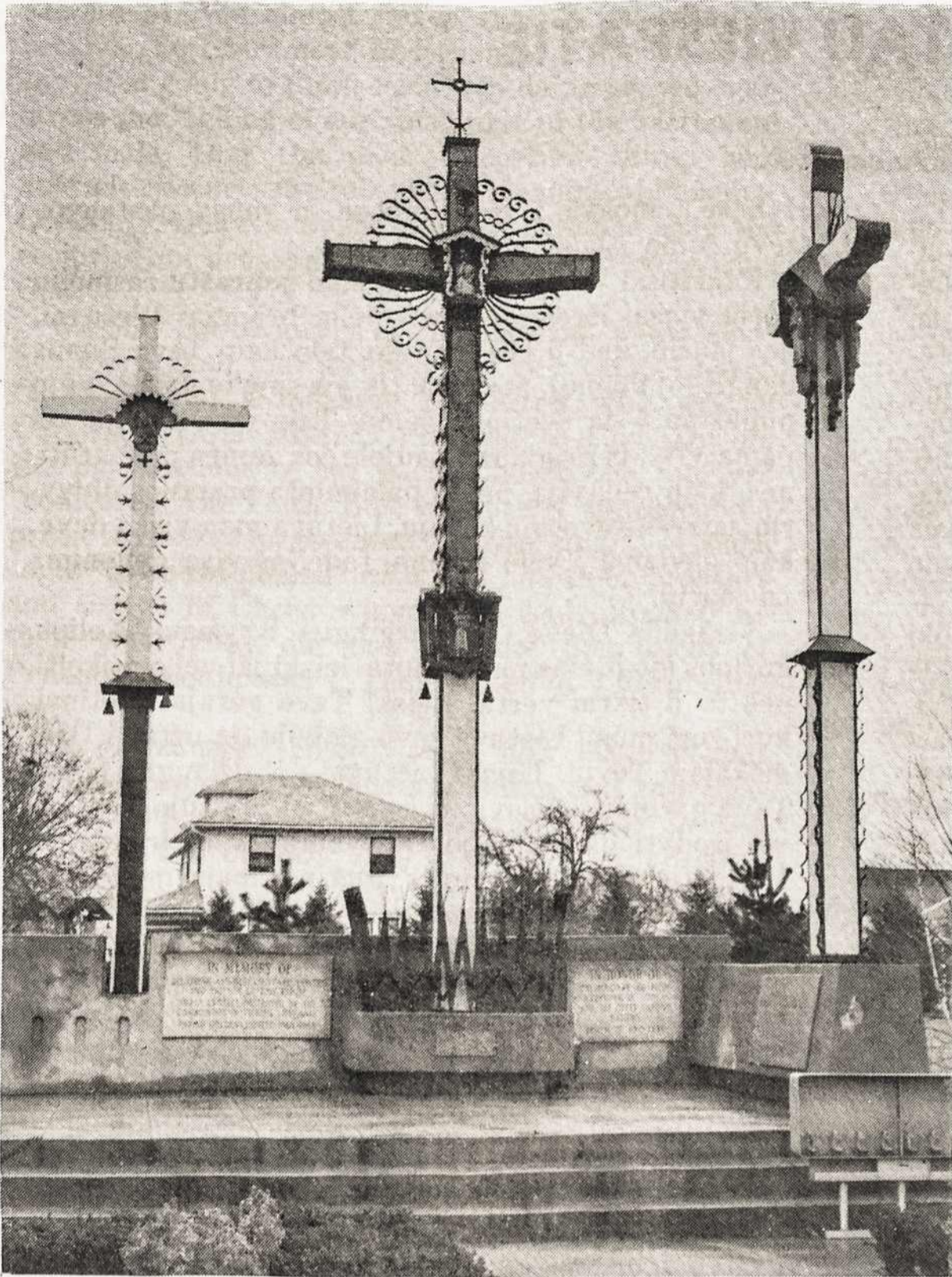


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An observant visitor, travelling through Dayton, Ohio on State Route 4 and 69, can catch a glimpse of the tips of three exotic crosses standing closely together amid spruces and birches and roof tops like a stand of archangels guarding the inhabitants of this progressive city. Upon approaching the area for a better view, the visitor finds that the Shrine of the Three Crosses is the focal point on the grounds of the center of Dayton's Lithuanian community, Holy Cross Church. Appearing thus in a middle income neighborhood, in a middle-sized city, in the mid-western part of the United States, the Shrine takes on an aura of the mystery, the majesty and the

glory of distant lands and forgotten times.

How did the Shrine of the Three Crosses get there? What were the circumstances of their erection? What is the significance of their existence? Whose tender thoughts, loving memories, and distinctive knowledge fathered the obvious labors and sacrifices that entailed the raising of such a monument?

The first Lithuanians who came to the Great Miami Valley in 1886 were only two in number. By 1894, there were 125; reaching a peak of over 450 Lithuanians in 1920. As pioneers of old, they had gradually journeyed westward from the coastlands and through the coal mines of Pennsylvania to find their

Shrine of the Three Crosses

DAYTON, OHIO

by Aldona Ryan

destiny in the rich tobacco, corn, wheat, and soybean belt of southern Ohio. They huddled together in the northern section of Dayton near the banks of the now defunct Ohio Canal and purchased 8 acres of land for the dreamed-of church that became a reality in 1914. It was named Holy Cross Church as a fitting remembrance of Lithuania, "the land of crosses".

St. Peter's Society, organized in 1902, was responsible for the building of Holy Cross Church. After the formal blessing of the new church in March of 1915, other organizations sprang up, including the beginnings of Council 96 of the Knights of Lithuania in 1917.

Holy Cross Church was modest in size but adequate for the number of Lithuanians in the parish. Its architecture was the conventional brick modern of the times and of proper demeanor for the neighborhood in which it nestled. It had the usual number of good years and poor years (especially during the years of the depression) but the hardworking Lithuanians remained constant and loyal.

Through the years, fine clergy served faithfully at Holy Cross Church. Father Vaclovas Katarskis, who is the current priest, came to Holy Cross in 1948. Under his guidance, a new rectory was added to the church grounds. When Father Katarskis resigned in 1960 (to return in 1972), the Reverend Dr. Titus Narbutas was appointed pastor.

In the Parish History written in 1964, it states that:

"The new administrator, Father Narbutas, began planning the church renewing project. He informed the bishop about the present state of the Church in Lithuania where the Communists have closed many places of worship and the faithful are being bitterly persecuted, and that both the older and newer immigrants and many of the American born generation wished to see Lithuanian motifs incorporated into the church. The final decision of the archdiocesan authorities was that the existing church building be remodeled".

In the brainstorming sessions and numerous meetings that involved the Dayton Lithuanians in coming to decisions on the remodeling of their church, one important factor evolved: **THEY GAINED KNOWLEDGE** of Lithuanian architecture, of histories of crosses and shrines, of ancient symbolisms, of geographical descriptions, and of cultural enlightenment. Through this knowledge, there came a wave of love for the almost forgotten land across the sea. A new Lithuanianism spread through the area bringing back dozens of parishioners who had moved to the suburbs. Holy Cross Church became the meeting place for Lithuanians living as far away as Englewood, Vandalia, Miamisburg, Centerville, Tipp City, Troy, Sidney, Piqua, Oxford, Cincinnati and Columbus.

Plans for a Golden Jubilee Celebration pyramided to coincide with the blessing of the remodeled church. Once again the church hall was filled with nightly meetings.

More shelves were added to the library to contain the books that were being read and studied. Discussions drifted away from ordinary daily living to Lithuanian history and language and artifacts.

The highly successful Golden Jubilee Celebration in 1964 brought forth another new concept. It was decided that a Lithuanian style wayside shrine-cross would be erected on the northeast corner of the grounds. A fund of \$8000 was collected for this purpose.

In October of 1964, Architect Alfred Kulpavičius of Toronto, Canada was contacted in regard to designs. He told them the story of three crosses that had been erected on a hill in Vilnius in honor of the Franciscan Fathers who had been martyred for their faith during the 14th century. These crosses had been destroyed by the Communists in 1950. Everyone agreed that the "Shrine of the Three Crosses" was a wonderful idea and the design was received from Mr. Kulpavičius in February of 1965. After approval by the various committees and by His Grace the Archbishop of Cincinnati, the contract for the erection of the shrine was given to Valerijonas Sodeika of Cicero, Illinois. The father of the Architect, V. Kulpavičius of Woodhaven, New York agreed to make the wooden statuettes for the crosses.

On June 27, 1965, the Shrine of the Three Crosses was dedicated by the Most Reverend Vincent Brizgys, JDC, D.D., Bishop in Exile of Kaunas, Lithuania, residing in Chicago. He was assisted by Fr. Vincent Bartuška, JCD, and Fr. Titus Narbutas, STD.

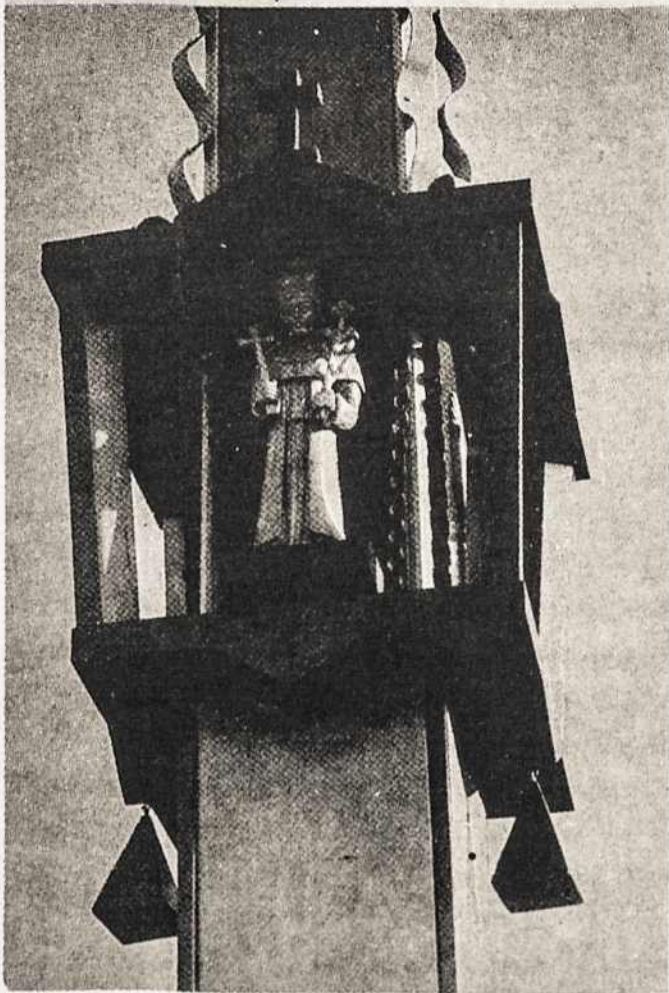
As a visitor stands in front of the Shrine of the Three Crosses, and begins to study the designs, he learns that the first cross on the left has the motifs of crosses in the region of Vilnius and the southern part of Aukštaitija. The relief on its crossbeam is that of Our Lady of the Gates of Dawn (Aušros Vartų Marija) from the 16th cen-

tury picture in Vilnius. The story of Our Lady of the Gates of Dawn is as follows: A wall surrounds the old city of Vilnius. The wall contains five gates. Above one of the five gates, there is a picture of the Blessed Mother. 14,000 testimonials certify that by praying before this picture, graces were received. Since that time, many churches in Europe, the United States and South America are dedicated to Our Lady of the Gates of Dawn.



Our Lady
of The Gates
of Dawn

The cross in the middle carries the motifs of central Lithuania and the eastern and southern parts of Žemaitija. It has two statuettes. The upper statuette on the crossbeam is the meditating Christ known as the Christ of Sorrows (Rūpintojėlis). After centuries of persecution, suffering and sorrow, Lithuanian artists depict Our Lord sitting sad faced and meditating. The lower statuette on the middle cross is that of St. Casimer, patron saint of Lithuania. St. Casimer is the symbol of heavenly help against the enemy and is the patron saint of many organizations



St. Casimir

devoted to the cause of Lithuania. The St. Casimir's statuette also carries the symbols of Our Lord's Passion - the chalice, the cross with crown of thorns and nails, and the symbol of Our Lord - XP on the sides and back. The middle cross also carries a crucifix.

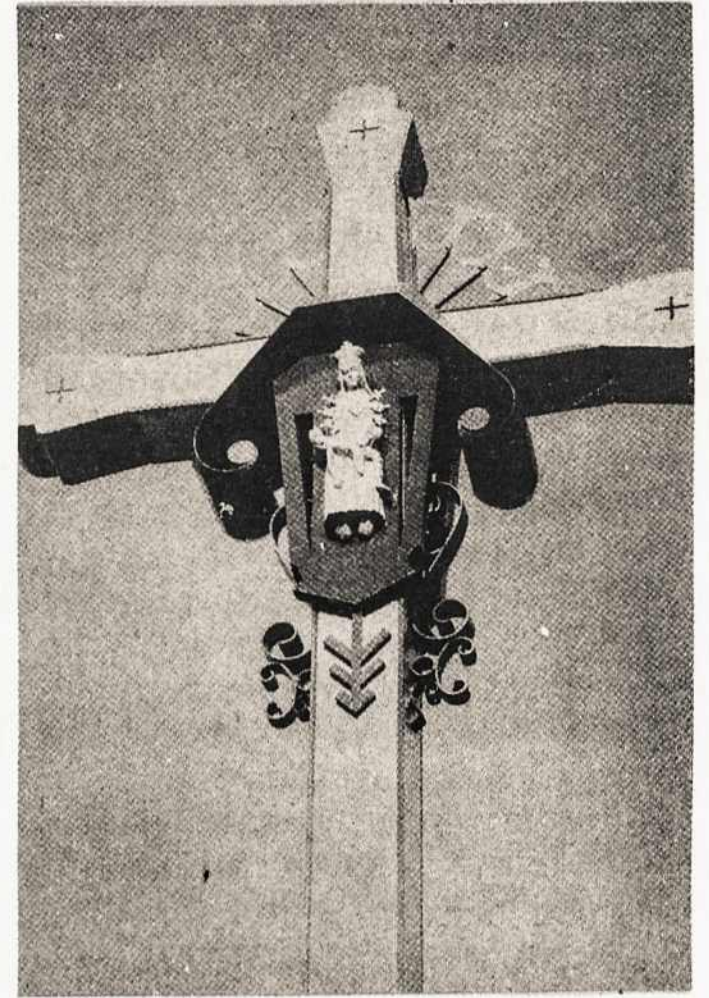
The motifs of that part of Lithuania known as Dzūkija is the theme of the third cross. On the cross-beam of the third cross, there is a statuette of Our Lady of Šiluva. Šiluva, a village in Žemaitija, was the scene of an apparition of Our Lady to children playing in a place where a church once stood. She was weeping because her Son was

no longer worshipped there. After this apparition, many Lithuanians returned to the Catholic faith. On the other side of this third cross, there is a statuette of Our Sorrowful Mother, which is a Pieta in Lithuanian folk style. The statuette depicts seven swords piercing the heart of sorrow. It is very frequently found in shrines in Lithuania.

The inscription engraved on the monument read:

"In memory of all living and deceased parishioners and friends of this parish. Three crosses destroyed by the Communists in Vilnius, Lithuania. Parish Golden Jubilee 1964-1965 --- In honor of the martyrs for faith and freedom in Lithuania and other Captive Nations. Remember and pray. --- Lietuvos Kankiniam 1965".

In the past ten years, the Shrine of the Three Crosses has become the gathering place for members of the Captive Nations. It is also the scene of religious and national celebrations at which time a portion of every program held at Holy Cross Church takes place there. Large baskets of flowers appear there regularly delivered by funeral directors upon instructions from families of deceased Catholics, many of whom are not parishioners of Holy Cross Church but have a fondness for the Shrine of the Three Crosses. It is not unusual to walk by the Shrine and find a devoted Catholic praying there. The whole of Holy Cross Parish is a living memorial to Lithuania.



Our Sorrowful Mother

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Delegates and guests to the 63rd National Convention will have an excellent opportunity to see this beautiful Holy Cross Church and its accompanying Shrine of the Three Crosses for themselves. This is truly an outstanding feature of Dayton.

Junior News

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At our November meeting, the Juniors discussed where they wanted to have their Christmas Dinner. It was decided that on Dec. 12, they would go to Vic Cassano's Pub, where they enjoyed it so much last year. Annamarie Sluzas mother, again, kindly

offered her home as a meeting place to elect new officers for the year, and where all exchanged Christmas gifts.

The Seniors had their Election Night Dinner in November, and at that time the new Junior Advisors were elected - Maryanne Podoyak and Ann Louise Conrady. We are looking forward to another successful year with them, as we have

had with our former Advisor, Sue Mantz.

This year will be an especially busy one for us, because of the Nat'l. Conv. that will be held in Dayton. We sincerely urge all of the Juniors from everywhere to make plans to attend the Convention this year. We will be extending a very warm welcome to all!

Kathy Sinkwitz

Lithuanians in The News



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K OF L-ER MEETS WITH NOTABLE CONSERVATIVE

Pictured at the East Side Conservative Club of New York City are (l. to r.) Thomas A. Bolan, Esq., Chairman, Helen V. Kulber, Knights of Lithuania - Public Relations Co-chairman, Lev Navrozov, author, and Barry Farber, radio broadcaster. Mr. Farber spoke on "Will the Media Ever Turn Right - Or Do Right?". He frequently mentions the plight of Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and the other Captive Nations on his WOR radio broadcasts. Several programs concentrated on the Simas Kudirka case before and after the release of the Kudirka family... Mr. Navrozov was the speaker at a previous E.S.C.C. session. His fascinating book, "The Education of Lev Navrozov - A Life on the Closed World Once Called Russia" is a social, historical and political memoir including revelations as the most skilled translator of English for the Soviet government for 20 years... Helen told the group of her memorable meeting with Solzhenitsyn and his message, written in Russian, on her Captive Nations program - "To My Dear Lithuanian Friends, With Faith and Hope, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn".

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

The plight of the oppressed faithful in occupied Lithuania will be the theme of Lithuanian participation in the forthcoming 41st Eucharistic Congress in

Philadelphia this year.

1. Sat., August 7th, 10 A.M., in St. Peter's and Paul's Cathedral, a special concelebrated Mass will be sung for the suffering faithful in Lithuania. The Čiurlionis Ensemble of Cleveland will sing a new Mass, with kankles accompaniment, written by its director, Alf. Mikulskis.

2. Dr. V. Vardys is writing a book of 500 pages about the plight of the Catholic Church in Lithuania, which will be published by the Lithuanian Committee of the Eucharistic Congress.

3. The Lithuanian Committee is also preparing a brochure which will be distributed to the million and a half expected participants in the Eucharistic Congress on the Silent Church in Lithuania.

4. On Sun. Aug. 1st, at 5 P.M., Lithuanians will participate in the inaugural parade of the Eucharistic Congress, in native costume, following a Lithuanian wayside shrine. Honorary K of L member - Jos. Yanulaitis, is heading the sub-committee for Lithuanian participation in the parade.

CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE LITHUANIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY...

"Dainava" Ensemble of Chicago will celebrate its 30th year of activity with a special performance of a new musical work, "PAMARIO PASAKA". (Tale of the Shore), written by its director, Aloyzas Jurgutis on Feb. 28-29. The Ensemble was formed in the Hanau DP Camp in West Germany.

This Spring, the Chicago Lithuanian Opera will present three new, short Lithuanian operas: "Juodas Laivas", (Black Ship) by Jeronimas Kačinskis; "Gintaro Šaly", (In the Land of Amber) by Julius Gaidelis, and "Priesaika", (The Oath), by Vytautas Marijošius.

The Fifth mammoth Lithuanian Folk Dance Festival will be held Labor Day weekend, Sept. 5, in the International Amphitheatre, in Chicago. Out nation's Bicentennial will be commemorated at the event.

TAS SALDUS ŽODIS "LAISVĖ"

Jonas Stankevičius

JONAS STANKEVIČIUS, 28 metų amžiaus lietuvis jūrininkas, palikęs Sovietų laivą 1974 m., rugpiūčio mėn. Prancūzijoje, prisistatė Amerikos Ambasadai Paryžiuje prašydamas politinio prieglobsčio. Atvykęs į šį laisvės kraštą, nori pasidalinti su mumis mintimis apie "Tą Saldų Žodį, 'Laisvė'..."

Red.

Kas iš mūsų nesvajotoj nors viena koja atsistoti ant tų žemių arba net viena akim pažvelgti į tą pasaulį, apgaubtą romantika, neperžiangiama siena. Gali valandų valandas klausytis "senų jūros vilkų", kurie su pagražinimais pasakodavo apie užsienio šalis, uostus. Nejaugi ir aš tai kada pamatysiu?

Pirmos atostogos po dviejų metų plaukiojimo. Skubu Vilniaus autobusų stotyje į autobusą Vilnius - Trakai.

- Pone, - kreipėsi į mane rusiškai čigonė, laikydama ant rankų kūdikį. Tik dvidešimt kapeikų, nupirkti vaikui pieno, labai prašau. Aš ne už dyką, galiu išburti. To dar betrūko. Įbruku jai į ranką pusę rublio ir beveik bėgte bėgu į pasirošusį išvažiuoti autobusą. - Neskubėkit pone, prašau jus. Paimkit veidrodėlį. Tik apverskite... Pastebiu, kad aplinkiniai žmonės atkreipė į mane dėmesį. - Atsiprašau, bet aš tikrai skubu, - jaučiu kaip rausta veidai. - Pone tik apverskite. - Na ir prisikabino. Atiduodu veidrodėlį ir išoku į autobusą. Dar ir dabar matau tas paslaptingas juodas akis, prie krūtinės prispaustas vaikas ir ranka ištiesta į mane. - Sustok, neskubėk, aš tau turiu ką svarbaus pasakyti. Taip kuždėjo jos lūpos. Tik daug vėliau, praėjus dviem mėnesiam aš prisiminiau tą įvykį.

Baigiantis atostogom aš sužinojau, kad galėsiu dirbti laive, kuris užsuks į Karaliaučių (Kaliningradą), Rostoką, Boulogne. Pamatyti Prancūziją, tai nuostabu! Dar niekam iš mano draugų neteko matyti tos šalies. O gal pamatysiu ir Paryžių? Tai visiems bus pavydas.

Įprasta ir nuobodi instrukcija prieš išplaukiant laivui: kiek galima pirkti, ko negalime, gink Dieve, neimti iš įtartinų žmonių, žurnalų, knygų, būti pavyzdžiu tarybinio jūreivio ir t.t.

Vėlu. Lyja. Beveik niekas nepalydi laivo. Kodėl taip yra. Gal tas sunkus išsiskyrimas. Nors, žinoma, pasitikti laivus daug smagiau. Atsisveikinimo sirenos ir mes išplaukiame. Kitą dieną jau būsime Karaliau-

čiuje. Budžiu naktį radijo kabinete. Akys merkiasi. Vis nuo tų išleistuvių, ir laikas taip lėtai slenka. Anksti rytą išplaukiame į Karaliaučiaus kanalą. Tik siauras sausumos ruožas skiria Baltijos jūrą nuo kanalo. Dešinėje kanalo pusėje surikiuoti kariniai laivai, bazės. Su prileista vėliava plaukiame kaip per karinį paradą. Galvoji kam tiek daug laivų, žmonių ir viskas be reikalo. Na, bet aš užsimiršau, o kas saugos tave, juos? Karaliaučiaus uoste dar daug pastatų nuo vokiečių laikų ir uostas didelis. Kai mūsų, žvejų uostą, saugo civiliai ir aukštos tvoros, tai čia - milicija. Nebandyk juokauti. Laisvu laiku nuvažiuoju į Zelenogradską (Krantas) aplankyti draugo. Labai gražus kurortas. Tik draugo močiutė skundžiasi, toli reikia važiuoti į bažnyčią. - Kodėl? - klausiu - argi Kaliningrade nėra? - Ne, sūneli, į Klaipėdą reikia važiuoti ir tai tik per dideles šventes išsiruošiu.

Vėl jūroje. Aplinkui įvairiaspalvės jachtos, motorinės valtys. - Žiūriu, vokiečiams, lenkams leidžia



Photo - P. Maletto

laisvai plaukioti jūroje, kodėl mums ne? Artėjame prie Vokietijos. - Draugas zampolite, Rytų Vokietija tai beveik 16 respublika, gal galim dviese išeiti į miestą?

- Tu, ką nežinai įstatymo. Jokių kalbų. Į miestą tik grupėmis (5 žmonės). Grįžtant atgal atsižymėti. Mieste daug rusų karininkų, bet jaučiasi užsienis. Nors vieną kartą pamačius Rostoką jau nesinori eiti į miestą. Ir ką ten veiksi, jei net alaus negali atsigerti. Atplaukėme per šventes ir niekas negalėjo iškeisti tarybinės valiutos.

Greičiau, greičiau į Prancūziją! Kokie tie žmonės prancūzai? Jeigu firma suorganizuos ekskursiją į Paryžių, kiek gausime valiutos? Tiek daug klausimų.

Zampolitas dar kartą primena, kaip elgtis užsienio uostuose. Pirmos grupės jau leidžiasi laiptais į krantą. Yra toks juokas, kaip atpažinti rusų jūreivius? - Pažiūrėk, kur grupė žmonių neramiai dairosi, niekad neapsiriksi!

- Dėl ko su portfeliu?! - klausia zampolitas jūreivio (net bloga pasidaro, kai išgirsti to žmogaus balsą).

- Kaip dėl ko? Gal pirksiu alaus, vyno, nenešiu juk rankose (jūreivis gauna 14 frankų).

- Dėmesio! Visiems, kas pasiėmė tašes, portfelius, palikti laive. Alų ir vyną galėsite gerti krante, - įartinai apžvelgdamas jūreivius, atsako zampolitas.

Išeinu su grupe jūreivių. Aš paskirtas grupės vyresniuoju (vyresnysis turi jausti atsakomybę už grupę žmonių ir, grįžtant į laivą, atsižymėti žurnale, kad viskas tvarkoje. Paprastai vyresnieji skiriami iš vyresniosios komandos arba partiniai). Greitai susidraugaujame vienas su kitu, atrodo mūsų tarpe nėra "stukačių" kaip uoste. Nei tvorų, nei šunų, niekas nesaugo? - pastebi kažkas iš jūreivių. - Nekreipk dėmesio. Čia "pūvantis kapitalizmas" juokaujame mes. Karšta, užename atsigerti. - Jonai aš nupirksiu bonką vyno. Pas mane gimimo diena jūroje. Zampolitas nepastebės kaip įsinešiu į laivą, - sako man jūreivis. - Tau galva susisuko nuo karščio? - vos galiu sustoti juokėsis. - Pirk nors visą laivą, negi aš tau galiu uždrausti.

Begrižtant į laivą, vaikinai už paskutinius pinigus perka pornografinius žurnalus, slepia po marškiniais. Prie tiltelio, kur dieną ir naktį budi jūreivis, stovi zampolitas. - Kaip jaučiatės? - klausia, o akys taip ir

ieško ar nenešame "bombos" į laivą. -Viskas tvarkoj - atsakome, nesinori su juo kalbėti.

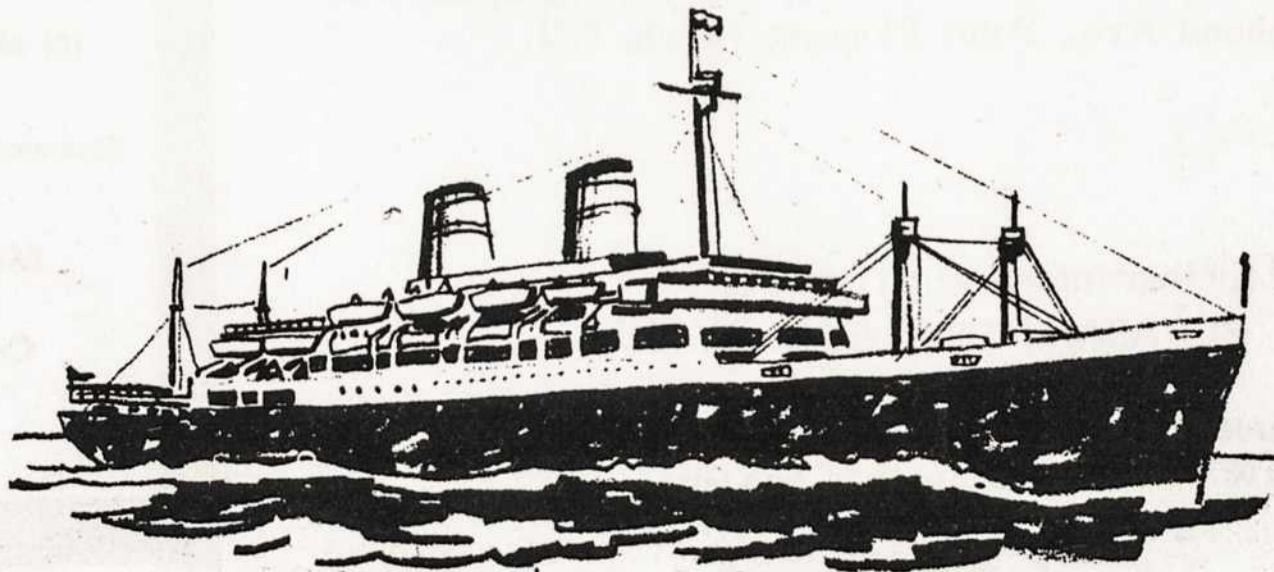
Vakare kartu su antru kapitono padėjėju einame į užsieniečių laivus pasikeisti kinofilmams. Žinoma, prieš tai pranešdami laivo vadovybei, nes po 8 valandos vakaro niekam iš laivo negalima nusileisti į krantą. Užename pas suomių. Jie atsiprašo, kad nieko negali mums padėti, nes pas juo reisai labai trumpi. Pakviečia į barą. Susipažįstu su suomių laivo radijo stoties viršininku. Jis prašosi į svečius, pažiūrėti mūsų radijo aparatūros, kaip mes gyvename. Nelabai norėčiau, nes žinau, kad bus nemalonumų, bet nemandagu atsisakyti. Taip ir atsitiko. Iš pat ryto mane jau kviečia į zampolito kajutę. - Tai velnias jau viską žino - galvoju eidamas, ką dabar primeluoti.

- Kaip tai galėjo atsitikti?.. atrodo net neranda žodžių. Stoviu kaltai nuleidęs galvą. - Iš tavęs to nesitikėjau, bendrai apie tai mes vėliau pasikalbėsime, dabar neturiu laiko. - Žinoma, kur tu tiek žmonių galėsi išsaugoti. Pagalvoju prašydamas leidimo išeiti iš kajutės. - Kad tai būtų paskutinis kartas! - girdžiu jau uždarydamas duris.

Dieną suomių laivas išplaukia. Mojame vienas kitam rankomis. Ar susitiksime kada?

Praeina dar dvi dienos. Vakaraš tie patys seni kinofilmai ir tik nuo laivo borto gali pamatyti žiburiais nušviestą miestą. Prie laivo prieina Vakarų Vokietijos jūreiviai. Kviečia pas save į svečius: išgerti, pasiklausyti muzikos. Kaip jausdamas pasirodo zampolitas. - Vėl kažką jau ruošiate, nebandykite nusileisti nuo laivo. Tegul dienos metu ateina aš jiem parodysiu kiną vokiečių kalba, duosiu literatūros apie Tarybų Sąjungą. Išverčiu zampolito žodžius vokiečiams. Tie juokiasi, nueina. Žinoma, slaptai, vakaraš tik dviem valandom, kada laivo "dievas" zampolitas žiūrėdavo kiną, aplankome vokiečių laivą. Tai jau daug kuo rizikuoji. Vokiečiai dažnai užeidavo į Klaipėdą. Mums smagu išgirsti gerus atsiliepimus apie lietuvius, miestą, restoranus, Labai stebėjosi, kad mes geriam nepraskiestą degtinę, keikdavome kartu rusų valdžią.

Rytoj turime išeiti į jūrą. Imti ir pasilikti Prancūzijoje! Gyventi laisvoje šalyje! Bet tai nebus tikra laisvė. Tu žinai kas tavo tėvynė. Dar kartą perskaitau "TSRS jūros įstatų" knygos punktą - už bandymą



pabėgti nuo laivo, sulaikyti BET KOKIU BŪDU... O jeigu prancūzai gražins į laivą, kas tada? Ne, tai nesamone, kas manęs čia laukia, kam aš reikalingas?

Vienas mieste. Nepastebėjau kaip atsirandu prie geležinkelio stoties.

- Kaip tu vienas mieste?! Tu žinai, kas už tai tau bus? Net į krautuve vienam negalima užėiti. Kur tavo grupė?

Net nepastebėjau kaip prieš mane atsirado grupė jūreivių su vyresniuoju (mano radijo stoties viršininku). Visai nesijaudinu, nors žinau vienas neatsargus žodis ir jis sušuks jūreiviams paimti mane už rankų ir nutempti į laivą.

Išsiskiriame taikiai. Akimis dar kurį laiką palydžiu tarybinius jūreivius ir įeinu į geležinkelio stotį. Kaip dabar sugrįžti į laivą? Tai mano paskutinis reisas.

Draugams tik pasakyčiau - "Nepavydėk man jūros". Stoties informatorius paskelbia: - paskutinis traukinys į Paryžių 8 valandos 4 minutės.

Mano tėviškė - mėlyno Nemuno vingis...

Dar gali sugrįžti dar nevēlu, stuksi traukinio ratai...

Aš gimiau tavyje, tavyje aš išaugau...

Noriu užsidengti ausis, nieko negalvoti, ką aš darau. Nejaugi visiem laikam...

Tu laisvas, tu laisvas kartoja traukinio ratai. Mane pasitinka naktinis Paryžius.

1 - 16 rugpiūčio 1974

Pilgrimage Tour to The Middle East

The Knights of Lithuania members and friends are invited to participate in its 4-th holiday trip and pilgrimage, to the Holy Land and the Middle East! Five countries are included in the itinerary! The tour will leave from New York on June 30th, via Swissair airlines. From Zurich, Switzerland, the group will fly to Cairo, Egypt, to see the pyramids and museums, and shop in the bazaars. From there, it will fly to Amman, capital of Jordan. Then by bus to the Holy Land. In Bethlehem, the pilgrims will visit the scene of Christ's nativity, in Jerusalem - the Garden of Olives, Way of the Cross, Calvary and other holy places. After visiting Tel Aviv, capital of Israel, the group, BY POPULAR REQUEST, will visit Athens, capital of Greece. In Athens it will see the remains of ancient Athenian civilization, visit the isle of Corinth, and by boat visit various smaller Greek Islands. The return to New York will be on July 14th. The all-inclusive price is \$1498.50. Those who wish to participate, should send a deposit of \$100., to the representative of Pleasant Travel Service, Betty Forbes, at this address: 416 Richmond Ave., Point Pleasant Beach, N.J.

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NEW VYTIS SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE... at the suggestion of the VYTIS Staff and with the approval of the Supreme Council, the VYTIS schedule will be changed this year as follows:

January to June -
One issue per month
July to October -
One issue per two months
November, December -
One issue per month

DEADLINES
(for the remainder of 1976):

April issue - Feb. 5
May issue - Mar. 5
June issue - Apr. 5
July-August issue - May 5
September-October - Convention
issue - no other features
November issue - Sept. 5
December issue - Oct. 5

IN MEMORIAM

Remember in your prayers...

MARY MILLER
Member
C-96, Dayton



The Knights of Lithuania has an important task in spreading Lithuanianism to American Lithuanians. It has an impressive organizational framework with which to accomplish this task with its systems of specialized officers and special interest committees. The material for a far-reaching and effective organizational is in our hands. Why then do we have a low national membership? True, our membership has grown steadily in the last half decade, but for a national organization it is embarrassingly low. Why then do we have inactive committees and inactive committee members? To paraphrase, the fault lies not in our stars, but in ourselves the individual members.

All the organizational machinery under the sky will not function without a **LARGE** and **ACTIVE** as well as **COMMITTED** membership.

Are **YOU** sure that you have sought and attracted every possible K of L member in your parish or your community.

As this year's National Membership Vice-President, I ask you to review what your council has done toward increasing council membership and member

participation. Then discuss what has failed and what has succeeded. Then, most importantly of all, **DESIGN NEW METHODS** and **EXPLORE OTHER POSSIBILITIES**. Increasing Membership must be every council's first priority this year.

If, after discussing a membership campaign at your council's meetings, you come up with any ideas, let me know. Your suggestions may prove valuable to other councils. If your council feels it cannot conduct a membership campaign, let me know. I've got several suggestions to try before giving up.

REMEMBER, the K of L machinery cannot work without members, and without members, we have no organization.

Make this a Council goal for 1975-76. Let the membership roll show a marked increase for **YOUR** council and district.

REMINDER: A terrific aid in any membership campaign is the K of L Membership Brochure. If you need copies, please let me know. They are free!

Philip Skabeikis
National Membership V.P.

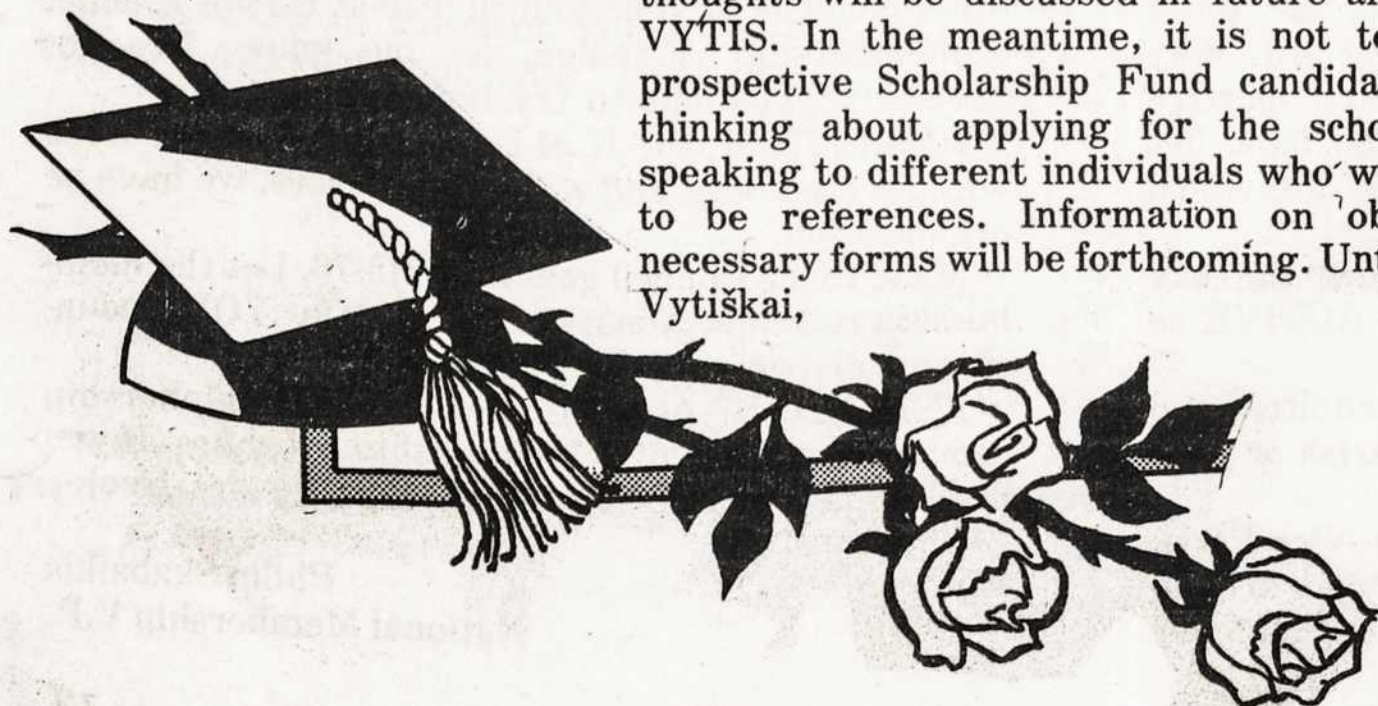
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Any K of L'er, seeing the heading of this article, would think, "How could there be any choice? Who is the ding-bat who wrote it?" For all of us, the Knights of Lithuania Scholarship Fund ranks right up there with Motherhood, baseball, and apple pie. Every year at the National Convention, the Scholarship Chairman awards a sum of money to a deserving K of L'er, either senior or junior member, to further his or her education. The award is primarily based on past meritorious activities within the Knights of Lithuania organization. The recipient usually writes a nice thank-you which appears in the VYTIS. Then a strange thing happens to some (not all) of these people. They curtail their activities within K of L for one reason or another and then eventually drop out of the K of L, even refusing to pay the menial membership fee to an organization that had awarded them a special honor. Again I want to reiterate that these statements cannot be directed toward all scholarship winners but only some. Over the years that the Scholarship Fund has been awarded, I am sure that you can remember a few past winners who pulled a "disappearing act" and haven't been heard from since.

This particular situation was thoroughly discussed by the members of the Scholarship Committee in meeting at this past convention in New York. All committee members felt that the present method of awarding scholarships leaves a lot to be desired. However, it was unanimously decided to retain the Scholarship Fund. It was further decided that special emphasis should be made to publicize the feeling that all future Scholarship Fund recipients should be an example to the rest of the K of L and work as diligently for the K of L after the award as they had worked before the award.

As the new Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, I will present additional views concerning the Knights of Lithuania Scholarship Fund. If any readers have any opinions about this subject - either pro or con, please feel free to drop me a line and these thoughts will be discussed in future articles in the VYTIS. In the meantime, it is not too early for prospective Scholarship Fund candidates to start thinking about applying for the scholarship and speaking to different individuals who would consent to be references. Information on obtaining the necessary forms will be forthcoming. Until next time, Vytiškai,

**PRO
OR
CON?**



**WALTER D. SVEKLA
CHAIRMAN, SCHOLARSHIP
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CONVENTION CORNER



With the convention dates, August 25th - 29th, established, we thought we would give you a few suggested stop-overs if you are planning to make a trip out of the convention week.

If you are heading for Dayton via Cleveland you may want to go a little further and stop in Cedar Point, Sandusky. This is a very popular amusement center. It has camping and motel facilities. One could plan a couple of days as there are swimming and picnic areas also. The amusement park itself has among its many attractions and rides the C.P. & L.E. Railroad which takes passengers for a ride of two miles and 100 years into the Old West; Frontier Town; paddle-wheel boats; and the historic Hotel Breakers, once one of the Midwest's most famous resorts. Our Junior Knights have been there several times as a group and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They, and the adults, liked the cleanliness of the park.

If you plan to head for Dayton via Columbus you may want to take I 71 out of Columbus and head a little further south towards Cincinnati where you can stop-over at Kings Island. This amusement park is fairly new having been open for about five years. Many of us from Dayton take at least one day of the season to spend there. This park has been compared with Disneyland. Kings Island contains such features as International Street; dominated by a replica of

the Eiffel Tower, with elevators to the top; Oktoberfest, complete with a Hofbrauhaus; Coney Island, a re-creation of Cincinnati's amusement of the early 1900's, Rivertown; and the Happy Kingdom of Hanna-Barbera. This park, like Cedar Point, is also kept very clean. They both have a single charge as you enter the facilities.

Columbus itself has a very famous area, The German Village, which is a living restoration of dozens of small brick cottages and shops. Many of our members have been there.

Cincinnati has not only its famous zoo but Riverfront Stadium, home of baseball's World Champions, The Cincinnati Reds. The stadium is new and from it you can see the Ohio River and the famous river boat, The Delta Queen. It is in a beautiful scenic location. Cincinnati also has St. Peter's in Chains Cathedral. This is the home of our diocese and it is a beautiful cathedral.

If you are planning to spend your time in Dayton, we have much for you here, also. Some of the Dayton highlights will be featured on our agenda for the Junior Knights Activities such as:

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE MUSEUM: This new structure was dedicated in 1971. This six million dollar attraction is Ohio's largest free tourist display. There are approximately 130 aircraft and missiles to see. Included is the XE-70, World War I and II fighters, plus three presidential planes. There is a fine display on the history of flight including the space exploration programs.

WRIGHT BROTHERS MEMORIAL: This monument to the Wright Brothers was dedicated by the citizens of Dayton, August 19, 1940. It is made of pink granite mined from the vicinity of the first flight near Kitty Hawk, N.C. and holds two bronze plaques. One tells of the Wrights' contribution to flight and the other lists 119 names of those early flyers who trained with the Wright Brothers. From this point you can overlook Huff-

man Field which is now the site of an active runway for Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. The field became the world's first airplane hangar and first pilot training school.

Atop of this area we plan to take our Junior Knights group picture. Weather permitting we plan to take the Juniors on a cook-out lunch at the Huffman Dam facilities. While things are being prepared, we shall have some programmed sports going on. In case of rain, we'll have a cook-in at the church hall.

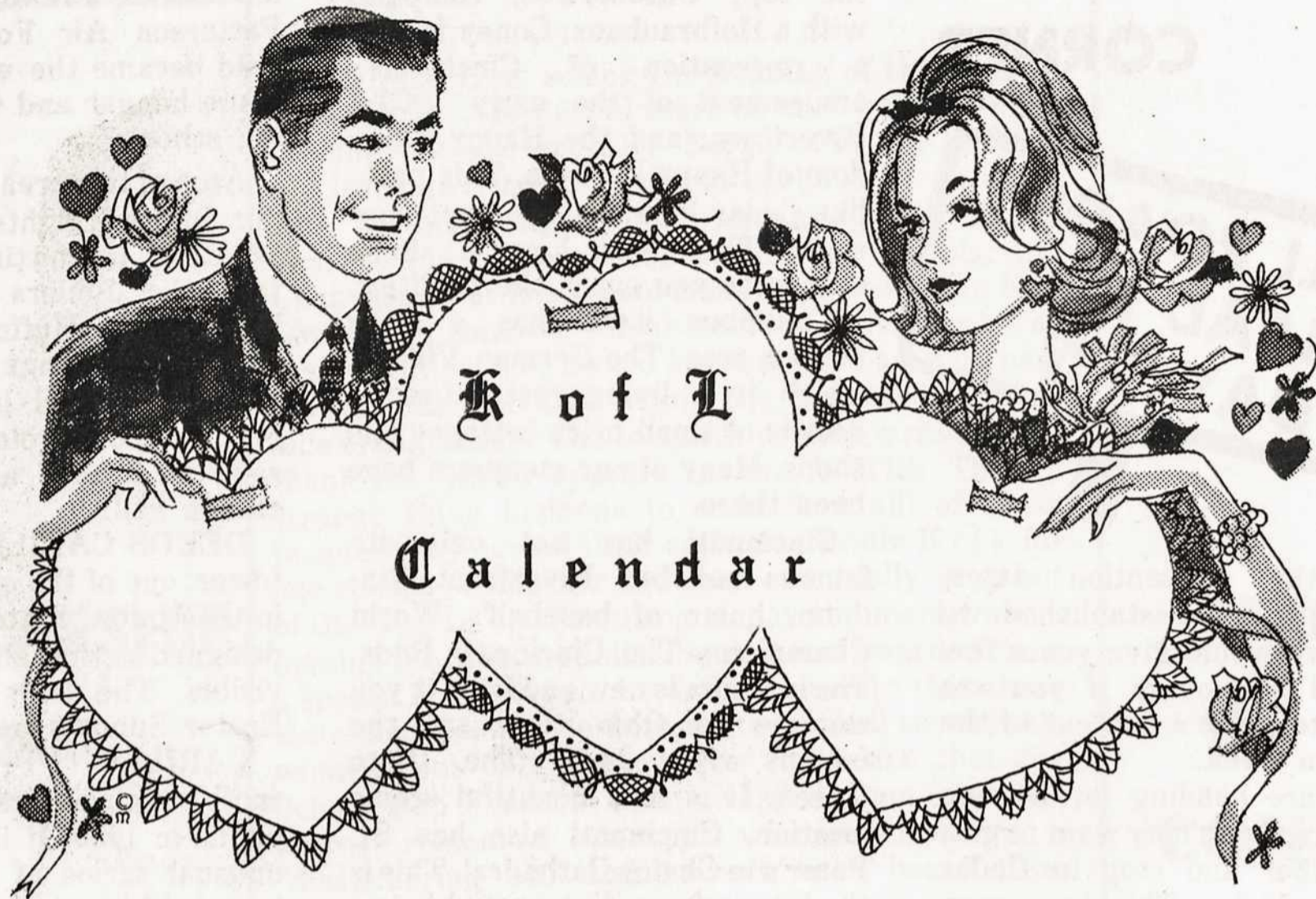
DEEDS CARILLON: A 40 bell tower, one of the six true carillons in the United States, and the first designed so that all of the bells are visible. The bells rang first on Easter Sunday morning in 1942.

CARILLON PARK: This 61 acres park was first opened to the public in 1950. It is the site of an unusual series of museum buildings and historical exhibits such as a replica of a Grist Mill; a horse drawn Fire Engine; a replica of the Wright Brothers' first plane; railroad ties; an original covered bridge; one of the first homes in Dayton, the Newcom House, etc.

There is much more to see in Dayton. We have just pointed out what we plan for the Junior schedule. Also on tap for the Juniors is a tour of one of the MacDonald restaurants with a free lunch included. This is through the efforts of our member, Jerry Podoyak, manager of a branch facility.

To all of you, delegates, Junior Knights and guests, Dayton is ready to welcome you!





FEBRUARY

- 7 C-29, Newark SQUARE DANCE, Holy Trinity Hall, Newark, N.J.
- 8 IID "MEMORIES OF LITHUANIA" Banquet K of L Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

MARCH

- 7 IID ST. CASIMIR'S DAY, Immaculate Conception Church and K of L Bldg., Chicago, Ill. C-36, Hosts
- 7 C-29 ST. CASIMIR'S DAY, Holy Trinity Church and Hall, Newark, N.J.
- 14 MAD ST. CASIMIR'S DAY COMMUNION BREAKFAST AND CONVENTION MEETING Annunciation Church and Hall, Brooklyn, N.Y., C-41 Hosts



APRIL

- 24 MAD 60TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET AND BALL, Transfiguration Hall, Maspeth, N.Y.

MAY

- 1 "MEMORIES OF LITHUANIA" Radio Hour 35TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET AND BALL Holy Trinity Hall, Newark, N.J. Dr. Jack J. Stukas, Dir.
- 29- MIDWEST BOWLING TOURNAMENT AND
- 30 MCD CONVENTION, Chicago, Ill., IID Hosts

AUGUST

- 7 MAD Attends the EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 25- 63RD NATIONAL CONVENTION, Dayton, Ohio, C-96, Dayton, Hosts

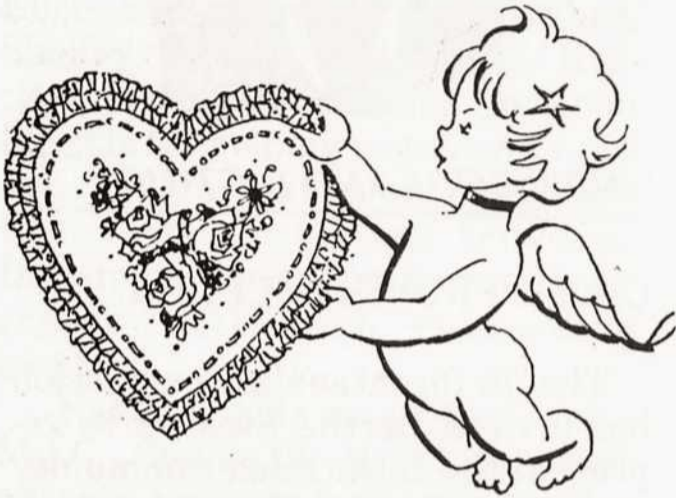


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Council Activities

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ILLINOIS-INDIANA DISTRICT

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President Al Brazis appointed the following Committee Members: Choir, Estelle Rogers C-112; Ritual, Ruth Dagis C-112; Public Relations, Estelle Rogers C-112; Civic Affairs, Vince Samaska C-36; Scholarship, Eleanore Laurin, C-112; Bulletin-Editor, Geraldine Mockus C-112; and Publishers Joseph & Valerie Stanaitis, Seniors; Vytis, Helen Skudra C-36; Lith. Publicity, Emilija Pakalniskis C-112; Lith. Cultural, Adelle Zunas C-112.

The IID Annual Memorial Mass was held Nov. 2 at Immaculate Conception Church and was well attended by members from all councils. No formal brunch was scheduled, but the members enjoyed luncheons at the various popular restaurants such as the Diamond Head, Sharko's, and the Millionaires Club. Mass gifts were presented by Sabina Klatt and Jerome Jankus of C-36.

The Building Trustees held a rummage sale on Oct. 11 which was a tremendous success. Due to the excellent financial profit, more remodeling will be done on the building. Our thanks to Co-chairmen Al Mockus and Frank Svelnis

and to all who worked so diligently. Also, our thanks to those who donated saleable items and to those who made a cash donation.

Congratulations to new council presidents: C-36 Sabina Klatt; C-112 Alexander Mockus; and Seniors, Ignas Sakalas. We wish you a successful K of L year.

Donations continue to come in for the K of L Building Fund. We thank the Seniors for their \$100. donation and to Mr. & Mrs. Ray Grigaliunas for their \$10. donation.

Stanley Balzekas C-36 was elected Pres. of the American Veterans Press Assoc. and the installation was held at the Chicago Press Club with many friends in attendance. K of L's who attended were Harry Petraitis, Estelle Rogers and Irene Sankus. Congratulations, Stanley!

There was K of L representation at banquets honoring Rev. Adolfas Stasys, and the LAA banquet honoring Stanley Molis.

K of L representatives at the ALTAS congress held in Chicago were Rev. Casimir Pugevicius, Irene Sankus, Tony Miner and Alexander Pakalniskis, Jr., who gave the official greeting, representing his father who was unable to attend, due to illness. K of L colors were carried by Jerome Jankus and Napoleon Sapkus.

Estelle Rogers and Mr. Pakalniskis, Sr. arranged for two banquet tables which consisted of many K of L's. Josephine Dausvardis was presented with a medal by the Šauliai organization.

The K of L Choir performed at the Religious Concert honoring Vysk. Motiejus Valančius at the Immaculate Conception Church.

Vince Samaska of C-36 was one of the organizers of this event.

Our Juniors performed for the Srs. of St. Casimir and presented the annual Christmas Play at the Museum of Science & Industry. Genevieve Maluska and Joseph Kwain portrayed the parents in the play.

New K of L Bldg. Trustees are Al Mockus and Alexander Pakalniskis, Jr. for Three year terms. Congratulations!

St. Casimir's Day will be hosted by C-36 with Mass at Immaculate Conception Church followed by brunch at the K of L Bldg.

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C-112 - CHICAGO, ILL.

President Al Mockus announced the following committee appointments: Lith. Affairs, Albert Zakarka; Membership, Estelle Rogers; Ritual, Ruth Dagis; Lith. Cultural, Richard & Valerie Jurgaitis; Publicity: Vytis - Irene Sankus, Lithuanian - Emilija Pakalniskis, English - Gerrie Mockus; Courtesy, Monica Kasper; and Social, Julie Zakarka & Gerrie Mockus.

Council members were in attendance at several recent Lithuanian activities such as the Banquet honoring Rev. Adolfas Stasys at the Holy Cross Parish (members Adeline Jasaitis and Chester Klovas were supper co-chairpersons); the LAA Mens' Lodge #228 Banquet honoring our own Stanley Molis at the Personality Lodge (our John "Whitey" Evans was chairman and IID Pres. Algerd Brazis was an active committee member); and the Lithuanian American Council's Annual Ban-

quet honoring Rep. Derwinski and columnist Bill Anderson at the Pick-Congress Hotel (K of L's enjoyed the pre-cocktail party at the home of Estelle Rogers).

Representing the K of L on the Nat'l. Board of the Lithuanian-American Council is our Alexander Pakalniskis, Sr., who is the Nat'l. Recording Secy., and Irene Sankus. At the recent ALTAS Congress, Alexander Pakalniskis, Jr. represented his father and served as the Presidium Secy. Nat'l. Pres. Anthony Miner attended both the Congress and the Presidents' Conference the following day and ably represented the K of L. Tony was entertained by many including Ed Krivickas, Irene Sankus and Vince Samaska.

At recent S.C. meetings, greetings were sent to their Chicago friends from Al Jaritis and Larry Svelnis of Boston, and Loretta Stukas of Newark.

Congratulations to Al Mockus, who was reelected, and Al Pakalniskis, Jr., elected to serve 3-year terms as K of L Building Trustees. Under the direction of the Bldg. Trustees and manager Joe Laurinaitis, the building has weathered the recent crisis and now is beginning to function properly. All trustees and members involved in the recent Bldg. Fund Drive are to be commended for their efforts.

Everyone enjoyed the Christmas Social following the IID business meeting and especially, the delicious Lithuanian torte created by our Emilija Pakalniskis (who also does a great job as the Editor of our "Vyčiu Veikla" column in "Draugas").

All council members are urged to participate in the IID's Annual St. Casimir's Day Commemoration on Mar. 7. This year C-36 will be the hosts and the Mass will be held at Immaculate Conception Church with brunch following at the K of L Bldg.

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It's Leap Year



MID-ATLANTIC DISTRICT C-110 - MASPETH, N.Y.

Our 1975-76 season opened with its first meeting at Transfiguration Church Hall on Oct. 21. Pres. Phil Skabeikis explained in his "State of the Council Report" that members have not only kept their own council active, but have established fine records on both Dist. and Nat'l. organizational levels as well as on the 62nd Nat'l. Conv. Committee. The council also renewed its commitment to the sponsorship of its Jr. Council and unanimously reappointed Marian Skabeikis as Jr's Advisor.

At the Nov. 5 meeting, Marian Skabeikis instructed members in the intricate art of making Lithuanian straw ornaments. Our warmest welcome is extended to the newest members, the Thomann family, - Theresa, John and Robert of Queens Village, N.Y. Robert, a student at Manhattan College, has arranged for C-110's sponsorship of a Lithuanian exhibit at the college library during the week of Feb. 16.

Our entire Executive Board travelled to Philadelphia on Oct. 26 for the Mid-Atlantic Dist. Conv. A sincere Ačiū to host C-3.

On Dec. 14, our members, with the Jr's, sponsored Lietuviškas Kūčias, a symbolic observance of this deeply spiritual tradition, after the 11 AM Mass at Transfiguration Church Hall.

The following slate of officers were elected for 1975-76: Pres. John J. Sidtis, Vice-Pres. Marian Skabeikis, Rec. Secy. Ann Sidtis, Fin. Secy. Mary Kulis, Social Chmn. Helen Yocis, Cultural & Pub. Rel. Chmn. Philip Skabeikis, and Lith. Affairs Chmn. Anthony Skabeikis.



NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

C-103 - PROVIDENCE, R.I.

The '76 Bicentennial Commission has invited Bertha Stoskus to represent the Lithuanian community on their Ethnic Heritage Committee. Dr. Patrick T. Conley serves as Chairman of Rhode Island's Bicentennial Commission.

Bendruomenė was in charge of our Lithuanian Communities' Kūčios and annual Independence Commemoration.

Our recent Harvest Dance was a local family event. Co-chairmen Irene & John Walaska received assistance from council members to make the affair a success. Father Martinkus, Mr. & Mrs. Casimir Navakauskas, Anele Leziak, and Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kiela donated kugelis and other goodies.

The Feast of Christ the King was observed in a special religious manner in our parish. Father A. Jurgelaitis, O.P., our Nat'l. Spiritual Advisor, was the guest homilist at the weekend Masses. Father also rendered pastoral services that week, while Father Martinkus was in Chicago visiting his ailing sister.

Nov. 30 was a banner day for C-103. A special meeting of the Lithuanian youth was held at the rectory. Initiators of the meeting were Father V. Martinkus, Bertha Stoskus, and John Batakis, NED Jr. Coordinator from Brockton, Mass. The young participants unanimously voted to revive our council's Juniors. They elected

officers for the coming year as follows: Pres. Andrew Kairys, Vice-Pres. Marcy Krecioch, Secy. Ann Krecioch, Treas. Steven Straznickas, and Activities Co-ordinator Francis Kapiskas. Father Martinkus will serve as their Spiritual Advisor; the moderator will be appointed by the senior council. Other charter Jr. members are Dana & Joseph Kairys, Ellen Straznickas, Peter Grybas, Shelley Gifford, and Kathy Krecioch. A special thanks to John Batakis for helping us to revive our Jrs. We, the seniors of C-103, wish them success in all their activities. Hopefully, their numbers will increase with each succeeding month.

Father Edmund Budrecki, M.I.C., thanks the K of L for their prayers and best wishes during his illness.

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C-17 SR. - SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.

The first Supreme Council meeting of the newly-elected officers was held Sept. 27 at the K of L clubrooms in So. Boston. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. A. Jurgelaitis, O.P., Spiritual Advisor. Pres. Anthony Miner started the meeting promptly at 1:15 P.M. because of a heavy agenda. They took a break for

Mass in the Chapel, then partook of a delicious dinner prepared by the women of the combined C's-17 & 17 Srs. S.C. members continued their work well into the night. Those present were Spiritual Advisor Rev. A. Jurgelaitis, O.P., Pres. Anthony Miner, Vice Pres.'s Marian & Phil Skabeikis and



C-17 - Phyllis Gendreau and Charles Mikalonis



C-17 & C-17 Srs. - Childrens' Xmas Party - Mary Martus, Valerie Olevitz, Johnny Olevitz, Mark Gendreau

Joseph White, Rec. Secy. Ann Bender, Fin. Secy. Teresa Trainis, Treas. Rita Pinkus, Trustees Anthony Radzevich & Irene Sankus, Legal Adv. Anthony Young, Co-chairmen Pub. Rel. Helen Kulber & Ed Baranauskas, MCD Pres. Elinor Sluzas, NED Pres. Al Jaritis, MAD Pres. Larry Janonis, Vytis Editor Loretta Stukas, Lith. Affairs Chmn. Rev. C. Pugevicius, Archives Chmn. Longinas Svelnis, Honorary Members Helen Shields & Phyllis Grendal, and guests: Daniel Averka, Felix Zaleskas, Ann Radzevich, & Alphonse Trainis. We thank the following for their assistance: Anne & Daughter Kathy Norinkevičh, Mary Mickevich, Anne White, Adele Martus & daughter Adele, Mary Martus, John Olevitz, and Joseph White.

A Whist Party was held by C-17 on Oct. 19. All proceeds were donated to St. Peter's Church. Chairman Anne Norinkevich was assisted by a large committee.

An Italian Fiesta Night was held Nov. 1 at St. Peter's Church hall sponsored by C-17 Srs. A festive group of 72 members and friends gathered at 6:30 P.M. for some serious eating of a wide variety of Italian foods, along with traditional Chianti wine, served on red checkered tablecloths. Our chefs were magnificent, complete with hats and aprons. Especially



Adele Martus - C-17 Jrs., Mary Martus
Adele Martus - C-17, Boston, Mass.



C-17 & C-17 Srs. - Ann Antonellis,
Adele Martus, Anne Norinkevich, Jo
Satkavich attending a Committee Meeting.

delicious, which prompted second helpings, was the lasagne and tasty sauce prepared by Frank & Virginia Markuns' daughter-in-law, Patricia. After the meal, dancing was enjoyed by all. It was gratifying to see many friends who came from So. Yarmouth, Rosendale, Billerica, Milton, Avon, Braintree, and Hyde Park. Three cheers to the people who were instrumental in organizing this affair. Our thanks to co-chairmen Al Akule & Frank Markus, and those who assisted to ensure a delightful evening. Everyone is looking forward to the next social. Could it be a Bavarian Night?

Our pastor, Rev. Anthony Baltrashunas, is to be complimented on the fine job done in the renovation of the hall and the new parking lot adjacent to the church.

A Novemberfest sponsored by C-17 & 17 Srs. was held on Nov. 22 at the Lithuanian Club in So. Boston. Over 200 members and friends attended this gala event. There was plenty to eat, and the dancing music was excellent. The committee deserves a round of applause.

Ann Voveris enjoyed a six-week Pacific Circle vacation. Her agenda included a visit with relative in Los Angeles, then on to Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore, Bali, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Tahiti, Papeete & Hawaii. Roberta Seymour soaked up the hot Florida sun, vacationing in Sarasota. Lucky travelers!

Ann Voveris

C-7 - WATERBURY, CONN.

At our November meeting the new officers were sworn in, and our new Pres. John Alankas was the M.C., after the meeting, at a supper honoring our "Man of the Year" - Joseph Samoska, Sr. Guest speaker, "Hank" O'Donnell, well known local sportswriter, reminisced about events in Joe's past. Our Chaplain, Rev. George Vilciauskas, was a speaker, also, and being a boyhood friend, recounted some of his experiences

with Joe. The supper was very well attended. In fact, the number of people had to be limited, because the clubrooms would have burst at the sides if all who wished to come had been included. Everyone congratulated Joe, and along with them, we wish to extend our thanks to him and wish him the best for a healthy and happy future with his family!

Our Children's Christmas Party was a success, and we wish to thank everyone who helped.

Tony & Pat Alexander, our recent newlyweds, are settled in their new home in Torrington but had time to return to Pat's home town, Dayton, Ohio, for the holidays. Tom & Mary Kaukas, our Steward, visited his son in Louisville, Ky. for the holidays.

Anyone looking for Ed & Mary DiNapoli can find them at their newly-opened candle and gift shop at the "1776" Plaza. Their daughters are part of the organization, and we wish them luck in their new venture. If you are looking for something different for a gift, visit them in their shop; you will be sure to find something appropriate.

Dot and Al Alankas were off to Florida as soon as the Holiday Season was over and plan to stay several months.

Rev. Raymond Yuskauskas was transferred from St. Joseph's Parish to St. Anthony's in Ansonia, Conn. as pastor. Best of luck, Father Ray. We know the Ansonia people, especially the K of L Council, will give you the best support in your new position!

In March our council will be observing its 60th Anniversary. Plans for an ethnic and cultural celebration are being made for sometime in the Spring. (60 yrs old... Doesn't time go by fast!).

Edward DiNapoli, who was President of our Council several years ago, was honored by the Olympian Club in January with a dinner held in his honor at the Waverly Inn. Because the Olympian Club is well represented by sports figures, there were many

guests and friends present to honor Ed. He has held various positions in C-7, the chairman of many committees thru the years, was connected with the K of L Basketball League, especially the Women's League, is active in Parish affairs, and is the first to volunteer for any chore in the Parish. Congratulations, Ed! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We wish you and your family health and happiness in the coming years!

Hope everyone had a fine Winter Holiday Season. Before long, we will be looking forward to Spring and the NED Convention in Worcester, Mass. Till then, stay warm.

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C-116 - SO. WORCESTER, MASS.

On Nov. 9 at Maironis Park, the Worcester Lithuanian community finally had the opportunity to meet our new National Lithuanian hero, Simas Kudirka and his lovely wife. There was an overflow gathering at the Dinner Reception. There were formal greetings from various heads of all organizations, and the Key to the City of Worcester was presented by the Vice-Mayor, Mrs. Barbara Sinnott, who is of Lithuanian heritage.



C-116 - Ruth Ciras "cleaning up" at Our Lady of Sorrows Convent, Brockton, Mass.

Nellie Arunski, and Alvina Luiza greeted visitors to our booth. We had a very nice display of Lithuanian items and delicious tortes and other food items. Nationalities participating were Byelorussian, Chinese, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, and Lithuanian.

The first Bowling Party of the season was held Oct. 26 with a good group attending. The Luiza's hosted the get-together afterwards where the "Crazy Eights" was practiced and practiced.

The best for 1976 to all our fellow Knights!

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C-96 - DAYTON, OHIO

We congratulate Jr. Advisor Sue Mantz on promoting a very successful bake sale on Nov. 1-2 with the Juniors. Sue really had them hustling, though they were most willing workers. Winners of their Food Baskets were Mrs. Monica Petrokas and Patty Dutcher.

John & Joyce Berczelly, co-chairmen of our Good Times Polka Party Dance of Nov. 22, closed their report on a very successful note. Their committee of Joe, Sue & Dennis Noreikas, Patty Dutcher, Harley Karns, Rita Ambrose, Judy Petrokas, Eloise Berczelly, Fran Petkus, Ed Sluzas, and Ray Gečas are thanked for a profitable dance.

Patty's hand-drawn decorations of turkeys and colored leaves were terrific. "Cheer" winners were Gus Blum and Mary Lou Lastoskie. Wasn't Ed Sluzas tickled that Jane A. Petkus got acquainted with the drummer! Ed got to "sit in" on the last round of music.

To Mary Lucas and her committee, a bundle of thanks for a great Election Night Dinner on Nov. 16. Mary, Bea Noreikas, Eloise Berczelly, Sarah Petkus, Stephanie Rastikis, Eugenia Gečas, Elena Zukaitis, Janina Bucmys, Rita Ambrose (and her one extra potato for her reservation), Ada Sinkwitz, Mary Lou Lastoskie, and Albina Wallis really outdid themselves. Mike P. Petkus was in charge of the bar, ably assisted by Joe Mantz, John A. Berczelly, Charles Petkus, and Harley Karns. Special guests at the dinner were Patty Dutcher and Harley. They have pitched in many times throughout the year! Congrats to Lou & Kitty Prasmantas who received their Third Degree Medals on this evening. A large thank-you to Ildephonsas & Janina Bucmys' son, Raymond, who had the largest ticket sale for our dance.

With Stanley Vaitkus and Charles Petkus conducting the election of officers for 1976, and Joe Ryan reading the Council By-Laws on "Duties of the Officers", the following were elected:

Spiritual Advisor Rev. W. Katarskis, Pres. Judy Petrokas, 1st V.P. (Jrs.) Mary Ann Podoyak & Ann Louise Conrady, 2nd V.P. Eleanor Mantz, Treas. Sally Miller, Fin. Secy. Frances Mikalauskas, Rec. Secy. Ada Sinkwitz, Sgt-at-Arms Mike P. Petkus & Joe Ryan, Trustees George Mikalauskas & John A. Berczelly. Our committees are headed by Lith. Affairs - Laima Rastikis & Maria Preidis, Cultural - Aldona Ryan, Ritual - Fran Petkus, Religious - Dorothy Conrady, Vytis - Fran Petkus, Bulletin Ed. - Elaine Pacovsky, Historian - Albina Wallis, Social Chmn. - Mary Lou Lastoskie & Karolyn Ambrose, Ways & Means - Sarah Petkus & Mary Lucas, Sports - Dennis Noreikas, Condolence - Eugenia Gečas & Albina Wallis, By-Laws - Joe Ryan, Eloise Berczelly & Fran Petkus, Telephone Squad - Ida Kavy, Sarysis - Joe Gečas & Stanley Vaitkus. Congratulations! To the outgoing staff, hearty thanks for the time and work put into making our council an active one in 1975. To the new staff, much luck in '76. We know we shall be busy with the Nat'l. Conv. ahead of us, and the many other plans already on tap.

Our first religious discussion session for the season was held Nov. 9, with Sr. Alberta as our moderator. Most of the evening was spent sharing Sister's trip to



C-96, Dayton, Ohio - Stanley Vaitkus,
Lou Prasmantas, Fran Petkus



C-96 - Dayton, Ohio - Charles Petkus,
Stanley Vaitkus, Joseph Ryan

officiated at the beautiful Mass. After the Mass and program, Frank & Eleanor Lucas hosted a brunch in honor of our visitor from Pittsburgh.

C-25 officers for 1976 are as follows: Pres. Vic August, Vice-Pres. Betty August, Rec. Secy. Alice Karklius, Treas. Frank Lucas, Fin. Secy. Joanna Shigo, Sgt-at-arms Joe Laukiavich, Sunshine Boy Al Shigo, Trustees Charles Machutas & Adele Svet; Lith. Affairs Comm. Alvina Luiza; Ritual Comm. Nellie Arunski, Gene & Ursula Kunsitis, and Ruth Guzauskas. Good luck to all!

FLASH... DuBois, Pa. is in the process of forming a K of L Council. This has come about through the efforts and interest of C-25 members Evelyn Andrulis, Peter Luiza and Victor August. On Nov. 16 an organizational meeting was held in DuBois with Clevelanders John & Evelyn Andrulis, Victor & Betty August, Ruth Guzauskas, and Peter Luiza attending. Acting Officers for this prospective council are Benedict Radzavich, Regina Rusonis, Twila Petrosky, and Aldona Waylonis. Fr. Leopold, a resident of St. Joseph's Church, also attended this meeting. There was an encouraging turnout of 17 people present.



C-25, Cleveland - Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Vitale, former Mary August wed on May 24, 1975.

Prior to the above meeting, arrangements were made for the Clevelanders to appear on WCED's Polka Program to invite area Lithuanians to join the K of L, and to encourage them to attend the meeting which was held at the Lithuanian Club. The Andrulis' donated the Ruta Sing-Along Lithuanian Record to the Polka Program, for which they were very grateful. The DuBois group was very appreciative of the help and advice given them by C-25 members, and we, in turn, wish them the best of luck, and welcome

them to the fold!

Al Shigo is back in the hospital; our prayers and good wishes are with him. Back in the swing of things after recent surgery are Bill Jakubs and Evelyn Andrulis. To help Bill recuperate, Helen & Bill Jakubs flew down to Miami and the Keys for a combined business and pleasure trip. Had a great time.

The highlight of Gene & Ursula Kunsitis' trip to the island of St. Thomas was their sail to the island of St. John on a 53' Catamaran. The boat usually holds 40 people, but since October is off-season, their trip consisted of six with a crew of 4. It was like sailing on their own private yacht!

Our council participated in INTERNATIONAL NIGHT sponsored by the No. Olmsted American Revolutionary Bicentennial Comm. on Nov. 7. The event held at the No. Olmsted H.S. was very well received. The Theme was "From Many Nations, One Nation". Charles Machutas was the coordinator of our Lithuanian Display, and Donna Bankaitis performed on the kankles during the musical program. Elaine Stempuzis, dressed in Lithuanian costume, along with Helen Jakubs, Alice Karklius, Ruth Guzauskas, Joanna Shigo,



C-25, Cleveland, Ohio - Members at the "International Night" Lithuanian Display Booth.

Lithuanian Saturday school youngsters dressed in native costume presented a program of dances. When Mr. Molis of Bendruomene, the organization sponsoring the Dinner Reception, introduced Simas to the crowd, it was to a tremendous standing ovation, with nary a dry eye in the crowd. We were deeply moved by his profound and stirring remarks on his experience at the hands of the Soviets and were impressed by his deep desire to do all he can to help promote freedom for suffering Lithuanians. After dinner we all had an opportunity to individually greet Simas and his wife. We congratulate Bendruomene for giving us the pleasure of meeting this courageous Lithuanian hero, whose name without a doubt is forever written in the pages of our history. It is with great pride and honor that the people of Worcester welcome Simas and his lovely family to his new homeland. We are sure there will be times when the hero's crown will seem heavy with great responsibility, so we wish, with all our hearts, for Simas and his family, peace of mind, contentment, much happiness, and good health in their newly found freedom.

Our semi-annual Military Whist Party was held Nov. 21. We are happy to report it was a financial success. Many thanks to Irene Adamaitis, Jr., chairwoman for the affair. She was assisted by her mom, Mrs. John Adamaitis, Irene & Ed Tamulevich, Helen Daltwas, Joan Treinas, Dot & Bart March, and a host of other members who so generously baked cakes and donated prize gifts. Many, many thanks.

November turned out to be the Social Month with many affairs sponsored by various Lithuanian organizations. On Nov. 22, we attended the Dinner-Dance held by the Meno Ratelis commemorating their 25th Jubilee, at Maironis Park. We were treated to a very enjoyable musical concert. First we were entertained by the very popular "Penketukas" which con-

sists of four women and one man. We never tire of hearing the beautiful blending of their voices. Then we were thrilled to hear the newly organized men's choir which consisted of nearly 30 men, a good part of them K of L members. The chorus was conducted by Ponas Zigmaz Snarskis, and the entertainers accompanied by Olga Kersis of C-26. To the Meno Ratelis organization, we extend our sincerest wishes for another fruitful 25 years. *Ilgiausių Metų linkime Meno Rateliui.*

On Nov. 30 we attended the event sponsored by the Worcester County Organization for Ethnic Affairs. It was an ethnic Christmas Festival that brought together 14 ethnic groups portraying Christmas customs and traditions in pageantry, dance and song. The Festival was widely publicized in the local papers, with the Lithuanians receiving wide coverage, so that Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Recreation Center was packed with people. We were introduced to the international cuisine and dances of many nationalities. The Lithuanians were in the forefront of the activities; our own Mr. & Mrs. Edward Tamulevich served as co-chairmen of the arrangements. They certainly deserve a medal for this one. Mrs. Anute (Keblynsky) Grenney and Mary Duggan of C-26, in native costume, were behind the display tables selling Lith. baked goods. Tony Miner displayed his amber collection. The table was a beautiful sight with the traditional *Kūčios* and the tree with the straw decorations, created by Irene. Our Saturday school children presented their Lith. dances, and Mr. Meilus explained our Christmas Eve customs and traditions.

The above organization is a new one, about a year old. The President is Rev. Anthony Czarnecki of Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, and our own Anthony Miner is Vice-Pres. They both were interviewed on Radio Station WICN-FM, where they explained the purpose and goals of the or-

ganization. Its purpose is "to better understand our neighbor and to learn something about our ethnic backgrounds". They also discussed the impact of ethnic groups in the area and their activities in the Bicentennial. The impact of the Festival was tremendous, and we all enjoyed being introduced to the various other customs. We are looking forward to this annual affair. *Ačiū Širdingai to Irene, Ed, and Tony, and to the many others who worked so hard and diligently on this unforgettable and very memorable Festival.*

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MID-CENTRAL DISTRICT

C-25 - CLEVELAND, OHIO

C-25 is alive and well! The weekend of July 11 found members Peter Luiza, Frank & Eleanor Lucas, Vic & Betty August, and Ruth Guzauskas enjoying themselves at the Andrulis' cabin in DuBois, Pa. They had a great time.

Charlie & Nelda Machutas hosted our Council's Annual Picnic at their home in August. We had a great turnout and were very happy to have our Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Gediminas Kijauskas, join us.

On Sept. 7, our members joined in the 200th Year Commemoration of the Miracle of Our Lady of Siluva at St. George's Church. Alice & Ben Karklius coordinated this event, which was organized by Alphonse Karklius and St. George's Church Council. Fr. Walter Karaveckas, C-19 Pittsburgh Spiritual Advisor, participated in the program. Fr. Balys Ivanauskas

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the Holy Land and Rome. Most enjoyable.

A warm welcome to Anthony & Maria Preidis, additions to our council. This is a "first" for Tony; Maria is rejoining. Congratulations to Joe & Aldona Ryan on the birth of their third grandchild, - and to George & Frances Zelinskas on their seventh grandchild. This makes Mrs. Isabel Latos a great-grandmother for the tenth time!

Our compliments to Gus & Mary Ann Blum who have joined our list of Second Degree members. Good to see Diane Kavalasukas doing well after her tonsillectomy. Get

well prayers are sent to Mrs. Anele Petkus and Margie Grushas. Sincere best wishes to Dennis Noreikas and Patty Dutcher on their engagement. This will be a gain for the council. Hey, Denny, there's nothing like rolling a 200 game to perk up the tired spirits!

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Sally & Annadel Miller and Dorothy Conrady on the sudden loss of their sister, Mary Miller. Sympathies are extended, on the loss of their aunt, to Marianne Podoyak, Anne Louise & Richard Conrady. Mary had been ill for quite some time, but her

outlook on life was one we could all follow. She had been a council member for many years. Though her health often prevented her from participating physically, her talents, through her craft work, had shown up many times, and her donations to the council have been felt in many ways. We pray Mary's soul is at peace.

With our second Nat'l. Conv. Comm. Meeting held Nov. 17, more of our members are getting involved. We are looking forward to hosting all of you, so plan to spend some of your vacation time here in Dayton with us.

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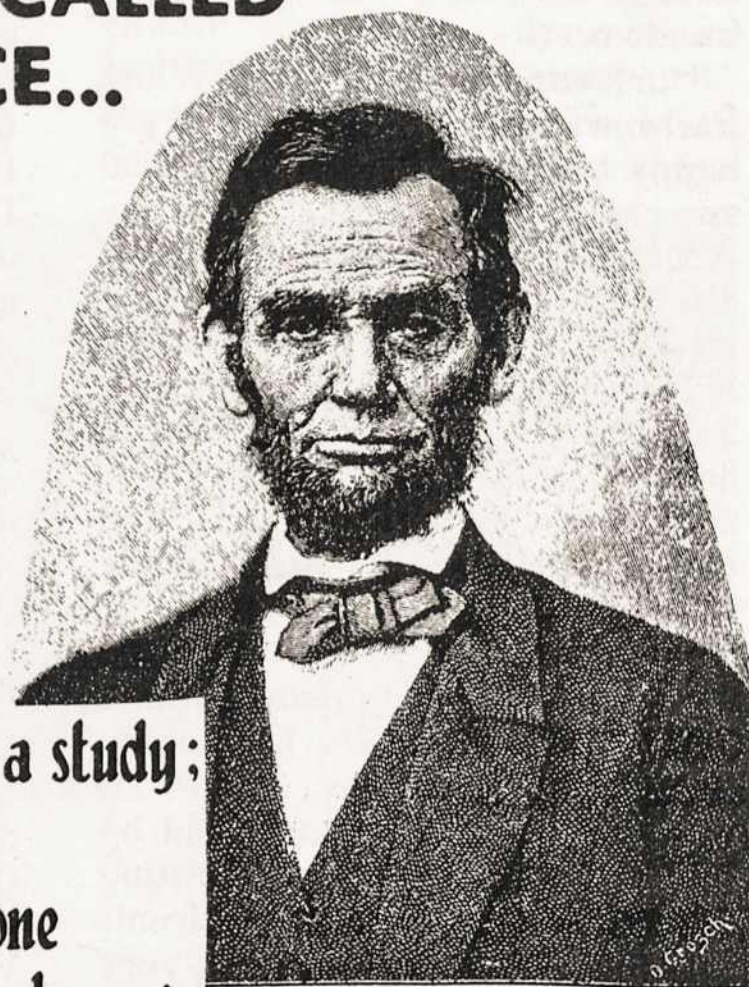
TIMELY THOUGHTS

LABOUR TO KEEP ALIVE IN YOUR BREAST THAT LITTLE SPARK OF CELESTIAL FIRE, CALLED CONSCIENCE...

GEORGE WASHINGTON



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Every blade of grass is a study; and to produce two where there was but one is both a profit and a pleasure.

A. Lincoln