"Draugas" To Commemorate 30th Anniversary As A Daily Newspaper

St. Agnes Auditorium, Archer Ave. and Rockwell St. will be scene of sparkling Concert and gala Valentine Dance, Sunday, February 10th — Concert to feature Musical Comedy and an array of talented stars — Dance music and vocals by BOB PHILLIPS and His Orchestra.

Did you know that on March 31, 1946 "DRAUGAS", the only Lithuanian Catholic Daily in the world and published by the Lithuanian Catholic Press Society, will be 30 years old as a daily newspaper? Well, 'tis so, if our arithmetic is correct. And we're going to begin commemorating that important event with a colorful Concert and a throbbing VALENTINE DANCE at St. Agnes' Auditorium Archer Ave. and Rockwell St., Sunday, February 10th.

BEGAN IN PENNA.

"Draugas" saw the first light of dawn at all as a weekly in 1910 in Wilkes Barre, Pa. In 1912 its offices were removed to Chicago, Ill. Where it continued to be a weekly until March 31, 1916 when it began appearing as a daily. It had several "homes" before it finally came to rest at the present premises on 23rd Pl. and Oakley Ave.

The administration of the "Draugas" is carried on by the Marian Fathers, who also publish a religious weekly magazine LAVAS. The Ship, and look after the adjoining Our Lady of Vilna parsha.

CONCERT

The concert portion of Feb. 10th will consist of two parts: the first, will feature a one-act Musical Comedy "The Battled Bride" which will be presented by such outstanding artists as Genevie Giedraitis, Anthony Kaminskis, Casimir Ve Sota, Bruno Brakuls-Brooks and John Rynyskas.

The second portion will be a strictly musical one, featuring the famous Urkranias Chorus and Dancers. St. Casimir's Academy All-Girl Orchestra, the talented violinist Mary Balanda, the Giedraitis Brothers (Anthony and Edward), Genevie Giedraitis, and others. The concert will begin at 4:30 sharp.

VALENTINE DANCE

Immediately following the concert, meals and refreshments will be served. Dancing will get under way at 8:00 p.m. Music and vocals will be furnished by the popular maestro BOB PHILLIPS and His ORCHESTRA.

So if you really want to forget your worries and have a grand time, come on out to St. Agnes Auditorium Sunday, Feb. 10th. Admission for the concert (which also entitles bearer to the dance) is $1.25 (tax included). For the dance only 75 cents. See you then and there!

Chaplain A. Svedas, returns from service

Capt. Anthony M. Svedas, MIC, U. S. Army Chaplain, recently returned to the United States from Okaya- ma, Japan and will be discharged at the conclusion of his terminal leave.

Soon after Pearl Harbor, Fr. Svedas resigned his position as Novice Master at the Marian Fathers Novitiate, Hindaloo, Ill. and entered the service. His first assignment was the Kelly Field ORPS. Upon his own request he was sent to the active battle-fronts in the South Pacific. He was later sent back to the States for treatment of a tropical disease. After a brief rest, he returned to the Pacific and took part in the campaign to liberate the Philippines. From there, he went to Japan with the victorious occupation forces.

IDEA MAN — Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians are planning many new ideas for their "Waring Shows" which is now being sponsored on coast to coast network. The broadcast is heard afternoon from Monday through Friday.

DRAUGAS

English Section

THAT A BRAVE LAD MIGHT SEE

Prayer crusade began for Russia's welfare

A NATION-WIDE prayer crusade for the conversion of Russia and lasting peace was begun Friday, Jan. 11, in all churches where the Novena to the Sorrowful Mother is held.

The prayer crusade stems from the warning of the Mother of God when she appeared to three children at Fatima in Portugal and caused the miracle of the Sun to be performed before 70,000 persons.

Want To Have a GOOD TIME? Then — be sure to attend the Draugas VALENTINE DANCE FEB. 10, 1946 St. Agnes Ballroom Archer & Rockwell St. Music by BOB PHILLIPS and His ORCHESTRA

Beauty — The one thing a woman may lose and never know it's gone.

Noted Lithuanian poet reaches the U. S. A.

Tuesday, January 29th, Dr. J. Alexandravičius arrived in New York aboard the "Tarry Stephenson" after a rough passage from Bordeaux, France. Dr. Alexanderavičius is a well-known author of Lithuanian poetry and has won high honors from the Lithuanian government for his poetical works. In 1940 he published a 400 page anthology entitled "Pozdija". He writes under the pen name of J. Altines.

When the war broke out, he was studying French literature at Grenoble University, Grenoble, France. He wrote a dissertation on medieval French literature and was awarded a Doctorate by the University.

Dr. Alexandravičius has been invited to teach French and Lithuanian at Mariana-polis College, Thompson, Conn.
COMMENTARIES

Several weeks ago, more than 20,000 people packed Madison Square Garden in New York City in a meeting called by the "Friends of Frank Fay Committee".

Behind that simple statement of fact about a New York mass-meeting lies an interesting story and a message that is of utmost importance to every American Catholic.

On September 24th, 1945, Harold Laszlo, leader of the British Socialist Party, in a broadcast to this country, unleashed a bitter attack against the Catholic Church and the Holy Father. On the same occasion, the Church was similarly attacked by Nikolai Novikov, Soviet Charges D'Affaires in this country. The occasion of these anti-Catholic speeches was a Communist-sponsored rally at Madison Square Garden to raise funds for Spanish Reds. On the stage at that time, and taking part in the program, were five actors and actresses — Margo, Luis Malina, Sono Osato, Jean Darling and David Brooks.

These five actors and actresses are all members of Actors' Equity — an association (i.e., union) to which every member of the acting profession must belong. The aims and policies of Equity are declared to be absolutely non-sectarian, non-political and impartial as to race, color and creed.

When these Equity members took professional part in a program in which the Catholic Church was attacked, another Equity member (and, incidentally one of its founders) protested to the officials of the association against this open violation of its non-sectarian principles. He asked that an investigation be made of their participation and that, if necessary, the guilty parties be reprimanded.

The Equity member who lodged this protest was Frank Fay, star of the stage, screen and radio. Mr. Fay one of the most popular comedians in the profession, is a devout Catholic.

He personally presented the attacks upon his Faith, and as a member of Equity, he protected against the participation of the organization's members at an anti-Catholic meeting.

However, Communist influence (which is widespread in the theatrical world, as everyone knows) immediately started its wheels of propaganda rolling. Actors' Equity is far from a Communist-front organization, but it does have a loud and influential Red minority on its executive committee. The officers of the association, under this Communist pressure, absolved the five actors of any charges of violation that they had acted in a manner prejudicial to Equity's principles. But this was not all. Not only were the five members completely cleared, but the plaintiff, Frank Fay, suddenly found himself sitting in the defendant's chair. He was formally found guilty and officially censured for conduct prejudicial to the principles and best interests of Equity!

This may sound like a silly turn of plot out of a Gilbert and Sullivan light opera, but it actually did happen!

Public opinion, incensed from the very outset at the maliciousness of two foreign atheists' attack upon a respected religious institution, rallied immediately to Mr. Fay's support. A Committee of Catholic protests and Jews and those of no religious beliefs — was formed, calling itself the "Friends of Frank Fay Committee". The group called a mass-meeting in Madison Square Garden several weeks ago for the purpose of publicly vindicating Mr. Fay's action and to protest this most insolent attack upon the principles of true Americanism and freedom of conscience.

This, then, is a brief history of the events that led up to the meeting which we mentioned in our opening paragraph.

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My Friend

I call you friend
For yours is a heart that knows my heart.
Its tear-pools and its arche:
Yours is a heart that understands
The wounds that friends oft make.
Yours is a heart that comforts me.
So few there are who do.
You are my Changeless Friend.
Thank God, my God, for You.
It helps to know there's someone
Whose interest is of mine;
Whose love is true here.
Who'll share the joy of sunny days.
Who'll ease the pain of life's toils?
In whom one safely can confide,
On whom one can depend.
Who knows the worst, believes the best.
In truest sense, a FRIEND.
The Lithuanian

We hope that our New Year's Eve party at the home of Helen and Walter Domkus is a success in setting the pace for the Lithuanian University Club's activities in the year 1946! It was heartening to see so many old and new friends with whom we are returning to the U. C. as well as to civilian life.

Vl Kracuznys, Ziggie Klikun, Stan Cable, Ed Savich, Claude Ivan, and Eddie Demikis are home to stay now. We hope to see more of the boys back shortly. We had twenty-five boys leave us during war-time. We hope that all twenty-five return in 1946. During the holiday season Lt. Al Drigot, Lt. Frank Smardak, Cadet Al Savich, and Sgt. Al Bors visited with us for a short time. Lt. Frank Jenclius managed to come in for a very short time this year, and wasn't able to see everyone as he had hoped to.

The large and beautiful wedding of our President, Anne Bennes and Al Kaulis, at St. George's Church on December 29th, was the main attraction for us during the holiday season. Our Prexie was a lovely picture in white satin, and, incidentally, was a perfect hostess at the big reception at the Hotel Del Prado. The L. U. C. gathered that night to wish the newlyweds the best in the future and to wish them good luck on a honeymoon in Florida.

We are quite pleased to have two new prospective members in our midst. Osweldas Kolalis and Frank Jagela came to our last meeting to learn more about us and they've decided to stay. We hope that more young people will follow suit and join Ozzie and Frank in the ranks of prospective. Any past or present college student with 13 or more credits is eligible to join the club — if he's of Lithuanian descent. Won't you come to our next meeting? We'd like to see more of you there!

MEETING SUNDAY

The next regular meeting of the L. U. C. will take place Sunday, Feb. 10th, at the Darius-Girēnas American Legion Hall, 4416 So. Western Ave. in the Potters' Room. Reservations will get under way at 4 p.m. sharp.

Old members are cordially invited to attend. While you are at it, bring along a new member or two.

I. C. M.

 Won't Your Come!...

K of L Council 13 Valentine Dance Feb. 13th

All members of Council 13 are really stirring preparing for their VALENTINE DANCE, at Holy Cross PARISH HALL, 46th and Wood St., on Wednesday eve., Feb. 13, starting at 8:00 p.m.

ED WARNER and his ORCHESTRA will furnish the music.

This will be the first dance sponsored since Council 13 was newly organized. Therefore, the Council promises to do its best to assure all attending of a REAL, GOOD TIME. By the way, the male membership is growing steadily and their number is expected to rise appreciably at the next meeting.

See you then at the VALENTINE DANCE, at Holy Cross parish hall, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 13th, at 8:00 p.m., or thereabouts!

A. K.

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Bridgeport Sodality Winter Frolic Dance

The St. George's parish Sodality (Bridgeport) is all set for its sparkling WINTER FROlic, for SATURDAY, FEB. 9th, at St. George's Parish Hall, 32nd and Lituanica Ave.

Music for the WINTER FROlic Dance will be furnished by REX PAUL.

University Club

(formerly with Paul White

man) and his ORCHESTRA. You're sure to swing and sway to his scintillating music.

You're invited — one and all — to St. George's Ballroom, Feb. 9th. Bring along everyone you know, since we hope to have the lovely live ones...

Swing Corsage

Specially for the co-ed or teenage girl is this "swing corsage" of white freesias, surrounding heart-shaped aster — newest Valentine design by Alvin Wayner, flower student of Florists' Telegraph Delivery Assn. Sweetheart roses and forget-me-nots add sentiment and contrast is provided by a white ribbon doted with red jewels.

MARQUETTE PARK

Holy Name Installs Junior HN Chapter

The last Marquette Park general Holy Name Communion was really an impressive meeting strong approached the Communion rail that morning. An appropriate sermon was delivered by the Spiritual Director Father S. Petrukas.

The Holy Name will stage a four-act play "Gatvys Vaia
tai" at the parish hall on May 6th. It is interesting to note that this drama was written by one of the Holy Namers, J. J. Zolp, who will also act in and direct the production... A committee of Roy Terkes, A. Ostelunas, A. J. Kmiecik, and J. Skelly are working mighty hard to make this project a howling success.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"I saw a picket carrying a sign that said 'Vote for a dummy.' — Herb Shimer, Hoover communicator.

"Let me go. I'm an extinct volcano." — Virginia-born Lady Astor, arriving in U. S. to be reporter.

"You'll have sled-runners for feet." — Dr. C. E. Elkins, Rochester, Minn., warning lonely-souls against wearing monoclees.


"The proposal that profits and prices should be considered in wage dispute strikes at the heart of the competitive enterprise sys- tem which we call country great." — Robert M. Gageford, Rockford, Ill., businessman.

MARIANAPOLIS NEWS

JOHN SHIDKINOS of Nashua, N. H., a discharged Marine, was one of five victims of an auto tragedy at DOVER, N. H., JANUARY 29th. The group had just enrolled at New Hampshire University and were returning home when the car smashed through a river guard rail and plunged into a frozen stream.

At the request of the Alumni Association a requisition Mass for the repose of his soul will be said in the College Chapel Jan. 26.

FRANK KNOWLES, JCR's owner and manager of boxer Waddell Washington recently announced the retirement of his protege. Mr. Knowles is now carrying on negotiations to gain the controlling interest in two pending West Coast teams.

After the Alumni baseball game a suggestion was made that the Alumni get together for a BOWLING TOURNAMENT. 58 Friday, FEBRUARY 22nd at 2:00 P.M. All interested Alumni are invited to meet at MARIANAPOLIS to participate in a bowling tournament.

REV. P. FRANCIS is a curate at St. Joseph's, Waterbury, Conn.

Letters on the Lithuanian situation by MILTON STARK, DAILY, recently appeared in "Lisuis" magazine and "Continuo." Picture Essay-Capital - CPL JOHN VALANTEJUS, USMC, is stationed in Tientsin, China. Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of FR. PETER BARSUKS' MOTHER, FR. JOHN SAILYS' BROTHER and FR. FRANK DUVALAN MOTHER.

LEONARD BUDILIS, RSCJ, is a field staff member of Crusade Inc., which does various surveys in the radio field. CPL ANTHONY DRONONIS, C39, of Concord, Pa., is home on furlough from Yokohama, Japan. His mother is ill. After spending 20 months in the Pacific with the Seabees, St.2's A. KIRKAL, RSCJ, returned to his home in Worcester, Mass., for a thirty day furlough.

PPC DONALD BURKET, RN4, a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division, suffered arm injuries in France while enroute to a redeployment center for discharge. The mischaps cost the lives of two men and hospitalized sixteen members of the division when a track-trailer attachment overturned at Le Harve. He is a veteran of 31 months service, 24 of which were overseas.

AL BERTONIS, C39, has completed checking the instrument and landing equipment at Dow Army Air Base Bangor, Me., and at the Presque Isle Army Air Base. The average daily temperature at these bases was 20 degrees below zero. He is now installing a V. H. F. radio range at Matanus, N. J. REV. V. ATKOWICK spent two days of his brief Christmas vacation from studies at Catholic U. helping to print and mail the January issue of the Bulletin. THANKS!

Atom Splitter

(KUBAITS, from page 2)

The Communist and "fel-

low-travellers" press, organ-

izations and individuals, for

weeks before the meeting,

threw everything they could

find in their Marxist dictio-

naires at the planned rally

at the Committee, at Frank

Fay and at anybody else

who did not follow the Party

line and denounced the whole

affair as just a meeting of

"Nazis." It must be admit-

ted that the Red propaganda

machine worked with vi-

cious efficiency, although

to no avail, because it mer-

ely supplied more publicity

for the gathering. Protest-

meetings-against-the -meet-

ings were held. Red organi-

zations demanded that the

rally be banned, picket lines

were organized, etc. The

"Daily Worker" and its up-

town edition, "PM," espe-

cially were virulent in their

journalistic raving. Their

content was apparently

that, while it was not "un-

American" to attack the

Catholic Church, it was "un-

American" to defend her

against attack.

Even Walter Winchell -

precious mouth-piece of "fellow-travellers" in this

country — obediencly and

joyfully denounced as the

Frank Fay meeting as a "Bun-

d Rally" in one of his Sunday

evening broadcasts.

So who were some of these

"Bund members" who ad

ressed the crowd that filled

Madison Square Garden to

the rafters several weeks

ago? Presiding at the great

rally was Col. John McNa-

moe, a veteran of the South

Pacific war. Principal spea-

ker was Judge Clare Feeny-

ty, of the Philadelphia Com-

mon Pleas Court. Other

speakers included Congres-

sman Ralph Gwinn; Joseph

Ryan, labor leader; Dr. Geor-

ge Benson, president of

Harding College; Major John

Curran, one of the survivors

of the Bataan Death March

and a prisoner of the Japs

for three years; and Patrick

Boorman, a veteran of world

War II. Present on the stage

and introduced to the huge

crowd were ten veterans of

World War II, each one a

member of the Distinguished

Service Cross!

We were not personally

present at the rally. We do

not know the above indivi-
duals personally. We have

read Judge Fenerty's speech

and, somehow, its ringing

Americanism does not coin-

cide with our conception of

what a member of the Nazi

Bund would believe in and

defend. We saw a lot of the

Commies who did not like his

speech, be-

cause they shy away from

ttrue Americanism like the

devil does from holy water.

We cannot escape the

impression that Mr. Winchell
does not have a very high

opinion of the intelligence of

the American public when

he refers to American sol-
diers, holding awards for

bravery and valor in battle,

as "Bund members". Per-

sonally, we would much

rather entrust our future

freedom in this country and

that of our children into the

hands of men who have pro-

ven their willingness to

die in our defense than to

evaluate, hook-line-and-sink-

er, the interpretations of

Americanism as expounded

by Broadway playboys. We

believe soldiers who have

faced death in defense of

their country are in a much

better position to tell us

the true meaning of Ameri-

canism than is a "home-

front patriot", who put in

four years of hazardous

war duty swinging on the

bar-stools of swanky New

York cocktail lounges, soak-

ing up colors and Marxist

propaganda at the same

time.

Anyway, this is the little

story behind the "Friends

of Frank Fay" meeting in

New York several weeks

ago. We believe that it was

a fitting and inspiring tri-

but to a fine actor, a pa-

triotic American, and a loyal

son of the Catholic Church.

RESERVE SUNDAY.

February 10, 1946

for

"Draugas" Concert

and

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at the

St. Agnes' Auditorium

Archer Ave. and Rockwell

J. Krakauskas released

from the RCAF

Joe Krakauskas Lithua-

nian major league pitcher

imported from Hamilton,

Ontario, has been released

by the Royal Canadian

Air Force. He is now the

property of the Cleveland

Indians of the American

League. O. A.