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Lithuanian Sodality Union Sponsors Dance for Lith. Charities

CHICAGO. — The Lithuanian Sodality Union is just about finishing final plans for a gala **STAR-DUST BALL**, on Sunday January 25, at the Tally-Ho Room of the Hotel Continental.

Music will be provided by Jack Demling and his orchestra. The dance will be semi-formal. Bids are \$5 per couple and can be obtained from members of any B. V. M. Sodality group in Chicago.

The proceeds of the dance will go toward the Lithuanian Catholic Charities' building fund of the new Old Folks' Home at Orland Park, Ill. Nothing is being spared to make this occasion one of the outstanding events on the season's social calendar.

K of L District Annual Meeting Sun.

CHICAGO. — The Knights of Lithuania Chicago District will hold its annual meeting Sunday, Jan. 12th, at the newly remodeled K of L Youth Center, 2451 W. 47th St. Proceedings are scheduled to get under way at 2:30 p. m.

Induction of new officers, annual reports, election of various standing committees, proposals on changes in the District by-laws, will be some of the points for discussion during the meeting. Action will also be taken on the St. Casimir Day services and the annual K of L outing at Vytantas Park on July 4th.

All Chicago councils are urgently requested to send their respective delegates to this important conference.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 — ST. AGNES HALL

BABY GIVEN TO TAXI DRIVER



EDWIN NICHOLS, Cincinnati taxi driver, says he'll fight the world" to keep GAIL ELIZABETH, 11 month old blueeyed baby, "given" to him by a penniless mother. The mother disappeared after telling Mr. Nichols to "take the baby, I don't want her." (Acme Telephoto)

From Washington, D. C.

Baltic Scandinavian Society Features Prominent Guests

The Society held its meeting on December 16, 1946 at the International Student House, 1708 N. H. Ave., N. W.

Planning and Arrangements Committee, headed by Mrs. John L. Perry of Alexandria, Va., arranged a Christmas social at which talks by various members of the Society on the Christmas customs of the Baltic and Scandinavian countries were featured. Mrs. G. H. Lofgren spoke about the Swedish customs, Miss Margaret Bendixen about the Danish, Mr. Conrad Ronning about the Norwegian, Mrs. Ruth Beckmann about the Latvian, Mrs. Conrad Ronning about the Lithuanian and Miss Lily Nikula about the Finnish. Mrs. Ronning, formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, was in Lithuanian costume and Miss Lily Nikula in Finnish costume.

Mr. Herbert Strong and Mr. Fred Drake of station WARL of Arlington, Va., were guest entertainers. Mr. Fred Drake invited Mrs. Ronning to appear on his program and give a talk on Lithuanian Christmas customs the following Saturday.

Dr. J. de S. Coutinho of Catholic and Georgetown Universities had with him as guests the Secretary of

the Iraq Legation, Mr. Thomas Mansy and two students from the same country.

There was carol singing, and pastries typical of the countries were served with coffee after the program. Nut struddle baked by Mr. Peter L. Pivaronis of Pittsburgh was also served.

The Society wishes a Happy New Year to all Baltic and Scandinavian friends and urges all to join in the promotion of good fellowship and understanding amongst peoples and to take a determined stand for those principles and freedoms for which our boys fought.

H. V. S.

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RUSSIA PREPARES FOR ATOMIC WARFARE

By: The Observer

Russia will never consent to expose her preparations for Atomic warfare to international control, as envisaged by the Baruch Plan, and her reluctance to do so is fully understandable, since she has too much to conceal. Urging that the United States cease to produce the Atomic bombs, the Soviet Union is steadily increasing appropriations for her own atomic laboratories and plants. Stalling for time and blocking international collaboration, Russia simply makes ready for the time when she is finally able to produce the Atom bombs in sufficient quantity to intimidate and blackmail the whole world.

Very little is said in the outside world on the Soviet progress in Atomic research. This writer believes, however, that it is worth while to disclose some of the information on this subject which he was able to obtain lately from usually very reliable sources.

Already in 1943, a special secret Ministry was created in the Soviet Union to organize and supervise research work on weapons of modern warfare, including the Atomic bomb. The new Ministry was given the somewhat strange name of "People's Commissariat for Mortar Armament". Under the able chief Commissar Peter I. Parshin and his deputy Vassili P. Andreyev, the new Commissariat quickly expanded and at the beginning of 1945 already supervised thirty nine factories and research centers. In reward for his special merits Commissar Parshin was decorated with the order of Lenin and awarded the title "Hero of Soviet Labor", granted the military rank of Lieutenant-General and soon promoted to Colonel-General, as "one of the creators of Soviet arms".

In spite of the then inadequate financial provisions, atomic research was organized by a special department headed by B. N. Byezrukov and a big experimental center was built in the greatest secrecy near Ukhta in Arctic Russia, where the radioactive ores of uranium and radium are located. Theoretical research work was in the hands of Professor Kapitsa, a world known authority on atomic physics, and a team of prominent Soviet scientists, many of them his pupils, was attached to him.

After the end of the war, Genera'issimo Stalin took personal interest in the matter and his new Five Year Plan provided huge sums for atomic research. The special department was liquidated and in March 1946 the Peoples Commissariat for Mortar Armament re-named the Ministry of Construction of Machines and Instruments with Gen. Parshin and Gen. Andreyev still at its head. Five new vice-ministers were added and the whole ministry re-organized. Several representatives of the Soviet Academy of Science joined its staff. The Ministry now has two separate departments. One department is entrusted with the task of supply and will have to secure urgently needed special equipment from Sweden and Switzerland, uranium ores from Czechoslovakia and all available information on atomic research abroad. The second one will probably supervise the large new Soviet establishments for special instruments in Yeshkar-Ola and near Sverdlovsk in the Urals.

The re-organization of the administrative and practical side of atomic research has been followed by a vast scheme for the coordination of theoretical research, drawn up with the assistance of Prof. Vavilov President of the Soviet Academy of Science. The general idea of the plan is reported to be that atomic research must be based on a large scale of scientific observations. The center of this huge network of research remained in the hands of the famous Prof. Kapitsa and his position became unique, his responsibility tremendous and without precedent in Soviet history.

Lately no mention is made of Prof. Kapitsa and it is suspected that he is engaged in some very secret and mysterious work. (Continued on page 4)

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A SIMPLE TRUTH

By COLLIER



Talking It Over

The American New Year

The year 1947 dawned on an America that is daily ever more industrial, ever more businesslike and efficient, ever more progressive. The turn of the new year, to us Americans, is a new turn in the wheels of industry, a new accelerated tempo in business, a new straightforward effort at material progress in daily living. What does a New Year mean, if not new fields to be conquered, new problems to be faced squarely, new techniques and new answers to be given to the round of daily living.

We are all typically American through and through almost born baby-utilitarians; we learn business, money, bargaining, what the dollar will buy almost from our earliest days in candy shops, and grow up to live lives full of daily profit and loss. We become as rich in life as our pocketbooks and as poor as our last dollar. The new year '47 has dawned with a 365 day cycle of brand new prospects and possibilities.

One of the most striking insights that came to the American people in 1946 was the deepening realization that we Americans all sink or swim together. If John L. Lewis and the miners go out on strike in the coal industry, we all slow down to a standstill together. Coal, light, fuel, gas become scarce in American homes. Trains cut their runs in half. Great American businesses and industries almost have to run by candlelight. In this sense, we all sink or swim together in the great round of business life, the great American game of daily profit and loss which we Americans play from the cradle to the grave.

Or consider how the automotive industry affects us by affecting all the goods and services needed for it. If the automobile industry slows down, sales in gasoline, oil, tires, batteries, garage rents, service and repair shop work also slow down. Garages, service stations, hard-surfaced road building, hotels, country clubs, road houses, summer and winter resorts of every community depend in part on the number of automobiles on the road. And these are just two industrial parts of American life. But they indicate how inevitably in 1947 Americans will be more and more interdependent, state for state, city for city, man for man.

American life in 1947 promises to be dynamic. A strike in the coal or the automotive industry can affect every man in the nation. War is ever an open possibility. If we all to a certain extent sink or swim together, and if such profit and loss is an inevitable part of our daily life, we may well wonder what will happen if we suffer a major loss. What if you lose? Certainly loss is a daily possibility. Certainly 1947 can confront every American with a major loss — a loss of money, a loss of business,

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1946 K. of L. All-Lithuanian American Football Team

By STANLEY BALBERIS

Hold tight! Here's the team you have been waiting for, your All-Lithuanian American football choices for the 1946 season. After eight solid weeks of corresponding with various big-name coaches throughout the country, the Knights of Lithuania is prepared to publish its annual All-Lithuanian American eleven.

Because of the relatively small number of Lithuania players on the rosters of the major college teams, it wasn't a difficult task to single out the eleven men who occupy positions on my first team. These selections are based on three standards, quality of play, amount of work, and team value.

The 1946 Lithuanian American eleven's power is concentrated in the line, off-

setting the lack of a super backfield unit. There is plenty of talent behind the line, but that forward wall is really loaded. There isn't a college coach in the country who wouldn't jump with joy if this collection of gridiron material were assembled on his campus. Every Lithuanian American should be proud of his nationality's contribution to the football wealth of this nation.

1946 K. of L. All-American Football Team

Head Coach, **Bill Kern**, West Virginia; Asst. Coaches, **Ed Krause**, Notre Dame; **Al Kaval**, Michigan State.

| Player | College | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. |
|------------------------------|----------------|------|------|-----|
| Marshall Shurnas | Missouri | LE | 6:1 | 205 |
| St. Louis, Mo. | | | | |
| George Savitsky | Penn | LT | 6:3 | 264 |
| Camden, N. J. | | | | |
| George Pavalko | Villanova | LG | 5:8 | 180 |
| New Philadelphia | | | | |
| Mac Wenskunas (Capt.) | Ill. | C | 5:11 | 190 |
| Georgetown, Ill. | | | | |
| Francis Barzilauskas | Yale | RG | 6:2 | 226 |
| Waterbury, Conn. | | | | |
| John Kissell | Boston College | RT | 6:2 | 247 |
| Nashua, N. H. | | | | |
| Al Jankauskas | Marquette | RE | 6: | 194 |
| Cicero, Illinois | | | | |
| Bennie Rieges | UCLA | QB | 6:1 | 193 |
| Worcester, Mass. | | | | |
| Ventan Yablonski | Columbia | RHB | 5:11 | 196 |
| Worcester, Mass. | | | | |
| Vincent Pacewic | San Francisco | LHB | 6: | 205 |
| Gillespie, Illinois | | | | |
| Veto Kissell | Holy Cross | FB | 5:10 | 210 |
| Nashua, N. H. | | | | |

Honorable Mention

Linemen: **Gregonis**, Penn.; **Barkouskie**, Pitt; **Sandusky**, Villanova; **Kodis**, Villanova; **Gudaitis**, Harvard; **Urban**, Notre Dame; **Banonis**, Georgetown; **Watkins**, Pitt; **Kennedy**, Boston College; **Kaminsky**, San Francisco U.; **Saksa**, Washington U.; **Russas**, Tennessee. Backs: **Nork**, Columbia; **Abromaitis**, Navy.

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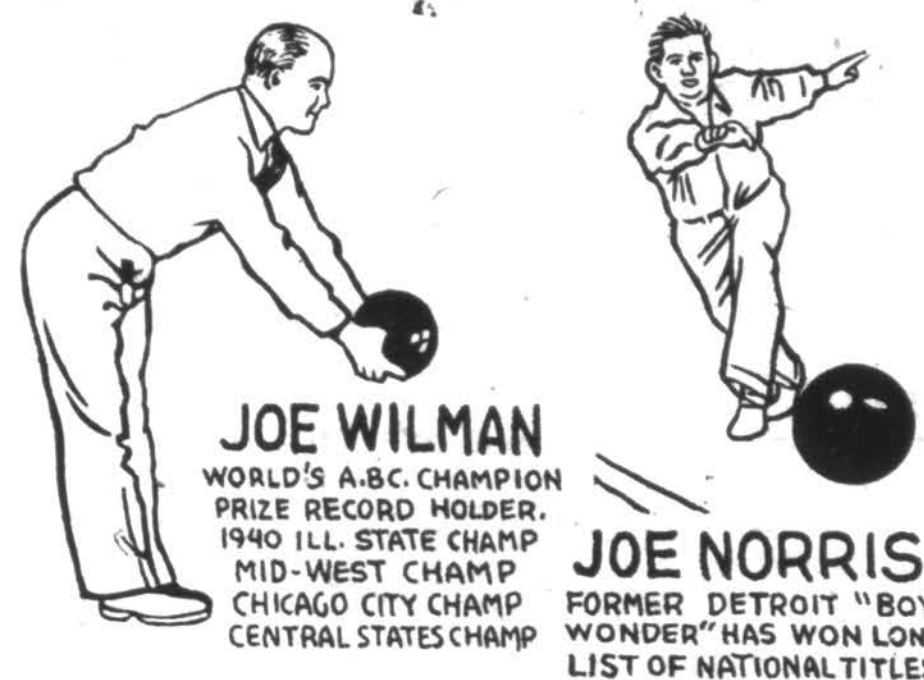
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JOE (Vilmanas) WILMAN of Berwyn-Chicago is the nation's most successful "big time" bowler. Wilman is the present holder of the American Bowling Congress All Events title and co-holder of the National Doubles championship. Until a few weeks ago Joe was the National Individual Match Game champion.

JOE (Noreika) NORRIS, who is moving to Chicago soon, captured the \$200.00 prize money for the highest qualifying score in the N. I. M. G. tournament for Joe Wilman's crown.

The Pulse of

DON VARNAS POST

Josephine Aleksa

We have a new combination present at the Post. At the last meeting, a father and son joined. The father is a veteran of World War I while the son is of World War II. These two are **George Strode** (father) and **Lawrence Strode** (son). I hope I haven't mixed them up.

Someone suggested nominating **Gilbert Michaels** for the Committee of the Auction Banquet. The backfire to the nomination was, "I'm too young!"

The Adjutant slipped on

this one. **J. Shvedas** thought he was calling upon **Bruno Gudenas** and didn't realize it was the other half of the brother team, **Leon** who was being addressed.

Ernie Statkus, Finance Officer, in reporting on his new office made this official statement, and I quote: "I'm incoming, but no income!"

"Big Wheel" **Clem Globis** visited the Thursday bowling team at the alleys and gave with a stogie to each player, thinking that they would improve their game. Result: the boys dropped all three that night. The following bowling night **Clem** didn't show up and the lads won three.

Headlines: **THREE STICKS RECEIVE RIDE**. Yep, after the meeting **Al Grebliunas** backed his truck to the door and "We Three" (name of a song) scrambled in and seated ourselves very calmly. One on a tire and the others on cardboard boxes. All in all the ride was hilarious from start to finish. Thanks **Al**, wish there were more of them.

Society Reporters Note: Seen at a concert, (in the barroom of course) at 6 P.M. **Clem Balto**. Inquired if he was going to see the performance. No answer. Seen; same Balto, same barroom, 11 P. M. Asked if he saw the concert. Answer: "What Concert?"

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"I just get tired of them!"—**Mildred G. Underwood**, Chattanooga, Tenn., after 16th divorce from eight different husbands.

"I just want an English war bride."—**Ralph Douglas**, Downs, Ill., explaining enlistment in the Army.

"I think I'll have my yard fixed up a bit."—**Mrs. F. J. Erdworm**, 68, Chickasha, Okla., widow, on inheriting \$250,000.

"The phony claims of proponents of government planning have been disproven on virtually every count."—**Ralph Henderson**, financial editor, on aftermath of OPA meat de-control.

"It's one of the most illiberal of all our statutes."—**Senator Ball**, Minn., on closed-shop provision of Wagner Act.

"Now that we do see America first, we hope to see America last."—**Dallas Morning News**.

International Sportsmen's Show at Chicago Coliseum Feb. 7 to Feb. 16

A state-wide essay contest for junior conservationists interested in maintaining the wildlife resources of Illinois will culminate Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9, at the ninth annual International Sportsmen's Show in the Chicago Coliseum.

At that time a "King and Queen of Junior Conservation" will be chosen from nine finalists of the contest. Subject of the essays is "What Does Conservation Mean to Me." Judges are recognized leaders in the outdoor conservation field.

The contest is open to all Illinois boys and girls, 13 to 17 years old. Many 4-H Club members are among the participants. Judging is based on sincerity of purpose and constructive

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a loss of friends, a loss of family, a loss of one's own life. The possibility of a major loss, equally as possible as a major gain in 1947, is a fact we cannot get around. Business itself can give no answer. Industry clearly has no answer.

Yet the very fact that there is major profit and loss in business and industry, major profit and loss in daily life demands another answer. In 1947, as always, God is an absolute necessity for every American. When business or industry fails us, it only shows we Americans ultimately depend on God in our daily lives.

God alone can give the human heart true solace in the midst of a major loss. In the loss of life itself God alone can raise man from the grave and give him an eternal life. The shakiness, the instability, the shifting nature of American life — ever an open possibility in 1947 — demand that our hearts be filled with a knowledge and love of God — the only adequate answer to daily profit and loss.

New Element To Attack Cancer

NEW YORK. — Attacking the scourge of cancer on a new front, an Eastern manufacturer has sent to a New York hospital the first commercial shipment of a new chemical element which will help medical men to study how cancer grows.

The element, called an isotope, is known as Carbon 13. The manufacturer's added production facilities will increase its output by six times.

thought displayed by the young writers. All entries, 200 words or less, must be post dated not later than Jan. 20 and should be mailed to Ben F. Luetz, Contest Editor, 2111 N. Western Ave., Chicago 47, Illinois.

This year's show, bringing outdoor America under roof on a broad postwar basis, will be the most comprehensive of any. Many of the greatest hunting, fishing and resort states, plus several Canadian provinces, have completed plans for exhibits. In addition, manufacturers of sports equipment will display paraphernalia of all kinds, much of it seen for the first time since early war days.

The big stage show, matinee and nights, will present national and world champions in all phases of sports; also beautiful girls modeling sports costumes.

INTRODUCTION

(Dedicated To My Parents)

I entered unto this life one day
And soon was seeking heaven's way;
For I knew all in life must pass,
That only heaven would last.
The day of Baptism finally came
My GOD, this day I claimed;
And my soul was no more lost
In case of death would pay no cost.
This fact, my parents realized,
Not little, my soul they prized;
For they knew GOD looked from above
With His eyes upon us full of LOVE.

Frances M. Siedlik

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terious work. He is apparently known to have been trying hard last summer to induce several prominent physicists from the satellite countries to go to Moscow and join his atomic research team.

Within the new budget based on the Five Year Plan the work is steadily expanding. Apart from the four Physical Research Institutes, as the Lebediev Physical Institute, Institute of Physical Problems, Physico-Technical Institute and Institute of Chemical Physics, a large number of institutes, universities and individual physicists are engaged in research work on atomic physics and its practical application. It is suspected that the recent Soviet-Swedish trade agreement provides for the supply of special equipment for atomic energy experiments.

To-day the production of Atomic bombs is the number one item in the new Soviet Five Year Plan. It is estimated that about one quarter of the large sums involved in the Plan will be spent on atomic research. Already in 1946 Russia spent three times as much on this work than one year before and this is only the beginning of the scientific race. In 1945 the Soviet Union is reported to have spent about one billion roubles on Atomic research, in 1946 over six billion and within the budget of the Five Year Plan she is scheduled to spend approximately fifteen billion roubles. (According to the official exchange rate two and a half billion dollars). Against this background of steadily expanding atomic preparations, it is improbable that Russia would ever yield to any international control or inspection in this field.

The Height of Fashion



INSEPARABLE pals are Peter Lawford and Butch Jenkins who work together in the new M-G-M film "My Brother Talks To Horses." Between scenes the two try on a pair of 1909 toppers used in their movie.

Marquette Park K of L Social Monday Evening, Jan. 13th

CHICAGO. — Marquette Park Council 112 of the Knights of Lithuania will

hold its regular monthly social Monday evening, January 13 at the K of L Youth Center, 2451 W. 47 Street.

Al Grebliunas, 2519 W. 71 Street, and Malvina Gura, 6737 So. Artesian Avenue, promise that the evening will be full of "all kinds of surprises". Proray Cortez and his orchestra, featured at "Little Hawaii", will provide music for dancing while refreshments and "delectable" sandwiches will be provided in abundance. In addition, favors will be distributed as an added attraction to the dancing, games, and community singing is planned for the evening.

In order to help defray part of the expense of this extravaganza, members will be asked to donate only 50c each as a token "admission" charge. No objection is expected because all will receive many times over that amount in the way of entertainment and enjoyment. Prospective members will be welcome and are urged to participate in the evening's gaiety.

Besides holding regular socials for its members, Marquette Park Council 112 is sponsoring a Winter Knights Dance to be held at Viking Hall, 6855 Emerald Avenue (on 69th near Halsted) Saturday evening, Feb. 1, 1947. Featured will be the noted Paul Meeker and his orchestra. Entree 8:30 p. m.