

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1947

# LSU Plans For Annual Retreat

To take place at Our Lady of the Cenacle retreat house Warrenville, Ill., March 7-8-9. Reservations being accepted now.

"And Jesus said to them-"Come apart into a desert place, and rest a little."

(St. Mark, 6, 31)

What do the above words mean to you Sodalists? Yes. you are right, a retreat.

After living such busy lives during the past year wouldn't you like to leave the worries and cares of the world behind you and spend a 3-day "Spiritual vacation" nearer to God? Maybe there is some problem you have and just by making this retreat it will be made clear to you or perhaps there is some doubt about your faith which has you puzzled. The counsel of the Retreat Master may erase it. The Lithuanian Sodality Union is sponsoring its fourth annual retreat at the Convent Our Lady of the Cenacle in Warrenville, Illinois, March 7-8-9, 1947.

ful contrast compared to the busy world you've left outside?

I know EVERY Sodalist will want to make this retreat but just a limited num ber will be able to. In one respect they are privileged, as the Cenacle can accommodate just forty-five girls for the week-end. In the past I have accepted a girl's name but this year when you submit your name you will also have to give me a \$5:00 deposit. This is to be paid to me by Feb. 20th, and the balance to be paid at the Cenacle.

From past experiences girls have cancelled their reservation at the last minute thereby having someone else miss the opportunity of making the retreat who would have done so if she had known about this cancellation in time, plas the embarrassment of the retreat chairman upon her arrival at the Cenacle making all sorts of apologies why only thirty grils registered when the names of 45 retreatants were sent in. I say IF only 30 names are received, I will notify the Cenacle so that they may be able to fill the quota of 45 girls from their ever-growing list, thereby giving fifteen others an cpportunity to spend time with Our Lord. So once again may I give you the following facts: WHAT: Lithuanian Sedathe retreat lity Union's Fourth Annual

SCENE OF RETREAT



Late winter scene of Our Lady of the Cenacle retreathouse, Warrenville, Ill. where the Lithuanian Sodality Union will have its annual retreat, March 7-8-9, 1947.

Alec Templeton Show At Orchestra Hall Mon., February 10th CHICAGO. - Alec Templeton. internationally known pianist, composer and will present improviser. another of his world-fapiano recitals at mous Orchestra Hall on Monday evening, Feb. 10th at 8:30

times, will present a program combining an amazing admixture of the classical and the humorous, adeptly showing us that music can be fun, too. His veneration for the masters is sincere. but his sense of the absurd is active and irrespressible, a characteristic found only in an artist who has not only all the fundamentals but all the tricks of his profession at his finger tips.

For the 'repeaters' nothing need be said about the Cenacle, but to the newcomers just a few words.

A Mother or whichever nun is in charge of the retreat receives the retreatants and conducts them to their room. After supper the Mother in charge assembles everyone together and acquaints them with various regulations to be observed. We adjourn to the chapel and the Retreat Master introduces himself formally orening bv with a conference followed Retreat by Benediction then retirement for the night.

As I sit here writing this article I can visualize every minute of a wellspert day, spent near Our Lord in the cloistered peace of the Cenacle convent. Another day, begun with Mass in the quiet chapel. You are free to talk with the Retreat Master or a Cenacle Mother, who have charge of so many girls. The retreatants have access to the library, the spacicus grounds where you may wander at will and most of all, you can spend as much time as you wish in the chapel speaking your heart out to Our Lord. Doesn't this seem a peace-

WHERE: Convent of Our Lady of the Cenacle, Warrenville. Illinois

Week-end of DATE: March 7-8-9

> See You All At The "Draugas" Concert and Dance

Sunday, February 9th, 1947 ST. AGNES BALLROOM

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K of L District Chorus - Brighton Park Sudality Glee Club - Vešota Players - Algird Brazis, baritone-Mary Puksmis, soprano — John Urban, tenor

> and **Mickey Prindl's Orchestra**

Concert beginning 4:30 - Dancing from 8 to 12:00

Templeton, one of the most distinguished musipersonalities of car cal

p. m.

TIME: Dinner at 6:30 P. M.

TRANSPORTATION: Chicago, Aurcra, and Egin Railread leaving the loop (Wells St. at. terminal Jackson Blvd.) at the latest possible time 5:08 P. M. Warrenville arriving in 6:05 P. M. Train al-o stops at Marshfield Ave., 5:12 P. M.; Kedzie and Harrison 5:15 P. M.

I will also accept reservations by telephone. The telephone number is Grovehill 6589.

> Louise Kairis, Retreat Chairman 2812 W. Marquette Rd Chicago 29, Ill.

You're sure to marvel at his technical ability, but, you're also sure to scream and roar with delight over his humorous virtuosity.

St. Casimir Alumnae Hold Dance Feb. 8th CHICAGO ----The St. Casimir Academy Alumnae are planning a grand and glorious time for everybody on February 8, 1947 at 8 P. M., at Michael J. Flynn's Hall. 3236 W. 63rd Street, with Larry Fitzgibbons and His Orchestra furnishing the music. The dance is called "THE SWING OF HEARTS" and it will be carried out in a Valentine mode. All the Alumnae and friends of the Alumnae are invited to spend a nevertobe-forgotten night dancing, having fun, and sharing reminiscences with old time school mates you probably haven't seen in years.

Theresa Harty, 3317 W. 62nd Street, the chairman of the darce, and her committee are putting their all into making this dance a huge success. Why not take a night off and bring your husband, sweetheart, or boy-friend and make this your Valentine treat. They would sure love to have you. So save the date and we'll meet you there.

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### THE MARIAN WAY

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#### THOUGHTS FOR FEBRUARY

### VALENTINE'S DAY

Many hundreds of years ago in the days of the Roman festivals to pagan gods, there was a feast called the Lupercalia. One of the amusements at the Lupercalia was a lottery where the names of Roman maidens were placed in a box and drawn out by the young men. The girl whose name he drew was accepted as his love for a year or longer.

After Christianity was firmly established this practice was changed and given the name of Valentine's day. Into the lottery they put the names not of maidens, but of different saints. The name drawn was called his valentine. Throughout the year he must imitate the holy life of his saint.

During the medieval days of chivalry names of English maidens and bachelors were put into the box and drawn out in pairs. Each couple exchanged presents. The girl became the man's valentine for that year. On his sleeve he wore her name. It was his duty to attend and protect her.

The young French duke of Orleans, captured at the battle of Agincourt, was kept a prisoner in the Tower of London for years. History tells us that the poems he sent to his wife were tokens of love and are considered, to be our first real valentines.

It was an old belief that birds began to mate on that day. On the eve of St. Valentine's day young people used to meet and each of them drew a name from a number of names placed in a receptacle. Each gentleman thus got a lady for his Valentine. For this reason the day was looked upon as specially consecrated to lovers. St. Valentine is the patron of lovers.

#### FR. JULIAN

## In Passing

It was after the recess period and Sister was hurrying back across the courtyard to her classes. She came up to the strip of ice about eight feet long, paused and then started to walk around it.

She had not taken more than three steps, when she halted and demurely raised her eyes to see if anyone was looking from the school having windows. Then, turned her head just to make sure no one was about, she went back three running steps, lunged and slid across the ice with all the grace of Sonja Henie. The greying, portly pastor who had seen all, shook his head, and smiling said, "Now, if I were to try it.... \*

So what if this question is not in season, but what do you like about a fair spring morning? You scurry along quite rapidly to the trolley lines and take in a few good gulps of that clean fresh air. Your head feels clearer, your body cleaner, and again you feel that you could be better, if like living. You murmur to you would try. You don't yourself: "Oh, the day believe me? Take a chance won't be so bad after all. then, and read "The Miracle



person. The trouble with so many of the best sellers of the day is that they embarass and tire the reader. You know what the conclusion will be, long before you reach the climax; and as for some of the more lurid passages, many a time you skip a page or two because deep down you know that the scene described is a little too hot for you.

A Catholic book is exhilarating. It does not bore; nor does it fake. The characters are real people; they are people you have met or would like to meet. Having read it you put it aside with the conviction

# 'GEORGE'' 'N ''OLE ABE''

On the 12th and 22nd of February we will celebrate the birthdays of Lincoln and Washington and we hope it will be more than just a holiday to Americans. May it be to them also a sacred day, a day to recall and imitate the good example of these Patriots in being real Americans. May more of them come to know what they lived by all their lives, that to be a real American means to believe in God, fear God, serve and love God. No atheist can really be a good American.

These two great men taught Americans that with every right comes a duty. To enjoy the rights of Americans, we must fulfill the duties. Our Constitution is built upon Christian ideas, expecially that "men are endowed by their Creator with unalienable rights." We fought a war to hold those rights and we did that by accomplishing the duties. To secure a lasting peace we must acknowledge God's existence, admit that we must depend upon Him for every breath we breathe, and worship Him publicly as Creator and Ruler of the Universe.

It is a shame to repeat these obvious things but millions of Americans no longer believe in them. We all know what Lincoln and Washington did and that is why they were great Americans.

But our people of today are ashamed of God, afraid to acknowledge Him publicly, afraid to follow His laws in social planning and other plans, and they leave Him out of their private and public life. All Americans should and must do something soon or else God will leave our country out of His plans. We must remember that all the blessings we enjoy as free Americans we have received from God, and He can take them away just as easily as they've come to us.

#### STARDUST BALL A GRAND SUCCESS

The Lithuanian Sodality Union can be credited with it's first wreath of laurels. The "Stardust Bal!" sponsored by the Union Jan. 26 at Hotel Continental was a grand success. Sodalists dressed in their formal finery danced

At times, the old grouch of the Bells", by Janney. is livable; and today, who knows, he may even be lik-The Retreat Master was able".

This is just what a good Catholic book will do to a

so disturbed. "I tell you sister", he said." I should (Cont'd on page 4)

#### THIS MONTH'S

### Mental Prayer

You know Mary, whenever I call on you, it seems that there is always something or other I yearn for. But Mary, this time it's going to be a little different - may I please give you something? It isn't much, but anyway - please take my heart.

I did so try to keep it nourished with love for youand please accept the roses that surround it. You know Mary, I built that wreath once by saying the rosary, but all had withered when I became angry the day that certain onrushing passenger in the street car pushed me. I tried rebuilding the rosary wreath - so I do hope you like it.

Dearest Mary, thank you ever so much for helping me in everything always. Please accept my heart and flowers — and yes, a Happy St. Valentine's day!

### Thank you,

#### Your Sodalist

Hotel Continental was the center of this sparkling affair ... Among the chaperones present were Rev. J. Grinius, Rev. J. Stankevicius, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dauzvardis, Mr. and Mrs. S. Pieza, Mr. and Mrs. J. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. A. Petkus. Another one of our guests was Mrs. Irene Kazanauskas who was one of the instigators of the Lithuanian Sodality Union and one of the former prefects.

The surprise of the evening was a telegram from the famous "Starduster", Hoagy Carmichael, congratulating the Ball committee and all present .... "Greetings to all of you at the Stardust Ball. You have done a fine thing for the talented boys of Hull House and you have my appreciation as well as theirs. Have a good time HOAGY CARMICHAEL."

Our thanks to the committee, chaperons, patrons and all the Sodalists for making this affair such a grand Friday, January 31, 1947

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#### THIS AND THAT

# FROM HERE AND THERE

#### MARQUETTE PARK

Christine Kuoga, who has held the office of Vice-prefect for five consecutive years, has graduated into the office of Prefect. Hattie Laskis can now be addressed as our Vice-prefect. Sodality minutes will be recored by Dolores Lazutka, the Recording Secretary. We have added a new office in our Sodality and Jeanne Saucunas is now our Corresponding Secretary. Helen Druktenis did a fine job last year as Financial Secretary that we've elected her again. Our treasury is entrusted to Agnes Saucunas. Sergeant of arms: Bernice Jocius and Dolores Ackerman, Board of Directors; Helen Shebelski and Albina Miksis. The task of EOL Chairman was given to our, faithful Emilie Prose and the Publicity Committee to Dolores Armalis. Our spiritual director, Fr. S. Petrauskas, has been with us seven years and we are happy to have him remain with us because he is tops.

Our former Sodalist, Jean Brazaitis has been blessed with a beautiful baby boy on December 13. The baby has been baptized Kenneth Charles and we extend our best wishes to the Poczulp family .... Adelle Druktenis, our future Lithuanian opera star was home for the Christmas holidays from New York where she is studying music. Her visit was much too short to see much of her.

Our "Heart-time" dance will take place on Sunday February 9th in the Parish Hall. All sodalists are most cordially invited to attend. The Chairman, Eleanor Mozeris, and her committee promise you a grand time. Sweet music will be rendered by Bob Phillips and his orchestra....During the month of December Our Blessed Lady sent us eleven new members. The girls are all eager beavers as most of them have taken on little tasks to show their talents. We hope the other Sodalities are also adding new names to their rosters.

#### **TOWN OF LAKE**

Cecelia Vaznis is now wearing a shining sparkler on

PRESENTING THIS MONTH'S

# **Outstanding Girl Sodalist**



#### **Hattie Laskis**

pleasing personality A these two words very easily describe Hattie Laskis, former prefect of the Nativity of B. V. M. Sr. Sodality (Marquette Park). Upon her graduation from Harper High School, Hattie took a secretarial position with Metropolitan the Insurance Company.

Hattie may To some, seem petite, but at the bowling alley it's quite another

After being a member of the Sodality for nine years, Hattie received the distinction of being elected Prefect for the year 1946, and the Sodality progressed wonderfully, both spiritually and socially under her leadership. Blue, being Our Lady's color is also Hattie's favorite and which she wears Life very well with her blonde tresses and blue eyes.

> Doés any Sodalist raise orchids as a hobby? Hattie (Continued on page 4)

# Noted Scholars Discuss Lithuania at Modern Language Assn. Convention

her third finger left hand as of Christmas Eve. Paul Norkus is the guy responsible. Our Best Wishes to you both!..

Eleanor Laurin and Adeline Karklelis looked very resplendent in their new finery Christmas Day ... meaning those lovely new furs gals ... What's this about Lorraine Zemgulis being partial to fellas wearing bow ties?? A Sinatra fan, no doubt!...

Stella Yurkus enchanced one of the recent holiday festivities looking like the spirit of Christmas itself in a lovely red velveteen gown and sprigs of holly in her hair. We have it from good authority that she looked positively lush!!!... We hope that Bernice Motuzas has completely recovered from her recent appendectomy .....

No need for Bernice Zemgulis and Eleanor Butchnus to fear the wintry blasts....they are royally chauffered to school these days .... Rita Rosinski's Christmas gift from Santa may have been a bit premature but its one she'll always remember .... Measles!!! Uh! Huh! ... Donna Lukosius' talk these days is being centered around a "Mr. Rubenstein" and we don't mean the "Maestro"....

We understand that Dolores Warren's one interest these days is Airplanes, Pilots etc ..... Could that have been Pat Kamarauskas doing a ballet on ice in front of "Gerties" the other day???.. Our current cold spell is bringing out hidden talents in our Sodalites!....

Is Sally Jesulaitis' constant attendance at our Parish Bingo games Sunday afternoons a hopeful wish for a repeat performance of last year's gain ???...Gosh Sa'ly .... don'cha know lightening never strikes twice in the same place??....

Orchids to Father John for our new book case on wheels.... it's a dandy!!!...

Cecile Kuncinas is taking life easy, she's on the unemployed list again.

Incidentally, where has Sophie Jurgaitis been hiding, we haven't seen her at meeting for ages .....

The reason for that "Cat that swallowed the canary" look Lucy Diktus is wearing is that contemplated trip to Florida....these trips are beginning to be annual affairs with Lucy ..... Gosh !!!.....

That was Agnes Rumsa wearing Mink (the real McCoy) in church Christmas morning, looking very slick Cossacks is a soul refre-(Continued on p. 4.) sher! indeed!!!...

WASHINGTON. -. On the occasion of the annual meeting here of the Modern Language Association of America and American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages, a special meeting of the Lithuanian sec-

**Original Don Cossack Recital at Orchestra** Hall February 7th CHICAGO. - The origi-

nal Don Cossack Russian tions and Prospects" - by male chorus and dancers, Prof. Senn. diminutive Serge Jaroff only Chicago appearance at of Assimilation", by Peter Orchestra 8:30 p. m.

This great organ of human voices spellbinds au- friends of the Washington, diences wherever the Don D. C. metropolitan area were Cossacks sing. The singers, well represented. displaying a rich fund of those present, were The deep religious fervor, irre- Lithuanian Minister Povilas sistible humor, vitality and Zadeikis, and the Secretaexuberance, according to ries of the Lithuanian and critics, "evoke cathedrals, Latvian legations, Fr. A. sing hallelujahs as if they Gailevičius, O. P., of the Domeant them. Rhythms move minican House of Studies, with split-second timinglumber with boatmen, chuckle with gypsies, beat tartly with Kuban blacksmiths."

An evening with the Don

tion of the latter was held Saturday, Dec. 28, at the Hotel Raleigh (Queen Elizabeth room).

The gathering was devoted to special Lithuanian studies. The meeting was conducted by Prof. Alfred Senn of the University of Pennsylvania.

Two important papers were read and discussed during the meeting:

1. "Report on Research in Lithuanian at American Universities: Present Situa-

2. "An American Lithuaconducting, will make their nian Community in Process Hall Friday P. Jonaitis, instructor in evening, February 7th, at Sociology at the University of Penn.

> and their Lithuanians Among and other notable individuals.

Very interesting discussions took place following the papers, and it is hoped similar sessions will take place in other cities.

L. J. E.

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#### LITHUANIAN DAILY DRAUGAS

#### This And That From

# The Lithuanian University Club

A grand time was had by all at the L.U.C. New Year's Eve party held at the home of Helen, Walter, and Vito Domkes. The year really started off with a bang and, naturally, we intend to keep right on going ahead with the same full speed. Can't help but feel ambitious and enthusiastic after such a beginning!

There was a L. U. C. meeting last Sunday January 19th, at International House where we enrolled quite a lot of the new-found initiative, vim and vigor. Plans were being outlined for the LUC spring concert, which will be held at the Lithuanian Auditorium on Sunday, April 27th. Preparations are being started really early because this affair promises to be the biggest one ever sponsored by the L. U. C. All proceeds of the concert will be donated to the Lithuanian - American Relief Fund BALF.

A few interesting news came to light in the last couple of weeks. We're saying bon voyage and good luck to Edgar and Betty Firant this month. They have decided to forego the rigors of a Chicago winter and are trailering it to sun-California In fact. ny they're forsaking Chicago entirely and will live in California from new on! Looks like an LUC auxiliary will form there soon, what with Wenetta and Al Childs, Algis Begis, Charlie and Irma Rusackas, and Stelle and Stan Cable also sett ling down there to say.

from overseas, and now we learn that instead of having his Australian bride come to America, he went to Australia to set up his new home!

Helen Slakis, whom we rarely see now, dropped in at the New Year's Eve party all agog with tales of her very pleasant life in the new homestead in Peoria. She's gone overboard for the town and intends to remain there on her very successful job with Western Electric.

Ellen Skirmont and Anita Navickas-Karns still haven't Feb. 8th, at 3:30 p. m. calmed down after their stays in California. Anita was in Los Angeles almost five months, but Ellen had only a few weeks stay. They just beam when they speak of it! By the way, Stephanie Novicky, Anita's sister will enter the NBC Joulliard School of Music in New York this month as aresult of winning the Tribune Festival piano contest last year:



Warm and Winsome

LUCILLE BREMER is wearing the smile of success these days, and with good reason. She will be Fred Astaire's dancing partner in M-G-M's musicolorful "Ziegfeld Follies.'

### Jascha Heifetz Plays At Orchestra Hall

Saturday, Feb. 8th CHICAGO. - Jascha Heifetz will give his only violin recital of the season in Orchestra Hall on Saturday,

His program lists "The Lark," by Castelnouvo Tedesco, Bruch's Scottish. Fantasie, Kreisler's unaccompanied Recitativo and Scherzo, Poem (Sonata No. 2), by Catorie, three Gershwin sings arranged by Heifetz ("It Ain't Necessarily So." "Bess, Ycu Is My Woman Now," Tempo di Blues frcm "Porgy and Bess"), and Ravel's "Tziga-

In addition to four world tours before the war, Heifetz plays annual tours of the United States and Canada. During the war he contributed a good part of his time to concerts for men in the armed forces both in camps and hospitals and made three extended overseas trips. He has played over 80,000 hours in his life and has travelled about 1.700,000 miles in the ccurse of his career.

Deadline for the short story contest sponsored by the Catholic Press, Association is March 31, 1947, at midnight.

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Any Catholic writer may submit as many manuscripts as he pleases to: CONTEST CHAIRMAN CATHOLIC PRESS ASSOCIATION

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We had been wondering what ever became of Frank Smardak since he returned

### Marguette Pk. K of L Will Play Host at St. Casimir Day Rites

CHICAGO: - The Marquette Park K of L Council 112 will be the host for the 1947 Chicago District K of L St. Casimir Day celebration.

The Commemoration Mass will be said at the Nativity of the B. V. M. Church on Sunday, March 2, 1947 at 9:00 A. M. It is the Courcil's desire to have the intention of the Mass offered for all the K of L Members who so valiantly gave their lifes in World War II. and for all oppressed Lithuanians abroad.

affair is comprised of Agnes orchids .... and Jeanne Saucunas, Ane-Kress and Al Greblinnas.

## Waiting

I find it very hard, Dear Lord, To choose my road in life. To know what I am doing, And do the thing that's right. Each day I say a little prayer, For guidance from above, Reverently praying that someday, Will descend upon me the "Holy Dove."

> S'alla Vendrelis 4528 So. Hermitage Ave., Chicago, Ill.

#### (HERE AND THERE, from p. 3) SIGHTED AT THE STARDUST BALL

All of the Parishes were very well represented at the Stardust Ball. Many an escort must have been humming, "Here Comes Heaven Again" when he saw his date for the evening. Who could think that the gal in s'acks and nigtails by daylight could be transformed to a ray shing beauty by night? It would have been hard for one to make a decision as to who was the most beautiful. Competition. would have been too stiff ....

Dolores Lazutka and Helene Gadwell constituted the welcome committee ...

Matilda Kuoga looked breathtaking in her metallic and black dress and tresses piled high upon her head .... Virginia Kavalauskas looked heavenly in her pink balloon - skirted gown.....Dark green velveteen ermine and bustle gave Helen Paulius elegant look.

The featured flowers were orchids. Grace Wastak The committee for this (Cicero) had a consage consisting of two exquisite

The B. V. M's of Brighton Park are sponsoring their la Cibulskis, Josephine Zi- annual dance, The Mid-Winter Hon, Friday, Feb. 7, at the zas. Ange'a Vinauskas, Ge- Amercian Legion Hall, 4416 S. Western Avenue. Just the of treasurer too, was choraidnie Shimkus, Charles thought of dancing to the music of Johnnie Walker in the Bergells, Stan S kis. John main ballroom and doing a fast polka in the ratskeller Shimkus, Ray Kalin. Al should make this affair a must. So come down and have fun. Richard will be there to open the door ...

PRIZES

First prize — \$150 Second prize — \$125 Third prize - \$100 Fourth prize - \$75 Fifth prize - \$50 (manness

(IN PASSING, from p. 2) know these girls. Some of them I've known for years. But this morning, while distributing Holy Communion I could have pinched myself. The chapel was the same; the pews seemed to be the same, but I couldn't recognize any of the girls". The little sister knowingly smiled; as she whispered; "Don't you know, Father, that this morning they had no time for make-up?"

(SODALIST, from p. 3) would gladly accept a gardener's position in your green house. Yes, orchids are her favorite flower, but alas. doesn't receive enough of them.

Hattie has held the office en May Queen for our narish May procession: and has b en elected vice-prefect for 1947. L.K.