FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1947

PRESENTING THIS MONTH'S

Outstanding Girl Sodalist

Shirley Clements

CHICAGO — On Sunday, March 2, 1947, the Knights of Lithuania will receive Holy Communion at 9 A.M. Mass at the Nativity B. V. M. Church, at 6620 - So. Washtenaw Avenue. Mass will be held by Rev. G. Pakauskas, Rev. J. Grinis will be Deacon, a Nativity B. V. M. parish priest will be Sub Deacon. Rev. A. Zaka

rukas will give the sermon.

Twenty members will receive the K. of L. Fourth Degree in church immediately after the Mass. All K. of L. members, K. of L. Sec
daries, Sodalists, and all Lithuanian Catholic youth are invited to honor St. Casimir, by attending this mass, receiving Communion and having breakfast in the Parish hall. There will be a fee of 50c for flowers and the breakfast. Please make reservations with Miss Margie Halsey, Prospect 7234, as soon as possible.

All K. of L. members are asked to wear their degree medals (if they are degree members) or their regular organizational insignias.

Banquet at Center
At 7:00 p.m. in the evening, at the K. of L. Youth Center, 2451 West 47th St. K. of L. members and their guests will participate at the District's Banquet in honor of the Third and Fourth Degree new inductees. During the dinner in impressive civil rites the excullent menu, a fine program and a spirit of true confraternity will be the order of the affair. After the dinner, ritual ceremonies and program, the balance of the evening will be devoted to informal dancing, cards and checkers and renewal of old acquaintances.

This is the first time in the history of the K. of L.'s here in Chicagoland that the members will observe St. Casimir's Day throughout the whole day, climaxing the occasion with an impressive gathering at their own K. of L. Youth Center.

Maggie Teyte Sings
At Orchestra Hall
Monday March 10

CHICAGO. — Maggie Teyte, considered by many an England's greatest opera singer, will appear at Orchestra Hall, at 8:30 p.m. Miss Teyte, who has made a special career for herself in French music, is one of the few who does Debussy's, Ravel's, Poulenc's and other music just as it sounded in the epochs that saw its creation. She performs her music as it should be — as something shared by performer and listener. Miss Teyte not merely sings; she lives it, acts it when necessary, breathes movement in it by the pontent, humanized spirit of her understanding.

Miss Teyte is planning to be one of the biggest box-office attractions in years.
Lent perhaps would be the most appropriate subject at this time as we have just begun this Holy season once again. Here's where we have to fast, abstain, sacrifice, mortify ourselves once more. No dancing, no candy, no eating between meals, and one does get a little more hungry at that time more than at any other time—gosh, I hate Lent! Yes, that is a very human reaction... we are weak, we like to give up our comfortable positions in lieu of some sacrificial act or mortification. I wonder if we really stop to figure out why all this is necessary, why we must fast, abstain, etc., why we must have Lent.

You know Our Lord did not discriminate — He did not suffer and die for just a certain few or just a particular era. He died for all of us and we are, and actually should feel, a part of the cause of Our Lord's and His Blessed Mother's sorrows. Take, for example, the present day into consideration — isn't it deeply involved in sin? Hasn't the world glorified sin in its books, theaters, billboards, dress, manners — and we with the rest of the common mob follow this world in this trend. But the

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Lithuania was suppressed to force the people to learn Russian. However, Lithuanian books were printed abroad and smuggled into the country under penalty of death or banishment to Siberia to those caught with them. Nevertheless, every Lithuanian seized a pen and wrote in his mother tongue. Every home had its “book hole.” This might be under a loose board in the floor, or it might be a secret sliding panel in wall or cupboard, or some other ingenuous hiding place.

Mothers taught their children at night by candlelight, behind barred doors, and tightly shuttered windows, while the family dog kept watch with alertly pointed ears ready to detect and give warning of the approach of hostile footsteps. The Lithuanian language has nothing whatever in common with Russian, or any Slavic tongue. Strange to say, it derives largely from Sanscrit, the ancient idiom of the Hindus in India. They say that Lithuanians going to India can understand Sanscrit, although of course, the modern version differs greatly from that of ancient times. Another strange feature of the Lithuanian language is that, like Finnish, it has no definite or indefinite article!

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FROM HERE AND THERE

TOWN OF LAKE

Orchid to: Eleanor and Lorraine Butchunas, Adeline and Genevieve Karklelis, Sophie Jurgaitis, Cecile Kundinas, Eleanor Laurin and Agnes Rumsa, who received communion twelve consecutive months in corporate with the Socialditas!... Stella Motuzas looked fully recovered from her recent "operation"...glad to see you back....

"The Lady in Red" is a befitting title to Julie Makar when she wears that smart red coat of hers....

The reason for that preoccupied expression in Sophie Jurgaitis' eyes is that she’s in the throes of producing another play for the "Remoos"....which will take place March 9th in our Hall...I hear via the grapevine that the cast is made up of Sodalites which include Sophie Jurgaitis, Agnes Rumsa, Lorraine Butchunas and Anne Zubelis, Star Studied Cast, indeed...and I'll be there for you!!! A hearty welcome to two engaging Misses, Helen Petranas and Stella Veliskas, who became one of "US" at the last meeting....Incidentally, our recent freak wind storm found Stella hugging a "fire hydrant" downtown....same said storm also had Cecil Vanznie doing "aerobatics" down Michigan Avenue!!!

Oh, That Star Dust Ball

The foremost thought in every Sodalite’s mind last month was of course, the Star Dust Ball. There were the age old problems of "What to wear?!?"..."Who to take?"..."How to wear your hair?!?"...but usually as is the case, these little problems have a way of ironing themselves out. Proof of the fact was the lovely array of femininity from our Sodalite who were in attendance at the Ball!!

Joseph Batukas assisted Cecile Kundinas, who looked like something out of "Vogue" in a dramatic dress of black erpee.

Cecile Vanznie made a lovely picture in frosty pink net on the arms of fiancé Paul Norkunas...A swishing blue and white checked taffeta skirt and a white chiffon top made up Stella Vendelis' gown....that was her steady beau Joe Wilkus accompanying her...incidentally, that lovely wrist watch she’s wearing is a gift from Joe! Eleanor Laurin strolled in with Frank Kissel looking like a "Southern Belle" in a white flowing lace skirt with a blue and red print bodice.

MARQUETTE PARK

Just what do the girls think of the Sodality? Read on for comments from new and old members...."Just joined the Sodality last month and already think it is a wonderful association and hope to become a very active member in the future" remarked Luise Patulis.

"Besides helping me to get better acquainted with the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Sodality will also make it possible for me to meet and know the girls I have so often seen in Church" said Chris Urban.

"After attending my first Sodality meeting, I found the girls to be very friendly and am already looking forward to the future monthly meetings" stated Anna Kundat.

And from Souza Bartkus "a nice organization for Catholic girls to get together and exchange ideas on social matters and climb to the many special graces and indulgences of the Sodality".

Sodality Social Calendar

MARCH 7th, 8th and 9th: The Annual Retreat at the Cenacle (Warrenville, Illinois) will take place. Girls who are definitely going are asked to place a deposit of $5.00 or the full amount of $10.00 with Louise Kurila, 2686 West 67th Street.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14th: "Splash Party" at the Chicago Boy’s Club, 3400 So. Emmeral Ave. Swimming will start at 7:00 Sharp! to 9:00 P. M....Dancing from 9:00 to 10:00 to a Juke-Box. Admission: 50c...Bring your own suits....Everyone invited!! Committee:

FRIDAY, APRIL. 25th: (Last but not least) "Spring Dance" at Holy Cross Auditorium 8:30 P. M. Dancing to the strains of music by Eddie Wilson...

Admission: 75c including tax! This promises to be the social event of the season!!!

LITHUANIAN DAILY DRAUGAS

THIS AND THAT

Friday, February 28, 1947

"PLANNED ECONOMY" By PAULSON

This Month's Mental Prayer

Well, Mary, here we go again — another Lent. Having my sister and brother around, doing their best to keep their resolutions in the spirit of Lent. But I...I'm sorry that St. Rose's discontinued their weekly dances, and those new movies coming up at the Bijou are terrific! Now, no more of that! I just have to look around and notice that the girls are already beginning to wear their haloes; but mine, I'm afraid, is slightly tarnished.

It would be a very good idea to shine it up by extra prayers and sacrifices — maybe a harder, thing to do would be going to Mass a few times a week — but that certainly seems hard. But, I'll try and that's what really counts most.

So with your blessing. Dear Mother, I'll strive to receive our Risen Lord with a purer and more contrite heart.

Lovingly,

Your Sodalista

Plattoff Cossack Chorus
At Orchestra Hall
Sunday Afit., March 2
CHICAGO. — The world famous Gen. Plattoff Don Cossack chorus, with its outstanding soloists and brilliant dancers, will make its only appearance in Chicago at Orchestra Hall.

Newspapers Plan Ads In Vivid Life Hues

Hundreds of newspapers are getting ready to shed their traditional black and white garb and blossom out into vivid colors in their advertising, with manufacturers reporting that of the approximately 1.000 newspaper, press units on order, color printing equipment is specified for 90 per cent.