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VIENOS LIETUVOS KELIU

Garbingas svečias iš Europos. – Erdmono Simonačio lankymosi Amerikoje tikslas. – Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos uždaviniai. – Kas yra Mažosios Lietuvos Bičiulių draugija. – Ką sakė E. Simonaitis apie tremtinius ir Vasario 16 gimnaziją. – BALFO paramą tremtiniai labai vertina. – Mažlietuviai kvečiami į SLA eiles. – E. Simonaitis žada dalyvauti SLA seime

ANTANAS SUDUVIS

Praėjusių savaitę Susivienijimo Centre lankėsi Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos pirminkas, VLIKO narys.

Erdmonas Simonaitis, tydimas dr. M. Brako, Laisvės Komiteto nario. Garbingas svečias lankymosi metu turėjo ilgesni pasikalbėjimą su S. L. A. sekretoriu dr. M. J. Viniku, "Tėvynės" redaktoriu M. L. Vasil ir kita S. L. A. bendradarbiu.

E. Simonaitis yra Mažosios Lietuvos sunus, kilęs nuo Tilžės, augęs ir daugiausiai dirbęs Klaipėdos krašte. Mažlietuviam kovojo su vokiečiais už savo teises ir lietuvių E. Simonaitis visą laiką buvo pirmose kovotojų eilėse ir vadovaujančiose vietose. Jis atliko didelį ir svarbū vaidmenį Klaipėdos kraštui jungiantis prie savo bendrosios ir seniosios tėvynės Lietuvos. Aktyviai dalyvavo 1923 metais Klaipėdos sukilimo organizavime ir pačiame sukiime. Budamas direktorių pirmininko pareigose, saugojo ir atkakliai gynę lietuvių teises. Kurį laiką buvo Šiltės ir Klaipėdos apskritys viršininku, vėliau Klaipėdos miesto burmistro. 1939 m. pavasarį įsibrovus į Klaipėdą Hitlerio armijai, Simonaitis pabėgo į Lietuvą ir apsigyveno Kaune.

Jo lietuviška patriotinė veikla labai nepatiko vokiečiams. Todėl E. Simonaičiu neskarta teko pavaboti vokiečių kalėjimuose ir patirti kitų nemažų skriaudų. Bet didžiausius sunkumus E. Simonaitis išgyveno, kai 1941 m. vokiečių naciai užėmė Lietuvą. Tada E. Simonaitis greitai buvo arrežtuotas, vežtias iš vieno kalėjimo į kitą ir pasmerktas mirčiai koncentracijos stovykloje. Bet 1945 m. amerikiečių armijai užėmus vakarų Vokietiją, E. Simonaitis iš mirties stovyklos išejo į laisvę.

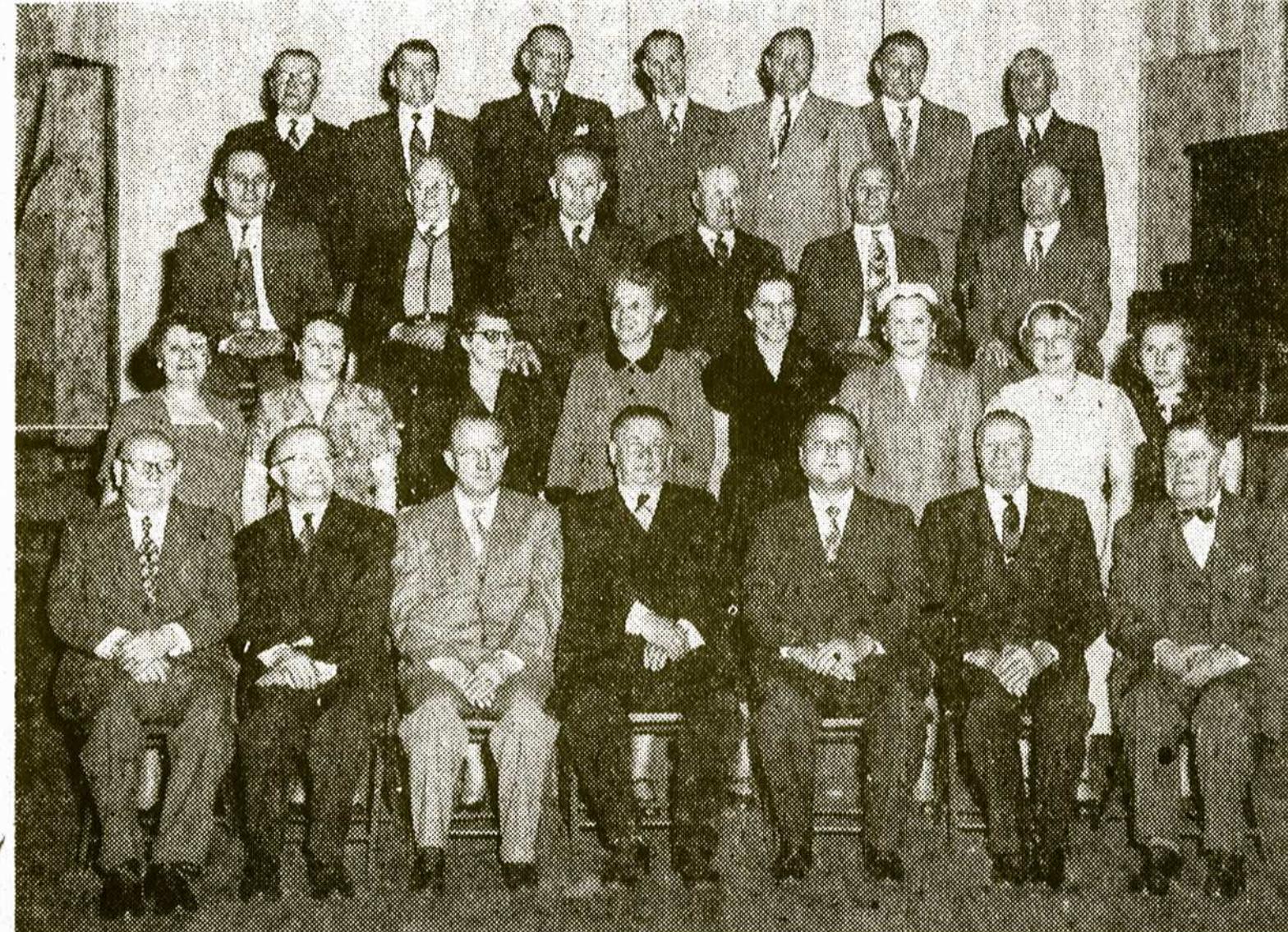
Net neatgaves jėgų E. Simonaitis greit išjungė iš lietuviško veidika. 1946 m. jam pasisekė atkurti Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybą, kuriai ir dabar vadovauja.

Kaip jau žinom iš spaudos E. Simonaitis iš vakarų Vokietijos į Ameriką atvyko prieš keletą savaičių. Atsilankęs į Susivienijimą Simonaitis parašė:

Mano lankymos Amerikoje tikslas

yra supažindinti užjurio lietuvius su Mažosios Lietuvos klausimui ir Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos veikla. Tuo klausimui jau dabar turim domėtis ir iš anksto rupintis, kad reikiamų momentų, kada taikos ar kitose tarptautinėse konferencijose bus sprendžiamos ar nustatomos Lietuvos vakarinės sienos, butumėm pasiruoše

Susivienijimo Lietuviai Amerikoje 48-to Seimo Rengimo Komisija



Pirmoj eilėj sėdi: Stasys Gegužis, Antanas Ambrozauskas, Juozas Maceina, Mikas Kupris, adv. Jonas Verbalis, Antanas Mockevičius, Viktoras Kamarauskas.

Antroj eilėj: Ona Miliauskienė, Julė Maceinienė, Marė Januškienė, Marė Stanislavaitė, Violetė Grigienė, Irene Verbalienė, Ona Zorskaitė, Elena Brakniene.

Trečioj eilėj: Adomas Miliauskas, Juozas Ratys, Feliksas Urbonas, Antanas Galinskas, Antanas Muloliš, K. Janauskas.

Ketvirtuoju eilėj: Antanas Mikelsonis, P. Petrikas, Jonas Januška, Petras Grigas, Jurgis Skučas, Vladas Grabliauskas, Juozas Jozaitis.

Cia nesiranda vieno komisijos nario Jono Jono Kavaliausko.

(Stasys Gegužis rengimo komisijoje ne priklauso. Ta sykį jis buvo atvykęs San-daros seimo reikalais).

džios teikiamos pašalpos, kuri yra tokia menka, kad be paramos iš šalies buty neįmanoma prasimintinti. Cia daug gelbsti Balfas, kurio teikiamą paramą visi tremtiniai labai vertina.

E. Simonaitis, kaip lietuvių parama. Jos jieškau Amerikos bendruomenės Vokietijos Krašto Valdybos vice pirminkas yra getai susipažinę su Vasario Šešioliktosios gimnazijos klausimu. Pasak svečio

Vasario Šešioliktosios Gimnazija Vokietijoje

Yra lietuvių pasididžiavimas ir lietuviybės židinys. Net vokiečiai stebisi, kad lietuvių pajėgia išlaikyti savo gimnaziją su mokinų bendrabučiu ir pajėgė išsigyti jai nuosavus rumus.

Tai vienintelė lietuvių gimnazija laisvuose vakaruose. Jo mokosi apie 200 mokinii, tremtiniai vaikuolių. Krašto Valdyba yra gavusi prasymų net iš Anglijos, Prancuzijos ir Belgijos lietuvių priėmty įvaikus į Vasario Šešioliktosios gimnaziją. Matyt, kad tuos kraštuos vaikų mokymo sąlygos yra sunkios.

Lietuviškajų gimnazijų mokosi viena mokinė vokiečių tautybės. Ji yra kilusi nuo Karaliaučiaus. Rytrupių pokarinui badmečiu ji pateko į Lietuvą, ten išmoko gerai lietuviškai ir dabar, sugrižus į vak. Vokietiją, jos tėvas padėti "musų draugams darbininkams, kuriuos persekiuojas rusų komunistinis režimas, atgaunti tautinių bei socialinių laisvę", kviečia laisvojo pasaulio darbo žmones kovoti "prieš visokios spalvos kapitalistinės darbininkų išnaudojimą, bet labiausiai prieš valstybinių komunistų kapitalizmą".

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lietuvių, kurių nemažas skaičius jau yra išsikurę Amerikoje, galėtų sudaryti net atskiras SLA kuopas arba stoti į esamas kuopas, kurių tinklas apima visas lietuvių gyvenamias vietas Amerikoje ir Kanadoje.

Šiam sumanymui E. Simonaitis pritarė ir, atrodė, kad ši klausimą placiau į diskusijas. Šiuo momentu ypatingai svarbu paremti žemaičių išvardintus SLA fondus, kurie vien SLA kuopų į narių bei visuomenės parama – sudėtomis aukomis gali savo veiklą palaikti ir plėsti.

TREMINTINIŲ KRICKIONIŲ DARBININKŲ KONGRESAS STRASBURGE

Gegužės 1-2 d. Strasburge (Prancuzijoje) įvyko Tarpautinių Tremtininių Krirkšionų Darbininkų Federacijos (FITCREE) kongresas. Šiai federacijai priklauso Bulgarijos, Čekoslovakijos, Estijos, Gudijos, Jugoslavijos, Latvijos, Lenkijos, Lietuvos, Rumunijos, Ukrainos ir Vengrijos tremtininių krirkšionų darbininkų organizacijos. Jos šukis: "Už tautų laisvę ir socialinių teisingumą!"

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Kongresos proga dr. Grinius per Amerikos Balsą tarė žodį paverstosios tėvynės darbo žmonėms. Kor.

SLA 48-TAS SEIMAS STERLING HOTEL Wilkes Barre, Pa.

Prasidės pirmadienį, 1954 metais birželio mėn. 28 dieną, ir tėsis iki bus užbaigtai visi SEIMUI priduoti reikalai. Seimo posėdžiai įvyks STERLING HOTEL, West Market ir River Sts., Wilkes Barre, Pa.

SEIMINIAI PARENGIMAI

SEKMONDIENI, BIRŽELIO 27 DIENĄ, įvyks priešseiminė gegužinė pilnikas gražioj vietoj Shelds Grove, netoli Wilkes Barre.

PIRMADIENI, BIRŽELIO 28 DIENĄ, bus delegatų ir svečių, suvažiavusių iš įvairių Amerikos miestų, pavaisinimas.

ANTRADIENI, BIRŽELIO 29 DIENĄ, bus pertrauktos sesijos ir delegatai pavežioti po Wilkes Barre apylinkes.

TRECIADIENI, BIRŽELIO 30 DIENĄ, įvyks didžiulis seiminis banketas su menine programa. Svečiai kalbėtojai bus Pensylvanijos valstijos gubernatorius FINE ir kongresmanas Bonin. Programai užsibaigus, bus šokių gerai orkestrai grojant.

Kuopų ir narių aukos seimui

Kiekvieno SLA Seimo proga, Susivienijimo kuopos, nariai ir bendrai lietuvių paaukoja įvairiems svarbiems musų organizacijos ir lietuviybės reikalojams. Šiuo primename, kad šiuo momentu ypatinai svarbu paremti žemaičių išvardintus SLA fondus, kurie vien SLA kuopų į narių bei visuomenės parama – sudėtomis aukomis gali savo veiklą palaikti ir plėsti.

1. SLA Tautinė Fondacija yra pagrindinės svarbos Susivienijimo ateitai. Musų jaunają kartą prikviesime prie Susivienijimo ir Jame palaiksime tik tuomet, kai išplėsime fraternalius darbus Susivienijime ir užtikrinimės praktiškas fraternales naudas Susivienijimo nariams.

2. SLA Moksleivių Fonda. Šio fondo pinigais teikiama pagalba Susivienijimo nariams ir narių vaikams aukštajai moksłai baigti. Šio fondo pinigais jau pagelbėta daugeliui Susivienijimo narių aukštajai moksłai pasiekti. Prisiminkite ir šį fonda.

Aukas paskirkite ar parinkite dabar, o pasiūskite tėsiams seimui keliomis dienomis prie seimo atidarymą.

Susivienijimas Lietuviai Amerikoje,

M. J. Vinikas, Sekr.,

307 W. 30-th STREET, NEW YORK 1, N. Y.

Seimo Rengimo Komisijos pranešimas

Zemai telpa Sterling viešbučio kambarių kainos. Delegatai yra prašomi šias kainas įsitęmyti.

Rezervacijos bus bus laikomos iki 6 val. vak.

Bet jeigu kas atvažiuos vėliau, turi viešbučiu pranešti.

Vienas kambaris su maudyne vienam asmeniui \$5.50, \$5.75, \$6.00 ir \$6.50.

Vienas kambaris su maudyne dvim asmenim \$8.00 ir \$8.50.

Vienas kambaris su maudyne dvim ir dvim lovom \$9.00 ir \$9.50.

Vienas kambaris tik su vandeniu vienam asmeniui \$3.75 ir \$4.00.

Vienas kambaris tik su vandeniu dvim asmenim \$6.50 ir \$7.00.

Vienas kambaris su oro atvésinimu vienam asmeniui \$7.00, \$7.25, \$8.50 ir \$11.00.

Vienas kambaris su oro atvésinimu dvim asmenim \$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.00 ir \$14.00.

Apartamentai vienas \$12.00 ir \$13.50, du \$14.00 ir \$16.00.

Kadangi Wilkes Barre viešbučių mažai ir kambariai skaičius apribotas, delegatai prašomi ne vilkinant parašyti rengimo komisijai ir rezervuoti savo kambarius.

Kurie nenorit apsistoti viešbuty, galės gauti kambarius pas privačius žmones. Bus pigiau ir nebus bėdos su automobilių pastatyti.

Kambarių rezervacijos reikalau rašykit:

A. AMBROZAITS,
300 East Northampton Street,
WILKES BARRE, PA.

Istaty Komisijos Paruoštas Naujas Projektas SLA Konstitucijai

Inešimai SLA 48-tam Seimui, Birželio 28 Dieną, 1954 Metais, Wilkes Barre, Pa.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS of the Lithuanian Alliance of America

ARTICLE I. Objects

- a. To cultivate a spirit of fraternity among all persons of Lithuanian ancestry and their friends.
- b. To engage in social, cultural, educational, recreational and charitable activities and establish and maintain institutions therefor.
- c. To provide various classes and plans of insurance and sick benefits for its members.
- d. To promote the ideals of American democracy while perpetuating the language, customs and traditions of the Lithuanian people.
- e. To provide the necessary funds for the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes.

ARTICLE II. Name

The name of this association shall be the "Lithuanian Alliance of America (Susivienijimas Lietuviai Amerikoje), and hereinafter referred to as the "Alliance".

ARTICLE III. Government and Administration

1.—The government and administration of the affairs of the Alliance shall be conducted by its members through their elected officials, Lodges, District Departments, Supreme Executive Board, Insurance, Juvenile Insurance and Sick Benefit Departments, Convention of the Supreme Assembly, Standing Committees and its other committees and authorized deputies.

ARTICLE IV. Membership

1.—There shall be the following classes of membership:

- a. Regular.
- b. Social.
- c. Juvenile.
- d. Honorary.
- e. Insurance.

f. Member at Large.

2.—All reputable persons of Lithuanian ancestry and those related to them, shall be eligible for regular membership.

3.—A lodge may confer social membership upon any person socially desirable.

4.—A person under the age of sixteen years, and who otherwise qualifies as a regular member, shall be known as a juvenile member.

5.—The Supreme Assembly may confer honorary membership upon any person distinguished in the cause of the Lithuanian Alliance of America or the Lithuanian nation.

6.—A member who holds an insurance or sick benefit certificate and for any reason does not contribute to the expense of the management of his lodge and to the general expense fund of the Lithuanian Alliance of America, shall be known as an insurance member.

7.—A member at large is a former regular or social member who has maintained his sick benefit certificate or certificate of insurance in force since the member's withdrawal from his lodge or since the dissolution, and/or suspension of his lodge.

8.—No person shall be admitted as a member of the Alliance who has ever been a member of the Communist Party, or connected in any manner with any group or elements considered by the United States Department of Justice as subversive to the American government.

ARTICLE V. Rights and Duties of Membership

1.—A regular member shall keep his insurance or sick benefit certificate in force, by paying the rates specified in his certificate, in addition to the other dues and assessments that may be levied by his lodge and the Supreme Assembly, when he shall be considered in good standing.

a. A regular member in good standing, shall be entitled to the unqualified right of voice, vote, and office in the Alliance.

2.—A social member in good standing shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a regular member, except that his right of voice and vote and activity shall be restricted to matters pertaining to his local lodge, and his right to hold office limited to the various offices of the local lodge, excepting that of President and delegate to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

3.—A juvenile member, in good standing, shall not be personally entitled to the right of voice, vote and office, except as is provided in Article VI, Section 6.

4.—A member at large shall continue paying all of his dues and assessments as formerly, in which case his monthly assessment as formerly applied to lodge management shall be paid to the relief fund for the functions of the relief committee pursuant to Article XXVIII, Section 1 and 2.

5.—An honorary member, or an insurance member, shall have none of the corresponding privileges, rights and duties of a regular and social member, except that the insurance member shall keep his insurance of sick benefit certificate in force, by payment of the premiums and assessments according to the provisions of his certificate and these Constitution and By-Laws.

6.—All members shall faithfully abide by the various laws of the Lithuanian Alliance of America, remaining loyal to its established principles and traditions, and at all times be obliged to conduct themselves honorably.

7.—Except as is otherwise provided herein, a member holding an insurance or sick benefit certificate shall be entitled only to those benefits as are provided in his certificate.

8.—Each member shall further the interest of the Alliance and protect it and its members at all times.

9.—A social member may procure a sick benefit or insurance certificate by submitting his written application therefor, whereupon his application shall be processed in the manner set forth in Article VI, Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, according to the nature of the application.

10.—Each member shall remain actively affiliated with his lodge, except as is provided in Article VI, Section 7.

ARTICLE VI. Admission of Members

1.—A person may be admitted as a regular member after written application to a lodge and upon recommendation of at least two members in good standing when the member's application will be presented to a lodge meeting for approval.

2.—If approved by the lodge, he shall make application either for a sick benefit or a non-medical insurance certificate, when his approved membership application, together with his

insurance application, and the applicant's declaration of insurability, accompanied by the necessary fees, shall be forwarded to the office of the Supreme Secretary.

3.—If approved for membership, and the member makes application for a medical type of certificate, he shall be notified to appear for a physical examination before a designated medical examiner, when the applications, the medical examiner's report, accompanied by the necessary fees, shall be forwarded to the office of the Supreme Secretary.

4.—Upon approval by the Supreme Secretary, he shall forward to the applicant's lodge, the certificate for which application was made, together with the notice of applicant's approval, and the lodge, in turn, shall notify the applicant of his approval together with notice that the applicant present himself at a subsequent meeting of the lodge for induction and formal admission as a regular member into the Alliance, after which induction according to the established ritual of the Alliance, he shall be enrolled as a regular member of the Alliance, at which time the applicant's sick benefit of insurance certificate shall be delivered to him.

5.—A person may be admitted as a social member in accordance with the procedure established by the by-laws of the lodge.

6.—A person may be admitted as a juvenile member by complying with the provisions of Article _____, Section _____ except that any act or matter required of the applicant may be performed by the owner of the certificate, as determined under the provisions of Article XVII, Section 7, hereof.

7.—A regular or social member, in good standing, or the holder of a sick benefit or insurance certificate, upon petition of the Supreme Executive Board, in accordance with the procedure for admission of members at large, as established by the Supreme Executive Board, may be admitted as a member at large.

ARTICLE VII. Lodges

1.—The lodges presently in existence, and heretofore established by the Supreme Assembly under the charter and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby recognized and re-established, and shall continue their existence under the same charter, in the same name and designation as formerly.

2.—Upon written petition to the Supreme President, of at least five persons who meet the qualifications for admission into regular membership, indicating their desire to form a new lodge, accompanied by petitioner's written application for regular membership, the Supreme President shall certify the said petition and application either to one of the officers of the District Department within which petitioners reside, or appoint some regular member as his deputy to perform all of the acts and matters required by Article 6, Section 2, Section 3, and thereafter report the induction and admission of such petitioner's lodge to the Supreme President.

3.—The Supreme President will thereupon issue a charter to such newly organized lodge.

4.—The existence of such new lodge shall begin upon the induction and admission of the petitioners as regular members by the Supreme President, his appointed deputy, or a district departmental officer appointed by the Supreme President.

5.—New lodges may be organized and/or a charter for a new lodge will be granted where the petition contains more than two names of present regular members in good standing, and the names of regular members exceeding two appearing on such a petition, will be disregarded and stricken, except that the Supreme Executive Board, in special instances, may recognize such a petition executed by regular members.

6.—Each lodge shall make its own laws and adopt its rules of order, but, nevertheless, subject to and not in conflict with those Constitution and By-Laws, the acts and decisions of the Supreme Executive Board, and the Convention of the Supreme Assembly; where no rules of order are adopted, Roberts Rules of Order shall govern, except as is otherwise herein provided.

7.—Each lodge may adopt and use its own seal.

8.—Each lodge shall elect the following officers for a term of one year: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and a Sick Committee to perform the duties provided in Article XXXIX Section 25 & 27; and such additional officers as the lodge in its by-laws may provide.

9.—Notice of the time, date and place of elections shall be given each regular and social member in good standing at least one week prior to the date thereof.

10.—A lodge shall notify the Supreme President and the district officers of the date for the installation of lodge officers.

11.—Lodge having a membership of ten members or less, shall be entitled to be represented by one delegate in the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, provided that a lodge will be entitled to be represented by one additional delegate for each additional twenty members.

12.—The Supreme President, the President of the District Department within which the lodge conducts its business or an appointed deputy of the Supreme President, shall install the lodge officers, thereafter submitting in duplicate, a report of the installation to the Supreme Executive Board, except as is provided in this Article, Section 2 as relating to new lodges.

ARTICLE VIII. Delegates' Qualifications and Duties

1.—A regular member whose sick benefit or insurance certificate shall have been in force for at least one year, and has been enrolled in his lodge or district department, in good standing, for at least six months, shall be eligible to represent his lodge as a delegate to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

2.—The election of such a delegate shall occur at least forty-five days prior to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, but not sooner than ninety days prior to the said Convention.

3.—A delegate shall be elected in the manner provided for the election of regular lodge officers.

4.—A delegate shall hold office from the date of the Convention of the Supreme Assembly to which he is elected, until the succeeding biennial Convention.

5.—When the office of delegate is vacated for any cause, the electing lodge shall substitute another delegate to fill such vacancy.

6.—Delegates shall be certified in the manner and form as prescribed by the Executive Board.

7.—A delegate shall properly represent his lodge in compliance with the rules adopted by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly and, if elected, serve on any of the committees of the said Convention or as a Trustee of the National Foundation of the Lithuanian Alliance of America, in the administration of the affairs of such foundation, when elected pursuant to Article XXXVI, Section 6 & 8.

ARTICLE IX. Duties of Lodge Officers

1.—The President of the lodge shall preside at the lodge meeting and enforce these Constitution and By-Laws, the rules, regulations, decisions and laws of the Alliance.

2.—The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in his absence.

3.—The Recording Secretary shall maintain a record of the minutes of the business of the lodge meeting.

4.—The Financial Secretary shall maintain a complete record of the lodge membership, collect the various dues, assessments and other fees and penalties from the members, transmit same to the lodge Treasurer, and report any delinquent members at each lodge meeting.

5.—The lodge Treasurer shall at each meeting receive moneys collected by the Financial Secretary together with the other lodge receipts and income, make proper disbursement thereof, and report the condition of the treasury, at the lodge meeting, providing that he transmit such money received for or on account of the Alliance, to the Supreme Treasurer thirty days after receipt.

6.—The officers shall perform such other duties as required of them by the lodge by-laws, and the other applicable provisions herein contained.

ARTICLE X. District Departments

1.—A District Department shall be comprised of at least two lodges, provided, however, not more than one District Department may be organized and chartered in a geographical area of an already chartered and actively functioning District Department.

2.—The District Department officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as the District Department may provide within its by-laws.

3.—Such officers abovementioned, shall be elected at a district meeting consisting of delegates representing its member lodges in accordance with the procedure to be adopted and prescribed by the Supreme Executive Board.

4.—The District Department shall possess the following powers, rights and duties:

a. To install the lodge officers of its various lodges when any of its officers are deputized by the Supreme President.

b. To conduct initiation ceremonies of members.

c. To conduct investigations of membership, officers, and other matters, upon request of the Supreme Executive Board or any of the officers thereof, or the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

d. To submit a report of the District Department's activities and any recommendations for the good of the Alliance, to the Supreme Executive Board at the close of each fiscal year.

5.—District Departments shall pay an assessment of two dollars (\$2.00) per annum into the expense fund of the Lithuanian Alliance of America, for each member lodge.

6.—District Departments may levy dues and assessments against its member lodges but not exceeding three dollars (\$3.00) per annum per lodge.

7.—District Department meetings election of officers, shall be conducted at the time, place, and in the manner as provided within its by-laws.

8.—A district may adopt its separate by-laws providing for a quorum for the conduct of its meetings, qualifications of officers, and all other organizational matters, subject, however, to the regulation, supervision, and approval of the Supreme Executive Board and/or the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

9.—Districts shall have the right of representation in the Convention of the Supreme Assembly and shall be entitled to elect one delegate for each ten member lodge or fraction thereof.

10.—Election of delegates to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly shall be in the manner as provided for election of other District Departmental officers.

ARTICLE XI. State Departments

1.—A State Department may be organized in any state of the United States wherein the Lithuanian Alliance of America is chartered or licensed to transact its business, provided such state has functioning within its boundaries, at least two District Departments but subject to such rules and regulations, respecting the organization of State Departments, as the Supreme Executive Board, with the approval of the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, shall adopt.

2.—Section 2.—A State Department shall not be entitled to representation in the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

ARTICLE XII. Supreme Officers of the Alliance, Qualifications, Elections, Vacancies

1.—The supreme officer of the Alliance shall be:

a. Supreme President

b. Supreme Vice-President

c. Supreme Secretary

d. Supreme Treasurer

e. Supreme Medical Examiner

2.—A candidate for any of the supreme offices of the Alliance shall possess the following qualifications:

a. Regular membership in the Alliance, continuously and in good standing for a period of at least five years.

b. Citizenship of the United States, at the time of his election.

c. Must not have been elected to the Standing Committee on Elections at the last biennial Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

d. Shall never have been a member of the Communist Party, or connected in any manner with any group or elements considered by the United States Department of Justice as subversive to the American government.

e. Must be the holder of a sick benefit certificate and of a certificate of insurance for the face amount of at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), this provision, however, shall not be construed to disqualify any member who because of age or ill health is presently unable to increase his insurance coverage to the face amount of at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

3.—Each supreme officer of the Lithuanian Alliance of America, nominated and elected by a general vote of the duly qualified regular members of the Alliance, while present at the sessions of the lodge election meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4, et seq. of this Article, shall hold office for a term of two years and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified.

4.—The candidate for each of the respective offices shall be nominated in the lodges by a general vote of the duly qualified regular members while in attendance during the lodge election meeting, before the election year Convention of the Alliance during the month of November.

5.—The three candidates receiving the largest number of votes in the nominations for the respective office and each possessing the required qualifications shall be put on ballot for a second vote of the members during the month of April, provided that no member receiving less than three percentum of the general vote may be placed on the ballot for

final election, and the candidate receiving the largest number of votes during the second voting shall be considered as elected.

6.—The elections shall otherwise be conducted according to the rules, regulations and procedures to be adopted and prescribed by the Standing Committee on Elections, pursuant to the provisions of Articles XXIX, Section 1 et seq.

7.—The Convention may refuse to confirm the officers so elected, by a majority of two-thirds of its vote, and elect another officer or officers in his or their places.

8.—In the event of a vacancy occurring in any of the offices above described, for any cause whatsoever, such vacancy shall be filled by the Committee on State of Emergency, upon call of the Committee on Audit, after due notice to each of its said members, which meeting shall be held in the executive office of the Alliance, at 307 West Thirtieth Street, New York, New York.

a. In filing such vacancy, the member receiving the next largest number of votes at the previous election for that office, shall have a preference to fill the office.

b. The term of office of the member elected to fill such vacancy, shall extend to the next biennial Convention.

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ARTICLE XVI.
Duties of the Supreme Treasurer

- 1.—The Supreme Treasurer shall have the following duties:
 - a. To deposit the money and liquid assets of the Alliance in such depository or depositories as may be designated by the Supreme Executive Board, or by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.
 - b. To pay all orders regularly drawn by the Supreme President, Executive Board or by special direction of the Supreme Assembly in convention.
 - c. To pay all insured benefits by forwarding to the Treasurer of the claimant's lodge, a check payable to the beneficiary with the necessary instructions for obtaining the benefit certificates if the member is deceased, and necessary receipts from the beneficiary, and to notify the Financial Secretary of the lodge of the forwarding of the same.
 - d. To present his books to the auditor or auditors at least twice a year, for examination when requested by the Committee on Audit.
 - e. He shall report to the Supreme Executive Board quarterly, the amount of receipts and disbursements, and from whom received and to whom paid.
 - f. To give bond in such sum as shall be fixed by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly or as may be fixed by the Supreme Executive Board, before entering the duties of his office, which bond or bonds shall be furnished within sixty days succeeding his election; and upon the failure of the elected Supreme Treasurer to furnish such bonds, his office shall be declared vacant by the Committee on State of Emergency and such vacancy shall be filled by the said committee in the manner as provided in Article XII, Section 8, and Article XXVI, Section 1 & 2.
 - g. To deliver to his successor in office or to any other person duly authorized to receive the same, all moneys, books and other property of the Alliance, in his possession, at the expiration of the term of his office, or at the time of his resignation or removal therefrom.
 - h. To perform such other duties as are imposed upon him by the within Constitution and By-Laws of the Alliance for the purpose of completely executing the duties of his office.
 - i. To fully report in writing, his acts and activities to the next biennial Convention.

ARTICLE XVII.
Duties of the Supreme Medical Examiner

- 1.—The Supreme Medical Examiner shall have the following duties:
 - a. To review the examinations of the lodge medical examiners and recommend their suspension or removal upon cause.
 - b. To appoint lodge medical examiners with the consent and approval of the lodge, giving preference to members in making such appointments.
 - c. To investigate applicants and material representations contained in their applications.
 - d. To deputize any of the Lodge or District officers to conduct such investigations under his direct supervision.
 - e. To investigate the cause of death or disability of a member.
 - f. To report the result of such investigations to the Supreme Executive Board for appropriate action.
 - g. To fully report in writing his acts and activities to the next biennial Convention.

ARTICLE XVIII.
Duties of the Supreme Trustees

- 1.—The Supreme Trustees shall have the following duties:
 - a. To audit the books of any committee charged with the expenditure of moneys, at least twice a year.
 - b. To cause to be immediately published in the official organ of the Alliance, a written report of each audit.
 - c. To make a complete report covering the entire term of their office, to the Supreme Assembly at next Convention.
 - d. To examine and pass upon all the orders drawn on the Supreme Treasurer for payment of current expenditures.
 - e. To the right of access at any and all times to all of the books and papers of any or all of the officers of the Supreme Executive Board, and of the committees thereof.
 - f. To the right of examination of all papers, books, moneys and securities belonging to the Alliance.

ARTICLE XIX.
Supreme Executive Board

- 1.—All of the officers set forth in Section 1 of Article XII, of these Constitution and By-Laws, when elected in accordance with the provisions of the said article, shall constitute and be known as the Supreme Executive Board of the Lithuanian Alliance of America.
- 2.—The official seal of the Supreme Executive Board shall be at such place as the Executive Board may from time to time direct.

ARTICLE XX.
Powers, Duties and Functions of the Supreme Executive Board

- 1.—The Supreme Executive Board shall be vested with all of the executive authority of the Alliance, and it shall carry into effect the enactments of the Constitution of the Supreme Assembly in its biennial or special conventions, subject to the applicable provisions of these Convention and By-Laws.
- 2.—The Supreme Executive Board shall generally administer the business affairs of the Alliance.
- 3.—In the event of conflict or any inconsistencies between any provisions of these Constitution and By-Laws and the laws of any state in which the Alliance is chartered or licensed to do business, the Supreme Executive Board shall remove such conflict or inconsistencies by proper amendments of the By-Laws, provided, however, that such amendments shall be published in the official organ of the Alliance and thereupon shall become binding upon the Alliance, its members and their beneficiaries, from the date of their publication until the next regular or special convention, at which time they shall be ratified, amended, or repealed.
- 4.—The Supreme Executive Board officers, as members of the Committee on State of Emergency, shall discharge the duties of the said committee, pursuant to the provisions of Article XXXI, Section 1 et seq.
- 5.—The Supreme Executive Board shall prepare new types and classes of sick benefit and insurance certificates, pursuant to the provisions contained in Article XXXVII, and XXXIX.
- 6.—The Supreme Executive Board shall perform the following additional duties:

- a. To execute sick benefit and insurance certificates, thereby binding the Alliance.
- b. To hold in trust all of the assets of the Lithuanian Alliance of America.
- c. To direct, regulate and make all investments.
- d. To cause the Supreme Treasurer and Supreme Secretary to furnish such bonds in such amounts as may have been

fixed by the Supreme Convention, provided, however, that it may decide such bonds as inadequate, demand a bond in a higher amount or amounts; and further provided that such bonds shall be secured from an incorporated security or indemnity association, company or corporation, to be selected by the Supreme Executive Board, at the expense of the Alliance.

e. To pay the officers of the Supreme Executive Board, standing committees, and employees and other properly authorized members of the Alliance such salaries, compensation and expenses as shall be fixed and authorized by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

f. To make such other payments and pay such other bills as shall be necessary to carry on the business of the Alliance.

g. To levy such special assessments upon the various lodges, district departments and state departments, as in its discretion, it may deem necessary.

h. To suspend any lodge, district department or state department found guilty of violating these Constitution and By-Laws, the rules regulations or other decisions of the Alliance, and to take possession of all of the property, books and moneys from the unit so suspended, but belonging to the Alliance.

i. To issue the call, and name the place in the selected city for holding the Supreme Biennial Convention or any special meeting thereof.

j. To hold regular meetings at the times, dates and places as may be determined by it, as well as special meetings called by the Supreme President.

k. To adopt the ritual of the Alliance and prescribe the ceremonies to be used by the Alliance in any of its lodges, district departments or state departments.

l. To exercise original concurrent and appellate jurisdiction of the various causes as provided in Article XIII, Section 1.

m. To ratify the charters granted by the Supreme President, pursuant to the powers vested in him under the provisions of Article XIII, Section 4.

n. To grant charters to district departments and state departments, subject to these Constitution and By-Laws and such further provisions as the Supreme Executive Board may adopt.

o. To regulate and supervise the organization of state departments and district departments as to matters not otherwise provided herein.

p. To guide and supervise the publication of the official organ.

q. To generally manage and supervise the publication of the official organ of the Alliance.

r. To deliver to the Committee on Audit the books, records, papers and property of the Alliance.

s. To cooperate with the Supreme Trustees and standing committees in the furtherance of their duties and functions.

t. To appoint various committees to aid in the transaction of the Alliance business, from Executive Board members or regular membership generally.

u. To make practicable and applicable, the educational aims of the Alliance, including the publication and dissemination and use of literature distribution of stipends for scholarship to worthy students.

v. To make a complete report of their acts and activities to the next biennial Convention.

w. To suspend and revoke charters of lodges, district departments and state departments.

x. To establish the necessary funds to give effect to the purposes and provisions of these Constitution and By-Laws.

y. To adopt a procedure of admitting members at large, pursuant to the provisions of Article IV, Section 7, maintain a separate roster of membership therefor, and collect and properly apply the said members premiums, dues, and assessments.

z. To render a complete and detailed report of the entire administration of the business and affairs of this Alliance by the Supreme Executive Board, to the biennial Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

ARTICLE XXI.
The Convention of the Supreme Assembly

1.—The Convention of the Supreme Assembly which shall be composed of delegates duly elected by the lodges and district departments pursuant to Article VII, Section II, and Article X, Section 9, respectively, together with the officers of the Supreme Executive Board, shall be the supreme authority in all matters pertaining to the Alliance, subject only to the limitations of the corporate charter, the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and to the laws of the various states in which the Alliance may transact its business.

ARTICLE XXII.
The Convention of the Supreme Assembly
Powers and Duties

1.—The powers and duties of the Supreme Assembly shall be as follows:

- a. To establish lodges and adopt appropriate laws for their government control and operation.
- b. Adopt laws for the government of the membership and its beneficiaries.
- c. To separately maintain a mortuary, sick benefit, expense, widow and orphans, relief, and scholarship funds, and other such funds necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Alliance.

d. To levy a tax, dues, penalties and assessments upon the members, lodges, state and district departments, and enact such further measures as may be necessary for their enforcement and collection including the suspension and expulsion of members.

e. To decide all questions of law, procedure, government, business administration and management of the affairs of the Alliance, except as may otherwise be provided herein, and adopt Convention rules for the conduct of the Conventions of the Supreme Assembly.

f. To confirm the biennial referendum results of the election of the officials to the Supreme Executive Board.

g. To do whatever may be necessary for the accomplishment of the purpose of the Alliance as set forth in Article I.

h. To exercise original jurisdiction in cause involving violations of the laws of the Alliance membership, election of officers and their qualifications, matters of organization and conduct of the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, matters of organization and operation of lodges, state and district departments.

i. To exercise appellate and concurrent jurisdiction in matters relating to trials of members and other issues arising in a lodge, district departments, Committee on Elections, and issues pertaining to the Executive Board.

j. To fix and determine the salaries, compensation or expenses payable to any of the officers of the Alliance, its standing committees, employees, or any other person engaged by the Alliance, including the Editor of the official organ of the Alliance.

k. To interpret and to decide all questions of law under these Constitution and By-Laws, and rules of the Alliance, providing that this power remain delegated to the Supreme Executive Board during the interim of Conventions, subject to

the ratification of the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

l. To elect the Editor of the official organ of the Alliance, who, in the interim of Conventions, shall be under the complete supervision of the Supreme Executive Board.

ARTICLE XXIII.

Convention of the Supreme Assembly,
Place and Date of Biennial Conventions
Special Conventions

1.—The Supreme Assembly shall convene biennially in the place designed by the convention in the months of June, July or August.

2.—A special Convention of the Supreme Assembly shall be called by:

a. a petition signed by two-thirds of the Executive Board members.

b. petition signed by one-third of all the members of the Supreme Assembly.

c. a petition signed by one-third of all active lodges.

3.—In the event of a special Convention, all the delegates to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, shall be notified in writing of any and all propositions that will be brought up at the special Convention, and no other business shall be transacted except that for which the special Convention is called.

4.—Each Convention of the Supreme Assembly shall adopt its own convention rules pursuant to and under which, the business of the Convention shall be conducted.

5.—At least one-third of the registered delegates to the Convention of the Assembly shall constitute a quorum for the opening of the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, providing there are registered at least twenty-one delegates representing no less than ten lodges.

ARTICLE XXIV.
Standing Committees of the Alliance

1.—At each biennial Convention of the Alliance, there shall be elected for the term of two years, the following standing committees, each consisting of three members: Committee on Laws, Committee on Audit, Committee on State of Alliance, Grievances and Appeals, Committee on Relief, Committee on Elections, Committee on Youth Activities, and Committee on State of Emergency.

2.—The Supreme Vice-President of the Alliance shall be the fourth member of each committee in an advisory capacity. Members of each committee shall hold their office until their successor is elected or appointed.

3.—Unless otherwise provided, the first person named to the committee, shall act as chairman of the committee.

ARTICLE XXV.
Committee on Laws

1.—All matters relating to the amendments, rescissions, repeals or enactment of new laws, rules and regulations, not already delegated to the Supreme Executive Board, shall be referred to the Committee on Laws.

ARTICLE XXVI.
Committee on Audit

1.—The Committee on Audit shall have following duties:

a. To examine the books and records of the Supreme Treasurer and Secretary at any time, and especially when there is a charge of mismanagement of the property of the Alliance or when any reasonable suspicion is aroused in the committee's mind to warrant such an investigation, and if necessary, to engage competent persons to perform such work, and without delay, to report the result of their investigation to the Supreme Executive Board, together with the committee's recommendations.

b. The Committee on Audit, observing any misdemeanor or laxity in the performance of duties by the Supreme Executive Board or any of its members, shall without delay endeavor to establish proper order. If any member of the Supreme Executive Board by acts or wrongful conduct shall wilfully, intentionally, negligently or otherwise fail to discharge his duties and/or violate the laws of the Alliance to the injury of the Alliance, the Committee on Audit shall then at once inform the Supreme Executive Board of its findings and proceed to convene the Committee on State of Emergency with due notice to each of the committee's members, and take the appropriate action pursuant to the power vested in it according to this Article XXXI, Section 1 et seq.

c. The Committee on Audit shall consist of at least three members, and at all times shall be at liberty to perform its duties of audit without intervention by any officer of the Supreme Executive Board.

d. The committee shall make a report in writing of their various acts during the term of their office to the next biennial Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

ARTICLE XXVII.
Committee on State of Alliance,
Grievances and Appeals

1.—All disputes and appeals and grievances not already delegated to the Supreme Executive Board, Convention of the Supreme Assembly, or the Committee on Elections, shall be referred to the Committee on State of Alliance, Grievances and Appeals.

2.—It is the duty of the committee to act promptly and without delay in all matters within the scope of its duty, and immediately report to the Supreme Executive Board or the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, as the case may be, and at the end of its term of office, make a report in writing of all of its acts with any recommendations and suggestions to the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

ARTICLE XXVIII.
Committee on Relief

1.—All appeals for aid of widows and orphans or of distressed members shall be referred to the Committee on Relief.

2.—It shall be the duty of the committee to:

a. Raise funds, which funds shall be held in trust by the Treasurer of the Alliance.

b. To entertain, examine, and investigate all appeals for relief.

c. To distribute the funds for such charities.

d. To publish a complete report of its activities in the official organ of the Lithuanian Alliance of America and to submit a supplemental report to the Supreme Executive Board and the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, with the committee's recommendations.

ARTICLE XXIX.
Committee on Elections

1.—The Committee on Election shall possess the following powers and duties:

a. To prepare and distribute with appropriate instructions, the ballots, tally sheets, return sheets and other material necessary in the various lodges for the conduct of elections for the Supreme office or officers to the Supreme Executive Board pursuant to Article XII, Sections 3 to 7.

b. To adopt a procedure for the selection of the candidate's position on ballots, providing, however, for the right and opportunity of the candidate or his representative to be present and witness the method or procedure adopted.

c. To designate and name the place, manner, form and procedure for complete elections returns, computation and tabulation of ballots, but providing, nevertheless, for the right and opportunity of the various candidates to be present, particularly when the returns are opened, computed and tabulated, with the candidate's or his representative's right to inspection or examination of returns under the supervision of the said committee.

d. To publish in the official organ a complete report of the election, election returns, the committee's functions and activities, including decisions involving election disputes.

e. To exercise jurisdiction in all disputes concerning elections to the office or offices of the Supreme Executive Board, from the decision of which, an agreed candidate shall have the right of appeal only to the next succeeding biennial Convention.

f. To determine the validity of the various ballots and election returns when such ballots or returns are not in proper form or otherwise not in compliance with the official rules, regulations and instructions of the Committee on Elections.

g. To designate and name the place, where custody of all records, material, ballots, tally sheets, returns and other election paraphernalia shall be maintained, providing that such place named or designated shall not be in any of the executive or administrative offices of the Alliance or in the home, office, or other place or places connected with or maintained by any candidate or member officer of the Supreme Executive Board.

h. To censor and approve political advertising submitted for publication by candidates to the official organ of the Alliance, which, when approved by the said committee, will be caused to be published in the said official organ of the Alliance, at the prevailing rates available for regular business advertisers, provided that no matter will be permitted for publication which is of a scandalous or libelous nature, or which attacks the good character of any of the members or officers of the Alliance, but such matter allowed for publication will be confined to subject concerning the candidate's biography, election issues and the candidate's proposed election platform.

i. To do those things necessary to completely supervise and regulate the said elections.

2.—The Convention of the Supreme Assembly shall fix and determine the personal compensation of the members of the committee, and reimburse the committee for the actual expenses incurred in connection with the work of the committee.

3.—The members of the Election Committee shall be elected by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly.

4.—The members of the Committee on Elections, when elected by the Convention of the Supreme Assembly, shall be ineligible and disqualified from holding any office or membership on the Supreme Executive Board, and consequently, shall not

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LANKESI REDAKCIJO

Antradienį, gegužės 11 dieną Tėvynės redakcijoje ir centre lankesi Erdmonas Simonaitis, Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos pirminkas ir VLIKo narys, lydimas dr. M. Brako. Su gerbiama svečiu malonai pasikalbėta apie Mažąją Lietuvą, VLIKo veiklą, artėjant Susivienijimo seimai ir kitais šiu dienų svarbiais reikalais. Daugiau skaitykite pirmame puslapy.

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Penktadienį, gegužės 14 dieną Tėvynės redakcijoje lankesi Juozas Lekys, žymus Susivienijimo ir visuomenės veikėjas iš Boston, Mass. Jis dalyvavo rubisiuvių konvencijoje Atlantic City, N. J., tai grįždamas sustojo New Yorke ir aplankė savo organizacijos organo redakciją, Budamas Atlantic City, jis buvo apsistojęs Susivienijimo vasarnamym.

Prasidėjo Paveikslų Paroda

Gegužės 2 dieną prasidėjo paveikslų paroda "National Arts Club of America oil paintings", ir tesis iki gegužės 31 dienai. Paroda vyksta galerijoje, 15 Gramercy Park, New Yorke, ir buna atdara nuo 3 valandos po pietų iki 6 valandai vakaro.

Parodoje su savo paveikslais dalyvauja ir lietuvių Natalija Jasukynaitė, kurios vienas paveikslas pavidintas "White Bouquets", ji yra narė National Arts Club of America. Sekančią vasarą Jasukynaitė mano surengti savo paveikslų parodą Susivienijimo vasarnamymje, Atlantic City, N. J. Rep.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Paskutinis Priminimas

Paskutinį kartą primenu, kad Moterų Vienybės pavašarinis balius įvyks ši penktadienį, gegužės 21 diena, Showboat Banquet Hall, 814 Jamaica Avenue. Pradžia 8:30 valandą vakare.

Visi, kurie mylėt gražius parengimus ir norite smagiai pasižiūti, nepraleiskite šio pavašarinio Moterų Vienybės balius, ned tokie ballai, kokių surengta moterys, nes dažnai pasitalko. Bus gera orkestra šokiams. Koresp.

Aymano Naujas Adresas

SLA 38 kuopos pirminkas ir organizatorius, Jonas Aymanas, nuo gegužės 1 dienos persikelė gyventi į naują vietą. Turintieji su juo kokius nors reikalus, rašykite sekancių: Jonas Aymanas, 35 Franklin Avenue, Lynbrook, L. I., N. Y. (Grant Park). Telefonas LY 3-9536.

Sukurė Lietuvišką Seimą

Dr. Justas Petkevičius, Lietuvos Universiteto prof. Tado Petkevičiaus sunus, praeita savaitė vedė Nijolą Kemežio. Medaus mėnesius jaunieji išvyko į Pensylvanijos kalnus.

Operetės Choras Atgijo

Paskutiniu metais Operetės chorą visi persiorganizavo ir keitė dirigentus, todėl chorui likdavo maža laiko dainoti. Dabartiniam vedėjui J. Stankuniui pavyko chora parengti koncertui, kuris įvyko gegužės 2 dieną Schwaben Hall salėje. Dainos skambėjo nebilogai. Buvo matyt, kad chorai nuoširdžiai padirbėjo. Chorai esama geru bal-

s. Jau dabar pradėto darbo nereikėtų nutraukti. Choras kviečia naujus dainininkus ir reikia tikties ju sulaiku.

Koncerte dalyvavo Lietuvos operos solistė M. Nainytė-Dobužinskienė, kuri gražiai ir padainavo keletą dalykų. Jauna pianistė Ir. Stankunaitė vykusi atliko savo trumpprogramą.

Bet Vitalis Žukauskas, senai matytas Brooklynė savo nauju repertuaru malonai nustebino. Artistas įgavo formą ir musų parengimams jis darosi pageidaujanas ir reikalingas. Tr.

So. Boston, Mass.

Paminėta Spaudos Atgavimo 50 Metų Sukaktis

Gegužės 9 dieną buvo suročtas parengimas lietuvių spaudos atgavimo 50 metų sukaktai paminėti. Jis įvyko 1 valanda po pietų Municipalių Buildinge. Publikos buvo susirinkę apie 300. Mat tuo pačiu laiku ar kiek vėliau Petrininkai baliaivojo. Kalbėjo vienas senatorius ir prof. Biržiška. Poetas Santvaras skaitė savo poemą. Gustainienė deklamavo eiles. Vyru choras sudainavo kelias dainas.

M. Stakėnas.

Stony Brook, L. I.

Vasarvietės Atidarymas

Pr. Lapienės vasarvietės šio sezono atidarymas įvyks šeštadienį, birželio mėn. 5 dieną. Bus įvairi programa ir geras orkestras šokiams.

Priš programą, 2 valandą po pietų bus pietus. Norintieji juose dalyvauti prašomi pranešti vasarvietės savininkai iki birželio 2 dienai. Pietų kaina \$2.50 asmeniui. Kor.

Chicago, Ill.

ALT Posėdyje Dalyvavo Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos Pirmininkas Erdm. Simonaitis

S. m. balandžio mėn. 28 d. Lietuvos Auditorijoje vakare įvyko Chicagoos ALTO posėdis. Posėdin atvyko šie Tarybos nariai: kun. Ig. Albavicius, T. Blinstrubas, dr. K. Drangeliš, V. Duba, K. Deveikis, J. Dėdinas, P. Gribienė, J. Kondroška, P. Jurkštės, J. Linkuvienė, E. Mikušiūtė, J. Skorubskas, E. Samienė, M. Šimkus, J. Talalas, Br. Tubelis ir A. Valonis.

Posėdis buvo skirtas specialiai Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos pirmininko Erdmone Simonaičio lankymosi Chicagoje Komiteto darbo atskaitai.

I posėdi atvyko pp. E. Simonaitis, Lietuvos konsulas Chicagoje dr. P. Daužvardis, ALTO Vykdomojo Komiteto pirmininkas L. Šimutis ir sekretorius dr. P. Grigaitis, Mažosios Lietuvos draugijos nariai Kujus ir Žiobrys ir svečiai O. Talalienė, dr. Baperčius ir P. Linkus.

Posėdi atidarė ir jam pirmininkavo p. A. Valonis, sekretorius K. Deveikis. Padarius J. Kondroškai pranešimą iš vasario 16 dienos minėjimo surinktų pajamų, sekė E. Simonaičio priėmimo Komiteto vice pirmininkės E. Mikušto atlikų darbų ir po to, komiteto sekretorius T. Blinstrubas perskaitė Mažosios Lietuvos draugijos valdybos padėkos laišką Chicago A. L. T. už rupešnių sutinkant Chicagoje E. Simonaiti.

Spaudos Komisijos pirmininkas J. Talalas padarė pra-

nešimą iš atlikų darbų spaudoje ir pareiškė viešą padėką laikraščiu redaktoriams ir radio valandėlių vedėjams S. Barkus, "Margučiu" ir P. Šaltimieriu už pilnā rēmimā ir lietuvišku reikalu supratimą, kai spaudoje, taip ir per radio lankantis Chicagoje Mažosios Lietuvos Tarybos pirmininkui E. Simonaičiui.

Po to, atitinkamas kalbas Mažosios Lietuvos reikalu paskakstas konsulai dr. P. Daužvardis, dr. P. Grigaitis, L. Šimutis, kun. I. Albavicius ir gale tarė padėkos žodži E. Simonaičiui, atsakymas dar į eilę Mažosios Lietuvos reikalu išskeltą pp. Mikušiūtės ir T. Blinstrubo klausimui.

Pošedžiu pasibaigus įvyko kukiškų atsišvelkinimo pobūvis su išvykstančiu į kitas kolonijas E. Simonaičiui.

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APIE MAŽĄJĄ LIETUVĄ

Kalpėdos Krašto atstovui Erd. Simonaičiui bėsilankant Amerikos lietuvių kolonijoje gal but bus neprošalį prisiminti šį bei tą iš Mažosios Lietuvos praeities. Senesniams lietuvių rūpinosi sužinoti kas yra Mažoji Lietuva. Net ir iš kur kilo tas vardas — Mažoji Lietuva, kai kam nesuprantams. O tai atsitiko tada, kai rusų caras ir Vokietijos kaiseris pasidalino Lietuvą, tada didžioji dalis musų tėvynės atiteko rusams, o mažoji vokiečiams. Tikrumoje nėra ir negali buti tarp abiejų didžiųjų skirtumo — ir viesoje ir kitoje pusėje tokiai pat Lietuva ir tokie pat lietuvių. Bet minėtas istorinis pasidalinimas ir šiandien mus verčia naudoti Mažosios Lietuvos varda, nors toji dalis tebėra neatidalinama nuo Lietuvos motinos ir jos žmonės nieku kitu nesiskiria, kaip tik dalina vokiečių kulturos įtaka, kurios tikslas

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buvo kaip galima greičiau lietuvius nutautinti.

Patys vokiečiai, bent ju mokslininkai, niekad nėbuvo užgesusi. Lietuviai pasiliuko didelais savo tautos patriotais. Ir kai tik susišukė Neprisklausomos Lietuva, Mažosios Lietuvos lietuvių tuoju visom išgačlē stengėsi susijungti su visa Lietuva. Ir žinomas Klaipečios sukilimas negalėjo išvykti, jeigu Klaipečios krašte jis nebėt radęs krašto pritraimino.

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