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Lyndon B. Johnson

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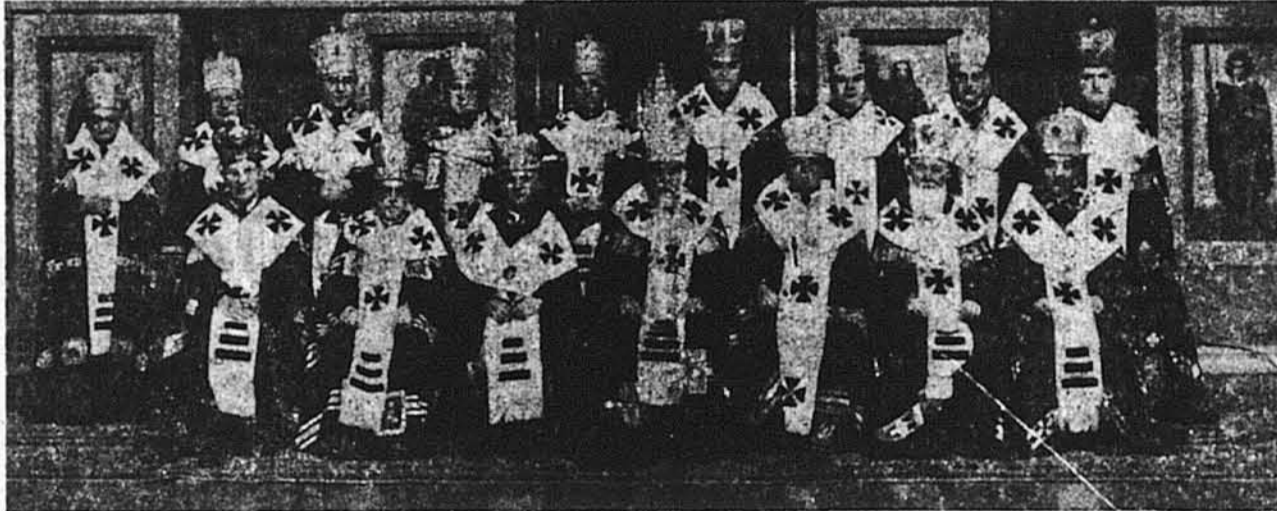
HAPPY NEW YEAR 1966

THE YEAR THAT WAS - 1965

Today and tomorrow will be hailed with noise, joy and tears as New Year's Eve tolls out the departing year and welcomes the new. It is the time of the year when reminiscences intermingle with resolutions, when one and all take stock of what has transpired in the days and months that are now being consigned to history. What kind of a year was it? How did it affect us individually and collectively? Let everyone find his own answer. To ease the mood of recollection, we wish to review some of the events as they took place in our community and as we reported them on the pages of "The Ukrainian Weekly."

- Lyndon B. Johnson, the nation's 36th President by the greatest mandate in the history of American politics, was inaugurated January 20. Offered guidelines for building "The Great Society" in the U.S. Ukrainians throughout the nation and the Free World observed 47th anniversary of Ukraine's independence. U.S. Congress, Governors, Mayors issued proclamations: rallies, concerts held in Ukrainian communities. Archbishop-Major Josyf Slyj named Cardinal along with 26 other Catholic prelates, on January 25. Senator Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois called for the withdrawal of Soviet Russian occupation troops from Ukraine and other captive nations behind the Iron Curtain, and appealed to the U.N. to conduct free elections under its supervision. The resolution was introduced in the U.S. Senate on January 26. On February 5th, the Basilian Fathers of New York announced the launching of a fund-raising campaign for the erection of a Ukrainian Catholic High School here. The goal—\$650,000. Cardinal Slippy officially installed to the College of Cardinals amid traditional splendor on February 22, in St. Peter's Basilica. Three days later, the newly-elevated Cardinal led a large Ukrainian delegation at a special audience with the Supreme Pontiff. Central Plaza in New York was the site of a turbulent public meeting on February 21, regarding contacts with representatives of the Ukrainian SSR visiting this country as part of the cultural exchange program between the U.S. and the USSR. Similar meetings were held in other centers of Ukrainian life on this continent. After much discussion on this extremely delicate and controversial issue, tempers cooled down, reason prevailed. Two-day convention of the Organization for the Defense of Four Freedoms for Ukraine (ODFFU), held in New York February 20-21, elected Ivan Wynnyk as national president. Dr. Lev E. Dobriansky, President of the UCCA, testified on February 25 before the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee on East-West trade. An original and highly impressive concert in honor of Taras Shevchenko attracted thousands to the Brooklyn Academy of Music on March 14. Similar commemorative concerts honoring Ukraine's poet-laureate were held in communities across the nation. UCCA Board of Directors met in New York on March 20 and announced a 10-point program outlining its policy and major objectives that are binding on all member-organizations. President Johnson's policy in Viet Nam endorsed. American astronauts

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHS ISSUE PASTORAL LETTER, EXTEND GREETINGS TO ORTHODOX PRELATES



Ukrainian Catholic prelates at the fourth session of the Ecumenical Council. Seated, left to right: Bishop Neil Savaryn, Archbishop Ivan Buchko, Metropolitan Maxim Hermaniuk, Josyf Cardinal Slippy, Metropolitan Ambrose Senyshyn, Archbishop Gabriel Bukatko, Bishop Isidore Boretsky. Standing, left to right: Bishop Joseph Martynetz, Bishop Volodymyr Malanchuk, Bishop Augustine Horniak, Bishop Platon Korniyak, Bishop Andreu Roboretsky, Bishop Josaph Schmondiuk, Bishop John Prashko, Bishop Andreu Sapelak, Bishop Joachim Segedi. Missing from the photo is Bishop Jaroslav Gabro.

Vatican City. — A long document on the significance of the Ecumenical Council Vatican II in relation to the Ukrainian Catholic Church was made public here in the form of a Pastoral Letter, issued jointly by the Ukrainian Catholic prelates attending the final session of the Council. The letter, dated December 8th—the official day of the Council's closing—was published in the latest issue of "Blahovisnyk" of Archbishop Major of the Byzantine-Ukrainian (Greek-Ruthenian) Rite. Published in the same issue is the message to the Ukrainian Orthodox hierarchy under the title "Greetings to the Orthodox." In the message the Catholic prelates extend "sincere fraternal greetings to the Hierarchs of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church" with assurances of "our joint prayers for you and your faithful in this hour of great historic significance for the entire Christian world and for all mankind."

Citing recent examples of reconciliation and closer relations between Pope Paul VI and Patriarch Athenagoras I, as well as other efforts toward unity of all Christians, the Catholic bishops call on their Orthodox counterparts to "discard the unfortunate past" in the relations of both Ukrainian Churches and to "launch a new era in the true spirit of Christian love and brotherhood." "Let the Ukrainian people," said the letter, "find in our brotherly embrace and our kiss of Christian love a blessed example on the difficult road to unity into one great Christian nation with a glorious past and a bright future." The letter concludes with Christmas and New Year's greetings to the Orthodox clergy and faithful. It is signed by 17 Ukrainian Catholic prelates who were in Rome for the final session of the Ecumenical Council. The Pastoral Letter on the Council discusses at length the decisions adopted in the course of the sessions and promulgated in the form of 16 separate declarations which are binding on all Catholics. The letter, however, goes beyond that in explaining some of the most urgent problems concerning the Ukrainian Catholic Church. The bishops speak out on the question of the calendar, the introduction of vernacular in the liturgy, changes in both the text and the ceremonies. The letter prohibits explicitly the introduction of the Gregorian calendar at this time, except in such cases where spiritual needs of the faithful require it. Permission of the local Bishop and the Apostolic See must be secured first, however, while guaranteeing "full spiritual care and services" to the faithful who wish to abide by the Julian calendar. The Old Church Slavonic will remain as the basic language of celebration, the letter states further. In time and according to the needs, the Ukrainian language will be introduced in the liturgy. The reading of the Gospel in English in the course of the Mass is permitted after the text has been read in Ukrainian. Such prayers as "Our Father" may also be said in English, or any other language, providing permission of the local Ukrainian Catholic Bishop has been secured.

Conference of Ukrainian Financial Institutions Meets In New York

NEW YORK, N. Y. — The Ukrainian community in the United States has spiraled to unprecedented heights of economic growth and financial wealth, according to recent statistical data that were revealed at the 5th annual meeting of the Conference of Ukrainian Financial Institutions of America held here on Sunday, December 12, at the Ukrainian Institute of America. The Conference embraces the four major Ukrainian fraternal benefit societies, the Federal Credit Unions and the Savings and Loan Associations which operate in cities across the United States. Each of the groups forms a separate section of the Conference. In addition to the Ukrainian National Association, the largest of the four fraternal benefit societies with over 85,000 members, others that belong to the Conference are the Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics, the Ukrainian Workingmen's Association and the Ukrainian National Aid Association. Mr. Theofil Kulchitsky, in reporting for the Secretariat of the Conference, disclosed that the organizations represented in the Conference serve close to 185,000 members with a combined total of close to 145 million dollars in assets. The sectional breakdown shows that the fraternal benefit societies have more than 133,000 members with assets approaching the sum of \$47 million. The Savings and Loan Associations have 30,000 members and assets of \$75 million. The "Self-Reliance" Credit Unions have a membership of close to 19,000 with assets totaling more than \$20 million. These financial institutions are growing at a rate of 25 per cent yearly, the report said. Presiding over the meeting was Dr. Walter Gallan, representing the Savings and Loan Associations section. He was assisted by Messrs. Kulchitsky and Ivan Skochylas. Heading the new Secretariat is Mr. Julian Revay, who represents the "Self-Reliance" Credit Unions. He is joined by Mr. Lev Futala, representing fraternal benefit societies, and Dr. Illa Karapinka who represents the Federal Credit Unions. Messrs. Gallan, Skochylas and Kulchitsky were elected to the auditing committee. In the lively discussion on the Conference's future plans it was decided to present a series of public lectures on various economic problems so as to better acquaint the Ukrainian community with the work of the financial institutions. The need for closer cooperation with the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America was also stressed in the course of the discussion. Messrs. A. Batiuk, R. Inyck, P. Bohdansky, Bakovych, W. Mazur, R. Rakowsky, J. Padoch, M. Dolnycky and others voiced their views on the Conference's work and future activities.

Buffalo Students Club Elects Officers, Plans Activities

Buffalo, N. Y. — On November 19, 1965, the Ukrainian American Student Association of Buffalo held its annual meeting at Norton Hall, Student Union at the State University in Buffalo. Jaroslav Sajkewych, on behalf of the outgoing executive committee, thanked the membership for its assistance and support. Dr. M. Hreshchyshyn, advisor to the organization, was present. After establishing the quorum, the membership elected an executive committee headed by Lubomyr M. Zobniw, a graduate electrical engineering student, former president of the Ukrainian American Student Society at Rensselaer and former chairman of the SUSTA commission on pre-collegiate student affairs. Hryhorij Pikas was elected vice-president; Chrysytyna Dziuba and Olha Shepelayev were elected secretaries. Jaroslav Sajkewych was elected treasurer. The following members were elected chairmen of specified committees: organizational affairs — Roman Stasiw; cultural affairs — Bohdan Beizer; Ukrainian studies — Michael Pikas; Social Affairs — Zenon Deputat; pre-collegiate student affairs — Gerrv Bendz; archives — Maria Grega, special Assignments — Vladimir Ostapovych, Tadev Tarnawsky, former three-time president of the Ukrainian Student Association here was unanimously elected chairman of the auditing committee. Members of the press and information committee are: Nadia Tymchuk, Renata B. Wolynec, Andrew Jakubowsky and George Kuzmycz. The official photographer is Ivan Makuch. In his acceptance speech, Mr. Zobniw stated that today, when communist student front groups are doing their utmost to curry the favor of students, it is vital that Ukrainian students render their united services in disseminating (Continued on p. 3)

Ukrainian Scientist to Present Paper at Army Conference

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Peter Shajenko is one of several scientists named to a select group of military and civilian personnel who will present papers at the 1966 Army Science Conference to be held June 14-17 in West Point, N. Y. Mr. Shajenko will present a paper on "Novel laser systems using very high magnetic fields from superconductors." A graduate of Technical University in Germany, Mr. Shajenko holds an M. S. degree in electronics and did graduate work at the Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute. A physicist in the Springfield, Mass., Armory research and engineering division, he came here in July, 1963 from Detroit Arsenal, Mich. An active parishioner of the St. Volodymyr's Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Hartford, Conn., Mr. Shajenko also conducts Ukrainian language courses sponsored by the parish. The 1966 Army Science Conference is being sponsored by the Army Research Office, Department of Research and Development. More than 100 scientific papers are scheduled for presentation before an audience of some 500 senior scientists representing Army research and development laboratories as well as other government agencies. All papers will be judged with authors of outstanding material scheduled to receive honoraria, while meritorious papers will be recognized with the Department of Army certificates of achievement. All papers will be published in the conference proceedings with ultimate wide distribution. NEW CARDINALS MAY BE NAMED SOON ROME, Italy. — Pope Paul VI is expected to call a Consistory soon to create a large number of new Cardinals, according to recent reports from the Vatican. The Consistory may be held at an early time as part of the reorganization plans for administrative commission of the Catholic Church. Reports say the Pope may name as many as 50 new Cardinals. Until the reign of the late Pope John XXIII, the traditional high for Cardinals was 70. But Pope John ignored this tradition, and the number has been climbing with each Consistory. There are currently 103 Cardinals in the Catholic Church.

Prof. Smal-Stocki Heads New Center of Ukrainian Studies

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Prof. Roman Smal-Stocki, of the Catholic University of America, has been elected president of the newly-established Center of Ukrainian Studies at the Ukrainian Catholic Seminary here, it was reported in the Center's bulletin. The election was made at a meeting of the Center's organizational committee held here on December 2. Designated by the Archbishop's Chancery, the committee consisted of the Rev. K. Berdar, Rector of the Ukrainian Catholic Seminary, the Rev. Dr. M. Wojnar, Prof. W. Woronick and Prof. Smal-Stocki, all of the Catholic University of America. Rev. Berdar was elected executive director of the Center. The meeting also decided to formally acknowledge the Archbishop's Chancery's initiative in establishing the Center and to "express our thanks to the Chancery" for this noble endeavor. The Center is designed to train future scholars, educators and specialists in Ukrainian subjects. For this purpose courses will be offered to students of the Seminary and the Catholic University of America here. In doing so, it is felt the Center will acquaint the students with the "rich heritage of Ukraine's Christian culture and the contribution of Ukrainian immigrants to the cultural life of America." The Center's faculty will be supplemented by scholars and educators residing in the nation's capital. Among those already invited to lecture at the Center are Professors Lev E. Dobriansky, Georgetown University, T. Zalutsky, Ho-

NOVAK ASKED TO SERVE ON MAYOR'S COUNCIL

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Mykola P. Novak, one of the most prominent leaders of the Ukrainian community here, has been asked by Mayor Sam Yorty to serve on the Los Angeles Council for International Visitors. In a letter to Mr. Novak, dated December 6, Mayor Yorty said that "in our efforts to improve the hospitality in view of the increasing number of visitors, to heighten understanding with friendly peoples of the world, and to encourage international trade and travel to Los Angeles, it will be appreciated if you will lend your demonstrated abilities to achieve these objectives." It is expected that Mr. Novak will accept the invitation. The letter did not specify as to the time Mr. Novak is expected to serve on the Mayor's Council.





