



The Ukrainian Weekly Section

"...AS WE LEARN TO GO FORWARD TOGETHER AT HOME, LET US ALSO SEEK TO GO FORWARD TOGETHER WITH ALL MANKIND..."
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Soviets Confirm Imprisonment Of Bishop Welychkowsky

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The arrest and imprisonment of Vasyl Welychkowsky, the secretly consecrated Ukrainian Catholic Bishop of Lviv, has been confirmed by a Soviet newspaper, it was reported here last week by the press service of the Ukrainian Supreme Liberation Council.

The Bishop, who, according to earlier reports this year, was arrested by the Soviet Secret Police in January, has been sentenced to three years of imprisonment.

The news of the Bishop's arrest and imprisonment was published in the Russian newspaper "Slava Rodiny" (Glory of the Fatherland) of November 15.

The article, titled "Under the Guise of Religion," says that Bishop Welychkowsky

was sentenced to "only three years" because of his age, health and "humane Soviet laws."

The article cites the Bishop's alleged "anti-regime activity under the guise of religion, which goes back to the days of World War II."

Bishop Welychkowsky was one of more than 1,000 Ukrainian Catholic priests arrested and deported by the Communists shortly after World War II. Since his return he has lived in Lviv on an old-age pension.

The newspaper said that he "continued his illegal activities and tried to establish a political organization which, under the guise of religion, was supposed to conduct ideological and political sabotage in the interest of international imperialism."

New York Community Seeks \$40,000 For "Church in Need"

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The Ukrainian Catholic faithful of New York have launched an all-out campaign last week designed to solicit \$40,000 by the end of the year for the "Church in Need" fund.

Conducted under the patronage of the Most Rev. Joseph M. Schmondiuk, Bishop of the Stamford Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy, the fund-raising campaign had reached a total of \$60,000 prior to last week.

News has reached New York from Rome that the "Church in Need" requires the funds immediately. This prompted a number of the Ukrainian community's leading citizens to call a meeting Friday, December 5, to step up the campaign in the remaining weeks of December.

The fund drive received an auspicious beginning when the Ukrainian Businessmen's Association contributed \$3,000 and three individual persons donated \$1,000 each, in addition to their contributions made earlier this year.

Dr. Michael Lohaza and Dr. Alexander Gudziak, both from Syracuse, N.Y., and Joseph Lesawyer made the individual contributions in response to the appeal from Rome.

Yaroslav Pastushenko, president of the Businessmen's Association and treasurer of the Society for the Patriarchal System of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, opened and conducted the meeting held at the Ukrainian National Home here.

The purpose and the urgency of the campaign were discussed by Mr. Lesawyer. After an exchange of views on the matter, Mr. Erast Kuryowky, the fund drive's treasurer, proposed that the campaign be renewed immediately with the goal of \$100,000 set for end of the year.

So far a total of \$62,000 has been sent from New York state to the office of Archbishop-Major Josyf Cardinal Slipyj in Rome.

The meeting also named a special committee to prepare a draft project for the creation of a nationwide committee to be in charge of the fund for the "Church in Need" and the patriarchal fund.

Named to the committee were the following: Messrs. Pastushenko, Lesawyer, A. Miliachyk, Dr. S. Woroch, P. Pucilo, Dr. R. Osinchuk, J. Scherbanliuk and R. Hublewch.

UNA Branch in Chicago Marks Dual Anniversary

CHICAGO, Ill. — The 75th anniversary of the Ukrainian National Association and the sixtieth jubilee of one of its branches, the Holy Virgin Society Branch 259, were marked here Sunday, November 16, at a festive banquet.

The festivities began with the celebration of Divine Liturgy at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. A banquet followed in the school auditorium.

The invocation was delivered by Rev. Nestor Fedica. Mrs. Julie Guglik, Branch secretary, opened the celebration with a cordial welcome to all attending and introduced Mr. Constantine Magioris, the master of ceremonies.

Mr. Magioris related a brief history of the Branch. The Branch was founded in 1909, with Mr. Ivan Lesyshyn as the first president, Mr. Omelan Skorodynsky the

first secretary and Paul Hnatko the first treasurer.

Mr. Magioris introduced the Supreme Officers present. Those attending were Mr. John Ewanchuk, Supreme auditor, Mrs. Helen Olek, and Mr. Taras Shpikula, Supreme Advisors, Mr. Nicholas Olek, representing UNA's Chicago District Committee, and Mrs. Stephanie Pucilo, wife of the Supreme Treasurer, were also in attendance. Mr. Ewanchuk spoke and offered his congratulations to the Branch on behalf of the Home Office. Mr. and Mrs. Olek also extended their congratulations.

The highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of gifts to honored members. Mr. Michael Oblaczynsky, who joined the UNA in 1910, was designated the Senior Citizen of the Branch. Sharing the same honors is Mrs. Maria Troc who entered the UNA in 1916.

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Prof Brings Back Bleak View of Soviet

URBANA, Ill. — "My idea is that there is no communism or socialism in the Soviet Union, but only government capitalism," Ihor Shankovsky, assistant professor in the Department of Foreign Languages at Southern Illinois University, told Ukrainian students Friday, November 4, at the University of Illinois.

"The government sets prices and wages. You can't go to a competitor for lower prices or higher wages because there are no competitors," Prof. Shankovsky explained. "Therefore, an elite group of officials lives comfortably while the people live poorly."

Prof. Shankovsky, showing slides from his trip to Ukraine and the USSR last summer, spoke before the Ukrainian Student Association. He was the leader of a Russian language study tour group from Southern Illinois University.

In Moscow and Leningrad, where he studied for a month,

Prof. Shankovsky saw a line at every public facility, walls in newly-constructed buildings falling apart, high prices and limited varieties and quantities of most products.

In Kiev, the situation did not seem quite so bad. The stores had a larger selection, the streets were cleaner and there were fewer lines. Prof. Shankovsky said he believes the reason could be to keep the restless Ukrainians from complaining too much.

He added, however, "I was there a short time and it is difficult to form an opinion." Prof. Shankovsky spent four days in Kiev.

Speak Russian

Nevertheless, he noticed Russian was used extensively in Kiev, especially in the university and in the stores.

The group's guide, a Russian student, tried to keep them from meeting the local people. If he saw anyone conversing with the citizens he would quickly interrupt and suggest something to do or see, said the professor.

"You can't see anything on your own," Prof. Shankovsky said. The official tours would last until late in the evening. When the bus returned to the hotel on the outskirts of Kiev where the group was staying, the guide would announce "free time."

"Of course," Prof. Shankovsky said, "everybody was too exhausted to go anywhere." He found it ironic that officials everywhere were

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To Show Film of St. Sophia Blessing in Rome

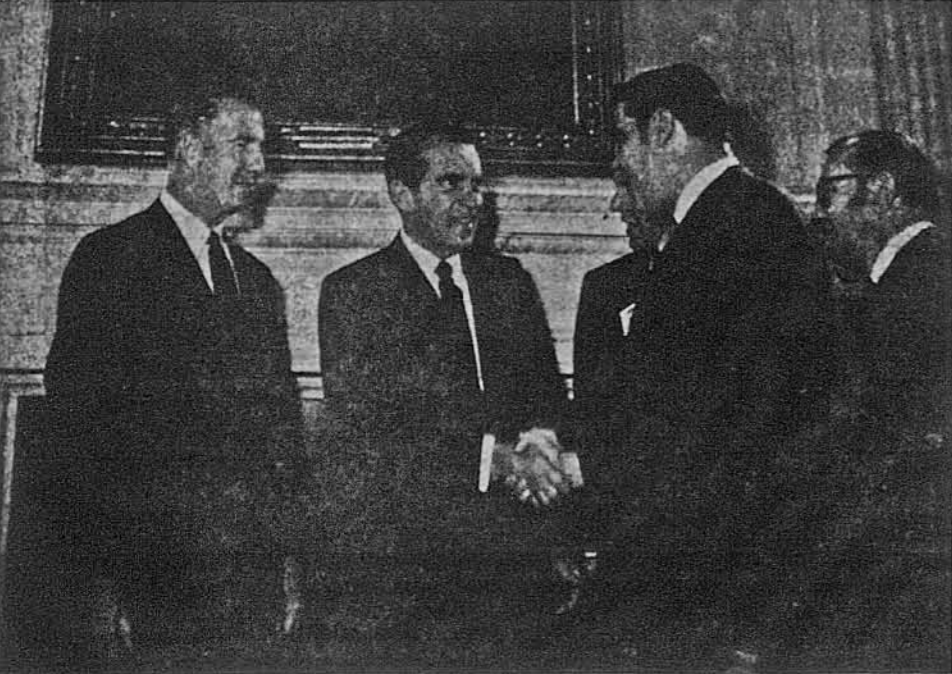
NEW YORK, N.Y. — The memorable events of last September in Rome, climaxing in the majestic ceremonies of the consecration of St. Sophia, are depicted in a color film, produced by Yaroslav Kulynych, noted Ukrainian cinematographer.

The two-hour sound production will be shown for the first time today and tomorrow in New York. The first two showings are scheduled for 5 and 7 p.m. tonight at the Ukrainian National

Home. On Sunday the film will be shown at St. Michael's school auditorium in Yonkers, N.Y., also at 5 and 7 p.m.

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Nixon, Agnew Meet Ukrainian GOP Leaders



In an effort to establish closer ties with ethnic communities, President Richard M. Nixon, Vice-President Spiro T. Agnew and other high-ranking officials of the administration met with leaders of 29 groups at a two-day conference in Washington, D.C., October 30-31. The groups comprise the Heritage (Nationalities) Division of the GOP National Committee which sponsored the conference. Photo above shows President Nixon meeting Myron B. Kuropas, president of the Ukrainian National Republican Federation, as Vice-President Agnew looks on. Waiting his turn behind Mr. Kuropas is Peter Pucilo, UNA Supreme Treasurer.

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ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL

SASKATOON, Sask. — Morris T. Chernesky, a Ukrainian barrister and solicitor, was elected to the city council of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, in the November 5th civic elections. He is the first person of Ukrainian descent to be elected to civic office in that city.

Mr. Chernesky has served as president of the Saskatoon Bar Association. He is now president of the New Community Savings and Credit Union Ltd., a Ukrainian credit union in the city of Saskatoon. Mr. Chernesky is married and has three children.

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE MARKS TENTH ANNIVERSARY

CARDINAL DE FURSTENBERG ATTENDS LITURGY AND BANQUET AS POPE'S ENVOY — DEMONSTRATORS AT CATHEDRAL PROTEST ABSENCE OF CARDINAL SLIPIY — UCCA DELEGATION SUBMITS MEMORANDUM ON PATRIARCHATE TO CARDINAL AT AUDIENCE

Cardinal De Furstenberg Voices Views on Catholic Patriarchate

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — The creation of the Ukrainian Catholic patriarchate, sought by thousands of the Ukrainian Catholic faithful the world over, was described by the Prefect of the Sacred Congregation for the Eastern Churches as an "extremely complicated question" whose ultimate resolution rests with the Supreme Pontiff "and/or the Ecumenical Council."

His Eminence Maximilian Cardinal de Furstenberg, in Philadelphia for the tenth anniversary observances of the Ukrainian Catholic Metropolitan See, discussed the various aspects of the problem with the 10-member delegation of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America at a special audience here Saturday, December 6.

The audience was arranged by Archbishop-Metropolitan

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — consisting of Mr. Kachmar, president, Dr. Roman Osinchuk, who headed the delegation of the Ukrainian faithful at the Synod of Bishops in Rome, and Prof. Miroslaw Labunka, was received at an audience by Metropolitan Senyshyn Thursday, December 4. Also taking part in the conference were Msgr. M. Fedorowich and Msgr. Basil Lothen. A major question under discussion was the demand that the Metropolitan sign the decisions adopted by the Synod of the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops held last October in Rome.

Some of the demonstrators reportedly arrived here from Chicago, Cleveland, Baltimore, Washington, New York, Newark, Passaic, Toronto and several cities in Connecticut.

Fill Cathedral

The recently-erected Cathedral, which has a seating capacity of 1,200 with additional space for 1,000 standees, was filled to capacity. Metropolitan Senyshyn celebrated the Solemn Liturgy with Bishops Joseph M. Schmondiuk, of the Stamford Eparchy, and Jaroslav Gabro, of the Chicago Eparchy.

Cardinal de Furstenberg and John Cardinal Krol, of Philadelphia, took part in the services and the procession prior and after the Liturgy, along with their entourages and the Ukrainian Catholic clergy. Metropolitan Stephen Kocisko of the Byzantine Rite Catholic Church was also present.

Along with the Apostolic blessings, conveyed by Cardinal de Furstenberg, Pope Paul VI sent a special message of greeting to Metropolitan Senyshyn, the clergy and faithful. The Supreme Pontiff sent a chalice to Metropolitan Senyshyn as a gift on the occasion of the Archeparchy's tenth anniversary.

Another overflow crowd of some 500 guests took part in the 3 p.m. banquet at McAllister's Hall. The welcome remarks were rendered by Msgr. Michael Fedorowich, chancellor of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. The banquet's toastmaster was Msgr. Walter Paska, vicar general of the Chicago Eparchy.

Responding to Cardinal de Furstenberg, who was the principal speaker, was Metropolitan Senyshyn. Bishop Schmondiuk delivered the invocation, while Bishop Gabro offered the benediction at the conclusion of the banquet. Scores of guests, both religious and secular, were introduced by Msgr. Paska.

Entertaining the guests in the course of the afternoon was St. Basil's Seminary Choir under the direction of Prof. Alexander Bernyk.

PLAN EXPANSION

IRVINGTON, N.J. — The Ukrainian Community Center here has received the long-sought approval from the local city council for expansion and large-scale remodeling.

The Center's board of directors, headed by Nicholas Semanyshyn, is now in the process of raising the necessary funds. Plans call for construction to begin next spring.

Memorandum

December 6, 1969

His Eminence Maximilian Cardinal de Furstenberg
Prefect of the Sacred Congregation for the Eastern Churches
c/o The Most Reverend Ambrose Senyshyn
Metropolitan of the Ukrainian Catholic Church
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Your Eminence:

We, the delegation of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA), representing over 2 million American citizens of Ukrainian origin, are honored and grateful to you for granting us this special audience during your first, and we hope not last, visit to the United States of America.

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America is a national representation of some 1,200 Ukrainian American organizations—fraternal lodges, veterans, women's and youth associations, political and community societies and groups, cultural, scientific, sports, student and charitable and relief associations—all bound together to preserve their Ukrainian cultural and religious heritage and to help their kinsmen in enslaved Ukraine.

Our organization is not a religious society, and although the majority of its membership is Catholic, it includes a substantial number of the faithful of other religions, namely Orthodox, Protestant and Evangelical.

Purpose of the Audience

The overall purpose of our audience with You, Your Eminence, is to present this Memorandum which deals, we believe, with a very important issue of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, an integral part of the Church of Christ.

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A delegation of the Society,

Syracuse: A Student Hromada at Work

By ANDRIJ BILYK

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Bilyk is the newly elected SUSTA vice-president in charge of press and information. He is a graduate of Syracuse University's School of Journalism.

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — The Ukrainian Student Hromada at Syracuse University is quite active this year — whether it is enjoying a party with another Club, cooking supper for foreign students, or teaching folk dancing to an entire Ukrainian community.

According to 25-year-old Theodor Kostyuk, physics doctoral candidate and Hromada member the past four years, "the club has become more active and diversified over the years as each semester we have more students willing to do the work."

Radio Program

Kostyuk's contribution was the coordination of a radio program honoring Ivan Kotlarevsky aired November 16

by radio station WHEC here. Last year Kostyuk interviewed the Ukrainian author-satirist Mykola Ponedilok, also for a radio program.

Hromada president is 22-year-old Raya Krawec, a Syracuse graduate now working for the welfare department while taking night education courses. Vice-president is sophomore Andrea Oleksiw of Kerhonkson, N.Y., secretary is Bohdanna Hapij, a junior at Le Moyne College, Syracuse, who is majoring in biology; and treasurer is Bonnie (Olha) Lassen, a senior at Syracuse majoring in English. Bonnie is presently taking Ukrainian language courses at the university.

Nila Martyniuk, a freshman from Passaic, N.J., studying international relations,

is responsible for seeing that rooms are reserved for meetings and notices of meetings get into the Daily Orange, the campus newspaper.

According to Miss Krawec, the Hromada now has 26 listed members of which 16 usually come to meetings which are held at least once every three weeks at the International Student House of the University.

All Ukrainian youth organizations in Syracuse are represented in the Hromada, and students from surrounding colleges such as Le Moyne, Auburn Community, and Onondaga Community belong to the Syracuse University Hromada, Miss Krawec said.

According to the president, the Hromada, officially known as the Syracuse University Ukrainian Club, is a bonafide member of the International Student Organization

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