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COSSACKS COME TO UNION

GEN. PLATOFF'S DON COSSACK CHORUS AND DANCERS TO PERFORM

The most enterprising cultural event of the year will take place on Sunday Evening, March 31st in the Union High School Auditorium on Morris Avenue in Union at 8:00 P.M.

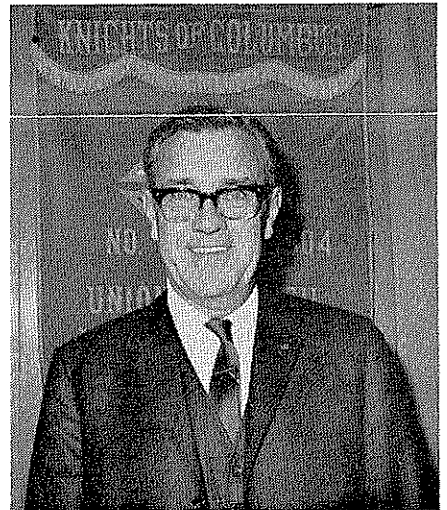
Union Council Knights of Columbus proudly present the Don Cossack Chorus and Dancers in Concert. This fabulous and talented group have performed in six continents in over 65 countries. Season after season the dashing Cossacks sing their musical journeys across the land, winning new fans, pleasing old ones and stirring all with their unique brand of entertainment.

The proceeds of this concert will be for the benefit of our Council Charity Fund. Every member is asked to co-operate by mailing their checks immediately, and assuring

themselves seats. Tickets are reasonably priced at \$3.00 a piece.

Please solicit your friends, neighbors and relatives, so they too may enjoy this tremendous evening of family entertainment. Additional tickets may be obtained from:

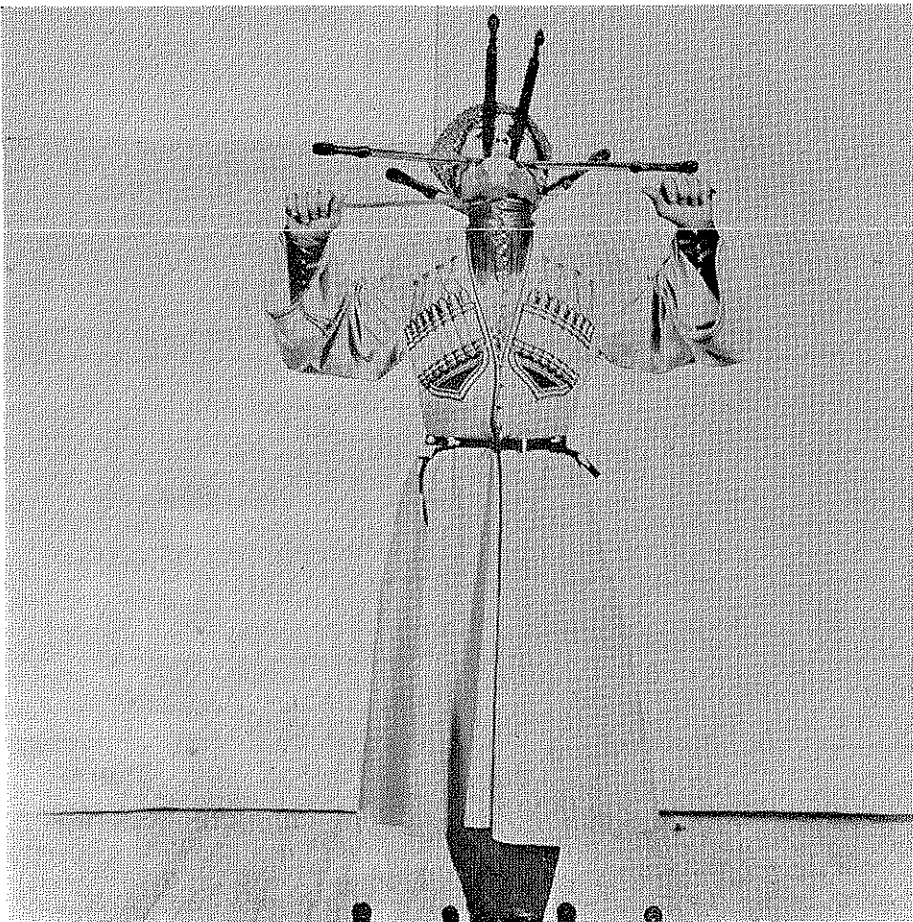
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DENNIS J. BURKE, D.D.

In this busy life we lead, we meet many and varied personalities. All too often, in our haste to rush through what should be a measured and heart-warming experience, we fail to savor the taste of true friendship and fraternity that is constantly at our beck and call — ours simply for the asking. The gourmet however, knows that in District Deputy Dennis J. Burke we have the epitome of true friendship and fraternity, for he is the sort of man of whom it is said while he is living, "He's a swell guy" and "a fine gentleman", and all those other epithets that generally are reserved as post-mortems for the average man.

Dennis was born in the fair city of Elizabeth some sixty years ago. Having moved with his family at an early age he was educated at Holy Trinity elementary and Westfield High Schools. Sometime after his high school career he returned to Elizabeth and entered the business world as an employee of Durant in Elizabeth and Detroit. When the opportunity arose, Denny joined forces with Uncle Sam as an employee of the Elizabeth Post Office, rising to the position of Supervisor of Station until his early retirement. Not content to idle about, he is currently employed in the registrar's office of the Union County Court House.



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CALENDAR

FEB. 9 — Indoctrination Night —
 3rd Degree — All Welcome
 FEB. 10 — Candidate Night — 4th
 Degree — J. F. K. General
 Assembly
 FEB. 12 — Council Meeting —
 8:15 p.m. — S. David Levy, Esq.
 Public Defender
 FEB. 12 — Lincoln's Birthday
 FEB. 14 — St. Valentine's Day
 FEB. 21 — John Fitzgerald Ken-
 nedy — 4th Degree — Regular
 Meeting
 FEB. 22 — Washington's Birthday
 FEB. 24 — Youth Ice Skating —
 South Mountain Reservation —
 1:30 p.m.
 FEB. 24 — Knights of the Road
 Hobo Dance — Council Home
 — \$3.00 per person
 FEB. 26 — Council Meeting —
 8:15 p.m. — Trivia
 FEB. 28 — Ash Wednesday —
 Lent begins
 MAR. 31 — Don Cossack's Chorus
 & Dancers — Union High School
 — \$3.00 per person
 APRIL 28 — Wheelchair Brigade
 Lyons Hospital
 MAY 16-18 — State Convention—
 Atlantic City

Bowling News

At the end of 17 weeks the "MINUS-1" team still leads the league by six points. Sparked by J. Delsordo at 187 the "Minus-1" boast B. Donnelly—168, T. Andrade—167, G. Campanero—158 and M. Balasare—138.

Holding a tenuous grip on last place are the "5 SPARES" quarter-backed by B. Bucher's 178 and backed-up with A. Dietlein—167, A. Czajkowski—162, S. Mauro—145, and M. Rij—139.

High game for the night went to Don Spriet with a 223. Don also captured high series with a 606.



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Gus Cawley
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HOSPITALIZATION

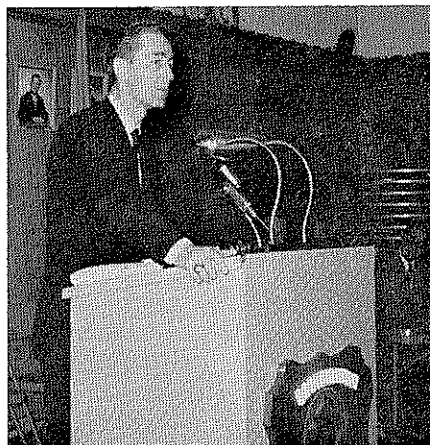
The K. of C. Hospitalization plans can help pay for your every need when you are sick. Just late last year, a whole new hospital expense insurance was made available for our membership. We urge every member to look into this insurance. With it can also be sick pay, in case you are out sick. This is tax free money, which could help pay all your bills, including your mortgage, etc.

For more information, please write or call us at 688-2285 or 687-6500.

Keegan Discusses Finance

Brother Edward J. Keegan, guest speaker at a recent meeting discussed the financial condition of Union Township. Covering such points as availability of mortgage money, anticipated township growth patterns, and the future of the economy, Mr. Keegan sounded a pessimistic note as far as expansion is concerned if mortgage interest rates remain at their current levels. "Why loan money at 6%," stated Keegan, when much higher rates are available in the market". Also discussed was the controversial "point" system.

Brother Keegan is eminently qualified to discuss the above subjects having been recently promoted to Treasurer of the First State Bank of Union. Ed is married and is the father of 10 children. He resides at 324 Sherman Ave. in Roselle Park.



Anyone interested in starting a band or Glee Club contact the Knight Digest Editor.

Swim Club News

Talk about snow balls in July — How about an outdoor Swim Club in January. Incongruous as it may seem, to have a successful Columbian Swim Club Pool Operation, this is the time of the year that the Board of Governors gets started on the final planning and preparing for the new Swim Club Season that will commence in May of 1968.

Mr. William Stuart, President of the Board of Governors, Columbian Swim Club, presided over the Annual Membership Meeting held Jan. 19, 1968. He highlighted the past accomplishments of the Club in past seasons and outlined the proposed plans for the forthcoming season. The main project for improvement will be the provisions for draining and landscaping the portion of the Columbian Club Picnic Area for the 1968 Swim Club Season. He redefined the co-operative nature of the pool and solicited the assistance of all members in assisting the Board in the running of the pool particularly through participation in the work parties.

Mr. Frank Weber, Chairman of the Pool Manager Selection Committee, wishes to announce that the Columbian Swim Club will accept bids from qualified Pool Managers for the 1968 Swim Club Season. Anyone who wishes to submit a bid may contact Mr. Frank Weber by calling 687-0480.

Mr. Bill Taylor, Columbian Swim Club Membership Chairman, is issuing a plea to any Swim Club member who is not planning to renew his membership for the 1968 season, to contact him immediately. In order to give our Brothers who are on the Swim Club waiting list the maximum notice of an impending opening this early notice is vital. On occasion Brother Knights have been at the top of that list and have had to pass up the opportunity to join the Swim Club due to prior vacation commitments that could not be broken. This has caused them to be returned to the bottom of the list. PLEASE GIVE YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS THIS CONSIDERATION and contact Bill Taylor as soon as you have decided that you are not going to renew your Columbian Swim Club membership for the 1968 season.

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SAFETY TIP

Don't drive as if you own the road; drive as if you own the car.

DENNIS J. BURKE

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Denny, in his youth was a pretty fair baseball player — good enough to warrant a try-out with the Newark Bears, who at that time played at Federal Field in Harrison under manager Mickey Devine. Unfortunately, he was small of stature then and Manager Devine advised him to go back to high school (at that point Dennis was attempting to rush history by becoming one of the first drop-outs).

As most handsome young men are wont to do, Dennis became enamored of a sweet young girl from Pennsylvania who had migrated to Elizabeth, and to his everlasting credit he married the former Doris Margrett, the friendly, lovable, energetic young lady who accompanies him to his many social events. It is often said marriages are made in heaven! Surely, this one was.

Working was not enough to keep Dennis busy so he became a member of St. Genevieve's Holy Name Society. He is a charter member and Past President of the Elizabeth Police, Firemen, and Postal Employees Holy Name Society. Additionally he was Vice-President of the National Association of Letter Carriers, Branch 67, Elizabeth, and was Vice-President of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks. Dennis is a member of the V.F.W. Betsytown Post, Elizabeth Elks and Fourth Degree John Dawson Gilmory Shea General Assembly. He is a member of Elizabeth Council #253 since 1957, and progressing through the chairs achieved the position of Grand Knight in 1962-63.

Recognizing his great talent, State Deputy Stewart Schoder appointed Dennis a District Deputy in July 1964 — a position still held by him. The State Deputy's choice proved to be an excellent one since Dennis was named District Deputy of the Year for 1964-65 at the Annual Convention — and he has a beautiful wrist watch to prove it!

This brothers is the fortunate lot of Union Council #4504 — for Dennis J. Burke is OUR beloved District Deputy.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Tired of dressing up?

Tired of going to "ritzy" affairs?

Let your hair down and come out to our "HOBO NIGHT" or "KNIGHTS OF THE ROAD DANCE". This will be the theme for our February 24th dance — and dress will be strictly informal. Prizes will be awarded for the best single, couple and groups dressed as hobos. In keeping with the theme, tickets will be \$3.00 a piece. Beer and Buffet will be included.

So get your tickets early all you hobos. Remember the night, February 24th.

Servicemen's Committee

The following is a list of Brother Knights and sons of Brother Knights serving in the armed forces. In the near future we plan to send each one of them a package containing some useful items.

Robert Genova
V.P. #45 Box 5626
A.P.O. New York, N. Y. 09856

Lt. Richard Militano
7017 Ryan Rd.
Fayetteville, N. C.

Ensign Walter M. Wasowski, Jr.
U.S.S. Walke (DD 723)
F.P.O. San Francisco, Cal. 96601

Lt. George M. Ring 05337793
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3rd Platoon
A.P.O. San Francisco, Cal. 96490

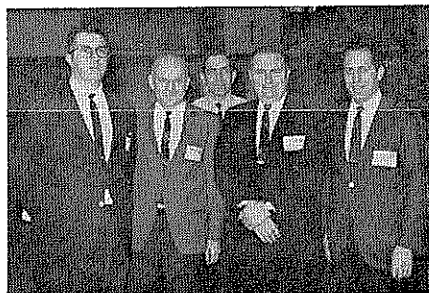
AMN James F. Looby
AF 11759936
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AF 11759943
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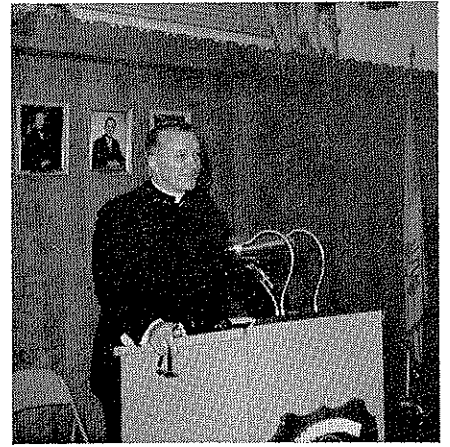
Capt. George F. Hreben
Hdqts. Co. EUSA PMO
A.P.O. San Francisco, Cal. 96103

Pvt. E-2 J. Verderese
U551980078
Co. A 3 ROBN 5th CST BDE
Fort Dix, N. J. 08640



Blood Donor Program Gets Transfusion

Orchids are in store for Fraternal activities Chairman Tom Hanlon for organizing a highly successful Donor Program on Sunday, January 14, in competition with the Super Bowl Game. Tom, shown above, stated: "It is gratifying, not only to me, but to those who will benefit from this program that over 75 people turned out to donate blood. To all, my sincerest thanks". Shown with Tom, and donors themselves are left to right; Dom Clementoni, Lou Zilka, Tom Hornig, Tom Hanlon and Sav-erio Bruzzi.



Fr. Laurence Murphy, M.M., pictured above gave the Council an interesting discussion on the Church and Priesthood today covering such salient points as the Churches complete contemporary evaluation of the members in respect to raising the dignity of the lay person so that they may be better equipped to perform God's function, and perhaps get the Church closer to the people.

Fr. Murphy, in discussing his many trips to other countries, and particularly South America, made the point that a re-evaluation is necessary of the priesthood in many countries. These trips were part of Father's job as Head of Maryknoll International.

A former Line Naval Officer from 1942 to 1957, Father entered the priesthood upon discharge. He is a 40 year resident of Union and is well known to parishioners of St. Michael's Parish, helping out on Sundays.

PATRIOTISM

In this month of patriots remember what Lt. Col. John Glenn said before Congress after returning from his triple orbital flight which carried American prestige to its highest: "I am glad to see that pride in our country and its accomplishments is not a thing of the past. I still get a hard-to-define feeling inside when the flag goes by and I know that you do too. Today as I rode up Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House, and saw the tremendous outpouring of feeling on the part of so many thousands of people, I got that same feeling."

Our National Flag represents the living country, and is considered to be a living emblem of the respect and pride we feel for our nation. The National Emblem is a symbol of our great country, our heritage, and our place in the world, under God. We owe reverence and respect to our flag, because it represents the highest ideals of individual liberty, justice and equal opportunity for all.

Wilbur N. Donnelly
Faithful Navigator

The General Platoff
Don Cossack Chorus & Dancers

Presented by

Union Council No. 4504 K. of C.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 1968 — 8:00 P.M.

Union High School Auditorium

BENEFIT CHARITABLE FUND

— DONATION — \$3.00 —

No. 1358



Dear Brothers:

Through our daily readings and formal and informal discussions by our priests, we are kept constantly aware of the ever-changing movements within our Church. The meaning of these many changes and their vast effects on the laity were aptly pointed out at a recent meeting by Rev. Laurence Murphy. In follow-up to his enlightening discussion, a question and answer period took place. Because this type of informative meeting not only strengthens the opportunity of participation but also gives the night an attractive quality, we will continue them with the hope that our attendance will increase greatly.

Many new ideas are being sought to bring into the Council a deeper feeling of belonging and being needed, not just for ourselves but our families as well. Perhaps by offering their time, our many talented members could help make it possible for off-night classes in cultural activities, such as art sessions, dancing instructions and many other interesting endeavors.

The end of this month marks the beginning of the holy season of Lent. Instead of dictating, as in the past, the type of penance and acts of mortification she requires, the Church has now left this responsibility entirely with us. Since the choice is ours, our conscience will have to be the sole guide of our actions. Let them be offered in the prayerful hope that genuine Peace may take a stand throughout our troubled world.

Congratulations to our Fraternal Activities Chairman Tom Hanlon and his committee and to Walter Hoelderlin and his kitchen committee for their fine working during the recent Blood Bank visit. A "tip of the hat" for a job well done. Our very special thanks go to the donors who, braving a most unpleasant day, turned out to make our Blood Bank a success.

Fraternally,

J. Russell Coen

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Ice Skating Party

A Youth Ice Skating Party is planned for February 24th at South Mountain Reservation. Buses will be available and tickets are \$1.75 which includes transportation and admission. (Ice skate rental is 65¢.) Buses will leave from in front of the Council at 1:30 p.m. Please contact Tom Hornig or Joe Leahy for reservations.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

by JIM MORAN

During February we recall the birthdays of two great American Presidents, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. It's a good time to pause for a moment in our busy lives to appreciate their contributions to our way of life, and resupply our minds with thoughts of patriotism.

Realize the difficult task Washington faced in being the first to lead a newly formed nation, knowing there were no clearly defined guide lines, just the faith that he was doing the right thing . . . And Lincoln, who pulled together a country broken by hate and mistrust and taught that unity was the path to success and disunity meant failure . . . America is a dream fulfilled. Due to the sacrifice of those before us and those now dying for a just cause, every child born in the United States receives equality and freedom as a natural birthright. Throughout our lives we must be ever alert to preserve this freedom so it can be a heritage we will leave to the next generation, for we are mere custodians. With freedom comes responsibility. The rights we are accustomed to will be taken away if we fail in our stewardship. Equality, opportunity, and cooperation can be made real only through loyalty to our principles . . . Freedom is an indivisible word. If we want to enjoy it, and extend it, we must be prepared to fight for it. We must be prepared to outstretch our hand to everyone, whether rich or poor, whether they agree or disagree with us, no matter what race or religion.

An ideal American Creed might be: Patriotism which leaps over the fence of party prejudice; Religion which jumps over the wall of intolerance; Brotherhood which climbs over the mountain of national separations . . . The spirit of man is more important than mere physical strength, and the spiritual fiber of a nation is more important than its wealth.

STATE CONVENTION

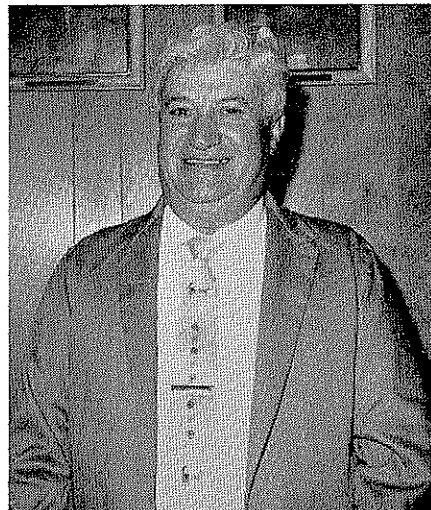
Plans are now underway for our Annual State Convention at Atlantic City on May 16-17, 1968. Reservations are available at the Colony Motel at \$14.00 per couple for each night.

Hospitality room fee is \$11.00 per couple for the weekend. All Brother Knights who are interested in attending this Convention please contact Bill Donnelly, Bernie Raymond, John Picyk or Ed Stonack. Remember the time and place:

Knights of Columbus
State Convention
May 16-17-18, 1968
Atlantic City, N. J.

Knight of the Month

FEBRUARY



Our genial Knight of the Month for February is the well liked Council Santa Claus, Mr. Salvatore D. Tavaglione. Although a member only two years this spring, Sal has jumped in to help on practically every conceivable front. As an Aide-de-Camp to Master Chef Walter, Sal has lent the exquisite Italian touch to Council Menus. In addition he can frequently be seen behind the bar.

Sal is married and lives at 1227 Glenn Avenue in Union. Semi-retired now, Sal endears himself to children's groups at Christmas time as the perfect Santa.

Sal thinks so much of Union Council that he induced his two sons, Sal Jr. and Nicholas to both become members.

How to Kill Any Organization

1. Don't come to meetings.
2. If you do come, come late.
3. Hold back your dues, or don't pay them at all.
4. Never ask a friend you think might join the organization.
5. Don't have anything to say when called upon.
6. If too wet or too dry, too hot or too cold, don't think of coming to the meeting.
7. If you do come to the meeting, find fault with the proceedings, and the work done by members.
8. Kick if you are not appointed to a committee, and if you are appointed, never attend any committee meetings.
9. Don't do anything more than you can possibly help to further your organization's interest, then when a few take off their coats and do things, howl that the organization is run by a clique.