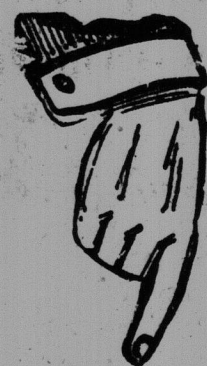


## LUCIEN DEFIES NATIONS LEAGUE

Proclaims Himself as Dictator of Central Lithuania.

Looks Upon League Members as Intruders — Does Not Know of Anything Strong Enough to Pry Him Loose.

Vilna, April 26. — (The Associated Press.)—General Lucien Zeligowski, who still defies the League of Nations and who last fell marched into the Vilna district at the head of 20,000 or more Polish soldiers and proclaimed himself dictator of Central Lithuania, is a great believer in the old time proverb that



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possession is nine points in ten when it comes to law, international or otherwise. For seven months the general has been supreme in the occupied country, while the League of Nations, through its military commission of control, has been endeavoring to act as mediator in the territorial dispute between Poland and Lithuania.

The general looks upon league members who have visited the district as intruders. On the other hand, the league representatives apparently view Zeligowski in the same light and have refused to deal direct with the general, all negotiations pertaining to a settlement of the Vilna affair from the one side being carried on through the Polish government in Warsaw, the Zeligowski soldiers in the meantime holding onto the fort.

"I am a Pole, and Vilna is my home," General Zeligowski said to The Associated Press correspondent. "I was born in Vilna. Most of my soldiers are natives of Vilna or adjacent territory. Our reasons for being here are simply these:

"In 1919, when Poland was attacked by the Bolsheviks, I went to war for Poland, together with thousands of other Poles from the Vilna district. For two years we fought the Bolsheviks, who in the meantime had occupied Vilna, robbed and destroyed our homes and committed atrocities upon our relatives and friends. Eventually came the armistice between Poland and the Soviets, and then many conflicting reports regarding Vilna's fate.

"It was some weeks after this that I decided to take action myself, knowing my men felt as I did in the matter. I resigned my commission as a general in the Polish army by telegram, took command of the Vilna Polish troops and occupied the country. We received a glorious welcome, and naturally we were here ever since, and naturally we were perfectly at home, as we are at home, and I don't know of anything which is strong enough to pry us out."

From the time of the ancient state of Lithuania, when the capital of that state, Vilna, has been a much disputed city. In the great war and the struggle between Poland and the Bolsheviks, Vilna was a much sought prize and changed hands many times. Within the last few years Vilna has had streets named in four different languages at various intervals. Since Vilna was occupied by Zeligowski, famous names in Polish history have adorned the street corners, replacing Lithuanian names put up after withdrawal of the Bolsheviks. In 1915 Vilna was occupied by the Germans, who apparently had hopes of retaining it, and "Kaiser Wilhelm strasse" and "Bismarck strasse," and various other German names, replaced the Russian street signs.

In the spring of 1920, when Poland was at war with the Soviets, Lithuania made a separate peace with the Bolsheviks, and the treaty signed in Moscow gave Vilna, at that time occupied by the Bolsheviks, to the Lithuanians. News of the signing of the treaty created a stir throughout Poland, which considers the Vilna district, about the size of the state of New Jersey, a part of ethnographical Poland.

The Poles point out to back this claim that Kosciuszko, the Polish patriot and friend of America in revolutionary days, was born near Vilna, and that Joseph Pilsudski, the present Polish chief of state, and Prince Sapieha, minister of foreign affairs, and various other Polish statesmen of note were born and reared on the land now in dispute. It is also contended by the Poles that the majority of the population throughout Central Lithuania is Polish. While Vilna looks upon Warsaw for support and supplies, General Zeligowski prefers to have the district known as Central Lithuania, and has set up his own little government. There is a representative of the Polish government who stays in Vilna and is known among the natives as the "Polish ambassador." Soon after taking over the affairs of Vilna, the Zeligowski adherents printed their own Central Lithuanian postage stamps, but the Polish mark has continued as the local currency.

General Zeligowski is of the opinion that the majority of the population favors annexation to Poland, but he is perfectly willing that the question to determine whether Vilna should become Polish or Lithuanian may be decided by plebiscite.

But General Zeligowski, who in appearance somewhat resembles pictures of the late General U. S. Grant, has little faith in the efforts put forth by the League of Nations to settle the affair.

"Frankly, I haven't any confidence in the League of Nations, so far as our affairs are concerned," said the general, "and why should I have? What have they ever done, anyway? No, I have never recognized the League of Nations." And then, with a twinkle in his eye, he added: "The league has never recognized Central Lithuania, nor Zeligowski either, and I guess we can settle our own affairs, if they will let us alone."

A NOVELTY SHOWER. About thirty of the girl friends of Miss Edith Hamm gathered at her home, 61 Spring street, last night, and tendered her a novelty shower in anticipation of her approaching marriage. The evening was spent very pleasantly. Dancing was indulged in and light refreshments were served.

## BOWLING PRIZES ARE PRESENTED AT Y. M. C. I. BANQUET

A particularly happy spirit prevailed at the banquet given last evening in the Young Men's Catholic Institute to the members of the team which represented that institution in the recent championship bowling tournament in Fredericton and succeeded in carrying home the Brunswick-Balke-Collender trophy, emblematic of the bowling championship of the Maritime provinces and eastern Maine. H. J. Sheehan, the newly elected president of the institute, was in the chair and there were present the members of the Y. M. C. I. house bowling league and a few invited friends.

After a tasty meal had been served by the ladies of the Catholic Girls' Guild, presentation of the trophies, emblematic of the bowling championship of the Maritime provinces and eastern Maine, was made and a musical programme carried out.

The chairman, in opening the programme, congratulated the team which had won the trophy, and then turned to the presentation of the trophies. He referred to the gentlemanly conduct of all the teams taking part in the tournament, and the ladies of the guild for their assistance during the evening.

P. I. McCafferty was called upon to present the prizes for individual honors won during the year. He said that the year had been one of many trials, but it was worthy of note that no less than thirty men in the house league had rolled averages of ninety or more for the year. He said that the league owed a great debt of gratitude to the institute. Prizes were then presented as follows:

High average—Archie McDonald, 98.67-72, electric riding lamp, donated by H. Sheehan.  
High single string—Murray Jarvis, 188, silver cup, donated by R. P. & W. F. Starr, Ltd.  
High three strings—Bruce Winchester, 387, silver cup, donated by C. E. L. Jarvis, Ltd.  
The recipients responded briefly.

William J. Magre then presented to the members of the Sparrows team, individual cups for the first place in the house league, and medals to the members of the Hawks for second honors. The recipients of these prizes were: Sparrows—Roy McEwen, Thomas Cosgrove, Richard Colgan, Joseph Harrington, Frank Smith, Walter Gambin, Robert Hutchinson and Archie Cope. Hawks—Murray Jarvis, Ray Hansen, William Power, Waldo Reid, Stephen Downing, A. W. Thomson, Dr. H. S. Clarke and A. Cheeseman.

Mr. Gambin responded on behalf of the Sparrows and Mr. Hansen for the Hawks.

P. J. Fitzpatrick then presented to William J. Magre the winning team in the House League, and which was won by the Sparrows. Mr. Gambin, in a happy speech, expressed his pleasure at being present and referred to the importance of team work. He said that a good loser is better than a bad winner. All the work of life, Mr. Belting said, was not in the shop or office, but also where men could come together in good clean sport or in a social way. He congratulated the team which had won such outstanding success, and he also congratulated the Y. M. C. I. on their choice of Mr. Sheehan as president and wished the organization even greater success for the future than had been its fortune in the past.

Rev. Wm. M. Duke, in a short address, said that he was sorry he could not describe the tournament games which he had witnessed in Fredericton. He paid a tribute to the sportsmanship of all the men who gathered for this event, and suggested that the league be congratulated for good clean sport and be congratulated for the house league on its success and the management of the affairs for the work of the year.

Suggests Elimination Games. Referring to the tournament, Father Duke said it was the opinion of the

teams which took part this year that the series was too long. He suggested that in future, elimination series might be held in various centres throughout the Maritime provinces and Maine and the winners of these should meet to roll off for the cup. He hoped that the coming year would be as successful as that just passed.

The chairman read a telegram from Joseph Harrington, one of the members of the championship team, who is now in St. George, expressing regret at not being able to be present. Mr. Sheehan then paid a tribute to the work of the pin boys during the year. The boys were present at the banquet and a collection was taken up and a neat sum presented to them.

F. J. Hogan, of Montreal, another guest, was called upon and in a short address he commended the work of the institute. He said that he was particularly interested in gymnasium work and he had never seen a better exhibition than that put on by the Y. M. C. I. recently. He spoke of the importance of co-operation between the various institutions in the city which should be maintained. The city, he said, should be proud of the Y. M. C. I. and the men who made it possible.

The programme opened with a toast to the king which was given with musical honors and the affair was brought to a close with the national anthem. Vocal solos were given by William J. Melody and P. I. McCafferty; M. McCafferty performed a clog dance and a chorus was sung by the pin boys. During dinner several choruses were also sung. J. L. Mulhally was accompanist.

After the banquet, the pin boys, who were guests, were called into the hall by the general secretary and handed the sum which was collected for them, which amounted to about \$20. This was divided among the following lads: Thomas Murphy, Walter Stanton, Val MacAndrew, George Horton, Arthur Masters, John Daley and Albert Britt.

Perhaps the most interesting and successful of the evening was the clog dance, which was given by the pin boys. Mr. Starkey, one of the pioneer enthusiasts of the game in the city and a royal master in many of the games carried out here and elsewhere. Mr. Starkey has been an ardent follower of the game and his time on the bowling lanes has more than once helped to carry a St. John team to victory in a hard-fought battle with an outside aggregation.

The cups won by Bruce Winchester, Murray Jarvis and the Sparrows, also P. J. Fitzpatrick's splendid silver bowling pin, are attracting attention in R. M. Jager for the store window, corner of Waterloo and Peters streets.

## RAINMAKER ASKED TO CEASE WORK

Prairie Farmers in Alberta Have Sufficient Moisture.

Medicine Hat, Alta., May 20.—Old Jupiter Pluvius must be on friendly terms with Chas. M. Hatfield, the rainmaker.

After making rain for about a month, prairie farmers have asked Hatfield to turn of the moisture for a few days. This, of the soil, who for years have been experiencing droughts, are satisfied that Hatfield can deliver the rain as per contract, and as Hatfield has already about made \$3,000 for this month's work, everybody is happy except those who continue to sneer at the rainmaker's "scheme."

Whether or not Hatfield's presence in the district is responsible, the fact remains that rain has come since his arrival. Old-timers declare they have never seen such heavy precipitations or such a continuous presence of so many heavy clouds.

## BELGIUM'S PACT WITH LUXEMBURG

Provides for a Customs Treaty on Lines of Zollverein.

Brussels, May 20.—An agreement has been reached after months of negotiations between Belgium and Luxembourg and a treaty was initiated this afternoon by M. Jager for Belgium, and Emile Reuter, the Luxembourg Foreign Minister.

The treaty provides for a customs union, on the lines of the Zollverein, and additional Belgium group of loans amounting to 115,000,000 francs to the Duchy, and will pay 2 per cent interest, Belgium guaranteeing the repayment of the interest and Belgium bank notes replacing Luxembourg notes for the amount of the loan.

The treaty also includes arrangements for assisting Luxembourg farmers to tide over the transition period and for protecting the interests of manufacturers of both countries. Luxembourg's three railroads will be merged into one, the question of its exploitation to be considered later.

## MANY CANADIAN SPORTSMEN GOING

Tickets for Carpentier-Dempsey Fight Selling Quickly Reserved Accommodation Totals \$900,000.

New York, May 20.—(By Canadian Press.)—While the world championship heavyweight bout failed to go to Montreal, sportsmen of that Canadian city apparently are going to make up for it by coming to New York. That the sporting world of Eastern Canada is intensely interested in the forthcoming championship struggle between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier at Jersey, July 2, has been proved by the number of applications for tickets received at Madison Square Gardens. A few days ago after the sale opened receipts from Montreal, Toronto and other Canadian cities totalled \$5,000 and those in charge of the advance sale predict that, judging from the inquiries received the amount will be increased, well into five figures.

Among a number of well-known Canadian sportsmen who will come to Jersey City, is George Kennedy of Montreal. Other centres from which applications for seats have come are, Toronto, St. John's, and Hamilton. United States business men in Canada are taking precautions against missing the fight, and an application for a seat came from a New Yorker, who was at Calgary when the sale opened.

The total daily average sale for seats during the first week was \$30,000, and if the average is maintained all reserved accommodation will be sold three weeks before the date set for the fight. The sum of \$900,000 will be realized if all reserved accommodation is sold.

Due to the difference in exchange, Canadian sportsmen are paying a considerably greater amount for their tickets than are U. S. fighting enthusiasts. The rate has been fluctuating between 10 and 11 per cent, and as a result the best reserved seats, selling war tax included for \$50, will cost a Canadian in the neighborhood of \$55, Canadian money. Despite this the majority of reservations secured from across the border have been for the best seats. Considerable confusion has prevailed as a result of the exchange difference and, in some cases, delay has resulted in the securing of reservations.

Tex Rickard, promoter of the contest, announced recently that he had received a cable to the effect that a party of ten sports-writers representing London and Paris dailies, will arrive in New York early in June, to keep an eye on the fight. Rickard declares that he is also confident that the Prince of Wales will accompany the national anthem. Vocal solos were given by William J. Melody and P. I. McCafferty; M. McCafferty performed a clog dance and a chorus was sung by the pin boys. During dinner several choruses were also sung. J. L. Mulhally was accompanist.

## BISHOP DENOUNCES WORLD TITLE BOUT

Newark, N. J., May 19.—The church and its clergy have no right to keep silent on industrial, political and social questions "until business and social and political life are ordered by the principles of the Gospel," Bishop Edwin S. Lineberger declared at the annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of Newark in the Trinity Cathedral this city. He denounced the coming Dempsey-Carpentier prize fight, also those who would commercialize boxing, and said that prohibition has visited a just punishment on "the most insolent business in the country."

In referring to the Dempsey-Carpentier fight, which is to be held in Jersey City, June 2, he characterized it as an encouragement of brutality and the degradation of the state. Continuing he said:

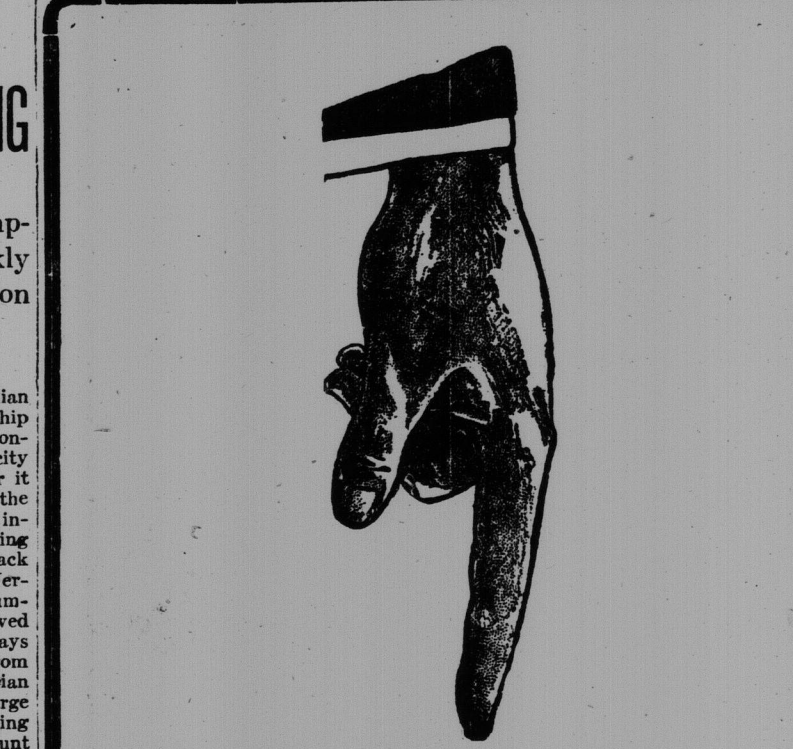
"Let me say that a sense of shame and indignation should come to every right minded man or woman in New Jersey because of the prize fight which is arranged in Hudson county, apparently with the consent and approval of the state and county officials."

## THE CITY BASEBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

The executive of the City League held a meeting last evening and elected officers for the season. Frank White was elected president and T. L. McGovern vice-president. The executive appointed G. Seely secretary-treasurer. It was decided last night to form an arbitration board to which all disputes during the season will be referred. The members appointed to the board are H. C. Olive, J. Doherty and J. Malcom. It was announced that the league would open on May 24 with a game between St. Peter's and the Commercial. There will be four games each week, two on the East End grounds. The schedule will conclude about the second week in August. No announcement was made last night concerning the line-up of the various teams, although it was decided to bar any person from playing on any team who was not a resident of the city one month prior to the opening of the baseball season.

## SOME PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS

The directors of the New Brunswick Power Company and the representatives of the employees' union met last evening to discuss the various questions of dispute which has arisen between them. Both parties refused last night to give any information for publication, although they admitted that some headway had been made towards reaching a final settlement. Another meeting is to be held between these parties in the near future.



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Ladies' Coats, worth \$30, for \$25.00.	Men's Suits, ready made or made to order, \$25.00. These are better Suits than sold last year at \$45.00.
Ladies' Suits, worth \$35, for \$24.00.	Men's Suits \$35.00 and \$39.00. Guaranteed, grey, blue, brown and black English Worsteds. Better suits than sold last year at \$55.
Ladies' Suits, worth \$42, for \$35.00.	Men's Top Coats, special prices, \$15, \$18 and \$25.
Ladies' Suits, worth \$32, for \$25.00.	Men's Raincoats from \$15 to \$25, less 20 per cent.
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