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GENERAL VIEW OF LWOW

LWOW-POLAND'S BULWARK IN THE EAST

By Dr. Alexander Czołowski

War and massacre were the factors which in the middle of the 13th century called Lwow to life. Far from beaten tracks and great waters, among forests and bogs, it rose as a fortified shelter against the savage Mongol-Tartar tribes.

A hundred years later that first Lwow was completely erased by the devastating raids of the Lithuanians. Nothing but its name remained. In the middle of the 14th century the old stronghold - in a new place and under a new aspect, however - was brought to life again, owing to the great toil of the last of the Piasts, who freed Ruthenia from the Tartar yoke. To Casimir the Great Lwow owes not only its second formulang owes not only its second founding between years 1353-1370, on a Western pattern this time, but also the factors which brought about its future development and about its future development and importance. For centuries, the town walls built by Casimir the Great, remained the boundary and the defensive armour of the city. To this day the Royal endowment is the source of its

income.

From that time begins the history of Polish Lwow. War and devastation do not disappear from its pages, but at the same time there also appear patriotism. perseverance, sacrifice an dall the virtues of its citizens that make of Lwow the focus of Polish life and culture.

Lwow, being the largest border city in those parts of Poland, was exposed to incessant danger from the East. The Crimean Tartars, and those who dwelt at the mouth of the Dniestr, raided it incessantly. From the middle of the 15th century, these invasions became still more frequent. Following always the same direction, they grooved at last three distrinct tracks: the Black, the Kuchman and the Wallachian. Departing from the Crimea these trails met near

Lwow and charged at it from the North, the East and the South. It was rightly said of Lwow, that it lies in the "jaws of the

The Lwow High Castle, built by Casimir the Great, looked down upon those sinister tracks and became consequently a watch-tower warning the town and its environs of danger. When only the red glare of conflagrations spread on the horizon, the watchmen knew the Tartars were watchmen knew the Tartars were sweeping on towards the city and sounded the alarm. This continuous danger of invasions called forth from Lwow's citizens, organised as they were in various guilds, an incessant alertness, and at the same time a knowledge of military art. They acquired it in their "Sharpshooter Brotherhood', mentioned in the city documents as far back as A. D. 1407, but for certain it is as old as the Lwow of King Casimir. There the citizens attained their soldierly efficiency, and were prepared to show a bold front to the enemy. So great was the belief in their valour, and the strength of the City walls, that unhappy refugees from all over Ruthenia flocked in to gain their protection.

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Up to the 18th century, not counting small encounters and combats, Lwow had repelled seven heavy sieges, had seen 21 Tartar raids, devastating its suburbs, watched two great battles fought under its walls, had not known what was cowardice and had never yielded or capitulated. The activities of the old Shooters Brotherhood did not have to wait long to be crowned with success. In 1498 and 1509, the citizens withstood and repulsed four sieges: Turkish, Wallachian and Tartar.

In the beginning of the 16th

In the beginning of the 16th century the previous shooting from bows and cross-bows was replaced by that of muskets and flint-locks. Towards the middle

of the century the Brotherhood received from the Town Council written regulations, defining exactly the new order and way of shooting. These regulations were confirmed by subsequent Kings. In 1575 the Brotherhood received a new gilt silver cock, which has been preserved up to this day as an emblem of the "cock-kings". In 1623 new paragraphs ordered

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In 1623 new paragraphs ordered practise of shooting from guns. This duty was discharged with the greatest enthusiasm. The Brotherhood guarded and favoured by royalty became a hotbed of chivalrous and martial spirit among the towns-people.

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The art of using weapons made these peaceful folk confident in their strength. In the memorable epoch from 1648 to 1699, in the chaos of Cossaek rebellion and Swedish invasion, which flooded the whole country, during the war with Turkey and the Tartar raids, when on the Eastern borders of Poland all hope, peace and safety were forlorn, when the enemy met no check on his way -then Lwow alone withstood the victorious march of the invader and the city's walls and battlements rose proud and unmoved out of the turmoil of allen oppression.

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When after the death of the childless Ladislas IV (in 1648) and the terrible defeat of the army at Pilawce, Poland was left without king, generals or army, when from the Dniepr to the Carpathians one great conflagration spread, and all the strongholds fell one after the other, Lwow was the first to offer a million thalers to form a new army. Only a few days later, though without any regular army and unprepared for a long siege, it shut its gates before the swarming hosts of Tartars and Cossacks under the leader Chmielnicki.

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AFTER THE VISIT OF THE SWEDISH MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The visit of the Swedish Foreign Minister, Mr. Sandler, in Poland and the invitation which he extended to Mr. Beck are proofs of the satisfactory development of the Polish-Swedish relations.

From the point of view of Poland, next to the French and Roumanian alliances and to the problems of relations with Germany and Russia, the problem of those with Scandinavia is

problems of relations with Germany and Russia, the problem of those with Scandinavia is perhaps one of the most important. Naturally these relations cannot be anything but friendly,—and much may depend in Northern Europe on exactly how friendly and close they will be. Poland, like Scandinavia, desires to remain neutral in the face of ideological conflicts which are now shaking the whole of Europe. Scandinavia, however, is better fitted geographically for a policy of neutrality than Poland. A certain collaboration between the Scandinavian countries on one part and Poland on the other might facilitate the protection of their neutrality to both parties. The Baitic countries have similar interests, but in view of their very small size they may have great difficulty in protecting their independence, unless they are supported by some outside help.

help.
From the point of view of Sweden and of the other Scandinavian nations, there is certainly much advantage in

maintaining friendly relations with all the powers on the Baltic. As the situation existing at present both in Germany and in present both in Germany and in Russia renders them somewhat unsuitable as friends for nations of the democratic type represented by Sweden, Denmark and Norway, together with Finland, Poland remains the only country of any appreciable size to be reckoned with in the Baltic,

to be reckoned with in the Baltic, for purposes of co-operation with Scandinavia.

Peace in the Baltic is vital both for Poland and for the Scandinavian countries and in fact for the whole of Europe with the sole exception of those who contemplate its disturbing. Theoretically speaking: peace in the sole exception of those way contemplate its disturbing. Theoretically speaking: peace in the Baltic, as well as anywhere else, should be assured by the community of nations—peaceful nations. But as the experiences nations. But as the experiences of recent years seem to indicate that such a safeguard is not yet practicable, some other means have to be devised for the same

such means, the direct Of such means, the direct understanding between nations which have obvious common interests seems the most commendable, even though it may seem very insignificant beside grandiose schemes for world peace and safety. Poland and Sweden realise only too well that unless they themselves take care of their commons. take care of their common interests, no one else will do.

THE ROMAN-CATHOLIC

STROLLING THROUGH LWÓW

Lwow, the capital of the South Eastern provinces of Poland, has been for of Poland, has been for ages on the main route between the Baltic and the Black Seas; now with the modernisation of transportit is also an important airport on the airroute connecting Helsinki in Finland with Lydda in Palestine I used this n Finland with Lydda in Palestine. I used this perfect means of transport on a sunny September morning, the luxurious streamlined Douglas plane of the Polish Airlines "Lot"

of the Polish Airlines Lot" bringing me together with some tourists and business men to the Skiilow Aerodrome of Lwow.

While still in the air, I could see quite well through the small window of the plane the beautiful surroundings of Lwow, its gardens and woods in the full splendour of every autumn shade ranging from yellow to red brick. The town itself,



situated in the valley of the small river Peltev (a tributary of the Bug) at the foot of a hill called the High Castle (Wysoki Zamek), even through the dim mist looked most promising.

Lwow, ranking third in Poland size and population, is the cultural and commercial centre (Continued on page 2)

Strolling through Lwow

Strolling through Lwow (Continued from page 1)
of Eastern Galicia. The history of the town, since it was founded in 1250, has been a long series of heroism, sacrifice and courage during the many wars and sieges to which it was exposed, whereas it is known that the population was hard working, industrious and prosperous during the years of peace. Its beautiful surroundings, the various and rich architectures of the different churches and other buildings, the art treasures kept in its museums, have made Lwow well worth a visit from the eager tourist.

The omnibus of the Airlines brought me within a few minutes to the town, whence I started my wanderings; as usual I directed my first steps towards, the narrow streets of the old rest of the city and came to

my wanderings; as usual I directed my first steps towards the narrow streets of the old part of the city and came to the Market Place, which is known for its well preserved old patrician houses, dating back to the 16th and 17th centuries, with Renaissance and Rococo façades, interesting Atties and sculptured details. The Market, however, offers the visitor another agreeable suprise, it is still in every day use, delighting the eye with splashes of colour derived from the flowers, vegetables and fruit sold by the typically lively, good natured street vendors of Lwow.

Two of the houses in the

typically lively, good satures street vendors of Lwow.

Two of the houses in the Market Place attracted my attention, both in perfect Renaissance style: The Royal House, which used to be the property and residence of King John Sobieski, the defender of Vienna against the Turks; and the Black House. These two buildings, now belonging to the Municipality, have been carefully renovated and are a real delight to the lover of art and history. The Royal House has been adapted into a National Museum of King John Sobies ki, possessing besides valuable Polish art treasures, an interesting gallery of portraits of Polish kings, noblemen and prominent members of society and a fine collection of arms from a fine collection of arms from various periods and different countries. The portraits, although countries. The portraits, although many by unknown painters, are no less interesting from the point of view of history and art. The Museum of the Black House contains many valuable historical relies connected with Lwow and

relies connected with Lwow and its citizens.

The old town used to be encircled by a stone wall, remnants of which are still to be seen near the church of the Bernardines, another part of the old fortress being the Powder Tower. Of no less interest are the buildings of the City Arsenal, dating from the 16th century, and the Royal Arsenal, dating from the 17th century.

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The Lwow churches are of special interest to the tourist; it should be here explained that the town is the seat of archbishoprics of three different denominations: Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic and Armenian.

The churches of suchdenomination Greek Catholic and Armenian. The churches of each denomination hear a special character. Here again a short peep into the past; Lwow due to its geographical situation (which was highly favourable to commerce) on the main route between the East favourable to commerce) on the main route between the East and the West, became in the Middle Ages and later a place of residence for many strangers not only from the neighbouring countries but even from England, Scandinavia, Italy, etc. in the West of Europe, whilst from the East came Armenians, Wallachians, Turks, Tartars, Jews and Karatles. In spite of the mixed population Lwow soon became a centre of Polish culture and an important market for the exchange of goods between East and West.

This blend of East and West will also be noted in the

will also be noted in the architecture of Lwow's churches.



The Black and the Royal Houses on the Market Place

J. eaving the Market Place, I paid my first visit to the Gothic Roman Catholic Cathedral, Gothic Roman Catholic Cathedral, the lofty tower of which is seen from afar. Founded in 1360 by Casimir the Great, terminated in 1494 by the patrician families, and rebuilt in the 18th century, the Cathedral is famous for the beauty of its chapels, the loveliest of all being the chapel of the Campian family, resplendent with marble and a lab aster (Renaissance) the work of the well-known Breslau sculptor Johan Pfister. Years ago the Cathedral was surrounded by a cemetery, a remnant of which is the Boim Chapel, a family mausoleum, built in 1609, a typical and picturesque sample of German Renaissance.

The Armenian Cathedral, dating far back as the 14th century,

creates quite a different impression, combining harmoniously Gothicand Armenian architecture. IThe Cathedral has been recently thoroughly repaired, Mehoffer's mosaic and Rosen's frescos glitter now with the riches of the Orient. The church, the old bell tower and the countryard of the former Armenian cemetery. for m. a. secluded

contyard of the former Armenian cemetery form a secluded corner of indescribable charm. The lovers of Rocco, will enjoy a visit to the Dominican Church built according to the drawings of Johann de Witte in 1749, which besides magnificent architecture has fine woode n sculptures. In one of its chapels the altar is adorned by a tiny alabaster statuette of the Holy Virgin, which according to tradition was rescued from Kiev by St. Hyacinth Odrowaž, after the wars

with the Tartars in the 13h

century.

Entering the Dominican square, Entering the Dominican square, my attention was caught by a lofty lower of the Wallachian Church. This is undoubtedly the most beautiful Italian tower in Poland. The church itself was built by Paul "The Roman" in the 17th century, as a gift of the Wallachian Hospodar.

On a hill which overlooks the town towers the Greek Catholic Cathedral of St. Jur (George), built in the second half of the 18th century, an other fine specimen of Rocco.

The University (the former Diet of Galicia), the Polytechnic with its fine classic façade, as well as several municipal and private collections are well worth a visit. There is, however, one institution which should be specially mentioned, as it has been since the beginnings of the last century, a prominent factor in promoting culture and science in Poland. I mean the Ossolinski Foundation, which consists of a fine library (the third largest in Poland), printing and editing offices, and an art gallery of the Princes Lubomirski. The picture gallery, where you will see a Titian and the museum are well worth seeings. worth seeing.

Leaving the old part of the town, I proceeded to the modern districts with its fine streets and buildings. On the outskirts there are many beatiful parks and gardens, but there were two spots which I loved above all. I would suggest to every tourist



The Ossolinski Institute
to climb on a fine morning the
hill of the High Castle which
commands an excellent view of
the whole town and its
surroundings. The nearby Mount
erected to commemorate the
Polish Lithuanian Union of Lublin
speaks to you of Polish past
history. In another part of the
town there is another striking
document of the past; it is the
famous panorama of the Polish
Russian battle near Raclawice in
1794, painted by John Siyka and
Wajciech Kossak. Not only the
great art and historical vision of
the famous painters but also the
consummate skill in arranging
the pictures takes the onlooker
back a hundred and forty years,
without allowing him to realize
that he is not looking at flesh
and blood.

On leaving the panorama, we

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On leaving the panorama, we enter the vast terrains of the well-known Lwow Eastern Fairs, here again we are full of admiration of the present day work which willead the country to a new prosperous future.

Cecilia Halpern

PRESS REVIEW

Polish and foreign correspondents were received in Warsaw by the Swedish Foreign Minister Dr. Sander who said among other things that Swedish foreign policy is:-1) independent, 2) realistic (having as its principle non-interference in foreign affairs or those which step outside the boundaries of Swedish interests), 3) based on endeavours to mitigate international antagonisms. The Swedish press is warm in its expression of sympathy for the Polish nation, a sympathy dating from old historic times. The Stockholm Tidningen writes that much has been done for the from old historic times. The Stockholm Tribiningen writes that much has been done for the development of Polish-Swedish relations and still much may be done. As a result of its geographic position and its power, Poland is destined to play an important part in contemporary history whilst the safety of Sweden is increased by the tendency of Poland to accomplish its missions. Sydswenska Dagbladet stresses the animated trade relations between both countries and their mutual hope of still greater development in the future. "In many cases we have the same political cares, especially in the character of the countries lying on the Baltic where the interests of great powers cross each other. Goniec Warszawski discussing the Ch in esse-day no nesse war considers that the concentration of Soviet forces on the Far East diminishes the communist action in Poland. "Comintern must now spend much money on agitation

spend much money on agitation in Manchuko and Corea. It cannot

in Manchuko and Gorea. It cannot therefore give so much for supplying communist agitators in Poland with funds."

Kurier Warszawski as well as the rest of the Polish press speak of the arrest of Polish parents in Danzig who have inscribed their children to Polish schools. It writes "The Danzig authorities do not cease their attacks on parents inscribing their children to Polish schools", "What is the reason for these "What is the reason for these arrests? They take place in order to force from the parents the declaration that they are Germans". The Kurier then

proceeds to give several examples of arrests of people of purely Polish descent whose children the Danzig authorities insist upon counting to the German population. It concludes "It is not strange therefore that even foreign consuls in Danzig are beginning to show a lively interest in these facts. One of the in these facts. One of the consuls of a world power has gathered authoritative information

gathered authoritative information as to the nationality of children compulsorily inscribed to the German schools? The entire Polish press publishes the communication of Minister Składkowski concerning the Peasants' strike of the 15th Aug. Express Parannu wittes. "The Peasants' strike of the 15th Aug. Express Poranny writes. "The bloodshed by the peasants falls upon the heads of those, who in the name of their own political interests deceived irresponsible individuals, inciting them to acts of violence a nd terror, not reckoning with the victims which these must inevitably bring with them".

them".

Regarding the non-aggression pact, signed between the Soviets and China, Le Temps writes "till now the Chinese government has streadily opposed the conclusion of an agreement with Soviet Russia, and Marshal Tschank-Kai-Tschek considered his chief task to be the combating of communism. Tschek considered his chief task to be the combating of comunism. Obviously Nankin has been compelled to alter its position under the pressure of present events". The question arises, says Le Temps, as to how Moscow intends re-acting towards the Sino-Japanese conflict. Presumably the interior situation of the Soviets does not allow the possibility of war to be considered. The German press expresses doubt as to the practical advantage for China in concluding a pact with the Soviets.

Deutsche Allgameine Zeitung writes "No pact with Moscow has ever helped anybody — that we see by the example of France. Bolshevism will doubtless try to explicit the conflict for its own uses". Hence the Germans contend that their a nti-com m unist agreement with Japan was right and foreseeing.

The Cemetery of the Defenders of Lwow

The most beautiful and pathetic of all cemeteries in Poland is so much and for which they gave undoubtedly that of the young Defenders of Lwow. Not only for its wonderful situation and its artistic composition but for the work of the property of the prop

of all cemeteries in Poland is undoubtedly that of the young Defenders of Lwow. Not only for its wonderful situation and its artistic composition but for the two thousand graves of heroic soldiers and for the love and care shown to their memory by all Polish citizens.

When telling you the story of this unique cemetery, I must cast a rapid glance over recent history. The Great War being over, Poland came to life, when again the enemies of the country we re first threatening Lwow, and again, as in former ages, nothwithstanding the long Austrian occupation, the heart of the city remained Polish, youthful and ardent. In the heroic days between the 1st and 22nd of November 1918, all classes of the Lwow population: schoolboys of thirteen, students, young girls, workers, elderly professors seized arms and defended the town, defeating and expelling the enemy. The fight for Poland continued through the years 1919 and 1920 and the number of victims grew correspondingly.

When at last peace was established, the mothers, wives and families of those who fell in battle in Lwow and in its vicinity formed a society called: "The Guard of the Tombs of the Polish Heroes" and decided to put them to their eternal rest

and buried there. Shall I mention the names of the thirteen year old boys and girls who fell from Ukrainian or Russian bullets. The list would be too long.

Among them rest also foreigners who came to as sist Poland

Among them rest also foreigners who came to assist Poland in those days. In one common grave lie the three brave American officers from the Kosciuszko Flying Squadron, fallen on the Lwow front in 1920.

Their names are: Lieutenant Edmund P. Graves, born at Boston, in 1891, died - 22.XI. 1919; Captain Arthur H. Kelly, born Virginia Richmond in 1890, died at Euck - 16.VII. 1920 and Lieutenant MacCallum, born at Detroit 1890, died Lwow - 21.VIII. 1920. Their tomb is adorned with a monument on which you read in Pollsh and English: "To American Heroes who gave their lives to Poland".

The Coat of Arms of Lwow

The Coat of Arms of Lwow was in 1920 adorned by Marshal Joseph Pilsudski with the highest Polish Military Decoration, the Cross of "Virtuti Militari" for the heroic defence of the town by all classes of its population during the Ukrainian invasion of 1918.

Leopolis Semper Fidelis C. H.



American Heroes Monument

Art Treasures of Lwów

By Dr. Tadeusz Mańkowski

Monuments of architecture, especially church architecture, give Lwów its particular character. The majority point to a close union of the town with the artistic culture of the West, However, specimens are not lacking which demonstrate the influence of Eastern culture. It was in Lwów that the influences of the East and the West both converged and collided with each other. So also at Lwów the was in Lwów that the influences of the East and the West both converged and collided with each other. So also at Lwów the converged and collided with each other. So also at Lwów the contrasts of various cultures were brought into prominence most conspicuously, while at the same time, they influenced one another, and in this way, created often an amalgam of artistic forms extremely interesting and characteristic. Besides the Roman-Catholic cathedral, built in the Gothic style, circa 1360, and demonstrating as it does, the influence of the architecture of Kraków — capital of Poland at that time- and that of Wroclaw (Breslau), with which Lwów was commercially related, we find in Lwów at the same time, an Armenian Cathedral, built two or three years later, which is a monument of Asiatic Eastern architecture. The Greek Catholic church called "Wallachian", built bet ween 1591 and 1598 by architects of Italian extraction, combines a style of Italian renaissance with traditions of Bizantine art. The crossbreeding of different artistic cultures is on the whole the cause of the originality of old relies of Lwów.

During the Middle Ages and for some time even in the Ronaissance period, the architecture of Lwów was strongly influenced by Kraków. From there sculptors and painters as well as many builders came to Lwów, till the great fire of 1597, when Lwów became flooded by Italian builders. They arrived in great numbers from the monntaincous cantons of South Switzerland, bringing with them the architecture forms of the Montaincous cantons of South Switzerland, bringing with them the architectonic forms of the Ronaissance so characteristically North Italian. The most distinguished of them being Petero da Barahona, Paolo Domninci, Petero da Lugano, Piotr with the surname of Krasowski and the surname of Krasowski in the surname of Kr

Pietro di Barbona, Paolo Dominici, Pietro da Lugano, Piotr with the surname of Krasowski and Pietro da Lugano, Piotr with the surname of Krasowski and Ambrozy called Przychyjny, who very soon conformed their style to their new surroundings, and to the requirements of the citizens of Lwów, and following the Polish fashion erected houses the front of which was surmounted by a high Attic. These Attics were formerly a special feature of the Lwów Market Place and of the streets of the city itself; very few, however, have remained. The

few remaining are known as the "Black House" and the palace of King John Sobieskl, both with porticos surmounted by a horisontal Attie, of sculptured stone. A similar Attic may also be seen on the steeple of the Benedictine nuns' church, built towards the end of the 16th century. An original conglomerate of forms is also to be found in the Greek-Catholic, once a Schismatic, church, popularly called the Wallachian church which unites elements of renaissance building with the Byzantine forms, traditional of the Eastern church. Nevertheless the artistic culture of the West always predominated and at the end of the 16th century superseded Eastern influences. The architectonic forms of the Italian renaissance, which had meanwhile prevailed in Lwów, met in the city with other elements, introduced by the art of Northern countries. The style of the Northern Renaissance nurtured in the Netherlands, spread quickly throughout the countries of North Europe, competing with the art of the Italian renaissance, just as previously there was an emulation between the East and the West, so also, on the turning point of the 16th and 17th centuries, in all churches built at that time the North and South competed with and merged into each other. In architecture alone, the Italian remained patterns, propagated in Flanders by Carnellia Elloric and beit Carnellia Elloric and beit carnellia and tenness and contents and contents and contents and contents and contents and the second contents and the Flemish-German ornamental patterns, propagated in Flanders by Carnellia Elloric and beit and the carnellia and tenness and contents and contents and contents and the carnellia and the carnellia and tenness and ca the Italian forms still prevailed, but in the architecter atone, the Italian forms still prevailed, but in the architectonic decorations the Flemish-German ornamental patterns, propagated in Flanders by Cornelis Floris and his imitators, gained more and more ground. The above influences may be traced in Lwów; in the church of the Jesuits (1610—1638), built to the plans of the Jesuit architect, Giacomo Briano; in the Chapel of the Campians, built (probably by John Pfister) as an annex to the Roman-Catholic cathedral; and above all in the Bernardine church (1600—1630), in the building of which the Italian architect, Paolo Domenici, a Roman, preceded the German builder Andrew Bremer from Wroclaw (Breslau). The Boim chapel, in the vicinity of the cathedral, was built in 1609—1617 in a decidedly Northern style. Its whole façade as well as its interior are covered with sculptural ornamentations. The finest Lwów churches, however, belong to the epoch of the late Baroque and the Roccoo times. They give the town its character, and the Roccoo style dominates. Late Baroque is the Seminarry church, formerly belonging to the Barefooted Carmelitanes; it stands in the

Gems from the Lubomirski Gallery







Portrait of Mame Starzenska

neighbourhood of the archbishop's palace, and was built to the plans of J. B. Gisleni in 1642, imilating the Roman church of St. Susanna. Nevertheless during the 18th century, Italian architects gave way to the Polish ones, or rather the Polonized Germans. The largest Rococo churches of Lwów are the Dominican church (1744 — 1764), built by Marcin Urbanik and planned by Jan Witte; and the Orthodox church of St. George (St. Jur), picturesquely overlooking the town from a hill, being the work of Bernard Meretyn (1744—1764).

Towards the end of the 18th century in Lwów, the influence of the Austrian Rococo began to be felt. The period of classicism shows the influence of the Warsaw classic school against that of Vienna, represented by an Italian Pietro Nobile, the projector of the Ossoliński Institute. When building this edifice the architect¹) Józef Bem, did not keep strictly to Nobile's project, thus drawing near the type of Warsaw classicism. Mediaeval sculpture of Lwów, at least the still to-day available relics, are nearly exclusively from Krakow, During the Renaissance it was likewise the sculptors of Kraków, bearing in mind the Italian models, who prevailed in Lwów, and only in the 17th century gave way to artists, who in their turn were influenced by Northern art. One of the important features of those times were the numerous sculptured tombs and sepulchres with a laba seter ornaments. During the Rococo

1) Then a young captain, but later the famous general.

spell, Lwów sculptures developed considerably, giving a very high level to its themes, almost exclusively religious. The art of the Lwów sculptors of those times was extremely original and points to the high level of contemporary artistic culture of the city.

The Lwów paintings from the 15th to the 17th century combined the influences of the West and the East, with a considerable preponderance on the former, which wholly dominated the period of the counter reformation. Besides the Polish painters, who

belonged to an organised corporation, there were also in Lwów Ruthenian painters of Ikons, and Armenian illuminators of church books, keeping to their ancient traditions. Lwów goldsmiths of the 16th and 17th centuries were likewise famous. In the 19th century Lwów architecture became modern, wilh the growth of the town there appeared many monuments' to Polish personalities. The art of painting was particularly developed in Lwów, which prides itself on such well-known names, as for instance Arthur Grottger,



A Faithful Friend

Polish Bid for World Altitude Record

The Polish Balloon Works of The Polish Balloon Works of Legionow near Warsaw, which manufactured several winners of the Gordon Bennett Trophy, and were at one time invited by Professor Piecard to build for him a new stratospheric balloon, are making the largest stratospheric balloon in the world. The balloon with which Professor Piecard made his first famous

balloon in the world.

The balloon with which Professor Precard made his first famous ascent had a capacity of 14,000 cubic metres, the American balloon which beat his record—17,000 cubic metres, the Soviet one 25,000 cubic metres, while the Polish balloon now being made in the Legionovo works near Warsaw will have a capacity of 30,000 cubic metres.

The world record of Stevens, who attained 22,066 metres in 1935 remains unbeaten. The Polish flyers, who will probably be Capt. Burzyński and Dr. Jodko-Narkiewicz, hope to reach an altitude of 30 kilometres—higher than any man has ever been before. The size of their balloon and the special quality of its fabric promise success to their attempt. A hermelte gondola is being built at the same time. The cost of the balloon has been subscribed by the members of the Aerial League of Poland (LOPP), who decided to capture the world's altitude record—one of the finest records in existence.

The date of the attempt has not yet been definitely fixed, but will probably be made early in the spring of 1938. Test flights and preparations have been carried out for three years, as an ascent to 30 kilometres a.s.l. requires extremely carful planning, if the life of the pilots is to be safeguarded.

Polish Navy in Riga and Tallin

Riga. The flotilla leader "Grom" Riga. The Hothla leader "Grom" and the two destroyers "Wicher" and "Burza" of the Polish Navy paid an official visit to Riga, where the ships spent three days, proceeding later to Tallin on their Baltie tour.

Locomotives for Tobacco

The Polish State Tobacco Monopoly is negotiating for the purchase of large quantities of tobacco from Bulgaria. 20 million zlotys worth of Bulgarian tobacco could be imported annually for a period of three years.

Instead of paying in cash, Poland would supply locomotives for the Bulgarian railways, which are already using several locomotives of Polishmanufacture to their satisfaction.



Armenian Cathedral



Tower of the Wallachian Church and Dominican Church



The Coat of Arms of Lwów

The townsfolk voluntarily burnt their vastsuburbs; they indignantly spurned every menace, advice or persuasion either of surrendering persuasion either of surrendering the city, by way of ransom, or giving up all the Jews to be slaughtered by the enemy. For three weeks they defended the city courageously and devotedly, having at their head the famous Christopher Arciszewski, General of the Crown Artillery, and their Mayor Martin Grozweier.

The only friumph of the Cossacks was the storming of the High Castle and the butchering of hundreds of innocent, weaponless persons. Chmielnicki, obstructed in his victorious march, obstructed in his victorious march,

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obstructed in his victorious march, and finding that he was losing precious time in vain, was content to receive a ransom of 60.000 ducats and pushed on to Zamošć. The traces of the awful devastation had not yet been obliterated when in 1655 the innumerable troops of Chmielnicki swammed again round the aits. innumerable troops of Chimeinics; swarmed again round the city. This time they had the help of the Russian army with its leader, Buturlin. The brave city was left to its own resources, for just at that time the Swedes had invaded. that time the Swedes had invaded the whole of Western Poland, the metropolis had opened its gates to the invader, and the whole of Lithuania") was in the hands of the Tsar of Moscow. King John Casimir, having no place he could call his own, sought refuge in Silesia. Only two towns, Lwow and Częstochowa, dared to resist the invaders.

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The governor of Lwow, the famous defender of Kudak — the border fortress — prepared his defence well. He gave orders that the vineyards and orchards should the vineyards and orchards should be cut down, every house or shed in the suburbs burnt, and the fortifications strengthened. After useless persuasion to submit or to give up all the Jews, a second memorable siege was laid. It was the longest of all, lasting as it did seven weeks but it gave deathless renown to the city. Chmielnicki and Buturlin were the first to propose perolistions.

Commented and Sutural were the first to propose negotiations and the city sent its delegates to their camps. With more than a hundred cannon thundering on either side the delegates, calm and dignified, fulfilled their mission. dignified, fulfilled their mission. The declaration they announced in Chmielnicki's tent at the beginning of the negotiations brings the townsfolk everlasting credit and honour. Chmielnicki, finding his threats and endeavours were unavailing, consented to take a "gift" of 60,000 zloty and ignominously beat a retreat.

During both these sieges the

beat a retreat.

During both these sieges the populous and lovely suburbs and adjacent farms and villages were burnt, wealth gained by honest burnt, wealth gained by honest toil was lost, many people gave their lives or went into captivity worse than death.

worse than death.
The noble example set by
Lwow and Czestochowa was
quickly followed by a rising of
the whole nation, which
subsequently put to flight its
enemies.

nemies. For all its devotion and virtues the grand old town received from the representatives of the nation the honourable name of "bulwark of Poland and Christianity" and the city "semper

Lwów-Poland's Bulwark in the East

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fidelis". In 1658, the Seym ennobled Lwow and gave it the same rights as Cracow and Wilno. These honourable surnames and distinctions have

surnames and distinctions nave become the most treasured possession of the city. When in 1667 the Cossacks went over to Turkey new misfortunes fell upon the Polish misfortunes fell upon the Polish borderland and long and terrible wars ensued for Poland. In 16/2 the Sultan Mohammed IV, at the head of his innumerable Turkish-Tarlar army, started off to subjugate. Poland. First Kamieniec Podolski, a stronghold deemed to be invulnerable, then one after the other more than forty border castles fell into his hands. Panic spread throughout the unhappy land, all resistance.

deemed to be invaluerable, then one after the other more than forty border castles fell into his hands. Panie spread throughout the unhappy land, all resistance seemed to be to no purpose Lwow again was the first to withstand the victorious march of the invaders. The conquering of it was to crown the expedition and Kapudan Basha with his 60 thousand Turks, Tartars and Wallachians was to undertake the enterprise, the Sultan awaiting the result at Buczacz.

Part of the inhabitants, fearing the awful fate of the much stronger Kamieniec, left the town. Those who remained together with the Royal garrison could muster only three th ou sa n defenders. The Governor of the garrison and the Mayor, a very old man, took command. The Turkish army, having surrounded the town, laid siege to it according to military rules. Even John Sobieski, who was then Hetman, i.e. the chief commander of the Polish army, had no hope that the town could defend itself. From fourteen batteries the enemy opened fire against the city, but in vain. None the less the situation had become critical, when the Turks, having succeeded in making breaches which could not be repaired by the defenders, prepared for a decisive attack. Luckily for the city at that same moment there appeared in the Turks, but in vain. None the less the situation had become critical, when the Turks, having succeeded in making breaches which could not be repaired by the defenders, prepared for a decisive attack. Luckily for the city at that same moment there appeared in the Turks, but in vain. None the less the situation had become critical, when the Turks, having succeeded in making breaches which could not be repaired by the defenders, prepared for a decisive attack. Luckily for the city at that same moment there appeared in the Turks, but in vain. None the less the situation had become critical, when the Turks, baving succeeded in the town the second of the second

The siege, though adding to the glory of the city, dealt it a heavy blow. Nevertheless, the strategic importance of Lwow, as the most important border stronghold, reigned supreme up to the time when Kamieniec Po-dolski returned to Poland (1699).

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King John III Sobieski, a great friend of the town, having chosen Lwow as the basis of his military activities, fortified and repaired its fortifications, according to the latest military system; here he collected his troops, his stores, weapons and ammunition, here arranged his plans, and, in 1675, at the head of 6 thous and kaights, in half an hour's time completely routed a horde of 40 thousand Tartars. The chivalrous king loved the martial town and its folk. One of the proofs of his favour was in 1676 the confirmation of all the existing privileges, charters, customs etc., of the city. The words in which this new privilege was expressed bring everlasting honour to Lwow.

Exactly twenty years later the

bring everlasting bonour to Lvow. Exactly twenty years later the Hetman Stanislas Jablonowski with 4 thousand soldiers saved the town from a Tartar horde of 40 thousand in number, after having fought desperately with them smong the suburban houses. The year 1704 brought a new catastrophe upon Lwow, and dealt the city a terrible blow. Conquered by the Swedish King, Charles XII, it fell; however, not by fault of its citizens but by the indolence of the Royal governor

and the cowardice of the paid garrison.

garrison.

Plundered of all that it had collected during the centuries, its rich stores of ammunition pillaged, Lwow lost the prestige of an invulnerable city. Nevertheless, though a period of decline seemed to settle upon Lwow, its true patriotism and the traditional hardihood more than once flared up in future days.

up in future days.

During the partition of Poland in 1772 by three neighbouring Powers, when srmed resistance was utterly impossible, the citizens of Lwow voiced a solemn protest against the act of violence. They were proof against all attempts at their germanisation, and every Polish insurrection (the principal ones in 1794 1809) and every Polish insurrection (the principal ones in 1794, 1809, 1830, 1848, 1863), every attempt aiming at liberating the country from its oppressors called forth to its range the worth of the m its oppressors called forth

During the last three decades of the 19th century, when Galicia—the part of Poland annexed by Austria — had received its autonomy, Lwow became the capital of the province and a centre of Polish thought and culture. Here gathered the most eminent minds and ardent hearts from all the three parts of Poland. from all the three parts of Poland, dismembered by her oppressors. The future regeneration of the country found in Lwow its The future regeneration of the country found in Lwo w its indefatigable propagators and tollers. Here began the work of the Polish founders of the Polish Boys Scouts and Girl Guides, who are now a powerful organisation spread over the whole country.

During the ten months' Russian occupation, after the Great War had broken out, Lwow resisted with dignity all attempts at its russification, and displayed great activity in the field of social welfere welfare.

Once again the courageous old city displayed its heroic virtues. When as a result of the Great War the power of the three Empires broke down and Poland began to shake off the alien chains, once more Lowe fought for its grand name of the bulwark of Poland. In 1918, owing to underhand German work, some Ruthenian-Ukrainian troops, belonging to the late Austrian army, had treacherously taken possession of the town. Then began a Titanic struggle, in which on one side were armed and Once again the courageous old on one side were armed and practised numbers, on the other a handful of young people, often in their early teens, weaponless and untrained. Their enthusiasm, their power of endurance, their heroic spirit and devoted love towards their country and their beloved city spurred them on to superhuman and glorious effort.

effort.

The Lwow Eaglets — as history has named them — drove out the enemy and retained the city for Poland. Later on after a five months' siege those same boys, women, clerks, men from all the classes of society, gained new laurels for the old city in the resuscitated Polish State.

The City's coat of arms received then the highest order of "Virtuti Militari", as a reward for its fidelity, perpetual watchfulness and readiness and as a sign of its invincible service for the

Now Lwow is again what it used to be in the old days, the capital of a voivodship. Faithful to ancient traditions, it has remained Poland's bulwark in the East — semper fidelis,

Dr. Alexander Czołowski. Translated by Wanda Peszke.

*) At that time Lithuania was united to Poland and formed with her one united kingdom (from 1385 till the second partition of Poland in 1793).



BOIM

THE ORIGINS OF THE POLISH STATE

By Max Goryński

(Continued from Nr. 33)

WhentheAustrianarchaeologist When the Austrian archaeologist and ethnographer, M. Hoernes, taking up older suggestions, discussed the possibility of the corded ware, so widely distributed all over great parts of Europe, being a characteristic of the Indo-Europeans, he brought down on himself Prof. Kossinna's wrathful Europeans, he brought down on himself Prof. Kossinna's wrathful remark that this was certainly meant for a joke. To assume a common origin of the northern peoples and of the peoples who produced this pottery would be an insult to all methods of prehistoric ethnology. We reten the northern Teutons no Indo-Europeans, while, because of the corded pottery, the peoples of Eastern Europe from the regions of Ladoga and Perm were Indo-Europeans? The se were undoubtedly Finns. And he wound up his diatribe by declaring that ethnological speculations have only so far some value in prehistory as they coverextensive territories and work out all details chronologically. The aspect the corded pottery culture presents to-day is put in a nutshell by Prof. Józef

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The aspect the corded pottery culture presents to-day is put in a nutshell by Prof. Jözef Kostrzewski; he writes: "It clearly belonged to a nomad folk, and more arguments seem to prove that, contrary to what hasbeen hitherto supposed, it did not arise in Thuringia but came in from the East, finding a new home in central Germany, and that its originators, who spread it throughout a large part of Europe, are to be regarded as the original Indo-Germanic race, who forced the Indo-Germanic language on the various peoples of Europe." (The Prehistory of Pomerania, Baltic Pocket Library) This statement implies, of course, that not only the Teutons but all "the various peoples of Europe" may, originally, not have belonged to the races of Indo-Guropean orlayan speech. The assumption may sound very startling to a lay public to whom us u ally only titbits of anthropology, I in g ni stice, ethnology, archaeology are presented, not in order to acquaint them with the constantly changing aspects of research, but to win hem over to ideologies. aspects of research, but to win them over to ideologies - Weltanschaungen that pretend to be "scientifically established". Serious scholars, however, to be "scientifically established". Serious scholars, however, have long ago familiarized themselves with the idea underlying the hypothesis. Thus Prof. J. L. Myres, when mentioning the introduction of Umbro-Sabellian speech into the Italian peninsula, wrote:
"But this does not necessarily mean a displacement of population.

mean a displacement of population. Like the Semitic peoples, the early speakers of Indo-European

languages possessed a remarkable genius which we cannot at present analyse for imposing their speech, and with it much of their beliefs and social practices, on the populations among whom they came, while adapting themselves to enjoy the material culture which they found in vogue in each new region. It is certain, also, from the diversity of physical types among the is certain, also, from the diversity of physical type among the peoples who are actually found speaking these languages, that exposure to such varied climates and environments was fatal to the separate existence of the originally intrusive stock. Either they interbred and lost their identity, or they died out, leaving their speech, and their ideas to be propagated by pupils of alien race. It is also probable that, in most cases, the actual intruders were few that it was quality, not numbers, that prevailed."
And then again, when speaking of Teutons and Celts in Cassari's time, he says: "The blood of both, too, was by this time a mixture, in varying proportions, of Alpine in varying proportions, of Alpine and Northern elements", and of the assumed original home of the Teutons between the Oder

the Teutons between the Oderriver and the Priper marshes he remarks. "Indo-European speech had spread here too:how and when, we cannot tell for certain."

Nor shall we for a long time to come yet be able to do so. Prehistorians are, however, doing their best in order to cover, as Prof. Kosinna required but not always did himself, extensive territories and work out all details chronologically, and in this way terrifories and work out all details chronologically, and in this way to prepare a safe ground for eth nological interpretation. Russian, Polish, Czech, Swedish, Finnish, also German, prehistorians are putting in much effort in collecting and segregating materials dispersed from the Eurasian confines to, possibly, as far as Spain. We have already mentioned that to the VII International Congress of already mentioned that to the VII International Congress of Historical Sciences held in Warsaw, in 1933, M. Tadeusz Sulimirski, at the time lecturer of the Lwów University, now professor of prehistory, Cracow University, submittedanimportant paper on Die schnurkeramischen paper on Die schnurkeramischen Kulturen und das indeuropäische Problem (Congress publications of the Polish Historical Society) based on the literature of the subject and his own extensive field work in South-East Poland. Since then Prof. Sullmirski, assisted by his pupils, has devoted each year's digging season to the mounds and barrows of Polish Podolia and Volhynia. That region, situated as it is roughly (Continued on page 6)

International Eastern Fair in Lwów

Those visiting Poland seem bound to be drawn to the soldierly and heroic city of Lwów, and once within its walls should direct once within its walls should direct their steps to the gates of the International Eastern Fair, which for many years has been the main attraction of the whole of East Central Europe. The fame of these fairs has not only spread all over Europe, but has reached many overseas countries.

many overseas countries.

The Lwów Eastern Fair owes
its cultural, commercial and social
mportance to its geopolitical
conditions, which have caused
this commercial outpost to act as
sentry between the East and
West and between the Baltic and
the Black Seas. Lwów and its
tradiag enterprises have filled
this role for ages, a fact on
which the commercial records of
the world have repeatedly dwelt.

Due to its being a natural link between the East and the West and the two above mentioned seas, the Fair shelters each autumn under its roof the exhibits of many countries, arranged under the auspices of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Lwów, industry and Commerce in Lwow, which has for several years protected and promoted the Eastern Fairs in order to foster permanent relations not only with Poland but with many of her neighbours both near and far.

An examination of the yearly reports of the Fair will confirm the fact that the number of exhibitors both in their importance and quantity are not to be outdone by by similar organisations in other parts of Europe, while the business turnover of the Fair is both large

Practically the whole business life of Poland forgathers at the Fairsin congresses and conferences to discuss the most pressing economic problems of the moment, whether concerning agriculture, industry, handicrafts or trade. The great number of congresses taking place at the time of the Fair, proves that they are looked upon all over Poland as economic

The interest shown in the Lwów fair is proved by the fact that the 1936 was visited by over two hundred thousand persons including many foreigners from Germany, France, Great Britain, Roumania, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Italy, Bulgaria, etc. which countries sent longer or smaller parties, all of which returned enthusiastic about the city and the excellent organization interest shown returned enthusiastic about the city and the excellent organization of the Fair, The Lwów Autumn Fair is visited by buyers, manufacturers and tourists of many European countries and by many Polish emigrants from the U.S.A., who not only take pleasure U.S.A., who not only take pleasure in the economic progress of their motherland, but also in the material prosperity of their belowed Lwów and its commercial guard which is the International guard which Eastern Fair.

Eastern Fair.

The Fairs are most picturesque indeed, beautiful gardens stretch over an area of 220,000 sq. metres, while that alloted to exhibits exceeds 20,000 sq. metres, and is situated in an old and beautiful park, well known not only in Poland but also abroad. For that reason practically each plot of Poland but also abroad. For that reason practically each plot of land which forms part of the exhibition, seems to be one huge mass of greenery, full of enchantment and alluring charm. A visit to the Fair means straying among beautiful scenery, sparkling with an abundance of floral borders decorated by a perfect rainbow of flowers, the cultivation of which is the pride of Lwów.



A Pavillion at the Fair

A Pawillion a

A stroll through the pavilions is a pleasant task, but rather a matter of being charmed by the riches, which we are asked to study by the Polish and foreign exhibitors. Lively movement, surprise, meditation and in its wake praise for the International Eastern Fairs, which are capable of displaying hundreds of thousands of exhibits—such are the memories of those who have visited this hospitable city.

Last year, as was well known, the Polish government outlined a vast programme to rebuild her economic structure; having as an aim the wide spread and industrialisation of the country. This plan which is spread over a period of years, foresees the industrializing, to start with, that part of the country situated between the rivers Wisla and

part of the country situated between the rivers Wisla and San. This scheme was warmly approved by the great mass of the public.

approved by the great mass of the public. The whole of the Polish economic world is prepared to help; the first to offer their services were Polish engineers and technicians. Likewise this year's 17th I. E. F. which acts as Poland's showwindow, displaying the strength and economic resources of the country, together with its active workshops, mostly industrial, are ready to help, in any way possible.

This year's Fair is a picture of practically the whole of economic Poland, the problem of the moment

being — technics; which will be examined by the First Polish Congress of Engineers, with a view to clearing up the varying needs arising as world circumstances demand. Thousands of engineers and technicians will gather in Lwów, not only from all over Poland, but also from many foreign coutnries.

from many foreign conturies.

The I. E. Fairs will show this crowd of experts the power of technics, which nowadays, Poles, in common with other nations, are beginning to appreciate more fully. The markets of the whole of Europe will be watching this year's Fair, the more so as the rebuilding of Poland may change to a certain extent the economic countenance not only of the country but of the whole of Central Europe.

Once more we cast our eyes

Central Europe.

Once more we cast our eyes and dwell on the beautiful stretch of land occupied by the Fair, standing at the gate of one of the main pavilions, before us in full view is Lwöw, surrounded by groups of parks and gardens. In the distance lies a spacious hilly horizon crossed by historical roads. It is these roads which connect the East with the West and link up the Northern and Southern seas.

Guarding these roads is the

Guarding these roads is the nation which above all loves its freedom; standing sentry as also is Lwów and its International Eastern Fairs.

Petroleum Industry

The extraction of crude oil in Poland during July totalled 42,160 tons as against 40,850 tons in June; the extraction of mineral gas came to 88,969,000 cubic metres as against 38,874,000 cubic metres. The refineries worked off 41,840 tons of crude 11,000 streams of the contraction of the contracti oil (40,840 tons in June), producing 38, 220 tons of derivatives (37,030 tons). Domestic sales totalled 26,470 tons (23,300 tons), exports 13,500 tons (950 tons). Stocks at 13,000 tons (950 tons). Stocks at the refineries at the end of the month amounted to 174,230 tons (174,310 tons) and stocks of crude oil to 19,630 tons (20,630 tons); 25 refineries were in operation during the month.

Increased Import of Raw Materials and Machinery

The expansion of Polish foreign trade during the present year in comparison with 1936 is much more marked in import than in export; the bulk of the increased imports is represented by raw materials and machines which, of course, testifies to the economic recovery of the country. Some figures of such imports during the first seven months of 1937 and 1936 (in tons; first figure this year's, second figure last year's imports; percentage of increase bracketed) well illustrate the progress achieved: cellulose The expansion of Polish foreign the progress achieved: cellulose 12,531; and 2,878 (335.4 per cent), motors and turbines 917 and 277 (231 per cent), pig-iron 5,552 and 2,596 (113.9 per cent), scrap-iron 386,349 and 231,603 (66.8 per cent), aluminium 882 and 586 (50.5 per cent), motor cars 1,873 and 1,285 (45.8 per cent), rubber 3,590 and 2,541 tons (41.3 per cent), copper 10,234 and 8,100 (26.3 per cent).

Textile Export from Bialystok

Exports of textiles from the industrial district of Bialystok in July a mounted to 346,209 kilogrammes valued at 1,460,569 zlotys as against 74,074 kilogrammes valued at 408,662 zlotys in June. The chief buyer of Bialystok goods was China. The great rise in exports is explained by the fact that July is a normal month for Bialystok to seasonal shipments which this time were heavier than usual as time were heavier than usual as a recent strike had retarded the completion of older orders.

Increase of Production in Poland

Poland
The increase of industrial production in Poland, attained during the first half of the present year as against the first half-year of 1986, found its expression in an increase of coal consumption by the industrial plants, from 4,511,000 tons to 5,416,000 tons. For the periods under review railway transport of industrial raw materials increased from an average of 15-ton wagon-loads per day to 420, and the number of wagons loaded with industrial goods from 728 to 917 per day.

Timber Organisation in Eastern Galicia

Private timber enterprises in Eastern Galicia, namely in the districts of Lwow, Stanislawow and Tarnopol are represented by a Syndicate of Timber Merchants in Lwow (Syndykat Interesentöw Drzewnych), one of the oldest and best known timber organizations.

The economic meaning of timber in Eastern Galicia, also of the Syndicate of Timber Merchants as one of the leading organizations, is illustrated by the following statistical data:

Of a total of 4,967 thousand hectares of private forests in Poland, 1,240 thousand hectares, practically a fourth part, are situated in Eastern Galicia. The situated in Eastern Galicia. The forests resources here are the object of the most intensive timber production in Poland, and include the best qualities and the dearest species of wood - such as the world wide known bids. - such as the world wide known high mountain sub-Carpathan spruce from Worochta and Wygoda, or high class oak, from the Brzezany district.

Similarly as regards industrial equipment, the timber industry of Eastern Galicia is in the lead. Here are concentrated the largest and the best equipped saw mills and wood working undertakings, such as wooden box and French floor board factories, etc...

In the export of timber Esstern Galicia once again holds an important position; its share in the export of the principle item, i. e. sawn conferous softwood always exceeding 40 per cent, whilst in 1936 this amounted to 44.5 per cent of the total private Polish export of softwoods.

The timber exports from Eastern Galicia proceed not only to all European countries, but also to the farthest over-seas countries, such as Africa, America, Asia and even Australia.

The attention of the Syndicate is primarily devoted to the export of timber to Great Britain, which for a number of years has been the most important market for timber from Eastern Galicia.

In the year 1936 the private export of sawn softwoods from Eastern Galicia to Britain was 155,143 tons, representing over 75 per cent of the total private export.

export.

Attached to the Syndicate of Timber Merchants, at the head of which Dr. Pawel Csala, who has filled the post of President for the past twelve years and is at the same time Vice-President of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce, are sections dealing with the export of sawn softwoods, pulp wood, round logs, as well. pulp wood, round logs, as well as a commercial department. embracing the whole of the local

The Syndicate, moreover, maintains a Tariff department, a Statistical department, a department for the Standarization and Normalization of the production of timber, etc. in and Normalization of the production of timber, etc: in addition to which, since 1936, the Syndicate has a special Devisen Control department. The Syndicate of Timber Merchants is in constant touch with the Chamberofladustry and Commerce in Lwow and the Supreme Council of the Polish Timber Union in Warsaw, both of which institutions lend their support to the versatile activities of the Syndicate.

Polish-British Trade

Gt. Britain holds first place on the lists of countries both importing from and exporting to Poland. Polish exports to Gt. Britain and Polish imports from Gt. Britain are steadily increasing. Gr. Sritain are steadily increasing.
The exports increased from 181 million zlotys in 1935 to 222 million zlotys in 1936. The imports increased from 117 million zlotys in 1935 to 142 million zlotys in 1936.

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Poland purchased in 1936 from
Gt. Britain 44 million zlotys worth
of textile products and semimanufactured products, 12 million
zlotys worth of leather goods,
16 million zl. worth of chemical
products, 4 million zlotys of
rubber goods, 21 million zlotys of
shardware, 22 million zlotys of
machinery and apparatus,
10 million zlotys of yencies,
2 million zlotys of yencision
apparatus, and small quantities
of other manufactured products.
Poland also imported from Gt.
Britain 14 million zlotys worth
of salted fish, mostly herrings,
and smaller quantities of colonial
produce, fats, intestines, etc.
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The Polish export to Gt. Britain is mainly agricultural. Poland exported to Gt. Britain in 1936: 39 million zlotys worth of bacon, 4 million zlotys of ham, 16 million zlotys of eggs, 18 million zlotys of butter, and smaller quantities of cheese, etc. The export of grain amounted to 31 million zlotys. Canned foodstuffs and other conserves accounted for 7 million zlotys. The largest position in the list of Polish exports to Gt. Britain is, however, that of timber of which 73 million zlotys worth was sold.

Citys worth was sold.

Gt. Britain buys in Poland also certain manufactured goods,
notably textiles (value 6 million

zlotys), chemical products, certain metal goods, etc. The first half of 1937 shows

a further development of the Polish—British trade, both of imports and exports. (ATE)

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The Origins of the Polish State

and Jutland, seems to have been also a halfway house in the spreading of the corded pottery culture, and this for both directions — from East to West

and vice versa.

Prof. Sulimirski succeeded in digging up in South-East Poland, a country most interesting archaeologically as an un mistakable junction of penetrations of cultures and actual migrations of peoples from all points of the compass, a series of burials evidently belonging to the corded pottery people, but also quite as evidently much older than the graves of the same people, which had been formerly examined. The difference in age of the two classes of the same people, which had been formerly examined. The difference in age of the two classes of burials is evidenced by the difference in grave-goods, and partly by a change of burial rites. The skeletons in the older graves are all contracted, the bones, sometimes also the bottom of the pits strewn with other, like in the ochre graves of the Ukraine; no metals are found, only objects belonging to the end of the Stone Age; the pottery is extremely brittle and primitive, invariably decorated with cord ornament; for the two most frequently found and most typical forms of this ware no prototypes are to be met with in the Western areas of this culture, while they abound in the Kiev region and farther to the east. Quite a different picture is presented by the series of younger graves; skeletons in outstretched position begin to occur, graves within stone rings, and skeletons in stone packing be come frequent; stone rings, and skeletons in stone packing become frequent; Thuringian amphoras and the more progressive corded ware of western types, more developed forms of stone implements, also some bronze objects are found, everything points to influences from the West. By careful comparison, based on much more abundant materials than anything quoted by Prof. Kossinna in support of his thesis of a Teutonic origin of all Indo-Euroneans. support of his thesis of a Teutonic origin of all Indo-Europeans, Prof. Sulimirski comes to the conclusion that a double current of corded pottery culture is to be made out from the facts established in South-East Poland: an older one directed from East to West, and a younger one of inverse direction, and also the only one of which the existence was hitherto known to prehistorians,

In Prof. Sulimirski's paper the two currents are traced in both directions, to the East as far as the Volga steppe, to the West as far as Central Germany and Jultand. It appears that the peak of western influence or infiltration of this culture is to be found in of western influence or infilitation of this culture is to be found in South-East Poland (Podolia and Wolhynia); the further to the East the fewer western influences, or objects of western origin, are met with, until they quite disappear in the Volga grassland, where all the burials of this culture contain ochre-strewn contracted skeletons; metals are completely absent from the older fraves, but some copper knives, graves, but some copper knives, awls, axes, spirals, even bronze beads occur in the younger ones, side by side with stone implements; exact dating is made implements; exact dating is made possible by repeated burials in the same graves. On the whole trek several stages of development and various local groups are easily made out. Tracing the two currents towards the West is far more difficult, partly because methodical exploration has still to be done (as in Little! Poland to the south of the Vistula) partly because of the mixture of many

cultures; yet two independent directions of the older current in Central Europe become visible, one from the Oder to the Elbe and then to Jufland, the other one from the Oder to the Elbe and then to Jufland, the other one from Thuringia to the Rhinelands. Traces of corded pottery culture extend to the Swiss pile dwellings, to the megalithic Brittany culture, possibly to Spain; the corded cornament is even not missing at Troy (Hissarlick). Everywhere the older phase is mostly connected with contracted burials, cord-ornamented cups, flint axes of a definite primitive type; for the second phase the Thuring is n amphora is characteristic which, however, did not reach Jufland, and is only found in isolated cases along the Oder river. Thuringia itself, hitherto generally considered to have originated the corded ware culture, is assigned a special position by Prof. Sullmirski; it is possible, he says, to ascertain the older burials in this country also, but here the more archaic types are to be found together with amphoras already, no clean-cut discrimination of the two phases is possible, only a gradual development from the older to the younger phase is to be traced. The fact of the development of the older having gone on in Thuringia is responsible for the assumption that this country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that the country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that the country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that the country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase is to be found in that the country originated the corded ware culture, for which no starting phase

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Failure of Peasants Strike

The peasants' strike, which consisted in refusing to supply agricultural products to the towns, has not brought to its instigators the results expected by them. The strike was not considered to the construction of the construc by them. The strike was not carried out completely and at no time was there any shortage of food in the towns, although the strikers stopped on the roads the farmers going to the towns with

The disturbances which took place have been quelled by the police and normal trading has been resumed. It is believed that been resumed. It is believed that the strike was engineered by agents of Moscow. Large funds must have been available for organising such a strike, as the farmers would never agree not to sell their products unless they received some sort of compensation. The funds could only be supplied by the Moscow Komintern, as there are no only be supplied by the Moscow Komintern, as there are no peasants' organisations in the districts concerned which could bear the financial burden of a week's strike.

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Another significant indication is to be found in the fact that the Soviet press has been the first to bring the news about the strike, naturally greatly exaggerating its importance and success. It informed Russia about the peasant manifestations in southern Poland even before they were known in Poland itself. This promptness has to be ascribed to previous knowledge, which could be possessed only by the instigators of the strike, rather than to mere journalistic efficiency.

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