

Minister Beck in Roumania

Colonel Joseph Beck, Poland's Minister of Foreign Affairs, and one of the real statesmen of Europe, has recently visited Bucarest with a view to an exchange of opinion as to the strengthening of the political, cultural, and economic cooperation of Poland and Roumania. The results are of positive worth to each country and of equal value to the preservation of peace in Europe. Poland and Roumania form an unbroken line from the Baltic to the Black Sea and have a combined population of over 53,000,000 people, Poland's population being 34,000,000 and that of Roumania something over 19,000,000. Colonel Beck is a member of the Honorary Committee of the Warsaw YMCA Building Campaign.



The dinner given Poland's Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, by King Karol of Roumania. Left to right: Colonel Beck, Crown-Prince Michael, Prime Minister Tatarescu, Foreign Minister Antonescu, Madame Beck, King Karol.

Cambridge History of Poland

The Cambridge University Press has launched the preparation of a two volume history of Poland to appear in 1938 under the above title. Following the plan of other Cambridge histories, it will consist of 50 chapters prepared by carefully selected British, American, and Polish specialists. The British editors are the historians Reddaway and Benson. The Polish collaborators are Professors Roman Dyboski and Oscar Halecki. The books will be watched for with great interest, for the appearance of a Cambridge History is a notable event. The Polish YMCA is specially interested in this work, as Professor Dyboski is one of the founders of the Polish YMCA.

Record Glider

Mr. Mieczyslaw Urban, of the Warsaw YMCA Glider's Club, broke the Polish gliding record for Class D, the highest class, gliding 185 kilometers, which is 116 miles, on April 23. The previous record was 120 kilometers, 75 miles.

American Guest

Mr. P. V. G. Mitchel, vice-president of the International Merchantile Marine Company of New York visited the Warsaw YMCA recently and expressed both surprise and pleasure in seeing so large a YMCA building and movement in Poland. Visitors are often surprised at finding in Warsaw the largest YMCA building in Europe.

The Old Town Branch of the Warsaw YMCA

An old Chinese proverb says that one picture is worth a thousand words. It would take more than a few thousand words to tell the story of the work of the Old Town Branch of the Warsaw YMCA, but perhaps it can be done by means of a few pictures. We endeavor to tell the story thus below.

New Polish YMCA Camp

The Gdynia YMCA is putting through a project to erect a camp, the third of the Polish YMCA series, on Lake Ostrzycki in the beautiful lake region an hour's ride south-west of Gdynia. Land has been secured. The camp will be a summer and winter camp, and a center for sailing, canoeing, tramping, ice-yachting, and skiing.

This branch, in the old part of Warsaw, is conducted for the poorer boys of that area, and enrolls over 500 of them in a well-rounded YMCA program, as we hope the pictures reveal. As older leaders are needed, and as older members hate to leave the branch, there are now 41 of them over 21 years old. The rest, about 500, range from 10 to 21 years old; 152 of them being under 14, and 258 from 14 to 18 years old.

294 of them are school boys, 191 are hand-workers and newsboys. The rest are clerks and university students. Imagine a very rich program of educational, social, physical work, all conducted with character-building objectives in view, with 304 of these boys enrolled in 24 groups, conducted by 67 volunteer leaders, 3 paid workers, and you have the picture.

Champs in Chess

The Warsaw YMCA Chess Club has for the second time won the Chess Club Championship of Warsaw; and that means something, for all Poles play chess.



The varied activities of the Old Town Branch of the Warsaw YMCA.

