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Dedication

To a man who believes and exemplifies the old adage that "Virtue is its own reward;" to plodding, hard-working Reyes, to whom laurels and flatteries mean nothing; to persistent, tenacious Reyes, whose work is never finished until he starts on with the next; to good, likeable, dependable, reliable Reyes, we, the members of Laredo Council No. 12. LULAC, happily dedicate the October issue of LULAC NEWS.

Let's Follow the Leader

Perhaps no general officer, in the history of our League, was ever confronted with a more delicate situation at the beginning of his administration than our President General Ramon L. Longoria. When you consider that through no fault of his a bad situation was handed to him on the eve of his taking office and upon his shoulders a

responsibility was placed, of such character as would try the most courageous souls, we can not but admire his attitude under these adverse conditions. In trying to be fair, humane, and considerate of the views of others, especially of those who rebelled against the constituted authorities, he lays himself open to criticism. We criticized the President General for having asked the Legal Adviser for an opinion on legislation which had been duly passed, when the Legal Adviser had been actively engaged in the passage of such legislation. We waited to see what effect our criticism would have on him. His answer was silence. When we learned of his health being impaired and presuming that we had been a little inconsiderate in our criticism on account of his physical condition, we offered an apology.

Did he whine, and sob, and offer excuses, or grow indignant and attempt to pass resolutions of protest against our editorial like some of our "lesser lights" have done?

NO!

This is what our President General has to say about our criticism:

"As President General of the League of United Latin American Citizens, I am a public official in as far as the League or any member of the League is concerned and as such I will take all the bouquets and must take the bricks, therefore I consider that I am not due an apology from you or from any one. If we would all forget ourselves and our feelings more and think and work for the League, this

would be a better old world in which to live."

With reference to those that have rebelled against the League he goes on to say:

"My policy has never been to fight mud with mud because after the fight is over both sides would be subjects for the sty. The damage is done, the die is cast, time will show us in our true colors. I have done everything in my power to bring about an amicable solution to this dissention and to bring these seceders back. I am going to devote that time from now on to mend our own fences, revive dormant councils, increase the membership and open new territory for our League. As far as I am concerned, this new League does not exist and has never existed; in other words, ignore them completely and what they may say and do against us and go ahead and do the work that is cut out for us to do. I thank you and appreciate your offer to cooperate with me in this work to the fullest extent."

Regardless of our own personal opinion and even though we may not be in full accord with his policies, the least we can do is to follow his plan of action. Results in the unity of our League should be our objective, and this can not be accomplished unless concerted action on the part of the membership of our League is forthcoming. Let us lay aside all our difference of opinion, revive the true Lulac spirit in us, and assist our Leader to accomplish the purpose of his administration: UNITY, HARMONY, PROGRESS.

Reyes Ortiz

Reyes Ortiz, the "pick and shovel man", of the Laredo council was born in 1887, in Laredo, the son of Plutarco Ortiz and Melitona Bee. His mother was the daughter of famed Hamilton P. Bee, brigadier-general in the Confederate Army. On his father's side, Reyes descends from a line of honorable ancestors from his grandfather, Reyes Ortiz, his great-grandmother Ana Maria Sanchez, his great-great-grandfather, Blas de Jesus Sanchez and to Don Tomas Tadeo Sanchez de la Barrera y Gallardo, founder of the City of Laredo.

Early in life, he started out in the employ of Uncle Sam, in the Post Office Department. He started out as carrier and has been clerk, Assistant Postmaster, Acting postmaster and is now Special Clerk in charge of International Money Order Exchange with Mexico.

During the World War, Reyes rendered valuable services to his country through special and confidential commissions with the United States government.

In 1925, he married Miss Amalia Garcia, daughter of Eusebio Garcia, thereby joining two of the most prominent families of Laredo.

Reyes joined the Lulac fold only two years ago, but he immediately pulled up his sleeves and set about to do the work. Whenever there was a committee to be appointed to perform some difficult work, Reyes was sure to be there. This year, he was appointed General Chairman for the 1937 Membership

Drive, and in the first initiation in May, 1937, 36 new members were brought into Lulac ranks. The second initiation in September 26, saw 28 additional members taking the pledge of allegiance to the Flag and to the League. And now Reyes has already set to work for a December initiation which, he says, will surpass all other initiations anywhere and will place the Laredo council at the top of the paid-up membership councils.

We always like those who admire us; we do not always like those whom we admire.

Friendship is only a reciprocal conciliation of interests, and an exchange of good offices; it is a species of commerce out of which self-love always expects to gain something.

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The Need for Lulac

By Ezequiel D. Salinas

We constitute one group, the Latin American, in the composite of nationalities gradually amalgamating into the pure and perfect type of American citizen. Our group, as yet, is still quite distinguishable and distinct. We descend from a common Latin origin and our features and names show that fact to the world. We cherish a common tradition and follow to some degree conventions and customs imbued into us with the rhythmic cadences of Spanish lullabies. We nurture a typical temperament injected into our veins through generations linking us in a blood relationship with a common ancestry.

We are Latin Americans, within the all-embracing term of "American Citizen." Call it Fate, Destiny, or God's Will: our traditions, our features, our names, our temperament,—they all bind us together within the spiritual unity of "Latin American." We "belong" to this union, to this association, or to this group, and we shall belong to it to the end of our days. Whatever hurts or affects the prestige and dignity of that term, hurts and affects our individual dignity: whatever elevates and benefits its prestige and dignity, elevates and benefits ours individually. For we all are Latin Americans individually.

And so realizing that we are tied and bonded within this group, we may do one of two things: (1) Remain indifferent and disinterested, unconcerned about what the Fates may hold

for this group or for ourselves, or (2) face the situation confronting this particular group as a citizen group within the United States with a desire to improve that situation, and thus improve the situation of all of us individually.

The basic problems we must face may be divided into three classifications, all three closely intertwined with one another: (1) Social, (2) Civic-political, and (3) economic.

Under the first problem, the Social problem, we are confronted with the urgent need of education and schooling for the masses of people, adults and children, also belonging to our own group. A considerable number of our people exist in a state of dark illiteracy and stark ignorance. They must be shown and made to understand their condition. The need of education for themselves and for their children must be impressed in their minds. These minds must be enlightened. Their spirits must be enthused and enlivened; their wills stimulated. They must be awakened. Scholastic facilities must be procured them. And once procured, they must be taught, through the spoken and written word, through dissemination of knowledge amongst their associates, how to use those facilities to their best advantage. They must be taught SELF-DEVELOPMENT, of mind and body. Culture's doors must be opened, and they must be shown the way to those doors.

From the civic-political phase of our situation, we are con-

fronted with the utter ignorance and indifference in which masses of our people exist, with regard to their rights and duties, their privileges and their obligations, in this their country. Some live in fear or shyness, apart and isolated from the main arteries of National life, stagnated. Others, irresponsibly lending themselves to ill uses in the make-up of our governing machineries, obstruct and retard the civic progress of our purer type of American citizen. They must be acquainted with our civic governing machinery, they must be taught how to claim their rights as well as how to fulfill their duties, how to exercise their privileges as well as how to perform their obligations. They must be shown the way to become useful, worthy citizens of our country.

We know only too well the deplorable economic condition in which the majority of our people exist. These problems, as stated before, are intertwined with one another. The solution of one depends on the solution of the other. But a step higher in the economic condition of our people may mean an advancement in their social and civic-political development, provided however that their improved economic condition is used and applied to improve social and civic-political status. They must learn to devote part of their earnings to their cultural development, instead of spending them unwisely. They must learn to be thrifty. They must learn responsibility, foresight, and confidence in themselves.

An improved social condition, improved through education and self-development, will inevitably

result in an improved economic condition, if the advancement of one is used for the advancement of the other; and thus the person, if he uses both of these improvements to best advantage, will find himself carving a prominent niché in the political pyramid of government, having a voice in the general welfare, becoming a factor in determining the guiding forces of our civic-political destinies.

If our masses of Latin Americans could learn and understand this, and act and govern themselves accordingly, it would in one or two generations place us, the Latin Americans in the United States, and our posterity, on a standard of living equal to and on a par with the most advanced groups which come to form our American Citizenship.

One look at the Lulac Foreword, the Lulac Code, the Lulac Aims and Purposes, will show us that the ideals and the inspiration behind The League of United Latin American Citizens are the betterment and improvement of the standard of living of Latin Americans. The League is here, with its organized structure, as the best medium to carry out and accomplish the many tasks to be carried out and performed. It should be the enlightening beacon, the guiding mind, the moving force. It can be all of these things.

It depends on us, who have received from a kind Providence more abundant gifts of education, development and leadership, to use these gifts to best advantage. The accomplishment of a higher standard of living for our group is a task too great for a few individuals; a higher

standard of living will be achieved only by the combined, coordinated efforts of many, many of us. But we must combine and coordinate our social forces, we must direct them towards one common goal, and we must push them solidly ahead. If we waste our time throwing our forces against one another, the goal will be lost and our progress paralyzed. We must regard our union and the League as a medium to accomplish an end, and not as a battleground on which to spend our surplus energies.

We must have Unity within our Lulac ranks. To preserve that Unity we must have Harmony. It follows that we must give and take, that we must make concessions, in order that that harmony keep our ranks joined in a common front.

If we want to lead the masses of our people out of their chaos and confusion, let us first show them that we are worthy of being the leaders. Let us eradicate that chaos and confusion from our own ranks, from Lulac, and let us all become completely amalgamated in the aims and purposes, and in the ideals of the League of United Latin American Citizens.

Laredo, Texas.

October, 1937.

The Laredo Trio

(Author Unknown)

The Laredo Lulac Team

Boasts an infield trio that picks them clean

When a hard one comes along,
and knocks all Dum-Dora

It goes from Salinas to Villareal to Zamora.

Negua came fast, too hot to handle

Hit some. Big Ones and caused many a wrangle

Beer on the minutes was no good, Begorra

Out he went Salinas to Villareal to Zamora.

Remember the Houston Convention that eighth resolution

That still needs solution

Should No. 16 get la Porra

That slides from Salinas to Villarreal to Zamora

To the Uvalde Convention they traveled with ease

There they were named on a mission of peace

But they found Perales a regular Cotorra

That skidded from Salinas to Villarreal to Zamora

Week in and week out, Thousands of chances

These three get away with side long glances

So let's see if they hand Monty la Gorra

On a slide from Salinas to Villareal and Zamora.

Now brothers its your turn to take the field

And face the foe with your nice new shields

Here's hoping you can show us a trio tomorrow

With an average like Salinas, Villarreal's and Zamora's.

My People Reach for the Sun By Roberto Felix Salazar

"My people," said a priest of an ancient race, "reach for the sun."

And to you, young Americans of Latin descent, I repeat his message, for it is through that struggle for higher things that one's character is ennobled: it is that desire for fuller living that enriches one's spirit. Conquered vicissitudes give confidence. Unconquered barriers furnish zest and direction.

There are among us many who are gifted, many who could attain wonderful success in a hundred different fields of endeavor. The records of schools attended by the children of our blood speak of budding scholars, artists, scientists. Alas, the greater books of life contain but few of our names! Why?

Poverty, home conditions, and many times sheer laziness often put out the flames that might one day have burned so brightly and so strongly as to bring light and warmth to a whole people.

Do not let it be like this. If anyone tells you that the sun is beyond your reach, tell him that he might be, but that no one has proved it. And never let your ambition flag or your vision dim. Your struggle will never be for naught. In your attempt to take the sun in the palm of your hand, you may capture the moon, a star, a cloud, or perhaps only a piece of earth. But you have tried, how gloriously you have tried!

Always be humble before that which is bestowed upon you, ever be thankful for that you achieve; but let your eyes for-

ever hug the mark, let your heart nurture through the years your lovely, youthful dream.

There is not room at the top for everybody. The fallacy of the belief that there is has long since been proved. However, there is yet room for some. Surely this is worth investigating.

To everybody, young and old, I pass on this commentary on our people made by an American of non-Latin extraction: "You are an envious lot. Irish Americans applaud the courage and steadfastness of one of their lads who has become Postmaster General of the United States. Italian Americans are quick to see the virtues of the Italian boy who has risen to be mayor of the greatest city in America. But whenever any one of your blood attains any degree of success, instead of rising like a man to shout his praises to the world, you seek his flaws. You trace his family back to some black sheep; you speak loudly of some mistake he once made; or, if unable, to find any real blemish on his escutcheon, you ridicule the way he walks, the way he parts his hair."

The sad thing about this is we all know it is true and do nothing about it. If we rise together against insult, why do we not stand together in the face of honor?

Some of us are strong enough to go forward despite ridicule and indifference. Many more of us are easily disillusioned and as easily broken. Isn't this last a situation to be shunned?

I close as I began, "My people, reach for the sun!"

Educating Our Latin-American Children By J. Naranjo, B.S.

Much has been said concerning the education of our Latin American children in order to equip them much better as future citizens of the United States. Yet, very little has been said concerning what to do so that our children may not develop that inferiority complex so common to them whenever they are among English-speaking children. Again, practically everyone of our children goes through the grammar school and the high school with a spirit of segregation from his fellow citizen, the Anglo-American.

Since the League of United Latin American Citizens has taken such prominent place in this our wonderful "Melting Pot," it behooves us to break our children from such detrimental habit. We must teach our children that every time they are using the word "American" in order to designate their fellow citizen, the Anglo-American, in a conspicuous manner, they are segregating themselves from the American masses of the United States, because they are just as good Americans as the English-speaking children.

We must strive to teach our Latin American children that under the stars and the stripes every citizen, either by birth or by naturalization, is an American. The English-speaking children have no more right to be called Americans over our children, since both are subject to be called to the colors when Uncle Sam may need them.

Much would be gained, and much less friction would be

developed, if from early childhood our Latin American children would be taught the correct use of the word "American." It is up to us to direct our children in their early childhood, and we should stimulate them to mix and mingle with the English-speaking children without distinction of races or anything else. If we take it upon ourselves to help them along and guide them in their personal thoughts and opinions, then that inferiority complex, that erroneous mental set, that uncalled-for fobia against their fellow citizens, the Anglo-American children, would be completely eradicated, and the friendship between our Latin American children and the Anglo-American children would be everlasting under the stars and stripes—the emblem of Liberty, Equality, and Justice—the Flag of the United States.

If we take pains in educating our children from early childhood so that they consider themselves just as good Americans as any other children in this country, then we would have accomplished one of the aims and purposes of our beloved League of United Latin American Citizens.

No great thing is created suddenly, any more than a bunch of grapes or a fig. If you tell me that you desire a fig, I answer you that there must be time. Let it first blossom, then bear fruit, then ripen.

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A Brief Historical Sketch

OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS—ITS COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND POTENTIALITIES.

(Compiled by Ricardo B. Perez, LULAC)

As early as 1526, a small party with Father Andres Olomas left Tampico, Tamaulipas and explored as far north as the Rio Grande. They were the first representatives of civilized men to reach the lower Rio Grande. In 1630 further efforts were made to explore the coastal region, but hostile Indians drove both expeditions back.

In 1747, Jose de Escandon, Knight of the Order of Santiago, Regiment Colonel of the City of Queretaro, Lieutenant Captain General of Sierra Gorda, its Missions, Fortresses and Frontiers, left Queretaro, Mexico, with a great convoy of colonists and soldiers for the exploration conquest and colonization of the great unknown land of Nuevo Santander, as the State of Tamaulipas was then known. After many hardships and battles with the Indians, Escandon reached his objective, and successfully established several colonies. The first settlement founded by him on the Rio Grande was Camargo (Across the River from Rio Grande) on March 5th, 1749.

In 1750, Don Jose Vasquez de Borrego established an "Hacienda," and called it "Hacienda de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe de los Dolores," in Zapata County, on the Rio Grande River about 25 miles south of Laredo and about 200 yards North of the mouth of the Arroyo Dolo-

res. The ancient ruins are still in existence. (This is the famous Vasquez Borrego Grant of 225,000 acres in Webb and Zapata Counties).

In the latter part of the year 1754 an "Hacendado" named Don Tomas Sanchez, from the Province of Coahuila, crossed the "Rio Bravo" with his flocks and herds and established a "Rancheria" to the north of the Hacienda de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe de los Dolores.

Don Tomas presented himself to Don Jose de Escandon who was then in Revilla, (now Guerrero, across the river from Zapata) and proposed to found a new town on the left bank of the "Rio Bravo," offering to pay the expense of bringing the necessary families for said purpose out of his own funds, providing Escandon would cede to them the necessary lands. Escandon accepted the proposition, provided Don Tomas Sanchez would explore first the banks of the Nueces River, and if not suited for colonization, to go ahead and establish the town in the place selected by him.

Sanchez found the Nueces River region swarming with savage indians and decided to turn back and establish the town in the original point selected by him, by virtue of the authority given him by Escandon. Therefore, on the 15th day of May, 1755, the town was founded and given the name of Laredo. (After the City of Laredo, on the Bay of Biscay, Province of Santander, Spain, in honor of the original colonists from this pro-

vince.) It was located on the left bank of the "Rio Bravo," about ten leagues above the place where the hacienda de Dolores had been established.

The town was established by eleven families and Don Tomas Sanchez, who was charged with the political and military administration and commissioned as Captain by Escandon. The town commons were composed of fifteen "Sitios de Ganado Mayor," for the use of the inhabitants, in community.

The statistics of the town as shown by the report of the Inspector of Nuevo Santander, in 1757, gives a population of 85 persons, who owned 9000 head of sheep and goats and 1133 head of horses and cattle. The "Acta de la General Visita al Pueblo de San Agustin de Laredo," was issued in the year 1767, which "Acta" constituted the first charter of the town and apportionment of lands to the inhabitants thereof. The persons sent for this purpose were Don Juan Fernando de Palacio, Knight and Commander of the Order of St. James, Major General of the Royal Armies of his Majesty, Governor and Lieutenant Captain General of the Colony of Nuevo Santander, Sierra Gorda, its Missions, etc., and Don Jose de Osorio y Llamas, Secretary of the Royal Council, commissioned by his Excellency the Marquis de Crox, Viceroy of New Spain.

On June 9th and 10th, 1767, the survey of the town and lands was commenced, by first laying off the Plaza, from which point the surrounding blocks and streets were marked off. The town having been laid off, the commissioners surveyed the

"Porciones", in lots having 1000 varas front on the river with a depth of 30,000 varas, some being given to citizens claiming them, the other remaining vacant.

Many of the descendants of the founding families still live in Laredo and vicinity.

L. A. ORGANIZES LULAC COUNCIL

On October 12, Columbus Day, and also celebrated as "El Dia de la Raza," all over Latin America, a Lulac Council was installed at Los Angeles, California. The following officers were elected: M. R. Gameros, President; Ted A. Chacon, Secretary; Henry A. Purdy, Financial Secretary; Henry A. Guion, Treasurer; Meliton Gutierrez, Guide; Rolando Gutierrez, Sergeant at Arms; Jack Guion, F. A. Tafoya, and Robert Purdy, Trustees.

The new council was installed in the residence of Brother Meliton Gutierrez, 1358 Mission Road. The meetings are being held in an up to date hall in one of the Public Schools (Breed Street School) by permission of the School Board. Light, seats, desks, and Flag are very convenient.

"A new Council to the League of United Latin American Citizens by October 15, 1937" was the goal set by California State Organizer, M. R. Gameros and his assistants, Special Organizers, Henry A. Guion and Theodore A. Chacon. They had three days to spare.

Lulac News welcomes this new council in the Lulac fold and wishes it all kinds of success.

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LAREDO MEN'S COUNCIL NO. 12

**E. D. Salinas, President
Felix Garcia Jr., Secretary**

At the initiation services of Council No. 12, held the morning of September 26th, we were honored by a big delegation from Harlingen headed by our President General Ramon L. Longoria; a delegation from San Antonio which included our Chaplain General James Tafolla Sr.; Inspector General Manuel C. Gonzalez; Organizer General Mauro M. Machado; Jacob I. Rodriguez, Governor of District No. 5; James Tafolla Jr.; Chas. Ramirez and Leo Castanon; a delegation from Cotulla headed by President Pena of that Council.

Because of his delicate health, our President General was requested to not take a very active part in our initiation work, however, he was so impressed with the Lulac spirit of Council No. 12, and the harmonious manner in which Council matters function that he forgot for the time being that he was a sick man, and was as active as anyone else.

The initiation ceremony was conducted by President Ezequiel D. Salinas of Council No. 12 and was ably assisted by Reyes Ortiz and Miguel Fernandez, Vice-President and Guard respectively of Council No. 12. Twenty eight new members were administered the Lulac Oath at this ceremony. After our President General Ramon L. Longoria congratulated the

new members, he spoke on the progress of the League and its bright future. He was followed by Jacob I. Rodriguez who talked at length on the aims and purposes of our organization. The ceremonies came to an end with a brilliant address by our inspector General Manuel C. Gonzalez, on what constitutes a real Lulacker, and a plea that the new as well as old members try for that goal. At this point recess was taken and refreshments served.

A luncheon at the Hamilton Hotel, attended by approximately 125 persons, followed this brief recess. The luncheon, with excellent music song and dance numbers, was one of the best ever put on in Laredo by any organization. It was so good our President General again forgot that he was a sick man and once more enjoyed himself.

Accompanying our President General to Laredo, was his secretary Miss Louise Phelps, Miss Delia Longoria, his daughter, and his son Santos Longoria.

LAREDO LADIES COUNCIL NO. 15

**Mrs. O. N. Lightner, President
Miss Elvira Garcia, Asst.
Secretary**

Due to Laredo heat Council No. 15, acted like a Ford, vintage '27, going through Mojave Desert. Tires flattened out in complete discouragement at first. This was overcome by filling same with real LULAC sand which afforded better traction. Someone had retarded spark

and caused backfire, resulting in the muffler going out with a bang, almost destroying the mechanical animal. The radiator furnished plenty of heat, demonstrated it by boiling but gave no power forward or backward. Fan belt slipping a little, but a little resin did the work. Oil and gas low. Spark plugs were knocking badly. Having sensed this condition previously we had a few extra one on hand to replace them.

Now the rebuilt car is running smoothly and you can hear its tooting as plain and far as Myers famous whistle on the TEX-MEX.

The Laredo Ladies Council Number 15 has been very busy lately. Mrs. O. N. Lightner, Mrs. Charles Stewart and Mrs. F. I. Montemayor have added twelve new members to this council.

On Wednesday, October 7th, they gave a benefit party for the purpose of increasing the Council's funds. All members were active selling tickets and a large crowd attended. The party was given at the home of the popular president Mrs. O. N. Lightner. The membership is justly proud of their president and vice president who have worked shoulder to shoulder to pull this Council through some rough spots that it encountered lately.

A series of benefit parties are being planned and some civic work is being carefully planned for the coming month.

Virgy Hastings our very good guard did not rest till she found out just how much the new members knew about the Constitution. She claims that when she is at the door new and old members must know the Pass-

word and believe it or not she just closes that door at the assembly hall until she is satisfied that the members know something about our organization.

Maria Flores one of the new members says that some folks "No se acuerdan de cuando eran 'CHIMISTLAN'."

Miss Elvira Garcia is making a very good assistant Secretary, we are proud of her.

Miss Rebecca Marulanda our Asst. Treasurer surely sees that every member pays their dues. Good for you Rebecca, keep it up.

Esperanza Treviño the newest member in our Council, almost knows all the Constitution by memory, what do you know about that? She claims she owes this to the vice President, Mrs. Stewart, who is always request-that really have stuck to the constitution and that a constitution be brought to our Council at every meeting.

President Mrs. Lightner surely does follow this Constitution to a letter. Not nice to say it but this is the first set of officers that really have stuck to the Constitution and By-laws and the members are much more satisfied. With the Constitution in our hands, says Mrs. Lightner, "we can't possibly go wrong."

Mrs. L. S. Perales is back with us again.

Mrs. Alejandro de Luna has been greatly missed, we hope you will be with us soon, Anita. Hurry up and get well.

Miss Lucinda Coronado one of our new members surely does promise good work in our organization. She has proven herself an ardent worker. She has sold 30 tickets for the benefit party.

On the 24th instant formal application for a charter to install a Junior LULAC council at Laredo, Texas, was made to the General Office by the organization committee, composed of Mrs. F. I. Montemayor, Mrs. O. N. Lightner, and Miss Jovita Perez, all members of Ladies Council No. 15.

This is the first official record we have of a local council or of a general officer having made application to charter a Junior Lulac council in our League. The organization committee headed by our Second Vice President General certainly deserves much credit for the initiative shown in furthering our aims and purposes.

How many councils in our League will follow the worthy example set by the Laredo Ladies Council No. 15?

San Antonio, Texas
Oct. 1, 1937.

To the Editor:

Well here goes: The Ladies Council No. 12 of San Antonio has been very busy attending conventions, installations, educational meetings and Getting NEW MEMBERS. At their August meeting 15 members were initiated and in September, 5. Once a month the Ladies Council No. 12 meets with the mens' council No. 2 and both councils enjoy a delightful time exchanging ideas. At the present time they are trying to outdo each other in getting new members. If the mens council has more members initiated this month they will give the ladies a party. If the ladies council wins they still get the party from council No. 2 so they can not lose. Mr. A. A.

Garza, president of the mens council No. 2 has promised a lovely present to the member bringing more new members.

Ladies Council No. 12 took an active part in the celebration "Fiestas Patrias," here in September. The president Mrs. Santos Herrera was in charge of the Restaurant. Assisting Mrs. Herrera were: Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Duke and Miss Abramo. Other ladies who took part in other booths were: Mrs. M. C. Gonzales and Mrs. G. Swain.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Allen both Lulackers are having a Barbecue and drinks for the benefit of both San Antonio Councils. It will be given at their Allen Farm. This promises to be an outstanding event of the month of October.

Hoping to see something in the Lulac News in the October issue about our San Antonio Councils.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Chas. Ramirez, Publicity
Chairman.

ALBUQUERQUE LADIES COUNCIL NO. 17

Mrs. F. T. Martinez, Press
Reporter

On Friday, October 17, 1937, the Ladies Lulac Council No. 17, was duly installed, at Villa de Romero, Albuquerque, New Mexico, under the following program:

The entertainment was under the direct supervision of Mrs. Mercedes Stanton, Miss Wilhemina Melendez, Miss Julia Ann Gutierrez, and Mrs. Lou Garcia.

The guests of honor were, Rev. R. M. Libertini, S. J., U. S. Senator and Mrs. Dennis Chavez,

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gonzalez, and Mrs. E. A. Perrault.

Before the installation and the speeches took place, a sumptuous luncheon was served. Rev. R. M. Libertini, S. J. offered the invocation, and Mrs. M. C. Gonzales, acted as Toastmistress.

Addresses were made by Vice President General E. D. Chavez, District Governor Arthur Chavez, followed by the presentation of the charter by Mr. F. T. Martinez, State Organizer, Mr. O. F. Sandoval, President of Council No. 34, also addressed the meeting, as well as Mrs. Elizabeth F. Gonzales, Secretary of State. Mrs. Gonzales gave a wonderful talk about women in politics. Mrs. E. A. Perrault, former Secretary of State, had the audience in suspense while she was talking about the part played by modern women in the affairs of the government. She is a very forceful orator. Honorable Dennis Chavez, U. S. Senator from New Mexico, made a most wonderful talk on the Latins of the United States of America by birth or otherwise. Our only regret is that Lulackers throughout Lulackdom did not have the opportunity to hear this inspiring address. Mrs. Lou Garcia made a hit with her part "DUMB REPORTER." She kept the crowd laughing for several minutes.

The officers installed were as follows: Mrs. Jennie M. Gonzalez, President; Mrs. Ezequiel Sandoval, Vice President; Mrs. J. L. Casados, Secretary; Mrs. F. A. Salazar, Treasurer; Mrs. Tony Napoleon, Chaplain; Mrs. F. T. Martinez, Press Reporter; and Miss Delle Baca, Guide.

The charter members were: Madames Alberto Armijo, S. J.

Apodaca, J. L. Casados, Ben D. Chavez, Arthur Chavez, Soledad Chavez, Carlota C. Chavez, Lou Garcia, Paul Garcia, Pablo L. Garcia, Emma Gabaldon, M. C. Gonzalez, Mary Hubbell, J. C. Lovato, S. A. Madrid, F. T. Martinez, Tony Napoleon, Albert Otero, Eliza Otero, A. C. Prieto, Abelicio Romero, Ernest Salazar, Polo Salazar, Antonio Stanton, Ezequiel Sandoval, F. A. Salazar, Louis Valencia, and Misses Lou Baca, Delle Baca, Tillie Barreras, Louisa Carrion, Lena Duran, Edith Gonzales, Sue King, Stella Luna, Mela Tenorio, and Aurora Sena.

Music and songs were enjoyed throughout the evening and the grand finale came with the big dance, which every one enjoyed.

LULAC NEWS offers the newly installed ladies council its congratulations and wishes it all kinds of success in all undertakings.

EL PASO COUNCIL NO. 8

E. Chacon, President

M. A. Gomez, Secretary

On Friday, October 8, 1937, El Paso Council No. 8, held its fifth annual banquet at the Hilton Hotel, which was attended by 65 guests and members.

The guests of honor were Sheriff and Mrs. Chris P. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Osborne Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Martinez, and Mr. I. B. Garcia.

Mr. Modesto A. Gomez acted as Toastmaster.

Immediately following the banquet, Mr. J. C. Machuca, Chairman of the Convention Committee, spoke on the aims and purposes of Lulac and on the civic activities in which the

local council had participated during the time it has been in existence.

Other speakers who followed were, Mr. J. D. Osborne Jr., Principal of the Bowie High School and Sheriff Chris P. Fox of El Paso, Mr. Charles Madrid and Mr. A. J. Fountain, both of Mesilla, New Mexico Council No. 71. Mr. F. T. Martinez, State Organizer for New Mexico, gave a short history of Lulac activities in that state.

Two Mexican songs, "Sombrero Jarano," and "La Borrachita," were sung by Miss Luz Barraza, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Gomez.

The installation of the new officers of Council No. 8, by State Organizer F. T. Martinez took place. The following officers took the Lulac obligation: E. (Jimmy) Chacon, President; Albert Redwine, Vice-President; M. A. Gomez, Secretary; and Miguel Carrasco, Treasurer. The installation and presentation of charter to the newly reorganized Ladies Lulac Council No. 9, followed under the direction of State Organizer F. T. Martinez. The following officers were installed: Mrs. William Flores, President; Mrs. Pete Loya, Vice-President; and Miss Adela Contreras, Secretary-Treasurer.

The visitors and members from Mesilla, New Mexico, were Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Oliver, Miss Julia Dimatteo, Albert J. Fountain Jr, Cruz R. Alvarez, Felix Dimatteo, Charles Madrid, and Ernest Pappas. On the following Wednesday, October 13, 1937, members of El Paso Councils Nos. 8 and 9, were guests at a delicious barbecue and dance given at "El Patio Cafe"

by the Mesilla Council No. 71. A most enjoyable time was had by all and once more the Mesilla boys showed the hospitality and Lulac friendship for which they have become noted.

MESILLA COUNCIL NO. 71

A. J. Fountain, President

Genaro Dimatteo, Secretary

Mesilla Council No. 71, has been inactive during the past few months due to the harvest season. Now that the season is about over, the council is planning some activities for the coming year. Several members and their families accepted the invitation of El Paso Council No. 8, to their annual banquet, where a very enjoyable time was had.

On Wednesday 13th, this council had a barbecue and dance at "El Patio Cafe," in Mesilla, which was attended by the membership of the Mesilla Council and their families, some guests from Las Cruces, New Mexico, and members from both El Paso Lulac Councils. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed a good time.

Mr. Filemon T. Martinez, State Organizer for New Mexico, made a very interesting and instructive talk on the aims and purposes of our League, and the way the Albuquerque Council were putting the Lulac ideas into practice. Mr. Ray Muguerza of San Antonio Council No. 2, also spoke a few words with reference to the beginning and progress made by our League in the State of Texas.

After refreshments were served the floor was cleared and those present enjoyed a few hours of dancing.

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Here and There in New Mexico . . .

By Filemon T. Martinez

Professor Jacob Bernal, Temporary President of Lulac Council at Taos and Ranger L. Pascual Martinez, Vice-President, are working hard to get their Charter within the next two months. Both of these men are great men and leading citizens of New Mexico.

Mr. David Fresquez, Deputy U. S. Marshall, P. O. Box 766, Roswell, New Mexico, is preparing the ground for one of the best Lulac Councils in this state.

Messrs. Fernando Armijo and Fernando Sandoval, the former County Treasurer of Sandoval County for many years and now Assistant to Mr. Romero Ortiz, and the latter Sheriff of Sandoval County, both of Bernalillo are working to have a separate Council in Bernalillo in the very near future. Both are members of the Albuquerque Council No. 34, but since they have a good many members now residing in Bernalillo, they expect to get their independent charter in the near future.

Mr. E. E. Vigil, Treasurer of Council No. 34, is trying to have an independent council in Valencia County. Outstanding members of the Albuquerque Council from Valencia, besides him are the two Galas brothers. Professor Gustavo Galas and Professor Alfredo Galas.

Mr. Emilio Tejada, who is an outstanding member of Council No. 34, and who has been transferred to Guadalupe County, in charge of the Agricultural Office, is trying to organize a

council in Santa Rosa, New Mexico. He left Socorro County a few months ago where he was Agricultural Agent just about the time he was about to organize a Lulac council there. His work will be followed by the State Organizer, however, and the council at Socorro will be organized.

Dr. Antonio Reboyo, of the Spanish Department at the New Mexico Normal University, is helping in the organization of a new council at Las Vegas, New Mexico, with Miss Virginia Mainz organizing a Ladies Council.

Some of the leading men in the Santa Fe Lulac Council No. 33, are willing to see that their wives install a Ladies Council in the capital city. Among these are Mr. Manuel Lujan, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Antonio M. Fernandez, First Assistant Attorney General for New Mexico, Tony Martinez, Postmaster, Mr. Alfonso Armijo, President of Santa Fe Council No. 33, and Superintendent of the Post Office in the same city, and several other members of the Santa Fe Council.

To err is human, to forgive divine.

A negro preacher concluded his sermon on Wisdom with the following: "It ain't the things you don't know what gets you into trouble, it's the things you know for sure what ain't so."

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The Right of Lulac Councils to Secede and Form A Rival Organization

By J. T. Canales

There exists a strong parallel between the development of the League of United Latin American Citizens and the development of constitutional government in the United States of America. First, the Articles of Confederation binding loosely the the Thirteen Colonies by "a rope of sand," may be compared to the existence of the ten councils which met at Corpus Christi in February 1929; eight from the League of Latin American Citizens, one from the "Sons of America" and one from the "Knights of America," which united to constitute the League of United Latin American Citizens under the present constitution. I feel that the word UNITED has and should be given great importance and significance. It was not placed there for the purpose of uniting all of the Latin American Organizations having a social, civil and patriotic end in view, into one supreme League or organization.

The same thing took place when the Thirteen Colonies united to make one nation under the present Constitution of the United States of America. The question of whether the word "United" meant anything was tried and after four years of bloody conflict it was decided that the UNION was indissoluble. It seems to me that with this important historical fact before us we should take this verdict of our Nation as a precedent in our League. To me the question is not open to debate.

Now, some people may say

that in LULAC the case is different; that as citizens we have the inherent right to do as we please. That may be true for the fact that our duty to our race is **supreme** and we owe it to our own race to sacrifice everything that would stand in the way of its progress and success. It certainly does not behoove the author of that splendid book entitled "En Defensa De Mi Raza" or his friends to urge this argument.

But this brings me to the cause of the secession of some members from Council No. 16 under the leadership of the Hon. A. S. Perales. At the Houston Convention, June 5 and 6, 1937, Resolution No. 8 (see Lulac News Vol. 4 No. 4, pp 20-22) providing for the merger or consolidation of men's councils when more than one such council existed in any city, was introduced. This resolution was bitterly opposed and passed by a bare majority of one; the Ex-President General casting the vote for it to decide the tie of 22 to 22. I am not going to discuss the merits of the resolution; I am only concerned with its effects.

It seems to me the irony of fate that this resolution, which had for its purpose the consolidation of Council No. 2, (the original Knights of America) and Council No. 16, both of San Antonio, was championed by the very council who was responsible for the precedent permitting the organization of more than one men's council in the

same city; and was opposed by the very man who always has been preaching unity among the Latin Americans as a solution for all our ills. But consistency does not seem to be a virtue among our people.

No one familiar with constitutional law and versed in the Lulac Constitution would hold, in my opinion, that resolution No. 8, is unconstitutional. Article IV, Section 7 gives our Supreme Council very broad powers. Whether we should organize one council only in each city or more than one is a matter policy which the Supreme Council has the sole power to determine and provide. Article V provides that "Local councils may be organized by the Supreme Council or under its direction," but does not say how many and I firmly believe that our Supreme Council, by resolution, has the power to prescribe that and to limit to one, or two or three councils as in its wisdom it sees fit to do. I cannot see how anyone may successfully argue and maintain that resolution No. 8 contravenes this provision of the Constitution. Neither do I believe that the resolution should have passed as an amendment to the Constitution. Amendments to the Constitution are provided by Article IX and the resolution was never intended as an amendment; the matter is clearly within the power of the Supreme Council.

What has bothered me is, that once a local council is organized by authority of the Supreme Council and under the Constitution it becomes a legal entity and a constituent and integral part of the League and there is nothing in the Constitu-

tion that provides that existence may be destroyed, especially when such council has not defaulted or committed any act that would merit its destruction. And such unauthorized destruction has taken place in the case of Council No. 16, by attempting to merge it against its will with another council. The question then is: Not that the Supreme Council lacks authority and power under our Constitution to prescribe for the future a policy which will forbid the organization of more than one council in any one city; but the question is this: Has it the power to pass an ordinance with retroactive effect which has for its purpose to destroy an already existing council? I say **NO**. My opinion is that the trouble with Resolution No. 8 lies with the effect and construction given to it rather than with its constitutionality. It should not have been given a retroactive effect but it should have been construed that hereafter not more than one men's council can be organized in any city and that all that part of the resolution affecting existing councils in good standing is inoperative and without effect.

This brings me to the action of some of the members of Council No. 16 that decided to secede and organized a rival organization. I agree fully with the author of the editorial article, "An Amendment or a Resolution?", wherein he says: "Our highest respect and admiration goes to those Lulac members who belonged to Council No. 16, but who upon the dissolution of their council readily joined Council No. 2. They set an example worthy of emulation."

On the other hand those who deserted (because they did not agree with what the Supreme Council apparently wanted but which in fact did not mean and had not the power to do), show that they are not loyal to the principles of our race, even though they call themselves "League of Loyal (?) Latin Americans."

My suggestion is that a special convention should be called by our President General (whom I am sure is anxious to do so and would have done so had Council No. 16 requested him to do it) to clear and clarify this point and said special convention should deliver Charter No. 16 to the loyal element who were "obedient even unto death" as the proper guardians of the aims and purposes of our Constitution and loyal members of our League.

DISCOVERING AMERICA

In southeast Oregon—remote, still untouched by highroad or railroad — live colonies of Basques, following their ancestral occupation of shepherding. Most of the youngsters — the third generation in this country—have the true wedge-shaped Basque face. They dance American dances, but their native folk dances too, intricate movements in which their feet fairly talk. And on a Sunday there are to be seen in the villages dashing vaqueros with fringed chaps, tilted sombreros, and bright sashes, and young ladies in brilliant native costume, giving the frontier a touch of the Spanish Pyrenees.

—Dan A. Wallace in "The Country Home Magazine."

The Laredo Utility Player

Author Also Unknown

Somewhere in this issue a "poem" appears,
Of a Laredo Trio whose record is fine
But let me reveal to you without fears
A Utility player who's not far behind.

Johnny Hernandez they say is his name
He handles his chances with skill and with grace
He's fast and He's smart, he does not like fame
And is able to cover Salinas' place.

A utility player he certainly is,
Who tackles his work without even a doubt,
He does it in earnest, he really means "biz"
So look out Villarreal or he'll put you out.

The ideas he sponsors are usually bright,
And results he ne'er leaves for tomorrow
He can act and discuss all in one night
And can even pinch hit for Zamora.

Like Johnny there's Pena, Garcia, and Cantu,
Botello and Perez, and many like that,
When called to pinch hit they always came thru
O'er hundred in "twelve" can be called to the bat.

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Hold Your Tongue!

By Santos Herrera

It would be interesting to learn the exact extent of the destruction wrought, in one day, by all the evil, malicious wagging tongues in the world!

Idle talk - malicious gossip - revelations inspired by a jealousy that creates a desire to belittle even those we claim to esteem, and that worse sin, CALUMNY, which consists of telling untruths that are disparaging to our neighbor.

Reputation - besmirching is worse than any arson could ever be. The incendiary, or firebug, burns the material; the calumniator, the slanderer, and even the too lubricated though not malicious tongue, can each do a greater harm to the soul. Such burn the heart with the acid of their words until the heart is either broken with pain or made bitter because of the injustice inflicted. But even if the one maligned is strong enough to walk with strong and uplifted eyes through the density of humanly corrupted atmosphere by either evil or weak tongues, there is also to be considered, in this latter case, the irreparable harm done to the reputation.

It is gravely wrong to tell things about another even if they are true, if this will seriously injure the reputation, unless the telling will prevent an injustice to another or will serve to warn the innocent of moral danger.

If people would only understand this, and ever remember it, there would be less gabbing about actual happenings under the excuse that it is alright to

tell what we know just because it is the truth. In other words, there are truths that must not be told!

Charity covers the weaknesses of others in the cloak of silence. Justice withholds recountals that will react to the damage of another, unless, as heretofore indicated, a warning must be given that will protect the soul of the innocent or prevent some serious injury.

But so long as people are envious, so long as they are jealous, so long as they are light-minded—just that long will the world abound in men and women who do not know, or disregard, the first principles concerning the method of checking the human tongue, however well they may know how to apply the brakes to an automobile, hitch a horse, pen a dangerous dog, or put in a strong stall a vicious bull.

Men seem not so much worried by lubricated tongues as are the women, the latter often beg for a remedy that will conquer wrongs done them in that manner. The sad thing about the whole matter is that there is no complete satisfaction to be had, just as there is no possibility of the guilty wholly retracting. An ill rumor once set afloat, even though withdrawn by the original circulator, will continue to float on the great sea of gossip. Once in a long while such evil rumors come to shore and find a hospitable soul that will not set them loose again.

THERE IS BUT ONE COUN-

TER-ACTION: So live that your friends will know you are innocent, and then go about your business with a firm tread, with a fearless eye, and a strong heart!

GOD KNOWS THE TRUTH, and that is the most important thing in the world. Though, of course, a good reputation is a valuable possession, so valuable that one may go to a Civil Court of Justice to obtain restitution, this is the last recourse and one seldom taken. By the time the publicity incident to such action has aired your troubles, most of the people will nod their heads and say: "Where there is so much smoke, there's pretty apt to be some fire!" Then what have you? cynical public!

Some will smile and welcome you; others will pass you by, and why? Because there were thoughtless or malicious people who did not hold their tongues in the first place.

There have been people so morally weakened because of malicious tongues that their entire lives have been ruined. There have been others whose opportunities for happiness and success in life have been thwarted because of thoughtless gossip - a little of this and that - a life of the brow - a nasty smile - a shrug of the shoulders - enough for some to conclude he or she, under discussion, is not much good, if any.

There have been people who were strong enough to go about the business God expects of them ignoring wagging tongues. These people are happy because they are at peace with God. Their method is the best of all. After they have pursued patience and lived righteously the

town finally wakes up to their worth.

Meanwhile the gossips have been busy with other reputation-murders, and they, the gossip-monguers, have become recognized as plague-carriers, which in truth they are. Folks become afraid of them, for these plague-carriers are not to be trusted. And why?

Because Gossips see evil where there is none, they feed on evil.

Because Gossips think evil, when they should think good.

Because Gossips speak evil, when they should hold their tongues.

Whenever the tongue curls, moistens, and makes ready to strike, the only safe procedure is that made possible by the prior "installation of a (moral) automatic check system." One should pause to inquire: Is this thing, quivering for release, true, though unknown, and therefore entitled to be set loose, or is it a lie, and therefore required by justice to be shielded under the cloak of charity?

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Quien Soy Yo . . . Por Alfredo G. Garza

Se trata nada mas ni menos de un Lulac, victima de circunstancias, su servidor. Como todos ustedes lo saben, el mes antepasado tuvimos una eleccion en el Estado de Texas, con el objeto de resolver si el estado hacia valida la pensión o ayuda para los ciegos. Y como demonios tocó que hacia como cuatro o cinco meses que por primera vez yo usaba anteojos. A consecuencia de que tomé parte activa en la propaganda para que el resultado de la eleccion fuese favorable, muchos de mis amigos me acusaban de que andaba yo preparando el terreno para el futuro. Ustedes ya se pueden imaginar como me sentía yo cuando me decian esto. A veces me hacian pensar que de veras iba a quedar ciego muy pronto, y que le daba yo con más ganas a buscar conocidos con el Poll-Tax, habiendo salido la causa que yo apoyaba con éxito.

Ahora me siento más seguro por esa parte y hasta me parece que los anteojos me sirven de estorbo.

Voy a agregar unas cuantas líneas para decirles a todos mis hermanos Lulac que este pobre victima es solamente un humilde periodista que ocupa un lugar no de mucha importancia en un diario de Laredo que lleva por nombre "EL INTERNACIONAL." He tenido la oportunidad de dar al concilio local una publicidad extensa y favorable por lo que hoy me siento algo BU-FON.

Dejando bromas a un lado me siento muy orgulloso de ocupar

un puesto donde algo les pueda servir a mis hermanos Lulac.

Lulac Code

Respect your citizenship and preserve it; honor your country, maintain its traditions in the spirit of its citizens, and embody yourself into its culture and civilization;

Love the men of your race, be proud of your origin and maintain it immaculate, respect your glorious past and help to defend the rights of your own people;

Learn how to fulfill your duties before you learn how to claim your rights; educate and make yourself worthy, and stand high in the light of your own deeds; you must always be loyal and courageous;

Filled with optimism make yourself sociable, upright, judicious, and above all things be sober and collected in your habits, cautious in your actions and sparing in your speech;

Study the past of your own, and of the country to which you owe your allegiance, learn how to master with purity the two most essential languages—English and Spanish;

Believe in God, love Humanity and rely upon the framework of human progress, slow and sound, unequivocal and firm;

In war serve your country, in peace your convictions; discern, investigate, meditate and think, study, at all times be honest and generous;

Let your firmest purpose be that of helping to see that each new generation of your own shall be of a youth more efficient and capable, and in this, let your own children be included.

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Jokes and Comments

By J. G. Villarreal

This one is one for men only. It can't be told to ladies and so they will not be able to read it, it is printed in invisible ink.

(Of course there is nothing printed here).

Boy Oh Boy! That's a hot one.

Don't write Juan G. Villarreal and ask him to tell it to you. He won't do it as such stuff cannot go through the mails. You'll find one or two more of these hot ones for men only in another part of this issue.

Arnulfo Zamora says a Jane he was dancing with the other night told him that everything worthwhile in life is either immoral, illegal or fattening. Some thing to that, eh?

Two other invisible jokes in this issue of Lulac are so darn good you can't see a thing.

You can't make your dreams come true by sleeping overtime.

Well, Aren't We?

A teacher called for sentences using the word "Beans."

"My father grows beans," said the bright boy of the class.

"My mother cooks beans," said another pupil.

The third piped up: "We are all human beans."

Here's a fast one to pull on your honey if she is shy about telling her age.

Have her put down her age, double it and add five. Then ask her to multiply it by fifty and subtract the number of days in

the year and add the loose change in her pocket book and tell you the answer. Then you add one hundred and fifteen to that and what have you? The first two numbers are her age and the last two are the cash in the till. No matter what Japan does folks, Chinese are still clever people.

Mike was going to Dublin for the first time in his life, and his friend, Pat, was giving him a few hints on what to do and where to go in the interesting city.

"What do I do when I go to the zoo?" asked Mike.

"You be careful about the zoo," advised Pat." You'll see foine animals if you follow the words "To the Lions' or 'To the Elephants,' but take no notice of the one 'To the Exit,' for begorrah, Mike, it's a fraud, and I found meself outside whin I went in." Shu-Horn.

Much discussion has resulted from the merger resolution passed at our last annual convention, but we must realize that merely discussing and writing about the situation created by the resolution adopted is not going to change matters nor help in any way.

While the situation is serious because many are not acquainted with the facts yet we must not allow ourselves to be blown off our feet. The League is growing and will continue to grow. It is getting out of hand and it cannot be controlled by a few men.

Yes Or No

Lawyer: "Now, Sir, did you, or did you not, on the date in question, or at any other time, previously or subsequently say or even intimate to the defendant or any one else, alone or with anyone, whether a friend or mere acquaintance, or, in fact, a stranger, that the statement imputed to you, whether just or unjust, and denied by the plaintiff, was a matter of no moment or otherwise? Answer me, yes or no."

Witness: "Yes or no what?"
—Recorder.

Local Woman: "My husband is the only man who ever kissed me."

Neighbor: "Are you bragging or complaining?"

Amos: "Ah wants a divorce. Dat woman jes talk, talk, talk. night and day. Ah can't get no rest and Ah'm going crazy!"

Young Lawyer: "Well, what does she talk about so much?"

Amos: "She doesn't say."

Husband: "What do you mean by saying I have been deceiving you for years?"

Wife: "I just found out the government allows you \$2,500.00 a year on your income tax for being married and you only allow me a miserable \$10.00 a month."

Here is another hot one for men only, printed in invisible ink. It's so hot if Machuca is not careful he'll get his page scorched:

(Of course nothing is printed here).

Cannot be mailed but hold everything boys. Juan will tell it to you at the next Convention.

Next year the presidency general will probably go to New Mexico and it is a possibility that California will take our highest office in the league the following year. Meanwhile, what are we Texans doing? FIGHTING amongst ourselves.

If redress is in order in this resolution matter, I am confident it can be had but by due process through the regular channels and I would suggest that those affected make the move, as it is but natural that they whose interests are adversely affected should act to protect those interests.

Let us think and see things through; be fair and broadminded and instead of writing and talking about what was done or not done, or what should have been done or not done, let us have action!

ALL ROADS LEAD TO EL PASO IN 1938

During the month of November, 1937, the General Convention Committee will request all councils to submit names and home addresses of all Lulac members who may be able to attend our annual convention in El Paso in June, 1938. All general and local officers of the League are enjoined to see that their councils furnish this information to Mr. William Flores, Secretary of the Lulac General Convention Committee, 3608 Jackson Street, El Paso, Texas.

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This and That In Lulac

• By Fred O. Dominguez

No literature can have a long continuance, if not diversified with humor.

If you have a story that appeals to you as funny, send it in to the editor of this column. He MAY print it -- but he WON'T send it back.

This month we greet the Laredo Council No. 12! Congratulations, Laredo. We hope your fine spirit of cooperation will inspire other councils to do as you are doing.

Jimmie Chacon of El Paso has a "nick name" and it is "Allv Oop." He got it from his ability to swing a club like the comic strip Ally, but the club that Jimmy swings is a base ball bat. So we are told.

Mrs. William Flores of El Paso likes a certain shade of brown for her hats. Mr. Flores, on a recent trip to New Mexico, saw just a shade of a hat in the road. He stopped and went to pick it up to take to his wife, but lo and behold! it wasn't a hat. Ask Bill about it sometime.

Some how or other we can't get any response from our mutual friend Mr. Joe V. Alamia (Alma mia), from down in the valley. We thought he would have written us here this time, but—NO Soap.

Up to the time of writing this column we haven't heard any thing from Jake Rodriguez. Wonder if he has had "enuff?"

But they say that "still water runs deep" and we never can tell what Jake will do next. Let's wait and see.

We got this far with this column and have been trying to think up some "dirt" on some one and having a hard time doing it and was just about to have a fit because we didn't know how we were going to fill out our allotted number of pages in this issue, when the mail came and brought us copy from Mr. Arnulfo Zamora of Laredo Council, for this column. We may add a few wise cracks, if they can be termed that, and turn the sheet over to Arnulfo. Here is his contribution:

At the "Carne Azada" feast given in honor of President General at Laredo Sept. 26 believe President Salinas had to walk off with honors as to consumption. (Ed. Note: Prof. Naranjo must have been absent).

Imagine this little boy taking honors with Jimmie Tafolla Jr. around as a competitor. And the Organizer General who spoke "Narry a word" from the time he took the first bite until he was on his way to Santone. (Ed. note: That's Mike all over, Zamora, he don't like to talk much when there is eating to be done).

And Don Ezequiel Salinas and Teodosio Gutierrez Jr., Riding out to the Depot and returning with a bag full of ice

cold "crystal Containers." And Boy! how good those cigars he passes around taste. And who said that Teodosio does not know how to "finesse" a queen when he holds the Ace and King. (Ed. Note: If Teodosio bought them cigars, we bet they were not two for five centers like Zamora gives).

Believe you me, Charles E. Ramirez can certainly handle the "tripitas" in the middle of a "torfilla de harina" at any place and at any time. (Ed. Note: You ain't seen nothing yet. You should see Charlie eat them things at San Antonio's West side Chili Stands!)

We are still wondering what happened to Manuel C. that Sunday night. Had to send the whole Laredo Police force to find him but to no avail. (We can make a good guess where "M. C." was, but we are not going to tell on our old Pal).

Professor Naranjo was able to vamp the help at the Hamilton the other day and rated two helpings. That boy can get a long with the best where eats are to be distributed. (Ed. note: We just knew the Professor would finally arrive and if you pinned him down to tell the truth, we bet you he will tell you he had three helpings instead of two. (We KNOW the Prof and have seen him "in action.")

And if anybody wants to know who was responsible for the finances for this issue, ask Luis Perales, Felix Garcia, Blas Garcia, Prof. Naranjo, Ed. Peña, John Hernandez. The united ef-

fort of the whole council and not the work of one individual furnished the "paying material" for this issue. (Ed. note: There shouldn't be any doubt as to who is responsible or who gets the credit. We KNOW and are telling the whole cock-eyed world about it. We hope that follow suit).

And by the way, there is no one to force about the refreshments in the minutes so I will spill it out that Santiago Pappas was drinking Pearl, Teodosio was drinking Grand Prize, Alejandro Villarreal Carta Blanca and Peter Pappas Blatz. (Ed. note: What! No Indios, Texas Pride or Harry Mitchell?)

NAZI GERMANY

Hospital Nurses all over Germany have been ordered by the secret police to remain close to patients suffering a high fever and to report any anti-Nazi remarks made.

When Hitler visited Cologne recently, a written promise was enacted from all Jewish families along the route of parade that they would not even look at *der Fuhrer*.

To stimulate business, a German theater owner advertised a special feature and offered 500 marks to any patron who didn't like it. The house was packed, but no one claimed the money. The feature was a picture of Hitler.

More than half the work done in the past year by Dr. Von Eicken, Berlin's famous eye, ear and nose specialist, consisted of removing extra humps from the noses of German young men.

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