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Editorial

The 1946 Lulac National Convention, which only a month or so ago was a pulsating and vibrant actuality to some one hundred or more delegates and guests, is now past history and the source of fond memories to most and disappointed aspirations to a few. But regardless of the tense in which it is regarded, the history making aspects in the progressive transitions of thoughts and actions in this convention will indubitably form a memorable page in the already glorious and progressive history of the League of United Latin American Citizens.

The progressive transition which throughout the convention stood out like meteors amongst a starry sky, can easily be itemized in the fine trends which they unerringly followed.

First of these was the prevalent and decided tendency to sacrifice and expunge all personal wishes and ambitions for the best interests of the League and the general wishes of the assembly. This tendency had a tremendous effect in reducing the established practice of petty bickering, soliciting, and exchanging of voting power for personal and selfish purposes. Democracy reigned indeed, when delegates cast their vote according to the dictates of their discerning deliberation rather than according to the dictates of experienced lobbyists. One thought was uppermost in the mind of every one — the best action and the best man for the Welfare of the League alone. This was a momentous transition and a tribute to the caliber of delegates.

Second, the unity of thought of the delegates to sacrifice a tradition or custom when the future progress of the League demanded it. It takes courage and a deep sense of unselfish duty to break a precedent of long standing, but again the tendency towards progressive action asserted itself and a precedent was broken —, another step in the direction of working for the welfare of the whole as against the desire of a few.

Still another and most significant transition was the surge of will of the smaller councils to be heard and to be taken into consideration in the shaping of the destinies of the League and in the formation of policies and actions to be carried out. This was a far cry from the usual tendency of using the smaller councils as tools in the polling of votes. There was no outstanding orator and no outstanding council, but rather a uniform assembly with uniform abilities and uniform power and influence.

Fourth, there was the transition of thought in bringing about desired ends in the work of Lulac. Greater emphasis was placed on education, academic and otherwise, on the basis that it is the foundation of all that Lulac stands for and hopes to achieve. Education has been a part of Lulac, but it was taken for granted and as a matter of fact. Now it has become a must and an integral and vital part of future activities, nor will it be taken for granted again.

And last, the transition of thought that will realize the four mentioned above —, a will and determination to put thoughts into words and words into deeds. As a man is known for his deeds rather than by his words, so shall the League of United Latin American Citizens, irrespective of previous accomplishments, be known for its deeds of merit arising from progressive tendencies and actions.



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Messages From The President General

Our Seventeenth National Convention has come and gone, and for the first time in its History you find the same man once more as your President General. Yes, there has been no change. I will assure you that I feel humble, but proud to have been the man to break this long tradition of no re-election. I will assure you that I did not choose to run, but as our fellow delegates did say in Houston, it was a matter of using the democratic way of doing things, so I was drafted.

Do not believe for a minute that I do not like this. Needless to say, I love Lulac work, I dream Lulac work and best of all I like to work for Lulac.

ORGANIZATION AND APPOINTMENTS

It is my desire to profit by the experiences of the past, and, therefore, I hope to delegate more work and power to the different regional officers.

For the State of Texas you have elected Joe Garza of Corpus Christi as your Regional Governor.

To follow my plan, we will use this Regional Governor as an example. Joe Garza will have full charge of the State of Texas and he will be required to follow up in the re-organization of dormant councils and the organization of new councils. He will in turn supervise the work of the Governors of the Districts. He will delegate to these Governors work which comes within their respective territory. I believe in following this plan, which is the official plan laid out to us by the Constitution, then we should be able to utilize our past experiences and the help of more Lulac minds. This same plan will be used in New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona and California, but by leaving all of Texas to Regional Governor Garza, it will enable me to concentrate my efforts in the other States.

With men like Max Duran, Arizona; Vincent Vigil, New Mexico; J. M. Romero of Colorado and Wm. Wheat of California, I think this task will become a mere routine after our plan gets to functioning.

LULAC SHRINE

It was brought to the attention of the Assembly at Houston that a resolution was adopted at El Paso in 1944 to the effect that a Lulac Shrine was to be erected on Ben Garza Park at Corpus Christi, Texas. To this effect I called a meeting of the members of this Committee to meet in the City of Corpus Christi on July Fourteenth, but since the Regional Governor will not be in Texas at that

time, this meeting has been set for July Twenty-first. It is my desire to put into action all of the thoughts which we spoke about at our Convention, otherwise it will be just a waste of time and money to meet every year.

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

One of the main reasons for the Organization of Lulac was to fight discrimination against and segregation of our children in the public schools. During our Houston Convention more reports of discrimination along these lines were reported to the Assembly.

In order to bring about a more efficient mode of working out these misunderstandings, an Educational Committee has been named consisting of the following:

Reynaldo de la Garza, San Antonio, Chairman
M. C. Gonzales, San Antonio, Texas
Max Martinez, Austin, Texas
Rudy Peña, San Antonio, Texas
Joe Garza, Corpus Christi, Texas
John J. Herrera, Houston, Texas
Alfonso Chaparro, El Paso, Texas
Fernando Salas, Houston, Texas.

This committee will meet in San Antonio on July Twenty-eighth to formulate a plan to work out a solution to this misunderstandings. While we are in San Antonio it has occurred to me that this will be a good time to hold a Supreme Council Meeting and to this effect I am calling said meeting for July Twenty-eighth in the City of San Antonio. While I am writing these messages, I have not yet advised anyone of my desires to hold this Supreme Council Meeting, however, I will write direct to all of the members of the Supreme Council to meet with me on July Twenty-eighth. I believe that we will save time and expedite our work for 1946-1947.

LULAC NEWS

I have named George J. Garza of Laredo as Director of Publicity and Editor of Lulac News. With him there will be several Associate Editors who are to help him with the publication of our Official organ. Star Castillo will remain in the Staff as Associate Editor, others will be named later on.

San Antonio Council is sponsoring this edition of the News, Corpus Christi will sponsor the August issue, Flagstaff, Arizona will sponsor the September issue. The October issue has not been

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MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT—

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contracted for, but Santa Fe, New Mexico will take care of the November number and Los Angeles, California will publish the December issue. The biggest job yet to be outlined for Lulac News this year, is that of having it sent to the individual members through the mails. In order to do this, we want to again remind the Secretaries of all the Councils to mail us a complete list of names and addresses of their membership. The quicker this is done the sooner we can mail Lulac News direct to you. Please see to it that your secretary gets busy and sends in these lists.

GENERAL

The 1945 Assembly held at Houston, Texas, has charged us with certain specific tasks. We have for instance, our adult education and citizenship classes which were discussed and which which through a resolution were made part of our work. I believe that all Councils should get in touch with your Secretary General or with any other member of the General Officers if they need help with an establishment of an adult school in their locality. I feel that this work if put into effect, will not only keep us busy with something

worthwhile to do, but will enable us to receive worthwhile recognition from the other Civic Clubs in our City. The other phase of the Educational Work is to be taken care of by the special committee which was named at the Convention.

You have seen fit to re-elect me as your President General, and I have accepted and am willing to again work as hard as I have in the past. I feel that I know the work assigned to the President General and to the different General Officers. I find that our organization is only as strong as its weakest Council. I would like to see every Council a strong, growing institution which can be looked upon as an asset to its home town and a strong link in our growing Lulac chain.

There were several delegates who boasted of having their membership in their Councils to double or triple before the next convention. If all of us make up our mind to start a membership drive at this time and double the membership of the individual Council, then we will assure you of having an Organization twice as big, before the 1947 Convention arrives.

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Minutes of the Seventeenth National Assembly of the League of United Latin American Citizens Held in the City of Houston, Texas, June 15th and 16th, 1946

The Seventeenth National Assembly of the League of United Latin American Citizens was called to order by President General, Arnulfo A. Zamora, at 9:50 A. M., Saturday, June 15th, 1946.

The President called on Brother John J. Herrera, of Houston, Texas, to elevate the Official Prayer of the League, and immediately thereafter appointed Brother Marshall Aguilar, of San Antonio, to act as Sergeant-At-Arms.

The Secretary General then called the Roll of Officers and delegates, which showed the following present:

Arnulfo A. Zamora of Laredo, President General;

E. D. Chavez, of Albuquerque, N. Mexico, First Vice President;

L. P. Botello, of Laredo, Trustee;

Adolfo Armijo, of Winslow, Arizona, Trustee;

M. C. Gonzalez, of San Antonio, Regional Gov. for Texas;

P. E. Rubi, of Winslow, Arizona, Regional Gov. for Arizona;

Manuel G. Vela, of Laredo, Treasurer General;

Francisco J. Flores, of Laredo, Secretary General;

James Saenz, of Corpus Christi, Gov. Texas District No. 2;

George J. Garza, of Laredo, Gov. Texas District No. 3;

Albert U. Treviño, of San Antonio, Gov. Texas District No. 5;

J. N. Serrano, of Houston, Gov. Texas District No. 8;

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Ricardo Martinez
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John Gonzales

The President then called on Brother John J. Herrera, who in turn introduced the Honorable Glenn A. Perry, County Judge of Harris County, who delivered a short address of welcome to the officers and delegates in National Convention assembled. The President then called on Brother Ben Ozuna, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, former County Judge of Bernalillo County, and former Major in the United States Army, who delivered an address in response to the welcome extended by Judge Perry.

On Motion made by M. C. Gonzales, of San Antonio, duly Seconded and carried, the reading of the Minutes of the 1946 Assembly was dispensed with in view of the fact that such minutes had been published in Lulac News.

President General Zamora then appointed the following committees:

I. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Esquipula Narato, of Albuquerque, Chairman;
Ike Martinez, of Laredo;
Joey Gonzales, of Ft. Stockton;
Mrs. E. Naranjo, of Albuquerque;
J. A. Von Hatten, of Harlingen;

II. LEGAL ADVISORS:

Francisco J. Flores, of Laredo, Chairman;
John J. Herrera, of Houston;
Henry Castillo, of San Antonio;
Hector de Peña, of Corpus Christi;

III. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

Porfirio L. Flores, of Laredo, Chairman;
John Gonzales, of Los Angeles;
Dr. Jose Maldonado, of Santa Fe;
Ed Cantu, of Austin;
Raul Cortez, of San Antonio.

IV. AUDITING COMMITTEE:

Mack Martinez, of Austin, Chairman;
Valentin Ibarra, of D'Hanis;
Remigio Garza, of Alice;
Antonio Moreno, of Laredo;
Mrs. Vincent Viehl, of Albuquerque;
Louis Wilnot, of Corpus Christi.

The President General instructed the different committees to retire for their deliberation and to report to the Assembly as soon as possible.

The President General then requested the Delegates to submit any Constitutional amendments they might have, as these would have to be read at the first day of the Convention for the first time and then read for the second time the following day before being submitted to the Assembly for a vote. El Paso Council No. 132 then offered an amend-

ment to the Constitution to change the name of the Organization to "LULAC CLUB." This was read by the Secretary General at this time. The President then announced a ten minutes' recess.

The Convention was again called to order by the President General at 10:45 A. M. The Credentials Committee announced that it had completed its work and was ready to report. The report was made by Brother Esquipula Naranjo, Chairman, who reported that 23 Councils were entitled to representation and that the Delegates and alternates, whose names appear above, were duly accredited to represent their respective councils. Copy of the Report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Brother John J. Herrera, of Houston, Chairman of the Convention Committee, made the following announcement:

1. A luncheon was being offered to all the delegates and visitors present at the American Recreation Club, at 12 noon.

2. A banquet would be held that evening at the South American rooms of the Rice Hotel, beginning at 8 o'clock;

3. Immediately after the banquet a Stag Party would be held at the American Recreation Hall; and

4. Dance would be held at the Crystal Room of the Rice Hotel at 8 o'clock Sunday evening.

(Letters and telegrams received were read.)

TELEGRAMS

Mrs. S. J. Apodaca of Albuquerque, 2nd Vice President General;

Joe Olivares, President San Antonio Council No. 2;
A. R. Rios of Winslow, Arizona, Trustee.

LETTERS

A. R. Rios, of Winslow, Arizona, Trustee;
Max E. Garcia of San Antonio, Inspector General.

President General Zamora inquired whether there were any announcements to be made, and thereupon brother M. C. Gonzalez of San Antonio stated that he had been requested by the Delegate from D'Hanis Council No. 106 to report unfavorable school conditions existing at D'Hanis. He stated that six teachers were taking care of 70 Anglo-American students, while two teachers looked after 65 or more Latin American students, and asked for suggestions to correct that situation. After considerable discussion of existing conditions throughout the State of Texas with regard to our schools, Brother M. A. Gomez, of El Paso made a motion that the General Officers write the Supt. of Schools, at D'Hanis, requesting that he make an investigation of the situation and that proper steps be taken to correct existing conditions. This motion was seconded by Jacob I. Rodriguez, of San Antonio, and after further discussion suggestion was made that copy of letter be sent to Dr. L. A. Woods, Superintendent of Public Instruction at Austin. The further suggestion was made that special educational committee be appointed by the President General for the purpose of assisting the local councils and the General Officers in attempting to solve problems of this nature. The motion was again stated by the Chair and carried when put to a vote.

President General Zamora then named the following members to compose the Educational Committee:

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Joe Garza, of Corpus Christi;
John J. Herrera, of Houston;
Alfonso Chaparro, of El Paso;
Fernando Salas, of Houston;

Recess was then declared by the Chair at 12 o'clock and requested the delegates to be back at 2:30 P. M.

At 2:55 P. M., the business of the convention was resumed.

The President requested the Secretary General to make his annual report. Francisco J. Flores, Secretary General gave a brief summary of the activities of the organization during the past year, stressing the fact that the number of active councils had been increased during the year from 15 to 30.

The Report of the Secretary General is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

President General Zamora then read his annual report outlining the activities of the organization for the past year and thanking all officers and local councils for the cooperation and support give him. The President's report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. (Published in June issue).

At this time a musical program was presented for the entertainment of those present at the Convention. The Program being in charge of Brother Antonio Bañuelos, who presented his all-girl Tejica Orchestra from Baytown. The Orchestra offered several musical selections which were greatly enjoyed by the assembly.

At the request of the President Brother Porfirio L. Flores, of Laredo, introduced Mr. H. Burnett, Educational Director of the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service for the San Antonio district, who spoke of the educational facilities being offered by the Federal Government to enable persons seeking admission to citizenship in passing their examinations, and requested the different councils of the League to undertake the sponsoring of educational programs in cooperation with his office, citing the work being done in this regard by the adult night school being conducted by Laredo Council No. 12.

The President then called on Trustee, L. P. Botello, of Laredo, to make a report on the publication of our official organ, *Lulac News*. Brother Botello reported that the publication of *Lulac News* in magazine form in July, 1945; the publication of the *News* having been discontinued completely since the month of January, 1945; he reported that 12 issues had been published during the year, all of which were sponsored by the various councils. Laredo Council having sponsored 5 issues. He also stated that no part of the money paid for subscriptions had been used in the publication and that this money was being held in reserve to create a fund to meet future contingencies. He then stated that the following councils had already pledge to sponsor *Lulac News* for the coming year:

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LOS ANGELES — December.

President Zamora then announced a recess at 5 P. M.

A splendid banquet was offered that evening, which was very well attended and at which Dr. Ide P. Trotter, Director of Texas A. & M. Extension Service, College Station, Texas, was the main speaker. Former Governor James V. Allred was one of the honor guests and also made a very inspiring talk.

The Convention resumed its work at 9:30 A. M., June 16, 1946.

After the roll call of delegates, the Treasurer General, Brother Manuel G. Vela of Laredo, made his report:

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from June, 1945, to June, 1946,		1784.00
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Brother Mack Martinez, of Austin, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the books of the Treasurer General had been audited by the Committee and found to be in order.

Brother M. C. Gonzalez then moved that the report of the Treasurer General be accepted. This motion was duly seconded and carried when put to a vote.

Brother M. C. Gonzalez, Regional Governor of Texas, then made his annual report, setting out in detail the activities undertaken during his term of office, which was very well received by the Assembly.

Brother Esquipula Naranjo, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, reported on behalf of the Regional Governor from New Mexico, who was unable to be personally present at the Convention. Brother Naranjo reported that there were now four active councils in New Mexico and that the work of re-organizing the semi-active councils in that state is progressing satisfactorily.

Brother F. E. Rubi, Regional Governor for Arizona, then made his report, stating that at the beginning of the term there was only one active council in Arizona, and that during the year two of the dormant councils had been reactivated and a new one organized at Flagstaff, making a total of four active councils for that state at this time. Brother M. P. Juarez, Secretary of the Winslow Council supplemented Brother Rubi's report by giving an account of the activities of his council.

Brother John Gonzalez, President of the Los Angeles, California, council, reported for Brother William Wheat, Regional Governor of California, who was unable to be present at the Convention. Brother Gonzalez gave an enthusiastic report of activities in that state since the re-organization of the Los Angeles Council in September, 1945. He stated that recently a new council was organized at Santa Ana and that the prospects of organizing new councils at this time are very good. There are three active councils now in California. He spoke at some length of the activities of the local councils, particularly with regard to the school segregation case in Orange County, California,

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and the part taken by the Los Angeles Council in the Elisalide case, and the installation of the Santa Ana Council.

M. C. Gonzalez moved that the National Assembly go on record that a letter properly drawn be sent to Judge McCormick, commending him for his courage and for his high sense of justice in rendering that very fine decision, and that a similar letter be addressed to the attorney for the petitioners in the Orange County school segregation case. This motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Porfirio L. Flores, of Laredo, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, reported that the following 11 resolutions had been presented to the Committee:

Resolution No. 1, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12. Pledging cooperation of the League to Texas A. & M. Extension Service Farm Labor Program, and expressing appreciation for the work being done by the Director and workers of the program. Recommended for adoption by the Committee and adopted by the assembly when put to a vote.

Resolution No. 2, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12, pledging cooperation of the League to Southwestern Council on Education. Recommended by the Committee and passed by the assembly.

Resolution No. 3, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12, pledging cooperation to the Institute of Ethnic Affairs, Inc., recommended for adoption by the committee and passed by the assembly.

Resolution No. 4, submitted by Alhambra Council No. 137 and Los Angeles County No. 125, providing for the creating of a general Mortuary Fund. This resolution was withdrawn by the proponent, who was a member of the Resolutions Committee, when it was pointed out that it did not comply with the laws of the State of Texas with regard to insurance.

Resolution No. 5, submitted by Austin Council No. 85, expressing appreciation and gratitude to Brother Manuel C. Gonzalez for services rendered the League. The Resolutions Committee made no recommendation and submitted it to the assembly without any recommendation. At the instance of Brother Gonzalez, the Resolution was withdrawn, and in lieu of the resolution, a Motion was duly made, seconded and carried unanimously to accord Brother M. C. Gonzalez a standing vote of thanks. Brother M. C. Gonzalez then moved that a telegram be sent to Judge J. T. Canales of Brownsville, one of the founders of the League, who has been inactive in the affairs of the League due to ill health, expressing to him our appreciation and gratitude for all he has done for the League. This motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 6, submitted by El Paso Council No. 132 to change the name of the organization to "Lulise Club." The resolutions committee requested additional instructions from the Chair as to the method of procedure with regard to his resolution, being in effect a constitutional amendment. President General Zamora then referred the matter to the Legal Advisors for an opinion. The Legal Advisors reported through Brother John J. Herrera, that this was a constitutional amendment that the procedure to be followed is outlined by Article 9 of the Constitution, and that it was proper to refer it to the Resolutions Committee, in

the absence of a special constitutional committee. After some discussion Motion to table was made, seconded and carried, for the reason that the resolution was not properly worded.

Resolution No. 7, submitted by Councils Nos. 1, 2, 33, 60 and 145, providing for the reelection of General Officers for a Second Term. The Committee recommended the adoption of this resolution and it was passed by the assembly.

Resolution No. 8, submitted by Councils Nos. 34, 60, 140 to accept offers made by Brother Raul Cortez, of San Antonio Council No. 2, of fifteen minutes' radio time over Station KCOR in San Antonio for broadcasting educational and cultural programs. Recommended for adoption by the Committee and passed by the assembly.

Resolution No. 9, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12, offering educational programs to the various councils of the League. Recommended by the Committee and adopted by the assembly.

Resolution No. 10, submitted by El Paso Council No. 132, bidding for the 1947 Convention. Committee ruled that this matter could not be presented in the form of a resolution and should be presented on the regular order of business when the Convention city was to be decided.

Resolution No. 11, submitted by Corpus Christi Council No. 1, recommending support of English speaking Parent-Teachers Associations. The Committee recommended the adoption of this resolution, but an amendment was offered from the floor, and the resolution passed as amended.

Recess at 12 Noon.

The Convention resumed its business at 2:30 P. M.

Dr. Ruiz, of Houston Council, moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Radio Station KTRH, of Houston, for permitting Houston Council No. 60 the use of its facilities to broadcast fifteen minutes radio program weekly, free of charge. The Motion was duly seconded and carried.

At this time Mrs. Ben Garza, widow of the first President General of the League, was recognized by the Chair.

Dr. Ruiz, of Houston, moved that steps be taken to bring back into the fold all former members from San Antonio who have withdrawn their membership from the League for personal reasons. This motion was seconded and considerable discussion ensued, during which President Zamora relinquished the Chair in favor of M. C. Gonzalez, in order to discuss the question before the Assembly. Motion was then made to table Brother Ruiz' motion, duly seconded and carried.

President General Zamora, after resuming the Chair, announced that the next order of business was the election of officers and stated that nominations were in order for the office of President General. Brother M. C. Gonzalez placed in nomination the name of Arnulfo A. Zamora for re-election. President Zamora then surrendered the Chair to Brother M. C. Gonzalez and Brother Jacob I. Rodriguez, of San Antonio, moved that since no other nominations had been made, that nominations cease and that Brother Zamora be re-elected by acclamation. The motion carried unanimously and Brother Zamora was re-elected President General by acclamation.

Election of other officers then followed.

The following are the General Officers elected:

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Arnulfo A. Zamora, of Laredo, President General;

John Gonzalez, of Los Angeles, First Vice President;

Mrs. P. E. Rubi, of Winslow, Arizona, Second Vice President;

Max Garcia, of San Antonio, Inspector General;

L. P. Botello, of Laredo, Trustee;

Equipula Naranjo, of Albuquerque, Trustee;

Modesto A. Gomez, of El Paso, Trustee;

Joe Garza, of Corpus Christi, Regional Governor of Texas;

Max C. Duran, of Winslow, Arizona, Regional Governor of Arizona;

Vincent Vigil, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Regional Governor of New Mexico;

G. S. Vallejo, of Harlingen, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 1;

James Saenz, of Corpus Christi, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 2;

Ike Martinez, of Laredo, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 3;

Albert U. Treviño, of San Antonio, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 5;

John J. Herrera, of Houston, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 8;

E. Chacon, of El Paso, Governor, Texas Dist. No. 11.

After the election of the First Vice President General a recess was taken at 3:30, during which the Bañuelos Tipica Orchestra from Baytown offered several musical selections.

The convention reconvened at 4:00 P. M., and M. C. Gonzalez, Regional Governor for Texas immediately called a meeting of the Texas Councils for the purpose of electing a Regional Governor for Texas. The names of M. C. Gonzalez, of San Antonio, and Joe Garza, of Corpus Christi, were offered in nomination. The President General assumed the Chair and a vote was taken which resulted in the election of Joe Garza as Regional Governor of Texas.

Immediately thereafter Brother Ben Ozuna of Albuquerque, New Mexico, called for a meeting of the New Mexico Councils for the purpose of electing the Regional Governor. The names of Filemon T. Martinez and Vincent Vigil were offered in nomination. The announcement was made, after nominations had ceased, that Brother Martinez was disqualified to serve as Regional Governor, if elected, and his name was withdrawn. Brother Vigil was then elected as Regional Governor of New Mexico.

The Arizona delegations then submitted the name of Max Duran, of Winslow, as Regional Governor for Arizona.

Brother John Gonzalez, of Los Angeles, then announced that the California councils would hold a regional convention immediately after the National Assembly for the purpose of electing their Regional officers.

The President General then announced that the next order of business was the selection of the Convention City for 1947. The following cities were nominated:

Flagstaff, Arizona; El Paso, Texas; Los Angeles, California; Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Austin, Texas. Santa Fe, New Mexico, was selected by a majority of the votes.

President General Zamora re-appointed Manuel G. Vela, of Laredo, as Treasurer General, and Francisco J. Flores, of Laredo, as Secretary General. He announced that other appointments would be made later.

Dr. Ruiz, President of the Houston Council No. 60, thanked the officers and delegates to the Convention on behalf of his Council, Host City of the Convention.

The newly elected officers were then administered the oath of office by Brother M. C. Gonzalez.

President Zamora thanked the delegations for his reelection and requested the same cooperation from all the councils that he had received during his first term of office.

Brother Louis Wilmot of Corpus Christi reminded the Assembly that no action has been taken by the Committee named by the 1944 Convention at El Paso to devise ways and means for the erection of a Shrine at Corpus Christi, Texas, the birthplace of LULAC. President General Zamora then requested Brother Wilmot to call a meeting of the Committee, at which the President General will also be present, in Corpus Christi, on July 14th, 1946, at which time plans will be formulated to carry out the provisions of the resolution.

President General Zamora then called for a meeting of the Educational Committee on July 28th, 1946, in the City of San Antonio.

Rudy Peña, Vice President of San Antonio Council No. 2, pledged to the Convention to at least increase their membership five times by next convention.

There being no further business to come before the Convention, motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried, whereupon President General Zamora declared the Convention adjourned at 6 P. M.

ATTEST:

ARNULFO ZAMORA,
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BLAS CANTU, Special Recorder for the Convention.

ATTEST:

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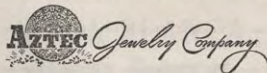
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Lulac Councils and Lulackers face good opportunities to serve their communities, and increasingly make their influence felt in the shaping of good-will and good civic work if they consider sports as an outlet for their civic efforts, according to John A. Esquivel, active chairman of the Sports Committee of the San Antonio Council.

Bro. Esquivel, who San Antonio sports writers tagged as "Señor Sports" in the sports-minded San Antonio Latin-American Colony, has demonstrated this theme time and again in the various amateur sports undertakings that have outstandingly produced. According to this veteran sports enthusiast, a good Lulac sports program is three-fold: **EDUCATION, RECREATION, PUBLICITY.**

Never before, he points out, has sports enjoyed so much prestige as today. All sports consist of closely knitted team work. American people know the value of team work. We have just won a war by team work. Applying sports principles to Lulac work, is laying a foundation for a new era,—that of harnessing all civic work with the enthusiasm of the "ole college try" and putting it to work creating good friendship for any council.

As for education, Bro. Esquivel points out, the spirit of good, clean friendly competition is the

best guarantee against future bitterness. Substitute knowledge that the best man won in whatever encounter for suspicion, fear and hate, which incompetent leaders may forment to serve their selfish ends—and most causes of friction will disappear.

Recreation will be needed more than ever before during the years ahead—particularly to keep idle youth out of mischief. Therefore, according to Bro. Esquivel, all Lulac Councils should interest themselves with the doings of the teen-age group. In San Antonio, the Lulac Sports Council has been active in organizing Boy Scouts' troops, taking active part in amateur sports circles, contacting county and city recreation leaders for better recreation facilities for the Latin-American element. Lulac has been prominent in combating juvenile delinquency in San Antonio, working closely with the various welfare organization in charge of this work.

Outstanding among the multi-phased activities of the Sports Committee has been the annual burlesque done under the guise of a baseball game that Lulac "liniment leaguers" play against the Pan-American Optimist Club "fat and forties." Last year more than 5,000 fans saw Lulac best the Optimist nine in the charity game that Bro. Esquivel master-minded. Lulac's share of the proceeds went to the fund to buy scholarships for outstanding Latin-American students in San Antonio.

The publicity value of such undertaking can not be underestimated as the local dailies played up the game in big headlines several weeks in advance, while several local radio stations plugged the event that soared the advance sale of tickets very successfully. Word-of-mouth, plus the enthusiasm of the friendly rivalry injected a stronger "esprit de corps" amongst the San Antonio Lulacs.

As we go to press, Bro. Esquivel informs us, that the San Antonio Council has bought a brand new set of baseball uniforms for future competition. So don't be surprised if one of these days you'll read in your favorite paper that Señor Pasquel is trying to sign a Lulac "liniment leaguer" to play South of the Border. We warned you.

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LULAC duty, whether it is that of the national president, council secretary, committeeman, or just plain brother member, is to us the most important function in the Lulac organization, and that is just as it should be. No man or woman is worth being a Lulacker who is not proud of his duty and considers it of prime importance, and that is the way that each of us in San Antonio Lulac Council No. 2 feel about it. We feel that if the overall picture of the organization, each brother member and each Lulac project fitting into the general scheme like parts to a picture puzzle, is not harmonious and in good working order there can be no success of the organization as a whole.

So, let each of us think as a part of the general scheme of our contribution to the ultimate purpose of Lulac—to help our Latin-American populace attain the highest respect as American citizens. Let us each try to see, not just our own accomplishments, but the whole Lulac organization in the broad sense, and realize how significant our contribution is. In that way we keep the spirit of team work which is the secret of the success of any American enterprise, and that has produced the highest standard of citizenship.

You are a Lulacker by virtue of your pride as an American citizen of Latin-American decendancy and your interest in civic and social matters that affect your fellow Latin-Americans. Your loyalty to the Lulac cause stamps you as an outstanding exponent of good American citizenship.

Every day, in your chosen job or profession, stands an opportunity for you to show Lulac spirit. Let each of us meet the challenge of the high standards of Lulac by which we can succeed as individuals and as an organization in these days of a fast changing world.

COUNCIL No. 2 HAS NEW MEETING PLACE

Fellow Brother Lulackers are assured a royal welcome whenever they hit picturesque San Antonio, as the San Antonio Council now enjoys a six-day open house to Lulac activities when it moved from their headquarters at the International Institute to the more convenient downtown offices in the Aztec Theatre Building.

At its new location, Vice-President Rudy J. Peña, who is also manager of the San Antonio Mexican Chamber of Commerce, is the genial glad-hander for the San Antonio Lulackers. It is Peña who busily deals and shuffles Lulac activities via phone, mail, word-of-mouth and over many a coffee shop counter. Leave it to Rudy to contact the right parties and to leave everybody happy. Together with pleasing Miss Victoria Rodriguez, who handles the office work, and is sorta unofficial Girl Friday to Lulac, our Vice-Prexy has been on the proverbial "beam".

The Council meets every Friday with an average attendance of about 20 members. Yes, meetings have an 11:00 p. m. curfew.



THE BISHOPS' COMMITTEE

The Regional Office of the Bishops' Committee for the Spanish Speaking which has been operating in San Antonio since August of 1945 is dedicate to the work of aiding the Spanish speaking people—especially those residing in San Antonio and its environs—in spiritual, moral, and social manner. To accomplish its aims, this office has employed in addition to Reverend John J. Birch, Priest Director, four people who are native Texans of Mexican parentage. With the aid of these fieldworkers and office personnel, a program has been set up to find, train, develop, and encourage native leadership.

What do we mean by native leadership? Simply this: The Catholic Church has always believed in developing its priesthood from amongst the people of the country which the Church evangelizes. In like manner, the Holy Father has encouraged the formation of native leaders from amongst the people themselves. The Regional Office of the Bishops' Committee then is firmly convinced that the best leadership for the Spanish speaking must come from the Spanish speaking people themselves.

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leaders would have emerged and would be now occupied in finding and defending, encouraging and working for those of their own people. Instead, what do we find? We find two amazing situations. First: Practically no vocations to the priesthood and sisterhood have come from amongst the Spanish speaking population in the Southwest. The overwhelming majority, therefore, of priests and sisters working amongst the Spanish speaking of the Southwest are of almost every conceivable origin but Latin-American. Not only is this true of the Church; but it is true of the schools, social agencies, and law-enforcement officials. In a word, wherever you look in the Southwestern United States, you will find Anglo speaking people "lifting up the poor Mexican people." The second strange phenomenon which we find is the fact that a few Latin Americans have reached for the stars and have succeeded in arriving at the top in business and the professions. Normally, one would expect that such people having come up the hard way would lend a hand to their needy brethren and strive with might and main to help those less fortunate of their own nationality to climb the ladder of success. But behold the situation: In almost every instance we are amazed to learn that these people who have succeeded now refer to themselves as "Latin Americans" and are referred to as "high class" Mexicans—looking down the tips of their noses with horror and disgust at their poor, sick, undernourished, underpaid, ill-housed, mal-treated brothers and sisters of Mexican descent. They have gone the way of all flesh: they have climbed on the band wagon of those who have made the term "Mexican" synonymous with contempt, instead of a term of culture, refinement and the fusion of two great cultures and Aztec and the Spanish—cultures which for centuries have been traditionally Christian and Catholic.

What then can we expect from this situation? As far as the Regional Office of the Spanish speaking is concerned, the philosophy which guides the priest director and the employees will always be one of fighting with determination to develop, encourage, and sponsor native leadership wherever found so that the Spanish speaking population will, if necessary, lift itself by its own boot straps to the position in the sun which it deserves.

In our modern mechanized civilization, particularly in the United States, man's dignity is often lowered to that of a cog in a machine. The Catholic philosophy is opposed to this and insists on

the dignity and value of every human being however poor, however badly trained, however uneducated, in the sight of Almighty God.

It is because of this philosophy that the Committee of Bishops, working through its Executive Chairman, Archbishop Robert E. Lucey of San Antonio, will continue, under God's grace, to foster and maintain dignified assistance and help for these beloved children of the Father.



LULAC CODE

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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:

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

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2. To eradicate from our body political intents and tendencies to establish discrimination among our fellow-citizens on account of race, religion, or social position as being contrary to the true spirit of Democracy, our Constitution and Laws.

3. To use all the legal means at our command to the end that all citizens in our country may enjoy equal rights, the equal protection of the laws of the land and equal opportunities and privileges.

4. The acquisition of the English language, which is the official language of our country, being necessary for the enjoyment of our rights and privileges, we declare it to be official language of this Organization, and we pledge ourselves to learn, and speak, and teach same to our children.

5. To define with absolute and unmistakable clearness our unquestionable loyalty to the ideals, principles and citizenship of the United States of America.

6. We solemnly declare once and for all to maintain a sincere and respectful reverence for our racial origin of which we are proud.

7. By all lawful means at our command, we shall assist in the education and guidance of Latin-Americans and we shall protect and defend their lives and interests whenever necessary. We shall oppose any tendency to separate our children in the schools of this Country.

8. Each of us considers himself with equal responsibilities in our Organization, to which we voluntarily swear subordination and obedience.

9. We shall create a fund for mutual protection, for the defense of those of us who may be unjustly prosecuted and for the education and culture of our people.

10. This organization is not a political club, but as citizens we shall participate in all local, State and National political contests. However, in doing so, we shall ever bear in mind the general welfare of our people, and we shall disregard and abjure once and for all any personal obligation which is not in harmony with these principles.

11. With our vote and influence we shall endeavor to place in public office men who show by their deeds, respect and consideration for our people.

12. We shall select as our leaders those among us who demonstrate, by their integrity and culture,

that they are capable of guiding and directing us properly.

13. We shall maintain publicity means for the diffusion of these principles and for the expansion and consolidation of this Organization.

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17. We shall have mutual respect for our religious views and we shall never refer to them in our Institution.

18. We shall endeavor to secure equal representation for our people on juries and in the administration of Governmental affairs.

19. We shall denounce every act of peonage and mistreatment as well as the employment of our minor children of scholastic age.

20. We shall resist and attack energetically all machinations tending to prevent our social and political unification.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

This Amendment to the Constitution has not been submitted to the local Councils for approval or rejection, but will be submitted for their consideration in the near future.

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