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Comes the last Thursday of November, and Thanksgiving Day, - a nation-wide observed holiday that is older than the organized nation itself, and one that is second only to Christmas Day in its scope of appeal and participation by the nation as a whole. A day that is significant because it is the one day, out of three hundred and sixty five days of the year, set aside by the nation to thank the Almighty for His many blessings and mercies throughout the year. Such was the purpose of the Pilgrim Fathers who originated Thanksgiving Day, and such is the fundamental purpose today.

The whole world knows the story of the First Thanksgiving and the circumstances that brought about that action, and just as well known is the intention of the nation to preserve the original significance of that First Thanksgiving with each succeeding year. However, with the complexity of our modern world, the rationing of time to attend to all demands of society, and the outlandish independent feeling arising within the family group, the people are beginning to take the many

blessings and mercies of God for granted with the result that the true and intended significance of Thanksgiving is slowly but surely being minimized and in some cases entirely forgotten.

It would be well for the people to ask themselves, "What does Thanksgiving mean to me?" If the answer is, - stuffed turkey, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, and candied yams; if it is, - a favorite grudge football game, a sophisticated dance or a sumptuous banquet to which a selected few are invited, then the true meaning of Thanksgiving is lost. But if the answer is, - a day in which to thank the Almighty for the many kindness bestowed upon me and an opportunity for me to take stock of the richness and fullness of my life so that I may be grateful, then Thanksgiving Day really becomes a day of voiced appreciation.

Some people have all they want and need, yet their gratefulness comes only when they are blessed with things beyond their possessions. Still others have little or nothing, but they are grateful for what they have. And so it follows that the true spirit of Thanksgiving is not in the obligated thanks of those who have all they desire, but rather in the natural appreciation of those who take nothing for granted.

The people of our nation have innumerable blessings over and above those with which the Almighty has endowed the world, including those who seem unfortunate in many ways, and it behooves each and everyone to stop once in a while and count his many blessings. That is what Thanksgiving is for. It is a good time to think how lucky one is, but thinking is not quite good enough. One must try to express one's gratitude so that God and the people will know one is grateful. If this is done then Thanksgiving Day will mean more than just a turkey dinner, a football game, or a dinner-dance. One's day will be fuller and richer, and, consequently, the outlook on life is brighter, the future more secure, and one's heart becomes more receptive to the to the kindness and brotherly feeling of the neighbors about us.

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## AROUND THE LULAC SHIELD



### AUSTIN COUNCIL NO. 85

The Austin Council has been full of activities through out the year. On Sept. 7 a carnival was held at the Pan American Center for the purpose of raising funds to be used in buying recreational equipment and improving the Center. All Latin Civic Clubs were represented by candidates for a queen of the Fiesta. Miss Estela Moreno, daughter of Bro. Nash Moreno was the winner. A rather large sum of money was derived from the proceedings.

The influx of returning veterans has put a new life in Council No. 85 with regards to Scouting. Working closely with Scout Executive and Mr. Isbell, Supt. of Zavalla School are the following; Gilbert Rodriguez, Scoutmaster, Raymond Donley and Frank Pinedo, Assts., Reyes Olvera and Winnfred Baker, Cub Leaders, and Jesse Garza, Ed Cantu, Johnnie Reyes, Reyes Olvera and Mack Martinez as Committeemen. In answer to a call for Scouts over 36 boys met at the Zavalla School.

Such was the response that two or three troops may result.

During the past 11 months Council No. 85 has participated in the following drives; The Pan American Community Center, Red Cross, and Salvation Army.

A baseball team under the management of Mr. Villalpando was sponsored by Council No. 85 during the season which just ended. A sum of over \$100.00 for uniforms and other expenses was voted by the Council. The team had a very successful season winning all but one of the games.

Bros. Mack Martinez, District Organizer and Edward Casarez, District Governor, wish to let it be known that they too took an interest in organizing the San Marcos Council. After making several trips the San Marcos fellows were finally convinced in organizing a council. Do not be surprised to hear soon about the organization of Taylor, Texas.

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### AUSTIN MENS' COUNCIL NO. 85



Sitting, left to right: Jesse Hernandez, Henry Moreno, Ed Cantu, Raul Moreno, Arthur Castruita, Benny Nuñez, and Mack Martinez.  
 Standing, first row: Reyes Olvera, Roy Velasquez, Raymond Donley Estrada, Andrew Castañon, Winnfred Baker, Nash Moreno, Frank Pinedo, and Juan Najar.

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## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT GENERAL

The dead-line to press last month caught your President General in the middle of so much unfinished business that it was impossible to publish the usual messages.

Here we are again, and if time and space will allow, we shall not only report on our work during the last Sixty days, but will also outline the work for the next two months.

On September Twentieth, the State Wide Conference on Educational Facilities for children of seasonal agricultural laborers was held in Austin, Texas. This is the end of the first phase of an idea advanced by Lulac at an A. & M. Extension Farm Labor Conference held at College Station on January 1946. To that conference Lulac was invited to listen to the extensive program which was then already in operation under the guidance of two great men, Dr. Ide Trotter and Mr. C. Hohn. Amongst different problems brought up for discussion, Lulac brought forth the question of education of the children of migratory workers and the problem seemed of such a magnitude that a special committee was appointed to study same and recommend whatever action to be taken. The problem was taken up jointly by those State Agencies interested in the matter, namely: The State Board of Education, A. & M. College Extension Service and the Good Neighbor Commission of Texas.

At a meeting on September 20th, the work of these agencies reached the point where experiments would be under-taken by different school districts of the State. Superintendents of Schools attending this conference were: W. T. Hutson, Robstown, Joe T. Wilson, Weslaco, J. C. Brandt, Raymondville and D. U. Buckner of Pharr-San Juan. These men familiar with this type of work advanced their ideas and offered to experiment with an off-season school to benefit the children of Migrant Workers.

On September 22nd, your President General had the honor and privilege of helping to initiate a class of over One Hundred members into Council No. 2 in San Antonio. It was a real treat to see so many men being sworn in at one time. A lot of credit goes to the Membership-at-large of this Council, but in particular to President Joe Olivares for his leadership and to Brothers Raul A. Cortez and Reynaldo de la Garza, Membership Captains, who know not when to quit when working on a project. Their goal is to make San An-

tonio Council the biggest, the most active and the most cooperative in the Lulac family before next Convention.

On September Twenty-ninth your President General had another real treat. This time accompanied by Treasurer General Manuel G. Vela, Secretary General, Francisco J. Flores and Laredo President, George J. Garza, he was present at the installation of Lulac Council No. 148 of San Marcos. This truly marks a red letter today in the history of Lulac. The boys from San Marcos are made of the right kind of metal which make Lulac. We are aware of the good work done by George J. Garza on this job, but don't think we have over-looked the splendid cooperation received from the Austin Council, especially from Mack Martinez, District Organizer and Edward Casares, District Governor.

Your President General has turned over to George J. Garza all the work pertaining to Lulac News and he is doing a grand job. This issue is being sponsored by the Austin Council. The next issue is being sponsored jointly by the California Councils and the January 1947 issue will be sponsored by the Laredo Council.

We do not have sponsors for the February to June Issues, but we expect to get acknowledgements from some of the following Councils namely: Harlingen, Houston, El Paso, Trinidad, Winslow, San Marcos, Del Rio, Fort Stockton and the rest. If anyone of these Councils desires to choose any of the months opened, please advise George J. Garza or the President General. There are still some Councils who have not answered my general letter with reference to sending the names and addresses of the entire Membership. We have compiled the record for those names which have been received in this office, but we will be unable to mail Lulac News direct to everyone until all of the answers to my letter are received. This is a special appeal to those who have not answered to do so immediately.

In some past message your President General told you that this organization was no longer a one man job, and, therefore, he has outlined the following plan for the immediate future. Within the next few days, Regional Governor, Joe Garza of Corpus Christi will receive a full outline of the work to be done in the State of Texas and

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## AROUND THE LULAC SHIELD—

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The Educational Committee composed of A. Mungia, Henry Moreno, and Mack Martínez is now in charge of the Citizenship classes sponsored by Council No. 85. The work is in line with the idea advanced at the Houston Convention. In this connection Mr. Howell A. Burnett, Educational Services Officer, San Antonio District of the U. S. Dpt. of Justice Immigration and Naturalization Service, met with Council No. 85 recently. All persons appearing on a list of eligibles furnished the Council by Mr. Burnett, have been contacted.

### FLAGSTAFF COUNCIL NO. 145

A Zoning and Planning Committee was recently appointed to work with Mayor Harold Sykes. They are, Ildefonso M. Vallejo, Tony Juarez, Frank Morales, Mike Valdivia, John Avelar, and Ernesto Castro. These men have already met with Secretary Lloyd Harrell of the Chamber of Commerce for instructions on the survey contemplated.

Council No. 145 has started the work on a scholarship project to help worthy students of our

racial origin. In studying this project, Trustee Ernesto Castro and John Avelar came upon a problem with reference to education which needed immediate attention. With the cooperation of Mr. Weitzel principal of the South Beaver School, it has been proposed to have a meeting of the different Latin American organizations to tackle this project which is very large. When this meeting is held the question of encouraging the latin youth to attend and remain longer in school has been proposed. A study by Principal Weitzel has shown that 75% of the children drop from school before completing the Junior High. Father Figueroa who has been a constant guiding hand to the group was invited to help.

President Vallejo has contacted the Immigration and Naturalization office at Phoenix with reference to the Citizenship School. He reports that lists of available parties interested in the classes had been received. Building has not been secured as of this date but the following teachers are ready to go to work; John Avelar, Dr. Baseman, Mercedes Melendez, Tony Juarez, and Ildefonso Vallejo.

## AUSTIN LADIES' COUNCIL NO. 85



Sitting—left to right: Theresa Herrera, Vice-President; Lydia Castañón, President; Stella Prado, Secretary; Pauline Castruita, Reporter; Consuelo Cantu, and Mary Ramos.

Standing—left to right: Frances Limon, Corine Sanchez, Delia Escobedo, Sarah Quintanilla, Hermelinda Prado, Josefina Sanchez, Alice Castruita, and Stella Sanchez.

# THE PRICE WE MUST PAY FOR EQUALITY

In the United States of America there are certain groups of people whose members are not like those of the largest group of American citizens who are English-speaking and of Western-European origin with medium incomes, relatively high standards of living, and more or less practical educations. These non-representative citizens form the much-discussed minorities, one of which is found mostly in Southwestern United States. Some of the individuals of this group are olive-colored or of dark-complexion with Southwestern-European or Mexican origins. They, in many instances are poorly educated, speak English badly or not at all, and have small incomes and humble ways of living. These two groups have to live side by side, and the differences existing between them give rise to a series of situations in which we are intensely interested.

Ours is a minority group with a few whose heart remained unchanged almost one hundred years toward the nation that enveloped it. In the years that have gone by we have come to look upon said nation as our own beloved country. Numerous elements in it, however, have failed to give us a fair social treatment despite our change of attitude towards them. Because of this fact, our group has been strongly demanding recognition of its rights in the name of democracy, but the actions of those in power seem to indicate that democracy does not apply to us. We must discover why.

Democracy is a political philosophy whose standards appeal only to the divine instincts of man. One must not expect his rights to be respected merely because he is a human being living in a democratic country. Strife in the world of competition hardens the finer instincts of man and makes him brutal in his actions. Everyone must rely on his own merits in such a world, and those who find themselves without sufficient strength-giving qualities are not safe from discrimination and injustice in it, no matter how they are blinded into believing otherwise.

The American citizen of Mexican ancestry is weak because he is a minority citizen. Discrimination will pursue him until he blends with the majority group of this country enough to lose his present identity. This is a discouragingly slow process. We must, therefore, find other means to help him become more influential in the country which he has embraced.

History can help us in this respect. Its annals relate of numerous oppressed minorities that became successful to a surprising degree through the painful acquisition of wealth and knowledge. These two compensating factors seem to be of utmost necessity to groups whose size denies them strength. It is true that to earn them one must work hard, suffer numerous privations, and persevere in his efforts over a long period of time, but this is the price we, as small ones, must pay for our redemption from the shameful condition in which we find ourselves. If we fail to do it, we shall continue to be discriminated against, insulted and abused; and complaining of injustice in the name of democracy will not help us. We shall simply be begging for things that must be paid for. Democracy does not provide for mendicants of this type.

— JOSE R. MORENO,

Austin, Texas

October 25, 1946



Maria Luisa Reyes, 10 years old attends St. Mary's Academy. Is in the 5th Grade. Took part at the Fourth of July Celebration. Attends Annette Duval School of Dancing. Latest appearance was the Hogg Memorial Auditorium in which she danced the Mexican Hat Dance.

## MEN OF GOOD-WILL GUESTS OF S. A. LULACS



Ever alert to pay tribute to civic workers who are championing the Lulac cause, the San Antonio Lulac Council No. 2 honored the leaders of the Texas Good Neighbor Commission with a banquet held at the Gunter Hotel, September 10. Picture in the upper picture are, Bro. Joe Olivares, president of the San Antonio Council; Bro. Tomas A. Acuña, president of the San Antonio Mexican Chamber of Commerce; Honor Guest Robert E. Smith of Houston, chairman of the Texas Good Neighbor Commission; Hon. Gustavo Ortiz Hernan, Consul General of Mexico in San Antonio; Mr. H. H. Coffield of Rockdale, member of the Good Neighbor Commission; and Lulacker Andres Rivera, San Antonio member of the Commission.

Lower pictures shows the persons that attend the good-will reunion. Background row, left to right: A. P. Sanchez, Joe Olivares, Mr. Coffield, Bro. Rivera, Mr. Smith, Hon. Ortiz Hernan, Bro. Acuña, Bro. Albert U. Treviño, Bro. Ramon Galindo;

Left row, left to right: Bro. Frank Jasso, Manuel J. Gonzalez, Rudy J. Peña, Mr. Romulo Munguia, secretary of the S. A. Mexican Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Oswaldo Alarcon of La Prensa;

Right row, left to right: Bros. John A. Esquivel, Mr. Max J. Penner, Bro. E. G. Luna, Mr. Carlos Garza, and Mr. Gus Benavides of the S. A. Pan-American Optimists, and Bro. Raul A. Cortes.

## GROWING ACHIEVEMENT OF COUNCIL 146



Council 146 of Alice, Texas, crowned its year's activities both figuratively and actually when Miss Guadalupe Cannales was crowned Lulac Queen at a majestic ceremony held in the Auditorium of Alice High School on Columbus Day.

Miss Canales' coronation was the climax of a popularity contest held for the purpose of raising money for the Nayer School P. T. A. As a result of the contest and the Coronation Ball which followed the coronation ceremonies, a check for the sum of \$247.45 was turned over by Council 146 to the Nayer School P. T. A.

The coronation ceremony with Mr. C. A. Braun, Principal of Nayer School as Master of Ceremonies, started with the regal procession of the visiting duchesses and escorts, the princesses and escorts, the Queen-elect and her escort, and the three little pages. Procession music was furnished by Ferro Flores and his orchestra. Represented in the procession by their respective duchesses were Rotary Club of San Diego, Premont High School, City of BenBolt, Knights of Columbus of San Diego, Nahara Club of Kingsville, Fireman's Club of San Diego, Lulac Council No. 12 of Laredo, Orquidea Club of Alice, Solidity Club of Benavides, and the D'Allegro Club.

Miss Canales was crowned Queen Lpita of Council 146 by Bro. Remigio M. Garza, president of the Alice Council, amid an enthusiastic applause from the audience. Bro. Garza then introduced Treasurer-general, Manuel G. Vela of Laredo who is a native son of Alice. Bro. Vela as the special representative of the Supreme Council extended greetings and congratulations to the Council and people of Alice in the name of the Supreme Council, and proceeded in his own inimitable style to laud the work of the council and the progressive steps accomplished by his own native town and the people he loves. The enviable position that Bro. Vela holds in the hearts of his ex-townpeople was demonstrated in the deafening ovation of applause accorded him as he rose to speak and as he finished. Truly an ovation well deserved.

Guest speaker for the evening was Bro. George J. Garza, President of Council No. 12 of Laredo and Director of Publicity for the League. Bro. Garza in his simple and unadulterated manner paid tribute to the undaunted spirit of Columbus and his followers and lauded the timely action of the Alice council to crown their queen on Columbus Day as a fitting tribute to descendants of the initial explorers of this country of ours.

An entertaining and well rendered musical program which was enthusiastically received by the audience was presented. Featured in the program were Miss Victoria Myers of Laredo with a piano rendition of a medley of popular Mexican songs; a saxophone solo by Andres Arredondo, Jr., of Alice; a vocal solo by Miss Alicia Mungia of Austin; two dance numbers by Misses Ana Maria and Emma Lozano of Monterrey, Mexico; a piano-accordion solo by Miss Aurora Bravo of Laredo; and a vocal solo by Miguel Treviño of Laredo.

Helping to triumphantly close an event replete with outstanding features was the presentation of gifts by the Lulac Council to the queen and her two princesses who made the popularity contest a decided success. To her majesty, Miss Lupita Canales, was presented an all-expenses paid trip to Monterrey, Mexico; to Miss Cecilia Lopez, a 21 jewel wrist watch, and to Miss Esmeralda Cantu, a beautiful bedroom radio.

Following the coronation ceremonies, a Coronation Ball was held in the Alice Country Club honoring the Lulac Queen and her Royal Court. Danceable and rhythmical music was furnished by Ferro Flores and his orchestra. Featured at the Ball were a special set for the queen, her princesses and their escorts; a special set for Bros. Manuel G. Vela and George J. Garza of the Supreme Council; a dedication to Bro. George J. Garza; and, upon request, the increasingly popular, La Raspa.

An orchid from the Director of Publicity and the Supreme Council to the officers and members of Council 146 as well as to Miss Amelia Perez for an epic job well done.

## RECORD GROUP PLEDGED TO LULAC IN S. A. RITUALS



Largest group that has ever been inducted at one time into the San Antonio Council. Upper photo shows inductees pledging allegiance to the flag in ceremonies led by Bro. George J. Garza, Director of Publicity shown in oval. Middle photo shows Bro. Gus Garcia narrating the rituals to the listeners of Radio Station KCOR in special remote control broadcast. President General Zamora felicitating Pres. Olivares of San Antonio Lulacs. Lower right: The Laredo Council induction team that conducted the impressive induction ceremonies.

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## Night Classes For Aliens Being Planned

The citizenship training classes as inaugurated by Council No. 12 of Laredo in co-operation with the United States Immigration Service seems to have struck an enthusiastic and responsive chord in the civic and patriotic minds of sister councils, and reports indicate that no less than three other councils are taking up the worthy project.

Night classes to assist Mexican citizens to pass examination for becoming citizens of the U. S. will be sponsored in Harlingen by the Mexican Chamber of Commerce and Lulac Council 32 of Harlingen.

A citizenship training committee representing the two organizations named a board of directors for the project at a recent meeting. Antonio Lozano was named chairman; Jesus Rodriguez, treasurer; G. M. Lozano, material manager; and Romeo Castillo, publicity manager.

Others present for the meeting were Benigno Martinez, president of the Mexican Chamber, and Catarino Gonzalez, treasurer; D. R. Flores, district organizer for LULAC; Pedro Alvarez, president; Luciano Leal and Alex Gonzalez, members.

The objective of the committee will be to assist Mexican citizens to attend night classes twice weekly at the Alamo school to learn English and to study the Constitution of the United States, - both requirements for obtaining citizenship papers.

Aliens from nearby towns, where organized citizenship classes are not held, are eligible to attend, Castillo said. Classes started October 15. A tuition fee of three dollars a month will be charged which will be paid to the instructor.

Bro. Mack Martinez reports that a citizenship class is to get underway in Austin on November 19. Some fifteen persons have enrolled under the tutelage of Bro. Jesus Hernandez, a graduate student at the University of Texas.

## San Marcos Council No. 148 Celebrates Armistice With A Formal Dance

The League's youngest member, Council 148 of San Marcos, Texas, broke into the social limelight with a sumptuous formal dance held in the American Legion Hall on the eve of Armistice Day. Guests at the dance enjoyed the melodious and rhythmical music of Henry Stahl and his 8 Premiers from the neighboring town of New Braunfels. The tempo of the music varied from the soothing waltz to the pulsating rhythms of the tango and the samba.

The magnetic appeal of the council and its ability to well publicize its event was evident in the co-operative response from the guests who came from Austin, San Antonio, Laredo, Gonzalez, Seguin, New Braunfels, Luling, Lockhart, and other smaller communities nearby. Further evidence of the tremendous success of this dance is the increased desire of the ladies of San Marcos to form their ladies council as soon as possible.

Highlighting the dance was a Ladies' Choice set, a membership set in which all members of Council 148 as well as other visiting Lulacs participated, and a word of greeting and congratulations to Council 148 by Director of Publicity George J. Garza who spoke in the name of the Supreme Council and Council No. 12 of Laredo.

The co-operative spirit, the unity of purpose and action, and the great faith in the strength of Lulac is evident in Council 148 in its speech and actions, and because of this personifies the motto of Lulac, - "ONE FOR ALL AND ALL FOR ONE." Congratulations, Council 148; keep up your co-operative spirit, your unity of purpose and action, your faith in Lulac strength, and serve as a fountain of invigoration to those councils that may be wavering in spirit and purpose.

From San Marcos Bro. Edward D. Garza, president of Council 148, reports that a meeting of members of Council 148, Mr. Howell Burnett of the U. S. Immigration Service, the president of the Southwest Texas State Teachers College of San Marcos, the superintendent of the San Marcos Public Schools, and other interested educators and civic leaders is to be held the month of November for the purpose of working out ways and means for getting a citizenship class started.

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Pictured from left to right: Remigio M. Garza, President Alice Lulac Council; Manuel G. Vela, Treasurer-General, Laredo, Texas; Edith Gonzalez, D'Allegro Club, San Diego, Texas, escort Daniel Gallegos; Eulalia Lopez, Orquidea Club, Alice, Texas, escort Servando Lopez; Isabel Garcia, Firemen's Club, San Diego, Texas, escort Amado Garcia; Margarita Garcia, Knights of Columbus, San Diego, Texas, escort Francisco Angel Garcia; Laura Gonzalez, Premont High School, Premont, Texas, escort Amado Benavides; Princess Esmeralda Cantu, Lulac, Alice, escort Doroteo Gomez; Her Majesty, Lupita Canales, escort Gilberto Perez; Princess Cecilia Lopez, escort Alfredo Farias; Alma Garcia, Rotary Club, San Diego, Texas, escort Arnold Griffin; Bertha Garcia, Ben Bolt, Texas, escort Amado Canales; Elsa Treviño, Nahara Club, Kingsville, Texas, escort Cresencio Treviño; Aurora Bravo, Lulac Council, Laredo, Texas, escort George J. Garza, (not shown in picture); Esperanza Oliveira, Sodality Club, Benavides, Texas, escort Jesus Lopez, (not shown in picture); Pages: Left to Right: Maria del Carmen Saenz, Rafael Gomez, and Frank Perez, III, (not shown in picture).

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## Latin Americans Honor Newspaperman

Lulac Council No. 2 was one of four civic groups of the San Antonio Latin American circle that joined efforts to present Frank G. Huntress, publisher of the San Antonio Express and Evening News, a plaque, - "in grateful recognition of the leading part he has played in the social and civic affairs of Latin Americans throughout the Southwest".

The plaque was presented at a testimonial dinner given in the North Terrace of the Gunter Hotel, October 18, by members of the San Antonio Mexican Chamber of Commerce, Pan-American Optimist Club, the Mexican Committee and Cultural Action, and Lulac Council No. 2, and was attended by prominent civic and social leaders of the Alamo City.

Lulacker Andres Rivera, Jr., local banker, vice-president of the Pan-American Optimists Club, and San Antonio member of the Texas Good Neighbor Commission, in speaking for the four organizations before the presentation of the plaque, said of Huntress:

"We are gathered here to honor a man who has contributed so generously to the welfare of the entire community and who has distinguished himself as a great newspaperman." "His readiness to champion the inherent rights of man regardless of name, origin, language or beliefs is well known."

The inscription on the plaque which acknowledged, "the valuable service the Honorable Frank G. Huntress has rendered the general reading public in the dissemination of news of an international nature by stating the facts as they existed without bias or prejudice," and the fact that "he has shown himself to be a true friend of the Republic of Mexico and of the Mexican people generally and has rendered a meritorious service in publishing information concerning that friendly country," was read by Lulacker M. C. Gonzales to Mr. Huntress and the audience. The plaque itself was presented to Mr. Huntress by Cleto Rodriguez, Congressional Medal of Honor winner and former Express Publishing Co., employee.

Other speakers included Hon. Gustavo Ortiz Hernan, Consul General of Mexico, Mayor Gus B. Mauermann of San Antonio; Bexar County Judge Charles W. Anderson, Jose Mugerza, Monterrey

## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT—

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it will be up to him and his District Governors to fulfill this obligation. When this plan has reached Governor Garza, it will call for a Regional Conference where all District Governors and District Organizers and the Inspector General will be present. Once the plan has been discussed, studied and approved, it will be their duty to carry out of all matters pertaining to the work in Texas. Then your President General plans to concentrate on Lulac work in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and California. Beginning 1947 your President General intends to concentrate his efforts on the out of Texas States and give all of his personal attention to them. Information in this office reveals that the out of Texas Lulacs are just waiting for the green sign to begin an extensive and well planned campaign to organize at least Fifty new Councils. Besides this particular work, as mapped out for the out of Texas Councils, the President General will concentrate on the matter of a paid organizer and plans are now ready for an extensive campaign to raise the proposed amount of \$5,000.00 to start with this work.

The President General wishes to suggest that all councils have a Social Get-Together before the end of the year. It is suggested that this be a Ladies Night at which all wives and lady friends of Lulac be invited and a great re-union be had to renew acquaintances. This helps to stimulate interest and to plan work for the next year. You will find that many members who have been absent from meetings for some time will attend this function and at this time be encouraged to attend all business meetings. San Antonio, from year to year, has had a December "tamalada" and it has proven very successful. The Laredo Council has the New Year's Eve Ball every year and they are doing it again this year, making it bigger and better. With this suggestion your President General would like to have pictures taken of these festivities and all of them mailed as soon as possible to the Director of Publicity for publication in Lulac News. In this manner all Councils will receive fair share of publicity in our Official Organ. Remember that Lulac News belongs to everybody and all Councils should see to it that their news and pictures appear from month to month.

industrialist; Fred Reutzel, president of the San Antonio Real Estate Board, and Brig. General George H. Beverly, commanding officer, Kelly Field.

# SKITS & BITS

## (ALL ABOUT YOU AND ME)



Manuel Vela of Laredo strutting around like the Cock-o-the-walk at the Columbus Day coronation in his home-town, Alice. Good reason, too.



Bro. Gus Garcia of San Antonio really tying into a Zamora Specialty plate at a recent informal gathering in Laredo. Must be the constant lip-service that makes lawyers hungry. Bro. Henry Castillo, also of San Antonio, can attest to that or is it Gus's influence?



Bro. Abelardo Salinas blossoming out as a full-fledged Politico with his election to the office of Webb County Tax Assessor and Collector at the recent elections.



Vice-President-General Johnny Gonzalez of Los Angeles, California, despairing of an answer from Laredo. Must be the Texas weather, Johnny.



Director of Publicity George J. Garza and President-General A. Zamora busy in the capacity of Ace Trouble-shooters in the Community Chest Drive in Laredo.



Bro. Polo Botello of Laredo humming the Funeral March . . . The O. P. A. is dead.



Bros. Mark Martinez, Raul Moreno, et al making a special trip to San Marcos to deliver their guest list for the Fall Dace of Council 148. Hope the invitations were not lost on the way, Boys.



And Bro. John W. Hernandez very much in the limelight these days for his idea introduced at a lulac Council meeting which resulted in a State constitutional amendment calling for state funds to assist veterans in securing farm lands.



Bro. Edward D. Garza, president of Council No. 148, heaping honors with his election to the presidency of the Newman Club of Southwest Texas Teachers College in San Marcos. Congrats, Bro. Garza.

Did you notice the Austin photo resplendent with exponents of feminine pulchritude? Hubba! Hubba!



'Tis rumored that a friendly feud between Bros. Manuel G. Vela and Geo. J. Garza with respect to their native towns, Alice and San Marcos, is still active. The sound reports heard at the encounters are not due to gunfire, but to verbal outbursts in the language of Cervantes and Shakespeare.



Bro. Remijio Garza, prexy of Council 146 of Alice, proud as a peacock at the Coronation of the Council's Lulac Queen.



Bro. P. L. Flores, president of the Laredo Girl Scout Association, surrounded by petite femininity ranging from 5-50" at the recent Girl Scout Jamboree.



Surprise! Judge Ben Ozuna of Albuquerque Men's Council dropping in on the President-General and the Director of Publicity in a surprise visit. The Judge was on his way home from a 3-week visit in Mexico City.



Council No. 12 of Laredo staging another mass membership initiation,—the third for the year. Little wonder it is the largest Council in the League.



Bro. Arnold Rios of San Marcos wondering whose \$5.00 bill he picked up at the dance. More for the Treasury.



Bro. Antonio Aranda, also of San Marcos, having the time of his life at the Council 146 dance. Lots of spirits!

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