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★ ★ Editorial ★ ★

The matter referred to in this editorial, though at present affecting only that small community in Texas wherein the question arose, can and will greatly affect other communities in the state and is of paramount interest to other states faced with similar situations and resultant questions. Being that education is a feature and pillar of the League of United Latin American Citizens and that segregation and discrimination in any form or under any guise has been denounced by the League, it is only logical that this matter be brought to the attention of the League for careful study and subsequent action.

The Attorney General of Texas in expressing a legal opinion in regard to the legality of segregating Latin American children in the schools, stated as follows:

"The Cuero Independent School District may not segregate Latin American pupils, as such. Based solely on language deficiencies or other individual needs or aptitudes, separate classes or schools may be maintained for pupils who, after examinations equally applied, come within such classifications. No part of such classification or segregation may be based solely upon Latin American or Mexican descent;"

The presentation of this matter does not mean to infer that the opinion as such represents

the personal opinion of the Attorney General, nor does it challenge the legality of the opinion as based on what may be existing legislation, but it does challenge the personal conceptions of the Attorney General and any other person as to what constitutes equally applied examinations or the norms and standards to be reached by Latin American children. Furthermore, the establishment of examinations for segregational purposes in schools is giving the unscrupulous educator as well as biased communities the opportunity to set up examinations and standards beyond the reach of Latin American children and as a result these children may be kept segregated indefinitely.

Schools throughout the state that have adopted Spanish as a course of study down as low as third grades do not apply examinations to Anglo American children to find out their aptitudes and capacities for learning Spanish nor do they segregate these children because of language deficiency. Instead they place these children with Spanish speaking children in order that they may learn accentuation and correlation of words in sentences. If this be true and considered advantageous for quick mastery of the Spanish language by Anglo American children the same needs must hold true and considered equally advantageous for Latin American children to learn English along side Anglo American children for quick mastery of English.

It is a gross imposition on a group of children to isolate them simply as the result of examinations made out in a language in which they are not tutored and compared to standards which have not taken these children into consideration. After all, it is the duty of the schools to teach and tutor rather than to examine for lingual accomplishments. Were these children proficient in English, their attendance of these schools would be superfluous.

In view of the above matter it is up to those affected to prevent the liberal interpretation of such an opinion; to inquire into the legality of segregating on the basis of language with existing legislation; and, if need be, to demand and push through legislation that will remedy such abominable practices that exist. Here is a problem into which the League can sink its teeth and reap results. The decision lies with Latin Americans.

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Dr. José Maldonado, elected President General by the League of United Latin American Citizens at its annual convention held at Santa Fe, June 12, 13, and 14, is a prominent Santa Fe physician and surgeon, member of the Santa Fe City Council and School Board, and an outstanding civic leader known throughout the Southwest.

He was born in San Luis Potosí on March 19, 1904. His father was Don Jesus Maldonado who died in 1912, two years after the beginning of the Mexican revolution. In 1914 the Maldonado family was forced by circumstances created by the revolution to move to the United States. Young Maldonado lived with his family in San Antonio and Houston for a few years and later moved to Kansas City. His mother, realizing the need for the boy to learn English quickly and well, sent him to a boarding school in Dubuque, Iowa. In the meantime, the family continued to reside in Kansas City where José's older brothers conducted a business.

Having finished school at Dubuque he entered Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. In 1926 he was the sixth to be admitted to the medical school freshman class; of 1900 applicants only 120 were admitted. In 1931 he was graduated from the medical school of Northwestern University and served his internship in New Orleans, *Hotel Dieu Hospital, managed by Sisters of Charity of St. Louis, Mo.*

Dr. Maldonado practiced medicine at Monterrey, Mexico for a short time before setting up practice in the Lower Rio Grande Valley where he met the beautiful Rafaela Hinojosa, now the gracious and charming Mrs. Maldonado.

Dr. Maldonado and his bride moved to Santa Fe in 1935 after a hurricane had left desolate the valley where they had been living. In the early part of 1942 Dr. Maldonado volunteered for military service and was commissioned a Captain in the Medical Corp of the U. S. Army. Having served for some time in the California desert near Indio, he was chosen with three other medical officers to be transferred to the Army Medical Field School at Carsille, Pa. Later he was sent to the Army Medical Center in Washington in preparation for service in South America in the Office of Inter-American Affairs. His work took him to parts of Chile, Peru and Brazil as well as to nearly all parts of Bolivia. Following a revolution in that country Dr. Maldonado was back in the United States preparing to sail for service in the European theatre where he served as executive officer for a general hospital in England.

Back in the United States Dr. Maldonado was soon to leave for the Pacific area when peace came. Having served four years and having attained the rank of Lt. Colonel, he left the army in March of 1946.

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Democracy has been defined by many people in many ways. Many have interpreted the meaning of democracy to meet their particular brand of thinking or political objectives without carefully analyzing the ingredients of the products which they called democracy. They have failed in the analysis to make sure that they had the indispensable element, "Tolerance."

We can not expect to be friendly to other people they do not like, but if we consider that we live, a free people, in a democracy, and that we together with others of different ethnical and nationality extractions fought and worked to preserve that democracy, it is reasonable to expect all the citizens of that democratic nation to enjoy and share equally all the fundamental rights inherent to a citizen of that nation. It is reasonable to expect all American citizens of all cultural groups or of whatever extraction, to share equally before the law, to share equally in opportunities for education, to share equally for occupations in the pursuit of their livelihood, and to share equally in governing that democracy. This is the basic logic of a democracy and until the people are fully educated to that sound logic, **and practice it**, we will continue to have bitter controversies growing out of so called "race questions."

A mutual understanding between two or more different cultural groups or race types that mingle in business or otherwise, as is the particular case in our Southwestern United States, can only be successfully developed by a long range constructive program of education. We, the people of Latin extraction, must be well informed and we must be well disposed to the task of eliminating the incidents that are constantly occurring in our own experience that smack of "prejudice" and "discrimination." The task is not one of using force, that is, physical force, or even revengeful abuse against any one particular incident, as such only leads to greater hatreds and antagonisms—adds fuel to the already hot fire—, but it is a task of improving ourselves and liberally educat-

ing our children into non-prejudice attitudes—into learning the meaning of "Tolerance."

Children, by and large, have no prejudices to begin with, but such thinking is instilled into them as they grow by the unconscious remarks of their parents and by their emotional experiences at play or in school. It can be said that prejudices are the by-product of lack of education—of illogical thinking — a result of opinions based on selfish immature emotions instead of factual logic. The hope for the future must then lie in our children in the schools of America. It must lie in the elimination of this illogical thinking on the part of the parents and thus in the children. Our children must be educated jointly with children of other cultural groups and nationality extractions so liberally and so soundly as to reveal to them the lack of any logic in emotional prejudices—in so called "race prejudice." We must develop in our children (and in ourselves) a sense of responsibility whereby their goal will be one in which they will be judged on their merits, and whereby they in turn will judge others on their merits and not on the color of their skin, their cultural differences, or even their religious or political beliefs.

In a nation such as ours—a nation of true democratic principles,—an educational goal looking to the elimination of cultural group hatreds and prejudices is not impossible of achievement. The League of United Latin American Citizens has gone far toward this goal in continually promoting its educational aims and purposes, and it will continue to do so by remembering that a fundamental basis of mutual understanding—a fundamental element for cementing a democratic society into a symphony of harmonious cultural groups is "Tolerance." Let us, as Lulacs, teach "Tolerance," and let us, as Lulacs, practice it.

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Seated at the head table during the banquet were, left to right: Miss Maria Antonieta Guerra, Club Sweetheart; Mr. George J. Garza, Club Sponsor; Mrs. Garza; Father George Gloeckner; Federico Pacheco, Club President; Miss Amanda Guerra; Antonio Moreno, Jr. head of arrangement committee for banquet; and Miss Refugia Guevara.



On the evening of June 9, 1947 Laredo Junior Lulac Council No. 1 honored eight fellow members of the council, who were 1947 high school graduates, with a banquet held at the ballroom of the Hamilton Hotel in Laredo, Texas. The honorees were Miss Maria Antonieta Guerra, lovely club sweetheart, and Brothers Leopoldo Jimenez, Eduvijes Mercado, Antonio Luna, Julian Luna, Jesus Perrusquia, Hector Quijas, and Vidal Treviño. The affair was attended only by Jr. Lulacs and their respective ladies. Also present were Father George Gleckner, Assistant Pastor of St. Peter's Church in Laredo, and Mr. and Mrs. George J. Garza.

Toastmaster for the evening was President Federico Pacheco. He addressed the club for a few minutes, congratulating the graduates for their excellent work and asked Sponsor George J. Garza to say a few words. Brother Garza com-

plied with the request, congratulating the graduates and expressing his happiness for being the sponsor and leader of the best youth organization in Laredo, and wished success and prosperity to all.

Guest Speaker of the evening was Father George Gloeckner. He was given a eulogistic introduction by Toastmaster Pacheco, and was greeted with a tremendous and cheering applause from those present. He first acclaimed the Jr. Lulac Council and its sponsor for their magnificent work and gave much praise to the Sr. Lulac Council No. 12 of Laredo for sponsoring such a fine organization. This was followed by a heart-rendering talk on religion and was heard with much enthusiasm by everybody.

After dinner was served, dancing was enjoyed by all present until midnight.



J. J. Romero, a member of Lulac for 15 years, is one of the most active members of the Santa Fe Council, and primarily responsible for keeping Lulac in Santa Fe alive during World War II. He has served this council as President, Secretary and treasurer, his present office. As Vice-President of the council, dormant for 3 years during the war, he reorganized it on October 26, 1945 after calling a meeting of 7 charter members.

Mr. Romero is Secretary of the New Mexico Corporation Commission, a position he has held for the last 14½ years. Mr. Romero was born and

raised in Mora, New Mexico. Before assuming his present position, he taught school for 27 years. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and La Union Catolica de Mora.

Mr. Romero has 4 daughters and 3 sons. One of his daughters is a Sister in the Loretto Order. Three are married, two of them after careers as air hostesses for Braniff Airways. Two of Mr. Romero's daughters are now living in Dallas, Texas. One in Santa Fe.

All 3 of Mr. Romero's sons saw service during the last war, two in the Navy and one in the Air Corps. One of the sons is now employed in the Post Office in Santa Fe, one at one of Santa Fe's leading men's clothing stores, and one as an airplane mechanic in California.

Mr. Romero, serving his second term as Treasurer of the Santa Fe Men's Council, expresses his appreciation for the cooperation he received in reorganizing the council and jubilantly declares, "Everything Lulac has put up in Santa Fe has come out 'a la Lulac'."

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Council No. 1, Corpus Christi

Fats Versus Leans! Such was the talented line-ups that took the field at Ben Garza Park on Friday night, July 25, for a softball game that was witnessed by some 3,000 fans and which netted the Lulac Charity Fund a total of \$400.00. The hefty and august First Vice President General Joe Garza, played with the Leans. Can you imagine the heftiness of the Fats? The uniforms were unique, to say the least, and to better appreciate the statement look elsewhere in this issue for pictorial proof.

Council No. 12, Laredo

This council was host to President General Maldonado and members of the Supreme Council at a recent meeting of Lulac moguls on the afternoon of July 31, and at a dinner on the evening of the same day.

The afternoon meeting was dedicated to the discussion of the resolutions and amendments approved by the National Assembly at Santa Fe, and with the naming of committees to carry out the work. The following committees were authorized and chairmen named: Committee to find substitute for the world Latin in the League's title, Mrs. Albert Gonzalez of Santa Fe, Marcos Zertuche of San Antonio, and George J. Garza of Laredo as chairman; committee on Boy Scouts, Remijio Garza of Alice; provisions for regional and district meetings left in charge of Regional Governor Raul Cortez of San Antonio; resolutions dealing with requests to Governor of Texas for continuation of the Farm Labor Program, and the opposition to importation of Mexican labor were left up to Vice President General Joe Garza of Corpus Christi; committee in charge of raising \$5000.00 for a school segregation-fighting Fund, Roy Velasquez, Mack Martinez, with Henry Moreno as chairman; and a committee of lawyers made up of Gus Garcia of San Antonio, Hector de Peña of Corpus Christi, Judge M. J. Raymond of Laredo, J. J. Herrera of Houston, with Francisco J. Flores of Laredo as chairman, to look into the legal side of the Orange County School Case and make reports to the League.

The dinner which honored our President General was attended by some 100 Lulacs and wives, and featured the introduction of guests and the address of the President General.

Council No. 34, Albuquerque

This council recently held a meeting which featured the theme of growth, and which was attended by the President General and his staff of officers from Santa Fe. Talks were given by the President General, the Secretary General, the Treasurer General, Regional Governor Louis Hesch, and other prominent Lulacs from the Santa Fe and Albuquerque Councils. The objective was to stimulate Council No. 34 to increase its membership and activities in order to exploit its potentialities for growth and influence. The meeting was well attended and the results quite favorable.

Council No. 85, Austin

As we go to press, Austin is in the midst of arrangements for the installation of a Junior Lulac Council there. Invitation was extended the Laredo Junior Council to send an installation team to carry out the initiation ceremonies. These ceremonies are to be attended by the Ladies' and Men's councils of Austin, and will be followed by a joint meeting of all three councils. Director of Publicity and Laredo Junior Lulac Council Director, George J. Garza, will address the joint session. A lot of credit is due the Austin Lulacs for their splendid work in behalf of Lulac, and subsequent activity should easily place Austin as one of the leaders in Lulac.

Council No. 2, San Antonio

Plans are well underway for the Annual Lulac-Pan American Optimist baseball game for charitable purposes. This activity which is eagerly looked forward to is doing a great deal for the unification of the efforts of these two organizations towards charitable work that is greatly needed. Similar activities could easily be engineered in other councils for similar purposes.

Council No. 113, Trinidad

From Trinidad has come the suggestion that the proposed substitute word for Latin in our League's title be "Lineal" in as much as that the word means, "direct descent from an ancestor; hereditary." From the standpoint of being apropos the word fits to a perfect "T". Let us know your reaction to the word suggested, and what is even better, let us have your suggestions.

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THE PROGRESS OF WOMEN

By MARIA G. CARRIERE

The progress of women socially, as an individual and politically as a citizen, may be divided into four periods, covering the most important part of the world history, that is, from about 600 B. C. to the present day. The first and longest period extends through the rise and decay of Greece, the power decline of the Northern Barbarians, the Mohammedan Conquests, and the Dark Ages of Europe, until about 1000 A. D.

During those 1600 years women were little more than household drudges, or at best, playthings and ornaments for men. They were regarded as of slight social importance and their political and property rights were very limited. There was little opportunity for their intellectual advancement, and they sat in the background with their children and slaves, while the rude work of the world, the contest between nations, and the struggles of civilization with barbarism, were carried on by men. There were indeed exceptional women like, Hypatia of Alexandria, the noble Roman matrons, or queens like Zenobia of Palmyra and many others. But these superwomen had only a transitory influence, and the fact faces us that during this first period the vast majority of women, partly because they had so little chance, and partly because they lacked the mental and executive powers, have left comparatively few records of accomplishment and achievement.

In the second period, the Middle Ages, from the year 1000 to about 1450, Chivalry arose, bringing with it a romantic attitude toward women, and giving them a much higher social importance in the estimation of men. Though often idealized beyond their ability to respond, women became a more definite influence in the life of men, and they embraced the opportunity of giving a rough and violent world more character and morality, more grace and refinement of manner, a gentle hand and a loving heart. But the feminine power was only vaguely stirring and they were still, to a large extent, either the drudges or playthings of man.

During the third period 1450 to 1775, women became thoroughly awakened and began to take their rightful places in world history and in the march of human progress. The great events of this period were the invention of printing, the renaissance, and Spanish Queen Isabel's encouragement of Columbus, leading to the discovery and settlement of America; the brilliant reign of Elizabeth in England with her patronage of Shakespeare, and the rise of women's social artistic and political importance in the French courts of Louis XIV and Louis XV. As individuals and as a social influence, women had almost advanced to the side of men, but their intellectual growth was still retarded by limited opportunities for education, while their political power could only be exercised in secret, and they were denied the right to stand beside men and have a voice in regulating or deciding affairs.

The fourth period in which women's history exists extends to the time in which we now live and was completed with women's enfranchisement in the important civilized countries of the world. They have at last secured their true position, withheld from them during so many centuries. The chief factors in bringing about this great event were the Revolutions and the growth of women's education during the nineteenth century.

What we will do with the powers we possess remains to be seen. Do you know any woman who does not think that woman's influence should be constantly exercised for the right? Do you know any woman who thinks that women ought to have nothing to do with making the world better, with training citizens, creating wholesome public sentiment, and promoting the fight against corruption and unsound principles? I do not. Probably the chief task that lies before us is to succeed where men have failed, to banish from earth the three great evils that oppress life, war, selfishness, and hate. If we are able to abolish these evils, and substitute peace, justice and love, the men who have ruled chiefly up to now will join hands with us women and the affairs of the world will be directed mutually by both sexes.

PERSONIFICATION OF LULACISM

By G. J. GARZA

Director of Publicity

It is my sincere belief that throughout the ranks of our great organization there are a few unsung and unheralded individuals whose unselfish and sincere work in the interest of Lulac principles is so steady and of such continuity that we take it for granted and fail to notice its merits because of the meteoric, yet short-lived, exploits of a few. Furthermore, these individuals do their work out of an inborn, or perhaps it is an instilled, feeling of obligation of doing something for those who are in need of aid or assistance and as a result, neither expect nor demand recognition or vaunted lauding for their efforts.

Being a comparative cub in Lulac work and not being thoroughly familiar with all past exploits of the membership throughout the League I am unable to depict each one individually and do justice to all. However, I am somewhat familiar with three individuals whose work and disposition in Lulac is admirable to me.

One of these benevolent crusaders for general welfare is Bro. Modesto Gomez of El Paso, Texas. I have never visited Bro. Gomez's fair city, nor have I seen or spoken to him in quite sometime, but word of his work has reached me in a round-about way and I admire his unselfishness of attitude and the spirit in which he does it. He has carried out the spirit of Lulac in his magnanimous aid in material goods for those who are in need; in his guidance and counselling of those who seek to learn from his stored wealth of experiences and sagacious thoughts along lines of general welfare for the community; and in his unselfish and ever-ready willingness to take part in and see through to successful completion all that has bearing on the general good to the people and the community without thought of differentiation on any grounds. The work of Bro. Gomez has not been done to forward Modesto Gomez in any sphere, but to forward the welfare of those he loves and wishes to assist in whatever he can and is allowed to assist.

Another one from this trio whom I seek to pay tribute to because of his grand work is Bro. Reyes Ortiz of Laredo,—a man whom it has been



my privilege to know and work with in Lulac for the past five years. Bro. Ortiz is an American of Latin extraction whose Irish blood sometimes rises to the surface in defense of all that pertains to his Latin origin. He is a Lulac of long standing and enjoys the love and respect of his council and his community because of his personal merits. His jealousy of Lulac and its reputation is sur-

passed only by his eagerness of doing something to push forward Lulac and its principles. Unknown perhaps even to his closest friends are his unreserved activities in sponsoring boys in Boy Scout troops, in the local Boys' Club, in the Junior Lulacs, in school, and in other worthy youth activities and institutions. He is ready to contribute in work and money to all charitable and benevolent activities and programs. He is ready to defend the underdog, to assist the downtrodden, to fight for all that is righteous, and to uphold the principles and precepts of that to which he owes allegiance. At present he is busy as a beaver living up to his promise made to the council president to present an application for membership candidates at every meeting of the council. He is several weeks ahead of schedule but still the applications come in weekly. One of Bro. Ortiz's great Lulac merits is his ease to laud Lulac at any time in any place and his evident proud bearing as he informs those within his voice's reach, "I am a Lulac."

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STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	
Banking House	40,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	17,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	269,700.00
Other Assets	789.84
QUICK ASSETS:	
U. S. Government Bonds	2,986,600.00
Cash and Due from Banks	2,129,652.36

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Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	200,000.00
Reserve for Contingencies	86,494.91
Reserve for Interest, Insurance and Taxes	4,397.23
Reserve for Dividend	4,000.00
DEPOSITS	6,850,206.57

5,116,252.35	
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PERSONIFICATION OF LULACISM—

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Last of this admirable trio is another Council No. 12 brother whom I have also known for the past five years, and whom I consider one of



the best elements in Lulac. He is the immediate past Secretary General of the League, Francisco J. Flores. Paco, as he is generally known to his myrads of friends and associates, is a busy young lawyer who finds time to attend to his many extra-curricular activities in an exceptional manner. He dreams and lives Lulac, and his hopes for its greatness never dims for one instant.

Paco's activities are not restricted to any one category, but cover a wide field. All types of community drives find Paco in their midst, and practically every civic endeavor enjoys Paco's calm and tolerant reasoning. Though probably unknown to many, Paco was the spirit that kept Scouting alive in the Council and in the Laredo District at one time, and today he enjoys the love and respect of every Scout and every adult Scouter,—a position many strive for but seldom reach. In regard to the League he is a staunch Lulac who serves as a guardian of all the traditions that have made Lulac great and well known. He defends its name and its traditions against all odds and is the first to condemn and to seek to defeat any act or move that tends to endanger the League in any manner. He has served his council in practically every capacity and done an exemplary job. His sincerity of purpose and his unselfish exertion of efforts in behalf of Lulac has endeared Paco to all Lulacs and has established him as a truly great example of the personification of Lulacism.

My depicting of these three men has been a spontaneous act on my part, and the sole purpose has been to place them as an example of my particular conception of true personification of Lulacism,—a giving of themselves willingly and unreservedly for the best interests of all without expecting nor demanding remuneration either in material matter or in silent or blazoned heraldry.

AROUND THE LULAC SHIELD—

(Continued from Page 13)

Junior Lulac Council, Laredo

This council which is sort of setting the pattern for the organization of similar councils, is busily engaged in publicizing its summer dance that comes off the 29th of August. The objective of the dance is to raise funds for their annual Sweetheart Presentation Dance on St. Valentine's Day in February. The dance will be held at the Country Club, and their means of publicity include airplane-dropped leaflets, radio spots, and newspaper columns. These Juniors do not let grass grow under their feet, and their eagerness and efforts are matched only by the success of their activities.

Council No. 147, Santa Ana

In its efforts to build a higher sense of responsibility in the youth of the community Council 147, awarded two American Flags to the Boy Scout troops which the council sponsors. The presentation of the flags was made at City Park by council president Manuel Veiga, Jr., with the assistance of Regional Governor Isaore A. Gonzalez, to Scoutmasters Johnny Alfaro of Troop 41, and Bob Bojorquez of Troop 27. The ceremony was followed by the showing of motion pictures and a weiner roast. Lulacs Manuel Villalobos, Hector Tarango, Tony Luna, Luis Ortiz, and Ernesto Telles were lauded for their efforts in the organization of the units.

Council 147 members David Ortiz, Ruben Lopez, Manuel Veiga, Jr., Cruz Barrios, Hector Tarango, and Alex Maldonado in company of Regional Governor Gonzalez journeyed to Los Angeles for the purpose of speaking to a group that is under the process of being organized into a council. After an explanation of the Aims and Purposes of the League, refreshments and motion pictures of the National Convention were enjoyed by all.

Council 147 and Regional Governor Gonzalez have received the go sign for the installation of a Ladies' council in Santa Ana. Guest speakers headed by School Superintendent Lynn Crawford will feature the installation ceremonies which will be followed by refreshments and entertainment.

The California Regional Governor has made public his appointments of District organizers Ruben Lopez for Anaheim, Henry M. Nestre for Brea, Alex Maldonado for El Modino, and David Ortiz and Manuel Esqueda for Santa Ana. Truly the Santa Ana council and the Regional Governor for California are setting quite a pace in activity.

DID YOU KNOW THAT —

By GEORGE J. GARZA

Director of Publicity



The greatest word is God?
The deepest word is Soul?
The longest word is Eternity?
The swiftest word is Time?
The nearest word is Now?
The darkest word is Sin?
The meanest word is hypocrisy?
The broadest word is Truth?
The strongest word is Might?
The tenderest word is Love?
The sweetest word is Heaven?
The dearest word is Jesus?
And the Americanist word is Lulac?



Baseball celebrated its first centennial on June 12, 1939, just eight years ago?



June 15th is Father's Day, and worthy of being dedicated to your Dad in the best and happiest manner possible?



A bird's first nest may be as skillfully built as any one he may construct thereafter? (Embryo carpenters, take notice).



Your watch will not keep accurate time if the interval between ticks varies more than 1/8600 of a second? (Some chronometer).



The first trans-United States telephone was established on January 25, 1915, and that in spite of Hollywood propaganda to the contrary, Graham Bell and not Don Ameche invented the telephone?



Rome was founded on April 21, 753 B. C.? (Now as to whether it was built in this one day or not is something else).



The first census of this country was taken in August, 1790, and gave it a population of 3,929,214?

The first U. S. newspaper was published on September 25, 1690?



Pride costs us more than hunger, thirst, and cold?



Edison patented his phonograph on February 19, 1878, and his electric light on January 27, 1880?



Speech is the mirror of the soul; as the man, so is his speech?



The first U. S. patent was issued July 31, 1790?



Tornadoes have taken the lives of 5000 people in the last 20 years, but automobiles kill that number about every two months? (Bathtubs do not do so bad either).



The U. S. Constitution took effect on March 4, 1789?



Not honored less than he who heirs, is he who founds a line?



He who is firm in his will moulds the world to himself?



Not how long it is but how good it is, is what matters in life as well as in a tale?



There are those would be understanding Americans who try to justify discrimination and segregation by attributing such practices as inevitable characteristics of our American and democratic way of life? (Some people wouldn't know democracy or what it looks like if it smacked them in the face).

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SKITS AND BITS (All About You And Me)

TOM TOM FOOLERY. Rumors still persist that Bro. Manuel (Hopi Indian) Vela plans to open his own terpsichorean salon to introduce Indian dances that he mastered at the Santa Fe Convention. Hie Hum?

'TENSUN! Information reaching this office pictures Bro. Raul Cortez of San Antonio as quite the peacock since his election to the post of Regional Governor of Texas. Get rolling, you Spokes, here comes the Wheel.

BACHELOR TALK. Prexy Edward D. Garza of Council 148 of San Marcos receiving his B.A. on the 22nd of this month, and having his name inscribed on roll of Honor Students at Southwest Texas State College.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT. Our recorder at the convention reports that Laredo Junior Lulac Council Delegates, Vidal Treviño and Andres Cuellar, had a hard time remembering why they went to Santa Fe in the first place. Seems the female hospitality outdid itself there. Latest rumors have it that these enterprising young men are working on the Austin Council to relinquish the 1948 convention to Santa Fe.

MILESTONE OF LIFE. National Trustee Porfirio L. Flores of Laredo celebrating another anniversary of his discovery of America with a ranch-style picnic and double malts in July. And the Director of Publicity, ex-air force pilot, celebrating an anniversary of his first flight into the new world (via Stork) on the same month as the USAAF, though not as many summers.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY OR AMNESIA. Bro. Alfredo Garza of Laredo being introduced as the Director of Publicity his first night in Santa Fe. The next order of business at the following convention will be the establishment of identification tags. Bro. A. Garza will sponsor the legislation.

HAPPY LANDING. Texas Regional Governor Raul Cortez of San Antonio flying by private plane to Laredo for the Supreme Council meeting on July 31.

OH, MY ACHING HEAD. 'Tis rumored that the Laredo delegation's skimpy showing at the first session of the past convention was due to after-effects of the Palomino Ride the night before. 'Tisn't everyone who can emulate Paul Revere and his midnight ride.

STRICTLY SENTIMENTAL. To those few who might have misinterpreted the tremulous voices and watery eyes of the immediate Past President, Secretary, and Treasurer General at the convention it might be explained that such behavior was due to overwhelming emotions and not to voice-changing, cinders in the eyes, or even the Palomino Ride. 'Tis sad to give up something one has worked so hard to build up even if it means relief.

COMMERCIALISM PLUS. And while dealing so extensively with the past convention it might be apropos to recall Bro. Marco Ignacio M. Infante's dramatic intonation of his name with the extra plup for his profession—Attorney-at-Law!

O.P.A., RED TAPE. Prexy E. M. Longoria of Laredo sub-leasing part of his room at La Fonda Hotel in Santa Fe to George Ochoa without first consulting the O.P.A. Are you listening, O.P.A. Rent Control Office?

\$5000 WORDS. You have heard of Sunday words and \$64 words, but a certain Bro. from Austin came out with \$5000 words. The trouble was that he ran out of them. Don't worry Bro. Pete Tijerina, we will not give you away.

LITTLE BLACK BOOK, WHERE WERT THOU. District 3 Governor Blas Cantu of Laredo minus his official and unofficial record book at Santa Fe, and quite unperturbed about it. Funny how much difference a year can make, and how much outlooks can change.

ALTITUDE OR ? Members of the Texas delegation to Santa Fe were quite perturbed over weary limbs and gaspy breaths. Staunch hearts quivered at the thought that old age had at last manifested itself, and in turn were calmed with an explanation that the reaction was due to the high altitude. Far be it from us to dispute opinions, so the explanation for the condition of the Texas delegation is left up to your discretion,—candid, at that.

PEEK-A-BOO. Prexy General Maldonado of Santa Fe on a whirlwind trip from Santa Fe to Mexico City and stopping off at Laredo long enough to preside at a Supreme Council meeting and enjoy a dinner in his honor.

Aims and Purposes of the League of United Latin American Citizens

The aims and purposes of this Organization as amended at El Paso on June 24, 1944.

1. To develop within the members of our race the best, purest, and most perfect type of a true and loyal citizen of the United States of America.

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.

14. We shall pay our poll tax and urge all our fellow-citizens to do likewise, in order that we may enjoy our rights fully.

15. We shall diffuse our ideals by means of the press, lectures and pamphlets.

16. We shall oppose any radical and violent demonstration which may tend to create conflicts and disturb the peace and tranquility of our Country.

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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