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A Monthly Message from the . . . President General

Wise, true and concise is the Adage which states: "Coming events cast their shadow before them!"

The looming shadow of events to come before we can succeed in totally eliminating in the Public Schools of the State of Texas the actual practice of segregating some American students solely by reason of the fact that they have Spanish surnames has become clearer, larger and more darkly defined during the last-past August and the present month. Some letters have been received by us at the Home Office of LULAC from various Local Councils in regard to this matter. The following is dated August 5th, 1948 and is signed by Ass't. Sec'y Joe Aldape. Quote:

"On July 12th the following Brothers from Galveston LULAC Council No. 151; Joe Aldape, Ray Flores, Max Morales Jr., and Fred Perez; journeyed to Alvin, Texas to attend a P. T. A. meeting of a segregated school. Regional Governor John J. Herrera also attended the meeting . . . (which) was called by the principal of the school with the knowledge and approbation of the local school board, for the purpose of permitting the parents . . . to vote on the issue of retaining this school; with the inducement of a \$75,000.00 school to be built in place of the present structure; or sending their children to the so-called "Big School."

When this information was given to the assembly, Brother Herrera proceeded to explain the Rice ruling of June 15th, 1948 to the principal, who professed ignorance of the ruling, and . . . that it would be impractical and expensive . . . to assume the responsibility of circumventing the ruling laid down by Judge Rice.

The principal then told her instructions to get a vote . . . on the original issue and the parents voted 3-to-1 to send their children to the so-called "Big School".

. . . the school board was in session at another location in Alvin, so the principal invited Brother Herrera and some of the parents to go with her before the school board . . . and, while most of them professed ignorance of the contents of the ruling, all of the members agreed that its provisions must be adhered to. Our idea is that the school (board) will wait until the last moment to make the change." Unquote.

Similar incidents have occurred in several communities. One Superintendent of Public Schools reached down into the very bowels of Ignorance scraped up and swallowed Racial Hate and spat this vicious ultimatum: "I don't care WHAT ruling was laid down WHERE by WHAT judge! I'm boss of the schools in th's town! And I won't tolerate Mexicans going to school to-gether with our white kids!" His own education reached as far as the 3rd grade in school. Racial Discrimination is rooted deep in the red heart of Social Ignorance and is constantly nurtured by the false sense of superiority engendered by this most crass and gross stupidity of such misstatements made by egomaniacs and individual self-adoring fools.

Truly: "Coming events cast their shadow before them!" Notify this Home Office promptly of all pertinent incidents so that we may as Lulacs see the shadow clearly and in time, so that we may file charges against any school board that is still practicing segregation in any city or County of the State of Texas, even if we have to take the case to the Supreme Court to get justice done. The one clear, bright and limpid light that can dispel the shadow of Ignorance is Education. Education for all who live in Ignorance . . . be they Adult or Child! God grant us Will to wage a winning war on Ignorance. But not a fighting war of Fear and Woe and Hate. A peaceful war waged by the Wits of Wisdom and Intelligence thru Understanding for Humanity's Happiness and Love of God.



GALVESTON,

PORT AND PLAYGROUND OF THE SOUTH . . .

Galveston; an island thirty miles long off the East coast of Texas; was named after Count de Galvez, a Spanish nobleman who aided colonization on this continent during the days of the Conquistadores.

It possesses the best beach in the country and richly deserves being named "The Port and Playground of the South". Beautiful Hotels, Motels, Cabanas, Fishing Piers and Playgrounds dot the entire length of the natural beach, and deep-sea fishing also attracts quite a few visitors. Groups can charter boats to participate in this exciting sport during the greater part of the year.

Galveston is also the seat of the Medical Branch of the University of Texas, and most of the practising physicians in Texas today are graduates of this great Institution. Some of the best Hospitals and physicians in the country are to be found in Galveston.

Galveston's ideal climate annually attracts thousands of Hay Fever sufferers who find relief from their troublesome ailment on this semi-tropical isle.

A great seawall, built after the destructive storm of 1900 protects the City proper and a wide boulevard built over the seawall affords the autoist a beautiful scenic drive along the blue waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

As a shipping center, Galveston has the best natural port on the Gulf.

It is the greatest sulphur and wheat exporting city in the world, and its miles of docks daily handle thousands of tons of flower, rice, oilwell supplies, fertilizers, etc. Ranking among the first three ports in exports of cotton, Galveston has a population of approximately 85,000.





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OCTOBER

The Month of Contentment?

One of the heaviest tasks of editing an organ like ours is picking a suitable theme for an editorial.

In trying to pick up a suitable subject we are reminded of other Octobers long ago, and yet no farther back than the youth of some of us Lulacs that are in middle age.

Some time ago October was the symbolic month of mankind fulfilled. The harvest was in and mankind had made himself snug against the winter.

Some time ago October was the month that meant security. Man's labor in the fields came to its reward in that month. Tomorrow would be good because yesterday, in the summer time, he had worked hard. The cool, blue October sky carried no cloud and man knew that, except for personal travails, there would be nothing to worry the entire human race, such as international crises, ugly hospital, school and real estate discriminations, power politics that ignite troubles.

Our youthful years were in the blessed decades of the 90's and the few supernal early years of the current century. Believe me, we didn't know how well off we were. October, then, was the month of our content.

We come to these meditations as we contemplate the clouded skies of October 1948. What will tomorrow bring? Good Lord, give Thou wisdom and compassion to stiff-necked statesmen, political leaders, civic workers, men of industry, and commerce who apply themselves to their trade as if it were a game in which people are wooden pawns to be pushed around on a board.

FAIR PLAY IN THE SCHOOLING OF ALL TEXAS CHILDREN

To carry out a decree that Judge Rice handed down in Federal Court at Austin last June, State Superintendent Woods has directed that county and independent school district superintendents throughout Texas end segregation of Latin-American pupils above the first grade.

The beginners may be separated, the Court had decided, solely because of inability to follow instruction in English.

Accordingly, the State Department of Education has prepared what it calls "an inter-American test in oral English." Superintendent Woods explains that, to comply with the law, that test must be given all first-grade pupils alike. Only those who cannot pass may be put in a separate class, solely for the purpose of teaching them spoken English.

From the first grade up, Judge Rice's decision held, Latin-American children are entitled to exactly the same treatment in school that English-speaking children receive.

Certainly no order from Federal Court should have been required to tell schools officials that. It is the law—as trustees, superintendents, principals and teachers already knew. Intelligent school patrons likewise were informed on that point. Moreover, considerations of fair play dictate equal instruction for all community's children.

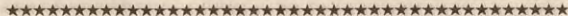
Common sense and self-interest alike counsel that policy. Latin-American boys and girls are future citizens. Most of those who go to school here were born in Texas. The State's own interest demand that they be educated. Tomorrow's industrial commonwealth particularly will have use for whatever skills or talents those children shall develop. Above all, proper schooling is their birthright.

Slamming opportunity's door in the face of any group of children, therefore, is not only unfair, but also short-sighted. Yet not only complaints to Federal Court, but various surveys—by Texas State Teachers Association, the Gilmer-Aikin legislative committee and other authorities—reveal that it has been a too common practice in Texas up to now.

Some communities have done better by their minority-group children than others, but none has achieved veritable equality of educational opportunity.

The time has come, as State Superintendent Woods has suggested, to set Texas' house in order. As his directive intimates, the task will not be easy. It must be essayed "courageously, without prejudice and without bitterness" as the schools shall work out "a more practical democracy."

San Antonio Express—Sept. 2, 1948.



Texas City had Impressive Installation Ceremonies



The above picture was taken Dec. 27, 1947 at installation ceremonies of the reorganized Texas City Council 150. The officers are reading from L. to R.: Roy Rodriguez, Guide; Jimmy Velasquez; Juan Reyna, Guard; Robert Padilla, Chaplain; Gilbert Martinez, Treasurer; Raul Padilla, Secretary; Nazario Esquivel, Vice-president; Benjamin Lopez, President.

Present also were city officials Kenneth Thomas-Nunn, City Secretary and Com. H. Tarpey.

President General Dr. Maldonado, Raoul Cortez, John J. Herrera, Gus Garcia, Hector de la Peña and visiting Lulackers from Galveston and Houston were present also.

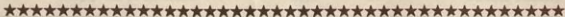
Texas City Lulac Officers

1947

Benjamin Lopez, President
Nazario Esquivel, Vice-President
Raul Padilla, Secretary
Gilbert Martinez, Treasurer
Joe Ramos, Assistant-Secretary
Robert Padilla, Chaplain
Juan Reyna, Guard
Roy Rodriguez, Guide

1948

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Gilbert Martinez, Chaplain
Ignacio Rizo, Reporter
Jesus Fernandez, Guard



LULAC NEWS

Treasurer General's Report to the General Assembly in Convention at Austin, Texas, on June 11, 12 & 13, 1948

Page One

Period Covered: July 29th, 1947 to June 7th, 1948.

Cashier's Check Received from Mr. G. Vela on July 29th, 1947 \$3,350.22

Distributed to Fund as follows:

General Fund	\$ 840.95
Lulac News Fund	1,180.77
Spec. Organizer	1,328.50

Distributed in accordance with Convention Proclamation of June 1947 \$3,350.22

Receipts and Disbursements to June 7th, 1948

General Fund	\$ 840.95
Receipts to June 7th 1948	705.75
Total Receipts	\$1,546.70
Disbursements (See P. 2)	474.96
General Fund as of June 7th, 1948	\$1,071.74
Lulac News Fund	\$1,180.77
Receipts to June 7, 1948	651.50
Total Receipts	\$1,832.27
Disbursements (See P. 3)	\$1,378.50
Lulac News Fund as of June 7th, 1948	\$ 453.77
Special Organizer's Fund	\$1,328.50
Receipts to June 7, 1948	440.75
Total Receipts	\$1,769.25
Disbursements (See P. 3)	152.00

Special Organizer's Fund as of June 7th, 1948 \$1,617.25

Special Assessment Fund Created by Supreme Council February 15th, 1948

Receipts (9 Councils, See P. 4) \$ 450.00

Disbursements 6/7/48 (See P. 4) \$ 450.00

Total Funds Deposited to the Account of the League of United Latin American Citizens (See P. 5 for Reconciliation Statement) as of June 7th, 1948 \$3,142.76

See Supplement Number One, P. 6.

(Signed) Florentino Gonzales,
Treasurer General

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List of Disbursements From General Fund

	Check No.	Amount
Express on Supplies from Laredo	101	\$ 3.37
Supplies from Secretary General	102	15.81
Printing	105	2.50
Printing	106	8.97
Bank Charge for Checks		2.48
Printing (Letter Heads, etc.)	108	13.11
Secretarial Expenses	109	10.00
Traveling Expenses	110	12.06
Postage	111	10.00
Traveling Expenses	112	10.00
Traveling Expenses	113	12.50

Traveling Expenses	115	188.00
Advertising & Stenographic Work	116	64.00
Postage for Lulac News	120	15.00
Organization Expense	121	72.00
Postage & Stenographic Work	123	21.00
Stenographic Service	124	16.00
Total Disbursements to June 7, 1948		\$474.96
(As per Report on P. 1)		

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List of Disbursements From Lulac News Fund

	Check No.	Amount
Operating & Revolving Fund to George Garza, Editor Lulac News	103	\$500.00
Editing Expenses, July & August 1947, G. Garza Editor Lulac News	104	100.00
Editing Expenses, Sept. & October 1947, G. Garza Editor Lulac News	107	100.00
Editing Expenses, Nov. Dec. 1947 Jan. '48, Garza Editor Lulac News	114	150.00
Designs & Finished Drawings for Lulac News, Ad-Art Service S. Fe	117	18.50
Printing Lulac News for May '48 Southwest Publ. Company S. Fe.	122	510.00
Total Disbursements From Lulac News Fund		\$1,278.50
(As per Report on Page One)		
List of Disbursements From Special Organizer's Fund	Check No.	Amount
Balance of Organizer's Salary & Exp. Over and Above Spec. Assessments Fund. (See Page Four)	125	\$152.00
Total Disbursements From Special Organizer's Fund		\$152.00
(As per Report on Page One)		

Page Four

List of Councils Reporting Special Assessment Passed by Supreme Council in Session at Santa Fe, N. Mexico, February 15th, 1948.
(Report as of June 7th, 1948)

	Council				Amount
	Name and Number	State			Amount
	Austin, No. 85	Texas			\$ 50.00
	Santa Fe, No. 33	N. Mex.			50.00
	Alice, No. 146	Texas			50.00
	Santa Ana, No. 147	Calif.			50.00
	Cor. Christi, No. 1	Texas (Paid under protest)			50.00
	S. Angelo, No. 152	Texas			50.00
	Texas City, No. 150	Texas			50.00
	Albuquerque No. 34	N. Mex.			50.00
	S. Fe Ladies No. 18	N. Mex.			50.00

(Continued on next page)

LULAC NEWS

Treasurers Report . . .

(Continued from preceding page)

Total Receipts on Special Assessment Fund \$450.00
(As per Report on Page One)

List of Disbursements on Special Assessment Fund		
Salary and Expenses	Check No.	Amount
G. A. Contreras, Spec. Org	118	\$200.00
G. A. Contreras, Spec. Org.	119	250.00
Total Disbursement from		

Special Assessment Fund \$450.00
(As per Report on Page One)
Balance of Special Organizer's Salary and Expenses.
Paid Out of Special Organizer's Fund, in the Amount
of \$152.00. (See page three.)

Page Five

Reconciliation Statement of the League of United Latin American Citizens with the Santa Fe National Bank.

Santa Fe, New Mexico, as of June 7th, 1948:

Balance, Bang Statement, May 31st, 1948	\$2,492.67
Checks in Transit & Outstanding, None	0.00
Bank Deposits Made As Of June 7th, 1948	650.75
Balance, As Per Report Made on Page One	\$3,142.76

List of Fund Accounts:	
In General Fund	\$1,071.74
Lulac News Fund	453.77
Spec. Org. Fund	1,617.25
Total, As Above	\$3,142.76

I Hereby Certify That This Report and Statements As Submitted, Are True and Correct As Of June 7, 1948.

Respectfully Submitted,
(Signed) Florentino Gonzales
Treasurer General, LULAC

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June 8th, 1948:

SUPPLEMENT NUMBER ONE,

(To Reconciliation Statement on Page 5.)

Balance in Santa Fe National Bank As Per Report on Pages One & Five Minus Deductions Made as Follows:

Money order No. 527153; Issued to R. A. Cortez, San Antonio, Texas, by Felix Garza Jr. of New Braunfels, Texas; M. O. Covering Charter Fee	\$10.00
Dues for 3rd and 4th Quarters, To May 31st, 1948	31.50
Total Amount of above Money Order	\$41.50

M. O. Dated March 22nd, '48 Received Too Late in Santa Fe for Cashing at Post Office, and Same Has Been Dishonored for Payment by P. O. Money Order Returned to Mr. Raoul A. Cortez

Bank Balance as of June 8th, 1948 \$3,101.26

SUPPLEMENT NUMBER TWO,

(To P. 4 List on Spec. Assessment Rept.)

Houston Council No. 60 Paid \$50; Assessment;

and Dues in Full, Effective June 8th, 1948 Galveston, Number 153 Paid \$50; Assessment; and Dues to 5/31/48, as of June 8th, 1948.

SUPPLEMENT NUMBER THREE,

List of Councils Organized or Re-Activated Since July 1st, 1947.

1. Alamosa, Number 151	New Council	Colo.
2. Kingsville, No. 24	Re-Activated	Texas
3. Los Angeles, No. 154	New Council	Calif.
4. N. Braunfels, No. 155	" "	Texas
5. San Angelo, No. 152	" "	Texas
6. S. Antonio Jr. Lulac	" "	Texas
7. Texas City, No. 150	" "	Texas
8. Galveston, No. 133	" "	Texas

July 17th, 1948

Mr. Raoul A. Cortez, Pres. General
Radio Station KCOR,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir: Re: Telephone Call to Dr. Maldonado Enclosed is Report sent to General Convention at Austin as of June 7, 1948, and Statement of Subsequent Receipts and Disbursements to July 7, when Cashier-Check in Amount of \$2,546.16 was sent to you.

Cash Balance: Report made to General Convention June 7; \$3,142.76

Less Money Order No. 527153,
Returned to Mr. R. A. Cortez;

Refer to Page 6 of General Convention Report; Attached; 41.50

Deposit of June 21st; \$3,101.26

Receipts Collected at Convention; 468.50

\$3,569.76

Checks Issued Subsequent to Report of June 7th, 1948:

Traveling Expenses to Austin, Gen. Officers, \$375.00

Telephone Calls and Telegraphic-Messages, 32.50

Bill Due for Postage Stamps and Stationery, 16.85

Pre-Convention & Convention Correspondence, Sec'y General 49.25

Refund to (11) Eleven Councils on the \$50. Assessment Collected by The Supreme Council and Disallowed by the General Assembly and Ordered Refunded . . . Eleven at \$50.00 each 550.00

\$1,023.60

Cashier's Check Mailed to R. A. Cortez June 5th, 1948 \$2,546.16

Very Truly Yours,

(Signed) Florentino Gonzales
Treasurer General

LULAC NEWS

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

June 19, 1947

In compliance with the provisions of the constitution and by-laws of the League of United Latin American Citizens, the Secretary General, respectfully submits this report on the functions of his office for the year beginning with the month of June 1947 and ending with the month of June 1948.

As a result of the election of Dr. Jose Maldonado as President General at the 1947 National Assembly, there was an almost complete change of officers and staff of the League. The complete change of administration, including the site of the National Office, highlights one of the major weaknesses in the Organization, namely, the necessity of changing the records and location of the National Office with each change of administration.

The report will be very brief and will deal only with those matters not touched upon or elaborated upon by the President General, in his annual report.

ACTIVE COUNCILS

As of June 1st, 1948, there were twenty-nine active councils in the League; this compares with the total of thirty-five councils on June 1st, 1947. Only one new council, (Los Angeles, California) has been established outside of Texas during this administration, although a council was re-activated in Taos, New Mexico, during this period. Seven councils were organized or re-activated in Texas, during Dr. Maldonado's administration, making a total of nine new or re-activated councils. During the previous administration, there were six councils organized or re-activated. Six councils, as follows were suspended by Past President Zamora on June 1st, 1947: Del Rio Council No. 180 Harlingen Council No. 32—Baytown Council No. 73—Miami Council No. 111—Alhambra Council No. 140—and Beeville Council No. 143.

The following is the total of active councils as of June 1st, 1948:

1. Alice Council No. 146, A. M. Perez
502 W. Front Ave. Alice, Texas 26 members

2. Albuquerque Men's Council No. 34.
3. Austin Council No. 85 Henry Moreno
4820 East Ave. Austin, Texas 25 members
4. Corpus Christi No. 1, Joe Garza,
1110 Leopard St. Corpus Christi, Texas 40 members
5. El Paso Council No. 132, Eugenio F.
Flores, P. O. Bx 1556 El Paso 30 members
6. Galveston Council No. 151, Fred Perez
211-11th St. Galveston, Texas 15 members
7. Houston Council No. 60,
Frank V. Lozano, Houston, Texas 40 members
8. Kingsville Council, No. 24, Andrés
Salinas 415 E. Richard Ave.
Kingsville, Texas 25 members
9. Laredo Council No. 12 Felix García Jr.
P. O. Box 1179, Laredo, Texas 113 members
10. Raymondville Council No. 56 E. C.
De-Baca Box 481 Raymondville, Texas 47 members
11. San Angelo No. 152 Frank A. Martinez
1511 So. Chadburne, San Angelo, Tex 15 members
12. Santa Ana, Calif. No. 147 Manuel Veiga
116 W. 17th St. Santa Ana, Calif. 47 members
13. San Antonio No. 2 A. P. Sanchez
510 W. Houston St. San Antonio, Tex 184 members
14. Santa Fe Council No. 33 1/2 J. J.
Romero 232 Anita Place Santa Fe 90 members
15. Santa Fe Ladies No. 18 Eppie Valdez
P. O. Box 771 Santa Fe N. M. 30 members
16. San Marcos Council No. 148 Leandro
Medina P. O. Box 449 San Marcos, Tex. 24 members
17. Texas City Council No. 150 Gilbert
Martinez 809-1st Ave. Texas, City 19 members
18. Trinidad Colo. No. 113 1/2 Joe Vazquez
105 W. 1st St. Trinidad, Colo. 26 members
19. Winslow, Ariz. No. 140 John M. Aragon
P. O. Box 554 Winslow, Arizona 26 members
20. Corpus Christi Ladies No. 26 1/2 Mary
Sanchez 1819 Mestena St. C. C. Texas (no report)
21. D'Hanis No. 106 Julian Ibarra

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- General Delivery D'Hanis, Texas — 15 members
22. El Paso Ladies No. 9 Ana Velasquez
3613 Findley St. El Paso, Texas (no report)
23. Fort Stockton No. 62 M. R. Gonzalez
Box 472 Fort Stockton, Texas (no report)
24. Los Angeles No. 125 William Trujillo
1761 W. 37th St. L. A. 7, Calif. (no report)
25. Laredo Junior Lulac Council $\frac{1}{2}$ Mr.
George J. Garza P. O. Box 1258
Laredo, Texas
26. Santa Fe Junior Lulac Council $\frac{1}{2}$
Albert Gonzalez Salmon Bldg.
Santa Fe, New Mexico (no report)
27. New Braunfels, Texas Council, Charter
No. 155, New Braunfels, Texas
28. San Antonio Junior Council, Charter
No. 156, San Antonio, Texas
29. Falfurrias Texas Council, Charter
No. 157, Falfurrias, Texas

* No Report indicates, Treasurer unable to determine membership as no report has been received.

From the rather inadequate reports received by the General Office, it appears that a good proportion of the councils have been active in carrying out their own local programs, although there has been a failure on the part of many councils, especially those in Texas to co-operate fully with the Supreme Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

Over sixty-five communications received by the General Office and more than twenty-two communications were mailed out from the General Office

TRAVEL

The Secretary-General accompanied the President General in visiting councils in Colorado and upon as-

ignment by the President-General, made two trips to Albuquerque and Taos on speaking engagements for the League.

LULAC NEWS

The publication of Lulac News was stopped without the approval or knowledge of the General Office several weeks before the Supreme Council at its special meeting decided to transfer the publication to Santa Fe, but no further publication was possible due to the unwillingness or inability of several contacted councils, especially in Texas, to undertake sponsorship of this publication.

RECORDS

The pertinent records of the League, are either attached to this report or submitted in filing cabinets and divided by councils and the National Reports divided into yearly sections.

PROPERTY OF THE LEAGUE

The property of the League received from the previous Secretary-General, consists of the seal, printed constitutions and rituals, charters and records. New stationery was printed at the beginning of the new administration and a filing cabinet purchased.

SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING

A Supreme Council meeting was held in Santa Fe, New Mexico on September 15, 1948. The Minutes of this meeting have been made available to all members of the Supreme Council and copy of the Minutes is herewith attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted

Daniel T. Valdes
Secretary-General



LULAC NEWS

"We are Building a Greater Texas City"

Says Mary Ann Jasso



Many people have heard of the great comeback our town has made. Many have not heard of the people behind this task.

The stories written about our town will never tell the story behind the little people that worked in the background. No one expected such a disastrous explosion in our town that April morning. The people of this industrious port were going about their daily tasks. The clanging of the locomotives, refinery sirens blaring merrily for the morning shifts and the children hurrying to school was just a sign that another day had begun for the average Texas Citizen.

Suddenly everything was a turmoil. The Grandcamp, a French freighter, had exploded causing a chain of explosions. The whole waterfront was a burning inferno. Fortunately a brisk north wind was blowing. The black smoke that arose from the Monsanto Chemical Company and the surrounding tank farms and warehouses traveled south, darkening our neighbor across the bay.

The injured crowded the streets. The faces of those panic-stricken people will never be forgotten. Who helped them wipe out the grief that resulted when whole families were killed? The telephone operator who informed the outside world of the disaster brought emergency help from the surrounding communities. From far and near help came. The American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the Hollywood Benefit Show started the campaign for the Texas City relief which still aids widows and the handicapped, are only a few of the great organizations that were behind the rebuilding of Texas City. There are many more who helped—doctors, nurses, firemen, policemen, and the countless who volunteered.

Blacks and whites alike were treated. The color of your skin or national origin was disregarded. The saving of precious human lives became their main task. Not forgetting the help of those who gave, we are going forward in building a Greater Texas City.

The Fast-Stepping Texas City Lulac Council

One of the Lulac Councils that has made great strides in civic work has been the Texas City Lulac Council that is headed by Bro. Florencio Jasso as president.

Other members and the directors of the Texas City Lulac machine that has been responsible for the many projects that brought acclaim to our organization are: Louis Hernandez, Vice-President; Raul Padilla, Secre-

tary; Cayetano Lomas, Treasurer; Joe Ramos, Assistant Secretary; Gilbert Martinez, Chaplain; Ignacio Rizo, Reporter; Jesus Fernandez, Guard.

Other members of the Texas City Lulac Council are: Nazario Esquivel, Benjamin Lopez, Rudolph Lopez, Juan Reyna, Ignacio Rizo, Joe Ramos, Joe Ramon, Ernesto Casillas, Robert Padilla, and Joe Reyna.



LULAC NEWS

Texas City Lulacs Have Active Civic Program

By Florencio Jasso
President, LULAC Council No. 150



Texas City Lulacs placing a floral wreath at the disaster memorial ground on the first anniversary of the Texas City catastrophe.

The reorganized Texas City Council 150 has taken part in several activities. Its first accomplishment was a successful all-member donation that bought a beautiful floral wreath that was placed at the disaster memorial grounds where religious ceremonies were performed by the Ministerial Alliance on the first anniversary of the disaster.

During the summer a Spanish class was sponsored by the Council. Classes were held at the local public

school. Brother Juan Reyna conducted this project. The Rev. Salvador Rodriguez, of Galveston, conducted classes. Introductions were primarily for beginners of the Spanish language. Brother Juan Reyna also headed the entertaining committee. He successfully held several dances during the summer for the primary purpose of raising funds for the Council.

At present an intensive drive on a membership campaign is in full swing.

Texas City Ladies Organize Lulac Council

A Ladies Lulac organization has been reorganized in Texas City. Installation ceremonies took place September 25th, according to recent information from that active Lulac town.

Mrs. Isabel Martinez heads the list of officers as president. Other officers includes: Miss Lucy Garcia, Vice-president; Mrs. Mary Luz Padilla, Secretary; Miss Cecilia Lomas, Treasurer; Mrs. Elvira Reyes, Guard;

Miss Fannie Morales, Chaplain, and Mrs. Hope Lomas, Reporter.

Other members of this newly activated Lulac Council are: Rosie Ramirez; Mrs. Enriqueta Salazar; Mrs. Elvina Herrera; Miss Evelyn Villarreal; Miss Theresa Medina; Miss Frances Leal; Miss Frances Luna; Mrs. Lupe Velasquez; Miss Elvira Ayala; Miss Mary Lou Ayala; Miss Annie de la O; Miss Lenida Flores; Mrs. Lydia Lira, and Miss Bertilia Elizondo.



Lulac In Sports



LULAC IN THE SPORTS PICTURE—The San Antonio Lulac Council is noted for its deep interest in sports. Its sports chairman, John A. Esquivel, is well known in the Alamo City sports circles, being very active in various youth organizations. Here we see president Joe Castañuela at a recent Latin-American Sports Association basketball, basquet, presenting the huge Miranda revolving trophy to Rogelio Hernandez, coach of the winning Moonglow Athletic Club, champions of the L. A. S. A. Basketball League, of which Bro. Esquivel is the commissioner.



CLARION CALL TO ALL COUNCILS

Bro. Robert Cruz, newly appointed LULAC Boys' Educational Director, wishing to do a bang-up job towards lowering juvenile delinquency among the different cities where LULAC operates, invites all LULAC Councils to get in touch with him so that a well-gearred program can be outlined to acquaint Lulacs with the problems faced by juveniles, and in order to know how best to approach the many problems in aiding our younger generation.

Bro. Cruz asks that all Councils appoint a Boys' Educational Committee to be composed of Lulacs with the desire to work with young boys. He informs LULAC News that an active Boys Educational Committee is the best community public relation that any LULAC Council can have.

Address all communications to Bro. Cruz in care of LULAC News.

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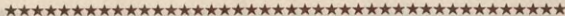
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LULAC NEWS

Corpus Christi LULACS Push "Back To School" Campaign

Now that segregation of Latin-American children in Texas schools has been outlawed, Latin-American citizens in Corpus Christi undertook an active campaign to send children of Mexican ancestry to school.

Organized as the Citizens' Committee on Education for this purpose, and formed by 18 of the leading Corpus Latin-American organizations, the Corpus Christi LULAC Council No. 1 was very active.

The need for education is recognized by these Corpus citizens as being the primary step in the advancement, both economically and socially, of the people of Mexican origin in Texas. The Committee felt that the big step was to interest Latin-American youth to attend school.

It was decided that all publicity mediums be used to increase school enrollment of Latins in the Corpus area, or, if necessary, by enforcing the school attendance law.

It enlisted the aids of clubs, public officials, business men and plain citizens in promoting the drive.

Lulacker Dr. J. A. Garcia, chairman of the Committee, stated that in his capacity as a member of the Corpus Christi School Board, he would sign complaints against parent who refused to send their children to school.

Radio stations in the Corpus area cooperated splendidly by giving spot announcements in Spanish, furnishing time for speakers on the back-to-school drive.

Other active participants donated facilities for fund raising projects. A benefit dance was held at the American Legion Center, the hall, orchestr's, tickets, posters were donated at no cost. The funds raised were used to finance Latin-American children who previously had been unable to go to school because they were without adequate clothing. A special fund was raised to be given the "First Native Born Corpus Christian of Mexican Extraction to Finish College." It is expected that this act will be an incentive which will encourage higher education among Corpus Latins.

The Committee pointed with concern to school department statistics, which show that about one-fifth of the children in Robstown and Sinton, also in Nueces County, together with 3,000 of Mexican extraction in Corpus do not attend school.

A great many of these children come from migratory working families where their labor constitutes a large share of the income. Although that was a handicap to consider, it was felt that these parents could be approached by calling attention to the fact that education will elevate the status of their children. Fathers were encouraged to leave their families at home and their children in school while migrating to other areas for work.

The Corpus "Back-to-School" drive was the most important project carried by the LULAC group since the fight was won against segregation in Texas schools. A similar drive was carried on in other Southwest Texas towns.

Latin-American leaders, it is noted, are not satisfied

Facing the Coming Presidential Campaign

The candidates have been nominated and shortly the campaign starts and, if we read the political signs correctly, all the parties will be courting the favor of voters who are of a minority group, like the members of LULAC.

We are glad that all parties in their platforms have taken a sympathetic attitude toward the minority groups, but we hope that no American citizen of Mexican-American extraction will permit himself to be politically used by any party on the strength of his influence and prestige among the Mexican-American leaders. No Latin-American, or Mexican-American, may, in dignity, speak up for any of the parties.

No Latin-American can decently speak for all Latin-Americans, in behalf of any, or even speak to lend himself as a Latin-American leader for political purposes.

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JUNIOR LULACS

By James Tafolla, Sr.

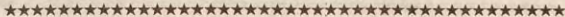
Our Junior Lulacs Brothers
Are fast becoming men.
And it becomes our duty
to help them now and then.
Remember, Brother Lulacs,
The Juniors of today
Will take our place tomorrow
When we have passed away.
So don't neglect our Juniors,
When they've grown up to men
They'll always think with kindness
Of what we did for them.
The road we tread before them
Will be much easier then,
If we just keep on fighting.
And fight right to the end,
Let's keep their little spirit
Chock-full of Lulac flame,
Extend them a big brother's hand
And teach them to play the game,
Then, when our task is over
And theirs is just begun,
They'll say with deep emotion:
"Well done, Big Pal, well done!"

January, 1941.
San Antonio, Texas

with a mere legal decision, but are advancing the progress of the Latin-Americans through education in every way possible.

Dr. Hector Garcia, one of the active organizers of the Committee, quoted from the University of Texas publication "Texas Born Spanish Name Students in Texas Colleges and Universities," when he said:

"The Spanish speaking people must, increasingly and to the fullest extent of their ability, assume responsibility for their own development. More Spanish speaking doctors, lawyers, social workers, teachers and members of other professions would aid in the promotion of individual and group welfare."



LULAC NEWS

Corpus Christi Lulacs Fight Hospital Segregation of Latin Americans

Charging the Memorial Hospital with segregation of Latin-Americans in separate wards and demanding an end to the practice, LULAC Council No. 1 of Corpus Christi presented its demands to the Memorial Board of Directors on July 2.

Dr. J. A. Garcia, chairman of the LULAC hospital segregation committee, said that the Corpus Lulacs hoped for a prompt understandable settlement of the issue, but were prepared, if necessary to take legal action on the matter.

The active LULAC group based its charge on the fact that the hospital was built with the aid of federal funds and is subsidized with city and county funds.

Dr. Hector Garcia, prominent Corpus Christi physician and one of the Corpus Christi LULAC powers, substantiated Dr. A. Garcia's charge when he said that some of his patients had been refused admittance to the Memorial Hospital when vacancies did exist in wards usually reserved for Anglo patients.

Dr. Hector Garcia stated: "Latins are sometimes admitted when their wards are full, but only after permission is received from top hospital authorities, who are not always available for decisions."

Dr. J. A. Garcia in putting the matter before the hospital authorities stated that Latins in Corpus Christi are paying taxes so that "we can be segregated." He pointed out that federal courts have declared segregation invalid in public hospitals, and, in addition, such practices limit the medical aid available to Latin-Americans.

The Memorial Hospital directors did not deny that there was segregation but made no move to do away with it. They claimed that the hospital was in low financial straits and that drastic changes at this time would decrease its number of paying patients, claiming that they were mostly Anglos, thusly running the hospital into further debt. It was stated that the Memorial is operating on a \$30,000 a month deficit. Hospital served as many paying Latin patients as it did Anglo, and that segregation existed even in charity wards where there is no question of money involved.

Corpus Christi Latins have for a long time known that segregation existed in Memorial Hospital. No one around Garza Park knows when it began but it is certain that it is an isolated incident now unusual to that city. Corpus Christi, the city where LULAC was cradled, has been noted for its eagerness to stamp out discrimination against Latins, hence it is strange that this situation had not been solved earlier. It is explained by persons interested in the case, in the fact that segregation does exist in other hospitals in the surrounding territory and that it is prevalent throughout the state.

The issue is definitely influenced by the shortage of hospitals in Corpus. If segregation and discrimination the most from these shortages. Therefore, LULAC leaders argue that an effective solution to the hospital problem as a whole would be expansion.

The only action that the Memorial Hospital directors have taken has been the appointment of W. Travis Wilson as new administrator for the hospital. Mr. Wilson, highly recommended for his outstanding work as social worker and director of the Community Settlement

tion do exist then it is the Latin-American who suffers. House, is well liked by Corpus Christi civic leaders.

Along with the demands for abolition of segregation and elimination of the hospital shortage, Doctors Hector and J. A. Garcia have requested Latin-American representation on the Memorial Hospital board of directors. They contend that since the hospital had no medical men on its Board and has many Latin-Americans in its wards, it is felt that a member of the Latin group should be appointed to voice its interests. Corpus Lulac have proposed Major Frank Dixon, a Latin-American X-ray technician, be accepted as an appointee. The city officials have recognized the LULAC recommendation but the county bigwigs have not replied.

Dr. J. A. Garcia has informed Thomas Sutherland, executive secretary of the Texas Good Neighbor Commission, fully on the Memorial Hospital case. "We think the whole problem will be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned," said Dr. J. A. Garcia at a recent meeting with Corpus Christi civic leaders. Meanwhile Corpus Christi Lulacs are willing to wait and see what action Mr. Wilson will take against the protested policy. It is believed that Mr. Wilson will definitely stop segregation and that admission to the hospital will be based on need alone.

Some deep thought is given by hospital authorities all over Texas in the event that the new administration is unable to correct the segregation practices at Memorial Hospital. The LULAC group will be forced to map out a more forceful campaign. Imbued with the success of legal action in the recent state school segregation cases gives the LULAC group a successful weapon. Failure of Memorial Hospital administration to change their existing policy may result in a legal case which will effect the administrative policy of all public hospitals in Texas.

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Cecilio Villalobos has been announced as the president of the Van Horn Lulac Council; Ponciano Villalobos is the vice-president; Castulo Luna, treasurer; Domingo B. Mendias, secretary; Moises Morales Jr., chairman; Raymond Morales, guard, and the Board of Directors includes: Bill Herrera, Valentin Montoya, and Pete Onate.

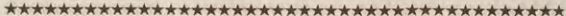
Other members includes: anuel M. Bustamante, Jose Holguin, Ramon Ortega, Jose Alva, Cosme Saenz, Alberto Urias, Dionicio Quintana, Juan Mendoza, Eliseo Valdez, Santos Gonzales, and Domingo Lopez.

These Charter members were installed on September 5, 1945.

TEXAS CITY LULAC LADIES OFFICERS

Mrs. Gilbert Martinez heads the list of Officers of a newly organized LULAC Ladies Council in Texas City as president. Other officers includes: Miss Lucy Garcia, Vice-President; Mrs. Raul Padilla, Secretary; Miss Cecilia Lomas, Treasurer; Mrs. Hope Z. Lomas, Reporter; Mrs. Felix Reyes, Guard, and Miss Fannie Morales, Chaplain.

Other Charter members are: Mrs. Enriqueta R. Salazar, Mrs. Rosie Ramirez, and Miss Rosie Rodriguez.



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