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Mr. George Garza,  
National President of LULAC,  
Laredo, Texas.

Dear Brother Garza:

Please accept my heartiest congratulations upon your reelection as National President of LULAC and this expression of my most humble feeling on behalf of, and for the welfare of the League of United Latin American Citizens.

It is not my purpose to cast a reflection of anything not wholesome upon anyone, particularly local presidents of LULAC, and their officers. It has been my experience that in order to maintain a live organization of LULAC it is necessary that we devote ourselves to this organization. It is necessary that we work with energy, that we sacrifice of our valuable time in order to achieve the goals set before us; that we work together shoulder to shoulder, and that we cooperate with our local and national president, in every way possible.

I have been a member of LULAC for many years. I believe in LULAC, I have LULAC at heart. I served two terms as local president of LULAC in 1948 and 1949. Those were the happiest days of my life. The members gave me their full cooperation. We achieved what we set out to do, and gave the local council a very high standing in the National Convention held in San Antonio in 1948. At that time the Kingsville Council was an outstanding council in the State of Texas. This was the result of civic minded men who formed part of our local council at the time. Today we still have a good council, but many of the active, working members are no longer with us. I wonder how many other councils are in the same position, and how many of them also have a great need for a good membership drive, trying to reenlist the old members. I would like to see local LULAC councils grow not only physically but in their sphere of influence as well. Perhaps some of our councils have had a tendency to overemphasize some of our aims at the expense of the others. I have reference particularly to our desire to do away with discrimination by legal action. This is only one of the means recognized by LULAC, but there are many other ways. We must learn and

teach our people that we belong to a democratic society, and that as such we have certain civic duties and responsibilities. We must recognize the importance of education in our society, and its great blessings. I would like to see all local LULAC council give college scholarships to our deserving youth. Some local councils have done it, so I know that it can be done. When all the members of the local councils are working together their communities cooperate in practically any project that they advocate.

I would like to see every local council take an interest in PTA work in Scouting, in Community Chest drives, in the organization of Junior-LULAC councils and in all other civic work which may benefit our communities. It is the responsibility of every member of LULAC to do his share of the work, to carry his part of the load, and to put his heart into the projects of LULAC.

Fraternally yours,

RAUL PEREZ  
322 E. Lee Ave.  
Kingsville, Texas

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# From The Executive Secretary's Desk...

DEAR FELLOW LULACS:

It is with a great deal of pleasure and a deep sense of humility that I come to you through the medium of these pages, as your newly appointed Executive Secretary and Legal Adviser. Let me take this opportunity to express my undying gratitude and sincere thanks to our National President, Brother George J. Garza, and the members of the Supreme Council who have seen fit to honor me by giving me an opportunity to serve Lulac in the above named capacities.

Allow me to invite your attention to several items of paramount importance to all Lulacs is our official organ, The Lulac News. This office has prepared and distributed to all councils a sponsorship pledge form, to be signed by the President of our local Councils, where by the Council can indicate its willingness to sponsor future issues of the news. So far, only Corpus Christi Council No. 1 has returned said pledge to us expressing their wish to sponsor our magazine for the issue of November. A pat on the back to the Corpus Christi Council and we fervently hope other councils follow its lead.

Your editor of Lulac News, Brother Edward D. Garza, attended summer school at Southwest State Teacher's College in San Marcos and received his Masters Degree on August 25, 1951. However, he is back on the job and has already made preparations to comply with your wishes of having the News delivered to the home of all Lulac members throughout the League. I am sure that everyone will agree with me that the project to place the News in your home requires a maximum of work and entails a lot of expense. Editor Garza and your National Office as always, will cheerfully and willingly take on the added work involved, but it is up to our local councils to cooperate with us in meeting the increase in cost. And this leads us to another item we wish to discuss with you, if we may.

Our National Treasurer, Brother Felix Garcia, Jr., has sent statements to all councils for membership dues for the first quarter ending August 31, 1951. He informs me that he has billed all councils in accordance with the number of members reported to the National Office previous to the convention. Therefore, if there has been any fluctuation on your membership, please fill out your roster form and remit to the National Office that amount which accurately reflects the num-



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ber of members in your council at the present time. It is of utmost importance to fill out said roster forms at the time you remit your dues to the National Office, inasmuch as it will serve the purpose of obtaining the names and addresses of your members so they can be included in our Lulac News mailing list. We are appealing hereby to all Lulac councils to pay their quarterly dues so we can meet the aforementioned increase in cost of mailing the News to you. I am confident that your cooperation and support on this matter will be forthcoming and it will be highly appreciated.

I would like to make reference to the fact that our National President, Brother George J. Garza, is on his annual vacation from his duties as Professor at the Laredo Junior College. He has taken advantage of said vacation to visit Lulac councils in California, New Mexico and Arizona. He expressed a sincere desire in seeing dormant councils in California come to life, and when an invitation was extended to him by Manuel Esqueda, Regional Governor of California, he immediately accepted. Our National President will also make a special effort to get a reactivation movement started in the State of Arizona.

Isaac Sandoval has been appointed Regional Governor of Colorado and we expect several councils to be reactivated there in the very near future. Mike Trujillo, Regional Governor of New Mexico, is doing excellent work in administering badly

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# LET YOUR LULAC LIGHT SHINE

By PETE MARTINEZ, Health Committee Chairman

One of the aims and purposes of Lulac is to educate and make better American citizens of our people, to lift our standard of living, and to educate our youth so that our coming generation may be better qualified for better employment, and above all to be better American citizens.

Look Magazine recently published an article entitled "The Forgotten People of Texas". There has been a great deal of comment with reference to the article. Some people were vexed because Look Magazine brought out the truth, the plain facts, others were very much in accord with the article being familiar with such conditions.

The Tuberculosis death rate in San Antonio during the year 1950 was 64.9 per hundred thousand. People with active tuberculosis in San Antonio number over 3000. This being a conservative figure, largely because many people do not take advantage of the free X-ray service offered by the San Antonio Health Dept. In this connection I would like to call your attention to the fact that all students who were awarded Lulac Scholarships were asked to be X-rayed at the San Antonio Health Department, thus Lulac practices what it preaches.

During the 1950-51 period Lulac Health Committee working together with the Bexar County Tuberculosis Association sponsored several health programs for the forgotten people of San Antonio. One Health Institute Program was held at the Alazan-Apache Courts from October 3, 1950 to November 7, 1950. The program was chiefly to familiarize the people with the unseen invader "Tuberculosis". This program was very successful and plans were made to continue such programs in other sections of the city where the need was most pressing. Certificates were awarded to all who attended the Health Institute.

Many who received these certificates will cherish them because they learned what tuberculosis is and how to prevent it.

Late in November we sponsored, with the cooperation of Bexar County Tuberculosis Association, a program of dramatized true-life stories. A series of 13 radio programs narrated by movie actor Ray Milland and other Hollywood actors. It brought to the attention of people what tuberculosis is, and how it can be cured and

prevented. Also the fact was stressed that buying Christmas Seals is a good sound investment in the fight to prevent Tuberculosis in the community.

The health committee with cooperation of Radio Station K C O R continued the use of radio programs aimed at health education. We had speakers from the San Antonio Health Department, from the Bexar County Tuberculosis Association and other health agencies, as well as from the San Antonio Fire Department, and the Police Department. Speakers were the late William N. Hensley, District Attorney of Bexar County; Robert Sawtelle former Corporation Court Judge; Albert Treviño and James Tafolla. Also many other civic leaders participated in our radio programs.

We also had on our radio program the late District Attorney William N. Hensley, who spoke on "What San Antonio Can Do For Juvenile Delinquency".

On March 12 we had a successful Health Education Radio Forum. "Tuberculosis" was the topic. This program was broadcast from the studio of Station K C O R. During the 30 minute broadcast we had speakers from Austin, Texas. Dr. Hector Garia of Corpus Christi was moderator; Mayor Jack White was also a speaker as was Carlos Velez, health consultant of Bexar County Tuberculosis Association and many other San Antonio civic leaders were present and participated in the program. An audience participating session followed. After the program the Ladies Lulac Council of San Antonio presented an entertainment program.

Another Health Institute was held on May 16 at St. Augusta Community Center.

Again with the cooperation of the Vocational Rehabilitation a Division of the Texas Education agency, we were able to help the handicapped people help themselves. The Health Committee participated in the broadcasting of the Vocational Rehabilitation radio series, "The Sky is the Limit" over Radio Station K C O R. Participating was Dr. Jose San Martin, Chairman of the Health

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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF  
THE LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN CITIZENS  
HELD IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS  
JUNE 22, 23, & 24, 1951

On June 22nd the registration of delegates began at 2:00 P. M., in the lobby of the Hamilton Hotel. That evening, beginning at 8:15 P. M., a reception was given at the Home of Lulac Council No. 12, host council, honoring the Past National Presidents and Charter Members of the organization. The following Past Presidents attended: J. T. Canales of Brownsville, Ben Ozuna of Albuquerque, New Mexico, E. D. Salinas and Arnulfo Zamora of Laredo, and R. A. Cortez of San Antonio. Of the Charter Members the following attended: Ernest Meza and Louis C. Wilmot of Corpus Christi, John Solis and Alvin Padilla of San Antonio.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 23rd, 1951**

The Twenty-Second National Assembly of the League of United Latin American Citizens was called to order by National President George J. Garza at 9:45 a.m., in the Ballroom of the Hamilton Hotel in Laredo, Texas, with the following words "On this particular morning of June 23rd, 1951, and invoking the blessings of Almighty God, it is my pleasure as National President of the League of United Latin American Citizens to call the first session of the 22nd Lulac National Convention to order."

Rev. Father Enrique Tomas Lozano, Chaplain of Laredo Council, elevated a prayer as per ritual, and this was followed by the assembly singing America and The Eyes of Texas under the leadership of a group of Junior Lulacs.

The President introduced Hon. Roberto Rosenbaum, a member of the City Council of the City of Laredo, who in his own name and in the name of Mayor Hugh Cluck, who had been unable to attend the opening session, extended the official welcome to the City of Laredo. Brother John Herrera, of Houston, First National Vice-President of the League, responded on behalf of the League. Chief of Police D. O. Gallagher, of Laredo, also officially welcomed the visiting Lulacs to Laredo.

The President again called on Rev. Father, Enrique Tomas Lozano, who gave an inspiring address to the Assembly in Spanish.

The National Secretary, Francisco J. Flores, then called the roll of officers and councils:

The President announced that a quorum was present, and appointed G. C. Martinez, of Galveston, as Sergeant-at-Arms.

The President introduced Dr. A. A. Grusendorf, Professor of Sociology at Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos, who addressed the assembly on the subject of National Conservation Training Program, a plan that has been worked out by Dr. Grusendorf in connection with Universal Military Training and which plan has received very favorable comments from the authorities at Washington.

At this juncture the President declared a short recess, and after reconvening named the following committees:

**COMMITTEE ON RULES:**

Blas M. Salinas, of Laredo, Chairman  
Roy Guerrero, of Austin  
Jake Rodriguez of San Antonio  
Wm. Carbajal, of El Campo

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:**

George Pina, of Fort Stockton, Chairman  
Joe Garza, of Corpus Christi  
Jose Hernandez, of Rosenberg  
Ciro Sanchez, of Midland

**RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Oscar M. Laurel of Laredo, Chairman  
Homer Lopez of Kingsville  
Mike Trujillo of Santa Fe  
Joe Aldape of Galveston

**AUDITING COMMITTEE:**

Harry Comfort of San Antonio, Chairman  
Dolores Vigil, of Santa Fe  
Urbano Morales of Pecos  
Miss Ernestine Urias of Ft. Stockton

**OUTSTANDING LULAC COMMITTEE:**

J. T. Canales of Brownsville  
John Soliz of San Antonio  
Louis Wilmot of Corpus Christi  
Alvin Padilla of San Antonio  
Raul Cortez of San Antonio  
Arnulfo Zamora of Laredo  
Ernest Meza of Corpus Christi  
Judge Ben Ozuna of Albuquerque, New Mexico  
E. D. Salinas of Laredo

President Garza requested all delegates who had resolutions to present to submit them at this time to the National Secretary and then requested the various committees to retire and begin their work. He made the announcement that a luncheon was being given the visiting lady delegates at the Pan American Room of the Plaza Hotel at noon.

He also announced that at 4 o'clock this afternoon, at rooms 427 and 429 the Junior Lulacs will have a reception.

President Garza then asked for presentation of problems of the Local Councils. There being no problems presented at this time, the President asked Brother Manuel Esueda, California Regional Governor if he was ready to present to the Assembly the matter of the Councils in that Region.



Esqueda explained to the assembly the position that has been taken by the California Councils, requesting additional powers to the Regional Governor to enable him to spend funds for the purpose of organizing councils and to deliver charters to the new councils upon installation, these charters to be signed by the National President and given a number and delivered to the Regional Governor so that he would have them available for presentation, stating that the end of the fiscal year whatever charters had not been used would be returned to the National Office for re-issuance by the new National President elected at the convention.

The meeting recessed at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene at 2 o'clock.

(During the noon hour the lady delegates and the Junior Lulacs attended a luncheon given by the Laredo Council at the Plaza Hotel, this affair being in charge of the wives of the officers of the Laredo Council and of the National Officers.

The afternoon session was called to order by President Garza at 2:20 p.m.,

President Garza announced that Judge J. T. Canales a Past President General of the organization was offering two scholarships at \$1200.00 each to be given a boy and a girl of Latin American descent who qualifies under the following rules:

(1) They must be graduates and they must be Catholics or a member of one of the several Protestant faiths.

(2) They must be persons who are unable financially to attend college on their own.

These scholarships are to be known as the Scholarships of the Angel of Goliad. Persons interested are to contact Judge J. T. Canales, Brownsville, Texas, for full particulars, or George J. Garza, Laredo Texas.

At this time President Garza called on Brother Eugene Gutierrez of Palacios Council No.—, who gave a report on the progress of that council. Copy of Mr. Palacios' address is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

President Garza then recognized Brother Blas M. Salinas, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, who reported for the committee. Brother's Salinas' report is attached hereto as a part of these minutes. On motion made, seconded and carried, the report was approved.

The Credentials Committee then reported through Brother George Pina, Chairman. The Councils and delegates entitled to attend the convention according to this report, are as set out above. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the report of the Credentials Committee was accepted.

At this juncture, President Garza recognized Brother Frank Pinedo, National Director of Junior Lulacs, who introduced Miss Emily Rimmer of Houston, National President of the Junior organization. Both addressed the assembly reporting as to conditions and progress of that organization.

Judge Ben Ozuna reported for the Outstanding Lulac Committee. He stated that more information should be submitted about the various persons nominated by the local councils for consideration by the Committee in making the selection. He also suggested that in the future two persons be selected instead of one, one lady and one man. The committee selected as the outstanding Lulac of the year, Miss

Sarah Moreno of Houston. Honorable mention was given to Luciano Santoscoy of El Paso, Tex., Robert Cruz of San Antonio, Miss Dolores Vigil of Santa Fe, and R. E. Smith of Houston.

The chair then recognized Bro. Harry Comfort, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, who reported for that Committee. The Treasurer's report submitted to the Committee shows that at the beginning of the year there was turned over to the new administration the sum of \$1420.66, and that at the present time there is on hand the sum of \$3020.23, and no outstanding bills. Jacob I. Rodriguez moved that the committee's report be approved, seconded by Raul Cortez, the motion carried when put to a vote. Copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

At this time President Garza recognized Miss Sara Moreno, who was selected as the outstanding Lulac of the year, and who was not present when the announcement was made.

John J. Herrera, of Houston, First National Vice President, made his report to the assembly. Brother Herrera gave a brief account as to his activities with regard to the organization of several new councils in the Houston area, in Fort Bend, Brazoria, Matagorda and other counties.

President Garza introduced to the assembly the Past Presidents General: Judge Ben Ozuna, Judge J. T. Canales, Arnulfo Zamora, E. D. Salinas and Raul Cortez; and the following charter members: Ernest Meza of Corpus Christi, and John Soliz of San Antonio, and called upon Bro. Soliz to speak for the group. Bro. Soliz made a very inspiring address to the Assembly.

President Garza then called on Oscar M. Laurel, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, who gave the first reading to the proposed constitutional amendments.

The President read telegrams received from Mr. Jimmy Urruidi, M. C. Gonzalez, and R. L. Longoria, the last two being Past Presidents General. He then declared a two-minute recess.

When the meeting was reconvened, Francisco J. Flores, National Secretary presented his report, copy of which is attached as a part of these minutes.

President Garza called on Blas M. Salinas, Legal Adviser, to make his report. Brother Salinas reported as to the various matters that had been referred to him. Copy of his report is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Bob Cruz, Regional Governor for Texas, also read his report, a copy of which is attached hereto.

President Garza made his report to the assembly. His written report is attached hereto.

Arnulfo Zamora, of Laredo, General Chairman of the Convention Committee, then announced that the Dinner-Dance would be held at the Boys Club at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting recessed at 5 p.m.

Beginning at 7:30 that evening a Dinner-Dance was held at the Boys Club, at which Brother Carlos I. Palacios, County Judge of Webb County, was master of ceremonies, and Judge M. J. Raymond of Laredo was principal speaker. Honor guests included Mayor Hugh S. Cluck of Laredo and Mrs. Cluck; Msgr. Lannon, of Laredo, and State Representative Abraham Kazen and his wife.



SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 1951

The convention reconvened Sunday Morning at 10:45, with Pres. Garza presiding. Bro. Jake Rodriguez of San Antonio elevated the official prayer of the League.

After roll call of Delegates and Officers, the President called on Oscar M. Laurel, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, to report for that committee. Brother Laurel first read the following:

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: for the second time:**

1. Proposed by El Paso Council No. 132 being Resolution No. 3) calling for reducing of initiation fees from \$10.00 to \$5.00 The Committee recommended that this amendment be rejected, and on motion duly made by Jacob I. Rodriguez, Seconded by Frank Pinedo, it was rejected by the Assembly.

2. Amendment proposed by El Paso Council No. 132 (Resolution No. 5) giving the District Governor a vote and placing them in the Roster of National Officers.

The Committee recommended that this Amendment be not adopted, assuming that it intended to amend Section 3 of Art. 4 of the Constitution. There was some doubt as to whether this resolution intended to amend Sec. 3 of Art. 4, or Subdivision (b) or Sec. 1 of Art. IV, dealing with the National Assembly. After considerable discussion, the clarification was made that it was intended as an amendment to the latter Sec. 1, and its intent could be effected by merely changing the word "Regions" to "Districts" in Sec. 1 of Art. IV of the Constitution. Bro. A. Zamora of Laredo moved that the amendment, as clarified, be adopted motion was seconded by Robert Longoria of Kingsville, and carried when put to a vote.

3. Amendment proposed by Santa Fe Council No. 33 (Resolution No. 6) to Sec. 3 of Article XIII of the Constitution, providing for the mailing of Lulac News to each member's address.

The Committee recommended that this amendment be rejected, and on Motion duly made by Albert Armendarez of El Paso, seconded by Robrt Longoria of Kingsville, this Amendment was rejected by the Assembly.

4. Amendment to Art. 10 of the Constitution proposed by Laredo Council No. 12 (Res. No. 8), prescribing method of determining number of delegates to the National Assembly for the local councils.

The Committee recommended the adoption of this Amendment. Motion by Ben Canales of Houston to reject the recommendation of the Committes, seconded by Jake Rodriguez of San Antonio, passed when put to a vote thereby defeating the proposed amendment.

At this juncture, the President announced that in view of the fact that Brother Manuel Esueda, Regional Governor for California, had to leave for California early this afternoon, he was asking the Chairman of the Res-Committee to read two resolutions submitted by Bro. Esqueda at this time, before proceeding to the reading of the rest of the constitutional amendments. Bro. Laurel then read.

Resolution No. 20 submitted by the Regional Governor of California, that the Regional Governor of that Region be given, to take back with him, signed charters to be delivered to the councils to be installed by him in that Region.

The Committee recommended the adoption of this Resolution, and on motion made by Ben Canales of Houston, duly seconded, it was adopted by the Assembly.

Resolution No. 21 also submitted by the Regional Governor of California "that the State of Calif. be authorized to use all the funds collected from its members in dues in the State of California for organizational purposes, and that its financial obligation to the National Office be the sum of \$1.00 per member per year."

The Committee recomended that this Resolution be rejected. Joe Garza of Corpus Christi then moved that this Resolution be accepted and that California be permitted to pay \$1.00 per member to the National Office for a period of one year; this was seconded by Bob Cruz of San Antonio, and after considerable discusison in which Bro. Esqueda participated and anounced that the one year period would be very satisfactory to California, the motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Recess at 12:30 p.m.

During the noon hour a barbeque was given at the Water plant.

The Asembly reconvened at 3:10 p.m., with President Garza presiding.

Bro. Oscar Laurel then read:

Constitutional Amendement No. 5, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12 (Res. No. 9, proposing an amendement to Art. XI of the Constitution by adding a section thereto creating a Board of Advisors to be composed of all Past National Presidents and Past Presidents General.

The Committee recommended the adoption of this amendment. Robert Longoria of Kingsville moved that the resolution be adopted, second by Carlos Martinez of Alice. When put to a vote this motion was defeated and the proposed amendment rejected.

Constitutional Amendement No. 6, submitted by Galveston Council, (Res. No. 18), to Art. 4, Sec. 7 of the Constitution, requiring that Regional Governor meet quarterly with their District Governors.

The Committee recommended the adoption of this amendment, and on motion made by Ben Canales of Houston, Seconded by Sandaval of Galveston, the amendement was adopted by the assembly.

Bro. Oscar Laurel, then read the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 1, by Palacios Council No. 184 and El Campo Council No. 110, that the National officers contact proper Mexican authorities to remove Matagorda County from the Black List of the Mexican Government.

The Committee recommended the adoption of this Resolution and on motion by John Esquivel, seconded by Harry Comfort, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 2, submitted by San Antonio ouncil No.2, providing for the award of certificates of merit to outstanding Lulacs.

Recommended by the Committee on Resolutions, and on motion by Harry Comfort, Seconded by A. Zamora, was adopted.



Resolution No. 4, submitted by El Paso Council No. 132, providing for payment of Registration fees at National Assembly in quarterly installments.

The Committee recommended that the resolution be rejected, and on motion by Jake Rodriguez, seconded by Mike Trujillo, was rejected by the Assembly.

At this juncture the President read a telegram from Ruth Trujillo, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Second National Vice President of the League, expressing her regrets at being unable to attend the convention on account of sickness.

Resolution No. 10, introduced by J. T. Canales of Brownsville, Honorary Life Member of the League, to request the Governor of Texas and others to honor the memory of the "Angel of Goliad" by the erection of a School of Nursing.

The Resolutions Committee recommended that this resolution, with slight change in wording, be adopted, and on motion by Robert Longoria, seconded and carried, was adopted by the Assembly with the change recommended by the committee.

Resolution No. 11, submitted by Alice Council No. 146, calling for plan for the sponsorship of publication of Lulac News by the various local councils.

Recommended for adoption by the Committee, on motion by A. Zamora, seconded by Harry Comfort, this resolution was adopted by the Assembly.

Resolution No. 12, submitted by Kingsville Council No. 24, condemning the use of "Wet Back" labor.

Recommended for approval by the Committee, this resolution on motion by John Esquivel of San Antonio, Seconded by Ricardo Martinez of Alice, was adopted.

Resolution No. 13, submitted by Laredo Council No. 12, that the National Security Training Commission and the Congress of the U. S. give due consideration to the plan of Dr. Grusendorf.

Recommended for adoption by the Committee. Joe Garza of Corpus Christi, moved the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Bob Cruz of San Antonio, and aproved by the assembly.

Resolution No. 14, submitted by the Galveston and San Antonio Councils, condemning "mas-voting."

Recommended by adoption by the Committee, and adopted by the assembly on motion made by John Esquivel, Seconded by A. Zamora of Laredo.

Resolution No. 15, submitted by Austin Council No. 85, urging the reawakening of a national conscience and a desire for a national unity.

The committee recommended that this resolution be rejected, but on motion by A. Zamora of Laredo, seconded by Raul Cortez of San Antonio, was adopted by the Assembly.

Resolution No. 16, submitted by the El Paso and Houston Councils, expressing opposition to the importation of contract alien labor.

Recommended for approval by the committee, this Resolution was adopted on motion by Eugene Gutierrez, seconded by Joe Garza of Corpus Christi and carried.

Resolution No. 17, submitted by the El Paso and Houston Councils, that this organization go record as opposing all practices calculated to obstruct the development of public housing.

Recommended for approval by the Committee, this resolution was adopted by the assembly on motion by Joe Garza of Corpus Christi, seconded by John Esquivel of San Antonio.

Resolution No. 19, submitted by Galveston Council, that the Supreme Council be required to notify, within one month, all councils as to the names and addresses of the new officers and the standing of each council.

Recommended for approval by the Committee, this resolution was adopted by the Assembly on motion duly made, seconded and carried.

Resolution No. 22, submitted by Corpus Christi No. 1, paying tribute to the memory of the late E. H. Marin of Corpus Christi.

Recommended for approval by the Committee this resolution was adopted by the Assembly on motion duly made by Raul Cortez of San Antonio, seconded A. Zamora of Laredo.

Resolution No. 23, submitted by the Resolutions Committee, thanking the City and County officials of Laredo and Webb County for hospitality extended to all visiting delegates.

Harry Comfort of San Antonio moved the adoption of this resolution, seconded by A. Zamora of Laredo, and carried when put to a vote.

At this juncture, President Garza read telegrams from Tom Sutherland of the Texas Council for the Study of Human Relations and from James Tafolla, Past President General of the League.

The telegram from Tom Sutherland contained an invitation to all Lulacs to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in Austin, July 13-14 1951; President Garza then called on Gus C. Garcia of San Antonio, a member of that Council, to say a few words in connection with that meeting. Garcia was followed by Joe Garza of Corpus Christi, another member of that Council. The President announced that telegrams had also been received from Governor Allen Shivers, and Attorney General Price Daniel.

President Garza then announced that before proceeding further with the business session, he was calling on Porfirio L. Flores of Laredo to play "Lulac Polka" a composition of one of the members of the Laredo Council. Bro. Flores rendered the number at the piano.

President Garza then thanked the Convention Committee Chairman, officers and members of Laredo Council No. 12 for their efforts in making this convention a success. He also thanked the following Breweries who had maintained hospitality rooms throughout the convention: Lone Star, Grand Prize, Jax, Falstaff, Pearl, and Southern Select.

Bob Cruz, Reg. Gov. for Texas, then introduced the new Governor for that Region---Bro G. C. Martinez of Galveston, who was elected at the Regional Convention held in January at Houston.

Pres. Garza announced that next in order of business was the election of officers, and declared nominations open for the office of National President; whereupon Bro. Robert



Longoria of Kingsville, placed in nomination for re-election the name of George J. Garza. Homer Lopez of Kingsville then spoke on behalf of the candidacy of George J. Garza. Brother Benjamin Canales of Houston then placed in nomination the name of John J. Herrera of Houston and Bro. Marcos Zertuche of San Antonio also spoke in behalf of Bro. Herrera. He was followed by Bro. Arnulfo Zamora of Laredo who spoke on behalf of George J. Garza.

(At this point Bro. Gus C. Garcia of San Antonio asked for permission to read a telegram; permission was granted by the Chair and Bro. Garcia read a telegram from Dr. Hector Garcia of Corpus Christi in support of the candidacy of John J. Herrera). Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried nominations ceased. Bro. Herrera then appointed Ernest Eguia of Houston as his representative to record the votes and George Garza appointed Bro. Pedro Gonzalez of Laredo as his representative to help the National Secretary in recording the vote.

The National Secretary then read the roll of Councils and recorded their votes; he then read the list of National Officers, and the question came up as to whether the First National Vice President and the National President, being candidates, should vote. After considerable discussion, the President asked the First National Vice President to cast his vote, and the First Vice President thereupon cast his vote for George J. Garza. The National Secretary then announced the result of the balloting as follows: For George J. Garza of Laredo 39 votes; for John J. Herrera of Houston 37 votes. Thereupon Bro. Herrera moved that Bro. Garza's election be made unanimous; this motion was duly seconded and carried when put to a vote, and Bro. Garza was declared elected.

The President called for nominations for First Vice-President: Alfred Hernandez thereupon nominated Albert Armendaraz of El Paso. Raul Cortez of San Antonio nominated John J. Herrera but Bro. Herrera requested Bro. Cortez. to withdraw his nomination, which was done. Bro. Joe Garza of Corpus Christi then nominated Bob Cruz of San Antonio. Bro. Ike Martinez of Laredo then spoke on behalf of Bro. Cruz and Bro. A. D. Azios of Houston spoke on behalf of Bro. Armendaraz. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, nominations came to a close.

The National Secretary called the Roll of Councils and officers and recorded the votes, and announced that Bro. Albert Armendaraz had been elected, by majority vote. Bro. Cruz then moved that the election be made unanimous; motion was seconded and carried when put to a vote. The President declared Bro. Albert Armendaraz elected to the office of First National Vice President.

The President announced that nominations were open for the office of Second Vice President; whereupon Alfredo Garza of Laredo nominated Miss Tillie Gonzalez of Santa Fe, New Mexico; and Alfred Hernandez of Houston nominated Mrs. Carmen Cortez of Houston. On Motion duly made seconded and carried nominations ceased, and on Roll Call by the National Secretary the result of the election showed that Tillie Gonzalez received 47 votes and Mrs. Cortez 20 votes. The President declared Miss Gonzalez elected to the office of Second National Vice President.

President Garza announced that the next order of business was the election of the convention city for 1952. Whereupon, Joe Garza of Corpus Christi asked for the convention on behalf of the Corpus Christi Council, and there being no further bids for the convention, the president announced that city as the convention site.

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Committee Mexican Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Jack White and many others.

The writer has attempted to give you a vivid and true picture of how we can help our "forgotten people" and we must, if we want to lift them from where they are. It is true not all our people are forgotten or fallen by the way side but if we work together the number of these forgotten people will decrease.

All these activities of which you have read have come to pass not because of one person or two but because many have worked together, after others saw what we did then they also cooperated. Our most important reason for success is in our cooperation with other agencies. The response we have had on our past Health Institutes has encouraged us to hold another one at Madonna Center. This health program was held on June 6th through June 27th. Lulac participated 100% in these activities because we felt our people were in dire need of health education. The committee hopes this article will move you and your Lulac Council to participate in activities along this same line. This article is brought to your attention so that you will know and become familiar with Lulac work and its activities for our forgotten people.

We encourage all of you to participate in similar programs in your community. The members of the Health Committee are Mr. Jake I. Rodriguez, Mr. Pete Cantú, and Pete Martinez (the writer) are at your service.

LET YOUR LULAC LIGHT SHINE THAT  
OTHERS MAY SEE YOUR LULAC SHIELD!

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The President turned over the meeting to Bro. Raul Cortez, Immediate Past National President, who installed the new officers. President Garza appointed Bro. Cruz of San Antonio as Natl. Director of Jr. Lulacs.

The new officers then made short addresses, these were Albert Armendaraz, Miss Tillie Gonzalez, Mike Trujillo, who was appointed by the President as Regional Governor for New Mexico; G. C. Martinez of Galveston, Regional Governor for Texas.

After thanking all delegates and pledging his best efforts on behalf of the League for the coming year the president declared the 22nd National Assembly of the League of United Latin American Citizens adjourned.



# MINUTES OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING

LAREDO, TEXAS — AUGUST 18 - 19, 1951

The Supreme Council of the League of United Latin American Citizens met at the Hamilton Hotel in Laredo, Texas, on August 18, 1951, pursuant to call by National President George J. Garza. The meeting was called to order by the National President at 2:25p.m.

The official prayer was elevated by Brother Jacob I. Rodriguez, Lulac Governor of Texas District No. 5.

Francisco J. Flores, National Secretary, delivered a brief address of welcome. Roll call of members revealed the following officers to be present:

George J. Garza, Laredo, National President  
Oscar M. Laurel, Laredo, Executive Secretary-Legal Adviser  
Francisco J. Flores, National Secretary  
Max Garcia, Sr., San Antonio, Special Organizer at Large  
Ricardo Martinez, Alice, District Governor  
Louis Wilmot, Corpus Christi, District Governor  
Joe Aldape, Galveston, Treasurer, Galveston Council No. 151  
G. C. Martinez, Galveston, Regional Governor  
Jacob I. Rodriguez, San Antonio, District Governor  
John J. Herrera, Houston, National Organizer  
Alfredo G. Garza, Laredo, National Director of Health  
Feliz Garcia, Jr., Laredo, National Treasurer

National President George J. Garza explained to those present the purpose of the meeting—the formulation of an over-all program of action to be followed during the ensuing year. He mentioned that the National Office has set for itself the following objectives for the coming year.

1. The reactivation of dormant councils and establishment of new ones.
2. The enlargement of membership throughout the League through the medium of new councils and increased membership in those active at the present time.
3. The formulation of work projects by local councils in their respective communities in order to afford Lulac an opportunity to practice in problems peculiar to certain localities.

Brother Jacob I. Rodriguez suggested to the council that Lulac take a definite stand on questions of national importance which affect Latin Americans directly or indirectly. Whereupon, the Supreme Council went on record as being definitely opposed to the passage of legislation allowing Latin American children below the age of sixteen to work on the fields during the school year. Plans were made for the National Office and all local councils to make these views known by writing Representative Borden (Democrat, North Carolina), Chairman of Committee on Education and Labor.

The Supreme Council also expressed opposition and denounced the practice of hiring "wetback" labor. In regards to the bracero question, the council wholeheartedly supported the plan of the Republic of Mexico to continue the blacklisting of counties where segregation and discrimination

is practiced, until such time as local Lulac councils are satisfied that said discrimination in blacklisted counties has ceased.

Brother John J. Herrera, suggested to the council the district conferences throughout the League be held between now and January so as to keep the name of Lulac alive and get more people interested in the Lulac movement.

Some discussion followed as to the idea that District Governors be given financial assistance in reorganizing dormant Lulac councils in their respective districts. Whereupon John J. Herrera moved that District Governors be paid one (½) of the initiation fees for members of new or reactivated councils. Motion being duly seconded by Brother G. C. Martinez, it passed unanimously.

The Supreme Council unanimously approved individually the following appointments heretofore made by National President George J. Garza:

Francisco J. Flores, National Secretary  
Oscar M. Laurel, Executive Secretary and Legal Adviser  
Felix Garcia, Jr., National Treasurer  
Alfredo G. Garza, National Director of Health  
John J. Herrera, National Organizer  
Max Garcia, Sr., Special National Organizer  
Robert B. Cruz, National Director of Junior Lulacs  
Isaac Sandoval, Colorado Regional Governor  
Edward D. Garza, National Director of Lulac News

Brother G. C. Martinez, Texas Regional Governor, certified the names of the following to serve as District Governors for the coming year:

Jacob I. Rodriguez, San Antonio  
Jimmy Urquidi, Pecos  
Luciano Santoscoy, El Paso  
Ricardo Martinez, Alice  
Louis C. Wilmot, Corpus Christi  
William Carbajal, New Gulf

Brother Martinez reported that other appointments to the office of District Governor will be announced by his office in the near future.

In respect to the problem of reactivation of dormant councils, Brother John J. Herrera moved that the National President be given full powers to appoint Special Organizers to help carry out this work. Motion duly seconded by Alfredo G. Garza and unanimously adopted.

Special Organizer Max Garcia, Sr., reported to the council that on the week previous to the meeting he had oc-



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casion to go to Rosenberg and Richmond and contacted a few members there as well as in El Campo, Cuero, Wharton, New Gulf, Del Rio, Pecos, Midland, and San Diego.

The Supreme Council went on record as approving the plan to have participating members and assess them dues in the amount of 10.00, all of which shall go to the treasury of the National Office. However, at the suggestion of Brother Francisco J. Flores, participating membership shall be restricted to areas where no active Lulac councils exist.

Our National President pointed out to the council that our Junior Lulacs are badly in need of financial help. The Supreme Council decided to give financial assistance to the Juniors and the amount to be allocated was left at the discretion of the National President.

On motion made by Brother John J. Herrera and duly seconded by Brother G. C. Martinez, gavels are to be presented to outgoing National Presidents of Junior Lulacs. Promptly at 5:00 p. m., after motion made by Brother John J. Herrera, the Supreme Council recessed until the next day.

(A "carne asada dinner was had at 7:30 p. m. in Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas Mexico, at "Los Globos" Restaurant, honoring the members of the Supreme Council.)

At 9:30 a.m., on Sunday, August 20, 1951, National President George J. Garza reconvened the meeting of the Lulac Supreme Council.

The Lulac prayer was elevated by Brother G. C. Martinez.

First topic to be discussed by members of the council was the publication and sponsorship of LULAC NEWS. Our National President explained to the members that the cost of printing the News is so high that it is necessary for local councils to sponsor the issues. Thereupon Brother G. C. Martinez moved that the National Office sponsor the August issue and the local councils sponsor all issues thereafter. Motion duly seconded by Brother Alfredo G. Garza, and when put to a vote, said motion carried. As to the mailing procedure to be followed, the Supreme Council decided to have the August issue of the News distributed to all councils, as heretofore, but all subsequent issues to be mailed to the homes of individual members throughout the League. Brother Ricardo Martinez suggested that councils that decide to sponsor an issue of LULAC NEWS should notify the National Office six months in advance.

Brother Alfredo G. Garza, as National Director of Health, presented to the Supreme Council his health program for the coming year, said program to be printed in detail and distributed to all councils in the near future.

Dr. E. M. Longoria Lulac Governor for District No. 3, suggested to the council that the League employ the services of a paid organizer. He also suggested that the name of the League be changed to eliminate the word "Latin," but retaining the initials L. U. L. A. C.

The Supreme Council unanimously approved a plan whereby uniform membership cards and application blanks be used by all councils throughout the League.

The Councils also approved a proposed trip by the National President to California and Mexico City, for the pur-

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S DESK

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needed adrenalin shots to moribund councils in his region. In regards to our own State of Texas, I would like to point out that Bro. John J. Herrera our newly appointed National Organizer, and Max Garcia, Sr., Special Organizer, have been doing yeoman work in waking dormant councils in East Texas from their deep slumber. In West Texas we find our First National Vice President, Albert Armendariz, and our two energetic and hard-working District Governors of that area, Luciano Santoscoy and Jimmy Urquidi, carrying on a remarkably efficient reactivation and reorganization campaign. Therefore, the National Office points with pride to the above mentioned Lulacs, together with the many more who have worked equally hard but those names have not come to our attention, who have Lulac at heart and work tirelessly for the good and welfare of the League.

In closing, I would like to assure all councils throughout the League that this office stands ready and welcomes the opportunity, to serve you at any time whenever you feel that we can be of help.

I'll be looking forward to visiting with you again through the medium of these pages in our next issue. In the meantime, I remain

Fraternally yours,

OSCAR M. LAUREL  
Executive Secretary  
and Legal Adviser

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pose of visiting California councils and discussing with the Mexican authorities the bracero uestion.

National President George J. Garza appointed Brother Louis Wilmot of Corpus Christi chairman of a committee to work out plans for the erection of a Lulac shrine at Corpus Christi, the birthplace of Lulac. Plans are to be submitted at the next meeting of the Supreme Council. Brother Wilmot was given the authority to appoint other members of his committee.

Before adjourning, the Supreme Council decided to hold its next meeting at San Antonio, Texas, at a date to be announced by the President later.

There being no further business to come before the the council, on motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p. m.

(The Supreme Council members were invited to a botana taking place at the Laredo Council's Lulac Home on Houston Street, Laredo, Texas).



# - SO YOU WANT TO BUY A HOME -

By PETE CANTU, Secretary  
SAN ANTONIO LULAC COUNCIL

Being a World War II veteran married with a family and wishing to take advantage of the opportunity offered me under the G. I. Bill of Rights, together with the desire to provide a better place to live for the family, I, like thousands of other Latin Americans, have been house-buying happy.

I want to have a home like those that are advertised every day in the newspaper want-ads, but—

I have found in a spot check that we Latin-Americans in San Antonio are “restricted” from buying these homes.

I believe that I have only touched the surface on this question of segregated housing. To say that this gentlemen’s agreement is un-American is to put it mildly. I should like to ask some of those agencies that are trying to help us, what can we—the common people—be expected to do when we are not accorded the full rights that are guaranteed us by the constitution?

The big men in real estate circles in San Antonio maintain a great front of respectability and community loving, although they are no better than the arrogant and super race Nazis I killed during World War II in Europe.

I do not ask anybody to fraternize with me if he doesn’t want to. I do not ask him to take me into his home; but I do ask and demand that I be allowed to live in a clean and decent home in a respectable neighborhood, that my children be allowed to play in attractive surroundings, free from the danger of disease and humiliation.

Summarizing my spot check of the eight home builders and real estate offices we went to inquire about housing: one told us they did not sell to Latin-Americans; one took our application; one tried to sell us a very cheap house; two told us to come back; three told us they were sold out.

It hurts me to see many of my fellow World War II veterans, who saw war action and who travelled all over the world on a mission to save the world from dictators who have learned to appreciate good living, and who have had the opportunity to compare the conditions of our people in

“La Colonia” with the displaced persons of Europe —there’s but a very small difference.

The very poor Latin-Americans live here in their own “barrios” in very unsanitary conditions. Our local politicians make big promises at election time but after they gain office they become forgetful. We have health ordinances and building codes and they look very nice on paper but they are not enforced as evidenced by the large number of Latin-Americans without sewers or running water in their rotted “jacales.” San Antonio has the highest tuberculosis rate in the country for its size among other distinctions in this same line.

Certainly the elimination of these so-called “gentlemen agreements” on real estate should be one of the Americanism projects that all conscientious citizens should undertake for the progress of our community.

## FLASH BACKS IN LULAC

### November 1931

Prof. Zepeda, a prominent Piano Instructor and Artist with studios at 412 Oppenheimer Building, has honored LULAC with a drawing of the Emblem of the League.

The Supreme Council deeply appreciates Prof. Zepeda’s gift and is greatly indebted to him.

President General J. T. Canales, stopped in San Antonio on Friday the 19th, in route to the Regional Convention at Del Rio. Mr. Canales was warmly welcomed at the regular meeting of the San Antonio Council at the International Institute. He seemed very optimistic about the LULAC outlook.

### October 1932

Chairman of the Educational Committee, Hon. Ruben R. Lozano, has announced the following awards for Lulac Scholarships: Angel Hernandez, Brownsville, \$100.00; Miss Juana Minerva Ortiz, Dilley, \$50.00; and Noe Jimenez, San Diego, \$50.00. Chairman Lozano states that he chose the persons awarded on the merits of thesis’ submitted by them to the Educational Committee.