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## LITTLE LULACS SEEK DIAMOND CROWN



Trinidad, Colorado Issue

Pinedo assails 'wetback' abuses

League launches membership drive

Trinidad posts outstanding record

Trujillo spurs N. M. expansion

Pictured above are the Little League "LULACS" of Roswell, N. M. Members of the team, which is sponsored by Councils 220 and 221, are now making a bid for the state championship at the tournament which is currently underway at Carlsbad.

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## EDITORIAL:

A vigorous campaign in favor of two anti-wet-back bills, which were introduced to the U. S. Senate on June 22 by Utah Senator Arthur V. Watkin, has been launched by LULAC.

The LULAC policy as outlined by National President Frank Pinedo leaves no room for doubt as to where the organization stands on this issue.

For the past several years thousands of wetbacks have roved over the southwestern and western states in boxcars, cowering at the approach of law enforcement officers in the freight yards, beaten into animalistic torpor by hunger and cold, buoyed only by frayed and forlorn hopes of earning the money that would enable them to start life afresh in Mexico.

Many came from Mexico equipped with vigor and a desperate determination to earn enough for a better life. They have returned as broken men with strength spent and exhausted by the senseless struggles of a life revolving around slavish, ill-paid labor, and the degradation of jail and prison cells.

Recently the U. S. Immigration Service touched off a far-flung roundup of illegal residents in Texas and California. This roundup has been and is being bitterly opposed by men who have developed a belated and spurious solicitude in the wetbacks' welfare. LULAC has gone on record as backing the action of the Border Patrol as a means of sparing the wetbacks further sufferings and exploitation in that endless Odyssey that leads to an economic nowhere.

Up to now the men who have hired the wetbacks and in many cases lured them into entering this country illegally have been allowed to do so with

impunity. The wetbacks have taken the risks attendant upon illegal entry and have been forced to pay for their actions. The employers of these men have run very little risk. The actual instances of prosecution against them are relatively few.

From their standpoint the wetback arrangement has provided them with a source of labor at a cheap price both in financial outlay and risk.

In the vast cotton fields of Arizona, located in Eloy, Casa Grande, and Mariposa county, little wetback and no bracero labor has been used in harvesting the crops. The cotton pickers are paid \$3 for every hundred pounds picked and in many instances receive more.

This wage scale almost doubles the salaries paid to workmen in areas where bracero and wetback labor is utilized. And this disparity in wages strikes at the heart of the problem and the motivating forces that have engendered it.

It makes glaringly apparent the desire to obtain a supply of labor at the cheapest possible financial outlay. Each year before the bracero contracts are signed a clamoring cry is raised by the Agricultural lobbyists who thunder that unless Mexican workmen are imported for the harvest the cotton will rot in the fields. But no cotton has yet rotted in the fields of Arizona, and it becomes increasingly evident that none will as long as the growers of that state pay living wages to American citizens.

The southwestern agricultural economy has buckled under the cudgeling blows dealt to it by



## EDITORIAL...

men who have consistently refused to pay living wages to American citizens in return for the harvesting of a crop.

Because of this persistent drive for cheap labor and the continued attempt to capitalize on relatively unfavorable economic conditions in Mexico, the economic and social problems in Texas and other states have been intensified through the reduction of wages and living standards directly traceable to attempts to get labor at the cheapest possible price regardless of the toll that is taken in human life.

This has also increased racial antagonisms on the part of American agricultural workers who hold that they have been robbed of their livelihoods by the importation of foreign workmen. The Illegal Employment of Aliens Bill and the Illegal Transportation of Alien Bill mark a means of advance in dealing with this problem. The first bill would make it unlawful to employ any alien known by the employers to have entered this country illegally. The second bill would authorize Federal seizure of any vehicle used to transport aliens who have entered the country illegally.

As previously stated the Border Patrol is now under fire. It is probably that criticism of their "roundup" will gain momentum as time passes. But it should be apparent that this action is necessary.

Frank Pinedo has already cited the dangers of wetback labor as social deterrents. "We should not import labor until we see that it is definitely needed," he said.

With regard to the two anti-wetback bills, Rev. Matthew H. Kely, executive secretary of the Regional office maintained by the Bishops' Committee for the Spanish Speaking in the Southwest and West, has said: "These bills are fair and reasonable. If they are enacted as laws they will be instruments of justice and charity for American citizens of Mexican descent and for the fugitive aliens themselves. American agricultural workers should be hired in preference to aliens but if it becomes necessary to import laborers the International Bracero agreement already provides a legal means of securing Mexican farm hands.

"Wetback traffic benefits no one except the employer who pays the unfortunate aliens as little as seventeen cents an hour. There is no good reason to tolerate such a situation."

LULAC does not believe that the paramount issues in the wetback problem have been over-simplified or sensationalized to rouse a bogus and momen-

tary flash of indignation. Agricultural workers are important men in any economy although they have been shunted to the bottom of the social scale by our own false sense of human values. We can only respect the courageous spirit of men who leave their own country to tackle hardships and uncertainties in the hope that they may improve the material lot of their families.

But we do feel that their struggle will always be a losing one by its very nature. The story of the wetback represents a lesson in fortitude and human endurance on one side, and a similar lesson in stratagem and artifice on the other. We believe it is right there in crude black and white.

And along with Frank Pinedo and Rev. Kelly we can see no good reason to tolerate the continuance of such a situation.

LULAC officials are clearing the decks for the National Convention scheduled at Galveston over a three-day period starting on June 10 of next year. Buckling down to work many months in advance, they have decided upon the Buccaneer hotel as the meeting site.

LULAC members are urged to include attendance at the convention in their long-range planning. Galveston, teeming with multitudinous points of interest, is one of the nation's most colorful seaports and is certain to give LULAC members a whole hearted welcome.

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Outlines LULAC Policy

## A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

undertaken, the part LULAC played in the Pete Hernandez case. Yet can we be proud that after over twenty-five years of LULAC history we still find that only a dismal percentage of children of Spanish-speaking extraction finish high school, and a still smaller number enroll in college? Are we proud of the conditions under which agricultural laborers have to work when we know that many of these are of Spanish-speaking extraction? Well, I could go on to talk about tuberculosis, infant diarrhea, segregated schools, low incomes, and other problems.

Now let's talk about the "Mañana Boys." These are members who suffer from two maladies: those who keep putting off what has to be done until tomorrow, things like sending in copies of their minutes, paying their dues, going to meetings, and having membership drives; and then there are those members who think that LULAC is a country club-type of organization and that if we let "well enough" alone, all the problems facing the people of Spanish-speaking extraction will gradually wither away and disappear "Mañana," and besides, let somebody else do it, another generation perhaps, our children will be able to do a better job than we can.

I am sure that all the serious educational, health and other social problems will eventually disappear, our country being the great country that it is, but your National President is not satisfied with things as they are in LULAC today; he knows that the work LULAC has cut out for itself is far from done, and "Mañana" is too far away; let's do it today.

"I'll tell you how to get "it" started. I've gotten it started by beginning plans to expand to South and North Texas, to expand in New Mexico and Colorado, and your Immediate Past National President Albert Armendariz left the first week in August to organize California and Arizona. The National Administration will do its part. Your part is to get started on a Membership Drive now to at least double, maybe triple and possibly multiply the members in your council many more times. The expansion into other states is Project No. 1 for LULAC; expansion at home is Project No. 2.

Get started on Project No. 2 right away, name your chairman and set up your organization at your first meeting. Mrs. Rose Chavez, Second National Vice-President, will be chairman of Project No. 2. You will be hearing from her, but get started now. We want more members in every council, more cities with a council, and more councils in some cities.

Yours in LULAC,

Frank Pinedo

National President

Things are not apple-pie in LULAC, yet some would have you think it were so.

From my crow's nest I can see many shortcomings in our League and you should know about them.

While a good number of the failings have in the past been attributed to the National Administration, yet a good house needs a firm foundation. If we want the National Officers to deliver, let's find out what kind of "supports" we have at the base of LULAC, the members who make up our League.

And because I love them all, let me hasten to say that we have many members in our League whose tireless and unselfish efforts deserve our undying praise and commendation, and if some feel that the following is harsh and uncalled for, I am sure I am talking about the other fellows and not you.

We have three types of members in LULAC today who are doing little to merit the proud opportunity of saying: "I am a LULAC member." These three groups, while composed of many shades and varieties, may be labeled for convenience as follows: (1) The satisfied-with-things group. (2) The LULAC has-won-its-glory members and (3) The "Mañana Boys."

The satisfied-with-things group, unfortunately for our League, is a large one. It includes the I-don't-have-time members and those who say "What's the use of working myself to death?" In effect, what these LULACS are saying is that they are satisfied to let things go pretty much as they are. They are content to have a small council in a community which should have a LULAC membership of ten, twenty or many more times the size that it does. They are satisfied to go to a LULAC meeting which is attended by only a small percentage of its members. They are satisfied to have a council that has a hard time finding something to do because what needs doing inevitably involves work.

But the LULAC-has-won-its-glory members also form a formidable segment of our membership that is cooling its heels when it should be hard at work. It's true LULACS have many things to be proud of: the Delgado decision, the countless scholarships that have been given, the many civic projects that have been



## LULACS TO COMPETE FOR BASEBALL CROWN

An array of pocket sized LULACS are making things hum on the baseball diamonds of Roswell, N. M., these days. Johnnie Otero, treasurer of Roswell Council 220, reports that the Little League LULACS, sponsored by Councils 220 and 221, don't leave much to be desired when it comes to belting homers and scooping grasscutters out of the dirt.

In fact their play has been of such a high quality that Aida O. Trujillo, secretary of Council 221, has been inspired to bone up on baseball parlance and can now carry on discussions about Texas Leaguers, batting averages, and earned run records with the best of the diamond fans in the area.

Right now the team is participating in the Little League Baseball tournament at Carlsbad, and the players aren't lacking for a LULAC rooting section. Their pictures are on the front cover of this issue of LULAC News and we hope that they climax an excellent season by winning the tournament at Roswell.

In the cover picture the back row is comprised of Manager Johnny Otero, Donald Grossclose, Mike McQuirk, James Forteson, Jeffrey Newsum, Jack Behnke, Bill Coffee, Martin Otero, and Coach Paul Martinez. In the front row are Bucky Reeves, Tuck Alexander, Larry Carpenter, Julian Linares, Burt Blanton, Lee Blanton, Mark Wishard, and Freddy Tucker.

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## WHAT LULAC MEANS TO ME



by MAURO ROSAS, ATTORNEY

Lulac is an organization devoted to unselfish community service. The most outstanding quality of the organization is the interest and action it takes in making better citizens of all its members, and through that example, better citizens of other members of the community. Lulac devotes of its time and energy in combating retrogression on all fronts, civic and social, and in this I am proud to be a member of our organization. Of prime importance, the organization has as one of its leading objectives to demand and acquire as citizens recognition of those rights granted us by God and set out in our Constitution. Being a member of an organization that strives and works for these ideals in my conception is an honor and a privilege which should be treasured as I am sure it is by all the members.

Mauro Rosas, El Paso Attorney

Dear Lulac:

An important resolution was passed at the Santa Fe, N. M. National Convention making it mandatory for all Councils to submit a copy of their minutes of their meetings to the National Offices, in this case the LULAC NEWS, P. O. Box 1316, El Paso, Texas. Since we have not heard from you, we hope that this reminder will help you. May we hear from you at once?



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# Trinidad Council Proves Active In LULAC Work

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LULAC Council No. 113 adheres to the aims and purposes of LULAC as a national organization. On a local level Council 113 is essentially a service and civic organization. It has been actively identified with projects undertaken by the Red Cross, the Infantile Paralysis Foundation, the Boy Scouts, Tubercular Control, and also with the work of Trinidad Junior College, particularly as it affects the people of Spanish extraction.

LULAC Council 113 provides two-year scholarships for qualified students at Trinidad State Junior College. Recent recipients of the scholarships were Mary Estrada of Trinidad, Hernan Lovato of Sopris, Lydie De Leon of Trinidad, and Rose Vigil of Denver. Scholarships have also been awarded to Isabel

Lovato of Sopris, and Lillian Martinez of Trinchera for the coming year.

Three of Council 113's officials are identified with Trinidad schools. LULAC treasurer J. M. Romero has served as a member of the Trinidad State Junior College Board for the past 10 years. He is presently acting as secretary of the board. Joseph E. Vigil, LULAC secretary, has also been a member of the Junior College Board since 1943, and Fred Gonzales, president of the Council, is a member of the Trinidad School Board.

LULAC also numbers several county officials among its membership. Isaac Sandoval, past president and secretary, has served 16 years as County Assessor. Ed Bustamante, past president and trustee, has acted as Court Clerk

and Recorder for 12 years, while past president Joe LaCrue, who served two terms as County Commissioner, has been appointed Clerk for the Court of Las Animas County.

LULAC Council 113 has also participated actively in the Colorado Latin - American Conference. Officers elected for the 1955 Conference include J. M. Romero, president, and Eliseo Abeyta, secretary. Both are prominent members of Council 113.

Officers of Council 113 are Fred Gonzales, president; Loren Archuleta, vice-president; Joseph E. Vigil, secretary; and J. M. Romero, treasurer. Trustees are J. A. Romero, Joseph Gurule, Jose Vasquez, Fidel Martinez, and Frank Araya.



Surrounded by rolling hills and favored by a temperate climate, Trinidad, Colorado, is richly endowed with scenic points of interest. Pictured here is a segment of Kit Carson Park, a cool, shadow swept glen, which offers an ideal summer retreat for vacationists.





## El Paso Lulacs Set for Fiesta

Juarez Mayor Pedro N. Garcia (center) is pictured as he informs a group of interested LULACS of his intention to send one of his city's finest group of mariachis to participate in the annual Fiesta de las Flores on September 12 at El Paso. On Mayor Garcia's right are F. A. Hernandez, and Eusebio B. Leon. On his left are Alberto Armentariz, and Mike Jordan, of the Austin LULAC Council.



Pictured above is Junior LULAC Frank J. Irigoyen shown in

El Paso LULACS are polishing up final plans for their annual Fiesta de las Flores scheduled to be held on September 12 at Dudley Field from 2 p. m., to midnight.

This year's Fiesta is expected to be one of the best yet staged, and as in years past proceeds will be utilized for the sponsoring of scholarships, the Aoy School Hot Lunch Fund, Boy Scouts, Citizenship classes, and other projects undertaken by the Council.

Juarez Mayor Pedro N. Garcia has assured members of the LU-

his new role of radar operator with the armed forces. Frank, who is 18 and a graduate of Jefferson high in El Paso, is now stationed in Boston, Mass. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Yrigoyen, of El Paso.

LAC Ways and Means committee that they will have the services of one of his city's finest group of mariachis at the Fiesta.

The Mariachis will be attired in "Charro" dress, and will be accompanied in the singing of Mexican songs by a talented young singer dressed in "China Poblana" costume. The singers will take part in the parade and will be on hand throughout the day and night to answer the public's requests for songs.

In conjunction with this LULAC event, several local clubs are sponsoring candidates for LULAC's Fiesta Queen of 1954-55. The winning candidate will be announced at the Fiesta. She will reign in all LULAC activities for the year.

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## *in the News*

### LULAC PRESIDENT VISITS EL PASO

LULAC National President Frank Pinedo recently made a business trip to El Paso in his capacity as Assistant Attorney General of Texas.

But despite a heavy work load, Mr. Pinedo devoted his spare moments to meetings with LULAC Council members. While in El Paso, he assigned Albert Armendariz to the job of spearheading LULAC expansion in Arizona and California, and also outlined proposals to enhance activities in El Paso in a series of conferences with Luciano Santoscoy, National Publicity chairman and editor of LULAC News.

### JUNIOR LULACS PLAN CONCLAVE

Rudy G. Rodriguez, National Publicity Director of JUNIOR LULAC, has urged all Councils to be sure to send delegations to what promises to be the largest convention yet staged by JUNIOR LULAC. The convention will be held in Houston on August 20-21-22.

Mr. Rodriguez has also reminded all Councils to furnish delegates with proper credentials for the event. The convention will be featured by the election of national officers; the crowning of a National JUNIOR LULAC sweetheart, and the selection of next year's convention site.

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"Why is it, darling, we're always out of money?"

"It's the neighbors. They always do something we can't afford."

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### LULAC OPENS EXPANSION DRIVE ON WEST COAST

Albert Armendariz, former National President, this month will tackle the job of promoting expansion of LULAC work in Arizona and the west coast.

Mr. Armendariz will center his activities around LULAC councils at Santa Ana and Placentia, California, with the intention of utilizing these groups as a nucleus for an expanded program in California.

His itinerary also includes a stop at Mesa, Arizona, where he hopes to help form a new LULAC council.

Extension of LULAC activities in these states stands as one of the goals set by National President Frank Pinedo. In announcing selection of Mr. Armendariz to undertake this job, Mr. Pinedo said: "A goal I have announced has been the extension of LULAC in a very real sense to California and Arizona. The responsibility for this will rest squarely on the shoulders of LULAC National Officers. The responsibility for more and bigger councils in Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado will lie with the Regional Governors of these states and with the district governors and councils in these areas. I hope that as the months of this LULAC year advance, everyone can say, 'We do our part.'"

### NEWS SERVICE

EL PASO, TEX.,—Joseph Swing, U. S. Commissioner of Immigration, has reported that the campaign to roundup wetbacks has opened up 15,000 jobs to American citizens in South Texas to date. Mr. Swing said that these jobs were formerly held by aliens who had entered the country illegally.

Mr. Swing, who came to El Paso for a series of conferences with Marcus T. Neelly, district director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, added that the Border Patrol's drive against wetbacks in California has now moved into industrial areas. Almost 70,000 wetbacks have already been deported as a result of the California drive, he said.

"I believe that about one third of the deportees taken out of California have been holding industrial jobs," he said. "The governor of California has informed me that employment compensation costs have dropped by \$325,000 weekly. American citizens who were being deprived of jobs by wetbacks are now able to get work."

The use of braceros who are working for contract wages higher than the scale set for wetbacks is having a salutary effect on business in South Texas, he said. "Merchants have already reported increases in business as a result of the roundup," he said. "And I believe that business people in the Lower Rio Grande Valley are realizing the harmful effects of the hiring of wetbacks on the entire economy."

### BOTTOM OF THE LIST

I make a list  
Of things to do,  
And when at last  
My listing's through,  
I check the items  
and review them,  
Whereon I'm far  
Too tired to do them.

—Richard Armour



# WE DO OUR PART



Committee Chairman Vicente Perez has urged members to throw all their efforts into the selling of tickets for the TV which is designed to raise money for maintenance of the Aoy School Hot Lunch Fund.

Mr. Perez has also reported that it will be necessary to buy informative pamphlets for the 17 members enrolled in the Citizenship Class. Mr. Jordan has informed the Council that an additional 15 students have already been enrolled in his class at Socorro.

Several applicants for scholarships will be screened by Brother Machuca of the Scholarship Committee. Brother Machuca recently gave the Council a brief outline of qualifications required of prospective applicants.

Conrado Ramirez is mapping plans for the Coronation Ball in honor of the Queen of the Fiesta de las Flores. Raul Muñoz will be in charge of arrangements while Gabe Armijo will handle details relating to the parade. Ray Santos, Alex Martinez, Johnny Armendariz, and Gregory Castillo will also help with arrangements for the Ball.

Olga Salazar, of El Paso, has been selected to represent this Council in the competition to determine the Queen of the Feria de las Flores.



Carmen Luna and Geneva Marcilla recently represented the Council at the dance sponsored by Club Mexico Bello.

Mrs. Maria Reyna directed the

successful presentation of an entertainment program for 250 patients at the V. A. hospital under the auspices of the Council.

The Council has voted to allocate \$10 monthly to San Jose Clinic for the purchase of canned milk for babies of needy families.

The Council is now carrying on a campaign intended to educate members in "LULAC." Instruction meetings are now being held weekly.

A campaign to collect clothes, food, and money for flood victims in the devastated Rio Grande area is being spearheaded by Rev. James Navarro, Lulac member here. The Council has also contributed food and clothing to people of the stricken areas.

## Santa Fe, N. M.

Joseph Trujillo, Regional Governor for New Mexico, and Mrs. Rose Chavez, Second National Vice-President, were visitors at a recent meeting of the Council.

New officers elected by the Council are Eppie Chavez, president; Joe B. Garcia, vice-president; Eddie Benavidez, secretary; Rudy Romero, assistant secretary; Vitalio Salazar, treasurer; Manuel Rodriguez, chaplain, and Rudy Alarid, sergeant-at-arms.

Mr. Chavez, Mr. Benavidez, Mr. Salazar, and Mr. Alarid are incumbents. Elected officers were sworn in by Joseph Trujillo.

Applications for membership submitted by Placido Garcia, and Demetrio Madrid have been approved by the Council.

G. G. Lopez delivered a report on a series of meetings held with Brother Francis of St. Michael's School by members of the Education Committee. The meetings were designed to expedite selection of students for scholarships awarded by the Council. Ignacio Pacheco and

Benjamin Ortiz were named as recipients of the scholarships.

LULAC members here are also donating money to the Well Baby Clinic for the purchase of canned milk which will go to the babies of needy families.

## Port Arthur, Tex.

Port Arthur Junior Lulacs are posting a record of extensive achievement here. Their work came in for commendation at a recent meeting of Council 217.

Arrangements for the Fiesta Patria program are now being outlined under the direction of President Jose A. Dominguez.

Projected organization of the Ladies LULAC was discussed at the meeting by Mrs. Petra Solis, Miss Dolores Gonzales, and Mrs. Isabel Garza.

The meeting closed after Manuel Vera, Jr., presented a full report of the 1954 LULAC National Convention.

Brother Albert Cadena, who was recently reelected as district governor, lauded Council members for their cooperation in LULAC projects and said that work undertaken by the organization will reach new crests of activity this year.

A move to appoint Brother Manuel Vera, Jr., as assistant district governor, was made by Paul P. Silva. The motion was seconded by Rufus Salas and carried by the membership.

Application of James Manohar Bodden for membership was approved and accepted.





One of the best methods of acquainting ourselves with the varied activities of Lulac Council 90 in Denver is to find out just what the eight committees of LULAC are doing. To name the eight: Economics and Social Conditions, Education, Executive, Commerce and Business, Membership, Publicity, Sports and Recreation, and Ways and Means.

Each committee is essential to the proper functioning of LULAC and all are equally important, but a committee is only as good as its manpower. In this regard, it is the duty and privilege of each member to take an active part in the various committees.

Taking each committee separately: The Economics and Social Conditions Committee is not functioning at present. Mr. Bernard Valdez was named to the chairmanship but resigned as he felt that he could not do the position justice due to his many other commitments.

The Education Committee is headed by Seraphine J. Gonzales, a teacher in the Denver Public School System. There are now 18 members of the committee and it is one of the Council's most active groups. They have held a total of 12 meetings and each gathering has produced definite enlargement on aims of the committee. Several of its members are employed in the field of education. The rest are just as vitally interested in this phase of child welfare.

The graduate social held at the YWCA on June 4 was the result of a long series of planned meetings. Members of the committee gathered the information necessary to make this project a success and carried it through. They are in the process of compiling a list of available scholarships and are hoping to obtain a list of business houses that are willing to give on-the-job training to young Latin Americans. This list would be a source of information to place

these young people in the type of work which appeals to them.

Miss Rachel Lucero, 16, of West High School, has been selected by LULAC as a delegate to Girl's State in June. She was selected through the Education Committee and highly approved by the general Council.

Mr. Lino Lopez is the very able chairman of the Executive Committee. This group is composed of all Council executives and committee chairmen. The main function of this committee is to coordinate the work of all regular and sub-committees. The executive board meets on the Friday before each general Council meeting and during these sessions each committee chairman is given the opportunity to voice opinions and suggestions concerning affairs of the Council.

Ruben Valdez is chairman of the Publicity Committee and he has ably directed a fruitful campaign which has given Council 90 the greatest recognition ever accorded a Latin organization in Denver history.

## Houston, Texas

Houston will be the focal point of LULAC activity this month with the Supreme Council meeting scheduled on August 22 at the Rice Hotel. The National Convention of the Junior LULACS will also be held in Houston over a three-day period extending from August 20, and a large representation is anticipated for both conclaves.

National President Frank Pinedo has reported that all of the district governors with the exception of the district governor of El Paso and Pecos are expected to attend the Supreme Council meeting. A complete schedule of LULAC projects for the coming year will be outlined at the meeting.

The following Supreme Council meeting is scheduled to be held in New Mexico in October.



A motion to admit four new members was unanimously passed at the recent meeting of Council No. 212. The new members are

Jose M. Valdez, Daniel G. Martinez, Carlos Maes, and Edward Casados.

Brother M. T. Medrano, chairman of the Ways and Means Com-

mittee, has reported that the Council's fund-raising project has been attended with unqualified success. The proceeds of this community endeavor were utilized to sponsor a baseball team. The Council was committed to an assessment of \$300 by the Police Athletic League as its share of the cost to sponsor one of the PALeague teams.

Chairman Medrano said that the Council would derive a net income of \$200 after discharging expenditures.

Brother F. T. Duran moved that the Council give Mr. Medrano a vote of thanks for his work on this project, and also for his efforts as chairman of the committee during the past six months.

Brother G. P. Gutierrez, reported the highlights of the "installation of officers" ceremonies held by the Española Ladies' Council on August 1. A representative group from Los Alamos, Taos and Española were in attendance. Also present at the ceremony was Mrs. Rose Chavez, Second National Vice-President.

Brother Gutierrez congratulated Brother Neno Segura on his appointment to the position of Regional Secretary. He also called on the membership to give their full backing to Regional Governor Joseph Trujillo in the drive to expand LULAC activities.

A man who pridefully boasts that he runs things around his home is usually referring to the lawn mower, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, ironer, and all the errands.

Love is like an onion,  
You taste it with delight.  
And when it's gone you wonder,  
Whatever made you bite.

"Darling, do you think of me day and night?"

"No, precious. I must confess there are times when I wonder who is going to run in the next election."





## DRIVE GAINS MOMENTUM-

# Joseph Trujillo Launches Expansion Program in New Mexico

May, 1945, and shortly thereafter was married to Miss Roselia Rivera, of Sandoval, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Trujillo are the parents of four boys and a six-months old daughter. They moved to Los Alamos in September, 1947, when Mr. Trujillo began work with the Zia company as a bookkeeper.

He was subsequently promoted to the position of accountant with the same company, and remained at this job until 1950 when, as a reservist, he was recalled to active duty at the outset of the Korean War.

After receiving his discharge, he returned to Los Alamos to enter government service with the Atomic Energy Commission as cash accounting supervisor with the Communications Branch.

During his three years of service with this organization, he received rapid fire promotions to posts as office manager and chief of Administration and Supply. At the present time he is acting as Security Inspector for the Atomic Energy Commission Security Service.

In May, 1953, Mr. Trujillo was elected to the Los Alamos Town Council along with Sam O. Sando-

val, first president of LULAC Council 212. He is now serving as vice-chairman of this organization.

He credits the unqualified backing of LULAC members with a major role in assuring his election to the Town Council. "Mr. Sandoval and I are the first Spanish-speaking members to be elected to this body," he said. "I believe this can be cited as an outstanding example of what unity of purpose brought about through LULAC can do."

Mr. Trujillo has mapped far reaching plans to enable him to tackle the job at hand. He intends to bulwark the LULAC Council at Albuquerque, and is working to get councils chartered in Alameda, Bernalillo, Las Lunas, and Belen. He has lauded the cooperation of members in New Mexico who have enthusiastically responded to his request for assistance. His objective represents one of the greatest large scale drives for expansion ever undertaken by LULAC in New Mexico.

And already the ball has started rolling with a membership drive which is expected to swell the ranks of new Mexico LULACS considerably within the oncoming months.

LULAC activities in New Mexico are picking up new momentum. And Joseph W. Trujillo, who was recently appointed as LULAC Regional Governor of the state, is playing a major role in the organization's upsurge.

Mr. Trujillo comes well equipped to handle his new post. Born in Bernalillo, N. M., thirty one years ago, he became a member of LULAC in September, 1952, and is a charter member of Los Alamos Council 212. Prior to his election as Regional Governor, he served as secretary of the aforementioned Council.

Mr. Trujillo hadn't been shaving very long when he first entered the army. He was sworn in at the age of 17, and during his five-year tenure in service, he saw action in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. He received his military discharge in

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## DR. LICON CITES WAYS TO COMBAT SUMMER ILLNESS OF CHILDREN

(Acknowledgment: Medical school lectures and medical school textbooks, as well as recent articles which have appeared in medical medical journals, have been the basis for the facts in this short summary.)

The summer is traditionally the time of the year when we are faced with the problem of diarrhoeas in infants and young children. However, this ailment is by no means limited to any one season of the year. It is well to understand that diarrhoea is a symptom and not a disease entity. There are many conditions which have diarrhoea as a part of the symptom-complex, but it is beyond the scope of this brief summary to launch into a discussion of all the varied and sundry disease entities involved. The aim is merely to try to bring out a few pertinent facts that may be of value to the layman.

A very simple classification of diarrhoeas would be as follow:

I. Non-infectious type, i.e. those resulting from metabolic disturbances—glandular or organic disease, food allergies or feeding problems.

II. Parenteral type, i.e. those secondary to throat infections, ear infections, pneumonias, etc.

III. Intestinal infections, i.e. those due to a specific bacterium (germ), a virus or some other micro-organism which has invaded the intestinal tract.

Eighty to ninety percent of diarrhoeas are due to an intestinal infection; however this fact should not lead one to underestimate them as being "run of the mill" diarrhoeas. Particularly in infants and young children, diarrhoeas are

always quite serious or have potentialities of becoming quite serious. The fact should always be borne in mind that a patient with diarrhoea is losing large quantities of body water and chemical elements (scientifically known as "electrolytes"). The human body is in effect a most complex chemical laboratory wherein the chemical constituents of the body are constantly being changed as to concentration and distribution in order to maintain a balance that is compatible with good health. For that reason, when there is a considerable sudden loss of body water and chemical substances such as occurs with a diarrhoea, this balance is disturbed and the patient becomes quite ill, weak and tends to collapse. This of course occurs when the diarrhea is a moderately severe to a very severe one.

Very mild diarrhoea or just a case of frequent loose stools may respond quite well to a regimen of simply withholding food and administering clear oral fluids in small amounts at frequent intervals. If the diarrhoea is more severe and/or if vomiting ensues, all oral intake should be stopped, and a physician should be consulted without too much delay. It should not be attempted to manage a moderately severe to severe diarrhoea without competent medical advice. No rule of thumb can be given for these cases and considerable harm can be perpetrated by trying to follow the advice of well-meaning relatives or next-door neighbors.

It is well to know whether or not the patient has a fever. A high fever is always ominous and requires vigorous counter-measures. Here a piece of good advice that is in point would be that every family with small children should have and know how to use a rectal thermometer. In calling a physician, if you can tell him how much fever the patient has by thermometer, it would aid him considerably in his evaluation of the patient, particularly since the fever may have gone up or down between the time you call him and the time he sees the patient. Furthermore, by having a thermometer at home the mother can be better guided as to how much and how frequently she should administer such simple, but highly effective remedies as aspirin or enemas to bring down a high fever.

For young bottle-fed infants it has become quite popular in some areas to take them off milk and put them on rice-water. This is a good simple measure provided it is not abused. Rice-water is by no manner of means a complete dietary supplement. Thus (if the little patient receives only this for several days to two or three weeks (as sometimes happens) he will develop a deficiency state, i.e. he will be lacking in vitamins, minerals and other important food substances; and his general condition will become worse, including the diarrhoea. Medical consultation should be sought if a diarrhoea

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## PARENTS MUST GUARD AGAINST VISUAL DEFECTS OF CHILDREN

by Dr. Bernardo Villegas

This Fall thirty million American youngsters are returning to their classrooms. Faulty vision will handicap two out of every five of these children.

The near-sighted child will not be able to see the black-board and his vision will be limited to very close surroundings. He will find it difficult to participate in sports and games. Even if he is a superior student, he should have visual care to help him live a normal life.

A greater number will be handicapped because of poor near-vision, inability to read easily and adapt their eyes to close work. Two out of every three first graders who fail to be promoted will be in this category. Obviously, this condition should be corrected.

Cross-eyes, disease of the eyes, and many other defects will contribute to the backwardness of these children in their school work.

Fortunately, modern visual science can bring almost any school child's vision up to par. Therefore, parents should devote more attention to their children's eyes. Although the school teachers and nurses are doing a fine job in detecting abnormalities in the children's eyes, their tests are superficial. A more comprehensive eye-examination should be given the child by an optometrist or medical eye-doctor.



A monthly photographic contest will open in the September issue of the LULAC News. Luciano Santoscoy, National Publicity Director, has reported that a \$5 prize will be awarded each month to the member who turns in the best photograph dealing with LULAC activities.

Prospective entrants in the contest are invited to send their photographs to Mr. Santoscoy at Post Office Box 1316, El Paso, Texas.

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persists for longer than 24 to 36 hours, even though apparently mild. As to other commonly used anti-diarrhoea measures, such as preparations containing kaolin or bismuth subnitrate, these are relatively harmless and may be of some benefit. From a strictly medical

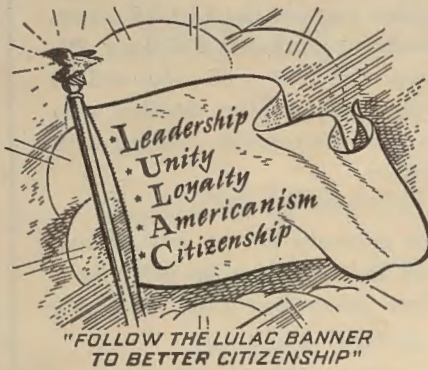
viewpoint, if the fluid and electrolyte balance is restored and maintained, the diarrhoea will also be corrected. However, the management of fluid and electrolyte balance can only be done by a physician and what is here being considered are things that may be of help to the layman until adequate medical advice can be secured; and it is hoped that the few points brought out may indeed be of some help.

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## A Ten Point Pledge for Local Presidents

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2. I WILL promptly adopt a specific program of projects and activities to be fostered during my term in office.
3. I WILL simultaneously appoint a full complement of committees, with capable chairmen who are pledged to perform their duties or resign.
4. I WILL be guided constantly by the rules and regulations of proper procedure as defined in the Constitution and By-Laws of the League.
5. I WILL create interesting programs for each regular meeting of my Council—programs that will convince those in attendance that they belong to an organization that functions efficiently, one that deserves their continued active support because of the worthy purposes being accomplished.
6. I WILL open and close all regular meetings promptly at the appointed hours, wielding my gavel ruthlessly in the suppression of aimless debates or time-wasting arguments over trivial issues.
7. I WILL honor and respect the purpose of the League ritual by opening and closing all meetings with ceremonial dignity.
8. I WILL select capable members to serve on a Ritual Team that will conduct the ceremonial initiation of all new members in a way that will effectively dramatize the basic principles on which the League is founded.
9. I WILL tolerate no ungentlemanly utterances or performances at Council meetings that violate the ethics of good taste, or offend.
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★ WHO can participate?

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★ WHAT is the prize to be awarded?

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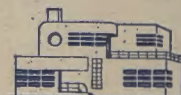
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