

HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

January 15, 2020

HDRC CASE NO: 2020-006
COMMON NAME: SAVINGS ST BOUNDED BY N FLORES ST AND SOLEDAD ST
ZONING: UZROW,RIO-3
CITY COUNCIL DIST.: 1
APPLICANT: City of San Antonio
OWNER: City of San Antonio, City of San Antonio
TYPE OF WORK: Street name change request from Savings St to Rodriguez
APPLICATION RECEIVED: December 20, 2019
60-DAY REVIEW: February 18, 2020
REQUEST:

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to change the name of a Savings St to Rodriguez. The street is bounded to the west by N Flores St and to the east by Soledad St.

APPLICABLE CITATIONS:

Sec. 6-674. - Commencement of the process for changing the name of a street and/or adding the designation of a memorial name.

(a) An application to change the name of a street or adding a memorial name designation shall only be filed with the development services department by:

- (1) A member of the city council;
- (2) The director of development services, if it is determined that the street name change is in the best interest of the health, safety, welfare, and public convenience and safety of the citizens of San Antonio;
- (3) One of the following located on the subject street:
 - a. A group;
 - b. An agency;
 - c. A business;
 - d. An owner of property; or
- (4) An officer or authorized representative of a governmental subdivision, agency, or department.

(b) The official application shall be on a form prescribed by the development services department. A complete application shall consist of:

- (1) The official application form, and
- (2) Required fees (see section 6-677).

(c) In addition to the official application, the following shall be submitted:

- (1) The name and address of all owners of property affected by the name change. The applicant shall submit this information for the purposes of official notification. The development services department shall verify the list of owners of property. An incorrect notification list shall cease the case until such time that a correct list is submitted by the applicant.
- (2) A copy of the complete application shall also be submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation so that a review as provided in subsection 6-675(c) may commence.

(d) There shall be an application completeness review that shall take no longer than ten (10) business days.

(e) From the date of the respective city council action, a segment of street that city council has approved for change of name or addition of memorial designation may not be altered for a period of five (5) years.

(Ord. No. 2011-03-31-0239, § 1, 3-31-11; Ord. No. 2011-12-15-1049, § 1, 12-15-11; Ord. No. 2017-05-04-0296, § 1, 5-4-17)

Sec. 6-675. - Administrative review.

(a) The development services department shall distribute copies of the application for review and comment to:

- (1) Every city department.
- (2) The United States Postal Service.

- (3) Bexar County.
 - (4) Bexar Metro 9-1-1 Network.
 - (5) Applicable School District(s).
 - (6) City Public Service Energy.
 - (7) San Antonio Water System.
 - (8) BexarMet Water System.
 - (9) Texas Department of Transportation.
 - (10) Any other department or entity the director may determine is appropriate.
- (b) The agencies listed in subsection (a) shall have a review and comment period consisting of no more than ten (10) days. The ten-day review and comment period shall begin the next business day following the completion of the application completeness review. All agency comments shall be addressed by the applicant before placement on any commission agenda. If no comment is received by a reviewing agency by the tenth (10th) day, the application shall be presumed acceptable by that agency.
- (c) During the administrative review of the application, the office of historic preservation shall make a determination whether the current street name affected by the application meets any of the following criteria:
- (1) Names a street within a historic district, whether that be local or the National Register;
 - (2) Names a street wholly within, or a street with a portion within, the original thirty-six (36) square mile boundary of San Antonio;
 - (3) Is the name of a primary arterial as shown on the Major Thoroughfare Plan of the city. Should any of these criteria be found, consideration by the historic and design review commission shall be required before the case can be scheduled for consideration by the planning commission, and any recommendation from those considering bodies shall be forwarded to the city council for their review.
- (d) Staff shall schedule the item for consideration on the next available agenda of the planning commission or historic and design review commission, if applicable, following the completion of the administrative review period.

(Ord. No. 2011-03-31-0239, § 1, 3-31-11; Ord. No. 2011-12-15-1049, § 1, 12-15-11)

Sec. 6-676. - Public hearing process for renaming.

- (a) The renaming of streets, including the designation of a memorial name, requires a recommendation from city staff, the planning commission at a public hearing, the historic and design review commission if determined under subsection 6-675(c), and final consideration by city council at a public hearing.
- (b) Not less than ten (10) days before the first public hearing, the development services department shall:
- (1) Mail notice of the public hearing(s) to all owners of real property along the subject street segment as listed in the Bexar County Appraisal District, and registered neighborhood associations within which the subject street segment is located. Notices of public hearing(s) for renaming streets shall contain the following:
 - a. An explanation of the request; and,
 - b. The submitted street name(s); and,
 - c. The general location of the street to be renamed; and,
 - d. The justification for the renaming submittal; and,
 - e. The date, time, and place of the public hearing(s) to consider the new street name(s); and,
 - f. A statement that the meeting(s) shall be open to the public in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and shall provide time for public comment; and,
 - g. Information directing that any written response in favor of or against a submitted name change may be sent to the development services department.
 - (2) Post notice on the development services department's internet website and leave posted throughout the entire public process.
- (c) At the public hearings, the planning commission shall consider the request and make a recommendation on the suggested name(s).
- (d) The planning commission's recommendations and rationales for the recommendations shall be forwarded to the city council for final consideration in accordance with the city council agenda item scheduling procedures.
- (e) Notification of the city council public hearing shall be as prescribed in section 6-676. Should the city council approve the new name(s), the written rationale of the planning commission shall be kept by the city clerk for historical reference.

(Ord. No. 2011-03-31-0239, § 1, 3-31-11; Ord. No. 2011-12-15-1049, § 1, 12-15-11)

FINDINGS:

- a. The applicant has proposed to change the name of Saving St, bordered by N Flores St to the west and Soledad St to the east, to Rodriguez. Saving St is located downtown to the southwest of Central Library. The street is not a primary arterial and no buildings feature a Saving St address. It is located in the City's original thirty-six square mile boundary, but not in a historic district; the eastern portion of the street is located within the River Improvement Overlay 3 (RIO-3).
- b. HISTORY OF SAVING ST AND RODRIGUEZ – The proposed street name change is from Saving St to Rodriguez. The street currently called Savings Street first appears on Urrutia's map in 1767 as an unnamed alley. The 1855 Thielepape map, which is based on survey data from 1852, names the street as Rodriguez. The name also appears on Koch's Birdseye Map in 1873. While no ordinance could be located to document the official naming of this street, research indicates that it was likely assigned the moniker as an homage to Ambrosio Rodriguez. Ambrosio Rodriguez, a descendent of Canary Islanders that settled in San Antonio in the 18th century, was a prominent citizen of San Antonio. The Handbook of Texas Online provides a description of Rodriguez that highlights his participation in the Texas Revolution, notably at the battle of San Jacinto, his financial success and personal wealth which included ownership of enslaved people, and his public service as an alderman. Rodriguez and his family owned many properties in downtown San Antonio, including several near the western terminus of Savings Street. The request to change the name from Rodriguez to Savings Street originated from the Travis Savings and Loan Association in 1965. Their new headquarters, designed by Millard Sheets, opened at the corner of Savings and North Main in 1967. In 1985, Travis Savings relocated their headquarters to the Nowlin Building. By 1990 the Association was in receivership and in 1991 it was acquired by International Bank of Commerce.
- c. STREET NAME CHANGE – The applicant has met street name change requirements as outlined in UDC Sections 6-674, 6-675, and 6-676.

RECOMMENDATION:

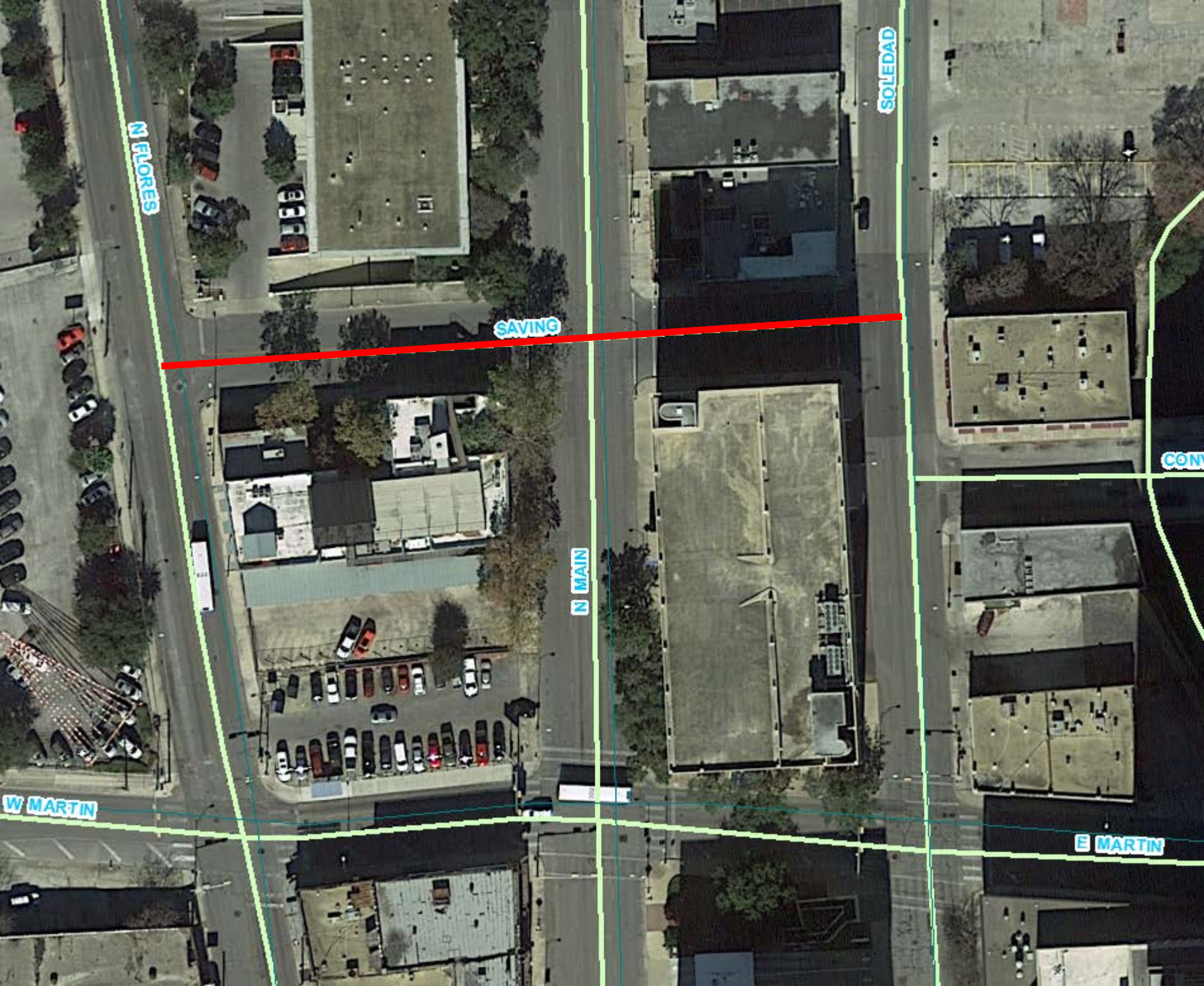
Staff recommends approval of the street name change based on findings a through c.

This aerial map of San Francisco illustrates the proposed extension of the N Line. The route is highlighted in red, starting from the existing N Line terminus at Market St and extending north to the intersection of N Main Ave and N Flores St. The map shows the surrounding urban environment, including residential areas, commercial districts, and parks. Key landmarks such as Fox Tech High School, Central Library, and the Alameda Theater are labeled. Major streets like N Main Ave, N Flores St, N Santa Rosa, and N Santa Clara are also visible. The map includes a scale bar and a north arrow for orientation.

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CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Savings Street Name Change Request Research Statement

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¹ Jose de Urrutia y las Casas, *San Antonio 1767*.

² W.C.A. Thielepape, *Map of Land Lying within the Corporation Limits of the City of San Antonio, Surveyed and Divided in 1852*.

³ *Handbook of Texas Online*, Thomas W. Cutrer, "RODRIGUEZ, AMBROSIO," accessed January 06, 2020, <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fro49>.

⁴ San Antonio City Council, 1965, "Ordinance 33,341," *Regular Meeting of the City Council of San Antonio*, 27 May 1965, Council Chamber, City Hall.

⁵ "New Building for Travis," *San Antonio Express/News*, 29 May 1966.

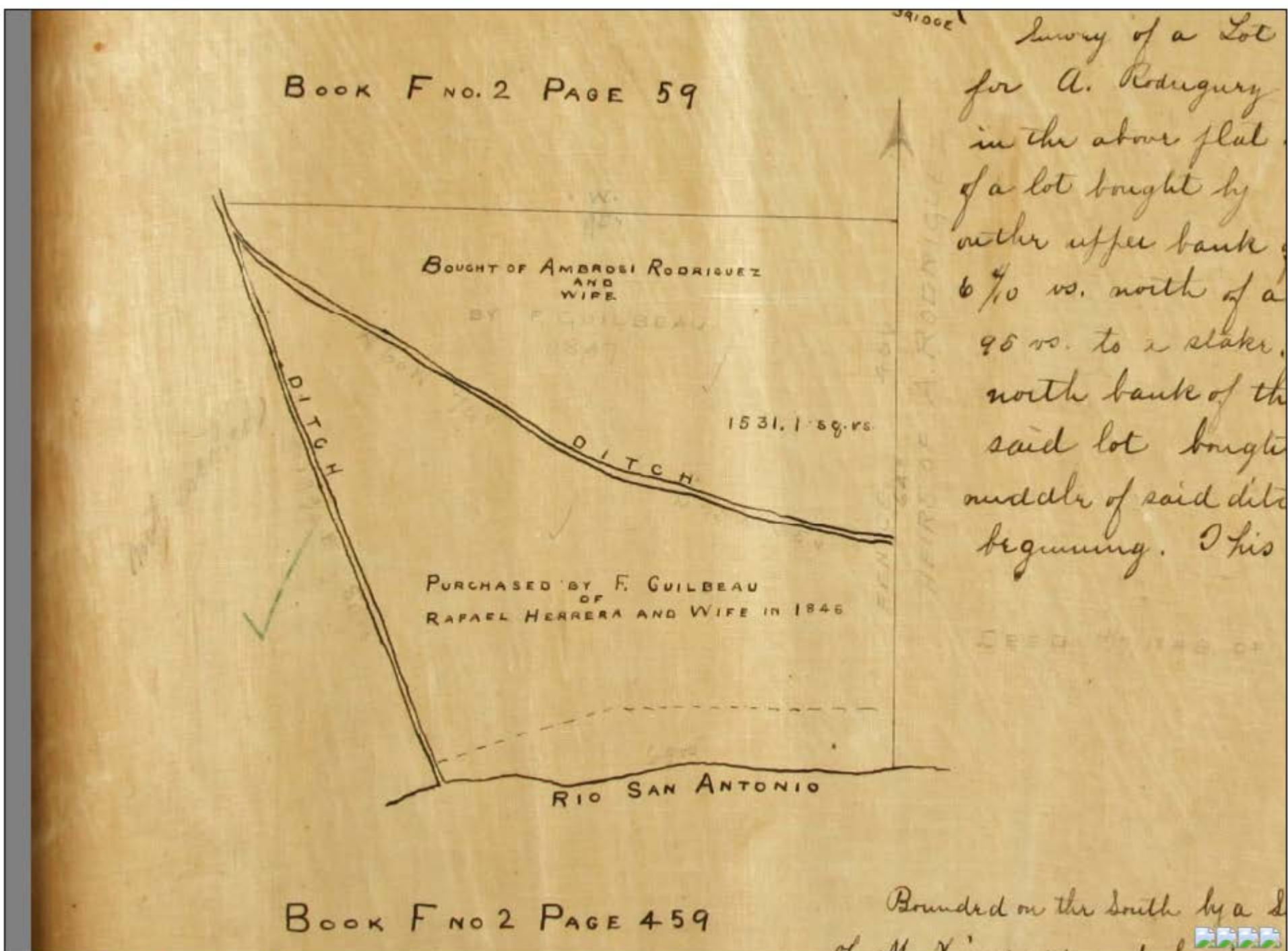
⁶ Leslie Hicks, "Travis Savings sold to Laredo Company," *San Antonio Express News*, 22 Jun 1991.



Save



Survey of a Lot of Ground made for F. Guilbrun on the one part and for A. Rodriguez and M. J. Alvarri on the other, situated as shown in the above plat. Beginning at a stake at the northernmost corner of a lot bought by F. Guilbrun of R. Herrera & wife which is planted on the upper bank of the ditch forming the west boundary of said lot 6 1/2 vs. north of a Hackberry 16 in. in diam. Thence east 95 vs. to a stake. Thence south 40 vs. to a stake set on the north bank of the Ditch forming the north boundary of the afore said lot bought by F. Guilbrun of A. Rodriguez. Thence with middle of said ditch N. 75° W. 35 vs. & N. 60° W. 70 vs. to the place of beginning. This Survey contains 1531.1 sq vs more or less
April 14, 1847



MAP

of the lands lying within the Corporation Limits
of the

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

surveyed and divided in 1852;

accompanied by a table of the contents of the lots in
seven districts together with some remarks

Engraved from official sources and printed

by
W.C.A. Thielepape.

318 SAN ANTONIO.

1855.
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64th St. Block 21. Allen & Stephens*

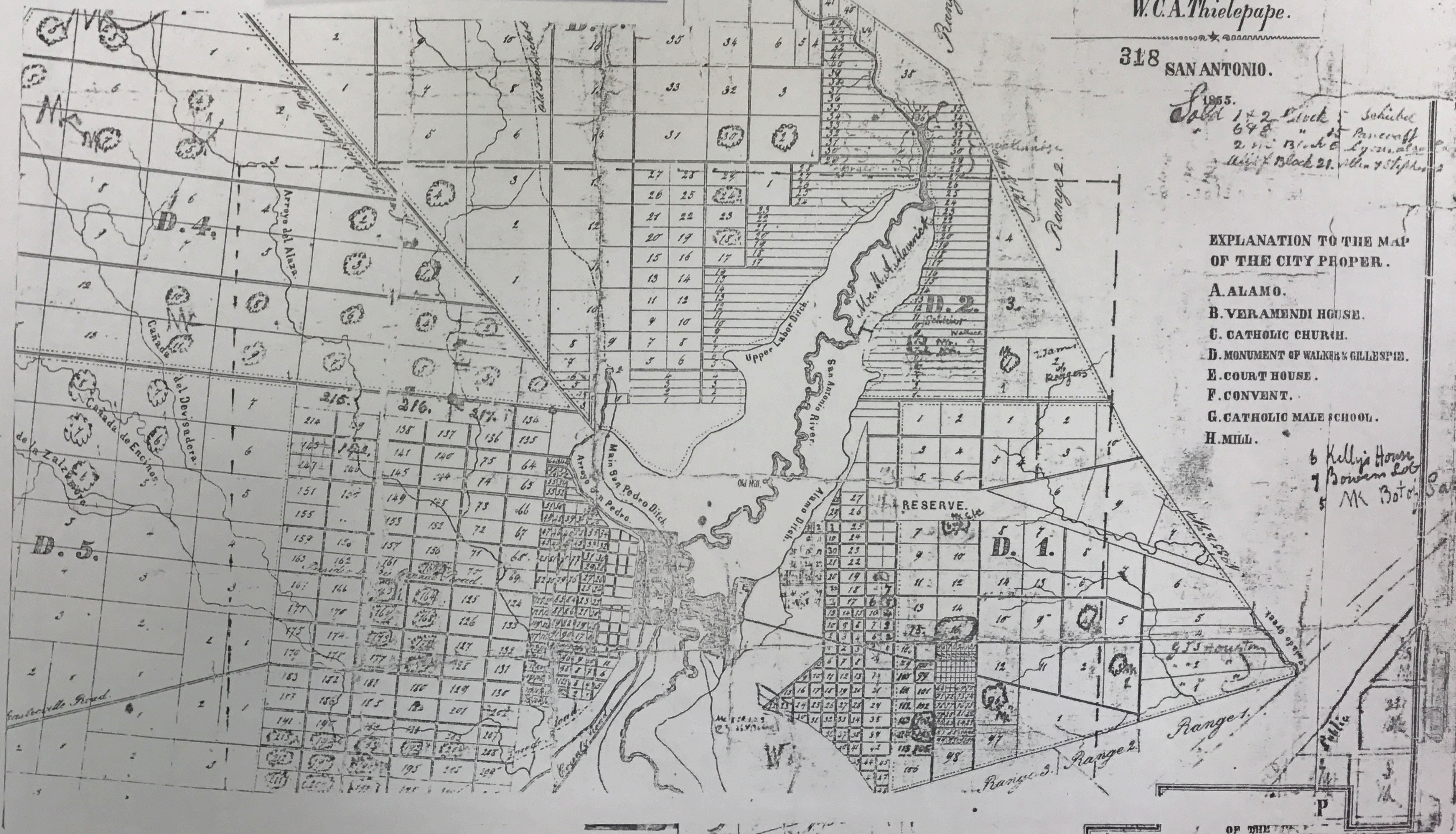
EXPLANATION TO THE MAP OF THE CITY PROPER.

- A. ALAMO.
- B. VERAMENDI HOUSE.
- C. CATHOLIC CHURCH.
- D. MONUMENT OF WALKER & GILLESPIE.
- E. COURT HOUSE.
- F. CONVENT.
- G. CATHOLIC MALE SCHOOL.
- H. MILL.

*6 Kelly's House
7 Bowen's Lot
MK Bot's*

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CONVENT ST.

MARTIN ST.

PECAN ST.

PUBLIC SQUARE

PASEO ST.

WATER ST.

MAIN PLAZA

MILITARY PLAZA

PLAZA DEL VALERO

VILLITA ST.

NACIONAL ST.

REVA ST.

NORTH ST.

RUSK ST.

SOUTH ST.

SECOND ST.

WATER ST.

ALAMO ST.

ALAMO ST.

NEW COUNTY ROAD

Main San Pedro Div.

Arroyo San Pedro

San Pedro

San Pedro

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Scale of the enlarged Map



Augusta St

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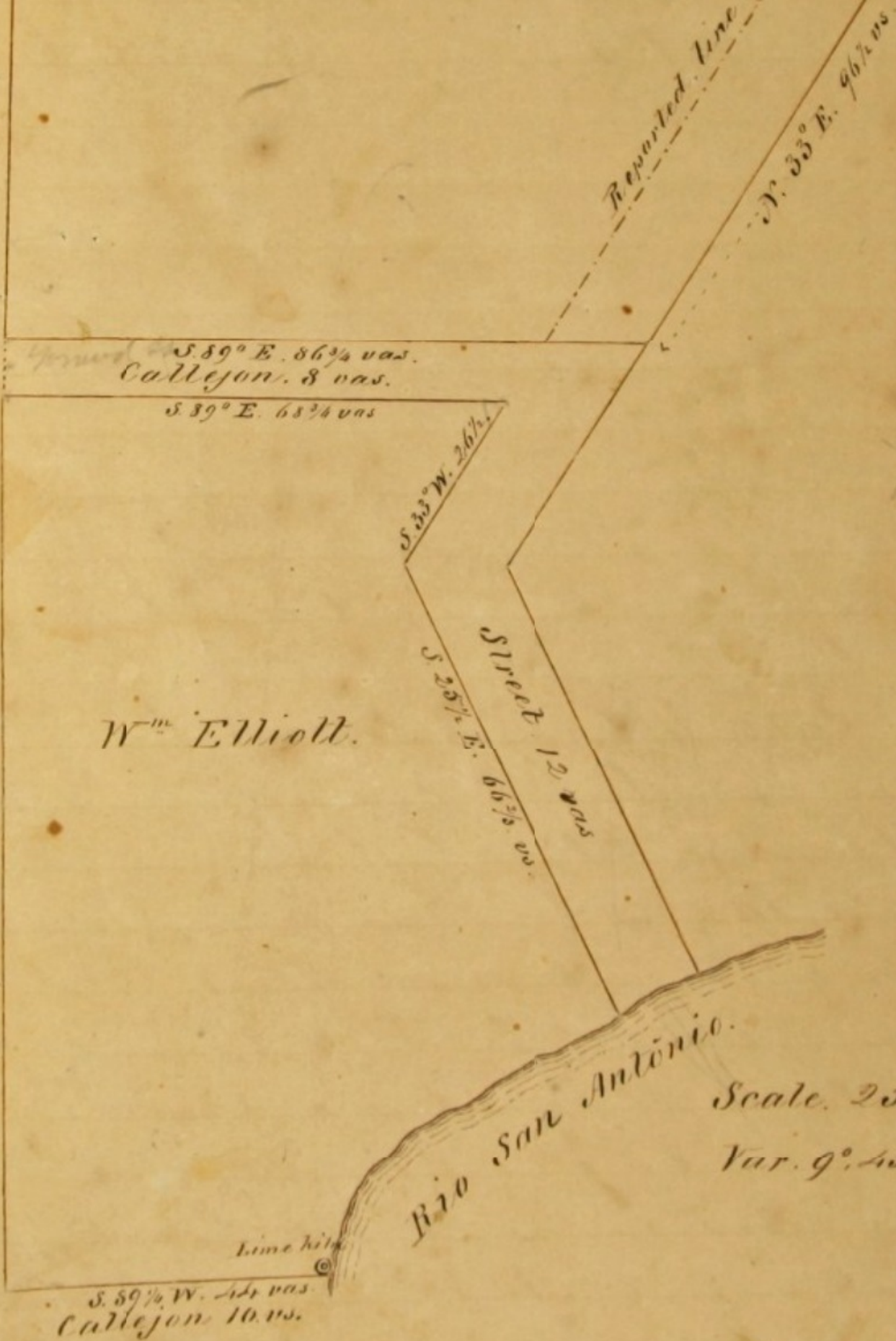
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American History, University of Texas at Austin

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CITY NEWS.

The Weather.

Local forecast—Showers tonight and Friday. Probably thunderstorms. Somewhat warmer tonight. Cooler Friday night.

—An important meeting of the Bartenders' local union was held last night.

—The Highland Shooting club will have a dance at its hall on the Salado next Sunday.

—The public schools of the city will have a holiday tomorrow on account of Good Friday.

—The meeting of public school teachers set for Saturday has been postponed a week.

—The thermometer registered as high as 82 yesterday, the minimum temperature being 62.

—The Fraternal Mystic Circle will give a free Easter entertainment at Elks' hall tomorrow night.

—A well known lawyer practicing in the lower courts joined the ranks of the Salvation Army last night.

—Officer Sueltenfuss reports a culvert at the corner of Peach and Goliad streets in a dangerous condition.

—A horse with a broken hip was killed on Market street yesterday by Officer Busch at the request of the owner.

—Officer Kohr reports a large hole in the culvert at the corner of Rusk and Goliad streets caused by a car running off the track.

—A meeting of the citizens of the Third ward will be held tonight at Shaffer's hall to select delegates to the Good Roads convention.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the West End Baptist church will give an ice cream social at the pavilion at West End Lake Saturday night.

—Revival services will be held every night this week at 8 o'clock in the German Methodist church, corner South San Marcos and Buena Vista streets.

—Mariano Espinosa, an aged Mexican, arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer Derrington on a charge of theft, was transferred to the county authorities this morning.

—There is much complaint of vandalism in the parks of the city and a petition will be presented to the city council for an ordinance making the offense punishable by law.

—Three school boys became involved in a fight on Nolan street yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Officer Kohr responded to the call and sent them home with a severe reprimand.

—St. John's Lutheran church will celebrate Good Friday by two services, one in German at 10 a. m., the other in English at 8 p. m. Holy Communion will be administered on both occasions.

—Mr. Wm. Connelly returned yesterday from Lucas, Texas, and Geo. McHardy with 15 car loads of fed cattle.

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Phone 741. Aug. Limburger, Prop.**MORTUARY.**

The funeral of the late Wm. R. Mabry will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from No. 223 East Commerce street.

Emil Mueller, a carpenter, living at Hays street, died Tuesday night of consumption after a long illness. Deceased was 27 years of age and leaves a wife and children.

Eugene A. Porter, a traveling salesman from Hartford, Conn., died at his quarters on East Houston street last night. Deceased had come to San Antonio three months ago for his health. He was 54 years of age, and leaves a wife who will accompany the remains to Hartford tonight.

Harry S. Lightfoot, a native of Illinois, died on a Southern Pacific passenger train near Tucson, Ariz., on Monday, while en route from San Francisco to this city. Deceased had been an invalid for some years, and had been in California for his health. He was accompanied by his brother, who brought the remains to San Antonio for interment. The funeral will take place this afternoon.

Anastacio Villareal, aged 34 years, dropped dead on South Flores street about 11 o'clock last night, while learning to ride a bicycle.

About half past 10 o'clock Villareal and his two nephews, Matias Chavarilla and Felipe Barrera, went upon the street for the purpose of learning Villareal to ride a bicycle. The latter was making good progress and after half an hour exercise he took "just one more run" north over the street. Chavarilla and Barrera were about twenty-five feet ahead of Villareal when they heard the latter utter a shriek and looking around they say that he had fallen off his wheel backward, and had pulled the young men into his wheelmen who were coming behind Villareal were already at hand, and assisted in carrying the fallen man into his home. Life was extinct by the time that Villareal reached the door of his house.

As near as can be learned he fell from the wheel as he was making a turn on the street. No injury was visible about the man's body and the belief is that he died of heart disease, which was probably aggravated by the first attempt to master the accomplishment of riding a bicycle.

Villareal's family stated Wednesday night that deceased had been a sufferer from nervous and heart trouble for seven years. He was under treatment of a physician and during the day had taken a hot sulphur bath. He was 34 years of age and leaves a wife. Villareal drove an express delivery wagon for a living.

Deceased resided in the rear of No. 325 South Flores street.

Hon. Thomas A. Rodriguez died yesterday afternoon at his residence, No. 109 Upson street, at the age of 64, after an illness of a few days. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis, which came last Sunday.

Mr. Rodriguez was the grandson of Francis Xavier Rodriguez, the head of one of the thirteen Spanish families who came to San Antonio from the Canary Islands in 1731. His grandfather was one of the first men of the Caucasian race to settle in Texas, and at one time owned all the land between San Pedro avenue and the San Antonio river. He also had a fax farm at San Pedro springs and built a portion of the old stone house still standing in that park.

The father of deceased was Mariano A. Rodriguez, who became a captain in the military service of the Spanish government in command at San Antonio, but who in 1810 took sides with Hidalgo in the movement for the independence of Mexico, and afterwards moved to Mexico.

Thomas A. Rodriguez was born in Matamoros, Mex., in 1839. His parents returning to San Antonio from Mexico, he was given his first schooling in this city. His education was finished at Bethany College, Pa.

He served as deputy county collector and assessor, and at the outbreak of the Civil war enlisted in the command of Gen. Santos Benavides in the Confederate army, which command was posted along the Rio Grande. Mr. Rodriguez served on the staff of General Benavides throughout the war.

At the close of the war he returned to San Antonio and was at once elected assessor of the county, and at the outbreak of the Civil war enlisted in the command of Gen. Santos Benavides in the Confederate army, which command was posted along the Rio Grande. Mr. Rodriguez served on the staff of General Benavides throughout the war.

About this time he married Maria S. Rodriguez, a daughter of Lieut. Ambrosio Rodriguez, who served on Sam Houston's staff at the battle of San Jacinto, the two families being in no way connected.

He moved to Atascosa county, where for a number of years he engaged in ranching and the general merchandise business. This was shortly after Atascosa county was detached from Bexar, and that county was wild in the extreme. Mr. Rodriguez did as much if not more than any other single man to bring about the reign of order.

He was elected to the Seventeenth Legislature to fill the unexpired term of Judge D. P. Marr. He also served in the Twenty-third and Twenty-seventh Legislatures as representative of the Nineteenth Electoral district, composed of Bexar, Wilson, Karnes, Atascosa and Live Oak counties.

During the last two years Mr. Rodriguez lived in San Antonio with his children. He is survived by his widow and three children, Thomas A. Rodriguez, Jr., who is employed in the city assessor's office, Ambrosio A. Rodriguez, who clerks in the office of the district clerk, and Mrs. S. Deutschman, all living in San Antonio and vicinity.

Mr. Rodriguez possessed in a high degree the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. In the Legislature he gained the reputation of being thoroughly honest and dignified, and his support, always powerful, was used in the righteous cause. On account of his sympathies the Mexicans always felt that they had in him a friend, and on account of the high integrity of his character, Americans trusted him absolutely. Occupying this unique position, he was enabled to do of great assistance to the Mexicans, and he probably did more than any other man to improve feeling and conditions which existed in this section thirty years ago.

The funeral will be held from the residence, No. 109 Upson street, this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Funeral services will be held at San Fernando Cathedral and interment will be made in San Fernando cemetery.

The active pall bearers are John L. Little, Frank J. Boshardt, F. A. Chapa, Richard Buckley, Victor Esze, Jr., and Dave P. Gallagher.

The honorary pall bearers are A. W. Houston, Bryan Callaghan, W. O. Murray, Sixto Navarro, Chas. P. Smith, Capt. Juan H. Cardenas, Jess. M. Bell and Sam Maverick.

A telegram from Maria, Texas, says: Word has been received here that

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WHITE PERSIAN LAWN DRESSES, made with a blouse front and pointed lace yoke. The Bertha edged with Valenciennes lace, Mandolin sleeves, skirt has deep hem at bottom, ages 6 to 14 years. Our regular \$2.00 dresses, in the Mother's Sale 1.24 for

CHILDREN'S DRESSES in fancy checked patterns, made with a French style lace yoke, with a Bertha trimmed with strappings of white lawn; special in the Mother's Sale for **75c**WHITE PIQUE REEFERS made in the Monte Carlo style, trimmed with embroidery edging. Our regular price is \$1.25. The Mother's Sale price is **73c****Odds and Ends of Linens and Curtains at ONE HALF****Wolfson**
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MAIN AVE**Friday and Saturday Are Remnant Days as Usual**

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John Crosson was killed on March 30 at Naco, Ariz. Crosson had sold out his property at Naco and wrote his mother, who lives here, that he would be home on April 1. The news of the killing was the next news of him received. No particulars are known here. His brothers George and Thomas have gone to Naco to investigate.

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sorts. Will be sold at a bargain. Type in good
condition. Also several hundred pounds of
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ELECTRIC LIGHT AND GAS.

The organization of an electric light com-
pany in our city promises a new era in our
municipal economy. For twenty years our
city has had gas, but its use has been confined
to hotels, saloons and stores. It has been too
expensive for private consumption. The city
has been the largest customer and but for the
city it is doubtful if a gas company could have
existed. Thus the entire body of our citizens
have borne a heavy tax for the sake of keep-
ing up a gas company. With the advent of
railroads and great increase of population,
and spread of business over a larger area,
new opportunities are offered our gas com-
pany to extend their works and place their
light at the service of private consumers. In
the meantime science has perfected a new
light by means of electricity, which has large-
ly supplanted gas throughout the great cities
of America and Europe, especially for public
uses and large spaces.

We have to congratulate our citizens upon
the establishment of an electric light enter-
prise in our city, which in conjunction with
the gas supply will enable the citizens to se-
cure light cheap and safe at a reduced rate.

While a certain amount of rivalry will exist
between the two systems, this rivalry will only
be for the benefit of the public.

Street Railway Extension.

The street railway will soon be completed
down South Flores street and Arsenal street,
making a pleasant circuit through one of the
best populated portions of the city, and em-
bracing its business center.

As a pleasure ride this circuit is especially
desirable. South Flores street has some fine
private residences and the beautiful arsenal
grounds, while the river, falls and old mill
above arsenal bridge is a perfect delight.

Handsome gardens, neat enclosures and
some really fine private residences lie on
either side the track on the east side of the
river.

The street car company will be compelled
to run this extension at a loss, at least for a
while, as the stream of business does not fol-
low a circuit, but keeps mainly on the straight
lines east and west, between railway termi-
nals.

The day will come no doubt when real es-
tate tracks will be laid to reach city additions.
In fact the new street railroad company might
invest their capital in this direction and find a
profit in the sale of building lots; such exten-
sions will have to be kept up at a loss, but
they tend greatly to the spread of a city.

A Laboring Man's Organization.

Cleveland, November 21.—The second ses-
sion of the federal organized trades and labor
unions began here to-day, Richard Powers, of
Chicago, in the chair. The address of wel-
come was made by George A. Collins, of the
Cleveland trade assembly. The following of-
ficers were elected: S. Leffellwell, of Indian-
apolis, president; Samuel F. Howers, of
New York, vice-president; Thomas Murch, of
Maine, and W. H. Foster, of Cincinnati, sec-
retaries. Richard Powers, chairman of the
committee, reported upon labor legislation,
which was the chief topic of the afternoon
discussion. The report reviews the commit-
tee's successful work during the year
in behalf of the seamen's bill, and
the Chinese labor bill before con-
gress, the cigar making and tenement house
bills before the New York legislature, and
the convict labor bill before the Ohio legisla-
ture. Also in opposition to a bill in congress
to declare combinations of seamen mutiny,
and a bill in the Ohio legislature entitled a
bill to prevent intimidation of workmen, which
prescribes a punishment for efforts to persuade
men to leave work on any pretext. A paper
was read by Frank P. Foster, of Cambridge,
Mass., on "Protection versus Wages," which
was an elaborate argument in favor of free
trade and against high tariff. Mark L. Craw-
ford, of Chicago, read a paper on the reduc-
tion of the powers of laborers. The reports
were referred to the committees. The con-
gress will probably be in session four days.

Patent medicine soothing sirups are re-
sponsible for the deaths of many infants, ac-
cording to a paper read before the Chicago
Academy of Homoeopathic Physicians. The
sirups are said to be composed of two cents'
worth of laudanum mixed with a cents' worth
of molasses and water, selling for twenty-five
cents or more. This stuff is administered with
criminal freedom by lazy nurses and ignorant
mothers. The doctors call on the legislature
to pass a law forcing the makers to label the
mixture "poison," as a druggist would do if
putting it up a prescription.

OUR CITY DADS

In Regular Session Yesterday Afternoon.

Present—His Honor, J. H. French, Mayor;
Aldermen Chabot, Dwyer, Degener, Dwyer,
Mauermann, Niggli, Pauly, Schreiner, Story
and Shiner.
Absent—Aldermen Arnold and Minter.
The minutes of the preceding meeting were
read and approved.

PETITIONS.

Citizens asking that a gas lamp be erected at
the intersection of Romania and Augusta
streets. Referred to the committee on gas and
water.

Ed. Braden asks correction of a deed made
by the city to a portion of lot 2, range, district
1. Read and the mayor authorized to make the
necessary correction.

A. Belknap, president of the S. A. Railway
Co., for the right of way across the bridge now
being erected across the San Antonio river at the
Abat ford. Referred to the committee on
gas, water and railways.

Boxer Street Railway Co., for the right of
way through and across certain streets of the
city. Referred to the committee on gas, water
and railroads.

M. Killing, for remission of fine imposed by
the recorder. Referred to the police commit-
tee.

P. P. Nagle, for permission to use a cedar
curbing for a class B sidewalk, to be erected in
front of his property on the east side of North
Flores street. Read and granted.

Col. J. G. C. Lee, for permission to construct
a gravel sidewalk along the south front of the
government reservation on Grayson street.
Read and granted.

J. S. Lockwood and J. H. Kampmann, that
Fourth (Burnet) street, be cleared and made
passable. Read and referred to the committee
on streets and bridges and that in the mean-
time the street commissioner be directed to
have the brush cleared from said street.

E. McGoldrick, for continuance of lease of
meat stall, on the north side of West Commerce
street, between Pecos and Leona streets. Re-
ferred to the committee on markets.

Henry Schepfer, for permission to transfer
meat stall from the north to the south side of
West Commerce street. Read and granted.

Citizens asking that a fire hydrant be placed
at the corner of Austin and Eleventh streets.
Referred to the committee on gas and water.

G. Caen, to purchase one of the soft rock
quarries, to be used as a depository, etc. Re-
ferred to the school committee.

COMPROMISE BONDS.

The mayor, submitted to the council, in be-
half of the finance committee, a statement re-
lative to the compromise bonds, and the borrow-
ing of \$40,000 for 90 days from F. Groos & Co.,
to allow time for the sale of said bonds, etc.,
which was unanimously approved by the coun-
cil.

SIDEWALKS.

The city engineer submitted a report of class
B sidewalks completed and not completed on
Alamo and North Flores streets, which report
was received, accepted and approved.

A petition from John Rosenheimer, asking
that he be exempted from the order requiring
the laying down of a sidewalk, class A, in front
of his premises, on Nreya street, he having
constructed a class B sidewalk before said
premises two years ago. Referred to the com-
mittee on streets and bridges.

MORTUARY REPORT.

A communication from the city physician,
asking whether it is necessary to keep a record
of mortuary reports in his office, as the same
are kept in the mayor's office was read.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on public improvements recom-
mended that property owners on San Pedro
Avenue be ordered to lay rock ornament curb-
ing from Romania to Warren streets. The re-
port was adopted.

Also recommended that the mayor be re-
quested to advertise for bids for the lease of
the piece of ground adjoining the Commerce
street bridge, on the west side of Losoya street
for a term not exceeding ten years, bidders to
state the price, the bidder intending they intend
to erect and the business to be carried on there-
in. Adopted.

The committee also submitted a report from
the city engineer, stating that the bid of Thos.
Cavanagh for constructing abutments for the
bridge at the Abat Ford, and of Saye & Peters
for removal and re-erecting the Houston street
bridge to the Abat Ford, were the lowest, and
recommended that the contract be awarded to
the said bidders, which report was adopted.

Committee on petitions and ordinances sub-
mitted the copy of a decree and the award of
the arbitrators in the Olive street matter, re-
commending that the city attorney investigate
and the matter be settled.

This committee also reported back an ordi-
nance regulating the transportation of powder
or other explosive material within the
second fire limits of the city, was read the first
time.

Fire committee recommended that the fol-
lowing petitions be granted:

W. H. Outerside & Co., iron-clad wall on
Houston street; Jos. Landi, iron-clad building
on Houston street; H. D. Stumberg, lumber
dwelling on Nueva street; John H. Cunningham,
lumber building on Avenue G; Lorenzo Alvar-
ado, lumber building on West Commerce
street; N. Wendlandt, iron-clad building on
South street; Hugh McDermott, lumber addi-
tion on Third street. Adopted.

Committee on gas and water reported an ac-
count of the San Antonio gas company for
erecting gas lamps, etc., amounting to \$125.15
as correct, and recommended payment of the
same.

Also submitted a communication from G. W.
Blackstock, president of the water works
company stating that no change could be made
in the former distribution of hydrants, etc.,
recommending that the proposed change be
made in regard to Seventh street. Adopted.

Special committee appointed to confer with
the president of the water works company, in
regard to the location of hydrants, etc., sub-
mitted its report, stating that the company re-
fused to remove or change any hydrants now
erected, but that they would locate hydrants
wherever the city may direct before the same
are erected. Report received and ordered
filed.

Report of the committee on gas and water,
upon the petition of citizens for three addi-
tional hydrants on avenue C, submitted at a
former meeting of the council, coming up for
action, was read and adopted by a unanimous
vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

An ordinance regulating the laying of water
and gas pipes and construction of railways
within the limits of the city, came up for its
second reading, when, on motion, the same, to-
gether with the resolutions and suggestions
offered, were referred back to the committee
on petitions and ordinances in conjunction
with the city attorney and city engineer.

NEW BUSINESS.

Resolution by Alderman Copeland, directing
the erection of two gas lamps in front of the
new county courthouse, was referred to the
committee on water and gas.

Resolution by Alderman Copeland, requiring
the mayor to ascertain from Mrs. Giraud if she
was willing to sell a portion of her property
for the continuation of Augusta street, and at
what price, etc., was adopted.

A resolution by Alderman Copeland amend-
ing rules No. 14 governing the proceedings of
the council, which was read the first time. A
motion to suspend the rules and put the ordi-
nance on its second reading was lost, not hav-
ing received the necessary two-thirds majori-
ty.

Resolution by Alderman Dwyer, directing
the street commissioner to repair Laredo
street, from Commerce street to the end of the
macadam, was adopted.

Resolution by Mauermann, providing that a
special committee be appointed to confer with
the county authorities, with a view of report-
ing a plan for having but one establishment for
the poor and needy, and appointment of but
one physician, etc., was adopted.

Alderman Caldwell offered a resolution ap-
propriating the sum of fifty dollars towards as-
sisting the citizens to build a bridge across the
San Antonio river, to connect the alley north of

the Faville property with Martin street, was re-
ferred to the committee on public improve-
ments in connection with the city engineer.

An ordinance by Alderman Copeland, amend-
ing the ordinance relative to salaries, was read
the first time.

A resolution by Alderman Pauly, directing
the property owners on Villa street to lay
sidewalks in accordance with class B, was
adopted.

A resolution by Alderman Pauly requiring
property owners on Victoria street to lay side-
walks according to class C, from Water to La-
bor street, was adopted.

Alderman Schreiner submitted a resolution
directing the property owners on the follow-
ing streets to lay sidewalks: Navarro street,
east side, from Commerce to Houston street,
south side, from Soledad to Cameron, Acequia
street, both sides, from the plaza to Houston
street, and Acequia street, from Houston to
Rodriguez street, as per class B, was adopted.

A resolution by Alderman Dwyer, directing
the mayor to have sidewalk, class A, construct-
ed across the alley on Quinta street, was adopt-
ed.

The regular business of the council being
disposed of it went into session as a

SCHOOL BOARD.

Report of superintendent of public school for
the month of October was read and filed.

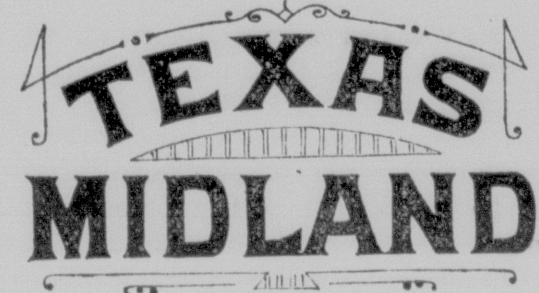
Committee on public schools submitted the
resignation of Mr. W. K. Dobson as superin-
tending architect of the Central school building
and recommended that the same be accepted,
whereupon the resignation was accepted.

This committee also submitted the applica-
tion of A. Wahrenberger for appointment as
architect and superintendent of the Central
school building, and recommended that he be
appointed as such under the same condition
and terms entered into with the former archi-
tect. Adopted.

A committee further recommended that a
contract be made with Mr. James Murphy for
additional work to be done on the Central
school building, which report was adopted by a
two-thirds vote.

Adjourned.

—Two miles of Col. Tilston's Monterey
street railway was completed Monday, Nov.
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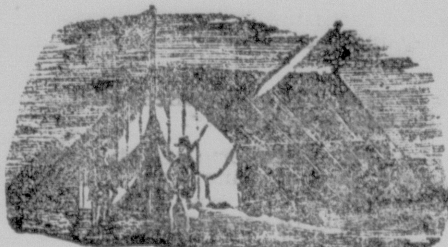
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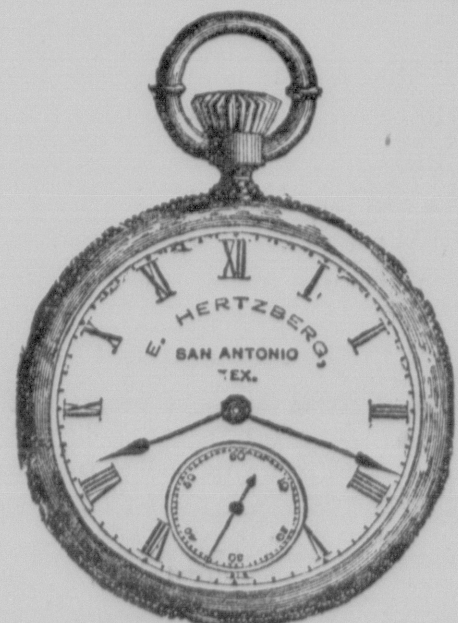
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Fair Admission Called Too High

By JEFF DUFFIELD

Gate admission charges for HemisFair, set recently by the exposition's executive committee, were termed high by City Mgr. Jack Shelley last week.

And while on the subject of HemisFair, Shelley took the opportunity to express several other areas of conflict between his opinions and those of fair officials.

The executive committee last month announced that ticket charges to enter the exposition grounds beginning in April, 1968, will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

"I was a little disappointed to see the charges," Shelley said. "They are too high."

He based his opinion on information he said he obtained from an expert in expositions who is located in Chicago. According to Shelley, the expert said, "The lower the gate prices, the better."

The theory to this is "if you get them in, people are going to spend the money they brought with them."

At this point, Shelley mentioned what probably concerned him the most about the \$2 and \$1 admission charges. "We (the city) may be forced to re-examine our planned admission charges for the tower," he said. "We were

considering 50 cents for children and \$1 for adults but that might be too high for people now."

If the city does lower the admission charges to the tower, it will have an effect on its tower bond retirement program, which also concerns the city manager.

Another area of conflict between Shelley and fair officials concerns concession contracts for the 625-foot tower. According to the manager, fair administrators have indicated they would like to be in charge of contracting the concessions during the exposition.

"They're going to be city contracts, at least the food concession for the restaurant," Shelley added. "We might allow them to go ahead with a souvenir concession they have in the mill, but only if the city gets a percentage share of the sales."

He referred to a deal HemisFair has been working on which would amount to the sale of a small replica of the tower. The matter of concessions for the structure wound up as the subject of a meeting late in the week between Shelley and exposition officials.

The manager also indicated a lack of communications between city and fair staff members concerning the permanent use of pavilions

being built for the exposition.

HemisFair site development planners deal with exhibitors initially and are supposed to inform the exhibitors that whether their structures remain after 1968 is up to the City Council.

However, after previous conflicts over this matter, two weeks ago Lone Star Brewery announced its fair pavilion would be permanent and used as a museum following the exposition with all proceeds received from admission charges going to charity.

It was the first the council and Shelley had heard about the permanency of the structure, according to the manager.

"The lease agreements specify buildings on the site become the property of the city after the fair, unless plans are approved by the council for permanent use prior to actual construction," he added.

Whether there is a matter of dissension between Shelley and fair officials or whether it boils down to only a case of nuclear communications is not known.

But whatever the case, it would be well for all concerned to come to a quick understanding. There are only 13 months remaining before the opening of HemisFair and a total team effort must develop soon or it could be too late.

HemisData

HemisFair is receiving 200 to 250 job applications daily, and there appears to be no letdown in sight . . . the fair's comptroller, JACK TRAWICK, says there will be many openings during the fair, and advertisements will be placed in newspapers next fall for jobs such as cashiers, tour guides, and chauffeurs . . . TRAWICK adds that no priority will be given to people who apply early for these jobs . . . but applications will be taken and screened . . .

No contract has been awarded for work on the federal pavilion . . . but fair officials say the work is the work will be done in two phases . . . with one for the initial clearing of the ground, and a second for construction . . . Groundbreaking is set for April 8 . . .



No one planned it that way, certainly, but the smoke and din of the battle over hospital financing has provided an impenetrable screen behind which County Judge Blair Reeves has begun to shape plans which could have startling impact on county affairs.

Reeves has been moving cautiously so as to avoid any unnecessary clash with the county commissioners over his reform program, but his plans could lead to an eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation with County Auditor Charley Sanderson. The result would answer this intriguing question:

Who is the chief administrative officer of Bexar, the county judge or the auditor?

WHILE VOTERS MIGHT assume it is the county judge, Sanderson has been fencing in so much courthouse acreage in recent years that county employees profess not to know who really is boss.

Potpourri

The board of managers of the Bexar County Hospital District is keeping a wary eye on the board of regents of the University of Texas, and Commissioners Court is keeping an eye on both of them . . . the hospital managers want to make sure they don't turn over the teaching hospital operation to the state while Bexar County is expected to bear the expense of operations . . . that short-lived proposed affiliation drawn up by the board of regents was a little one-sided in favor of the state, the board of managers feels . . .

The hospital board is using the American Hospital Association recommendations on general principles of hospital governing board organization in support of its appointment of an administrator and medical staff for the teaching hospital, instead of the state . . .

Users of personalized license plates this year are getting a glimpse of things to come in the way of advertising . . . the sheets of paper between each personalized plate this year advertised the Texas Prison Rodeo held each Sunday in October . . . also, there is an ad which points out license fees "are used to build and maintain highways" by the Texas Highway Department . . . might be a way for HemisFair to push its message to millions of Texas drivers next year . . .

City Council hopeful RICHARD SANCHEZ is busily trying to lure San Antonio's fishermen to cast their votes his way . . . he promises to attempt to get the City Public Service Board's Brauning Lake open to the anglers if he is elected . . . now while campaigning, he carries a rod and reel with him all the time and atop his car is a canoe bearing messages which urge fishermen to vote for him April 4 . . .

And while on the election, San Antonio can more than likely claim a first among the nation's major cities . . . In Mayor W. W. McALLISTER the city has a 78-year-old candidate and on the other extreme there is 21-year-old college student RICHARD FRANCK running for Place 8 . . .

City Water Board Comptroller JOHN SHIELDS says the utility will not begin sending out return envelope bills like the City Public Service Board has started "because they are too expensive" . . . In addition, he points out CWB records show that the great majority of the return envelopes would be wasted since 60 per cent of the water customers pay their bills at substations throughout the city and another 17 per cent pay at the downtown office . . . that would mean only 23 per cent of the costly envelopes would be returned . . .

Dist. Atty. JAMES BARLOW is losing his second felony prosecution of the new year . . . latest to leave is RAY WITZEL, a five-year veteran on the staff who worked up from prosecuting in jaypee courts . . . he's joining ROY BARRERA and ANTHONY NICHOLAS . . . the first felony prosecutor to leave this year was RUDY GEORGES, who joined JAMES HOPE and JOHN HOHMAN in private practice . . .

The Independent Democratic Precinct Clubs of Bexar County, an offshoot of the defunct Bexar County Democratic Coalition, now operating out of CHARLEY STOUGH's hat . . . STOUGH is coordinator of the clubs . . . It seems the organization couldn't get a certificate of occupancy for its Lexington Avenue headquarters without spending an exorbitant amount of dinero to make it safe from fires . . .

Appointment of JIMMY HOOG to the board of equalization shows just how big a hand A. J. PLOCH is in running the county . . . Judge BLAIR REEVES and Com. ALBERT PENA favored DAVID GARCIA for the job, and Com. JIM HELLAND was for CARL STROMBERGER, the tax chief's tax man . . . when the dust had settled, PLOCH's man, HOOG, had the job . . . GARCIA had been former Judge CHARLEY GRACE's man Friday, and REEVES released him to hire ED CHANDLER, but that didn't keep REEVES from supporting GARCIA for the job . . .

If the City Council and the Library Board do not soon decide on the sites for branch libraries in the northeast and southwest sections of the city, they stand a chance of losing 50 per cent participation in the building costs by the federal government . . . the U.S. has already approved of its participation, but only if the two projects are completed by June, 1968, and that doesn't leave much time . . .

The two groups did finally decide on a site provided by the Las Palmas Town Council for its west branch . . . a second group also offered a site and became incensed when its proposal was vetoed, which led to a lengthy investigation before the ultimate decision was made . . .

San Antonio may soon be the first city in the nation to offer books to citizens by mail . . . Library Dir. MIKE SEXTON has applied for a \$20,000 grant to pay for the project and should know whether it is to be approved in a matter of weeks . . . under the program, a citizen could call or write the library, requesting up to as many as five books . . . they would be found by staff members, pack-

aged and mailed to the individual at no cost . . . the borrower could then either mail them back at his cost or drop them by a branch or mobile library . . . the program is designed to help those persons who cannot leave their houses during the day to check out library books . . .

Red River DAVE MCENERY, candidate for Place 8 in the City Council election, has named GROVER C. MORRIS as his assistant campaign manager . . . MORRIS was once the Bexar County Democratic chairman . . .

The Groves National Bank has petitioned the City Council to change the name of Corcoran Street, which abuts its property on the west, to Bankers Lane . . . It will probably be done since last year the council changed another old-time street name to Savings Street when a savings and loan association requested it . . .

If Com. PLOCH is successful in getting JOHN YATES to take on Com. JIM HELLAND next year because of HELLAND's ringing denouncement of PLOCH, courthouse politics can be depended upon to line up against HELLAND, the lone Republican at the courthouse . . .

Every candidate for public office needs a flashy smile . . . that's why City Council candidate RICHARD SANCHEZ's dentist kicked in with a free teeth cleaning toward SANCHEZ's campaign . . . SANCHEZ, by the way, is depending heavily on Republican support . . . he is a GOPer and wants to see if the GOP really is the friend of the Mexican-American that U.S. Sen. JOHN TOWER says it is . . .

State Rep. GUY FLOYD was "guarding" the rear mike on the House floor against potential opposition speakers to the revised hospital district financing legislation while State Rep. BILL FINCK argued for it from the front mike . . .

ALFREDO VASQUEZ, chairman of the City Water Board, was confronted with a question from a Girl Scout at that Jaycee seminar on city government last week . . . the scout wanted to know how the water board felt about fluoridation . . . VASQUEZ adroitly answered "It is a moot question now" . . .

That seminar proved a bit embarrassing . . . seems only about 75 persons attended the evening program, despite advance publicity about it . . . That Jaycee President MILTON GUESS, "It is terrifying to think that with an election at hand so much public apathy exists" . . .

The City Council has asked the Bexar Legislative delegation to submit legislation soon in Austin to allow for mobile homes to be taxed as real property instead of personal property . . . this would mean mobile home owners would have to pay the same tax rate as home owners and would make collection of the taxes easier than it now is . . . Councilman BOB JONES, a realtor, headed the council committee which originated the proposal . . .

And another bill requested by the council would authorize the city to issue revenue bonds for parking stations, which is not presently provided for . . . City Dads have approved a plan for parking garages in the HemisFair area following the exposition but must have a way to pay for their construction . . . this would be the way, and the convention center would have its needed parking spaces . . .

City Mgr. JACK SHELLEY will learn Monday from his physician when he will be able to resume his duties full-time . . . he has been on a three to four hour work day schedule since an attack he suffered a month ago . . .

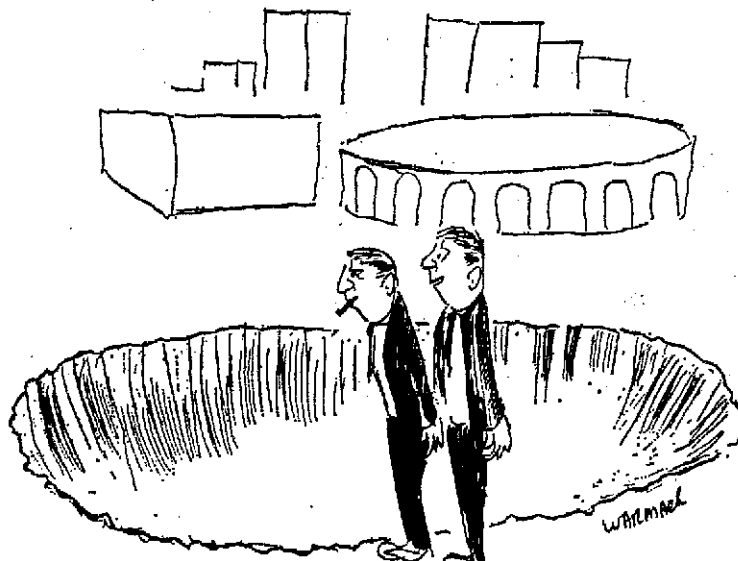
Certainly seems like it is taking that City Council committee studying a proposed dog leash law a long time to report . . . it has been a month already and don't be surprised if final reports are not arrived at until after April 4 . . .

The Citizens Committee for Responsible Government reports if it is elected, it plans for a Mexican-American mayor pro tem . . . JOHN GATTI, take notice . . .

The Citizens Committee for Responsible Government putting out campaign literature resembling \$10 bills torn in half and urging "Don't Let the GGL Double Your Taxes" . . .

CCRG organizer and candidate JOE RAIN-EY MANION debating whether to have an Easter Egg hunt Easter Day on the front lawn of his miniature White House residence . . . if he does, egg participants will receive a bonus . . . MANION will let them hear a campaign pitch from him and his running mates from the second floor portico . . .

The only one of the three members of Commissioners Court on record for increasing hospital district assessments without a prior vote of property owners who is up for reelection in 1968 is Republican JIM HELLAND . . . Judge BLAIR REEVES and Com. OLLIE WURZBACH—who isn't expected to run again anyway—aren't up for another look-see by voters until 1970 . . . and REEVES is convinced that by then, time will prove the efficacy of his vote . . .



Insurgents Hold Fire

By JAMES MCCORRY

The anti-City Hall insurgents apparently are saving their shot until they see the whites of the Good Government League incumbents' eyes.

With the city election only 24 days off, there hasn't been a volley fired heavy enough to be recorded on the political seismograph.

And it well might end that way.

While it's true the GGL City Hall champs are getting older after holding the title for 12 consecutive years, they aren't so old that it is indicative they'll be knocked out in the April 4 bout.

Some of the challengers have had experience—experience in running, but not in winning.

Let's compare the record.

THE GGL, OF COURSE, has put up 45 candidates for the City Council, and has recorded 45 wins. The GGL is going again with a mayor, W. W. McAllister, who has won three past campaigns, a

mayor pro tem in John Gatti, who's won three contests, and two councilmen, Gerald Parker and Roland Bremer, each with three victories. Mrs. S. E. Cockrell Jr., the distaff member of the council, has won twice, and councilmen Herbert Calderon, Bob Jones, S. H. James and Felix Trevino are going after their second win.

Nine of the contenders have offered themselves for public office on prior occasion, and, with one exception, showed a remarkable ability not to amass votes.

That one exception is Roy Padilla, a former GGL councilman who won as long as he ran under the GGL banner, but lost when he broke away and went on his own.

As a GGL'er, Padilla defeated two candidates for City Council without a runoff in 1961, repeated against a like number in 1965 after he jumped the GGL traces. Trevino ran under the GGL banner.

THIS YEAR, Padilla is running with Joe Rainey Manion,

Charles Stough, and Red River DAVE MCENERY, on a ticket called the Citizens Committee for Responsible Government.

Manion, a wealthy businessman who built a home drawn to specifications of a scaled-down White House, ran in 1963 in a race which saw the GGL's Claus Rohlfis pull in 18,300 voters, W. F. Castella draw down 12,900, and Manion pull up third in the four-man race with 3,800 votes.

Stough and McENERY haven't run before, but, like Texas' Pappy Lee O'Daniel and Louisiana's Jimmy Davis, McENERY can play the guitar and sing a song.

The Clean Government League slate presents new faces, and one who has previously offered to sacrifice himself on the altar of public service. The GGL's Ernest Trujillo ran as a Conservative Party candidate for the state legislature in 1966, losing to Democrat Frank Lombardino by the count of 57,000 to 5,700.

The GGL had announced another candidate with a previous race in Richard J. Kopsky, but he declared his political independence from the ticket. Kopsky also ran as a Conservative Party candidate for the state legislature in 1966, a race which saw Democrat Lamorne Holland receive 55,900 votes, Republican Jose Mascardo get 24,000 and Kopsky receive 2,050.

HARRY GERHARDT, who is taking on McAllister, ran in 1959, receiving 2,350 votes of 49,900 cast in the election, and again in 1961, when he drew down 3,900 of 64,200 votes cast.

And so it goes. Former State Rep. Jim Segrest, who received 7,350 votes to McAllister's 25,700 in a 1965 City Council race, and who lost a State Senate battle to Sen. Red Berry in 1966 by a vote of 27,700 to 15,750, is taking on the GGL's James in the 1967 go, along with one other candidate.

Ret. Col. Richard Owen, who went down to defeat by Berry in the 1966 Democratic primary before Berry administered the coup de grace to Segrest in the general election, also is a city council candidate, as is E. J. Gonzalez, who lost by a 2.5-1 margin to Mrs. Cockrell in 1965 city elections.

The unorthodox Sam Snell, who performed the unusual feat of losing two elections in 1964 by pulling up short for the Republican nomination for county commissioner and followed it up by losing a legislative race in the general election, may not be elected to office in his 1967 go for City Council, but in all probability he will be borne out in his prophecy that the GGL incumbents will be re-elected and it's futile at this HemisFair time to run against them.



Come what may, however, Reeves is getting set to propose county action in these areas:

- Definite program to install a job classification system which would take politics out of county salaries and give employees fair compensation for the value of their work.
- Real action to install a central purchasing system at the courthouse and to reap the advantages of bulk purchasing.
- An honest attempt to fulfill the pledge of the court to reduce the number of justice of the peace precincts this summer.
- New efforts to add presently unassessed or underassessed properties to the county tax rolls through a new system of co-operation with the city.

Sanderson over the past two years has staked out job classification and central purchasing as part of his domain, but there's been little evidence of progress.

Now a firm of consultants has offered to get the job evaluation chore done along lines that proved eminently successful in Dallas—and all within eight weeks.

A job classification system has become a "must" for the county if it is to make sense out of its budget, or have a coherent personnel program. As it is, similar jobs pay such wildly varying salaries that the court has found it impractical to bestow across-the-board cost-of-living increases upon county workers.

Reeves is especially interested in the savings possible under a really efficient purchasing system. This is another area in which there has been much talk, but not much action. Members of the judge's staff have found minor items of office supply still being purchased on a piecemeal basis.

ONE RECENT REQUISITION, for example, called for purchase of six rulers and two pairs of scissors. Cost of processing this small order runs to 45 cents—or a substantial percentage of the purchase price.

Though his activities in personnel and purchasing have not produced much action, Sanderson reportedly is prepared to take on the chore of making the study on reduction of JP precincts. Reeves frankly plans to turn it over to a "working" study commission which would hold public hearings and come up with a solid plan—and soon.

The judge (in cooperation with the district judges) can be expected to seek similar action solutions in the areas of job classification and purchasing. As for tax assessments, he's already held several meetings with Assistant Manager Dave Harner and professes delight at progress made toward a co-operative plan to add values to the county rolls.

THERE'S JUST ONE other thing: Reeves plans to ride strict herd on hospital expenditures. What with the forthcoming doubling of hospital taxes, the judge frankly concedes his political future is staked on the way the hospital now will operate.

That's another area into which Sanderson has tried to move. But after an outburst in which he termed the hospital district budget "silly," he's subsided. It seems some of his bosses, the district judges, were appalled by his penchant for barging into sensitive areas and their message got through to him.

HOUSING PROGRAM

Shades of Marie McGuire! The Housing Authority of San Antonio is about to get home safe with the first really big new program of public housing since 1950.

Working in close cooperation with leaders of the Homebuilders Association and San Antonio Real Estate Board, the city's housing honchos have managed to guide a program for 2,000 new units past the deadline for a referendum petition. Final details of the \$30 million program will probably be ironed out this week, and then the machinery for planning, site selection and engineering studies will be triggered into action.

As advertised by the council in December, the plan called for 1,000 new units for the elderly and 200 new units for large families, plus entry of the housing authority into a new field by the buying and rehabilitating of 800 units. Study by the mayor's housing committee has led to some shifts in allocations, but the thrust of the plan remains much the same.

The Housing Authority will also put together a small pilot program to test possibilities of the new system of leasing and then renting vacant units in older neighborhoods.

It's all a far cry from the situation that prevailed just eight years ago when the homebuilders and real estate men shot down a major housing proposal via a referendum.

UNREAD DECISION

U.S. Rep. Henry Gonzalez evidently had not read Judge Henry Graven's decision upholding the method of selecting local federal judges when he issued a blast last week calling for a Justice Department probe. Henry B. made much of statistics regarding the number of Mexican-American names on the court jury lists over a 15-year period starting in 1951.

But Judge Graven pointed out that Judge Adrian Spears, after becoming chief judge of the district in 1962, had conducted a "vigorous and continuing" effort to secure wide representation on the master jury list and that the local court was carefully following procedures recommended by the Judicial Conference of the United States, composed of the highest-ranking U.S. judges. It all constituted a solid legal endorsement of Spears, who, after all, has been one of Henry B.'s own liberal supporters.

THE INSIDE TRACK

Coming up fast as a marrym' judge is none other than the GOP's Judge Frank Vaughan Jr. But he's inheriting some of the trade from his dad, who was a longtime courthouse J.E. Turned out the parents of both the bride and groom of one of Frank's recent marriages had been married by his father . . . Don't sell Sen. Ralph Yarborough short as a candidate for governor next year. It seems students at Yale where he spoke last week got the impression the senior senator might be running. And now word leaks out that a recent secret survey showed Raff looking strong in such a race.

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas business activity dropped one per cent during April and most of the state's largest cities reported similar declines, the Bureau of Business Research said Saturday.

However, eight other cities reported increased business for the month compared to March. Although down a percentage point from March, the month of April was 3.3 per cent above April 1965 and it was the highest April since World War II.

Statewide business activity for the first four months was 8 per cent over the same period last year, the University of Texas agency reported.

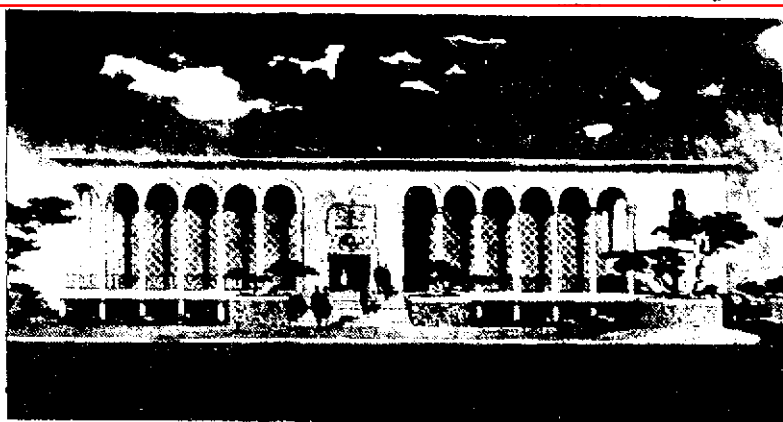
Bureau statistics showed crude oil production was down one per cent for the month but up five per cent for the four months. Retail sales were down 6 per cent for the month but up 13 per cent for the year. Building permits were down 4 per cent but up 20 per cent for the year. Bank deposits and life insurance sales also were down for the month but showed an increase for the four months.

The bureau said total unemployment increased three per cent during the month but was 20 per cent below for the four months.

Among the 20 selected cities used to gauge Texas business activity, Abilene reported business activity down 4 per cent for the month and up 4 per cent for the four months; Amarillo down 2 and up 9; Austin down 6 and up 3; Beaumont up 4 and up 11; Corpus Christi up 6 and up 4; Corsicana down one and up 6; Dallas up one and up 10; El Paso down 3 and down 4; Fort Worth down 5 and up 5; Galveston up 11 and up 3; Houston up 7 and up 9; Laredo down 5 and up 8; San Angelo down 2 and up 14; San Antonio down 4 and up 9; Texarkana up 4 and up 13; Tyler up 2 and up 3; Waco up 8 and up 9; Wichita Falls down 12 and up 9.

Less Holidays

NEW DELHI (AP) — An Education Commission survey showed universities in India conduct an average of 100 to 125 class days a year. The commission recommended a drastic reduction in the number of holidays allowed.



NEW BUILDING FOR TRAVIS—An artist's drawing shows the Travis Savings and Loan Association building to be located at the corner of North Main Avenue and Savings Street. Scheduled for completion in June of 1967, the two-story masonry building was designed by Millard Sheets in conjunction with the architectural firm of Hesson & May. A Sheets' mural depicting the Battle of the Alamo will dominate the building's interior.

A&M Honors Four As 'Distinguished'

SPECIAL TO THE EXPRESS-NEWS
COLLEGE STATION — A Houston oilman, an Austin state official, a College Station congressman and a St. Louis, Mo. utility company president were honored as "Distinguished Alumni" of Texas A&M University Saturday.

The awards went to W.T. Doherty, vice president of the Robert A. Welch Foundation; D.C. Greer, state highway engineer; Rep. Olin E. Teague; and Richard A. Goodson, president of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. Only eight other A&M graduates have received the honor.

Doherty, a 1922 chemistry graduate, has served directorships with Fidelity Oil and Royalty Co., the First National Bank of Houston, Texas National Bank and the Bank of the Southwest.

He earned the American Petroleum Institute's highest award, the "Citizen of Service" for contributions to the oil industry.

He was named to Texas A&M's board of directors in 1953 and served as that body's president for four years.

Greer, a 1923 civil engineering graduate, has held the top post in Texas' highway system

for 26 years. Working for six governors, he has the longest tenure of any highway administrator in the 50 states.

Under Greer's leadership, Texas' highways have grown from 20,000 miles to 66,000 — a \$4.5 billion expenditure since 1940.

The engineer has received top honors in his field, including the McDonald Award from the American Association of State Highway Officials.

Teague, a 1932 graduate, first earned distinction as an infantry commander during World War II. He was discharged as a colonel to take a seat in the 78th Congress in 1946.

Re-elected to each succeeding congress, he is chairman of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and chairman of the House Subcommittee on Manned Space Flight.

Goodson, a 1927 business graduate, is a director of Southwestern Life Insurance Co., the First National Bank in St. Louis, St. Louis Union Trust Co., and the General American Life Insurance Company.

Active in education and civic affairs, he holds office in the Greater St. Louis United Fund and that city's Municipal Opera Association.

College Aid Meet Topic

EXPRESS-NEWS AUSTIN BUREAU
AUSTIN — The coordinating board, Texas College and University System, will hear reports of special study committees and consider allocation of federal aid among state institutions at a meeting here Monday at 9 a.m.

The board's agenda includes amendments to the state plan for administration of the Higher Education Facilities (Building Aid) Act and establishment of priority lists of institutions to receive matching funds for applications submitted under Title VI, Higher Education Act of 1965.

Study committees will report on graduate and professional programs and research, finance, facilities and administrative services; junior college and vocational-technical programs and senior colleges, universities and undergraduate programs.

COMPLETES 10 YEARS

J.E. Bankston, staff manager of the San Antonio north district office of the National Life and Accident Insurance Co., was honored with a celebration on the completion of his 10th year with the firm.

The affair was held in the district office at 7227 San Pedro Ave. where W.L. Fisch is office manager.

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City of Flaming Adventure

Cosmopolitan Population Long Has Been S. A. Tradition

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CHAPTER XIX
From Across the Sea

The population of San Antonio was already cosmopolitan when Texas entered the Union, for some of its citizens could trace their lineage back to Spain;

many others had the heritage of Mexico; and Anglo-Americans comprised a third element. And this commingling of cultures was further enriched by the coming of large numbers of people from European lands.

public, Prince Solms had arrived to launch a German colonization enterprise. He purchased lands, signing the papers in San Antonio in the home of Ambrosio Rodriguez. J. M. Rodriguez, then in his teens, wrote long afterward, "I remember very distinctly the prince riding up, surrounded by a retinue of a dozen troopers; they all had feathers in their hats." Prince Solms founded New Braunfels.

In Texas Republic days, Henri Castro, a Frenchman, had laid out the town of Castroville, twenty-five miles to the west of San Antonio. Castroville was settled largely by Alsacians (Alsace was then a part of France; at various times in its history, it has been a part of

Germany). By 1847, Castro had introduced 2,334 colonists. The houses were similar in appearance to the homes they had left behind; and the little town, to this day, has preserved its Old World flavor.

High Ideals

A liberal political movement in Europe had failed and many came to this frontier region. They were men and women of high ideals and were endowed with the courage to leave their homeland; brave the ocean and start life anew in what must have seemed to them raw and crude surroundings among strangers. Many of the immigrants settled in the wilderness, where deadly savages lurked. The newcomers, who possessed energy, thrift and industry, felled trees, built cabins and planted crops.

Among the new arrivals in San Antonio were men of exceptional education, talents and skills: doctors, teachers, scientists, musicians, lawyers, craftsmen, even some members of nobility. They were destined to play an important part in the building of a city and in the development of this great region.

The contribution of the French was largely in business and the arts. Among the Frenchmen was Augustin Honoré Grenet, born in France in 1823, who was in the wholesale grocery and general commission business here. He acquired part of the Alamo grounds and built

a queer, rampart-looking structure as a grocery warehouse. Grenet died in 1882, leaving an estate valued at over a third of a million dollars.

First Bakery

Francois Gullbeau and his son, Francois, Jr., arrived in San Antonio in 1839. The elder Gullbeau was decorated by the Great Napoleon with the cross of the Legion of Honor. The son established what is said to have been the first bakery here and was the French consular agent. He is credited with having saved the grapevines of his native land by sending plants of muscat grapes for grafting purposes. The younger Gullbeau served as mayor of San Antonio. A street bears his name; and his century-old home, at the beginning of South Main near Gullbeau St., is still standing.

The contribution of the Irish (who lived in a picturesque section known as the "Irish Flats") was — as would be expected from the special gift of the race — in the field of politics, law and government.

Their houses, built in the style of Ireland, but made of logs covered with plaster and adobe, stood on land which the Indians of the Alamo had formerly tilled. When a new house was to be started, the neighbors gathered to help, and the occasion was marked by a celebration — which was humorously given as the reason some of the foundations were uneven.

Greatest in numbers were the Germans — and most varied in the parts they were to take in their new homeland. The towns which they established in the general vicinity of San Antonio were given much of the appearance of towns in "the old country," and to this day they largely preserve an atmosphere of quaintness and charm.

Early Flier

Among the new settlers was perhaps the first man who ever flew in a heavier-than-air machine. Jacob Brodbeck taught school in San Antonio for several years, coming here from Fredericksburg. He was born in 1847. It was while he was living in Fredericksburg that Brodbeck built miniature planes, powering them with spring coils; (the gasoline engine had not yet been invented). Then he constructed a full-size plane, intending to keep aloft indefinitely by rewinding the spring. But as he was sailing around above the treetops, he found the spring could not be rewound while it was turning down. There was a crash, and although he was only slightly injured, the plane was demolished.

In general, the Germans were not sympathetic to the institution of slavery. A German language newspaper, the Zeitung, aroused anger with anti-slavery editorials. When the South seceded, some of the Germans remained loyal to the Union. A company of these, on the way to join the Union Army, was attacked by a Confederate force and was almost wiped out. Some have called the event a massacre. After the Civil War, the bones were reverently gathered and taken to Comfort (settled by Germans), where they were re-interred. Above the single grave stands a monument which is said to be the only one erected in the South by Southerners to Union dead.

Numerous Germans settled in San Antonio upon arriving in Texas, though some lived first in one of the new settlements. La Villita was almost deserted; and many of the Germans made their homes there, altering the flat tops to steep-pitched roofs.

After founding New Braunfels, Prince Solms had returned to Germany and was succeeded as head of the colonization enterprise by Baron von Meusebach, who became an American citizen and thereafter was John Meusebach. He founded Fredericksburg and displayed great qualities of leadership, resourcefulness and courage. He went

bravely into the wilderness to find the savages, that he might make a treaty with the chiefs, and was successful. Meusebach, for a time, lived in this county and was state senator from the district of Bexar, Comal and Medina counties.

The German-English School was organized in 1858, with Julius Berends, a German nobleman, as one of the founders. The first building was dedicated to the poet Schiller. These old rock buildings were located at 419 South Alamo Street.

Built Mills

Carl Hilmer Guenther, born in Germany, built a mill at Fredericksburg in 1848 but there was not enough water. He came to San Antonio, and built two mills here; the upper mill ground corn, the lower mill ground wheat. Guenther St. is named for him.

In 1859, the Menger Hotel was opened. The original building was two stories, of native rock, with a balcony and fine wrought-iron grillwork. The hotel became famous for its good service, large and comfortable rooms and fine food (a specialty was turtle soup, made from turtles caught in the river). The present Menger is greatly enlarged but includes much of the old building. Within the patio still stands a cottonwood which is said to have been there when the Alamo was built.

Even before the hotel was constructed, William Menger established a brewery. In fact, one writer declares the brewery attracted so many customers from out of town that Menger had to build the hotel to shelter them. The beer was stored in a cellar so near an aqueduct that the flow of the water kept the brew cool.

Guests at the Menger have included many of the great and famous: Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, Taft, Harding, Grant and Benjamin Harrison; Robert E. Lee, William Jennings Bryan, Gen. Pershing, Sidney Lanier, Oscar Wilde, Sarah Bernhardt and Gustav Borglum. The Germans in San Antonio retained many of the customs of their native land. They had five meals a day: breakfast, coffee at mid-morning, dinner (at noon), coffee at 4 o'clock, and supper. The housewife kept cake, bread, butter, ham, cheese and coffee in readiness, as neighbors called in the middle of the afternoon.

Also, the Germans brought with them a love for music, and they formed societies where the members sang and played musical instruments. Leaders formed the Casino Association which, in 1858, erected on Market the first club and opera house building. (At one time a part of this structure was occupied by the San Antonio Water Co.)

It was estimated that, in 1856, nearly one-third of the inhabitants of San Antonio were from Germany. Most of the mechanics and smaller shopkeepers of the town were Germans. They had already established some of the enterprises—mercantile and industrial—which were destined to grow until they became great factors in San Antonio's development.

'The Forty'

There came to Texas, from Germany, Ferdinand von Herff, who was born in 1820, was educated at the medical universities of Bonn and Berlin, as well as Giessen, and then was assistant surgeon in the Prussian Army. Becoming displeased with political conditions in the German states, he obtained leave from the Army and was one of the organizers of a group of emigrants known as "The Forty." Actually only thirty-three came, seven changing their minds. A colony was established, its idealistic members having plans of a somewhat socialistic nature.

Dr. Herff went with safety among the Indians treating their ills. He restored the sight of an aged chief by removing the catarracts from his eyes. The grate-

ful chief rode up one day with a gift for the doctor — a very young Indian girl. She probably had been captured in a battle with an enemy tribe. The maiden was taken in charge by the ladies of the settlement, was given an education and married a colonist.

After a year in Texas, Dr. Herff returned to his native land, married and then the couple settled in New Braunfels but moved to San Antonio in 1850. Dr. Herff was outstanding as a physician and surgeon. As a citizen, he was universally esteemed. "His heart was ever open to the poor and deserving." He numbered the great scientist, Alexander von Humboldt, among his personal friends. He was active in the practice of his profession when he was past sixty, dying in 1912.

Beautiful and spacious homes were built, on King William Street. Among these was Wulff's "Castle," which resembles a baron's habitation overlooking the Rhine. It was constructed in 1870. Anton Frederick Wulff was born in Hamburg in 1822, settled in New Braunfels in 1848, then came to San Antonio about three years later. He ran a general merchandise store on Military Plaza, was alderman, mayor and the first park commissioner. At his own expense, he planted trees, grass and flowers for the people to enjoy and so the office of park commissioner was created and he was appointed to the position. In the 1880s, he laid out Alamo Plaza Park and began the landscaping.

Old Mansion

Another grand old mansion on quiet King William Street is that built by Ed. Steves in 1874. Born in Germany in 1829, Steves came to Texas in 1848, living first in New Braunfels, where he learned cabinetmaking. In the late 1850s, he moved to San Antonio, afterward founding a lumber business, which became the best known in the city. The front yard of the Steves home is remarkable for the profusion of tropical plants.

Many of the business buildings and fine homes of earlier times were constructed by J. H. Kempmann, a contractor. The old Kampmann home (later a stopping place for stagecoach drivers) was built in 1854. It is still standing, at 313 Nacogdoches.

Gustav Schmeltzer was a merchant in Westphalia, decided to move to the New World and landed at Indianola in 1849. He came on to San Antonio and was clerk at the Menger. He served in the Confederate Army; returned to the Menger and, in 1871, started the firm of Hugo and Schmeltzer, which later acquired the rampart-like building that Grenet had erected on the Alamo Mission grounds.

Friedrich Groos was born in Germany in 1827 and was graduated as an architectural and civil engineer. Landing in Galveston in 1848, he came to San Antonio two years later, entered the employ of a mercantile company and gained a partnership. He conducted several freighting expeditions into Mexico, some of them lasting seven months and being replete with adventure.

In association with his brothers, Carl and Gustav, he formed F. Groos & Co., which engaged in the general mercantile business in Eagle Pass, extending gradually into banking as well. In 1874, the company moved to San Antonio and soon devoted itself entirely to banking. His brothers died in the 1890s and Frederick Groos continued to operate the enterprise as a private bank, until 1912, when it became a national institution. He died almost at the time that the charter for the Groos National Bank was received. Groos was president of the Ca-

lifornia Association, and, for 20 years, was president of the German-English School. This is far from completing the list, but these instances are given to convey an impression of the substantial achievements of men who came from afar to make their home here. San Antonio would not be the San Antonio we know had it not been for them.

Next: "Bigfoot" Wallace
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International Township Taking Shape

PONDICHERY, India (AP) — An international township, said to be the first of its kind in the world, is under construction here on India's southeast coast, 169 miles south of Madras.

It will be named Auroville, after the Indian revolutionary Aurobindo Ghosh, who after escaping from a British jail during the Indian freedom movement took refuge in Pondicherry, then a French enclave. He later became an internationally famed yogi or holy man who built up a following in 25 countries. The hermitage he built at Pondicherry has 1,400 inmates in addition to thousands of followers abroad.

The township which aspires to be a cooperative laboratory of international living, aims to reflect the spirit of Aurobindo—a monument to the essential unity of mankind. The nucleus will be ready by 1972, the centenary of Aurobindo's birth. The 15-square-mile settlement will have an initial population of 50,000 and will cost \$1 billion, its organizers say.

In a dedication ceremony soon from various countries, flown in free by various airlines, was mixed in a huge lotus-shaped urn which will be kept in the center of the township to symbolize the unity of humanity.

Support for the township has come from Europe, Asia and the Americas. The Indian government also has promised help.

The town will develop on a circular plan, with equal space given to four fundamental aspects of human activity—work, dwelling culture and social relations. The work zone will contain the industries and handicrafts of the self-supporting township. There will be a monorail in the residential zone. Motor vehicles will be forbidden. An international tourist hostel, international airport, seaside resort and a world university are also planned.

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