

Garner Is Given Texas Greeting At Centennial

Thousands of Vociferous Citizens Attest to Affection Which Fort Worth and Entire State of Texas Have for Nation's Second in Command.

BY A. H. MONTFORD JR.

A vociferous frontier welcome was the Vice President's last night as he moved from attraction to attraction and from ovation to ovation at the Fort Worth Frontier Centennial.

It was John Garner Day at the show and thousands of outstretched hands and shouted greetings attested the affection Fort Worth, West Texas and all the State feel for Texas' No. 1 citizen.

And when he climbed aboard his train for home two hours and a quarter past his 9 p. m. deadline for bed, it was with no regrets for lost sleep.

He praised the show, not in stilted rhetoric but in plain-spoken, vigorous language.

"You betcha," he said, "you've got a darn good show. There's nothing like it."

Mrs. Garner turned as she came out of "The Last Frontier."

"It's marvelous, it's wonderful and I'm just about to cry over it," she confessed.

LOOKING FOR BIG CROWD AT SHOW

From the time he entered Pinwheel Boulevard where the Black Dragoon troop of the Second United States Cavalry presented sabers while he rode by, until he made his way out an obscure gate, the Nation's second in command was the focal point of attention.

"I'm going to pay my way in," he announced as he alighted from an automobile. "I pay cash wherever I go."

And he did, despite protests.

A procession followed in his wake as he, U. S. Senator Sherman Minton of Indiana and Amon Carter began a ride through Sunset Trail in a frontier rickshaw pushed by husky John Flynn of Texas Wesleyan College.

"Home on the Range." Garner gazed interestedly at the weatherbeaten buildings that line the thoroughfare and turned to wave as a quartet on the porch of the Town Hall struck up, "Home on the Range," favorite of President Roosevelt.

The trailing crowd gained in numbers as he continued to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Exhibit Hall, where he alighted to see what he had earlier said he did not intend to miss, if he witnessed none of the other features of the show. He referred to the Will Rogers Memorial room.

As he walked about in the reproduction of the humorist-philosopher's Santa Monica living room, he almost lovingly caressed the various objects among which his friend had lived.

He drew Mrs. Garner apart from the rest to point out pictures and mementoes of this and that.

"Everybody was his friend," Mrs. Garner said softly.

The Vice President did not answer.

Outside, he remarked, "This is truly a wonderful exhibit here."

Sign Register.

As soon as he and Mrs. Garner had affixed their signatures in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce registration book they moved to the branding iron display.

There he saw the "JG" sign of his mother, Mrs. Sarah J. Garner, registered in Red River County in 1863. He told a story about the brand, his brother and himself after admonishing newspaper men to regard it as conversation not to be repeated.

While examining the old Texas and Pacific Railway train outside he told Carter, his host, another story. When 13 or 14 years old his father took him to a picnic at Blossom, he said. There he gazed upon his first train.

He grinned, "You know what im-

After a stellar day during which Vice President and Mrs. John N. Garner took the spotlight yesterday, the Fort Worth Frontier Centennial today looked for heavy attendance due to a triple designation—Wichita Falls Day, Rotary Day and Children's Day.

The day's crowd may be added to by a group from Illinois, which yesterday gathered at Dallas with Governor Henry Horner of that State and Governor Allred of Texas as the principal speakers. Both praised the Frontier Centennial and Governor Horner indicated that, although business matters prevent his attendance immediately, he will return later with a large delegation.

Though there was no change in the program today for children, Frontier Centennial officials were ready to present again the finest juvenile entertainment of the century.

For the presence of Vice President and Mrs. Garner yesterday the Frontier Centennial grounds were placed in their best condition and all performers were on their toes, a situation which will be continued today for the youngsters.

New Movie Reels.

Added to the movie reels at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce last night were scenes from Lamesa, Big Spring, Alpine, Snyder and Olney.

Between 400 and 500 persons are expected from Wichita Falls today, according to Dudley Foy, assistant manager of the Chamber of Commerce of that city, who was here yesterday making arrangements. He was accompanied by Charles Reynolds of Center. Both saw the Frontier Centennial Wednesday night and then predicted that many of the Wichita Falls visitors will remain over in order to attend all of the major attractions at Centennial grounds.

Chuck Wagon Dinner.

The famed Wichita Falls Chuck Wagon Club will entertain with a dinner at 6 p. m. today adjacent to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Building, with Billy Rose and Sally Rand as honor guests and a

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200 Insane Patients Endangered by Flood

PUEBLO, Colo., Aug. 6 (AP).—Flood waters swept through Eastern Colorado tonight, leaving heavy damage at the Colorado State Hospital, where 200 insane patients were evacuated when buildings of the institution were threatened.

Two cottages at the hospital were undermined and swept into the Fountain River as it cut a deep wash into the hospital yard, while eight other small buildings toppled into the muddy water.

Authorities of the institution said no deaths occurred. A fleet of trucks and cars removed the 200 patients and the furniture of the institution.

The stream swirled out of its banks after a cloudburst last night, latest of a series of intermittent storms in Central Colorado the past 13 days. Rainfall was reported as

heavy as six inches during the past week in some sections.

This same storm brought new flood threats to Walsenburg, south of Pueblo, where 60 homes were damaged and highway and railroad bridges were washed away in floods Monday night and yesterday.

The first death resulting from the high water at Walsenburg occurred today. Romolo Pacheco, 83, a paralytic, died of shock and exposure. He was carried from his flood-battered home Monday evening by rescuers.

A bridge near Walsenburg was dynamited last night to clear away debris as the Cucharas Creek threatened to pour into the town again.

Hospital authorities said the situation was "entirely orderly" at the Colorado hospital here as the 200 patients were moved to buildings on high ground.



—Star-Telegram Photos.

The Vice President of the United States came, saw and was pleased with the Fort Worth Frontier Centennial last night. His first stop was at the Will Rogers Memorial Room where he and Mrs. Garner browsed over the things among which their friend made his home. They are shown examining the mounted calf which the humorist-philosopher used in practicing roping. The lower picture

shows him at his flower-banked Casa Manana table where he joined in the resounding applause that greeted the gigantic and spectacular revue. Left to right are Senator Tom Connally of Marlin, Senator Sherman Minton of Indiana, the Vice President, Amon Carter, his host, and Senator Morris Sheppard of Texarkana.

UNKISSSED BRIDE GETS MARRIAGE ANNULLED

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 6 (AP).—Mrs. Margherita Glustich, seeking an annulment of her marriage to Peter Glustich, said her husband, immediately after the wedding ceremony, turned and kissed one of the bridesmaids, walked out with her and didn't return for a month. The annulment was granted.

Mrs. John Garner's Job Includes 'Everything'

BY LOUISE COX.

Her job, says Mrs. John Nance Garner, is everything from cooking her husband's breakfast to entertaining the "highest in the land."

And when the wife of the Vice President says "everything," she means it literally.

"We have a right large place at Uvalde," she explained here yesterday as she talked with visitors in her suite at the Fort Worth Club, "and it's a funny thing, but the men all come to me when they want to know about something."

The Garners were in Fort Worth as honor guests of the Fort Worth Frontier Centennial.

Secretary to her husband, Mrs. Garner has business as well as domestic duties both at home and in Washington.

"I do everything," she said; "I once told a friend that he could think all day and far into the night without thinking of anything I hadn't had to do at some time or another."

Her afternoons at home in Uvalde, however, are comparatively free.

And, like the wife of the President, she knits.

She debated about bringing her knitting with her on the trip to Fort Worth, but decided against it because it seemed advisable to travel as light as possible.

She is knitting a counterpane, her second one of a leaf pattern that was published in the last issue of a national magazine. Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, she explained, is given credit for the design, although both Mrs. Coolidge and the wife of former Governor Montague of Virginia worked on it. The Virginia woman discovered it in a fragment of an early American coverlid.

It became necessary to knit the spreads, Mrs. Garner added, after a friend gave her two beds that are more than 100 years old.

"And it's taking me a long time," she sighed, "because those oldtime beds are so high, and it takes a lot of counterpane to reach the floor."

Mrs. Garner rested during the ear-

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Today's Program

Wichita Falls, Rotary and Children's Day:

5:00 p. m.—Gates open.

7:45—First "Jumbo" performance.

8:15—First performance of "The Last Frontier."

8:30—First Casa Manana Revue.

10:00—Second "Jumbo" performance.

10:15—Second performance of "The Last Frontier."

10:30—Second Casa Manana Revue.

Today is Children's Day at the Frontier Centennial. Children between 5 and 12 years admitted at the gates for five cents, and to "Jumbo" and "The Last Frontier" for half price. Children too small to occupy individual seats admitted free to all attractions at all times. Reserved box seats to "Jumbo" available beginning Sunday because of popular demand.

Accurate information on seeing the Centennial available from the women's division hostesses in the old church on Sunset Trail.

CONGRESSMAN M'SWAIN DIES

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 6 (AP).—A heart attack today brought death to Representative John J. McSwain, Democratic Congressman from the Fourth South Carolina District since 1920, and chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs.

The 61-year-old lawmaker was stricken on a train as he was returning to his home at Greenville from Fort Moultrie, near Charleston, where he had been spending several days with the Two Hundred Sixty-third Coast Artillery, a National Guard regiment of which he was honorary colonel.

He was removed from the train upon its arrival here, and transferred to the U. S. Veterans Hospital about 1 p. m. He died at 3:15.

Dr. O. E. Herndon, the hospital's chief medical officer, said death was caused by recurrence of a coronary occlusion, an ailment for which the Congressman received treatment at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington about five years ago.

Representative McSwain had been in failing health for several months. Early this summer he announced he would not seek re-election, saying his physician had warned him against undertaking the strain of a campaign.

ARDUOUS JOB IS MRS. GARNER'S

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ly part of the afternoon and visited Shady Oak Farm before joining the Vice President at the Centennial grounds.

"I've heard so much about the farm," she said, "and I requested especially to see it."

A visit to the Texas Centennial Central Exposition at Dallas Wednesday had kept Mrs. Garner up until 12 o'clock — 1 o'clock, the Vice President said — and an opportunity to rest was especially welcome.

She didn't sleep, however. She became too absorbed in a book that Mrs. Silliman Evans had given her, Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind."

And she kept wishing that she had brought her knitting. Even the little she might have done in the brief rests she has had on the trip would have helped.

She could have brought it, too, if she had known she and the Vice President could have "done so beautifully on fewer clothes." It might have had the space taken by her husband's tuxedo.

The tuxedo, she hastened to explain, is not the type of ultra-formal evening dress which the Vice President has protested vehemently in Washington. It's a white linen one and comfortable. It came from Manila.

"Texas men," Mrs. Garner observed while on the subject of men's clothing, "are becoming more sensible. They are learning to wear white."

She thinks they ought always to wear white if they can afford it. But if they can't, she'll try to like the dark clothes "because white isn't white if it isn't clean."

Mrs. Garner was dressed entirely in white. White shoes, a two-piece knit suit and a rather plain hat with a relatively broad brim.

It was she who set the informal note in dress that permitted the women in the official reception committee to attend the Casa Manana dinner and show in sports clothes.

Real Texas Greeting Is Given Garner at Show

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pressed me about that train was that the darned thing tracked better than anything I had ever seen before."

At the Pioneer Palace a deafening roar greeted the announcement of his presence. People stood on chairs, whistled, shouted, and clapped for the man who beamed at them from the doorway.

The noise abated only during the playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner," then began anew as a voice called for "Hail, Hail the Gang's All Here."

Curtains parted for the first act of the old time revue as Garner prepared to depart. He stopped and gazed up, eyes shining, as he watched the show reminiscent of long ago.

75 in Party.

Flanked by policemen who never successfully shielded him from well wishers because he didn't want them to, the Vice President stepped briskly across to Casa Manana. There his table centered those of a party of 75 including other government officials, civic notables, prominent visitors and friends.

At the Vice Presidential table were U. S. Senators Morris Sheppard and Tom Connally of Texas and Minton of Indiana; Congressman Fritz G. Lanham of Fort Worth; William B. Yeager, executive secretary of the United States Texas Centennial Commission; Silliman Evans, former fourth assistant Postmaster General, and Carter.

At a special table below and in front of the Vice President were Mrs. Garner, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Lanham, Mrs. Raymond Buck, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. W. C. Stripling, Miss Dale McFarland and Mrs. Edwin T. Phillips, official hostess.

Among the Congressmen in the party were Hatton W. Sumners, Dallas; Maury Maverick, San Antonio, and Morgan Sanders, Canton, Texas, and Frank Boykin of Alabama.

Greets Whiteman.

The Vice President greeted Paul Whiteman with an upraised hand as the dean of modern American music raised his baton to lead his orchestra in dance music. The maestro bowed low.

The entire assemblage was apprised of Garner's presence when Billy Rose, director-general of the Frontier Centennial, left the party to take his place in front of a battery of microphones.

"I am delighted and I know we all are that the Vice President of the United States has honored us with his presence," Rose said.

He also asserted that he considered it a "great honor as a native New Yorker to welcome a committee of distinguished gentlemen from New York who are here to look at the Frontier Centennial."

Seeking Show Ideas.

He referred to a group of officials of the 1939 New York World's Fair, here to seek ideas, who also were included in Carter's party honoring the Vice President.

Rose introduced Carter, who addressed himself to Garner.

"We are glad to have you here," he said. "The people love you and have a great affection for you. You're our kind of folks."

He then presented Mrs. Garner, observing that the Vice President was "extremely fortunate" in having so efficient and capable a wife.

As the spotlight was centered on the Vice President, a wave of applause swept the huge cafe-theater.

Speaking into a portable microphone, the Vice President said, "Mr. Carter and the people of West Texas: We are exceptionally happy to be here. You have a wonderful show and we appreciate your hospitality. I am delighted to be present."

"You've been up in Washington and now you're back home among your own folks—you know there's a lot of difference between people and folks," Carter replied.

Others Introduced.

Sheppard, Mrs. Sheppard, Minton, Connally, William Baxter of New York City and Lanham also were introduced by Carter, who explained time prevented presentation of the other distinguished guests.

No one in the audience that jammed the House of Tomorrow applauded more vigorously or watched more intently than did the Vice President as the Casa Manana revue was unfolded.

Because it was more than an hour past his bedtime when he arrived at "The Last Frontier," Garner, at the outset, gave vent to a yawn. But he yawned no more as the rapid fire spectacle was put through its paces. In fact excitement in the arena twice drew him to his feet.

He rarely turned his eyes from the performance and followed every bit of action intently. He fairly beamed as he gazed on the "Sashay All" number and his foot kept time to the beat of the old time breakdown tunes.

As the finale concluded, Capt. Irvin O'Hay, the announcer, publicly expressed thanks to Garner on behalf of the 300 performers for "your gracious attendance."

"You have inspired the cast to give the best performance in the history of the show," O'Hay declared.

A minute later Mr. and Mrs. Garner were saying farewell to the Frontier Centennial.

As the automobile driven by Holland Magendie moved through the gates, Garner relaxed on the cushions and remarked to Carter, "Amon, I've got to hand it to you."

And those that know the Vice President say he doesn't say anything he doesn't mean.

At a late luncheon at the Fort Worth Club shortly after his arrival from Dallas, the Vice President told of his early days in politics and kidded with fellow diners Elliott Roosevelt, the President's son; Raymond Buck, Evans, Barney Oldfield, official Frontier Centennial host, and Carter.

A few minutes later he was preparing for his afternoon siesta.

How long did he wish to rest?

"I want to sleep as long as I can," he replied. "Of course, I'll go anywhere you fellows want me to."

He turned to young Roosevelt.

"You plan to stay in Texas?" he asked.

Receiving an affirmative nod, Vice President Garner declared, "Well

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host of other prominent persons invited to attend.

Visiting the Frontier Centennial yesterday to enjoy themselves and obtain information on staging such an enterprise were 12 officials of the New York World's Fair of 1939, headed by W. Earle Andrews, general manager. The party viewed the major attractions in order to obtain ideas for the New York exhibition.

Also on hand yesterday was a group of about 60 civic and business leaders from San Antonio who came here as good will trippers to preview the Frontier Centennial and carry back information in preparation for San Antonio Day on Aug. 23. The group attended the Kiwanis luncheon at Hotel Texas yesterday before going to the grounds. Mayor C. K. Quin and Datus E. Proper, president of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, headed the delegation.

Rotarians from a radius of several hundred miles are expected to be on hand for the Centennial tonight as well as for a special luncheon meeting at Hotel Texas today when Paul Whiteman and his entertainers will stage a program. The day has been designated Paul Whiteman Day at Rotary.