

endeavor to have the members of the dominant community perceive of them as "different." Finally, the Mexican American community is made up to a large extent of people who speak only Spanish. Rarely does the highly literate, English-speaking Mexican immigrate to the United States.

The pattern of prejudice toward Negro and Mexican Americans in this community is essentially the same. The differences which exist are in the degree to which the respondents expressed prejudice toward these two minorities. In this regard the differences are often great. Insofar as attitudes are concerned then, there is considerably less prejudice expressed toward Mexican than toward Negro Americans. In addition to the series of responses discussed above, the respondents were asked the rather direct question: "On the whole would you say you like or dislike Mexican people?" They were then asked the same question about Negroes. The first question elicited a "dislike" reply from only 6 percent of the respondents while the latter drew this response from 21 percent. These responses are not unlike those to the two sets of questions concerning local policy and rights insofar as the differences in attitudes toward these two minorities are concerned. Nevertheless, the status of the two minorities in practice is not significantly different. While it must be admitted that attitudes and behavior are not always correlated, it seems likely that in this community the possibility for improving the status of Mexican Americans is greater than for Negro Americans. While the former have language as an additional major barrier, they have potentially fewer handicaps than the latter.



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Animal Hunt

We kill the rhino for his horn.
The elephant, to carve his tusk.
For woolen blankets sheep are shorn.
We kill the male deer for musk.

The seal dies to yield his coat.
And alligator hides excel.
The rattlesnake for antidote.
The tortoise for his mottled shell.

But man has not a thing to give,
And should allow himself to live.