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Person-to-Person

Mrs. Margaret Marnoch BIERING was honored on her 88th birthday this past week with a part of the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon BIERING, in San Antonio. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Albert BIERING of Granada Hills, California, and a third son, Ted, as well as a grandson, Gregg, and a great-grandson, Matthew.

Marie Conley, well-known Helotes pianist, celebrated her 87th birthday Sunday, July 20, at a party at the home of Mrs. Margaret Rothrock in Helotes Park Estates. About fifty friends from San Antonio and Helotes shared the celebration, including a buffet dinner and a brief recital by Marie. She began with the spirited "Mexican Hat Dance" and ended with "Auld Lang Syne."

Gregg Schott of San Geronimo celebrated his birthday Wednesday, July 30, at a family dinner at El Chaparral Restaurant.

Five Holmes High members of the Future Business Leaders of America have returned from a national leadership conference in Washington, D.C. They are Kathy Quiroz (whose report on Texas activities won a "Best in the Nation" award), Paul Berry, Scott Ferrell, Cindy Hallada and Joe Villanueva. Pat Davis is their teacher sponsor.

Rev. Ed Jach, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, has returned from a vacation visit with his brothers, sister and other relatives in Wisconsin.

Rev. Pat McNulty is the new assistant pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church replacing Rev. Bernie Rochon, who has been transferred to Holy Rosary Parish in San Antonio.

Another area man has been selected for the 1980 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." He is Curtis J. Gravis of 8423 Brixton in Braun Station.

Northside Announces Registration Dates

It's Campus Time

Her marked calendar reminds Senior Audrey Schaefer that today is the priority date for 1980-81 UTSA students. Classes begin August 25 at UTSA, and regular registration will be August 20-21 in the Convocation Center on campus. For more information about admissions and registration, phone the UTSA Office of Admissions and Registrar at 691-4530.

Photo by John Poindexter

Otto Weltner Has Birthday

Otto Weltner, resident of Grey Forest, celebrated his 96th birthday, Monday at Town and Country in Boerne with his daughters and one of his sons present. He is father of Gretchen Stappenbeck, Nita Wanke and Leta Minohr of this area, and his son Otto of Boerne was also present. Mr. Weltner is receiving congratulations from many friends, also.



New School Term Will Start Sept. 2

Northside School District has announced the following registration schedule for the 1980-81 school year:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
New to Northside — Aug. 21-22.

Attended last year — Report 1st day of school Sept. 2.

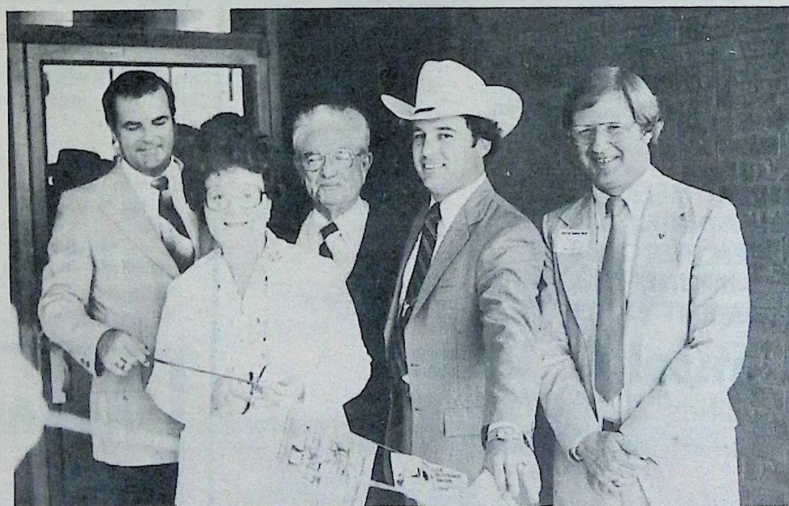
Involved in boundary change — If enrolled last year, you have received a letter stating which attendance boundary you are now in. Watch for news in late August about where to report Sept. 2.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS
HOBBY — New to Northside only register Aug. 19-20 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
JONES — New to Northside only register Aug. 19-20 from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Sixth graders and returning students will get a letter about where to report Sept. 2.

NEFF — New to Northside only
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University National Bank Celebrates Grand Opening



L to R, Gene Canavan, San Antonio City Councilman, Lila Cockrell, Mayor of San Antonio, Ralph Langley, Chairman of the Board of University National Bank, Tom Loeffler, Congressman 21st District, David Smiser, President and Chief Executive Officer of University National Bank.

Saturday, July 19, University National celebrated their formal opening at the new location at the intersection of I 10 and Loop 1604. 400 guests and well wishers enjoyed an old

fashioned treat of cold drinks, hotdogs, music by Chuck Reilly and the Alamo City Jazz Band, a Barber Shop Quartet, and a display of Antique cars from San Antonio Museum of Trans-

portation.

Kathy Vogt of Boerne won the grand prize, a \$1,000 Savings Certificate.

Grey Forest To Vote For Mayor

The city of Grey Forest will try again on Saturday, Aug. 9, to elect a mayor.

The Scenic Loop Road incorporated community has been operating with a holdover mayor and mayors pro tem since the term of the previous mayor, Virginia Springer, ended in April.

No candidate filed for the post when the regular city election was held that month. There were write-in votes for about a dozen citizens. Of these Steve Simpson received 107 votes, but he declined a week later to take the oath of office.

Harry Drought was runner-up with ten write-in votes, but he was then a declared candidate for the city council and won a place on the council.

Two candidates have filed for the mayor's position in the special election to be held on Aug. 9. They are Columbus Stutes and Manuel Vara.

The polls will be open in the city hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Folklife Festival Brings Easy Fun, Texan Foods

The ninth annual Texas Folklife Festival at HemisFair Plaza this weekend recreates the days of a younger Texas, where settlers didn't have air-conditioning, automatic ice makers, or even fans to keep them cool. They relied on their own ingenuity.

This year, festival goers will



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have it made in the shade, as Texans from all over the state, gather to sing, dance, entertain and educate. The festival fans can sprawl under shady trees with the storytellers and sip tall glasses of Lebanese mint tea. Or sample the herbal tea, a specialty of the Black Sun Herb Farm. The British Pub features Shandy Gaff, a thirst-quenching beer cooler, while icy sangria is a favorite at the Spanish booth.

Thirty-four food booths are featuring the best variety of ethnic dishes ever to grace a Texas picnic cloth. Mix Lebanese taboole, a garden wheat salad, with a Danish open face sandwich. Add some cold potato salad from the Soul Food booth, pickled eggs from the poultry booth, and Wendish "Koch kase on kimmelbroth," black bread and cheese. Don't forget the guacamole chaluas from the Mexican Market, German pickles and Inda-Asian

spiced fruits.

For dessert, savor Italian spumoni, a sweet snow cone, or some country watermelon.

You might want to get a couple extra slices of melon, and practice for the watermelon seed spittin' contest Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

Several other contests challenge the competitive at this year's Festival. Berm sliding, a Folklife Festival original and yearly favorite, will be held every evening at 6 p.m. Berm sliders mount their own cardboard "sleds" and whip down the Institute hills, creating their own air-conditioning.

The corn shuckin' contest, on the other hand, only cools off the corn.

After the contests, join the crowds playing "kuipen steeken." This traditional game is just the thing for summer afternoons in Texas, as well as in Belgium, where it originated. In the game, participants push a water-filled trough through the air with long sticks. Traditionally, the idea was to avoid getting wet. This year, however, informal rules will probably dictate that the winner gets splashed!

On the other side of the berms, music lovers relax and enjoy everything from Czech waltzes to traditional bluegrass to modern Country & Western.

Some may find themselves

enjoying the cool of the log cabin's breezy dog run while listening to the Devine Music Makers, an old-time group that makes instruments as well as music. They use fiddles they carved themselves from scraps of wood.

Gospel singers perform in the Brush Arbor area, shaded by grape vines and carpeted with cool grass.

This year's Festival is designed for takin'-it-easy restful fun.

Texas Open Offers Show

The Children's Hospital Foundation and the San Antonio Golf Association are offering a free audio-visual presentation to area civic and fraternal groups interested in learning more about the 1980 Texas Open, its economic impact on the community and the benefits accrued to the Children's Hospital Endowment Fund.

Booking of the 30-minute presentation are made through Ann Thomas, Children's Hospital Foundation, 228-2541.

Crosswalk To Link Three Hospitals

A keynote address by Congressman Henry B. Gonzalez will highlight formal dedication ceremonies Monday (Aug. 4) for a new elevated covered crosswalk serving Bexar County Hospital, Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital and The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

The dedication ceremony, which will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the ambulance entrance to the V.A. Hospital, will also include ribbon-cutting ceremonies and a tour of the structure which spans Merton Minter Drive, physically linking the V.A. Hospital with Bexar County Hospital.

Also expected to be on hand for the dedication are San Antonio officials and the BCHD Board of Managers, plus representatives from the San Antonio Medical Foundation, the V.A. Central Office in Washington, various Volunteer Services organizations, and representatives from other area hospitals.

Sharing the podium with Congressman Gonzalez will be Dr. Frank Harrison, UTHSCSA President; BCHD Executive Director Dr. C. E. Gibbs and Jose R. Coronado, Director of the Veterans Administration Hospital.

"The crosswalk is truly a symbol of the closeness of the three institutions and also symbolizes the spirit of cooperation in the coming

together of the federal, state and county governments involved in health care in this city," Dr. Harrison points out.

The 417-foot-long walkway will provide for a more convenient interchange of patients between the V.A. Hospital and Bexar County Hospital. The two hospitals regularly utilize each other's facilities when patients are in need of specialized medical procedures that are available only in the other hospital. More than 125 patients monthly are transported back and forth between the two facilities for health care treatments.

Previously, patients either had to be transported via ambulance which often involved delays or they had to be taken between the two hospitals by an outside route.

UTHSCSA physicians who serve on the staffs of both hospitals will also be able to use the covered crosswalk which will allow them to attend to patients in both the V.A. and BCH in a more expedient manner.

The glass, steel and brick covered crosswalk is air ventilated, and the portion spanning Merton Minter Drive links up with recently completed sections on the side of the BCH parking garage. The route then continues through the new Bexar County Hospital obstetrical-emergency center addition, coming out on the first floor of BCH.

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Vara, 55 years old, World War II veteran; native San Antonian, educated in San Antonio public schools; attended San Antonio College and St. Mary's University; appointed Postmaster in area post offices, Comfort, McDona, Devine; and has over 29 years of administrative experience in government service. He resides at 18011 Lakeshore Drive. Manuel, his wife Mary Anne, sons, Mark and Edward are members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Helotes.

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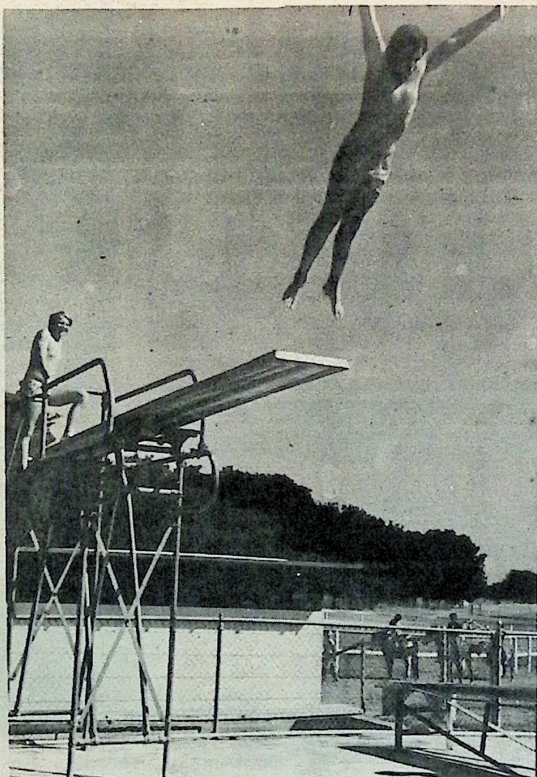
PR Office Gets Awards

Three publications of Northside School District's public information office have been named winners in the 1980 National School Public Relations Publications Contest.

An Award of Excellence was announced recently in Washington, D.C. for "Northside Style," a handbook for written communications in the district. The brochure, "Climbing to the Top," which describes special education programs, won an Award of Merit. This brochure was written by a team of Northside teachers led by special education supervisor Arlilua Griffin.

Honorable mention went to "Annual Report to the People 1980, Northside School District." Public Information Director for Northside is Bonnie Ellison.

Summer Fun



Reaching for the sky on the high board at the Hermann Sons youth summer camp near Comfort is Lance Wright, 12, son of Mrs. Janice C. Wright of Boerne. Waiting his turn is Jeff Reid, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reid of Helotes. The boys are among some 1,900 junior Hermann Sons members who have registered for one of the camp's 11 weekly sessions this summer.

Doctors Add News Editor

Bexar County Medical Society announces that Donna Jones has joined its staff as Director of Communications.

Jones will be responsible for publication of the society's monthly news magazine and newsletter and for public relations.

A University of Texas graduate, Jones holds degrees in journalism and Spanish. She is a member of the International Association of Business Communicators.

She previously was a newspaper reporter and assistant

editor of *Texas Medicine*, a monthly journal published by the Texas Medical Association in Austin.

The medical society has 1700 physician members.

Tom Loeffler, Congressman representing the Helotes area, will celebrate his 34th birthday Sunday, Aug. 3, at La Mansion del Norte. Tickets are \$100 each for a cocktail reception from 5 to 7 p.m. and \$20 each for a wine and cheese party from 7 to 9 p.m.

Lawn Mower Injuries

Lawn mowers cause about 10,000 amputated fingers and toes yearly as well as 62,800 cuts and broken bones. Mowers, which have blades that whirl about 230 mph, mainly injure hands, feet and legs, according to U.S. Consumer product Safety Commission statistics.

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Symphony To Open Oct. 4

The San Antonio Symphony has announced the guest artist for the 1980-81 season. Taking the podium for the symphony will be the new, maestro, Lawrence Leighton Smith. Prior to accepting his post in San Antonio he was music director of the Oregon Symphony as well as principal guest conductor of the Phoenix Symphony.

The season will begin Oct. 4 and 6 featuring the brilliant pianist, Leonard Pennario. On Oct. 11 and 13 the beautiful soprano, Benita Valente, will be the featured guest artist. Eugene Fodor, the young super violinist, will return to San Antonio on Oct. 25 and 27.

The rest of the season will feature such musical greats as pianists Hans Richter-Haaser, Joseph Kalichstein and Malcolm Frager; violinist Ruggiero Ricci, guitarist Turan-Mirza Kamal, harpist Nicanor Zabeleta, cellist Ko Iwasaki, vocalists Jerome Hines and Tatiana Troyanos, and guest conductors Christopher Keene, David Ramadanoff, and James

Sedares.

The symphony also will bring such top pop entertainers as guitarists Alvin Rey, Larry Adler, the King of the Harmonica, accordionist Carmen Carozza, singers Meister and Bender, and a special "Evening in Vienna!" conducted by Lawrence Leighton Smith.

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Evans To Join UTSA Coaches

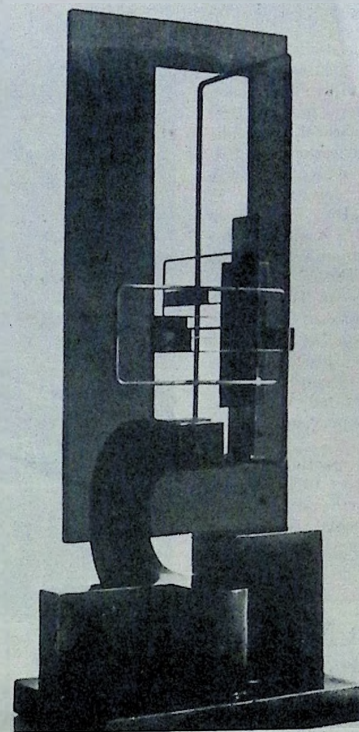
Frank A. Evans has been named assistant basketball coach at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Now head basketball coach at Southwest Baptist College in Bolivar, Mo., Evans will assume his new position Sept. 1.

In announcing the selection, UTSA athletic director Rudy Davalos noted, "Frank Evans is a dedicated, hard working basketball man who will be an asset to our total intercollegiate program. He has worked at schools in many parts of the country and his background will enrich our basketball recruiting efforts."

Don Eddy, UTSA head basketball coach, expressed his pleasure at Evan's joining the staff. "While only 34 years old, Frank has more than 10 years of collegiate coaching experience. His background is diversified in that he has coached on all levels, from junior college to Division I. He has been both an assistant and a head coach," Eddy said. "As a head coach, he has taken programs that were very down and quickly turned them into winners."

3 Exhibits At Witte



One of Theodore Roszak's contributions to the "Vanguard American Sculpture: 1913-1939" exhibition is "Large Rectilinear Space Construction," completed in 1932. The show continues through Aug. 25 at the Witte Memorial Museum.

"Vanguard American Sculpture: 1913-1939", a large exhibition of three-dimensional art produced during the early decades of this century, which marked the transitional phase between academic traditionalism and independent modern innovation in American sculpture, is showing at Witte Museum.

Two other exhibits reflect concurrent art trends of this time period in photography and painting. "American Photography: 1913-1937" captures this era through the photographer's lens and includes works by Dorothea

Lange, Ansel Adams and Edward Weston.

"Texas Landscapes" features ten oil paintings of wildflowers, cotton fields and ranches created between 1927 and 1929 for local art competitions.

The Witte Museum is open, daily 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is adults, \$1.50; children under 12, senior citizens, military, handicapped and students, 50 cents. The museum is free on Thursdays.

Scott Entyre has been named head basketball coach at John Jay High this fall replacing Mel Barborak. A native of California, he attended college in Utah and Michigan, and helped develop the U.S. Air Force Track Program. He was a track and field All-American athlete at the University of Utah.

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Alan Edward Miller Dies At Age 39

Funeral services were held in San Antonio this week for Alan Edward Miller of Wood's End who died Monday July 28, 1980 in an area hospital at the age of 39 years.

He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church of Helotes. Mr. Miller's family and friends gathered at Oak Hills Chapel to recite the Rosary on Tuesday evening. Final services and interment were scheduled to follow in West Allis, Wisconsin.

Mr. Miller is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nancy Miller. He also leaves a daughter, Jodi A. Miller, and three sons, Scott, Barry and Derek Miller.

He is survived by his parents, Dr. Lee Miller of San Antonio and Mrs. Frances Miller of Milwaukee.

Appraisers Offer Talks

The local professional real estate appraisers chapter of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers offers several 20 to 30 minute free programs to all groups, such as schools, civic, social, service and professional clubs, church groups and others.

Among topics offered are "Ways An Appraiser Can Help With Your Real Estate," "Career Opportunities in Real Estate Appraising," "What To Look For In An Appraisal," "How An Appraiser Appraises" and several others.

To schedule a program or for more information call 349-8010.

Schools Set Eye Tests

Students new to public school, required by law to have their vision tested, will get the necessary tests at Northside Schools.

According to Northside's Ed Rawlinson, Associate Superintendent for Pupil Services, "Northside's school nurses will give prescribed eye examinations to all students new to public education during the first three months of school."

Vision screening is a requirement of the Children's Vision Screening Act of 1979. Parents who prefer to have the eye tests given by their family doctor or who wish to take advantage of free clinics set up for eye testing should bring the certificate of screening to school for filing.

Divorce

Approximately one million couples divorce every year in the United States, says Cindy Wilson, a family life education specialist.

Also, there are another one million permanent separations and desertions each year, she says.

Mrs. Wilson is on the home economics staff of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Wisconsin. He leaves two brothers, Richard F. Miller of San Antonio and David Miller of Elgin, Minnesota as well as two sisters, Lee Ellen White of New York and Mary Lynn Miller of Elmgrove, Wisconsin. In addition, he leaves his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Edmund and Florence Woltysiak, of West Allis, Wisconsin.

Sympathy is extended to his family in their loss. Those who wish may contribute to the Miller Children's Education Fund, in his memory.

Parents Can Attend Workshops

Northsiders are invited to participate in a day of workshops to be presented jointly by Northside Independent School District and the Center for Educational Development at Hobby Middle School, 11843 Vance Jackson, Tuesday, Aug. 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

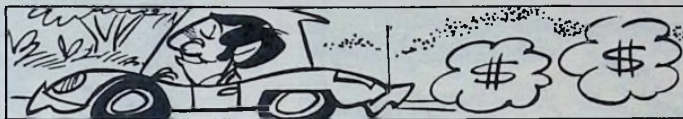
The workshops — which are free — will cover topics such as time management, dealing with stress, dealing with discipline, motivation, classroom management, conflict management, goal setting and life planning.

Although designed to improve teachers' skills, the workshops are easily adaptable to adults in

other fields and to parents with questions about child-rearing.

Participants should bring a sack lunch for a noon picnic on the Hobby Middle School campus. Soft drinks will be sold.

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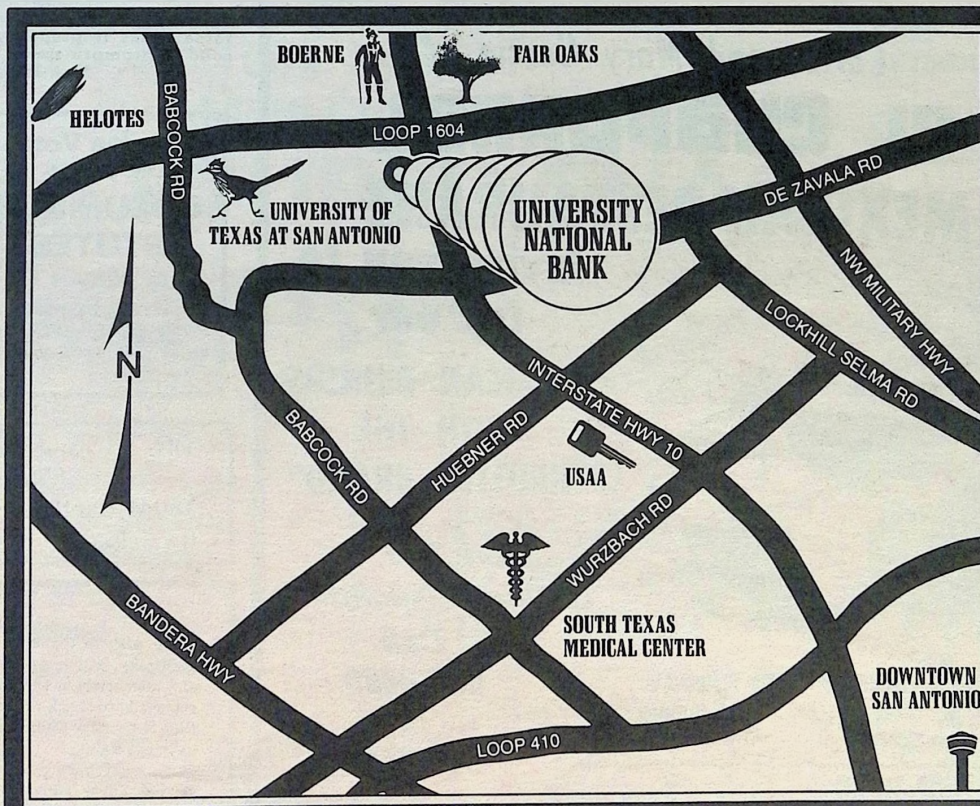
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The 3,500-watt (peak) solar cell array field (left foreground) is the main element of the world's first solar electric village power system.

At least one community in America is solar powered. The Papago Indian village of Schuchuli, Arizona, gets all its electricity from generators run by the sun. The excess is stored in a huge, lead-acid battery.

Residents who used to rely on kerosene lamps for lighting now have electric lights to illuminate their nights.

The world's first, solar electric, power system for a village provides sufficient electricity to power the town's 15 refrigerators, a community washing machine, sewing machine, and a 5,000 gallon-per-day water pump for the community well, plus lighting for the village's 15 homes, a church, feast house and Domestic Services Building.

When the sun isn't shining, electricity is drawn from storage in a battery system having 53 lead-acid

cells in series. Lead, point out the experts at the St. Joe Lead Company which supplies lead for batteries, is a vital material for today and the future.

It has been predicted we may someday have many huge lead-acid batteries at electric utilities. These batteries may be able to supply great amounts of energy (on the order of 100 million watt hours) in periods of peak energy usage. The batteries can then be charged with inexpensive off-peak energy, thereby maximizing the efficiency of the electric utility industry.

Modern research and design has given the lead-acid battery more power at a lower cost than ever before.

Such batteries can help the sun keep a village bright and may help brighten the energy outlook for us all.

Two-Alarm Blaze Damages Restaurant



A two-alarm fire burned an estimated 25 percent of The Loft Restaurant, located about three miles south of Boerne on IH-10, early Wednesday morning. The Boerne Volunteer Fire Department was called to the scene at approximately 3 a.m. The fire appeared to have started near the cooler and it is believed that an electrical malfunction ignited the structure.



Fire damage extended into the dining area.

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We wish to thank all those who offered expressions of sympathy, and remembrances of flowers, prayers, Masses and memorials in the name of our beloved Aunt. We wish especially to thank those who shared in her final rites at St. Pius X Catholic Church as well as those who made her final days rewarding.

A special thank you is extended to Monsignor Maneth, and to the Silver Belles of Helotes for their presence and understanding.

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The Lost Nigger Mine

Much has been written about the "Lost Nigger Gold Mine," which is supposed to exist somewhere in the Big Bend country, below Alpine. From Carlyle Graham Rath's book, "The Romance of the Davis Mountains and the Big Bend country," we take the following story of the lost gold mine:

In 1886, gold began to lure the settlers of the Big Bend. A negro named Bill was employed by John, Frank, and Lee Reagan, who had cattle around Stillwell's Crossings, with headquarters on the Rio Grande below Boquillas. But it appeared that Bill had caught a glimpse of the lustre of gold. One morning he had laid a handful of gold nuggets before Jim Reagan when he was sitting about the camp breakfast.

"See what I have got from my gold mine," he said to the white man.

But Reagan brushed the stuff from the table saying it was nothing but copper and dust. The next day the negro hunted for horses all day; but on the following he shoved another handful of gold at Reagan's plate. At this Reagan informed the negro that he was employed to hunt horses, not to search for gold; and again, with con-

tempt, he brushed the gold aside.

A short time after this Bill was sent to Sanderson for provisions. With him he took some of the gold and gave it to the railroad conductor, who circulated the story that a gold mine was near. As a result many prospectors became interested. But before Bill could tell just where the gold mine was he made a hurried departure from the Big Bend. It happened in this wise:

One morning, while out in the hills "rustling" the horses, he stayed longer than the Reagans thought necessary. In anger they went in search of him. In the meantime, however, Bill rode into camp from another direction, having been unable to find the horses, and he was warned by a Mexican that the Reagans were out looking for him. The negro did not relish the idea of being punished, so he "hit the trail." That was the last ever seen of Bill.

So arose the story of the lost gold mine, which lured many fortune hunters to the Big Bend. The business of searching began and the Reagans, who had so disdainfully repulsed the negro, became mad with the desire to locate it. They spared neither time nor expense in the search. They paid a California prospector ten dollars a day for six months to hunt for the mine; and

when the time came to pay the bill, Jim Reagan shipped eighty fine fat steers to market to get the money to pay the prospector.

During the first years of the search Bill's lost mine was supposed to be on the Rio Grande. However, as time passed and genuine prospectors, who were well acquainted with the various formation favorable to finding gold, came into search for the lost mine, the mine was conveniently "moved" to the Mexican side, where there was a possibility of finding the true mineral.

The prospectors who had been in California in '49, men from all parts of the Southwest and in other portions of the country, were attracted by the story of the lost gold mine, so many and alluring were the stories told that the craze settled on young and old in the Big Bend. But time passed and the lost gold mine remained unfounded. The one logical thing to do was to find the negro Bill. There had been various reports as to his movements and some said he had died at Fort Worth. Others claimed he was then living in Colorado. At any rate he acquainted two Colorado prospectors with the story of the mine, as there came to Big Bend two men who worked with more system than the other searchers and who seemed to be

better informed about Bill. Hearing that they were from Colorado, Wilson Bourland, one of the most interesting of the prospectors, went to see them with the hopes of learning something of the negro. Bourland learned from the men that Bill had relatives in Austin; and to Austin he went to interview Bill's kinsmen.

Bourland reached Austin and found an old negro who possessed a fine farm and a closed mouth. He informed Bourland, however, that the Colorado prospectors had maps in their possession which evidently had come from Bill.

But the outcome of the exploration of the Colorado prospectors bore no fruit. They planned another trip, and wrote to Bourland for accommodations in the way of burros, but they never showed up. It is estimated that forty-five thousand dollars has been spent in the search for Bill's mine.

If you but stop to think, have you ever heard of a lost gold mine being found? With very few exceptions, for example the lost mine of Tiopa, in Mexico, we have no record of mines being lost. It is true that in the days of the Spanish conquistadores the Indian slaves were want to revolt against their harsh masters and often destroyed all trace of the mines in which they would not be forced

to enter them. But it is an open question as to whether there is such a thing as a lost gold mine.

To get back to Bill's lost mine: Some years prior to the coming of the Reagan boys in the Big Bend, an old ex-pro prospector, by name Corbett, who was in ill health, built a small cabin on the very spot where in later years the Reagan boys had their cow camp. The old prospector had worked from Alaska to Panama, and had gathered a wonderful collection of gold bearing ore. At one time Corbett lived at Stillwell's Crossing, Jim Wilson and J.E. Davenport were running cattle on the Rio Grande, with their headquarters near Corbett's cabin. In time the old prospector died; a wind-storm blew away his cabin and scattered his precious collection of gold ores over the hillside.

Then came the Reagan boys and the negro Bill. One day Wilson and Davenport, both of whom were great practical jokers, conceived the idea of playing a joke on the Reagan Boys. So they broke up some of the old prospector's gold ores, secreted it in a good place and steered negro Bill up against the cache. The plan worked beautifully. In much excitement Bill took the gold nuggets to the Reagans, as

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The improvement will include widening DeZavala Road from the Southern Pacific Railroad crossing near Clark High School, east to FM 1535 (Northwest Military Drive—Camp Bullis Road). Paved shoulders, 8' wide, will be added to the two existing 12' lanes. These existing roadways will be given an asphaltic concrete pavement overlay. Existing drainage pipes will be replaced by larger structures.

The proposed improvements for Callaghan Road at Rock Creek include the removal of the existing reinforced concrete drainage pipes and the installation of large capacity multiple box culverts. Adjacent drainage ditches will be improved. The roadway approaches to Rock Creek will be given an asphaltic concrete pavement overlay. Traffic flow through the work area will be maintained by the use of a detour routed along the south side of the project.

Don Smith, of Health and Stich, Incorporated, said The projects will cost \$1,079,000.



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Q: My ex-daughter-in-law has custody of my two grandchildren but she neglects them. When they come to visit, they always have severe diarrhea and high fever. Is there a way my son can gain custody of them?

A: Your son can ask the court that granted the divorce to hear a Motion to Modify Conservatorship. This court retains jurisdiction over the children until the younger is 18.

The custody hearing will allow your son to present evidence of neglect and to show that his home would be better for the children. In the meantime, if the mother seriously neglects the children, they may be temporarily placed in a foster home.

Q: When my husband and I were divorced, my teenaged sons went to live with him. Now one of my sons has returned and has revealed to me that his father sexually mistreated him. What can be done about this?

A: You should consult with your attorney to discuss the amount of legal and practical difficulty you may have in proving the facts and obtaining a measure of relief. This is a very difficult area. A careful approach is necessary.

You would need to decide what would be best for your children in terms of the impact of a lawsuit to obtain custody. Also, consider the effect a criminal trial may have if they are called to testify. The Court will assist you in protecting the children if you have the determination to carry the case forward.

Q: My niece and her husband have all but deserted their three young children. They both work but contribute nothing for their

children's support. The grandmother is feeding, clothing, and housing these youngsters at her own expense. She'd rather do that so they won't become wards of the court. Is there some legal action that can be taken to force the parents to assume their responsibility?

A: Parents have a legal responsibility to support, maintain and educate their child. This responsibility may be enforced civilly and with criminal penalties.

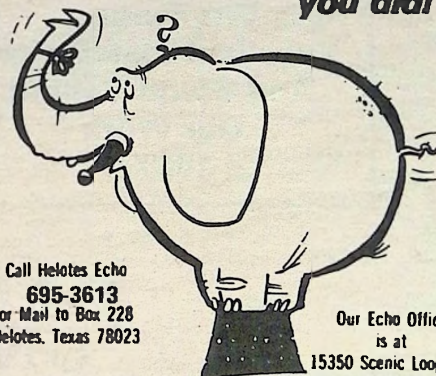
If the parents refuse to fulfill their duties, the grandmother may be made guardian of the children and the parents can be ordered to support the children through contributions to the guardian.

Q: When opening a checking and savings account, my husband and I were advised by one financial institution that the accounts should be made out as Mr. and Mrs. Another advised we use Mr. or Mrs., to insure that either of us could secure the funds in the accounts should the other die. How should we proceed?

A: The way your names appear on the account is not as significant as the character of the funds placed in the accounts and the precise language used in the deposit agreements. Generally, unless specific steps are taken to identify the funds as separate before opening the account, the account will be considered to be owned one-half by each of you at the death of either. The survivor may then have use of only one-half the account.

Send your questions to "You and the Law," State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, 78711. Answers may appear in columns in hypothetical terms; personal answers not possible.

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From Slave To Rancher Is Saga Of Texas' '80 John'

Daniel Webster ("80 John") Wallace saw many changes in his lifetime. He saw the disappearance of the buffalo and the closing of the frontier. But most importantly, he saw the end of slavery and the beginning of opportunities for black Texans, as vast as the Lone Star State.

Wallace himself climbed the long ladder of success from slave to rancher. His story and photo are on display in the newly revised Afro-American section of the Institute of Texan Cultures at HemisFair Plaza.

Wallace was born to a slave mother near the town of Victoria in 1860, one year before the outbreak of the Civil War. When he was still a child, his mother sent him to the fields to plow and pick. But wanting nothing to do with either the cotton field or the schoolroom, Wallace rode out of Victoria with all his possessions tied to his saddle.

When he was 17, he went to work for rancher Clay Mann, who took a liking to the hard-working youth and taught him the cattle trade. Mann's cattle were branded with a large "80," from which came Wallace's lifelong nickname, "80 John".

Wallace was at home on the trail as well as on the ranch, making the long journey to Dodge City, Kansas. In 1877, he

helped Mann drive the first herd of cattle into what is now Colorado City. He was so trusted by Mann that he often was given as much as \$30,000 in cash to deliver to cattlemen at great distance.

His own salary was \$30 a month. Out of that, he received only five dollars. While other ranch hands spent their money in dance halls and saloons, Wallace saved his to invest in his own herd for which Mann provided free pasture.

In 1885, Wallace purchased more than 1,000 acres of land in Mitchell County. This began his career as an independent cattleman.

At 25, he decided he needed a better education and spent two winters in a Navarro County School, where he learned to read and write. There he met Laura Dee Owens, whom he married in 1888. Eventually, they had four children, all of whom became college graduates.

Things went well for Wallace until the drought of 1894, when he was forced to sell his cattle at a much lower price than he had paid. This would have ended his ranching career had not

an old friend, Winfield Scott, loaned him \$10,000 to restock his land.

With his newly regained prosperity, Wallace helped usher in a new innovation; at a cost of \$2,500, he erected one of the first windmills in West Texas.

When "80 John" died in 1939, he owned 10,000 acres of land, 600 head of cattle and an eight-room house. Today his daughter and her husband operate the ranch which has grown to 15,000 acres.

The story of "80 John" also is told in a slide show and filmstrip available from The Institute of Texan Cultures for \$35 and \$10 respectively. Both come with a comprehensive study guide. To order "The Wallace Brand: Ranching by a Black Texas Family," write The Institute at: F. O. Box 1226, San Antonio, Texas 78294, or call 226-7651.

Two Join Music Staff

UTSA's College of Fine and Applied Arts will add two new faculty members to its division of Music this fall.

The new faculty members are Dr. Donald K. Hodges, associate professor of music education, and his wife, Dr. Janice K. Hodges, visiting assistant professor of piano.

The Hodges have held teaching positions in the Philadelphia Public School System, and at the University of South Carolina, Southern Methodist University and The University of Texas at Austin.

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The above captioned ordinance passed and approved this 29th day of July, 1980 in a called meeting of the City Commissioners of the City of Grey Forest, Texas.

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ECHO-LOG

[Note: The Log is a list of selected special interest events which may appeal to some readers. Events that continue more than one day are listed under the opening day only.]

ECHO LOG

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

Bromeliad Society plant show and sale will open, Central Park Mall, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and continue on Saturday at the same hours.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

16th annual State Bowling Tournament of the Hermann Sons Lodges will open, Hermann Sons Lanes, 525 S. St. Mary's St., 9 a.m. Ninety-five teams are entered. The competition will continue on the next two weekends.

SUNDAY, August 3

Witte Museum will show four experimental and art history films, Activities Gallery, 2:30 p.m. The films are "An American March" [with music by Sousa], "Ballet Mecanique," "Alexander Calder: Sculpture and Constructions," and "The Calder Man." Free with admission to the museum.

VFW Westside Post and Auxiliary will hold their third annual picnic, Pablo's Grove, 12 noon to 11 p.m. Barbecue sausage and chicken, free dance. Proceeds will go to the M. H. Calderon Westside Boys Club.

Pops concert under the stars will be presented by the Parks Symphonette, Trinity University campus, 7:30 p.m. Admission free. Featured will be the dance team of Michael Gonzalez and Sandy Cevallos, winners of the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department talent show.

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

Big Brothers and Sisters Agency will receive the proceeds from 1,000 tickets for the San Antonio Dodgers-Midland Cubs baseball game, V. J. Keefe Stadium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 each. Call 225-6322. Tickets also are available for the Dodgers-Cubs Tuesday night game.

Semana de las Misiones opens, Our Lady of the Lake University, with events scheduled at one of the San Antonio Spanish missions each day through Aug. 8. Phone 434-6711 for schedule. Admission free.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

All District 20 VFW posts will hold their combined all-day annual picnic, Mission County Park, 8 a.m. [ham and eggs breakfast to 11 p.m. (end of three free dances). Baseball tournament, barbecue dinner, booths and games, playground for children. Public invited.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

Barbecue party for all workers in the 1980 Cornyval, Braun Station East swimming pool, 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

Annual Spring Branch Volunteer Fire Department barbecue, bazaar and dance, Germania Farmersverein Hall, Anhalt [Highway 46 west of Highway 281], 12 noon to 11 p.m. Barbecue dinner, pumper races, water polo, free dance. Public invited.

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

1st annual South Texas Domestic Violence Conference will open, Incarnate Word College, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The conference will continue on Tuesday. It is co-sponsored by Incarnate Word, Women's Shelter of Bexar County and Drug Abuse Central. Fee \$5. Call 225-4066.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

5th San Antonio Cinefestival will open, Marriott Hotel, 9 a.m. The festival workshops and screenings of Spanish-language films will continue on Friday and Saturday. Sponsored by Oblate College of the Southwest. Call 736-1685.

Northside Sign-up Set

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register Aug. 19-20 from 8:30 to noon and 1-3 p.m.

Sixth graders and returning students will get a letter about where to report Sept. 2.

PEASE — New to Northside only register Aug. 18-19 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Sixth graders and returning students will get a letter about where to report Sept. 2.

RAYBURN — ALL STUDENTS (new or not). Last names beginning with A-L register Aug. 19 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Last names beginning with M-Z register Aug. 20 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

ROSS — New to Northside only register Aug. 19-20 from 8:30 to noon and 1-3 p.m.

Sixth graders and returning students will get a letter about where to report Sept. 2.

STEVENSON — New to Northside only register weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. beginning Aug. 4.

Sixth graders and returning students will get a letter about where to report Sept. 2.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM for all new-to-Northside and all sixth graders Aug. 28, 7 p.m., cafeteria.

HIGH SCHOOLS

CLARK — New to Northside only register weekdays Aug. 4 to Aug. 20 from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM for all new-to-Northside and all incoming freshmen Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m., auditorium.

HOLMES — New to Northside only register weekdays between now and Aug. 29 from 8 to 11 a.m. or from 1 to 3 p.m.

Freshmen and returning students read where-to-report Sept. 2 posted on cafeteria windows.

JAY — New to Northside only register weekdays beginning Aug. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m.

ALL STUDENTS (new or not). Ninth grade report Aug. 26 between noon and 4 p.m. Tenth grade report Aug. 27 between noon and 4 p.m. Eleventh grade report Aug. 27 between 5 and 8 p.m. Twelfth grade report Aug. 26 between 5 and 8 p.m.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM for all new-to-Northside and all incoming freshmen Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m.

MARSHALL — New to Northside only register weekdays beginning Aug. 4 from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ALL STUDENTS (new or not). Sophomores - Aug. 25, Juniors Aug. 26, Freshmen and newcomers - Aug. 27, Seniors - Aug. 28 according to last name first initial as follows: A-D noon. N-R 2 p.m. S-T 4 p.m. U-Z 5 p.m.

Elementary Schools Set Longer Day

Beginning the first day of school, Tuesday, Sept. 2, youngsters attending Northside School District elementary schools will attend classes from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. School bus schedules will be moved up 30 minutes in the mornings.

The additional thirty minutes (elementary school were dismissed at 2:30 previously) is expected to provide more flexible scheduling for activities such as lunch and recess and still comply with the

law which mandates six hours of instruction daily for kindergarten through fifth grade students.

Elementary school teachers, who are on duty until 3:15 p.m. (to provide a 45-minute conference period formerly scheduled after the 2:30 p.m. dismissal) will schedule conference and planning periods during the day—at times when children are attending music, library or physical education classes.

Rainfall Nil For July

The record heat wave which developed here in June now has a record of 41 days of 99 degree highs through July, with no apparent change in prospect. Rainfall for July tallied .3 of an inch in Helotes, according to Henry Brauchle, local weather expert. This brought the total to 12.9 for 1980 with drought conditions well settled in,

although there are a few neighboring ranches which recorded as much as three-fourths inch last week.

Two years ago in August the great Hill Country flood occurred. August frequently is one of the rainier months. Springs, rivers and creeks are dry and livestock have suffered during this day spell.



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Murphy To Back Lewis

Lloyd Murphy, Republican candidate for state representative in District 45, has announced his support for Gib Lewis (D-Ft. Worth) in the race for the speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

Murphy said statewide attention is being focused on the District 45 race, as the race for House speaker heats up. The outcome of this race will be crucial in the race for the speaker's job.

"The future of Texas government could well depend on a few key house races across the state," Murphy said.

"We must control state spending to cope with today's economy," Murphy said. "Legislators must be held accountable for every tax dollar they spend."

"The lines in the District 45 race have been drawn," Murphy said. "Don Rains has reversed his conservative stance and endorsed a liberal to preside over the House. I am backing the conservative because I believe the people of this district want and deserve responsible, reliable leadership."

"We always love those who admire us, but we do not always love those whom we admire." La Rochefoucauld

energy answers

from the Texas Energy Extension Service

My husband and I are planning to build a home and we would like to make use of ceiling fans as much as possible. How do you determine the size of ceiling fan blades as they relate to the square footage of area that the fan will service? L. T., Waco.

It is somewhat difficult to estimate the size of ceiling fan blades without square footage and the dimensions of individual rooms where the fans would be placed. The typical three of four bedroom home will require enough power (total capacity of all fans) to exhaust 10,000 CFM (cubic feet of air per minute). The fan blades for such a home could range in size from 36 inches to 42 inches.

In selecting ceiling fans choose the type with a 2-speed motor for added control and flexibility.

These are very general guidelines. Other factors governing the amenities such as the noise and comfort levels may also determine sizing. Also the entire house may not need to be cooled at once so that all fans may not necessarily operate at the same time.

I have heard a lot about ceiling fans as an effective means of cooling the house. How effective are they in reducing electricity consumption? R. O., San Antonio.

The use of a ceiling fan allows the occupants to raise the thermostat two to three degrees and still maintain the same level of comfort. Raising the thermostat two or three degrees can reduce cooling costs by five to ten percent (although you should consider the minimal additional cost of running the ceiling fan). But the real value of the ceiling fan lies in the fact that it enables you to postpone the cooling season for several weeks by using the fan in the interim.

With central air conditioning, can I block off unused rooms by closing the louvers and directing the cold air to my other rooms? G. C., Bastrop.

Contrary to what most people think, blocking off the vents in unused rooms will not save you much money on your utility bills. In fact, it can actually be harmful because the blocked cool air can cause mold and fungus to grow on the closed louvers.

If you have a question about energy conservation around the home, send it to ENERGY ANSWERS, Texas Energy Extension Service, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.

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herein related. This is the true story of the lost gold mine.

Another phase: Wilson and Davenport broke up some of the nuggets and gave them to Joe and Will Kincaid, D.S. Combs and Capt. Alfred Wallace, who sent them to have them assayed. The nuggets were very rich and when the assay statements came back the men demanded of Wilson and Davenport to be shown where the vein was. At last the story of the assay and rich mine went abroad and the joke came out. The peculiar thing is, that one man who was in on the joke, in later years spent a thousand dollars to locate the lost mine.

Health Care Expenses

Physicians' services accounted for about 18 cents of each dollar spent on health care during 1978, the lowest percentage for any of the previous 10 years, Health Care Financing Administration statistics show.

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