wfolklife Festival offers chance o experience different cultures

By SARAH E. WHITE

Battalion Staff
Antonio's Hemisfair Plaza
house an expected 100,000
as this week as the Institute of gan Cultures opens its Texas blife Festival.

n institute spokesman said yes-lay that the festival will include ous displays, dances, foods, sand children's games.

Protein source found coconut extraction

art of the world's meat supply. Texas A&M University reher in the Philippines runs a instration plant developed by s A&M that is now putting out his family to supervise the pilot protein through a revolutionnut oil extraction process. R. D. Hagenmaier, of the d Protein Research and Dement Center, which operates of A&M's Texas Engineering eriment Station, has been on

for the world's hungry. plan The plant, located in Cebu City, st went into operation and can cess a quarter-million coconuts to give edible oil, high-protein op and powder, charcoal, and w-protein presscake (high-fiber sidue valued as a feed for liveck, but with potential as human

resent methods of coconut oil overy produces a product of only to poor quality and the protein is

agenmaier began his research in and developed a centrifugal cess using fresh coconuts which standards of USAID. Samples e product were sent to high ofls of the Philippine government sold as animal feed at decided to fund a pilot plant if sold for consumption

The agreement was reached in 1975 and a site was selected at the University of San Marcos in Cebu City. Hagenmaier moved there becomets won't take the moo out A&M would provide plant man-neat, but it could someday make agement.

According to the head of the R&D Center at Texas A&M, Dr. Karl Mattil, the pilot plant is a complete technological success.

A book documenting the research to the Philippine government is now published and being stated to the Philippine government with the last two years working on a by the Philippine government with an eye toward the possibility of consect to find new sources of prostructing more such plants.

> "The oil the plant produces is far superior to any coconut oil ever on the market before," Mattil said. "The protein product has the composition of dry milk powder with a mild coconut flavor. It's to be used as a beverage in school nutrition programs — an excellent product that is needed by a malnourished

This first conference on coconut aqueous processing which was de-veloped at Texas A&M found that using prices of dehusked coconuts and crude coconut oil, the average after tax return on investment would have been 12 per cent if the coconut protein concentrates were sold as animal feed and 16 percent if

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Foods from approximately 26 ethnic groups will be on sale.

Cultural groups ranging from
Lebanese belly dancers to Korean
will operate an Indian village in one section of the fairgrounds while Ita-Gospel and country-western music groups are also scheduled to perform. A yodeller and a man who and German sausage making will be

Children will be able to participate in frontier games, he said. The festival hours are 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 12

day.

Tickets are on sale at all military

p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sun-

Among the displays will be food demonstrations and learning centers which will be open throughout the festival, he said.

Pantries. Tickets can be purchased at these locations in books of 4 at \$10 for adults and \$3 for children. They ethnic groups will be on sale. may be purchased at the gate individually at \$3 for adults and \$1 for

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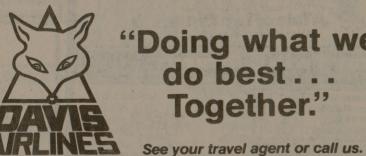


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