

**APPLICATION  
THE TEXAS HISTORICAL BUILDING MEDALLION**

County Wilson Town Floresville Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: (If the Building is not in town indicate number of miles and direction from center of town and number or name of highway or road.)

FM #536

Present Owner: Beatrice Yndo Thomae

General Designation: Yndo Ranch

Date Built: before 1862

Present Condition: good

Interest:  
Architectural

Historical

Organization or Individual Assuming Responsibility of Building: \_\_\_\_\_

owner

HABS  
says  
built 1855

**DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Approved, Rejected: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Ruling: \_\_\_\_\_

Area Representatives: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Members:  
M.R.B.  
SGB

No. Assigned 605

Date Mailed \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Remarks: owner descendent of Deaf Smith. Family one of the early Canary Island Settlers. Texas-Mexican Ranch-style architecture. Original fire-places, floors, ceilings. Exterior unaltered. Original Spanish land grant. HABS listing.

Sources of Information: personal interview with owners

Mr. and Mrs. Adalberto C. Thomae \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature — Owner or Authorized Representative Address

UNLESS THE FOLLOWING IS SUPPLIED, THE BUILDING MEDALLION COMMITTEE CANNOT ACT UPON THIS APPLICATION:

1. Complete information asked for above
2. Kodak picture of building attached to application
3. Check for \$14.75 made payable to TEXAS HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

History Of Yndo Ranch, wilson County.

This is the story of the old Yndo Ranch at Canada Verde. It is over a hundred years old, the old house it's self being built in 1868 by Miguel Yndo. The tract of land where the ranch is situated, was bought by Mr. Yndo from Pedro Antonio Flores and wife, Melchora Yndo.

The ranch house still stands and is in good living condition, including all modern conveniences without changing the original style and architecture.

Miguel Yndo came to live in the vicinity of Floresville, before it was Wilson County. In the books of the County Clerks office is a deed written in Spanish, where Mr. Yndo bought a tract of land of 640 acres in 1851. Manuel Yndo was the only living son of Miguel Yndo and he inherited the property.

Manuel Yndo married Gertrude Tarin, daughter of Gertrude ##### Smith, who was a daughter of Erastus (deaf) Smith and Guadalupe Ruiz.

Manuel Yndo and his wife raised a family of six children, they being; Margerite (Mrs. J.C. FROBOESE) Gertrude, (Mrs. A.C. Thomae, Mike F. Yndo, Minnie (Mrs. I.D. Flores. Sr.) Bernice (Mrs. A.L. Salinas, and Manuel Yndo Jr. (deceased.)

From these six children, 12 grandchildren are still living and 25 great grandchildren being the great great grandchildren of the founder of the Yndo Ranch.

Mrs. A.C. Thomae inherited the homestead of the Yndo Ranch, and her children, Gertrude (Mrs. R.R. King) A.C. Thomae Jr. Adolph William Thomae and their 9 children enjoy the weekends and school vacations at this historical ranch of their grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Thomae.

The Wilson County Historical Survey Committee made a comprehensive survey of this Medallioned old home, and found it in excellent shape, and all together livable.

This was in February, 1964. and this is our checking on it;

Built in; 1868, of adobe and sun dried hand made brick. Plastered over inside and out. and whitewashed.

Modern convenience installed in kitchen, and bathroom put in off the back patio.

At the front is a large living, or family room, with casement windows.

at the other end of the front is the parents bedroom. Off this and

to the rear is the daughter bedroom, and beyond, another room with a fireplace completely across the outside end of the room, built up off the floor as are many of the modern fireplaces in new homes today. This fireplace and chimney is built of fascinating hand ~~not~~ moulded brick.

casement windows were used throughout the house, and enough of them to bring about a cheerful atmosphere through the whole home.

There is flagstone at the rear of the house and around the old well. At the front is the long varandah, deep eaved and cool running the full length of the house.

Mrs. Joe Shubert  
Wilson County

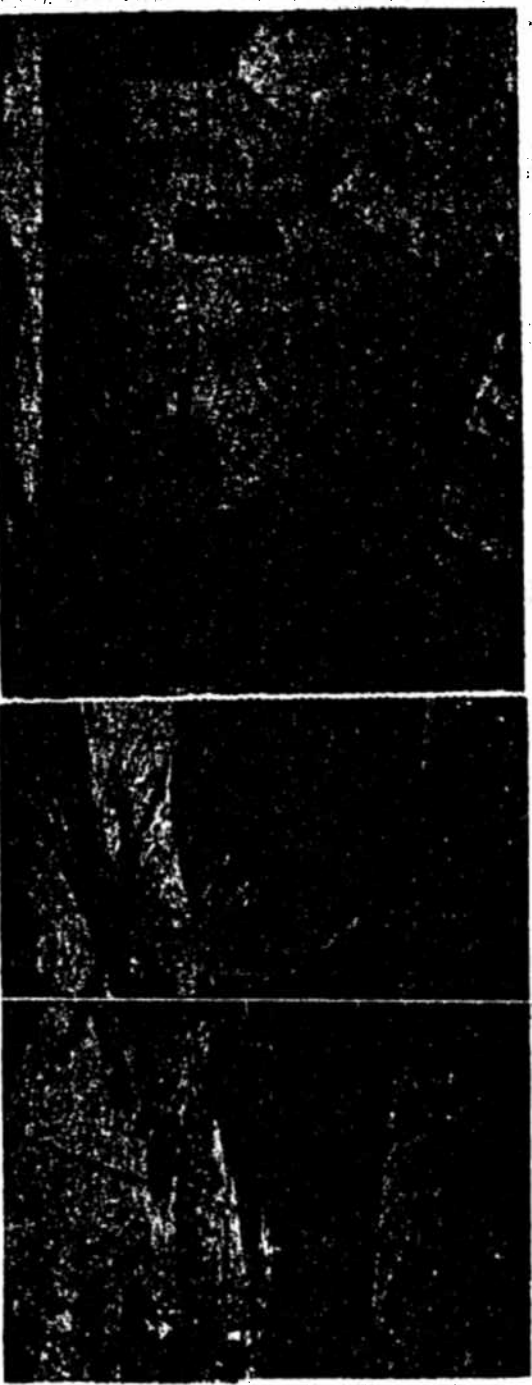
Re: letter to Mrs. Joe Shubert, June 22, 1964. on Aug. 19, 1964 I brought in a map showing the location of the Yndo Ranch and distance from Floresville. I believe this is what you want to complete the history etc. I wrote it from my notes. Also I must remind you, the Yndo Ranch has a Medallion and is listed in the Texas Historical Survey Committee's Book, "Discover Texas Medallions" 1964.

**GAIL SHRIBER**

P. O. BOX 186

**La Vernia, Texas**

# 100 Year Old Yndo Ranch At Canada Verde



The Yndo ranch house was built in 1888 by Miguel Yndo. The tract of land where the ranch is situated was bought by E. Yndo from Pedro Antonio Yndo and wife, Melchor Yndo. The ranch house is still in good living condition including all the modern conveniences without changing the original style and architecture. Miguel Yndo came to live in the vicinity of Florissville before it was Wilson County. In the books of the County Clerk office is a deed written in Spanish where Mr. Yndo bought a tract of land, 640 acres, in 1851. Manuel Yndo was the only living son of Miguel Yndo and he inherited the property. Manuel Yndo married Gertrude Turin, daughter of Narciso Smith and Gertrude Smith daughter of Erasmus (deaf) Smith and Gundalope Bule. Manuel Yndo and his wife raised a family of six children, being Margarita (Mrs. J. C. Probeson), Gertrude Mrs. A. C. (Thomas), Mils P. Yndo, Minnie (Mrs. L. D. Frown, Sr.) Bertha (Mrs. A. L. Salinas) and Manuel Yndo Jr. (deceased). From these six children, 18 grandchildren are still living and 25 great grandchildren being the great grandchildren of the founder of the Yndo Ranch Mrs. A. C. Thomas inherited the homestead of the Yndo Ranch and her children, Gertrude Mrs. R. E. King, A. C. Thomas, Dr. Adolf William Thomas and their 9 children enjoy the week-ends and school vacations at this historical spot of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thomas.

*W. L. King*