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;MOVER MOVES B BYTES FROM THE ADDRESS IN HL TO
;THE ADDRESS IN DE
FC30 78      MOVER:  MOV    A,B
FC31 B7      ORA     A      ;IS LENGTH ZERO?
FC32 C8      RZ       ;YES - RETURN TO XYBASIC
FC33 7E      MOVES:  MOV    A,M ;FETCH SOURCE BYTE
FC34 12      STAX    D      ;STORE IT
FC35 23      INX     H      ;INCREMENT SOURCE POINTER
FC36 13      INX     D      ;INCREMENT DEST POINTER
FC37 05      DCR     B      ;DECREMENT BYTE COUNTER
FC38 C233FC  JNZ     MOVES ;KEEP MOVING
FC3B C9      RET       ;RETURN TO XYBASIC

;GETIP GETS AN INTEGER PARAMETER TO DE.
;JUMPS TO ERROR IF PARAMETER IS NOT
;A SIMPLE INTEGER VARIABLE.
FC3C CD0301  GETIP:  CALL   GTPAR ;GET A PARAMETER
FC3F FE01      CPI     1      ;INTEGER?
FC41 C26801  JNZ     ERROR ;NO - TAKE ERROR EXIT
FC44 79      MOV     A,C      ;EXPECTING SIMPLE VARIABLE
FC45 B7      ORA     A      ;ARRAY PASSED?
FC46 C26801  JNZ     ERROR ;YES - TAKE ERROR EXIT
FC49 5E      MOV     E,M      ;LOW BYTE OF VALUE
FC4A 23      INX     H      ;POINT TO HIGH BYTE
FC4B 56      MOV     D,M      ;HIGH BYTE
FC4C C9      RET       ;RETURN TO CALLER

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With these routines resident in memory, it is a simple matter to save the contents of a string variable in nonvolatile memory (say, at address 0C000H). The string variable DATE\$ could be saved as follows:

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NVM% = #C000: CALL #FC00, NVM%, DATE$
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It could be recalled at power-up time by:

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NVM% = #C000: DATE$ = "      ": CALL #FC1A, NVM%, DATE$
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Note that a string of blanks is assigned to DATE\$ before the call to RCLVAR. This is an absolutely necessary formality, because storage space for string variables is allocated dynamically by XYBASIC. This allows the length of a string variable's value to vary dynamically without wasting memory space. If a string variable contains the null string (as it does if it has not been previously defined), no storage space has been allocated for it. Thus a string variable must be assigned a string of length at least as great as the length of the string to be recalled before the CALL to RCLVAR. This extra step is necessary only for string variables.

Another example using GTPAR is included in Section 3 of Chapter II, in the paragraph Saving and Loading Under Operating Systems.

SCALL

The SCALL (Short CALL) command is similar to CALL, except that parameter values are passed to and from your assembly language routine directly (through registers) rather than with GTPAR. This makes linking to an assembly language routine faster and easier. However, the parameters which are passed must be integers; you must use CALL rather than SCALL to pass