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A fact: interesting people go to interesting places where they do interesting things.

Robert Schnitzer and Marcella Cisney have spent a lifetime as performing arts administrators recruiting and exporting American talent. They talk about themselves and the people they have known, including Thornton Wilder, beginning on page 1-B.

Cayo Costa is one of the last barrier islands in Florida that has managed to elude man's colonization. The virgin beauty of Cayo Costa's animal and plant life is detailed by George Campbell, starting on page 1-C.

Lots of people find Sanibel an interesting place, including a group of nomad campers who prefer to ignore conventional quarters in favor of sleeping on a bed of pine needles. Problem is, it's illegal. Their story on page 3-B.

People here do a lot of talking about the way things used to be, and the way things are now. For a photographic look at what bustling Fort Myers Beach used to be like, turn to page 21-A.

Some people come to Sanibel with the expectation of building their "dream" retirement home here or of making a living in the development business. Encountering the Sanibel land-use plan, they end up asking questions about what they now can and can't do. For some of the answers see 12-A.

Finally, what do you think the author of Jonathan Livingston Seagull would do with a boat he had just purchased? He would take it flying, of course. Richard Bach's story is right here on page one.



Why do Sanibel's campers endure noseems, possible eviction and the cold morning dew? They tell their story on 3-B.

ISLAND REPORTER Photo By Angus Thuermer, Jr.

Council approves partial Mariner Pointe buildout

Robert Taylor, president of Mariner Properties, Inc., came to Tuesday's Council meeting seeking permission to construct a 25-unit building as the final phase of the planned 102-unit Mariner Pointe condominium complex.

With Vernon MacKenzie excused from attendance at Council sessions while he is on medical consultations in Washington, D.C., the four-man Council ended up giving Taylor permission to build only 16 units and to come back when a full Council was present to seek approval of the remaining units.

The action came after the Council, in a rare 2-2 tie vote, failed to approve a motion by Councilman Zee Butler that Taylor be granted permission to build at 24 units.

The 24-unit figure was chosen -- rather than the 25 originally requested by Taylor -- after Councilman Francis Bailey had suggested that such a density of approximately nine units per acre at least conformed with an early proposal by the City's planning consultants. In the present version of the land-use plan the density allocation for the area is at six units per acre, allowing a total of about 16 units on the remaining 2.6 acres.

Bailey and Butler voted to approve the request at 24 units, but Mayor Porter Goss and Councilman Charles LeBuff cast negative votes.

The first 77 units of the Mariner Pointe complex, located on San Carlos Bay on the east end of Sanibel, have been completed for well over a year and are completely sold out, Taylor told the Council.

Taylor, emphasizing the "transitional character" of the case, pointed out that the project had been in process for three years, that it was 75 percent completed, and that the pilings for the final phase had been in the ground for some 14 months.

"We have waited throughout the planning process," Taylor said, "while others -- such as Loggerhead Cay and Island Beach Club -- have been permitted to proceed." He added that the Mariner Pointe project met or exceeded all of the criteria "that are the underpinnings of the plan."

Earlier the Planning Commission, by a 5-2 vote, with Commissioners George Tenney and Don Marshall dissenting, had recommended denial of Taylor's request.

On Tuesday Commission Chairman Duane White told the Council that "after months of study and debate" the Council had approved a land-use plan for review by the state.

The plan, he said, "is not in limbo. It is a

benchmark." He pointed out that the proposed land-use plan not only established a density of six units per acre for the area in question, but also required a 100-foot set-back from the Bay and an elevation of 13.5 feet. He urged the Council to follow the standards set forth in the plan.

Taylor replied that he could not possibly comply with the 100-foot set-back requirement, pointing out that he had recently received a permit from the City to construct

a tennis court at Mariner Pointe and that to move the proposed building back to 100 feet would place it in the middle of the approved tennis court.

Mayor Goss said that the recent plan change requiring both a 100-foot set-back and the 13.5 foot elevation came as a surprise to him, adding that since Taylor's application had been submitted before the change in the requirements he believed that should be taken into consideration.

Several Councilmen commended Taylor for his cooperative attitude and agreed with the position stated by Butler and Goss that he should be given "every consideration that the law allows."

Goss was emphatic, however, in his insistence on a distinction between approval for "a building and a project," stating that permits were given for specific buildings and

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Bach buys Jonathan Livingston sequel

By Mark Twombly

Just before he began pulling the gears and levers that would extend the boom and lift the fragile trimaran off its drydock-roost of 50 gallon drums, the crane operator walked over and told the anxious owner that if anything happened and the boat slipped from its

harness while suspended in air, he, the crane operator, could not be held responsible.

The boat owner winced, then struck up a concerned pace as the three white hulls, glistening in the dull light of the full moon, groaned under the strain of the harness.

It seemed appropriate for Richard Bach to begin life with his

newly acquired boat by sending it skyward before testing it in its natural, watery habitat.

Hopelessly in love with flight since his high school days, Bach has made a living out of flying, and writing about flying. Once an editor for Flying magazine, Bach is better known to a grounded public as the author of "Jonathan Livingston Seagull," a little novel about a thinking, talking seagull. Like Bach, Jonathan is driven to probe the limits of flight, darting and wheeling and perfecting maneuvers that other gulls can't and won't attempt.

Bach is ready to try a new kind of freedom. Weary of living on land, he has decided to take up housekeeping on the water. His new home will be the Tonkay, a 32 foot trimaran purchased from Tony Lemus, who has kept the boat docked at Timmy's Nook Marina on Captiva.

From his home in Winterhaven, Florida, Bach and his companion, Dee Boatman, scanned the Tampa area for a suitable trimaran. A skilled sailor -- he owns a 47 foot trimaran -- Bach discovered Lemus and his boat, and according to Ms. Boatman, the "good vibes"

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Richard Bach, dedicated pilot and author of Jonathan Livingston Seagull, shoves off from Timmy's Nook Marina aboard his new trimaran, the Tonkay.

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IN BRIEF

City files appeal

Notice of intention to appeal the Circuit Court decision in the Sundial case was filed by the Sanibel City Attorney on Monday, March 15. Within ten days thereafter, according to City Attorney Frank Watson, it will be necessary to file an "assignment of errors," pointing out the legal acts of the Circuit Court that are deemed to be in error. Briefs would be slated to go to the appellate court in Lakeland in late May or early June, Watson said.

Driver believed dead

The body of a man whose car plunged into San Carlos Bay at the foot of the Sanibel Causeway before dawn on February 28 has not been found, according to Sanibel police. Harry Stewart, of 1715 Park Avenue in Fort Myers, apparently was fishing at the Blind Pass bridge before the incident occurred. Stewart's red 1967 Mercury convertible was pulled from the bay with the top down. Police are going on the assumption Stewart drowned as a result of the accident.

Stunt jump denied

The movie scene that was supposed to be filmed on the Sanibel Causeway last Saturday was cancelled after authorities learned that Palo Alto Productions planned to have a car leap over an open drawbridge and plummet into the water below. Thomas Marvel, manager of Lee County Toll Facilities, said that the stunt could have damaged the bridge. The scene was a part of a movie called "Thunder and Lightning."

Parking ban passes

An emergency ordinance prohibiting automobile driving or parking on the new Periwinkle Way bicycle path was adopted Tuesday by the City Council. The law also prohibits the use of unsafe bicycles, and requires bicyclists to remain on the bike path where possible. Bicyclists on roads other than Periwinkle must ride single file. The law is a watered down version of one proposed earlier to the Council. A more comprehensive ordinance is being drafted for Council debate.

Photo-verse show

Tickets for Mario Hutton's photo-verse program tonight and tomorrow night will be available at the door of the Sanibel Community House, where the show will start at 8:00 p.m. All proceeds will go to Sanibel Bike Paths, Inc. to boost the program to build a network of paths on the island. Hutton will present five new features in the show, including a fascinating story on the Children's Center, a report on the birth and early days of three Black-necked Stilts, and take-offs about owls and raccoons.

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Commercial zoning altered

Some last minute changes in Sanibel's proposed comprehensive land use plan prompted the City's Planning Commission on Monday to reject proposals for two new island shopping centers, leading one developer to denounce the commission for "defiling my rights as an American."

During final planning workshops held last week, large chunks of commercial and restricted commercial zones along the north side of Periwinkle Way and Gulf Drive were slashed to permit only residential use.

Both Joseph Kucharski and Dale and Linda Beatty had planned to build shopping plazas in areas that were affected by the change. When their plans came up for hearings Monday before the Planning Commission they were told the change in zoning made it impossible for the commission to recommend approval of permits for the projects.

Joseph Kucharski was making his fourth appearance before the commission in an attempt to develop property between North and South Yachtsman Drives. An 11 shop commercial complex was slated for the site, but under the final version of the plan Kucharski will be able to build only two single family homes.

The Beattys have an option on 4.4 acres across from Periwinkle Place, and had drawn up plans for a six building shopping complex built around a plantation motif. The land was zoned for commercial use until the zoning change was made.

The Beattys' project, named the Palms Plantation, was designed to preserve the "feeling of closeness with nature," explained Dale Beatty. "The project was put together based on the original version of the plan," he noted. "I hope the Planning Commission is strong enough to look at individual projects and make individual decisions."

Commission Chairman Duane White said the land was downzoned to eliminate impact problems "we could not tolerate."

The Beattys say they scoured all of Florida searching for "an unchanged Florida environment" to build the shopping center. After their hearing they expressed frustration at not being able to build on the original site, but said they would hunt for another location on the island.

Kucharski's blast against the commission came after he was told the restricted commercial zoning of his property was eliminated because it would have created commercial zones where none existed before, and it was not adjacent to any other restricted commercial zones. "This was spot zoning," White noted, "and it could affect the plan."

Pacing back and forth in front of the commission, Kucharski said he questioned the legality and the conscientiousness of the entire commission. "The Planning Commission has defiled my rights as an American," he stormed. "If you don't want me to build, then buy my property. But don't steal it; that's what you're doing."

The verbal whipping was greeted with applause from some people in the audience. White smashed his gavel down and threatened to clear the room if there were more outbursts.

Labelling the scientific basis for the plan "ridiculous," Kucharski accused the commission of trying to force property owners to "crawl on our knees" by reducing

densities as much as possible. "But we're not going to do it," he cried.

Kucharski's statement ranked as the most impassioned criticism the commission has yet heard, but White refused to enter into a debate with Kucharski, who was just barely able to contain his anger.

A number of people took their turns at the microphone to either support Kucharski's statement or line up in the commission's camp.

When the commission voted to deny Kucharski's petition for permits to build the shopping complex, he uttered a vow to file suit against the commission.

The commission also turned down a request for approval of a subdivision containing nine duplex lots on Camino del Mar Drive north of Ocean's Reach condominiums.

Owned by Outer Islands Development Corporation, which also built Ocean's Reach, the project was also to include a three-quarter acre water-filled borrow pit.

The commissioners said the density allocation assigned to the land in the proposed plan would not permit the development of the subdivision. City law also prohibits dredging for fill, they said.

In other action the commission:

- approved a request from the Island Water Association to build a 20 by 50 by 12 foot storage shed at their main plant on Sanibel-Captiva Road.

- tabled a request from Robert Potts to expand the Huxter's Market building on Periwinkle to add a liquor store and lounge. Potts was asked to produce more complete plans for the project.

AGENDA:

City of Sanibel Planning Commission Meeting of March 22, 1976 - City Hall

9:30 Approval of Minutes

9:45 Hearing on request of Robert Holloper to construct a shopping complex, comprising four shops, two offices, and a restaurant of the fast service type on a parcel of land located on the south side of Periwinkle Way west of Donax Street.

10:15 Continuation of hearing on request of Dave Holtzman to construct a restaurant at Shell Harbor Inn (Lindgren Blvd. and Gulf Dr.) and to continue the hearing on his request to construct three additional two-story building (42 units) at Shell Harbor Inn.

10:45 Hearing on request of Donald J. Anderson to construct a single-family dwelling on lot 32, Tradewinds subdivision (Gulf Dr.)

11:15 Continuation of hearing on request of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Potts to construct a building at the Huxter's Market, Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, to house a retail liquor store.

11:45 Commissioners' reports

12:00 Chairman's report

12:15 Adjournment

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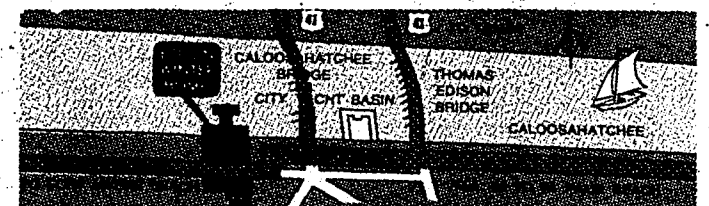
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Islanders speak out at final hearing



Ruth Hunter, concerned by future beach access, received this plaque from the City Council during last Thursday's hearing.

The Sanibel City Council held its final public hearing on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Thursday, bringing the total public input time to an estimated 180 hours.

There were few new faces in the audience of about 55 Sanibel residents and property owners. The public microphone was dominated, for the most part, by some of the Plan's most outspoken proponents and critics.

Arthur Hunter, said to be the only private citizen to attend every meeting of the City Council and Planning Commission while the plan was being formulated, commended the city for seeking, "to control its own destiny."

"I have heard public complaints that this or that individual has not had opportunity to express his opinions and concerns and to represent his specific interests," said Hunter. "I feel it is proper to put into the record a statistic which all should note. I have been informed that including the last public hearing in February there has been a total of 176 hours of public input."

The retired engineer urged property owners to "focus on their potential overall gains in the long run," rather than on immediate hardships. If Sanibel's growth rate can be held to three percent a year," said Hunter. "Sanibel may well still be saved as the wonderful place it is in which to live."

Ruth and Philip Hunter, speaking individually, complained of inadequate beach access along Gulf Drive and asked questions regarding the setback requirements for a

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restricted commercial property on Purdy Road.

Architect and Sanibel resident Frank Vallake earned audience applause when he recommended the creation of an architectural control board. Such a board would

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Property owner Nancy Bruce, above, asks for compensation.



WMRT consultant, Bill Roberts, explains the density allocation formula to Robert Houser.

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EDITORIAL

News-Press editorial endorses Petaluma growth ceiling

In the March 5 issue ISLAND REPORTER published a detailed analysis of what is popularly known as the "Petaluma case." Below we publish an editorial on the subject, entitled "Communities can discourage growth," which appeared in the March 8, 1976 issue of the Fort Myers News-Press:

A recent U.S. Supreme Court decision not to review the Petaluma, Calif. plan of limiting growth gives encouragement everywhere

to communities trying to preserve their size and character.

Locally, the city of Sanibel can feel more secure in its attempt to limit development.

The Supreme Court, in letting an appeals court ruling stand, gave tacit approval to ordinances in the small town of Petaluma that limit new dwelling units to 500 a year and establish boundaries beyond which growth can not take place for about 20 years.

Taken to court by a builders group, the Petaluma Plan became a celebrated case, watched closely

in its progress through the courts by communities with similar intentions and developers who charged it was "exclusionary."

One judge ruled that the plan created "a substantial deterrent to travel and commerce" and that it encouraged other communities to do the same.

But the appeals court concluded that "the concept of the public welfare is sufficiently broad to uphold Petaluma's desire to preserve its small town character, its open spaces and low density of population, and to grow at an

orderly and deliberate pace."

This is precisely the purpose of Sanibel's comprehensive land-use plan, now undergoing finishing touches. The Sanibel plan would limit dwelling units to about 7,800 or a population of something like 20,000, as opposed to former projections of up to 90,000 people.

Neither the Petaluma nor the Sanibel plan constitutes a no-growth policy. They simply try to preserve the community's special charm and character, which is an altogether reasonable goal.



Small Black-necked Stilt peeks out from the weeds as its mother stands like a towering sentinel over three unhatched eggs.

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REPORTER REPEATERS

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In March, 1975 the Sanibel City Council had completed the benchmark "first 100 days" of its existence. In a special report, ISLAND REPORTER devoted a section to a review of problems and accomplishments.

Two citizens were singled out for the honor of "Most faithfully following Council sessions" -- Claire Walter and John Clark.

In an interview with Mayor Porter Goss he was asked what he thought would be the focus of the Council's attention in coming months. He replied that "Land use planning is an undeniable must..."

Naples attorney, Walter Condon filed a suit in Circuit Court against the City of Sanibel

challenging the special legislative act that created the City.

County Commission Chairman L.H. "Bob" Whan threw cold water on the hopes of some that Lee County would sponsor a multi-million dollar proposal for the control of erosion on Captiva. He said he could not support the proposal.

The Sanibel Planning Commission continued its efforts to narrow down the field in the selection of a professional planning firm to aid the City in development of a land-use plan. Six firms were slated to appear before the Commission (but at that time Wallace McHarg Roberts & Todd were not in the running.)

The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan was given and accepted a call to become the new minister at the Sanibel Community Church to succeed Dr. A. Ray Cartledge, interim pastor who had asked to be relieved by May 15.

Speak out

Reader outraged

[The following letter, addressed to Sanibel City Council, was submitted to ISLAND REPORTER for publication.]

To the Sanibel City Council: A Note and (another) Vote of Confidence.

If there isn't enough "community involvement in the planning effort," to quote our new planning director Sam Shannon, it's because of those of us who keep to our homes and/or businesses and follow the action from a safe distance. We're grateful to the ISLAND REPORTER for keeping us informed. We read about what's going on, we are mad or glad. But we say nothing and do nothing.

Now, it is time for a civic revolt. Our beloved and beautiful island city is publicly called "a one-lung, jerkwater town." The

perpetrator of this ugly slander is encouraged by a group of dissidents presumptuous enough to name themselves "Concerned Property Owners of Sanibel."

Grown men use the columns of the public press to indulge in childish bickering and snide racial slurs. Paint-throwing and other kindergarten temper tantrums are directed against our city government and officials.

Emotions are reaching the boiling point. We silent citizens are no longer willing to be bamboozled by Dworetzys, Kucharskis, Condons, Gisselbecks and their like. To date, we have stood by and allowed our valiant City Council to man the bastions of Sanibel virtually unassisted.

True, they have our mandate and know what is expected of them in our behalf. Yet theirs is a lonely fight. They should have constant reaffirmation of our support and reassurance of our faith. They are, after all, simply five fellow-citizens who have been welded together into a spearhead. We are the spear; we must let our Councilmen know that spear and spearhead are firmly united,

a formidable weapon against those who would despoil and depart.

Suits against our city are proliferating. Each suit has a common base: personal profit. Each plaintiff seeks to build whatever he wishes on vacant land he purchased for investment.

And this, of course, is reasonable except on an island with finite boundaries and limited capacities. What the developers extol is what they are suing to be legally permitted to destroy. What they extol is what we are determined legally to preserve. Here are ad quotes:

• "Sanibel Island is clearly the most beautiful island in Florida. A small town kind of place. With miles of unspoiled beaches... And an amazing absence of noise and crowds and traffic... and now Sanibel Island has a place to live that's as beautiful and peaceful as the island itself..."

• "...The setting is nature at her best, uncluttered, uncrowded, unbelievably lovely..."

• "...15 miles of the best, uncrowded

shelling beach in the world. On picturesque Sanibel Island..."

• "...on the shores of serene unspoiled Sanibel Island..."

• "...on the Gulf-washed shores of fabulous and quaint Sanibel Island..."

• "Isn't it time you escaped to a relaxed island?"

• "This is Sanibel as it was meant to be... Brilliant sunrises, lonely beaches, soft hued sunsets..."

• "Live, play and unwind in your own island paradise..."

Clearly, this is adorning the virgin before sacrificing her to the great god Moolah.

It would seem to be pertinent for us to file a class action countersuit against threatening developers. We are being deprived of the use of our tax money intended to improve and maintain Sanibel. Our monies are being diverted perforce into legal and court fees to fight the very thing against which we incorporated: exploitation to the point of the death of our chosen island home.

If we are not strong, we will all be accessories in a patent case of islandicide (see Marco Island, Miami Beach, Clearwater, etc.).

We citizens of Sanibel, through our trusted City Council, serve notice now that this island will remain as unspoiled, uncrowded, uncluttered and undeveloped as it is today. Sanibel has already been "developed" (desecrated) to an unfortunate degree. Let us hold the line in strict accord with our hard-won Land Use plan, with no exceptions to the tandem growth/services projections.

It is commendable that some proposed complexes have been thoughtfully designed to preserve and blend with vegetation and earth contours. But they come too late. There are many unsold condominium units; surely there are enough multi-shop centers. It is to be hoped that Sanibel's eco-system and services can be kept compatible with increasing individual units, both homes and shops.

But we must be prepared to fight construction of any more multi-unit dwellings or shopping centers, with their enormous strain on water, power, sewerage facilities and their compounding of our already frightening traffic problems.

Our City Council has our support. Each Councilman knows this. Theirs is a sobering job; their responsibility to the future is awesome.

But it is also our responsibility, and we must keep reassuring our elected representatives that we stand behind them. We approve heartily of their strength as leaders of this "one-lung, jerkwater town" which can -- and indeed must -- stop destructive growth.

We are Florida's Petaluma. We, too, will win. /s/ Charlotte Heimann

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Persons and places —

Stalks of sea oats frame this romantic view of a Bowman's Beach couple lingering for the day's final touch of beauty, the slow descent of a blood red sun.

Scene on the beaches

By Grace Whitehead

I feel guilty as all get out and I've just got to apologize. In last week's column I completely forgot to mention St. Patrick's Day.

This week, on March 17, I made up for it a bit. I wore my green slacks, looked green with envy several times, practiced my green thumb on my gravel yard, had a green salad for lunch, and ate green split pea soup for dinner.

I didn't really say anything nasty about the English, but I did manage to avoid saying anything nice.

As a matter of fact, my irritation at our erstwhile English cousins mounted when I started looking for St. Patrick in my Encyclopedia Britannica. Can you believe it jumps right from St. Pancras, which sounds like a sanctified sweetbread, to Saint Paul, which is presumably a city someplace.

Naturally, they give all kinds of

space to St. Louis, which I believe is the capital of Oklahoma and was found by some Frenchman who didn't know enough to stay home, fight the English, and drink wine.

My research did turn up one interesting thing though. I found, after examining many old musty, whiskey-soaked documents and maps, that it was an Irishman by the name of Sam O'Bell who discovered Sanibel.

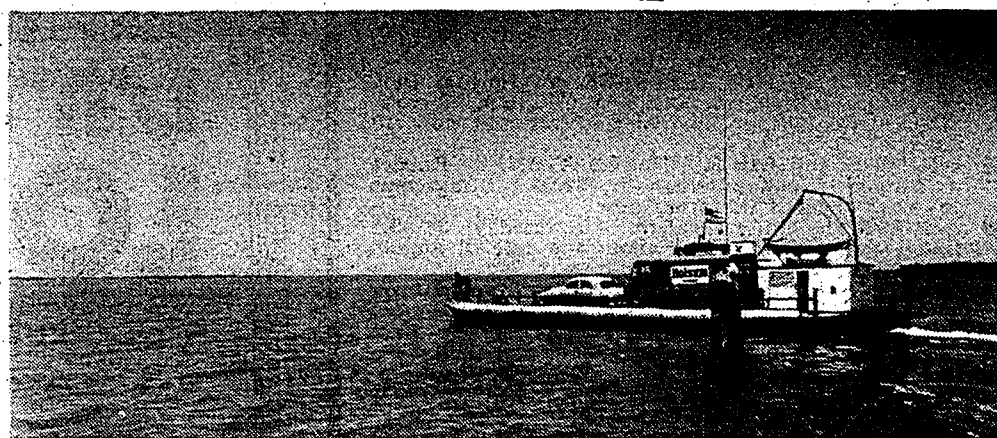
It seems there was a big drought in Ireland and all of the potatoes died off. So old Sam set out to discover a new land where potatoes would grow.

He arrived in San Carlos Bay and spotted Sanibel Light. Putting his dinghy ashore, he proclaimed "The is henceforth the Island of Sam O'Bell."

Over the years it became corrupted to San O'Bell and finally ended up as Sanibel. And that is how this island got its name.

So, eat your heart out Elinore!

readers respond



If you had your choice would you rather have reached Sanibel via the bridge and causeway or by ferryboat?

gomery, Alabama: "Obviously we'd rather come by ferry boat. We missed using the ferry by one year."

Mrs. Betty Welch, East Fort Myers: "I live in Fort Myers, but this is my first time out here in two years. It's the toll that keeps me from coming -- that bridge has been paid for many times over already. I prefer coming over on the bridge -- the drive is beautiful."

Mrs. Peg Botamer, Elyria, Ohio and Fort Myers: "I think the bridge is lovely. Never having experienced the ferry I couldn't make a judgment."

Pam Lycett, Fort Myers Beach: "The bridge. I don't like boats."

Mrs. Robert Walsh, Elyria, Ohio: "I like the bridge. I think it's wonderful."

Mrs. C.K. Frederick, Auburn, Indiana: "I don't know. I like the ferry but it's a lot slower."

Mrs. Sally Bethard, Media, Pennsylvania: "Not having reached the islands by ferry, I really can't say. The causeway seems safe and pleasant. I imagine the ferry would have been a picturesque way to travel."

Marilyn Frederick, Columbus, Ohio: "The ferry might be fun for a change. It would be nice to have a waterway to the island so you wouldn't have to travel through crowded Fort Myers to reach Sanibel."

Jane Carter, Sanibel: "By ferry boat! I wish the causeway wasn't ever there."

Mr. and Mrs. James Rutherford, Mont-

Mrs. Dean Shannon, Fort Myers: "just depends on what you've come for. This morning I came to work to help my husband and the causeway is speedier. The ferry would be nice for a treat if you had the time."

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- ✓ 9 **THE EAGLE HAS LANDED**, by Jack Higgins. (Holt, Rinehart & Winston, \$8.95.) W.W. II plot to kidnap Churchill.
- ✓ 10 **THE SWISS ACCOUNT**, by Leslie Waller. (Doubleday, \$8.95.) Heady mixture of high finance and low motives.

General

- ✓ 1 **DORIS DAY Her Own Story**, by A. E. Hotchner. (William Morrow, \$8.95.) The actress reminisces with some candor.
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- ✓ 7 **WORLD OF OUR FATHERS**, by Irving Howe. With Kenneth Libo. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$14.95.) Scholarly, incisive history of the East European Jewish immigrant community.
- ✓ 8 **THE ADAMS CHRONICLES**, by Jack Shepherd. (Little, Brown, \$17.50.) History of the Adams family, largely in their own words.
- ✓ 9 **SPANDAUF**, by Albert Speer. (Macmillan, \$13.95.) Reflections on prison, crime and punishment by the Nazi war criminal.
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PEOPLE in the news



Patrolman Ray Rhodes of the Sanibel Police Department has been nominated as a candidate for the Lawman of the Year award sponsored by the Fort Myers News-Press.

Police Chief John Butler nominated Rhodes because of his work on the Casa del Mama restaurant robbery that occurred on February 9.

Rhodes was not on duty the night of the hold-up, but joined police investigating the incident shortly after the robbery was reported. After 26 hours of non-stop investigation Rhodes came across the first clues that eventually led to the arrest of a suspect, said Butler.

"Our decision to nominate Patrolman Rhodes is based on the quality of his criminal investigation, his interest and enthusiasm,

his overall ability, public contacts, enforcement action, interpersonal relations and his personal appearance," added Butler.

The News-Press began a Lawman of the Month award program last year, but dropped that in favor of an annual award. News-Press Managing Editor Sanders LaMont said the newspaper's editorial board will review all nominations at the end of the year and announce a winner.

Special citations are sometimes awarded in unusual cases, he said.

Rhodes, 26, was appointed to the Sanibel Police Department on May 5, 1975. He lives with his wife, Meri, at 144 Skiff Place on Sanibel. A native Floridian who has spent most of his life on Sanibel, Rhodes is a graduate of the University of South Florida.

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Following the flight of the eagle has taken Vic Banks on travels from the frozen lands of Alaska to the sunny shores of Florida.

This week Banks was on Sanibel and Captiva taking a look at birds of prey, including the osprey.

Banks is chief of script development in the Department of Exhibition of Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago. At the moment he is working on an exhibit featuring the bald eagle, which will be part of the Smithsonian extravaganza for the celebration of the nation's Bicentennial.

A Chicago resident, Banks has travelled extensively doing still and motion picture photography, as well as writing, for Field Museum, and also freelancing.

On Admiralty Island near Juneau, which he described as "one of the last undeveloped islands in all of Southeast Alaska," he found many eagles, and "in some cases the trees were so loaded with the birds that they looked like Christmas tree ornaments."

Even there, however, the eagle's existence is threatened, Banks said, particularly by loss of habitat and some shooting.

In Southwest Florida, Banks found one site where he hoped to photograph a southern bald eagle nest. The one that did exist on Captiva is now inactive.

Also Banks planned to do some camera-shooting on the islands of the more plentiful but endangered, osprey.



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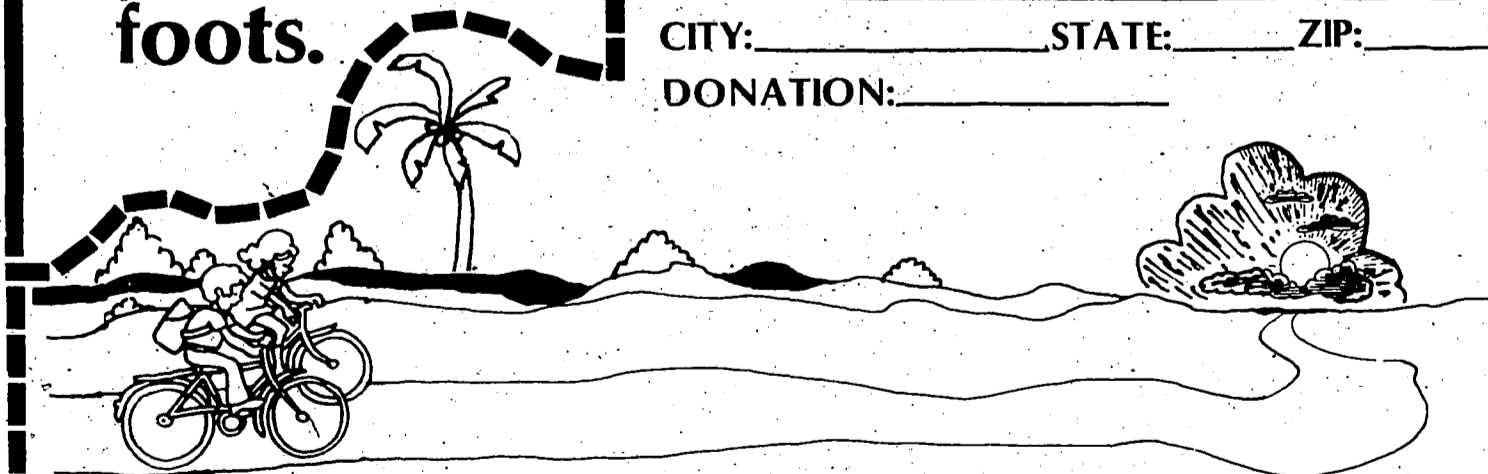
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Trade paperbacks are sold, for the most part, in bookstores. This analysis is based on reports from chains with more than 500 stores across the United States.

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- ✓ 4 **CROCKERY COOKERY**, by Mable Hoffman. (H. P. Books, \$4.95.) Choosing and using an electric slow cooker.
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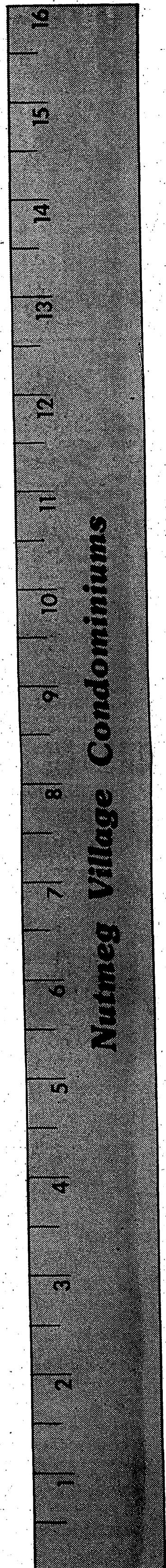
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This compares with 77,820 vehicles in February, 1975, an increase of over 17,000.

The passenger car total last month was up 17,830 over 1975 with 90,000 cars making the crossing. February, 1976 saw 293 more light

trucks, and 586 fewer heavy trucks than the previous February. In 1976 there were 20 fewer busses and 22 more motorcycles than there were in February, 1975.

Increases in passenger car traffic were noted over the month of January, 1976. In February, 1976, 90,739 passenger cars were recorded, as against January's total of 78,433. Light truck traffic was down by 20, and heavy trucks were down by 163.

SANIBEL CAUSEWAY TOLL FIGURES

	February, 1975	January, 1976	February, 1976
Passenger Cars	72,909	78,433	90,739
Light trucks	2,552	2,825	2,845
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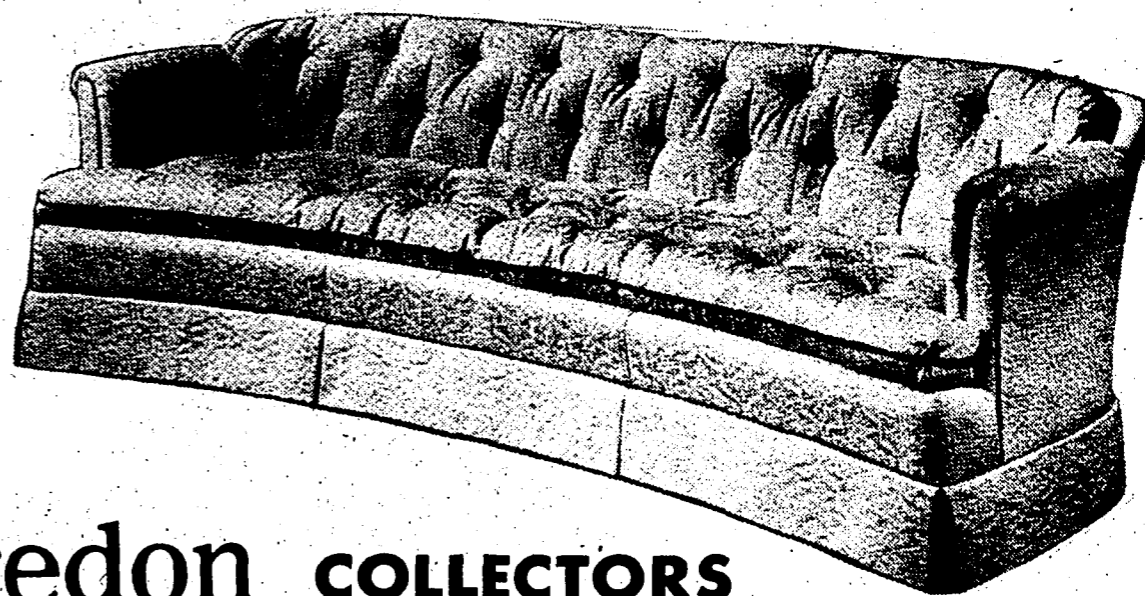
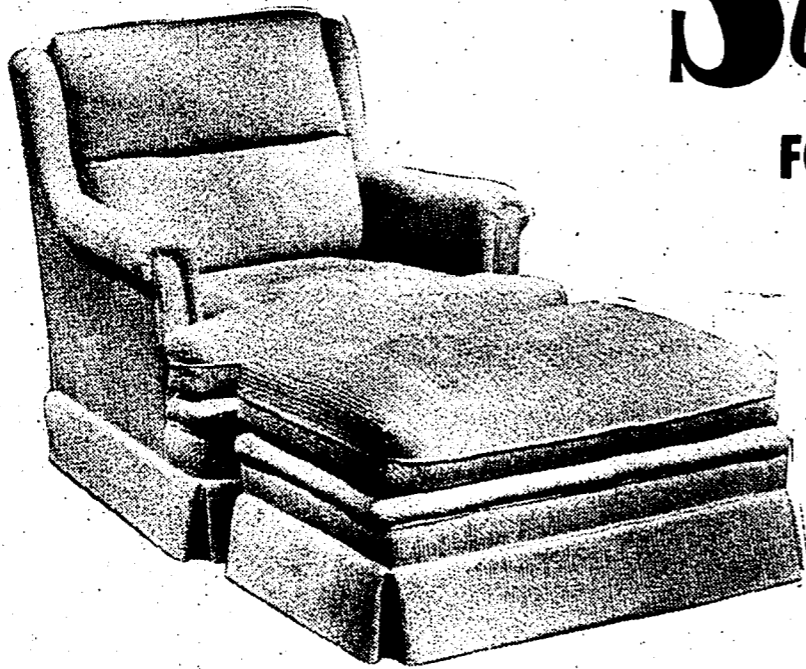
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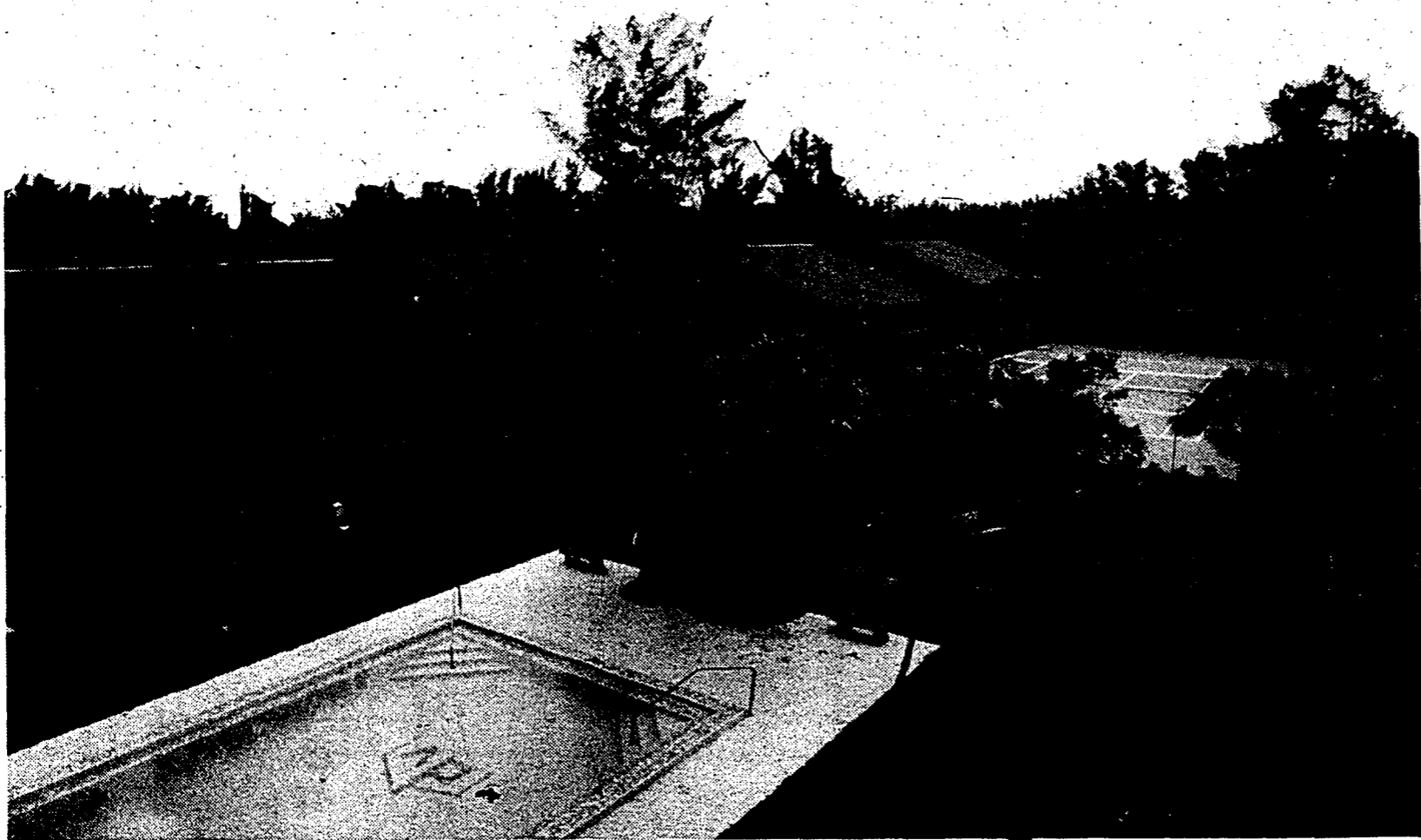
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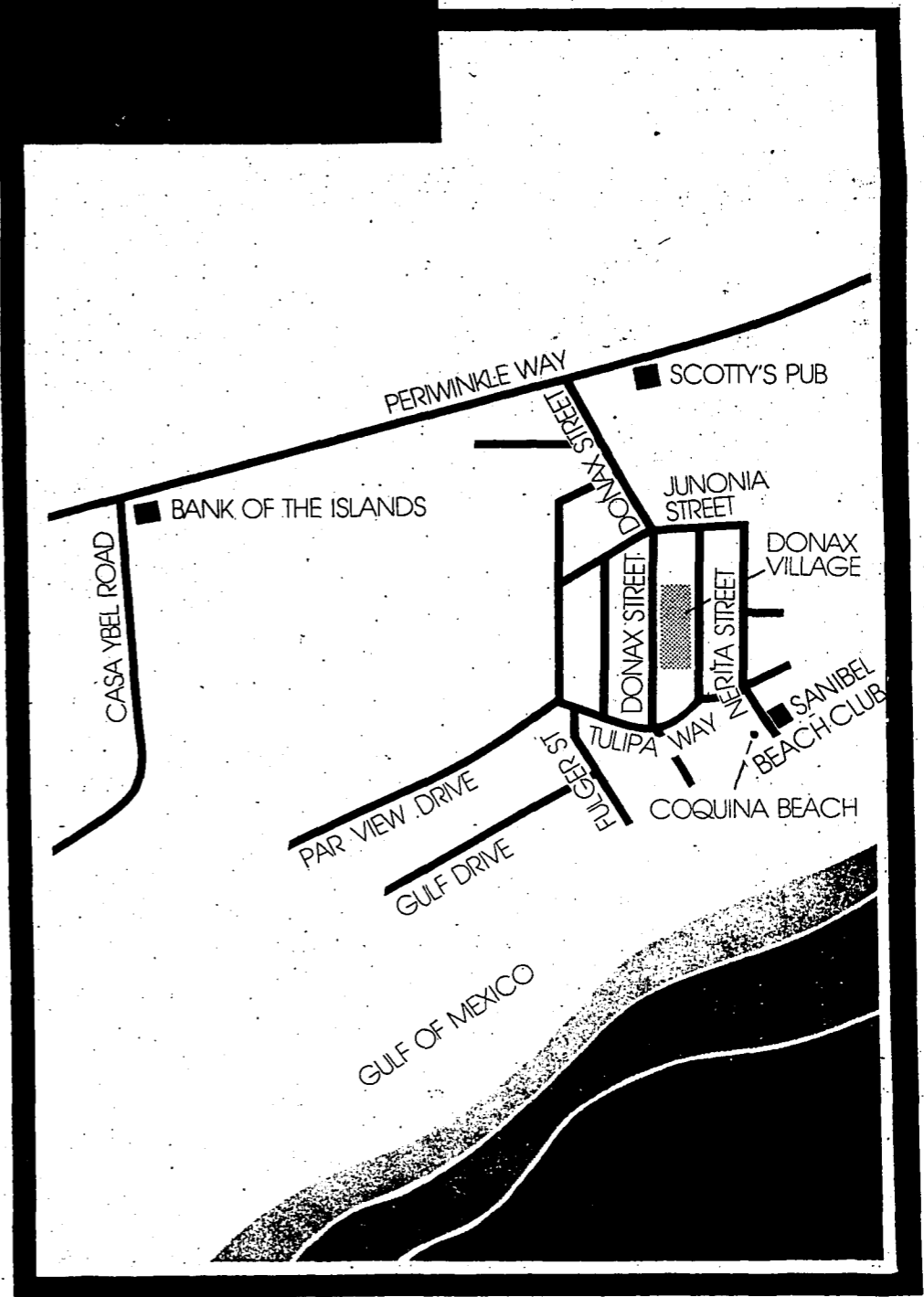
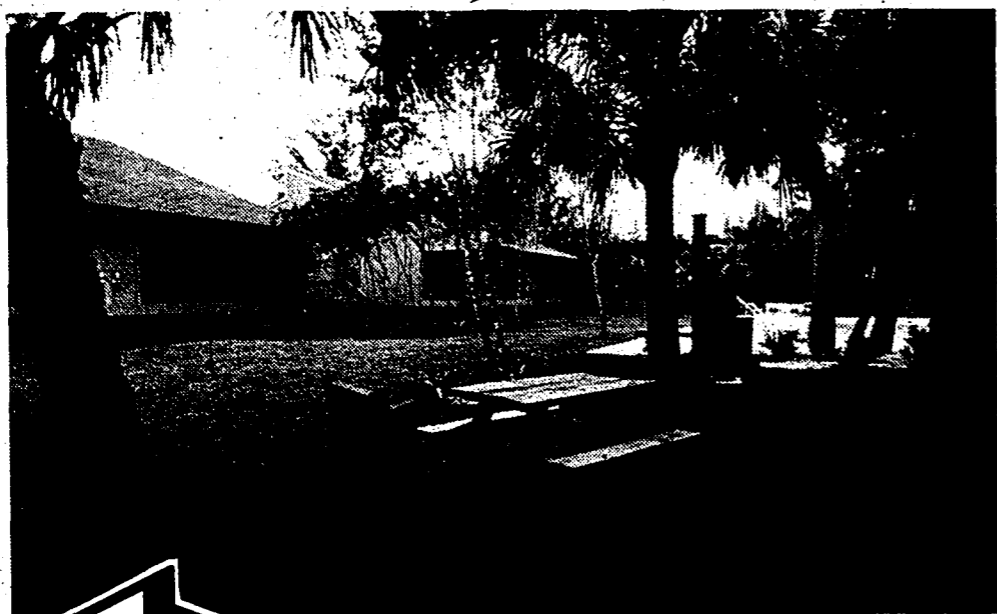
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Sanibel Plan: questions and answers

In this column we will attempt to answer the questions of readers concerning the proposed Sanibel comprehensive land-use plan. Questions should be addressed to ISLAND REPORTER, Attention: "Plan," Postal Drawer R, Sanibel, FL 33957.

In this issue we deal with some of the commonly asked questions, but we welcome queries of all types from readers.

It is emphasized that while ISLAND REPORTER will make a serious effort to ensure that the responses are as specific as possible, they should not be taken as official City policies or requirements. Those intending to build or make other decisions governed by the plan are advised to consult the plan itself or seek definitive answers from City Hall.

Question: I've read a lot about "performance standards" contained in the Sanibel land-use plan. What does that mean and, specifically, what does it mean for me if I want to build a house, a store, or put in a shopping center on the island?

Answer: "Performance standards" basically means the rules and regulations that you have to follow in building -- the types of things usually covered in building codes.

These would include such rules as how far your house or store has to be set back from the property line, how much vegetation you

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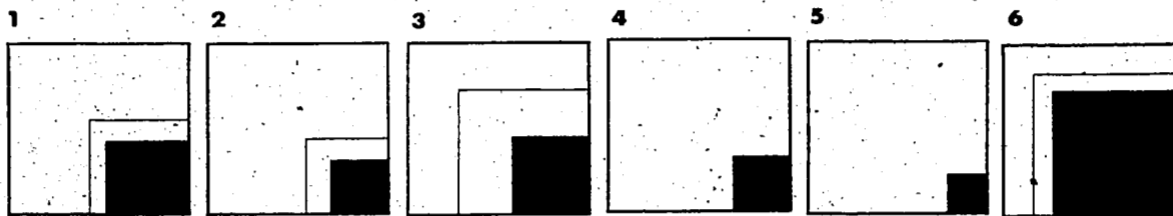
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6 Interior Wetlands, Mid-Island Ridge, and Filled Land

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* Includes "restricted commercial" where such permitted use exists.



are allowed to clear from the property, and how much of the land can be covered by impermeable surfaces (that is, surfaces not penetratable by water, such as the roof, cement or asphalt driveways or parking lots, or similar hard-surfaced areas.

There are several such "performance standards" and they vary according to the ecological zone in which your property is located. We can't cover them all in detail in this article.

The accompanying chart will give a good idea, however, of how much vegetation you

will be allowed to clear from your property and what percentage of impermeable surface you can put on your property when developing it.

There are also requirements for revegetation on your lot if you have to remove an amount of vegetation that exceeds the percentage allowed.

It should be added that while there is a limit on how much vegetation can be cleared, this does not apply to such so-called "weed" trees as melaleuca or Brazilian pepper. You are required to remove such vegetation when preparing your site for building.

Question: Is the use of septic tanks in any way restricted in the comprehensive land use plan?

Answer: The Plan stipulates that no septic tank shall be permitted within 200 feet of an open body of water. The Plan further defines an open body of water as follows: "An open body of water is a natural or artificial area that is inundated with water three or more months within the calendar year. Such bodies include, but are not limited to, lakes, ponds, rivers, creeks, marshes, slues, ditches, canals, bays, inlets, lagoons, swamps, bayous, cuts, gulfs, and retention ponds."

Question: How does this affect the provisions of Ordinance 76-1 which has heretofore permitted septic tanks within 200 feet of an open body of water?

Answer: Section 5 of Ordinance 76-1 permitted single-family detached residence on any lot or land parcel not included in the Wetlands or Mangrove Zones or the Gulf Beach Ridge, which met several standards including the following: "C. Adequate provisions for sewage disposal must be made available."

Now that the Comprehensive Land Use Plan has been approved by the City Council for review, that definition has been established as providing that no septic tank may be permitted within 200 feet of an open body of water. The City Manager has instructed the Sanibel Building Department that no

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further building permits will be issued for construction which do not conform to this standard.

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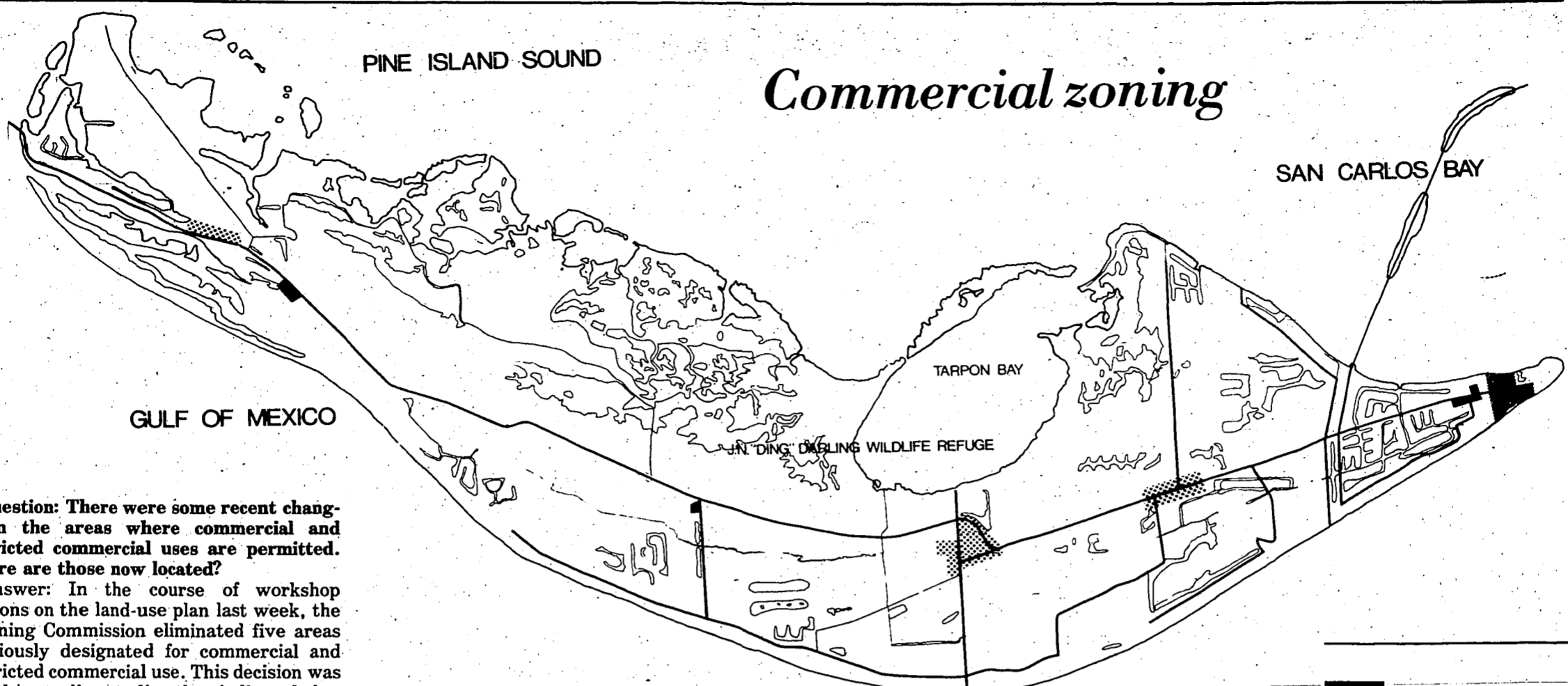
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Question: There were some recent changes in the areas where commercial and restricted commercial uses are permitted. Where are those now located?

Answer: In the course of workshop sessions on the land-use plan last week, the Planning Commission eliminated five areas previously designated for commercial and restricted commercial use. This decision was based on earlier studies that indicated that the draft plan contained an excessive area permitting commercial use on Periwinkle Way and Gulf Drive, given traffic congestion and other problems.

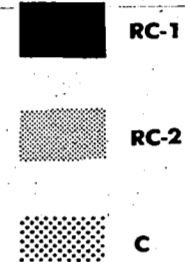
The plan, as finally approved by City Council for forwarding to Tallahassee, contained the commercial and restricted commercial areas indicated on the accompanying map.

Question: I understand commercial use, but what is "restricted commercial?"

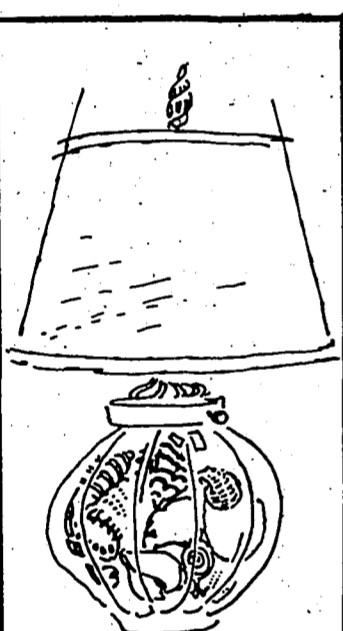
Answer: "Restricted commercial" is designed to take into consideration island-type individually or family-owned shops in which the owner-manager sometimes lives on the second floor.

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not for over-all projects. Thus, he said, he had concern about the whole concept of "transition cases."

Taylor argued that it was uneconomic for him and for the present owners of the 77 existing units to build less than the units provided for in the original Mariner Pointe plan, but he did request that Council at least approve the 16 units, while specifying that he could return to seek approval for the additional eight or nine units when a full Council was present.

A motion to that effect was approved unanimously by Council.

A petition to subdivide a 27.15 acre parcel of land straddling the Sanibel-Captiva Road near the western tip of Sanibel was withdrawn by John Oster, Jr. when it appeared certain the Council was prepared to deny the request.

Oster said he disagreed violently with the planners' opinion that the land is unstable and subject to change from storm action. "In the 50 years we have owned that property it hasn't changed one bit," he declared.

Objecting to the density allocation assigned to the parcel in the plan, which would allow 2 homes to be constructed, Oster said as owner of the land the Deltrol Corporation planned to sell 22 lots, which represented 20 percent of the buildable potential under the county-assigned zoning.

Pointing out that surrounding land had been assigned a higher density in the plan, Oster claimed that the Deltrol parcel had been placed in an incorrect environmental zone.

"It may not be the right one, but it's in the plan," argued Councilman Francis Bailey. Mayor Goss added that there were other

problems with the proposal besides the density factor. Disturbed over Council comments, Oster abruptly withdrew the request.

In other action, the Council:

- heard a report from an ad hoc committee on a plan to install fire hydrants on Sanibel and Captiva. The Sanibel portion of the plan would cost about \$900,000, and would put a hydrant within 1000 feet of all but a few isolated homes on the island.

Installations of the hydrants could lower fire insurance ratings from 10 to seven or eight, with a corresponding drop in insurance rates.

Even with the hydrants, insurance ratings would not be lowered in areas that are more than three miles from a fire station, according to the report submitted by the committee. The Blind Pass area of Sanibel is beyond the three mile limit, but the Sanibel Fire Control District commissioners are planning to purchase land in the Wulfert area to build a manned fire house.

The report also concluded that the financing of the hydrant project on Sanibel is beyond the means of the Island Water Association and the fire district, and would most likely fall in the lap of the city.

- listened to developer Keith Trowbridge explain the concept of interval ownership as he practices it in his newest project, the Sanibel Beach Club. Trowbridge is taking reservation deposits from customers interested in purchasing at least one week's ownership of a unit in Sanibel Beach Club.

Some 250 people have paid over \$800,000 to reserve a unit, said Trowbridge. "We're selling to people that are here already, folks that you know now," he added.

Interval ownership will enable developers to live with lower densities because the high



Powerful 'Ditch Witch' tractor churns dirt prior to installation of an underground telephone cable at Mariner Pointe condominiums. Mariner Properties, the developer of the Causeway Road project, received the go ahead Tuesday to complete 16 of the 25 units planned in the final phase of the development.

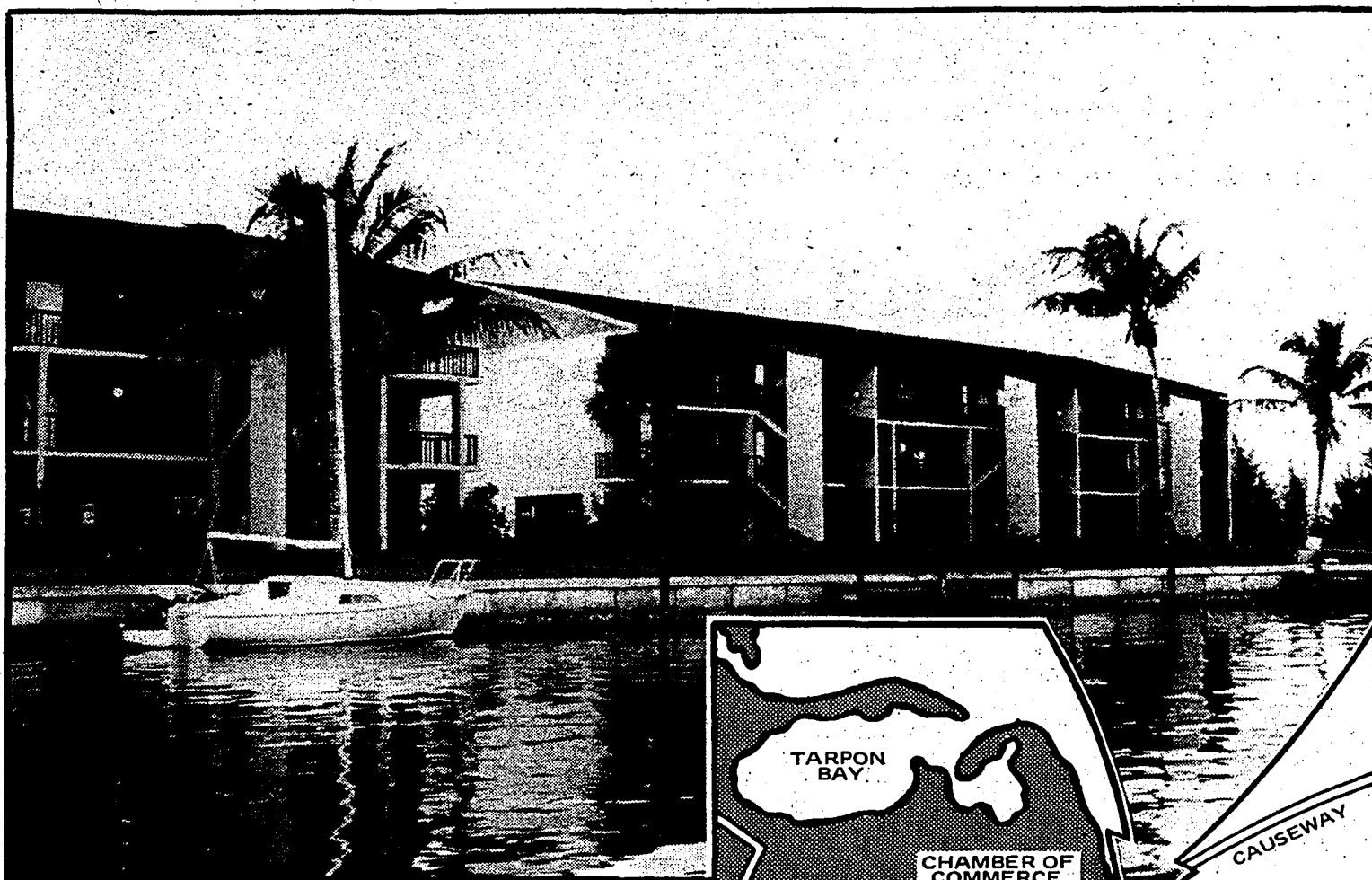
return will enable them to pay higher land costs, he argued. The year-round occupancy and paid-up vacation nature of the concept will also help local businesses, he said.

Several councilmen complained about the increased load on island services because of the maximum year round use of the condominium.

Mayor Goss also voiced an uneasiness about the lack of state regulation of interval

ownership condominiums. "The state condominium laws were made for traditional condos," he said, "not interval ownership."

Goss also reasoned that owners who rent their units should be assessed some fee that is not presently spelled out in the occupational license ordinance, and Trowbridge agreed to work with the City on finding a suitable formula.



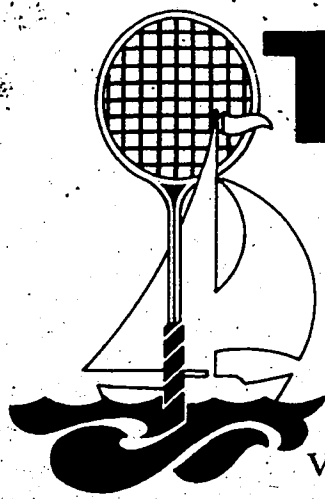
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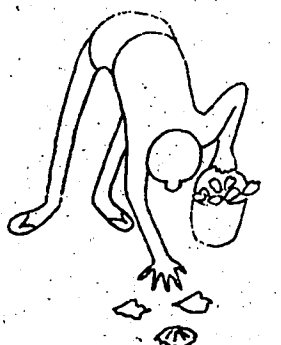
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Bach's boat takes flight

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generated by the ship sealed the deal.

The efficient design of the blue trimmed Tonkay, which Lemus built entirely from scratch, will allow Bach to sail it by himself.

When he sold the boat Lemus arranged to have a crane haul the boat out of the water so the bottom could be cleaned and inspected. The first flight of the Tonkay took place Saturday afternoon under a steady sun and the curious gaze of a crowd of Timmy's regulars.

With Lemus clinging to the steel mast, crane operator Don Carroll hoisted the boat from its slip and deposited it gracefully on a bed of 50 gallon drums a few feet from the water's edge.

Bach and Ms. Boatman arrived on Captiva Monday to pick up their floating home. They planned to launch under a full moon, spend the night at anchor near Timmy's, and sail for Tampa early Tuesday morning.

But first, the Tonkay had to make the return mid-air jaunt from land to sea. Carroll's crane was unavailable Monday night, so an off-island boom was secured.

When the crane arrived at about 9:00 p.m. Monday, people started gathering in the parking lot beside the restaurant, guzzling beer and yelling encouragement.

At first the crane operator seemed skeptical. Where Carroll's mammoth machine had disposed of the task easily, this new crane was smaller and had 12 feet less of boom length. "No problem," soothed Lemus. "There's no lead in her. She's lighter than she looks."

"Well, we'll give her hell," spat the crane operator. Minutes later long sections of fire hose were wrapped around the center hull, and the crane hook was attached.

Watching the proceedings with obvious concern, Bach darted back and forth between crane and boat until the scrubbed bottom finally kissed water once again. Before boarding the Tonkay he found a few minutes to talk about his book and his life.

Bach's airborne career was launched in California just after graduation from high school. "I was crazy about it," he remem-

bers. Later, as an Air Force pilot he flew F-86 and F-100 jets, but never saw combat. "I was lucky."

In Bach's view, military flying represents a chance to fly the fastest, most sophisticated machinery in the world. "Nobody is there because they like killing," he explains. "They're there because they like high performance airplanes."

Even combat flying offers a challenge that thrill-thirsty men like Bach find hard to ignore. But it's the old pilot-to-pilot dogfighting that excites him, not the grim, impersonal air to ground bombing. The closest Bach came to a gun was the trigger of a camera mounted on his fighter.

"Over in Europe it was a terrific thing to spot a squadron -- they could be Canadians -- and swoop down to see if you could take out their tail man." The only ammunition directed against the hapless Canadian fliers was film. No harm done, everybody had fun, and the film recorded the success of the mock encounter.

After his regular tour Bach

'Bach has soared to the same level of understanding Jonathan Seagull discovered by simply opening his eyes, trying and doing.' 'What he had once hoped for the Flock, Jonathan Livingston Seagull now gained for himself alone; he learned to fly, and was not sorry for the price that he had paid.'

served in the National Guard, until he was thrown out for refusing to trim his moustache. From the close-cropped National Guard, Bach moved to New York where he was hired as an editor of Flying, the aviation world's largest monthly magazine.

That tour didn't last long either. "I get bored easily," he admits. The longest Bach has stayed in one job is 11 months.

Bach began writing Jonathan Livingston Seagull in 1959, but the book wasn't completed until 1967.



Bach and his companion, Dee Boatman, boarded the Tonkay Monday night. On Tuesday they set sail for Tampa. Word is, they ran aground but managed to find a tow to deeper water.

"It took eight years to come up with a total of about four hours at the typewriter."

"It was a psychic book for me. All of us have many parts," Bach explains, and the part of him that saw years of experiencing firsthand the freedom of flight, whether in a barnstormer or supersonic jet, demanded expression. "Jonathan was given to me. All I had to do was write it down."

The idea of a talking seagull didn't excite editors much in the beginning, and the manuscript was rejected by several publishers before an editor at Macmillan Company read it and promptly drew up a contract.

Bach felt certain the book would do well, but he was not prepared for the near hysteria it generated. Just four years after it was first published in 1970, the 127 page book, much of it photographs, had sold 15 million copies in 28 languages.

The financial returns from the monumental sales swelled Bach's bank account at a time when it needed inflating. "The day I got the word that Macmillan was going to publish the book, the bank repossessed my car. It's funny, but a couple of years later I could have bought a whole fleet of cars."

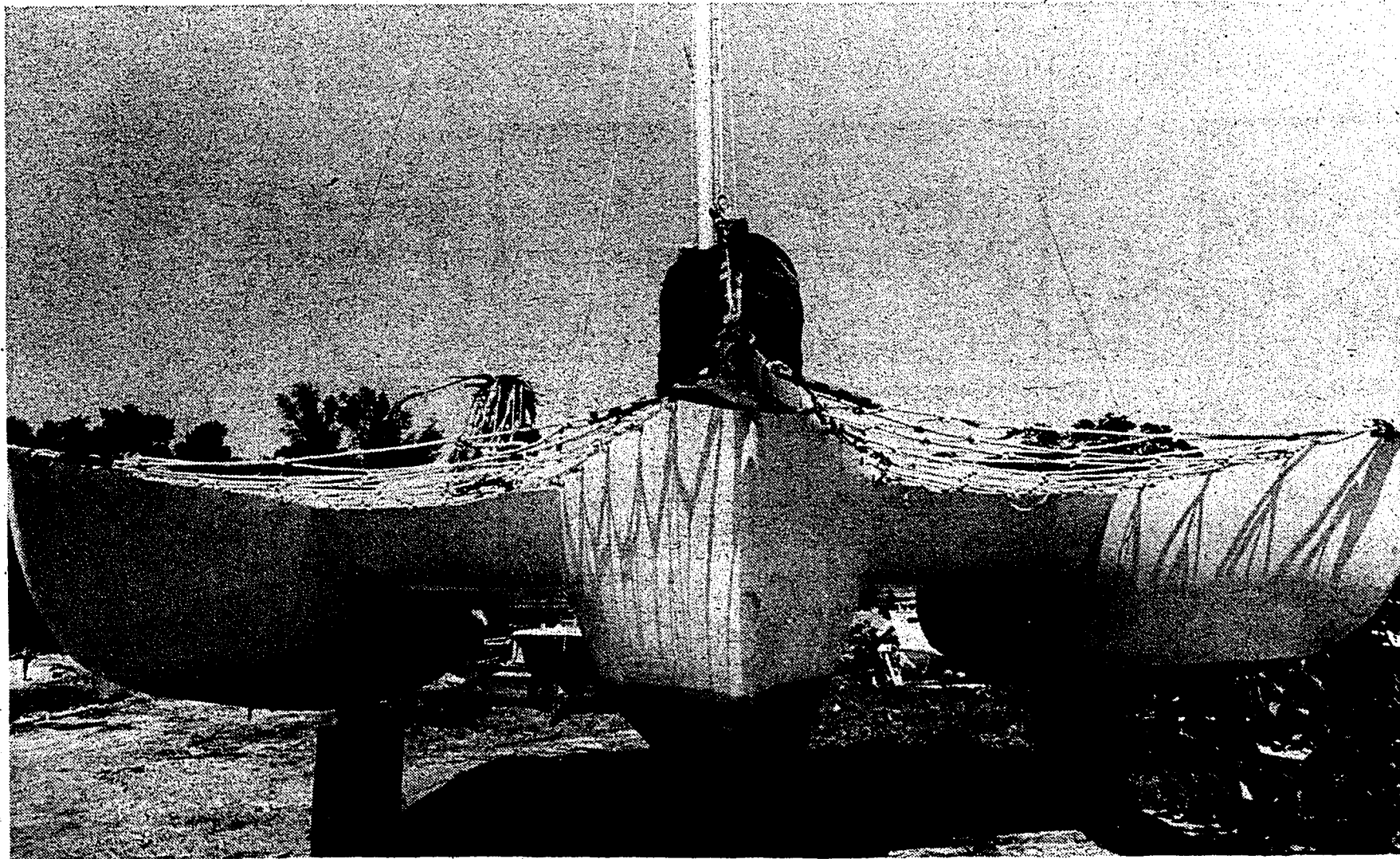
Instead of cars, Bach has assembled a fleet of vehicles more

attuned to his interests: airplanes. Five of them, including a midget jet for airshow performances, a fat long distance cruiser, an amphibian, a twin that is up for sale, and a 1929 barnstorming biplane used for occasional landings in cow pastures make up his stable.

With the first draft of a new book completed, (it's the story of a messiah who comes into the world and discovers he doesn't like his job; airplanes are mentioned but are not the focus of the book. Bach is ready to set sail on the Tonkay and poke around Florida to see what there is to see. The voyage could well produce another book that looks deeper into the struggle to shed life's artificial restraints in the search for personal freedom.

It's a voyage that Bach has been on for some time. Bach has soared to the same level of understanding Jonathan Seagull discovered by simply opening his eyes, trying and doing:

"What he had once hoped for the Flock, he now gained for himself alone; he learned to fly, and was not sorry for the price that he had paid. Jonathan Seagull discovered that boredom and fear and anger are the reasons that a gull's life is so short, and with these gone from his thought, he lived a long life indeed."



At rest on its drydock roost of 50 gallon drums, the Tonkay seems to bear some resemblance to one of Bach's free-spirited seagulls. Tony Lemus and Laurie Wright, the former owners of the boat, are planning to build a larger trimaran.

—speak out—

Police thanked

(The following letter to Chief John Butler and the Sanibel Police Department, dated March 9, was submitted to ISLAND REPORTER for publication.)

My family and I wish to convey our sincere thanks to the entire Sanibel police force for their untiring efforts in solving the robbery at Casa del Mama Restaurant. We especially want to thank Chief Butler for his outstanding leadership, Sgt. Trefny, Ray Rhodes, John Metz, Lewis Phillips, Betty Weir, and all the others who labored day and night without rest in order to bring the matter to a successful conclusion.

We can truly say to the people of Sanibel, "we have a police force whose equal will be hard to find." /s/ Sam Price, Casa del Mama.

Praises volunteers

To ISLAND REPORTER: It is always nice to set new records, but when it is done by and with a dedicated group of men and women that make it fun, too, it is something always to remember and cherish.

For ten weeks over 100 people (a list so long it was impossible for the paper to print) gave freely and generously of their time and considerable talents. That these were indeed great is shown by the public acceptance of the items produced and sold so readily to

our appreciative customers.

I must thank you all but since space is limited I can but mention the names of my co-chairman Amy Meyers and Dorothy Putnam, and my right hand indispensable girl Friday, Helen Godfrey. Heartfelt thanks to all the guys and dolls who not only worked together so well, it was a real "fun" project, but also satisfied our customers' desires and contributed so much to making the reality of a new Community building a step closer.

You should all be named individually but since this is impossible -- my thanks, my love, and God's blessing to a "Real Wonderful Gang." /s/ Margaret Krueger, 1976 Shell Fair Driftwood Shop Chairman.

Drill dilemma

To ISLAND REPORTER: Thank for the picture, gang, but you must have printed the negative. At the time of this writing, I'm still laughing -- and blushing.

It all began with Steve Reynolds very innocently asking me if I would help him drill "a couple of holes." After he drilled the first four, he handed me the drill and said: "Be my guest." My first efforts proved to be ineffective and we changed bits -- alas, to no avail. I finally asked Karl Wightman for a professional opinion and after a couple of spins of the bit he said: "You're drilling in

reverse, you dummy!" Hence the strain.

Anyway, my thanks to the guys who worked so hard and allowed me to be a part of the work party. /s/ Bill Covington.



Not representative

[The following letter addressed to Lee County Commission Chairman L.H. "Bob" Whan and dated March 15, was submitted to ISLAND REPORTER for publication.]

Dear Commissioner Whan: We in Captiva appreciate the County Commission's inter-

est in public input from us in matters that concern our island.

We understand, too, that probably mainly for the sake of convenience, you contact the President of the Captiva Civic Association when you wish to get a reading of Captiva sentiment on any particular issue. He, of course, then polls his membership.

May I respectfully suggest that this procedure, no matter how convenient and well-intended, is questionable?

The Captiva Civic Association is a private, organization. It does not represent the entire population of Captiva, nor does it have any governmental function even with its own membership.

As long as a single Captivan remains outside the association -- and many more than one do remain outside -- the County should use more public means of communicating with the island, perhaps a public hearing on the island, perhaps the use of media to ask for opinions, perhaps a mailed questionnaire.

As an example of the pitfalls of going the Civic Association route, I cite the consternation within the association when you asked our president, Brian Kirby, to take a straw vote of the membership on the question of the proposed groins at South Seas Plantation. Mr. Kirby complied. A long and bitter argument followed. Bad feelings were generated that have not yet died down.

The same is likely to happen as a result of your request to Mr. Kirby to obtain a list of projects from the Civic Association membership as to how to use the causeway refinancing money that will be earmarked for Captiva. /s/ Theodore Strongin

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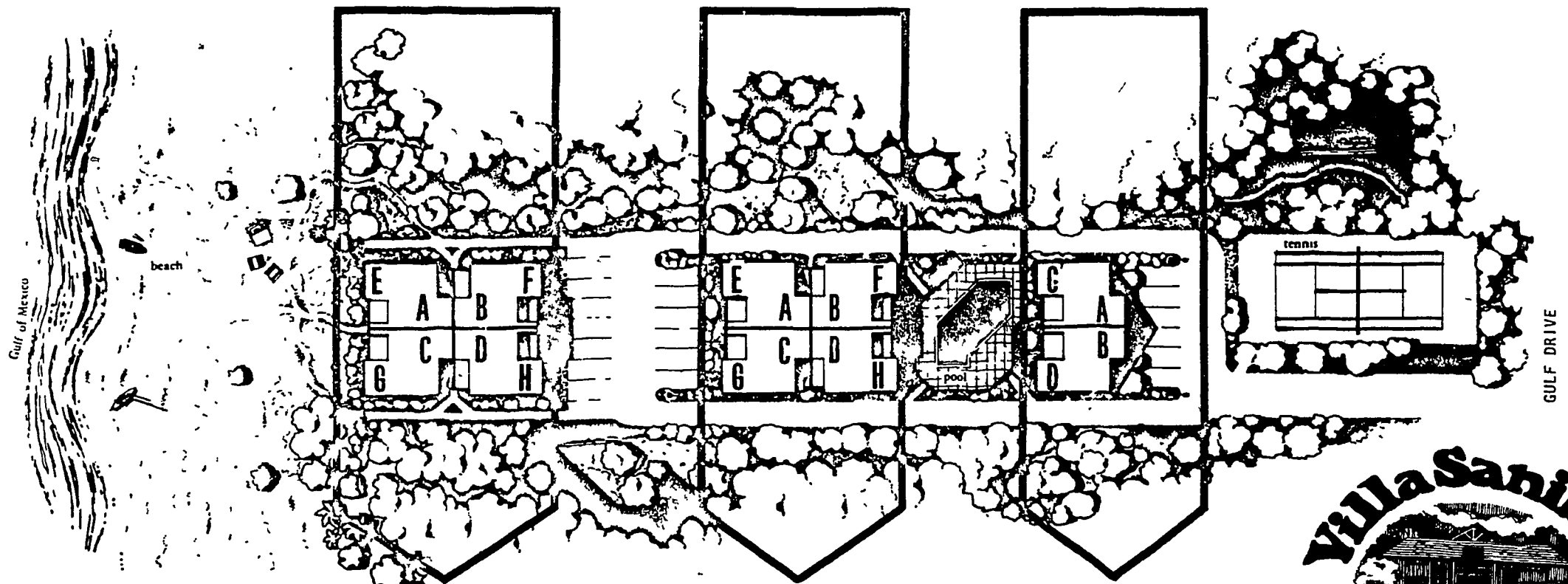
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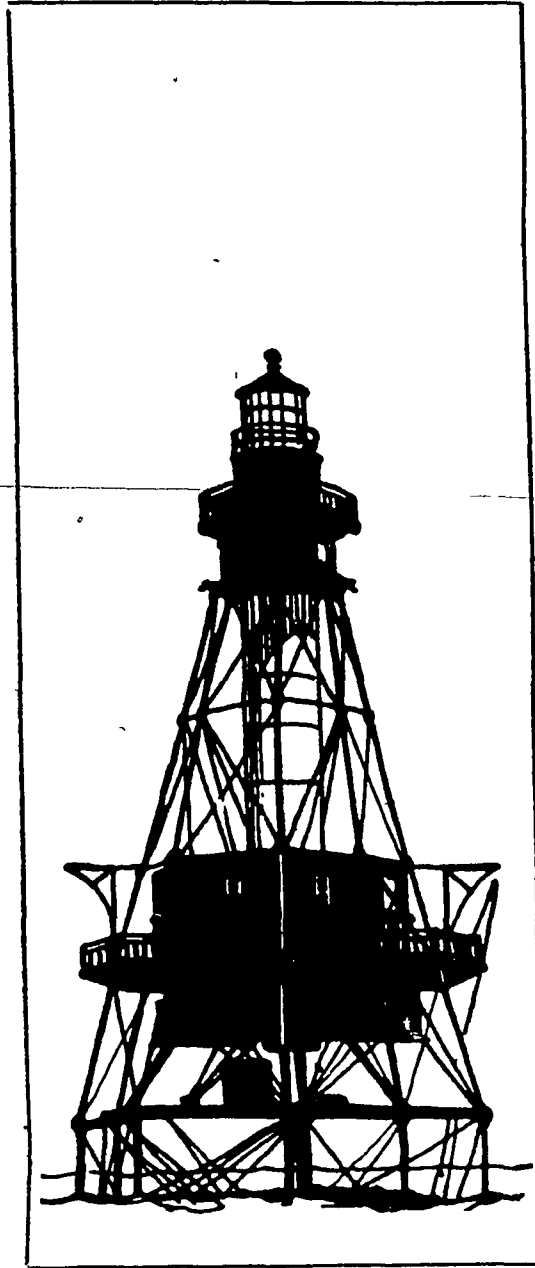
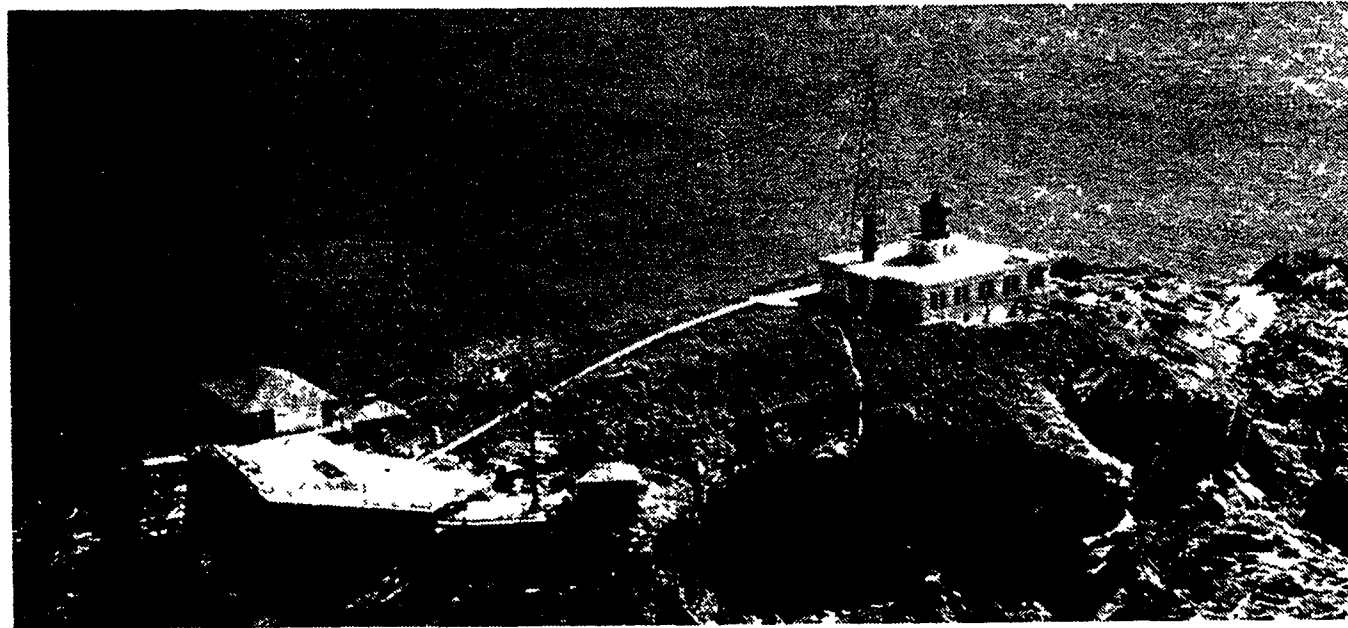
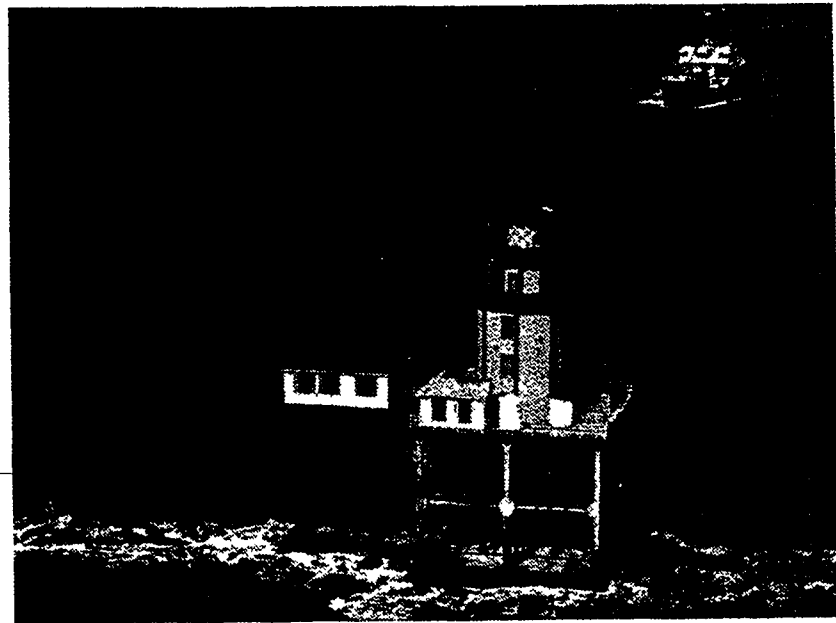
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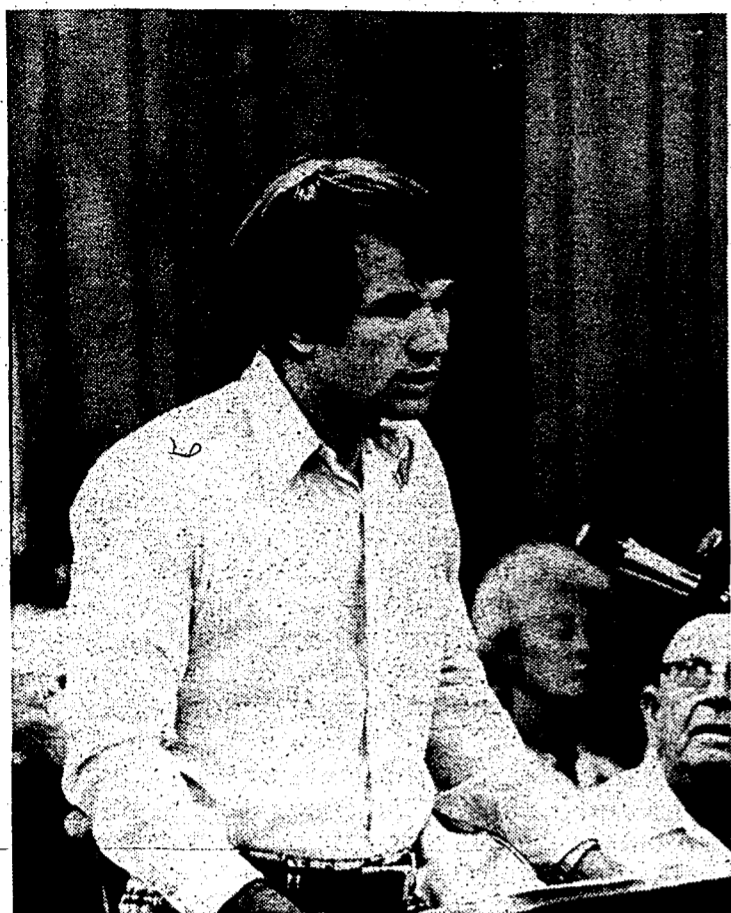
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Council holds final hearing



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tion, developers of the Sea Oats subdivision, Charles Smith claimed the city was, "rewarding those who have created the conditions that make it necessary to become a city to save your environment." At the same time, said Smith, the city was penalizing Sea Oats, the one development "with the best interests of Sanibel at heart."

Smith proposed that the 28 acres-of his subdivision between the Sanibel River and the Sanibel-Captiva Road be dedicated to a conservation group "at a price of no profit to me." In return, Smith asked that the Sea Oats be allowed to build beyond the 50 lots originally developed.

Remarking that "the hue and cry from individual lot owners, who stood to lose \$10-20,000 brought about a considerable loosening of the plan," Smith said his own cash investment exceeded \$400,000.

One outspoken property owner, Nancy Bruce of Estero Island, charged that density allocations, when they are too low to allow any development on a given piece of property, constitute a confiscation. She urged that the city offer compensation for land rendered useless by the plan.

Robert Vartdal, of Shell Harbor subdivi-



sion, said the "75-foot" setback on narrow lots would put home builders in an awkward position: "If I want to build a swimming pool, hold a cocktail party or get rowdy, I'll have to do it in my front yard," said Vartdal.

Duane White responded by saying that the setback line was 50 feet on all collector roads, measured from the center of the street.

Though the plan is en route to Tallahassee for state review, Mayor Porter Goss said the Council will continue to consider amendments during the next 60 days.

Ruth and Philip Hunter, above, listen to a dissenting property owner. At left, Conservation Foundation director Dick Workman endorses the plan.



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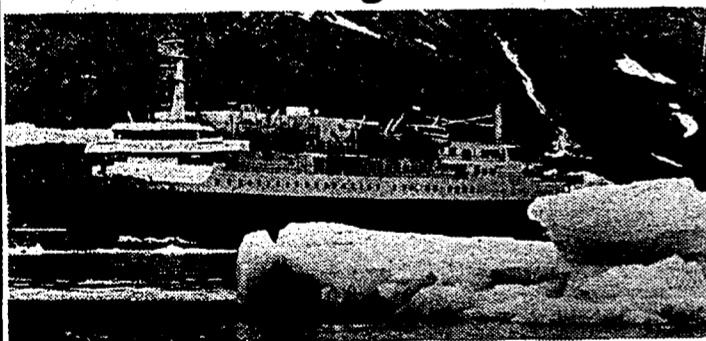
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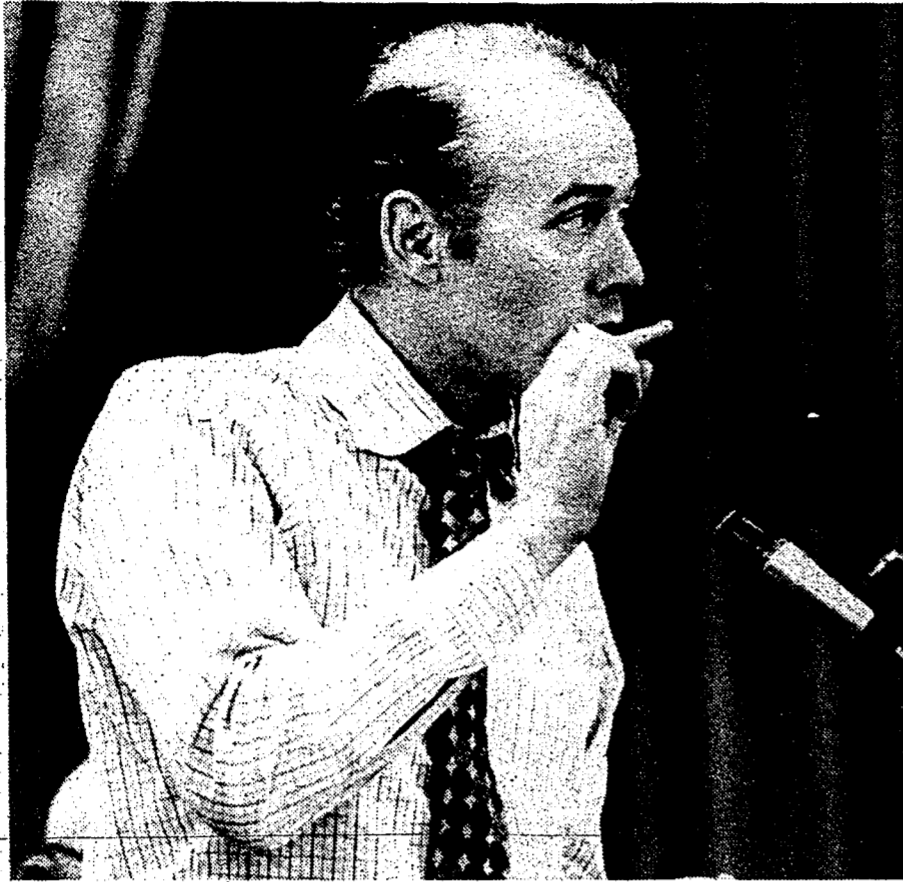


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Land use critics fire final salvos



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establish architectural guidelines for future construction on the island, said Vallake.

Bill Kimball, chairman of the Committee of the Islands, contended that property owners own property, not zoning. "Any realtor worth his salt will tell his client that land is subject to rezoning," said Kimball. Kimball urged the council not to "take away our birthright."

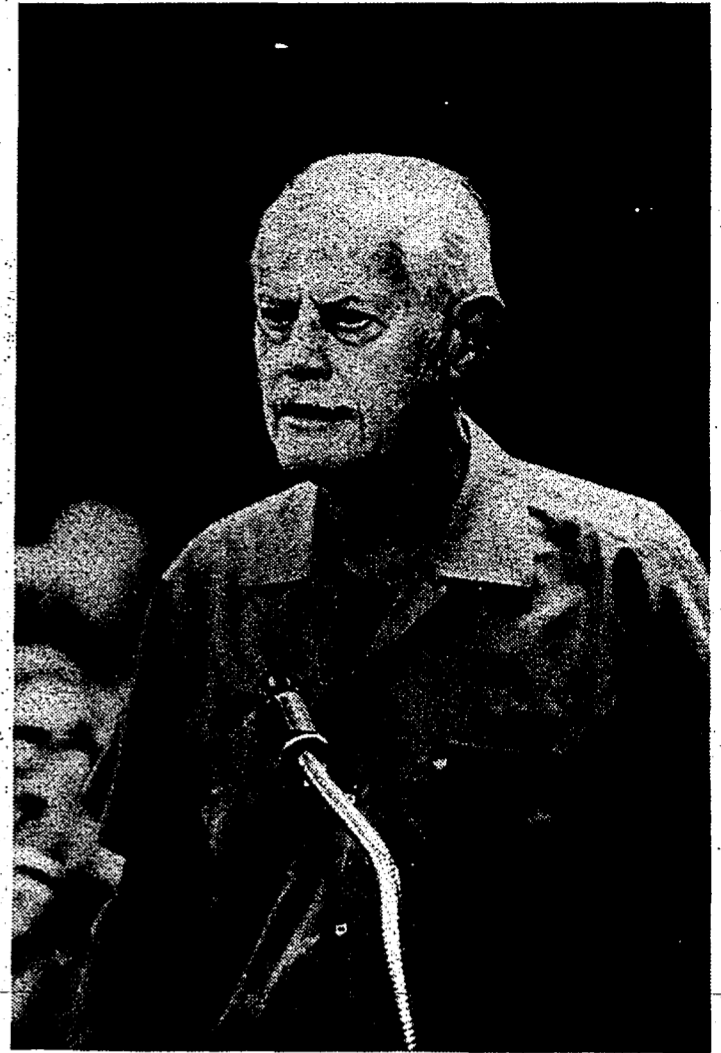
Don Bissell questioned the Council's original population estimate. Bissell said the recent census count of permanent residents (2,501), fell far below the 7,300 figure used in developing the plan.

Defending the population estimate, Planning Commission Chairman Duane White said the 6,000 "U.R.E.'s" (Usual Residence Elsewhere) bring the population to about 8,500.

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"Don't take away our birthright," cautions Bill Kimball, right. At left, plan consultant Bill Roberts explains ecological zoning.




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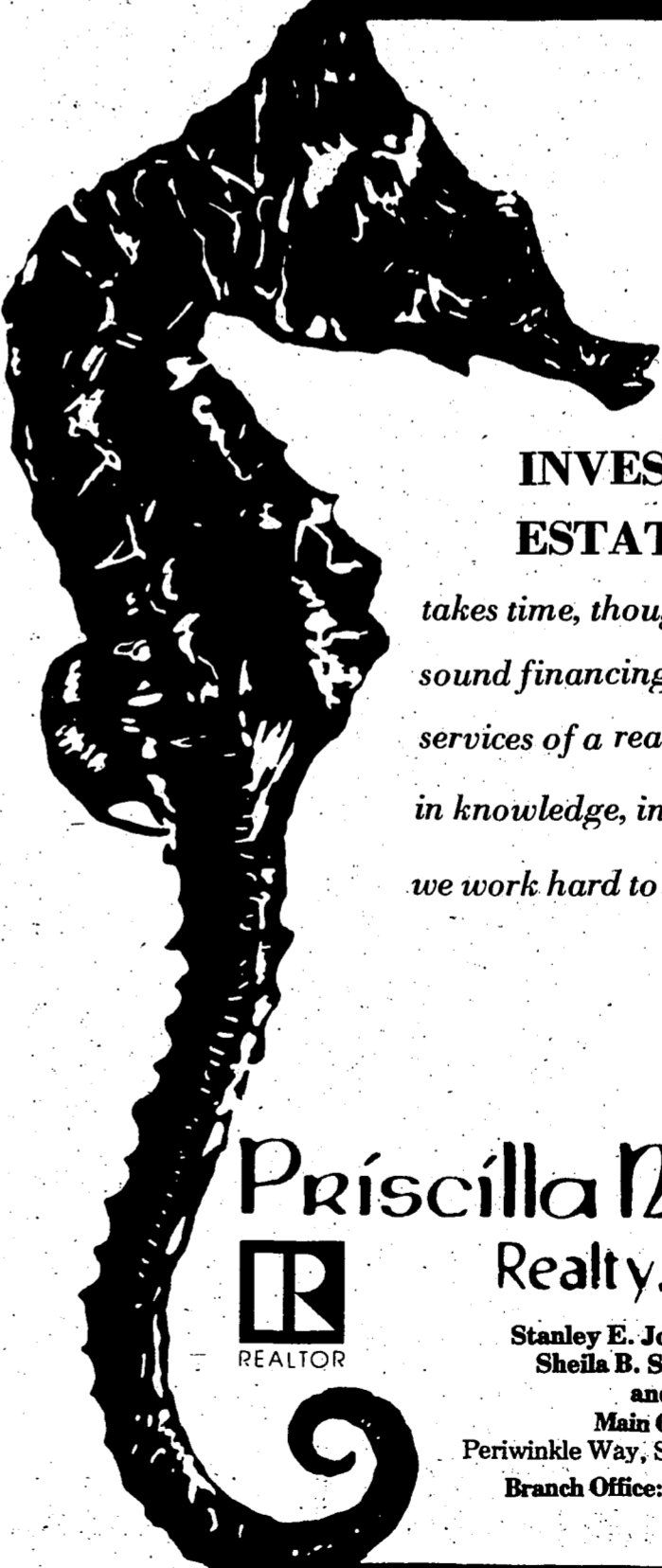
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Columnist supports federal funding for land planning

By Paul A. Howe

Two learned articles arrived on my reading table during the first part of this our Nation's Bicentennial Year. Each in its own way was

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remarkable for clearly exposing its author's attitudes when examining the pressing problem of how to improve the quality and prospects of living on this planet Earth. Together they recalled to me the wisdom of parental advice given me in my salad days: "Always plant roses instead of stinkweeds in that wonderful garden called the human mind."

Law professor Bernard H. Siegan of California's University of San Diego, who is also a newspaper columnist, chose for his treatise an attack on a current Congressional proposal to financially stimulate state and local land-use planning. The locally hand-distributed copy of his article opened with a stand-pat repudiation of those who admit being concerned that "we can no longer live with policies of the past."

That opener is followed by a series of generalized condemnations of mainly the administration of American planning and zoning

programs for these past sixty years. He duly decries the dead hand laid on those efforts by the grafting and self-aggrandizing politician and his wheel-dealer favor seekers.

Leaning on that human foible, however, he readily surrenders all hope for the hardworking and sincere professional planners to ever implement any land use plan or zoning regulation. He tortuously casts the typical land developer in the role of a public benefactor who is being put upon by the "ordinary citizen," thwarting his every effort to make a dollar. Gloomy predictions are made of the courts taking a dim view of this thwarting in the name of preserving the quality of living which the ordinary citizen takes as his own vested right. He makes a half-hearted attempt to cast such developers in the additional role of "the meek who are destined to inherit the earth."

The heavy feeling of impending calamity imparted by the professor was happily lightened by the first few paragraphs of the current Exxon house-organ's reprint of Dr. Charles Park's "Man and the Earth!" That essay is the first chapter of his recently published "Earthbound Minerals, Energy, and Man's Future."

Dr. Park opens his first chapter by attributing the awakening of the public's awareness of our

planet's limited space and resources to the moment when human astronauts actually went beyond the earth's boundaries and took pictures of the whole planet.

It was then, he says: "they suddenly view their home in perspective. They saw with their own eyes that its area is limited. They realized that the resources of that area must also be limited." He significantly recognized the welcome signs that: "Young people predominate among those who are aware that mankind is facing a problem. More than their elders, in general, they are concerned about the environment and that conservation of nonrenewable resource." He appropriately concludes that: "Their concern is more than commendable; it is essential."

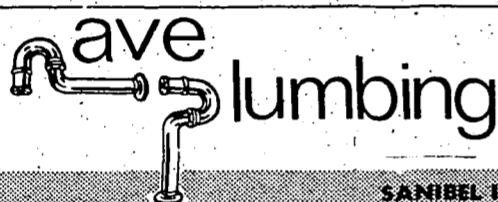
The ebullient Dr. Park's article is replete with scientific facts pulled together from recognized sources, analysed, and projected into the future to produce his imperative for improving our quality of living through systematic planning. He is persuasive in his quiet insistence that we must abandon a hand-wringing, do-nothing policy if we are to survive as humans on this planet. He presents specific and convincing facts about the rapid depletion of nonrenewable resources.

World population figures are reasonably projected to prove the urgent need to better utilize our

available living space. He reminds us that the nearest other habitable planet would take four centuries to reach even travelling at the fantastic rate of seven million miles per hour. His calculations from present population trends and inefficient land-use practices reveal that by the end of the 21st century's first quarter each human will be crammed on less than a half acre for all his needs, such as dwelling, crops, transportation, and recreation.

It seems that an acceptable synthesis of the views of the two learned men can be made. It might consist of the acceptance of federal and state financial help to get on with the task of planning the sensible use of the land at the local level with only a general overview by the higher levels of government. That type of "butting in" seems a fair way to insure that the plans are not unduly warped by the avarice of unscrupulous developers, the power or graft lust of unfaithful politicians, or the excesses of misguided environmentalists.

As to the future of land-use planning, I share Dr. Park's optimistic view that a preponderance of civilized human beings has a goodly supply of energy which he defines as "the capacity to take action."



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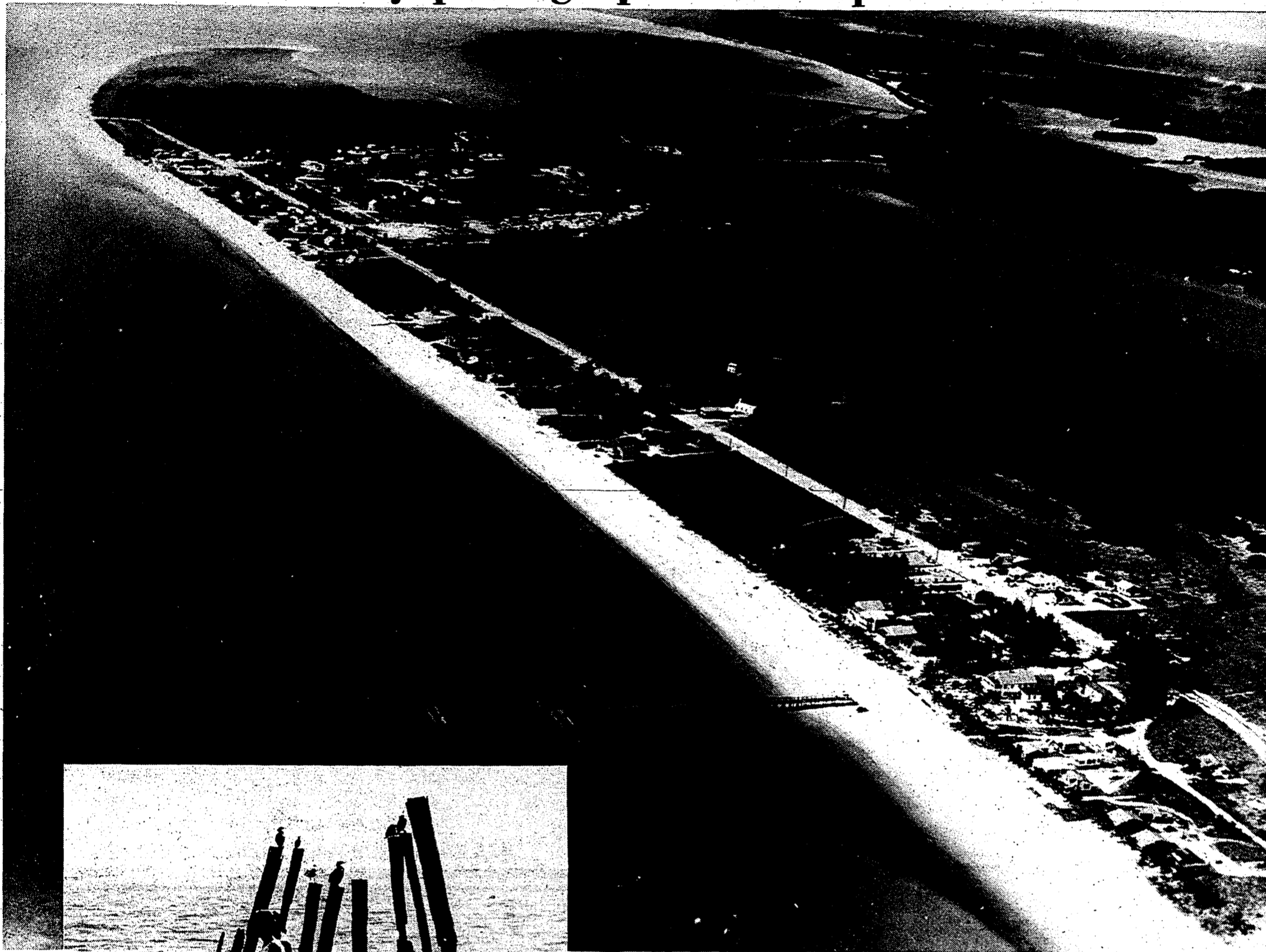
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Estero Island: early photograph reveals pristine beach front



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Estero Island -- a tropical paradise as it appeared nearly a half century ago. The pier in the lower portion of the picture was built in front of the Beach Motel around the time the motel was purchased from the Winkler family by Jim Newton's parents. Newton, a prominent Fort Myers, and Fort Myers Beach realtor and the present owner of the motel, remembers the road wasn't used much by automobile drivers around that time. They preferred to drive on the beach. The inset shows what remains of the same pier today in front of the Beach Motel.



Today Beach fishermen use the pier at the northern end of Estero Island. The pier was damaged during Hurricane Agnes, and later separated to prevent people from walking on the damaged portion. The pier is scheduled to be repaired soon.

Flags wave for Beach past

Inspired by the national Bicentennial fever, Estero Island is literally waving the flags these days.

Five national flags, representing the five nations under which the island has been governed since 1776, fly over the Fire House daily.

The flag waving is a Bicentennial project of the Fort Myers Beach Bicentennial Committee and 25 local service clubs.

The flags represent the United States, the Confederacy, Great Britain, Spain, and France.

The flags flutter in the breezes beneath the tall pole flying the United States standard, with a small Florida flag beneath it. When asked why the Florida flag was so small, the firemen said that a larger one had been stolen and that this was a temporary replacement.

The Bicentennial Committee, captained by Kathy Canuff and Robert Brodhecker as co-chairmen, got off to a successful start.

The committee found, however, that planning for a Bicentennial is not without problems. The suggestion was made that the tradi-

tional annual Family Fun Festival, a highlight of the Beach's summer season usually held the third week in August, be rescheduled as a Bicentennial Fourth of July event. This promptly met with some opposition.

The opponents of switching the dates argued that it was impractical, saying that the island was too crowded in July to accommodate more visitors. August, it was pointed out, was one of the slowest months of the season and was perfect for a hometown event such as the Family Fun Festival.

The issue is under active discussion, with the Bicentennial Committee spokesmen hopeful that some special program can be scheduled to mark the nation's 200th birthday on July 4.

The Bicentennial Committee is sponsored by the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce and was set up to coordinate all events slated by various organizations for the local celebration.

Robert Brodhecker, co-chairman of the committee, is principal of the Fort Myers Beach Elementary School and Kathy Canuff is executive secretary to developer Robert Troutman.

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WHAT COOKS

Souffle a Captiva favorite

By Twink Underhill

This recipe came from a friend who lives on Captiva. It is a local favorite, and once you try it, you'll know why. It is almost a souffle, but is not finicky. Do not buy the instant grits. Like most shortcuts in cooking, you'll lose a lot of the flavor.

Glorious Grits

- 4 1/2 cups water
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- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk (about)
- Sesame seeds

Bring the water to a boil and add the salt. Slowly stir in the grits. Cook in double boiler over boiling water until thick, about 1/2 hour. Add the butter, cheese and garlic and cook until all is melted in, stirring now and then.

Put the eggs in a two cup measure and add enough milk to make one cup. Beat and add to grits. Cook all this a few minutes longer.

Pour into a greased casserole and sprinkle the top with sesame seeds. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Let stand out of the oven for 10 or 15 minutes before serving. Serves 6 to 8.


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Richard "Dick" Steele will be making his second bid for a Lee County Commission seat this year.

Steele, 46, announced Tuesday that he will seek the Democratic nomination for the District 5 commission seat currently held by George Goldtrap.

The North Fort Myers businessman said he will move his wife and four children across town to East Fort Myers to run against Goldtrap. Steele was the Democratic candidate for the District 4 commission seat in 1974, but was defeated by Betty Bowen. Mrs. Bowen has two years remaining in her term.

Active in civic affairs throughout the county, Steele is presently the President of the Suncoast P.T.A. and Vice Chairman of the Suncoast Advisory Board. He is President of the North Ft. Myers Democratic Club and serves as a member of the County Executive Committee and Steering Committee.

He is also the past President of the Suncoast Civic Association and served on the Board of Directors. Steele is a member for 22 years of the Elks and is presently a member of the Elks Lodge No. 1288 in Ft. Myers.

Steele is being eyed by the Lee County Business People United for Political Action for possible endorsement.

Steele to vie for commission seat



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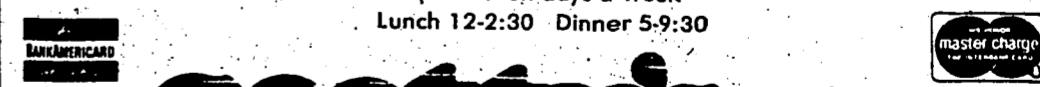
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Dr. Lemon to exhibit at Artisan Shop



Noted oil painter, Dr. Don Lemon, is returning to Sanibel Sunday, March 21, to visit the Artisan Shop and display some of his work.

Dr. Lemon has received countless awards in the Midwest and Florida and is currently listed in "Who's Who in the South and Southwest."

His work is regularly exhibited at Longboat Key Art Center, where he is a member, as well as at the Sarasota Art Association and Art League of Manatee.

Dr. Lemon's exhibits include many juried

and invitational shows, including The Art Club of St. Petersburg, The Winter Park Sidewalk Festival, The Fine Arts Promenade, and the "October Palette" in Chicago and many others.

Dr. Lemon is represented by Merrill Chase Galleries in Chicago and the Brown County Art Association in Nashville, Indiana.

The artist will be at the Artisan Shop from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The public is cordially invited to come, meet Dr. Lemon and view his work.

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Art classes offered

General art lessons by **Vincent Brodeur**, Tuesdays at the Island Arts Shop, 1446 Periwinkle Way. The charge is \$5 per lesson. Call 472-1516 for details.

Watercolor classes by **Jack Wilson**, Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at St. Michael and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way. The charge is \$5 per lesson.

Drawing classes with **Mary Stolz**, Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. The group meets in the parkinglot of the Sanibel Community House on Periwinkle Way. Students are asked to bring a newsprint pad, pencils, pen, and charcoal. The charge is \$2 per lesson.

Basic painting course by **Helene Sparkes**, Thursdays, St. Michael and All Angels Church on Periwinkle Way. The charge is \$5 per lesson.

Hibel featured at Naples Gallery

Edna Hibel, an artist termed by Foster Harmon as "America's most universally beloved and successful woman artist," will have a one-man show beginning Monday, March 7, at the Harmon Gallery. The Gallery is located at 1258 Third Street South, in Naples.

The artist was persuaded to enter the international collectors china plate field just four years ago. Her plates by Royal Doulton of England and Rosenthal of Germany have been sold out for their entire series, and have broken records for their advance in value in the plate collectors market.

Sarasota Artist Don Lemon will visit the Artisan Shop in the Nutmeg Village complex on West Gulf Drive on Sunday, March 21.

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Tribute to Latin America

The Ringling Museums will celebrate the close cultural ties between Florida and its Latin American neighbors with the special

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Bicentennial exhibition of contemporary Latin American painting and sculpture.

"Latin American Horizons: 1976" will be presented April 9 to May 16, in the Museums' New Wing Galleries.

The exhibition has been made possible through the generosity of the Florida Bicentennial Commission in Tallahassee with matching funds from the Southeast Banking Corporation of Miami.

Fifty-seven works of art dating from the

1930's have been assembled for the show from each of the Latin American nations.

"The cultural influence the United States has had on the development of the Latin Countries can be balanced by the outstanding artistic contributions to this country by

Ocean reefs topic of Audubon slide show

The colorful, mysterious world of underwater ocean reefs will be the subject of a slide show presented by a man who makes his living exploring that world for the Smithsonian Institute.

Dr. David Lachlan Meyer, nephew of Sanibelite Francis Saxinger, will talk about "Exploring the

artists such as Diego Rivera, Jose Clemente Orozco, David Alfaro Siqueiros, Roberto Matta and Wifredo Lam," said a Museum spokesman.

"The Museum's Bicentennial exhibition of contemporary Latin American art acknowledges this continuing influence and interchange of culture," he concluded.

The exhibition will be open to the public beginning April 9 during regular museum hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to

10:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Ringling Museums are located on 68 tropically-landscaped acres three miles north of Sarasota on U.S. 41. The unique cultural complex includes the Ringling Museum of Art, Ringling Residence and Museum of the Circus and Asolo Theater. Admission is three dollars for adults; children under 12 are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

Ocean Reefs" at the regular Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society meeting on Thursday, March 25, at 8:00 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House.

A professor of geology at the University of Cincinnati, Dr. Meyer has conducted underwater research in the Caribbean islands, the Molucca islands south of the

Philippines, off the Great Barrier Reef, and in the Seychelle islands off Tanzania in Africa.

Dr. Meyer teaches paleontology at the University of Cincinnati, and is the curator of the science museum there. A Woodrow Wilson Fellow, Dr. Meyer is also a member of the American Society of Geologists.



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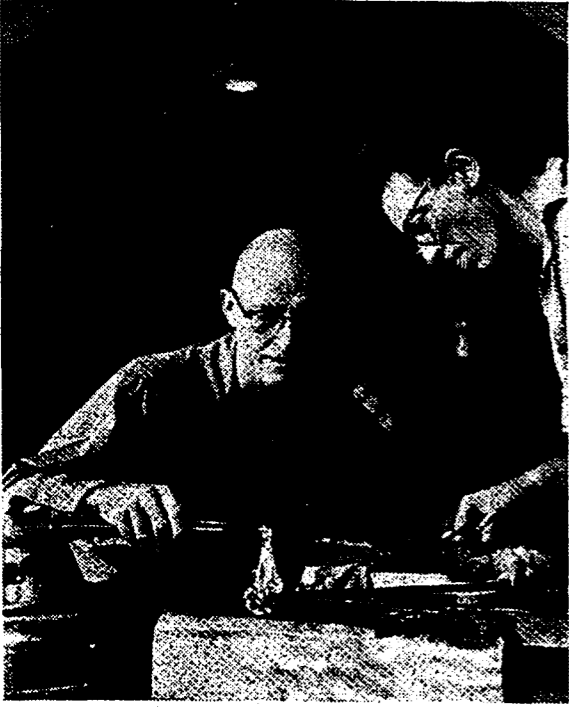
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Watercolors, glass sculpture to highlight art show



One of the important art exhibitions of the season will take place at the Harmon Gallery in Naples when the 20th Century Watercolorists exhibit will be combined with a one-man show of Robert Willson's glass sculptures.

The exhibition will run from Monday, March 22, through Saturday, April 10, 1976 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Gallery is located at 1258 Third Street South in Naples. There is no admission charge.

Work of the greatest names in this century's art world are included: Milton Avery, Byron Browne, Charles Burchfield, Alexander Calder, Adolf Dehn, Julio De-Diego, Lamar Dodd, William Henry, Win Jones, Hari Kidd, Stanton MacDonald-

Robert Willson is credited with bringing modern art to Venetian glass sculpture.

Wright, Walter Meigs, Fred Messersmith, Eliot O'Hara, Herb Olsen, Carl Schmalz, Raphael Soyer, Valfred Thelin, Loren Wilford, Robert Willson, and Andrew Wyeth.

Robert Willson is a professor of art at the University of Miami. Since the early 1960's he has been going to Venice, Italy each summer to create glass sculpture in the famous glass furnaces on the Island of Murano. He is highly honored there for pio-

neering contemporary, solid glass sculpture (rather than blown) and for bringing "modern art" to Venetian glass. His work is exhibited in museums and galleries in Venice and throughout Europe.

Willson's work is also exhibited in galleries across the country from Florida and New York to California. His sculptures have been cited as "distinguished - each a unique piece of fine art to be enjoyed and treasured forever in art's most enduring man-made medium -- glass."

Series screens 'Chloe'

Eric Rohmer directed "Chloe in the Afternoon," the witty and sophisticated comedy about a young couple whose lives are upset by a leading French film star,

in the Ringling Museum of Art Classic Film Series at 2:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the Asolo Theater.

Admission is one dollar to the color film produced in 1972 with French dialogue and English subtitles.

The film will be shown Monday, March 22,

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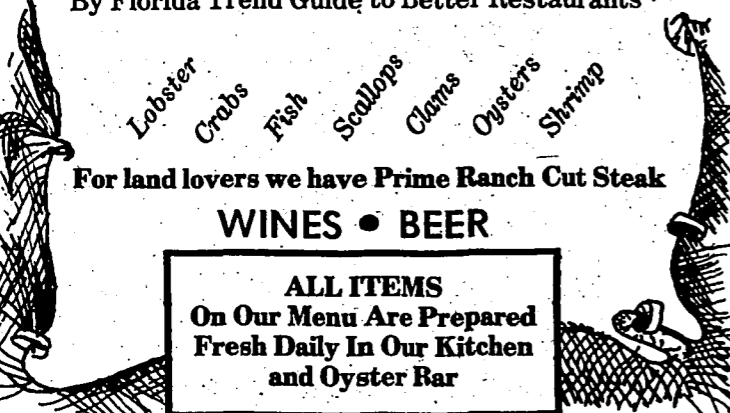
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Tahitian Garden merchants to host League show

Thirteen Tahitian Garden shops will be co-sponsoring an outdoor art show March 27-28.



The "First Annual" Tahitian Garden Art Show and Sale will be held Saturday, March 27, and Sunday, March 28 at the Tahitian

announced at approximately 12:00 noon on Saturday. Artists are asked to arrive at the exhibit at 9:00 a.m. The opening hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on both days.

Each artist is limited to six entries and must pay an exhibition fee of \$2.

The committee in charge of the First Annual Tahitian Garden Art Show and Sale is Helene Sparkes and Wilb Snyder, exhibits chairmen for the Sanibel-Captiva Art League.

Tom Kelleher is over-all chairman of the show and sale, assisted by John Zambuto and Alan Davis.

The following participating merchants from Tahitian Gardens will each have art exhibits outside their shops on the day of the show and sale: Shoes 'n Stuff, Charlev, The Needles Eye, Shalimar, Shell, Bath and Linen, Zamboanga Furnishings, Daniele's, The Cedar Chest, The Pink Turtle, The Watering Can, Garden Snack Bar, Island Produce, and Get Together.

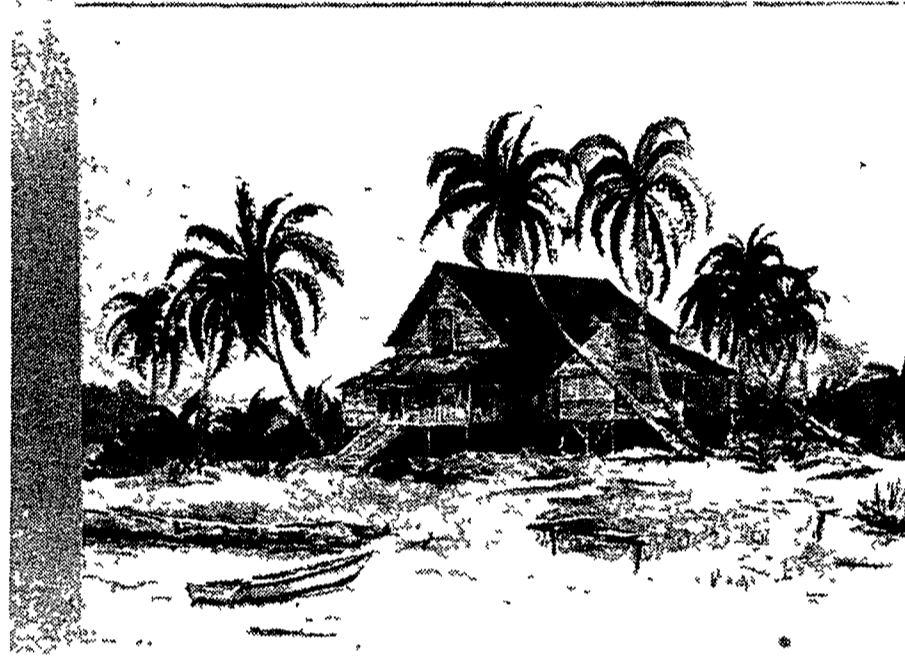
Further information can be obtained by calling 472-3217.

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Garden Shopping Center on Periwinkle Way. The show and sale is co-sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Art League.

The works of artists who are members of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League will be shown. If, however, artists wishing to exhibit join the League by paying the nominal annual dues of \$2 they will be eligible to enter and exhibit their works.

There will be a panel who will judge all works shown and cash awards will be



City of Sanibel Bicentennial Landmarks art competition winners works are now on view at the Bank of the Islands. Shown is Kay Foster's "Summerlin-Towles House"

Purple and white review to tap island students

Jane Ann Ireland of Sanibel and Gretchen Wilson of Captiva will appear in the Purple and White Review to be staged by the students at Cypress Lake Senior High School in Fort Myers.

The Review will take place Saturday evening, March 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the school's gymnasium. Admission to the performance is \$1.50 for an adult ticket and \$1 for students. Further information can be obtained by calling 472-2435.

Jane Ann and Gretchen, both cheerleaders at the school, will appear, appropriately enough, in a sketch about cheerleaders.

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First annual art show at the Tahitian Garden Shopping Center, Periwinkle Way, Saturday and Sunday, March 27 and 28, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in cooperation with the Sanibel-Captiva Art League.

City of Sanibel's Bicentennial Landmarks Art Competition award winners now on view at the Bank of the Islands, Periwinkle Way during the regular banking hours — Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Boat trip with Richard Beebe and George Campbell with breakfast at Cabbage Key, walk on Cayo Costa, shelling at Johnson Shoals, a barrier island. Call 472-2180 for information.

Art exhibit of the recent works of Maine artist, Robert Eric Moore sponsored by the Schoolhouse Gallery at the Lighthouse Point condominium reception center through tomorrow, Saturday, March 20, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Fashion Show every Wednesday 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.; and every Friday 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., at the Sanibel Inn Restaurant, Periwinkle Way.

Exercise classes by Mary Kay Berres every Tuesday evening through April 23. "Yoga — the Hatha method" from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.; "Working Women Slimnastics" from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. St. Michael and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way. There is a small fee. Call 332-0808 for information. Sponsored by the Lee County Recreation Department.

Purple and White Review staged by students at Cypress Lake High School, Fort Myers, Saturday, March 27, 7:30 p.m., High School Gym. Adm.: adult, \$1.50, student, \$1. Call 472-2435 for information.

"You Can't Take It With You" presented at the Pirate's Playhouse, tomorrow, Saturday, March 20, and Sunday, March 21, 8:00 p.m. For reservations call 472-2121, or stop by the Playhouse on Periwinkle Way.

"Of Pelican — and Paths," a new photo verse program by Mario Hutton, Friday, March 19, and Saturday, March 20, Sanibel Community House, 8:00 p.m. Donation to benefit the Bike Paths Committee of Sanibel, \$5 per ticket.

Regular activities:

Sanibel Public Library on Palm Ridge Road now open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Captiva Memorial Library, open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Fridays, 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Captiva Civic Center, Gore Road.

Noah's Ark Thrift and Consignment Shop at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Periwinkle Way, Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Bird Tours of the Islands by Griffing Bancroft. Leave Cinema Plaza at dawn. Reservations must be made at Macintosh Bookstore: 472-1447.

Natural History Field Trips to Sanibel's wildlife habitats by Richard Beebe, George Campbell. Tuesdays and Thursday by appointment. For reservations call 472-2180. Wednesday's Open Trip, meet at Sanibel Elementary School parking lot, Sanibel-Captiva road at 9:00 AM. Wednesday fee, \$4 per person

Birding Tours by George Weymouth. Morning and afternoon. Reservations made through Bailey's General Store, 472-1516.

Nature adventures afloat, "Wet Pants," Captain Dick Frieman, 472-1315. Charter.

Sailing Lessons at the South Seas Plantation Sailing School, Paul Taylor, instructor, held every week-end at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Beginner, intermediate and advanced sessions. Call 472-1551 for information.

Duplicate Bridge every Friday evening, 7:30 p.m., Sanibel Community House, open to all.

Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce meeting of the Board of Directors, second Tuesday of each month at the Chamber building on Causeway Road, 8:00 p.m.

Bingo (Murex), every Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Bird Photography...Day long individual instruction by working professional who instructs on subject at University of Delaware. See Hank Bunker, space 39, Periwinkle Trailer Park.

Pirate Playhouse prop sale for charity, every Thursday stage properties will be sold in the Founders Lounge at the Playhouse on Periwinkle Way from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 472-2121 for information.

Regular meetings:

Sanibel-Captiva Art League meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Sanibel Community House, 10:30 a.m.

Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club: regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at the Community House, 8:00 p.m.

Captiva Civic Association Board of Governors meeting, first and third Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., Captiva Community Center.

City of Sanibel Council will have regular meetings the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m., City Hall. Special meetings will be announced.

Sanibel Community Association Board of Directors meetings every third Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Community House.

Sanibel City Planning Commission meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m., at City Hall. All interested parties are invited to attend and to participate. Special meetings will be announced.

Sanibel-Captiva Motel Association meeting, third Tuesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Chamber of Commerce Building.

Sanibel Captiva American Legion: meeting of members the second Tuesday of each month.

Captiva Erosion Prevention District: meetings the second Tuesday of each month, 4:30 p.m., Captiva Civic Center.

AI Anon meets weekly on Fridays at 8:00 p.m. at St. Michael and All Angeles Episcopal Church in Sunday school room in rear of building. Call 472-2491 for information.

Captiva Fire Control District Commissioners Meeting, second Tuesday of every month at 8:30 a.m., Captiva Community Center, Gore Road.

Sanibel Volunteer Fire Department: meetings second and fourth Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. at the Fire House, Palm Ridge Road.

The Sanibel Fire Control Commissioners will meet the second Tuesday of the Month at 1:00 p.m. at the new Fire House Addition. The public is invited.

Sons of the American Revolution Caloosa Chapter meets second Wednesday of each month. Fort Myers Country Club, 12:00 noon.

Lions Club of Sanibel-Captiva: meetings first and third Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., Island Beach Club.

Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Periwinkle Way, every Friday night, 8:00 p.m. For information call 332-1300.

All member art shows of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League at the Captiva exhibit board are held the first Thursday and Friday of each month.

South Seas Sailing Club open to all sailboat owners. For membership and meeting information contact Brian Webb at 472-1551.

Kiwanis Club: meeting every Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m., Scotty's Pub, visitors welcome.

Santiva Teen Club meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. For information about meeting place phone Mike Trowbridge at 472-4303. Club is open to teenagers of Sanibel and Captiva.

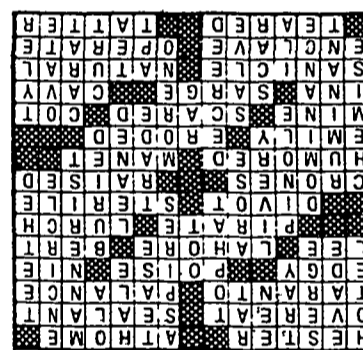
Sanibel Community Association: monthly meetings at 6:30 p.m.; first Tuesday of each month, Sanibel Community House, members and guests welcome, (dinner, business meeting, program).

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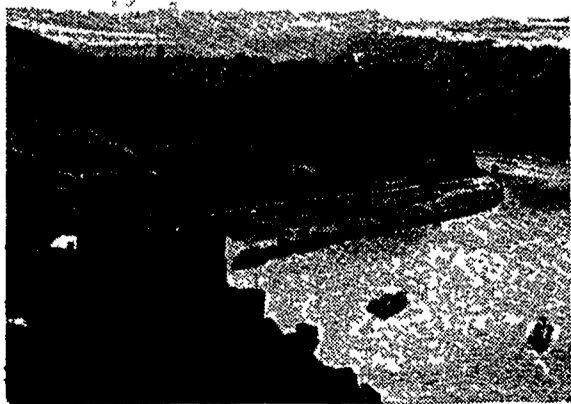
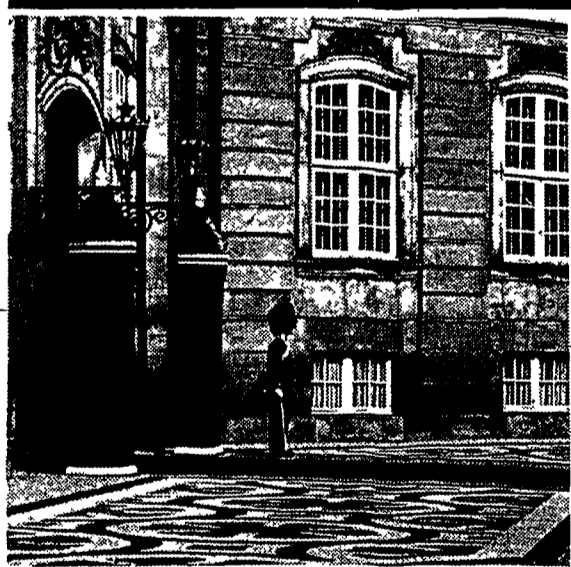
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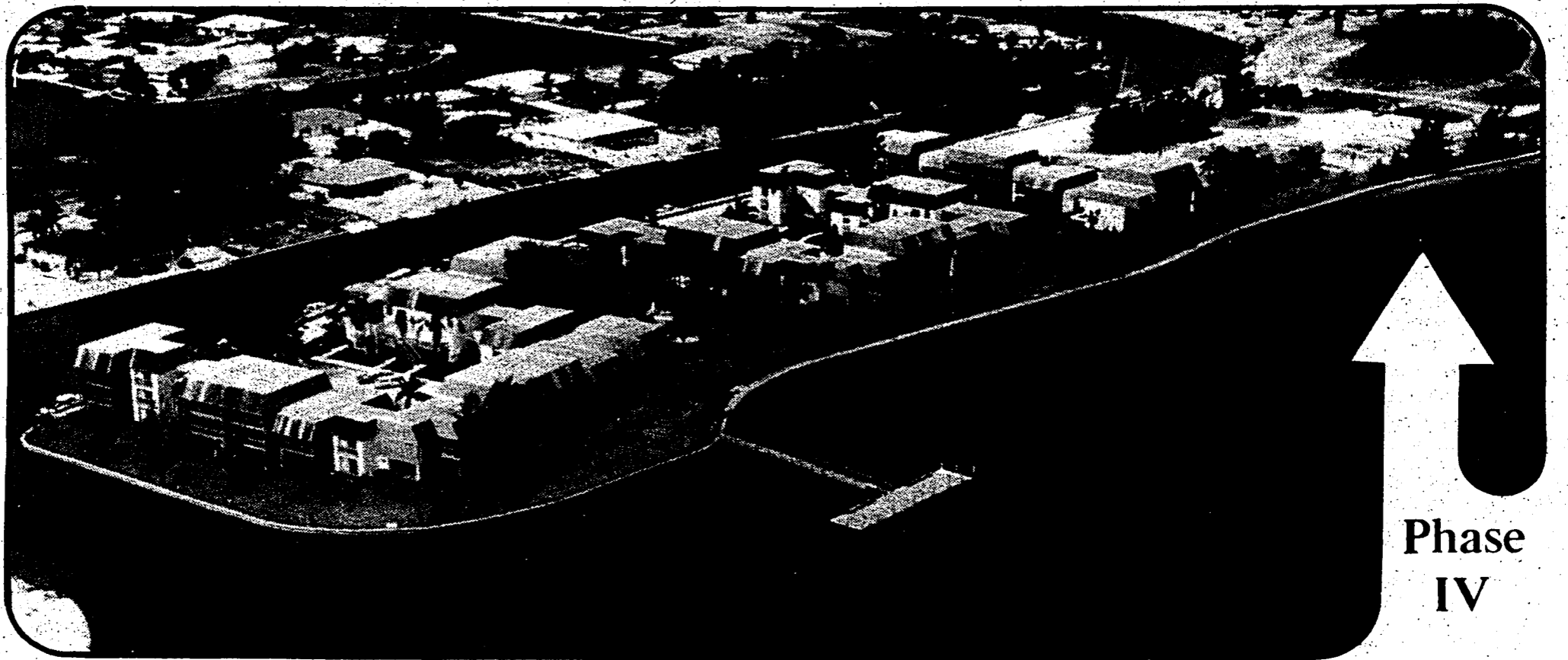
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Marcella Cisney, left, visits Gregory Peck during the 1946 filming of "The Yearling." At right, Robert Schnitzer disembarks in Paris with Helen Hayes during an international tour in 1958.

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All the world ... was their stage

By Peter Larson

You've undoubtedly heard of their friends: Thornton Wilder, Helen Hayes, Isaac Stern, Leonard Bernstein, Beverly Sills, Gregory Peck and George Balanchine.

But if you haven't heard of Marcella Cisney and her husband, professor Robert Schnitzer, it's because their role in the world of

the performing arts has been largely administrative. The Schnitzers have been unseen prime movers behind drama, dance, opera and music for more than three decades -- making their influence felt as dreamers, directors, producers, teachers, entrepreneurs and leading exporters of American talent.

Cisney and Schnitzer, now semi-retired, make their home in West-

port, Connecticut where they serve as consultants to the University of Bridgeport. Introduced to Sanibel over a decade ago by Thornton Wilder (see accompanying story), the couple began wintering here in 1971.

They currently reside in a memorabilia-filled Villa at Lighthouse Point. The photographs and posters document a string of triumphs Cisney and Schnitzer have achieved separately and as a husband-wife team.

Cisney, (a name she retains for professional use), began her career as a Broadway actress. Shortly afterward she became director of the Pasadena Playhouse in Pasadena, California. The move proved a stepping-stone to national fame when, in the late 1940's, she became chief of talent for Warner Brothers Studios.

She was hired away from Warner Brothers in the early 1950's by CBS, becoming one of the first women directors to break into network television.

In 1958, at the request of the U.S. State Department, Cisney became associate coordinator of America's performing arts exhibit at the Brussels World's Fair. For two years she tirelessly recruited top talent, introducing many of America's leading singers, dancers, actors and actresses to continental Europe. At the close of the fair, Belgian judges conferred top honors to the exhibit, awarding the United States a gold medal in the performing arts division.

Contemporaneous with her work for the fair, Cisney established a new beachhead in her camelion career as a director of the New York City Opera.

It was Cisney, in fact, who directed Beverly Sills in her first coloratura role: "The opera was 'Mignon'," she notes. "When Beverly sang the opening aria...it was absolutely remarkable."

Cisney's mushrooming achievements hadn't escaped the attention of the State Department. When the Brussels World's Fair ended she was signed as artistic director for a proposed international Theatre Guild tour. Her colleague in the project, then head of the State Department's International Cultural Exchange program, was also her husband, Robert Schnitzer. The two married in 1958 while Cisney was still with CBS.

Schnitzer, like his wife, began

his meteoric career as an actor. During the depression he travelled the country with a troupe starring Walter Hamden and Katherine Cornell, often playing one night stands in one horse towns as well as big cities. Those were theatre's lean years, Schnitzer recalls, "when stars didn't mind touring."

Realizing he had a talent for administration, Schnitzer moved rapidly into stage management and was soon directing and producing summer theatre productions. In 1935 he joined the Federal Theatre program, one of the "make work" art projects that flourished under the WPA umbrella.

"It was an amazing seedbed for new ideas and new people," notes Schnitzer, who served as the program's Assistant Deputy Director in Washington. "We staged everything from vaudeville to modernized Shakespeare. More than 30,000 people were employed by Federal Theatre -- 10,000 in New York City alone."

According to Schnitzer an entire generation of actors, artists and playwrights emerged from the WPA era, including theatre titans John Houseman and Orson Welles.

From Washington, Schnitzer moved into the academic world,



serving on theatre faculties at Vassar, Smith, Columbia and New School in New York City.

He spent the war years on mainland China as head procurement officer for the American Red Cross.

After the war Schnitzer acted as

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Thornton's 'Thanibel'



It was Thornton Wilder who first told Schnitzer and Cisney of Sanibel. The date, Cisney remembers, was 1961; the place was the Palm Beach Theatre.

"We were frantically preparing for an international tour of 'Skin of our Teeth,'" she recalls. The constant pressure seemed to wear on Wilder and one day he failed to show up for rehearsals.

"When he reappeared he told us of a wonderful little island on the West Coast name 'Thanibel; Thornton had a pronounced lisp, you know."

The playwright's description of an island accessible only by ferry intrigued the couple. "There's nothing there but a General Store, a post office and shells," Wilder reported; "I enjoyed perfect peace until I became terribly bored."

Schnitzer and Cisney finally visited Sanibel in 1972. In 1974 they purchased a condominium and spent a good deal of time with the aging playwright during his last two winters on Sanibel.

Wilder was working on several projects at the time, including an exhaustive scholarly work on James Joyce's epic, "Finnegan's Wake." He also made frequent references to a Bicentennial production of "Skin of Our

Teeth," staged shortly after his death at the Kennedy Center.

"He was hoping the director would stage it like an animated cartoon, with all the characters in Maggie and Jiggs type costumes," says Cisney. "He became certain that it should be staged like a cartoon."

Wilder became increasingly restless as his health began to fail, say the Schnitzers. The prolific genius was often heard to remark, "Too many songs unsung, too many books unwritten."

The Schnitzers last saw the playwright in December of 1975. Scheduled for diagnostic tests in New Haven, Connecticut, Wilder threw an intimate farewell party in the Coconut Grove restaurant on Sanibel.

"Doctors had limited Thornton to one drink a day," Schnitzer recalls. "So he took one pull on a bottle of Scotch and gave the rest to me."

Schnitzer and his wife also received the 40-volume library Wilder had accumulated during his years on Sanibel. Though several of the books bear personal dedications, one is cryptically inscribed, "Goethe Loves You."

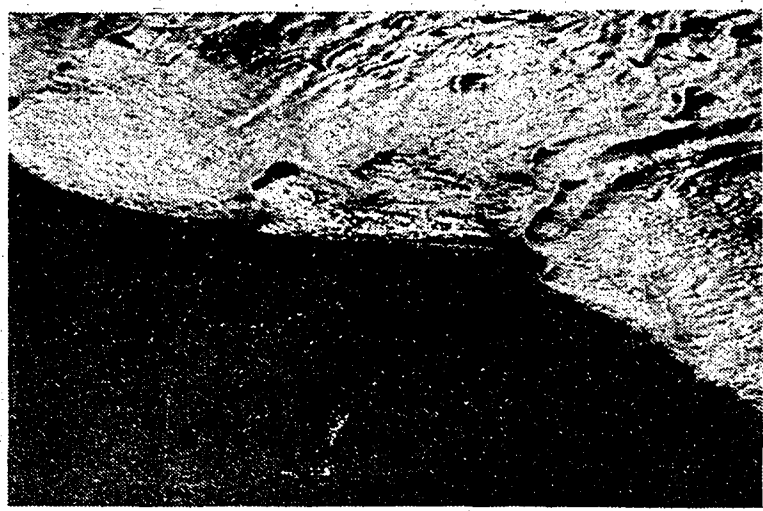
"Thornton's father used to say 'God Loves You,'" explains Cisney. "Goethe Loves You,' was Thornton's equivalent."

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Fishermen land kings, grouper

Several boats, with Fritz and Norma Stoppelbein's "Misty" leading the way, headed for more southerly waters last Sunday as the Sanibel Flotilla again tried some off-shore weekend fishing and cruising.

The informal Flotilla was kicked off to encourage "buddy" boating off-shore -- for the sake of more fun and greater safety.

Last Sunday the mini-fleet took a 185 degree heading off Marker 3 and fished largely for kingfish off Naples in about 42 feet of water.

The "Misty" boated two kings up to 13 1/2 pounds, three grouper and one bonito. Aboard, in addition to the Stoppelbein's, were Walter Emmons, Ed Connors, Ernie

Fous, all members of the Southwest Florida Anglers Club (SWAC).

The "Redelen" -- with a crew of Red Summerlin and John Frank, also SWAC members, -- boated one king, and the "TBK," with Tom Kyle, Fred Biglow and Bob Muhlig aboard, brought in three kings. Herb Ferguson, aboard his "Dar es Salaam," boated one king, but had several more at boat-side.

The following day the "Misty" went out again, this time at 190 degrees off Marker 3, and boated 17 kingfish up to 8 pounds.

The plans for a Sanibel Flotilla are uncertain this weekend, with most boaters likely to join in the SWAC outing tomorrow.

Fleet to meet

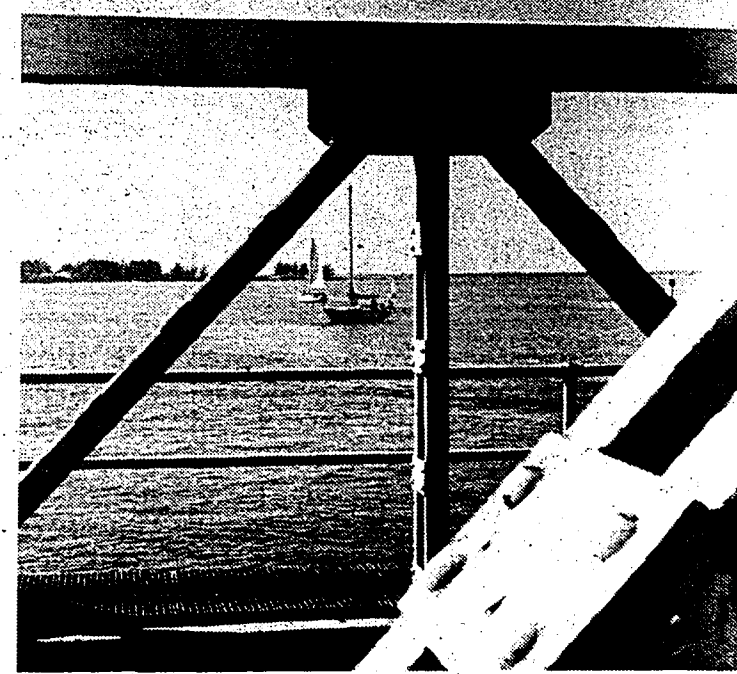
Tomorrow morning between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. a fleet of boats is expected to rendezvous in San Carlos Bay between the Sanibel Marina channel and the fishing pier.

The occasion is an offshore invitational fishing trip sponsored by Southwest Florida Anglers Club.

The boats will proceed offshore via the channel and "marker 5" off Fort Myers Beach.

Information boat for the cruise will be a 33-foot Chris Craft, "Misty," captained by Fritz Stoppelbein of Sanibel. His boat carries a citizen's band radio and he will monitor channel 11.

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Campers skirt law to become nature's tenants



'Blessed with good weather, the campers draw spiritual nourishment from long midnight walks on the beach and waking to early morning mist weaving through the pines.'

By Mark Twombly

Photos by Angus Thuermer, Jr.

Tucked in among stands of green pine, back away from the beach where they are shielded from the bright sun and the hard stare of the unsympathetic, live groups of young nomad campers who believe in experiencing Sanibel at its most natural.

Dark-skinned and mellow from weeks of living under the sun, these pseudo-residents often travel thousands of miles for the simple exhilaration of sleeping a stone's throw away from the therapeutic lapping of the Gulf of Mexico.

Most set up housekeeping somewhere along Bowman's Beach on the northwestern flank of the island. Their camps are little more than a couple of sleeping bags tossed on a bed of pine needles, or a hammock stretched between two Australian pines. Some erect tents, but tents can be easily spotted by police. The campers are especially careful to conceal their outpost because city law makes it illegal to camp anywhere on Sanibel without first securing written permission from the police chief.

Chief John Butler has said he will permit camping only under unusual circumstances, and then only for recognized organizations such as the Boy Scouts. A request for a permit to camp on Bowman's Beach for several weeks will not get far with Butler. In the year he has served as the chief of police Butler has never been asked for permission to camp at Bowman's.

Most of the campers are aware that what they are doing is

technically illegal, punishable by a \$50 a day fine or three days in jail, but they know that by keeping a low profile they can probably escape notice for weeks, and sometimes months.

The law is not the only obstacle campers encounter in their pursuit of nature. There are a good crop of

or because they are not interested in working long hours to make a lot of money. The low wages, coupled with the high prices landlords can extract for island apartments make it difficult to find housing.

"I like being on the beach," declares one former Bowman's Beach camper who was discovered

agrees another camper. "It's quiet, peaceful. There's no place like it on the island. Just total silence."

Like more conventional tourists the campers are primarily winter visitors. Cool, breezy nights and sunny, temperate days add up to ideal camping conditions. Blessed with good weather, the campers draw spiritual nourishment from long midnight walks on the beach and waking to early morning mist weaving through the pines.

But there are drawbacks. "Bugs are the biggest blight," winces one veteran camper. "You have to carry water; there is no shower; as far as toilet facilities go, no sweat, the tide comes in and out."

They admit that garbage is a problem, but they lay much of the blame on "day trippers" -- people who come to the beach for an afternoon. "I can't say campers don't litter, but they probably do it less than the day trippers," rationalizes one. "When we go home to

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Sanibel residents who feel the campers are responsible for erecting monuments of garbage on what is just about the last remaining stretch of undeveloped beach on the island.

A lifestyle characterized by long hair, beards, and casual nudity has also earned the campers a questionable reputation for fostering "hippie communes" on the beach. Campers admit that the living is loose, with new people constantly wandering in for a few days and then moving on, but they reject the notion that they are little more than irresponsible beach bums with nothing better to do than indulge in decadent dallying in the sand all day.

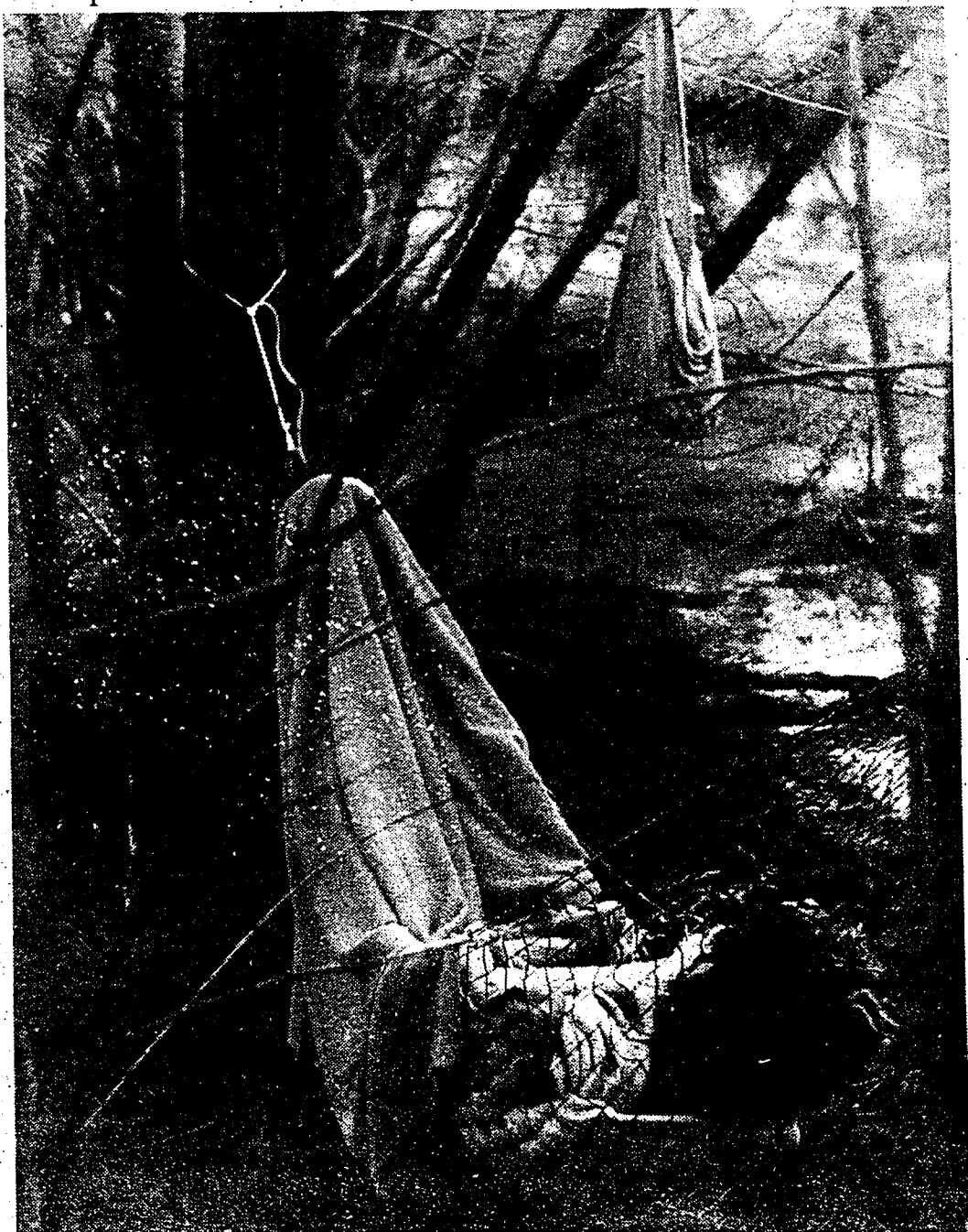
The long-term campers make bread money as waitresses, waiters, busboys and dishwashers in island restaurants, by cleaning condominium units, and by picking up odd jobs here and there.

They are forced to work menial jobs because good jobs are scarce,

and shooed away by police. After several months of bunking with friends in various apartments, he is returning to Bowman's with his sleeping bag.

"To rent a place you need more bucks," he reasons. "To get more bucks you have to work more, and that takes away from time in the sun and the sand and the wind. And that's the reason for being here."

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Last week I received an offer to cover a Bonefish trip for four days from my good friend and client Pat DeCastro of Sanibel Island. He had booked John in the hopes of catching that most sought after ghost of the flats.

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The next morning found us bright-eyed and bushy-tailed at the marina to get going, but first John laid down a few ground rules for the sport, such as no stomping on the boat or loud noises, no quick movements when

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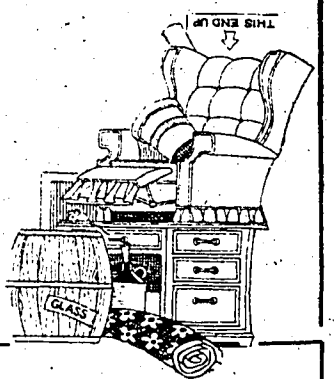
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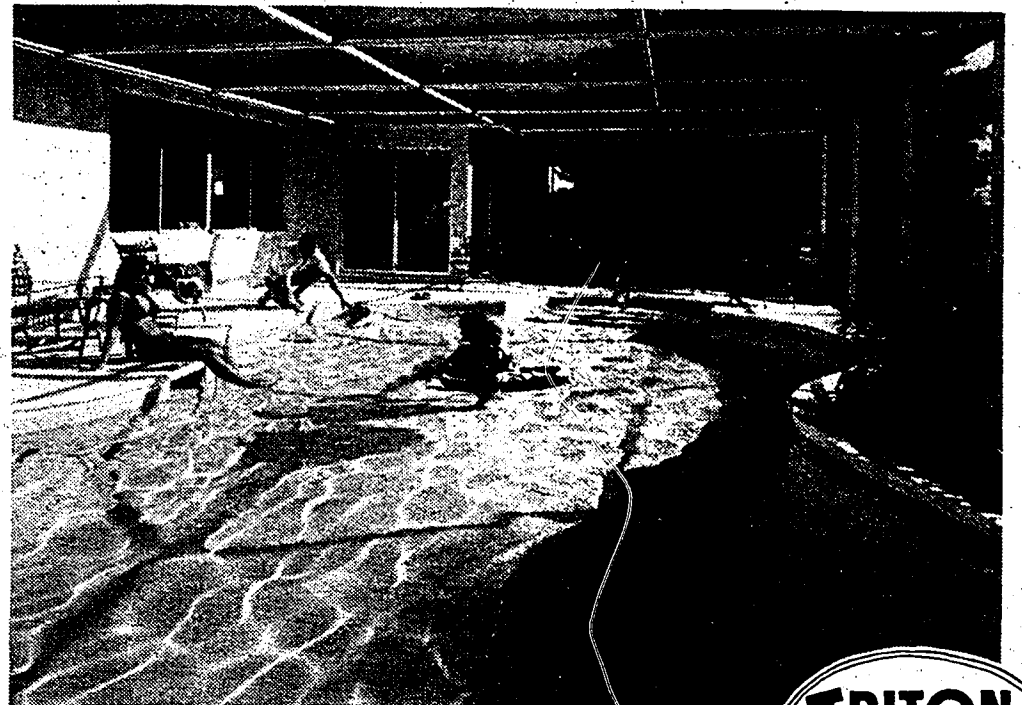
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fish were spotted and the presentation must be low and soft.

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I have always prided myself at being able to spot fish long before others, but such was not the case with John who was always the first to spot, and even then I had trouble discerning what was fish and a grass or sand mound. Believe you me, this is no game for amateurs.

Watching John at his trade on a Bone flat is pure poetry as he poles, cocks his head for full polaroid benefit, then goes on searching everywhere at once.

Suddenly he surges ahead or locks his pole in a staked position then announces in that calm sure tone that you are being approached and to prepare yourself.

You cock your bailspring and hope to God that the little buggy-whip and puny eight pound line

can match this brutal adversary. After the battle is engaged you find there is another factor that is open to failure, which is your arm, as it is necessary to hold the rod high above your head to keep the long stretched line from chaffing on the coral.

As for Pat, the first fish was like a balm that swept away all of the executive cares and instilled a deep respect for this streamlined

fish which has the ability to strip reels completely in a single stroke. I do believe he was a confirmed Bonefisher after only his first fish. These fish have this ability also.

As for myself, I had a deeper abiding respect for all of the many Sharks, Barracuda and Bones that inhabit these crystal clear flats and provided us with this unforgettable sport.

Next week an exclusive interview with a little lady who terribly harrassed a bunch of fish in Belize, Central America.

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(Left) John Prybil grasps a Bonefish by the tail just before releasing it. (Above) Capt. Sells, (left) helps Pat DeCastro hoist a formidable Barracuda.

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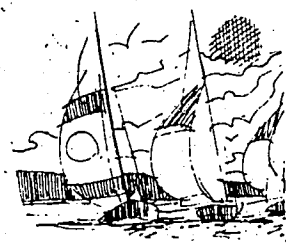
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Efficient angler sells catch, eats bait for dinner

By Jack Koontz

One of the things that makes fishing worthwhile is a good fishing yarn, and a proficient spinner of yarns is a revered figure in the fishing world. Last week we read about Danny Bryant, a man who takes his bait eels personally. This week Koontz writes about another of his character friends, Albert the efficient.

Another good hunter and fisherman friend of mine is Albert Fischer, brother of local Captiva guide Doug Fischer.

One of Albert's strong points is that he's very efficient; doesn't like to waste anything. A year or so back he was fishing live eels for striped bass. He reached down into his bait bucket and spied a particularly nice fat specimen. "This 'un sure does look good to me," says Albert. "I don't know how any fish could resist a plump critter like this."

Albert heaved the beauty over and drifted along until he felt a nice strong tug on the line. He reared back, set the hook real good

and in a while boated a nice 49 pound striper.

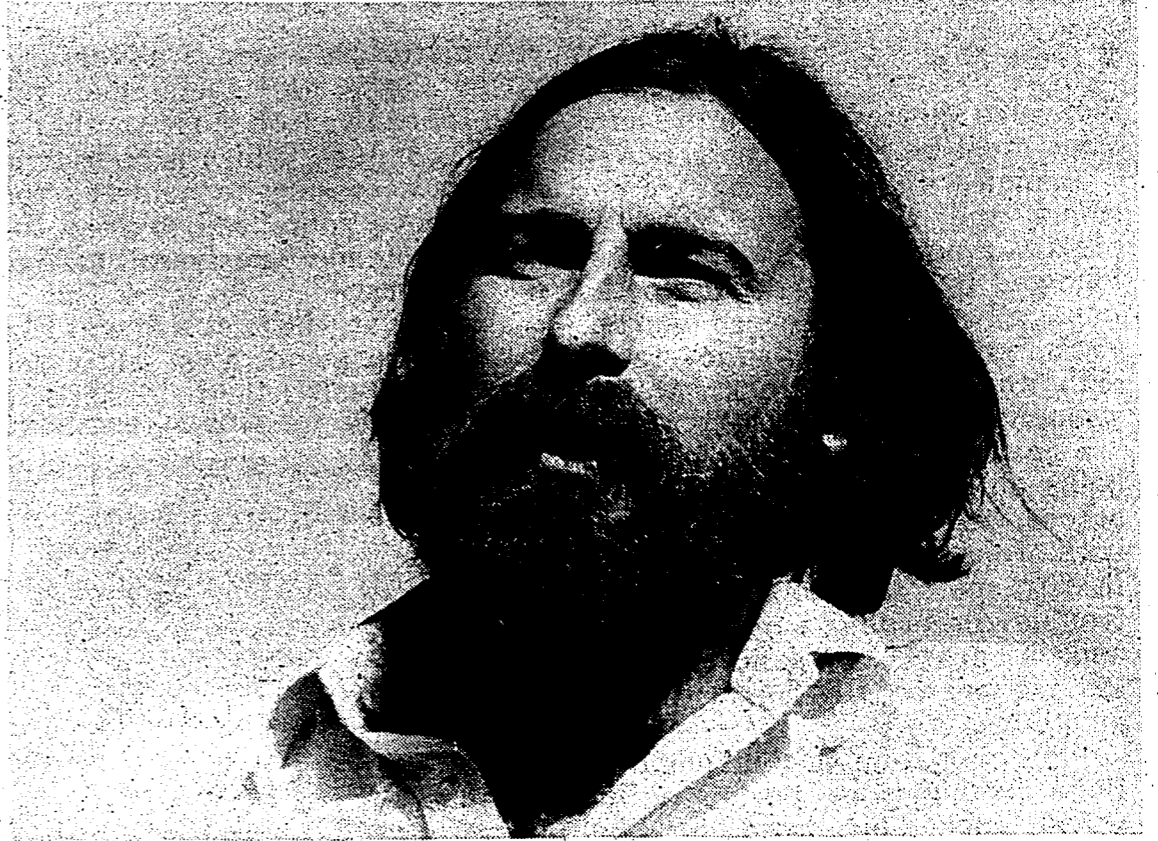
Albert was real pleased, and that eel looked as tasty as ever. A fishing contest was going on at the time so Albert entered his fish and it won him \$100. That made Albert smile even harder.

He then took the bass and sold it at the local market for a nice price, went home, took that same eel and ate him for supper. Yessir! Albert's an efficient sportman.

I went out grouper fishing last weekend with a friend. We had good luck, caught some nice blacks and reds, and made a nice profit at the market.

Later on I looked down into the baitwell to see we still had some nice sand perch, or squirrel fish as some call them. They were still alive and well and I got to thinking about Albert and his eel.

Then I started thinking about how those perch would look all smashed up hanging out of a grouper's mouth and remembered Danny Bryant and his eel. Well, I filleted those perch, dipped them into a nice batter and fried 'em up.



Let me tell you, they were some good eating.

you've got bait left over remember Albert and his eel and the efficient angler.

So next time you're out bait fishing and you get bored, think about Danny Bryant being an eel, swimming around with his face all twisted up and scared. And if

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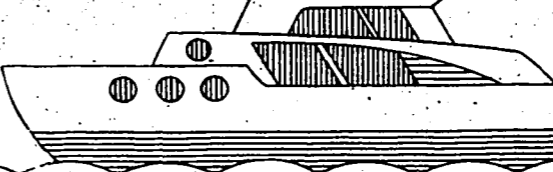
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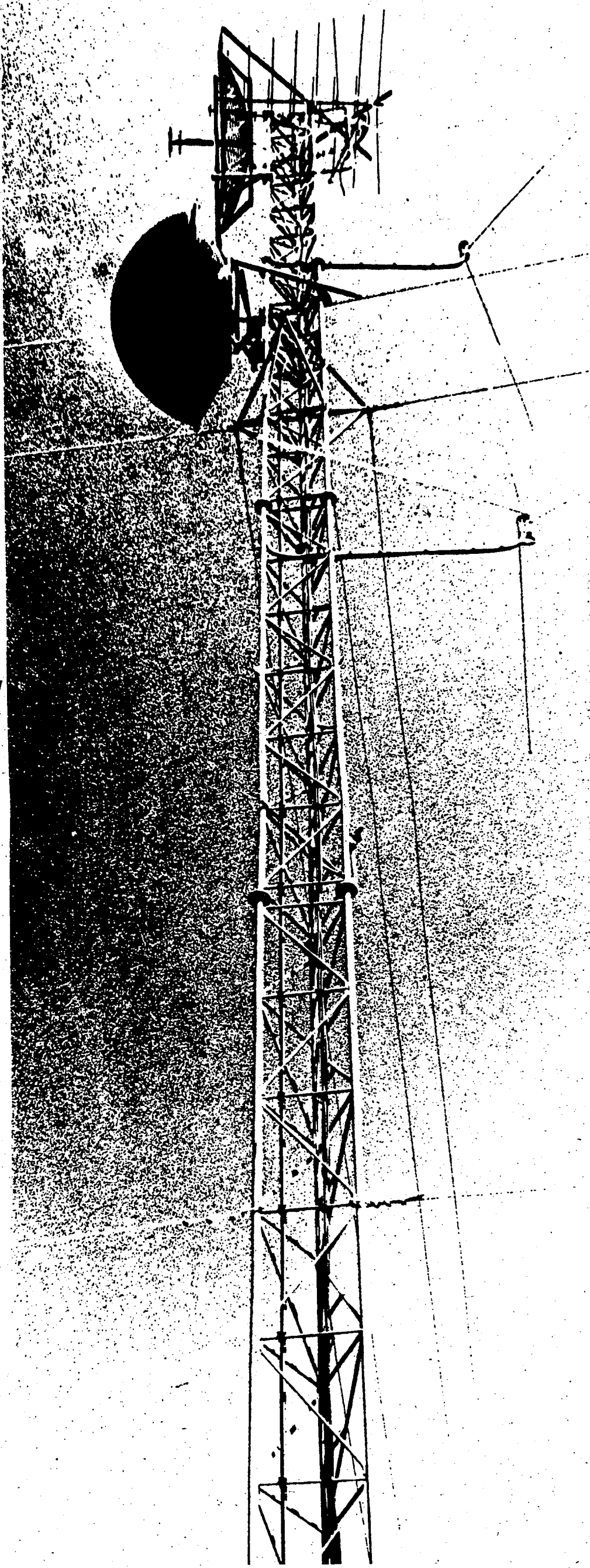
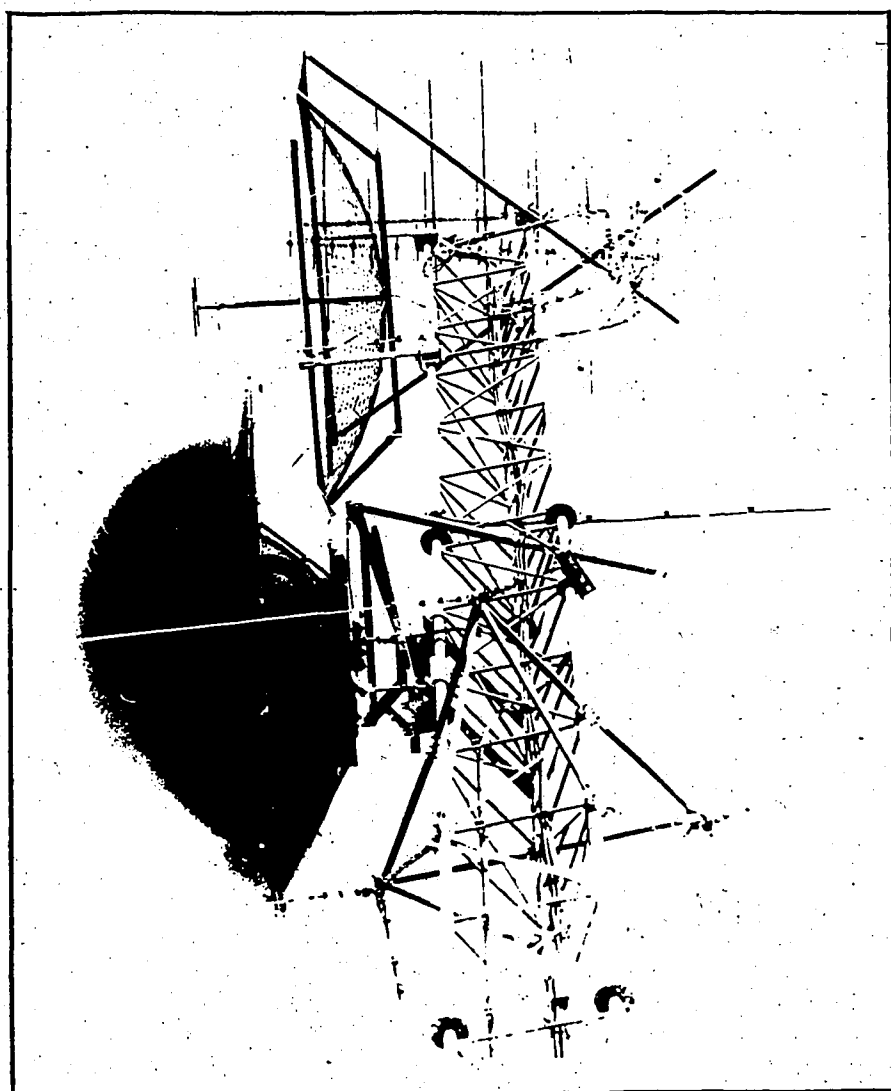
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Tennis ladder

By Glessie Creagh

Four matches were played on the women's ladder this week, including two singles and two doubles.

Benedict defeated Swats 10-7, and Creagh beat Taylor 10-2. The doubles team of Costanzo and Sabatino won their match over Swats and Horak 10-7. Coyle and Byers downed Benedict and Weinberg 10-4.

On the men's ladder Riley lost to Clements 6-3, 6-2, but later beat Sabatino. Joe Bowen challenged in to beat Bob Sabatino 6-3, 6-3.

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Women's Ladder

1. Ann Costanzo
2. Ellie Sabatino
3. Linda Horak
4. Renee Wadkovsky
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6. Marty Swats
7. Mary DeHon
8. Merrill Rushworth
9. Terry Weinberg
10. Marilyn McCann
11. Terri Blackmore
12. Mary Mather
13. Glessie Creagh
14. Linda Taylor
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- 472-2029
- 472-4392
- 472-2671
- 472-4825
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- 481-8663
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Men's Ladder

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2. Len Clements 472-1551
3. Brian Webb 472-1568
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5. Tom Kendrick 472-4006
6. Bill Riley 472-4536
7. Joe Bwren 472-1451
8. Bob Sabatino 472-1551
9. Ray Pavelka 472-2867
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11. Brian Newberry 472-3239
12. Bob Gravis 472-1028
13. Bob Taylor ?
14. George Schlotterer ?
15. Horace Loomis 472-2351

DOUBLES

Women's Doubles

1. Wadkovsky and Winsor 472-2580
 2. Costanzo and Grinnell 472-1206
 3. Swats and Horak 472-4353
 4. Taylor and Gillingham 481-5189
 5. Byers and Coyle 472-4004
- or 472-2555
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Men's Doubles

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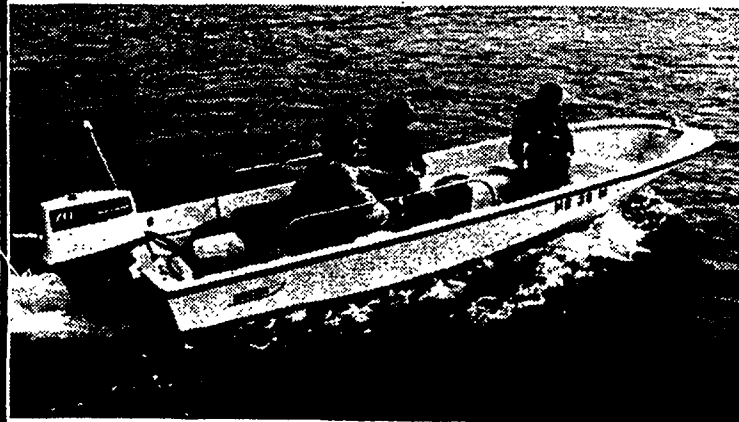
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Record boating class completed

The grades are in for the 1975-76 free boating course offered to the public by the Sanibel-Captiva unit of the United States Power Squadrons, according to Harley Brown, local squadron commander.

Of the 58 men and women who took the final exam on February 16, 55 scored a grade of 80 percent or better.

Some 70 people signed up for the course, which began in early November of last year. The classes were held in the Sanibel Community Association building.

One of the Squadron's principal activities is conducting the free boating course for the general public. Boaters do not have to belong to the Squadron to attend the classes.

Although these classes have been taught on Sanibel for several years, this is the first time the course has been conducted by the Sanibel-Captiva unit, which just became a squadron late last year. Previous sessions were conducted by the San Carlos Bay squadron, headquartered in Fort Myers Beach.

The next boating course will begin in October, 1976. A wide range of topics will be covered, including boat handling under varying conditions, rules of the road, navigation aids, required equipment, distress signals, boat trailering, use of the compass and elementary charting and piloting.

The U.S. Power Squadrons is a private organization begun over 60 years ago. Today there are about 400 local squadrons boasting over 80,000 members. One of the three main purposes of the Squadron is boating safety through education.



Sphinx is golfer's choice

Many people translate an interest into some kind of casual hobby such as painting, collecting sea shells, or writing poetry. Bettie and Ronnie Fenton are two people who are interested in playing golf, and their hobby consists of sampling golf courses around the world.

The Fentons have toured the famous St. Andrews and Glen Eagles courses in Scotland, England's St. Anne's where the Ryder Cup matches are played, Estoril in Portugal, and have discovered little known courses in places like Spain, Mexico, Luxembourg, and the Orient.

This rates as one of their most outstanding finds a course near the Sphinx in Egypt.

Occasionally the Fentons enter regional tournaments at foreign courses. Four years ago Ronnie took a third in a tournament at

the Glyfada course in Athens, Greece. Mrs. Fenton finished in fourth spot in the women's division in that tournament.

Two years ago Ronnie won, and Bettie finished second in a match at the 12,000 foot high Las Palmas course in the Canary Islands. Tomorrow the Fentons will join 50 other golfers from the Midwest and fly to Morocco to play in a tournament there at the invitation of King Hassan.

The five day match will be staged at the Casa Blanca golf course, whose 45 holes are considered among the finest and most challenging in the world.

The Sanibel couple recently returned from a golfing holiday in Yucatan, Mexico where they found only two small golf courses. "They were as rare as junonias on Sanibel," remarked Fenton, who is the golf pro at South Seas Plantation on Captiva.

Golfers wise words

"The two most essential requirements for consistency in golf is to start the backswing slowly and the downswing slowly!"-Ben Hogan

"In order to be a winner...you must develop your instinct to kill."-Babe Zaharius

"I play my best golf when I am LOOSE!"-Lee Trevino

"You don't hit a golf ball...you swing a golf club! The ball must be in the proper position everytime in order to be there when the clubhead is swung thru the same groove every time."-Ronnie Fenton

"A very important thing to remember when you're past 40 years of age...is to make a full body turn."-Arnold Palmer

"The only way to play good golf is through practice. No one ever attained perfection in any sport without a constant repetition of the basic mechanics."-Gary Player

"The most important requirement for good golf is confidence. You must think positive. If you think you're going to miss---you've got two strikes against you.-Sam Snead"

"You must begin at the beginning and that is putting. You cannot play Beethoven until you learn chop sticks and putting represents 50 percent of the allotted strokes on all golf courses!"-Ronnie Fenton

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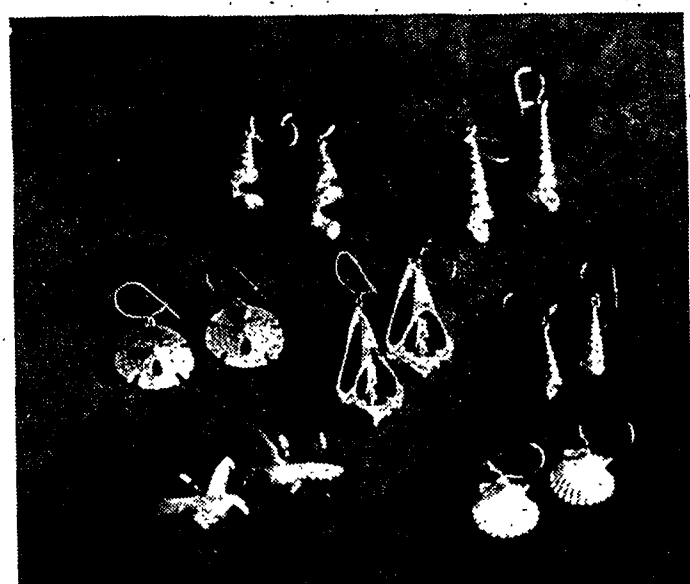
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The man admitted that when his camp was broken up by police, he made no attempt to return and pick up the garbage. Others say they buy plastic bags to collect their trash, and even scoop up rubbish wherever they find it.

When a camp is uncovered by police, the campers are asked to pack up immediately and leave. If no one is around, their gear is confiscated and taken to the police station where proof of ownership is required to reclaim it.

Since the first of the year police have investigated 43 separate complaints of illegal camping on Sanibel. Although most of it is reported on Bowman's Beach, people do camp in other spots. Two tents recently sprouted on a private lot near the Tarpon Bay Road beach access.

There are even a few hearty



souls who live out of their car or van. One man has picked out 12 different spots where he can park his car for the night. He chooses a different location each night. "I can camp just about anywhere on

the island and not get hassled," he boasts.


Police also have to deal with all night snoozing in parking lots, overgrown country lanes, and at

beach access areas. Motor home owners sometimes find that the one trailer park on the island is full, and the only thing to do aside from leaving the island is bed down in the nearest out-of-the-way parking place.

The long term beach campers are existing in a state of flux. There are abuses of the law that deems it illegal to just pitch a tent and break out the marshmallows, but the problem has not become so acute that major police surveillance is required.

In fact, some campers who make an annual trek to Bowman's say there are fewer campers this year than in the past, probably because of the increased presence of police.

Still, they would like to see some official tolerance of their desire to enjoy Sanibel au naturel. "We don't want every bum in the state out there in a tent," comments one committed camper, adding, "On the other hand people say this land is your land, this land is my land, but you gotta live indoors."

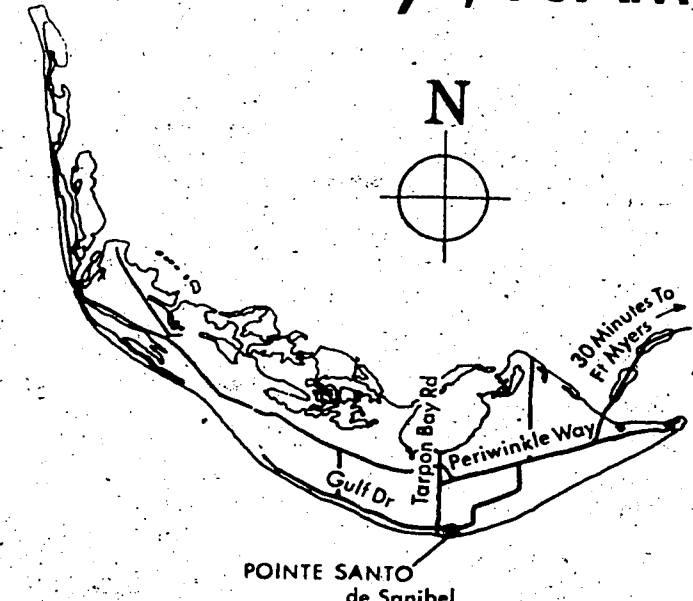


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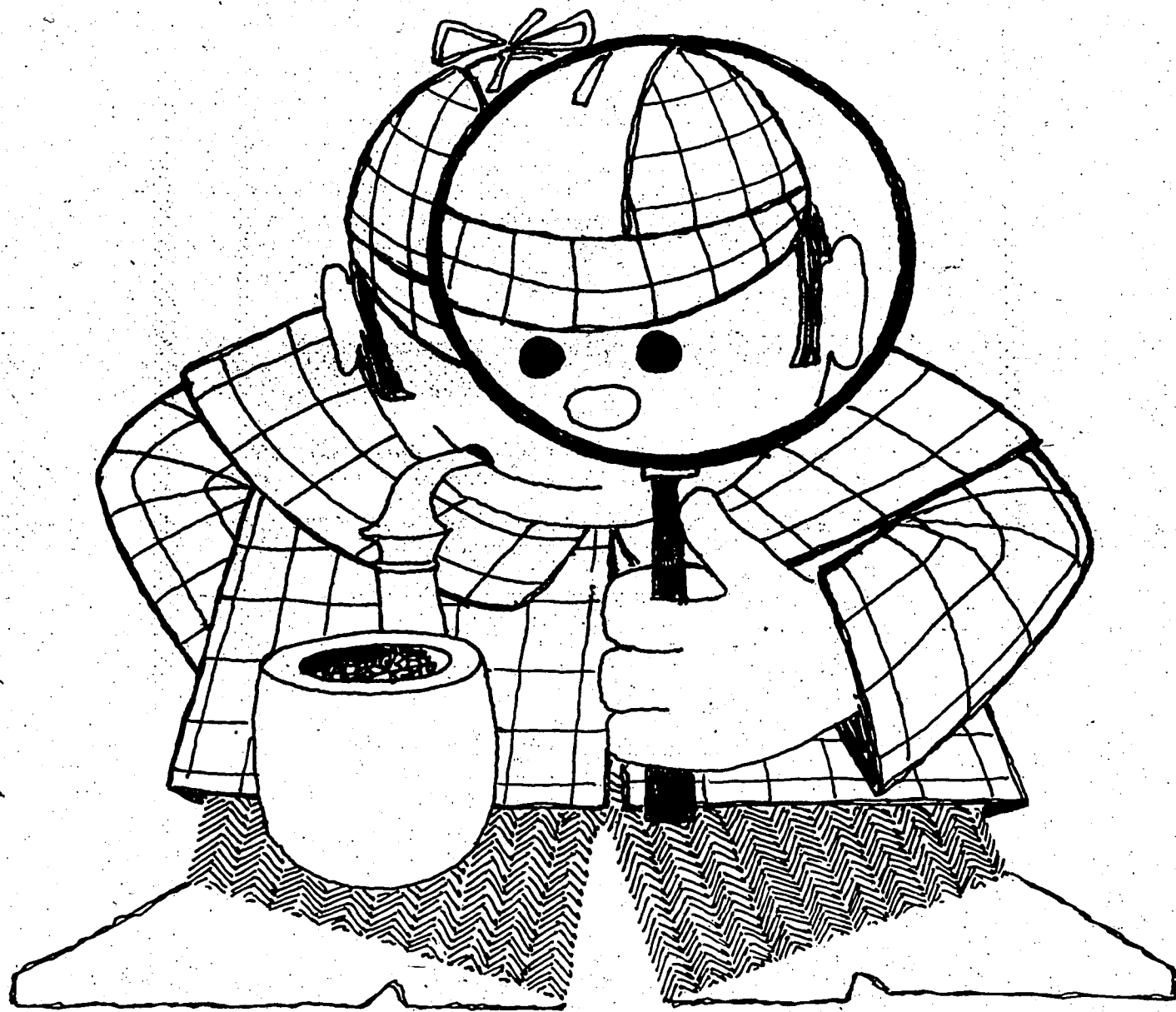
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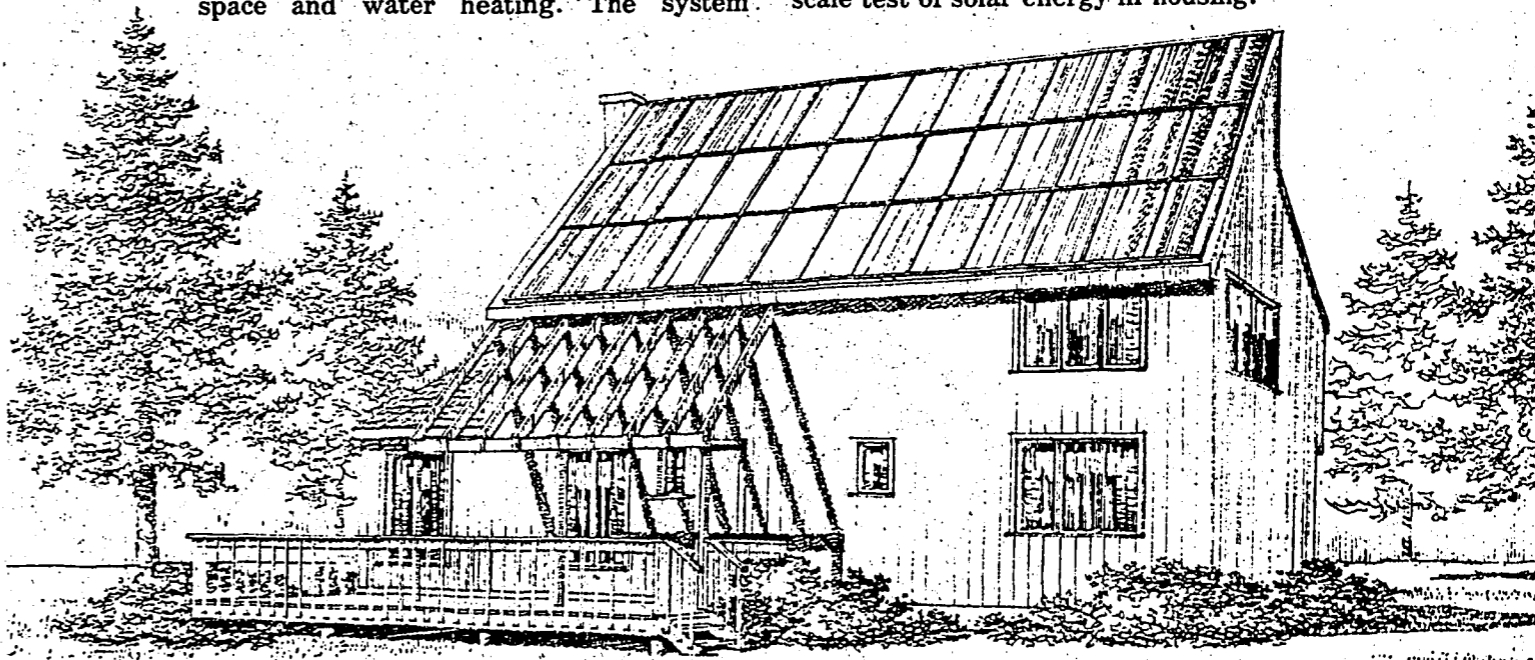
Burt, Hill and Associates, a Fort Myers architectural firm, and Innovative Building Systems, developers, have been awarded a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to build a demonstration home using solar energy.

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EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

By Peter Larson

Business at the Mucky Duck, the authentic British pub that opened on Captiva in late January, is simply ducky, reports co-owner Don Mayeron.

"We've been greatly accepted by the island people," said Mayeron of the pub's success. "People comment all the time on our service, warmth, dart board and player piano."

A Mecca for beer connoisseurs, the Mucky Duck boast four draft beer selections and a stunning array of bottled exports including Guinness Stout, Bass Ale, Harp Lager and Beck.

Watney's Red Ale, a top drawing card during the pub's first weeks of operation, will soon be replaced by Whitbread Ale, says Mayeron.

Apparently, the British have decided to keep a good thing to themselves; Watney's is no longer exported to the United States.

Defying his own budget makers, President Ford recently gave his personal guarantee that funds would not be cut off for purchase of land in the Big Cypress Swamp.

Florida has allocated \$40 million toward purchase of lands in the 570,000 acre preserve north of everglades National Park and the federal government is committed to put up \$110 million more. Ford's budget makers sought to cut off spending beginning October 1.

The budget now provides \$15 million for purchase of 41,000 acres and Department of the Interior officials hope for \$75 million in additional appropriations by 1979.

Vacation Investment Properties, Inc., exclusive sales agent for Mariner Properties has chalked up 70 sales during its first six months of operation.

The sales, summated between October 1 and March 15, include total sellout of Phases I, II and III of Mariner Pointe Condominium, South Seas Beach Homes and South Seas Marina Villas.

Bob Rauschenberger, VIP President, and Bob White, vice-president, attribute the success to "excellent products in a wide range of prices, an aggressive marketing program, a brightening economic climate and the increasing availability of mortgages."

Rauschenberger and White also believe the anticipated land use plan has encouraged people to "buy now while prices are still reasonable."

Though net income at Southwest Florida Banks fell .5 percent in 1975 and per share income dropped 5.1 percent, Southwest President Alfred M. Johns says he received the year-end figures with "enthusiasm."

The company's performance, said Johns, was "most satisfactory" in light of the severe loan losses some banks sustained during the depressed year.

Johns points to expansions as a second reason for the marginal loss; the recently merged bank acquired three new members during 1975. New members include the North First and South First Banks in Fort Myers and the South County Bank near Venice.

The Department of Natural Resources recently announced the discovery of new lobster beds 70 miles northwest of Naples (approximately 45 miles west of Sanibel-Captiva).

The lobster grounds cover a 150 square mile area in the Gulf of Mexico and should provide work for 25 to 30 of the 150 American lobster boats which fished Bahamian waters until the ban last August.

Mortgage interest rates go down

On an island where almost everyone watches the Gulf tides -- fishermen, shellers, and boaters -- there's another sort of tide that often goes unnoticed: mortgage interest rates.

Fluctuating frequently with the ebb and flow of the economy, mortgage interest rates are a prime indicator of financial conditions in the nation at large and to a greater extent, the economic climate of a particular state or locale.

Right now, with the Dow Jones Average hovering around 1,000, the mortgage picture is particularly rosy. Banks on Sanibel currently report mortgage rates ranging from 8 to 9 percent, almost a full percentage point lower than interest rates at this time a year ago.

A constellation of variables influence interest rates, says James P. Hermes, Executive Vice-President of Bank of the Island. But the single most important factor is the Federal Fund interest rate.

"Since the Great Depression, banks have been required to deposit a certain amount of their assets into the Federal Reserve," he explains. "Banks borrow or sell money through this Federal pool, known as the Federal Fund." As the demand for money increases, the Federal Fund interest rate increases proportionately, says Hermes.

To borrow from the Federal Fund during the height of the recent recession, banks were paying as much as 13 percent interest, notes the vice president. "It's silly to lend

"Generally speaking, the people who come to Sanibel and Captiva are very good credit risks."

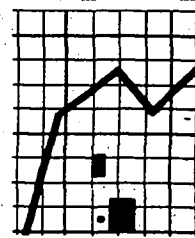
money out at 9 or 10 percent when you're paying 13 percent to get it," he adds.

In marked contrast to last year's peak, Federal Fund interest rates have dropped recently, dipping as low as 5 percent. According to Hermes the shift occurred gradually; he pinpoints the start of the reversal to July of last year.

Though money is more available now, banks are hardly offering blanket endorsements of mortgage applications. "We weigh every application on its own merits," says Hermes. "But standard terms on a twenty year, 70-80 percent loan would average around 8 1/2 to 9 percent."

For a 10 year, 50 percent loan the interest rates would range from 8 1/4 to 8 1/2 percent, says Hermes. For a client desiring

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a short term mortgage who planned to make use of other bank services, Bank of the Islands would consider a lower rate, possibly 8 percent, says Hermes.

Though interest rates are generally better for short term loans (less than 20 years), most islanders have chosen to "mortgage themselves to the hilt," notes Hermes: "A long term mortgage offers a favorable tax shelter, particularly when you have a lot of income and few expenses."

First Federal Savings and Loan of Fort Myers deals almost exclusively with long term clients. "Most people in Sanibel want a 20 or 25 year mortgage, but we're prepared to offer shorter terms," remarked Charles Kime, vice president of First Federal.

Kime said interest rates at First Federal currently range from 8 1/4 to 8 1/2, contrasted with the 9 and 9 1/4 rates offered a year ago. "There's plenty of money to be lent right now and we're looking to Sanibel as a prime lending area," he added.

A number of banks seem to view Sanibel as an exceptionally good lending area. "Generally speaking, the people who come to Sanibel and Captiva are very good credit risks," observes Hermes.

But even on Sanibel banks take pains to determine a client's ability to repay a loan. They routinely check a borrower's financial statement and credit background -- the latter being obtainable at the Fort Myers Credit Bureau. Bank officials maintain a constant vigil for phony financial statements.

"But basically our clients are affluent people; they bring along records of credit," noted Hermes.

Mortgage rates can vary according to the age or variety of housing being financed. Banks generally charge a slighter higher interest rate for condominiums:

"Single family homes are owner occupied, whereas condos fall into a rental pool. An owner-occupied home is generally a better risk," remarked one bank spokesman.

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Ken M. Husler for a home to be constructed by Robert Stevens at 214 Hurricane Lane in Kerns subdivision;
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& DEEDS

Eight deed closings were recorded at Lee County Courthouse during the same week. Closings included:
A Sanibel Moorings condominium sold to Brenda Lawrence by Anna M. Gardiner;
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With Anne Marsh

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More than medicine

Sandy and Len Kessler's Island Apothecary on Palm Ridge Road across from the Library has much more to offer than just medicines. Nationally known cosmetic lines, Hallmark greeting cards and wrapping paper, sun tanning preparations, and even cameras for rent. We were especially taken with the complete hair care line they offer... shampoos, hair coloring kits, hair conditioners, hair setting liquids, hair pins, hair rollers, shower hats, swimming caps, and hair nets.

The Island Apothecary is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays their regular hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., but in this busy season you'll probably find them there 'til 5:00 p.m. The emergency number for medications is 472-2768.



Patter platter

Sharon Kraft's Tiffany Parlor in the Periwinkle Place Shopping Center has some fertile ideas for plant-partial friends. The electronic answer to talking to your plants to make them grow is now available with the phonograph record: "Music for Your Plants," \$5.95. For would-be owners of prolific plants there are two books with the promising titles of "Practicing Plant Parenthood" and "House Plants for the Purple Thumb." Each book is \$4.95 per copy. To keep your flowers healthy and dewy fresh, mist watering is a must. To help you mit the mist, Tiffany Parlor has spritzers or sprayers ranging in price from \$1.75 to \$5.



Arts, crafts a gogo

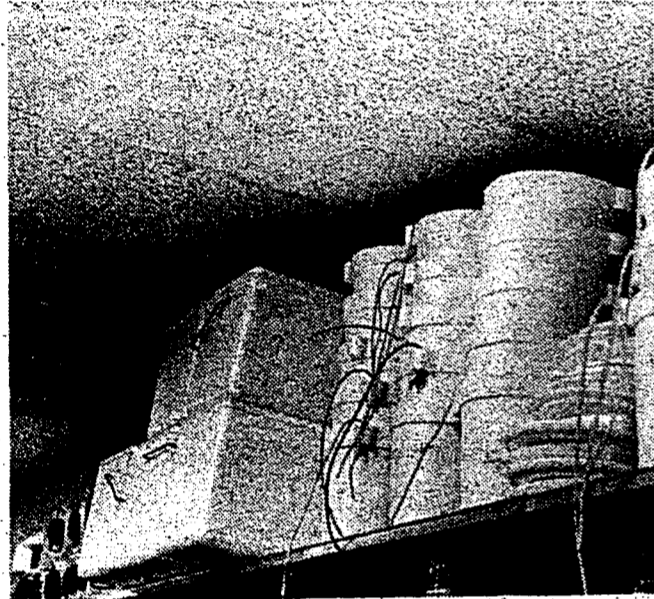
Adelaide Bailey's Thetan Crafts Shop is featuring a hanging shell lamp, completely handmade to your order, and delivered to your home for \$65. This charming shop is located on Periwinkle Way, next to the B-Hive and contains a lovely art gallery with many island-theme oils, acrylics and water colors. Also featured are some handsome shell and coral decorative art accessories from Wohl of Shaker Heights. Green Tiger greeting cards and wrapping paper made of recycled paper, and nature color photographs by Fleur Weymouth at a special low price of \$1 each are two items you should see when you visit.

Thetan Crafts and its adjoining Garden Gallery, Clothes Closet and Tacky T's shops are open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.



Gas to garbage bags

Betty and Jim Robson's Three Star Convenience Store at the curvey corner of Tarpon Bay and Palm Ridge Road is open from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. It could well be termed the Islands' general store, dispensing everything from gasoline to garbage bags 16 hours a day, seven days a week. They have a bountiful selection of frozen foods, fresh vegetables, fresh baked goods, in addition to a generous line of groceries and beverages including fine wines and beers. We were pleased to find inexpensive styrofoam coolers priced from \$1.29 to \$2.29. Also material for make-your-own redwood signs. The prices for the sign frames, depending on the size are \$1.98 and \$2.98 in addition to 49 cents for each letter.



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Murder of police officer stirs memories on islands

By Anne Marsh

It was a brilliantly beautiful Saturday afternoon in Fort Myers last week. White clouds silhouetted against an unbelievably clear blue sky were pierced only occasionally by Eastern or National jets landing or taking off from the airport.

Vividly colored private aircraft arrived and departed as Lee County Deputy Michael Yawl, who regularly patrolled Sanibel and Captiva, sentried Page Field and the surrounding area.

The burglary alert came through at approximately 1:45 p.m.

Yawl quickly responded and was the first on the scene at the Purolator Security Corporation, an armored car firm, which was being burglarized by two men.

When he arrived the men were leading a hostage to a parked car. Mike Yawl quickly dashed around to the back of the building and came upon the men from the opposite side. By then, he was joined by other deputies. Exchanges of gun fire ensued and as he came closer to the car he was felled by a shot fired by one of the armed bandits, a former Marine rifleman.

The afternoon sun continued to provide a brilliant aura around Fort Myers when

Deputy Michael Yawl, at the age of 24, was pronounced dead on arrival at Lee Memorial Hospital at approximately 2:30 p.m. last Saturday.

In the afternoon I had heard there had been a shoot-out in Fort Myers but I didn't learn the victim's names until they were announced on the 6:00 p.m. television news.

I was shocked and saddened because I remembered meeting Michael Yawl on another sunny Florida afternoon last December.

The occasion was the visit of Bishop Charles McLaughlin of the Diocese of St. Petersburg to Sanibel Island to dedicate the rectory of St. Isabel's Church. Deputy Yawl came to the rectory to escort Bishop McLaughlin back to his private plane in Fort Myers. I was going along as the ride provided the only opportunity for an interview with His Excellency.

While we were waiting Mike and I chatted about our families and we were joined by other guests. He said he was a bit anxious because his wife, Carol, was scheduled for a Caesarian operation the next day to deliver their second child.

I relayed this information to the Bishop in

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Lee County and other state lawmen's badges are covered with a black ribbon to mourn the death of one of their fellow lawmen, Deputy Michael Yawl, slain last week in Fort Myers.

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Trees aided on Causeway

The late Grady Edmondson, just prior to his death, had expressed a desire to institute a Lions Club project to rejuvenate the palm trees on the Causeway.

The trees had been planted in 1967 by Norman Chambers of the West Wind Inn. Chambers had noted that he had planted trees at the Inn after the Causeway planting and they were very tall while the Causeway road trees still lacked growth.

It was clear, fertilization and trimming were in order, Grady told Lions Club members. Following Grady's death the group decided to fulfill one of his last wishes. A collection was made and Kerry Slay was engaged for the project.

Lee County donated 300 pounds of fertilizer and Slay trimmed, fertilized, and weeded the area around the trees.

"Next time you're driving over the Causeway, slow down a little and note the appearance of the trees," a Club spokesman said. "The Lions hope you'll be reminded of Grady and his many civic contributions to the islands -- even after death."

The importance of water in supporting the myriad of bird life on Sanibel will be the topic of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society meeting, Thursday, April 1, at 8:00 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House, Periwinkle Way.

Sanibel, a barrier island is unique in having a fresh water system. This

system, plus the surrounding salt water of San Carlos Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, are important in attracting birds to the islands and in sustaining them once they arrive.

"Birds and Water Systems" will be presented by Richard Beebe, president of the Society. There is no admission charge.

Water's role in bird life studied

Fund set up in memory of slain Deputy Yawl

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The car and when we reached the airport Bishop McLaughlin shook Yawl's hand and said he would say Mass the following day and offer it for the Yawl family.

On the way back to the island we continued our conversation, which ranged from the fact that I had just learned that no matter how seasoned the lawman is -- fear is always there when they approach the scene of a crime or possible crimes.

He said that as soon as he finished his assignment that afternoon he would work at his regular part-time job which had become a necessity because of heavy medical expenses.

Michael Yawl, a handsome sandy-haired quiet and level headed deputy impressed many very favorably that day, I was to learn after speaking this week to several parish-

ioners of St. Isabel's who remembered him. I had been pleased to learn the Tuesday

A fund for the family of Deputy Michael Yawl, of the Lee County Sheriff's Office has been set up at the Barnett Bank in Fort Myers. The address for contributions is 3210 Cleveland Avenue, Fort Myers, Florida.

Yawl was slain last Saturday when he responded to an armed robbery alert. He regularly patrolled Sanibel and Captiva.

after our meeting that the Yawl family had added another girl to the family. Cynthia Lee joined Michelle Lynn, 5.

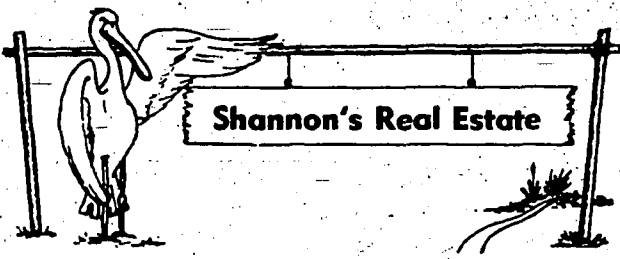
Deputy Yawl was a familiar figure to Sanibel policemen -- Chief John Butler said

"Yawl was well-known and respected by all members of this department." The Chief and all sworn personnel of the S.P.D. were among the large honor guard assembled from all over the state of Florida at the funeral service which was held Monday evening at the Fort Myers Funeral Home.

Reverend Thomas Anglim of St. Francis Xavier Church conducted the scripture service.

On Sunday, parishioners of St. Isabel's Church recited prayers for the Yawl family. In a call to the Chancery office of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Father Keith Symons, the Chancellor for Bishop Charles McLaughlin informed us that the Bishop is sending a letter of tribute to Michael Yawl's young widow and his family.

Yawl's funeral and interment will take place in Missouri, his home state.



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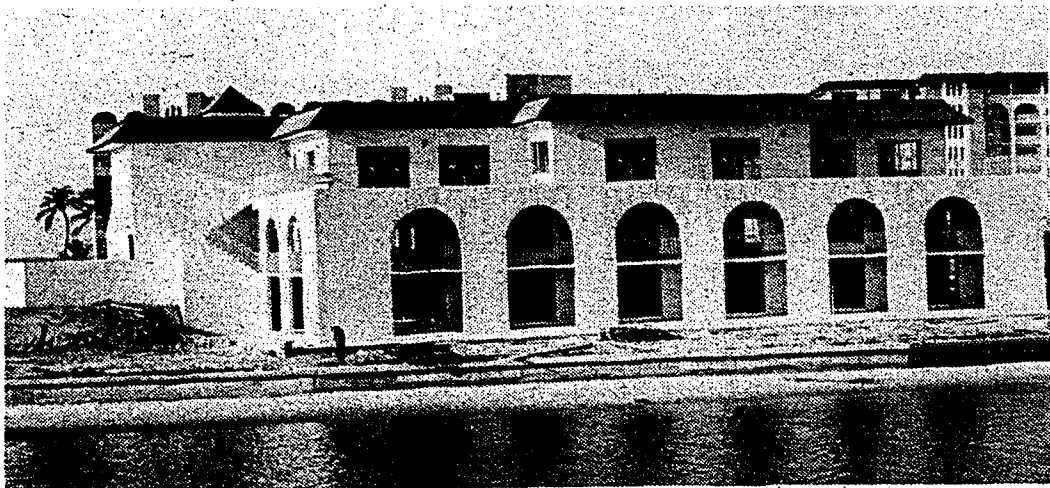
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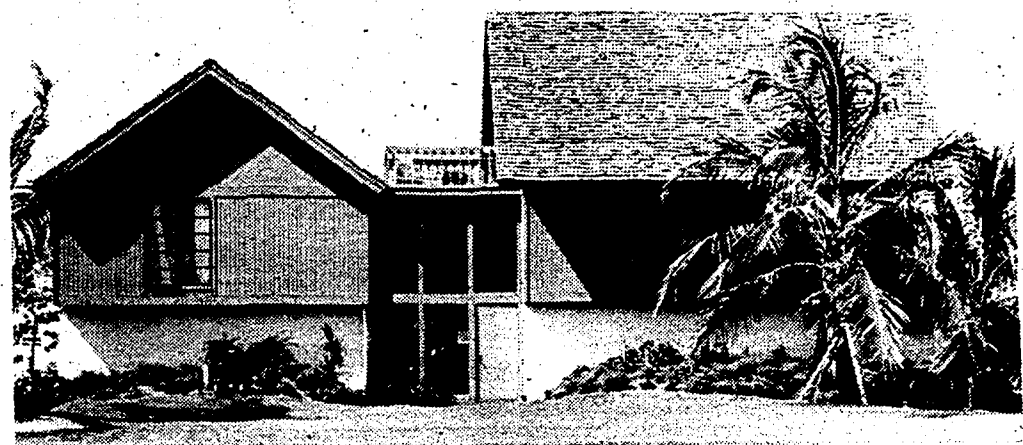
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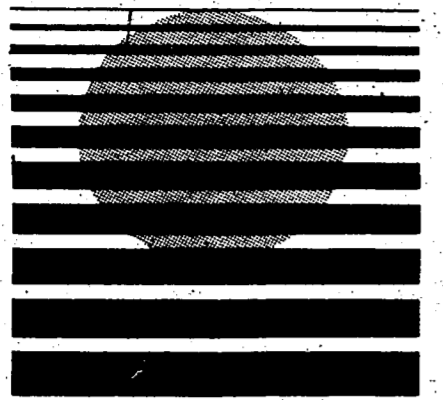
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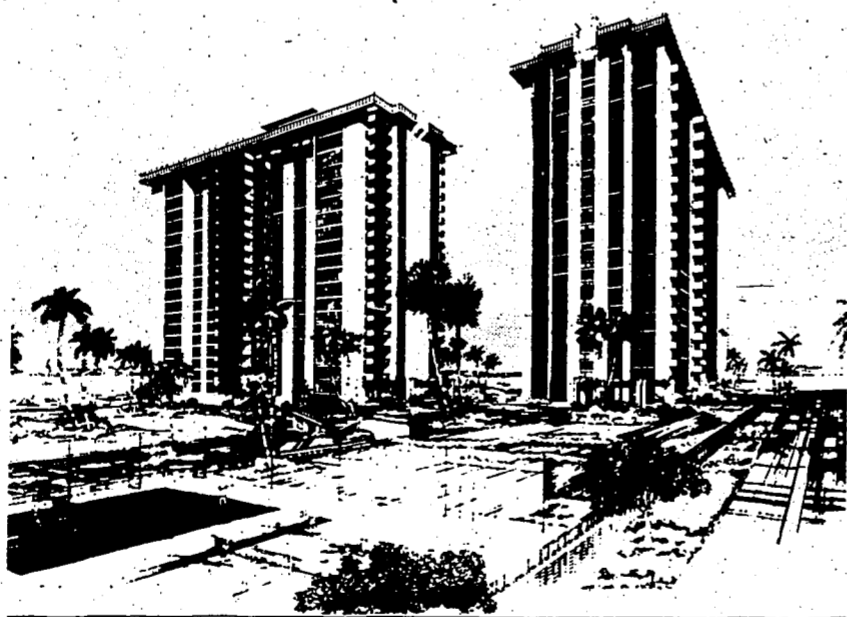
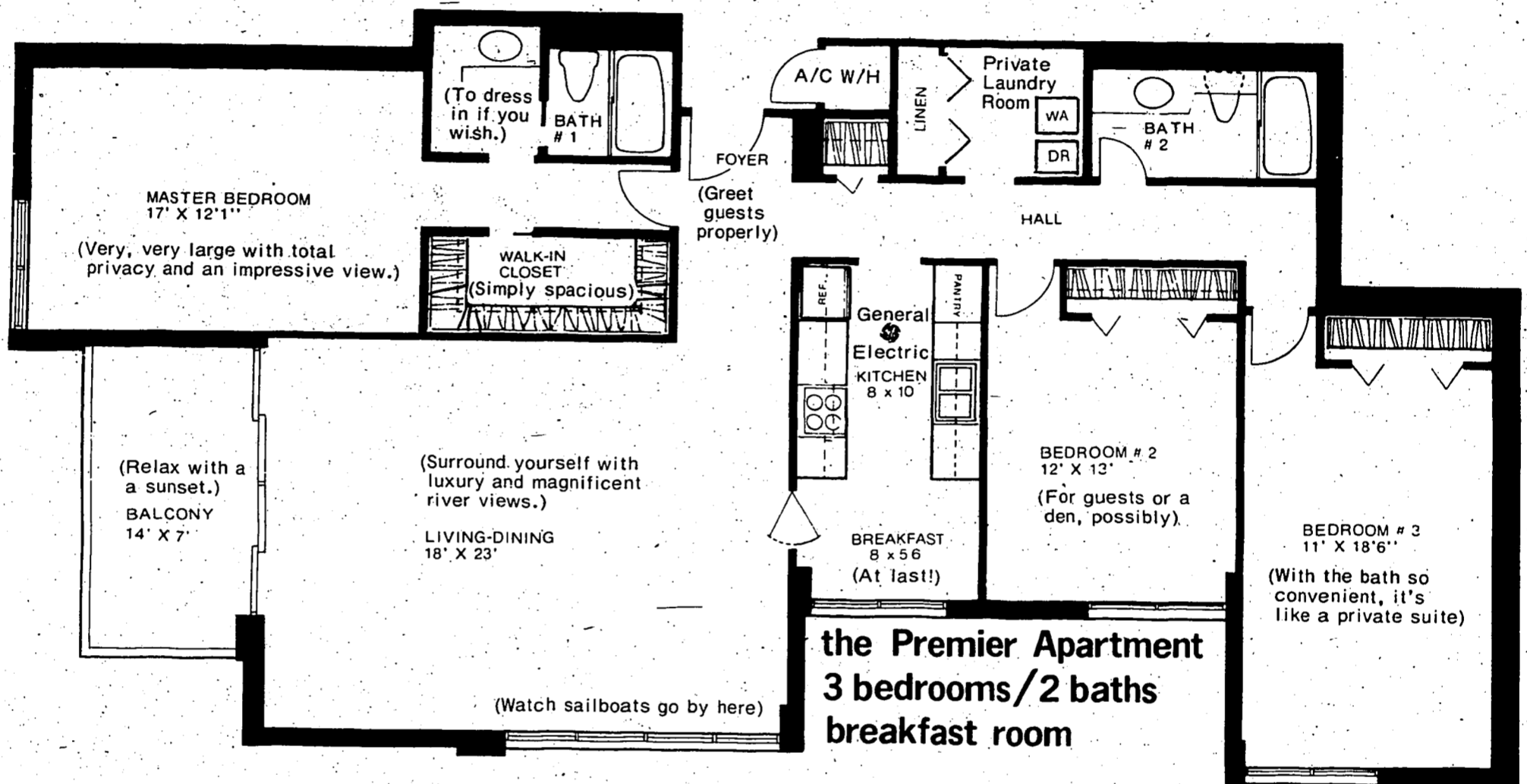
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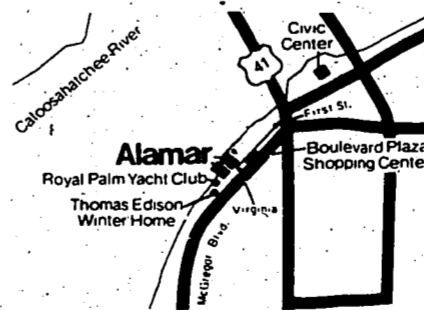
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Schnitzer, Cisney recruit talent to thaw cultural 'Cold War'

During his 13 years with the State Department, Schnitzer sent some 3,000 performing artists overseas. Here Schnitzer converses with actress Dame Judith Anderson during a television interview.



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general manager for several Broadway producers and was subsequently hired by the State Department where he founded the International Cultural Exchange Program.

"That was in 1950," Schnitzer relates, "at the height of the Cold War. The Soviets were already sending accomplished musicians and the Bolshoi Ballet across Europe to promote goodwill. We had to prove that America could offer more than bubble gum and flush toilets."

There seems to be every indication that Schnitzer "won" the cultural Cold War for the United States. During his 13 years as administrator of the Exchange he sent some 3,000 performing artists overseas including Dizzy Gillespie, Benny Goodman, Leontine Price, Helen Hayes, Mary Martin, Isaac Stern, Balanchine and the New York City Ballet Company and orchestras conducted by such giants as Eugene Ormandy, Leonard Bernstein and George Szell. Also recruited for tours abroad were playwrights Tennessee Williams, Thornton Wilder and Arthur Miller.

The artists enlisted by Schnitzer were sent not just to Europe but around the world, often visiting countries where anti-Americanism was rampant.

The target of one goodwill tour was Indonesia, a country believed to be on the verge of a communist

In 1961 Schnitzer and Cisney left the State Department to head up an experimental theatre program at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

takeover at the time. The tense political climate was greatly improved by the visit of Martha Graham's dance troupe:

"If this is American Imperialism," wrote one Indonesian newspaper columnist, "let's have more of it!"

Dizzy Gillespie, performing in Athens, single-handedly quelled student riots engulfing the Ameri-

"The Soviets were already sending accomplished musicians and the Bolshoi Ballet across Europe to promote goodwill. We had to prove that America had more to offer than bubble gum and flush toilets."

can Embassy. Banner headlines in the Athens newspapers, says Schnitzer, proclaimed: "STUDENTS DROP ROCKS TO ROLL WITH DIZZY."

When Iceland threatened to oust the American military from its crucial listening posts on the island, the State Department urged Schnitzer to send Isaac Stern to the belligerent nation. Stern's visit helped turn the anti-American tide, says Schnitzer: "Stern was remarkable; he even donated the

modest fee he earned to the music department at the University of Reykjavik."

Another anecdote concerns Leonard Bernstein's 1958 visit to the Soviet Union with the New York Philharmonic. Schnitzer, who helped negotiate the historic Soviet-American cultural exchange treaty, accompanied the orchestra at the invitation of the Soviet government.

"You know Lenny is famous for his dramatic conducting," says Schnitzer. "People jokingly ask him who does his choreography." On his opening night in Moscow, however, the flamboyant conductor vowed to restrain himself. The vow, Schnitzer reports was quickly broken:

"During the finale of a work by Shostakovich, Bernstein jumped so hard that he shook the organ pipes of the Moscow Conservatory. After the performance Bernstein had no recollection of the jump. Fortunately, the Russians loved it."

The State Department's Theatre Guild Tour, launched in 1960, was the first husband-wife effort undertaken by Cisney and Schnitzer. Together they mounted the most formidable talent invasion ever staged by the State Department.

The cast, performing a three play repertory, included Helen Hayes, June Havoc, Leif Erickson, James Broderick, Barbara Barrie, Rodney Brent and Dorothy Sands.

Halfway through the tour, en route to Trieste, the plane carrying the Schnitzers and their precious cargo was struck by lightning not once but twice. The pilot lost radar and radio communication with the ground. Finally, flying through a narrow hole in the storm clouds the pilot managed to ease down the electrically-charged plane.

"If he hadn't set us down gently, half the actors and actresses in American Theatre would have gone up in smoke," smiles Cisney. "We staggered off the plane and kissed the ground -- with the exception of Helen Hayes. She was characteristically regal, unflappable."

In 1961 the Schnitzers left the State Department, accepting the invitation of the president of the University of Michigan to head up an experimental theatre program, in Ann Arbor. The two were pioneers in what is now known as "regional theatre."

"We brought Broadway professionals to the campus as artists in residence," says Cisney of the revolutionary concept. Supplementing a predominantly professional cast with student actors, the

Schnitzers staged productions throughout the Midwest and later, in New York City.

"The University sent 22 major productions to Broadway and off-Broadway," Cisney observes. Among these successes were, "You Can't Take It With You," starring Rosemary Harris; "Private Lives," starring Brian Bedford and Tammy Grimes; and the much-loved "Harvey," starring Jimmy Stewart and Helen Hayes.

Regional Theatre has since spread to some 125 colleges and universities. The movement has helped spread America's professional theatre talent. The great dispersion has done theatre and the American public a world of good, say Schnitzer and Cisney. Broadway and Hollywood no longer monopolize the talent pool; aspiring actors have dozens of new outlets for their ambition.

The Schnitzers retired officially from the University of Michigan in 1972. Since that time they have remained active consultants to the University of Bridgeport, Connecticut. Schnitzer also remains a guiding force in the University Resident Theatre Association, a coalition of the forty leading regional theatres. Schnitzer co-founded the organization several years ago.

The couple's accolades continued to mount after their retirement. In 1974, Schnitzer was made a fellow of the American Theatre Association, one of the highest tributes an American artist can earn. Schnitzer and Cisney have also earned inclusion in the "Who's Who" of American Men and Women, respectively.

Their current preoccupation is the University of Bridgeport premiere of "Girl of the Golden West," featuring the Boston Opera Company, conducted by Sarah Caldwell. Cisney is largely responsible for Caldwell's appointment as conductor-producer in residence at the University. The opera premieres May 1.

Schnitzer and Cisney are encouraged by the growth of the arts in America. "There is a tremendous interest today even in ballet.. which makes me feel very sanguine, very hopeful," remarks Cisney.

They are less enthusiastic about America's cultural contributions abroad. "The State Department program is much less active now," admits Schnitzer. "The Cultural Exchange budget has been cut drastically, I'm afraid."

Reflecting his personal dedication to the arts, Schnitzer shared this old Chinese proverb: "If you have two loaves of bread, sell one and buy a flower."



Wide gift choices offered by Zambutos at Cedar Chest

By Anne J. Marsh

A young man with an unbridled enthusiasm for the future of his new island business and with a wide bushy moustache is John Zambuto who, with his wife, Pat, owns the

the island for 14 years. His family shares ownership and interests in the By the Sea, West Wind Inn, and Sanibel Cottages complexes. He originally came to the island several years ago to manage the By the Sea motel.

John and Pat were born and educated in Rochester, New York. Pat is a dental hygienist who is now working in a dental office in Cape Coral where the couple make their home with their dog, Linus.

Following the management position at the motel, John was first an auto mechanic and then a finish carpenter for Pate Construction in Fort Myers. When the construction slump hit he decided to fulfill a life-long ambition and open a gift shop.

How does one learn how to open and operate a gift shop? John knocks on wood and said "I don't know how anyone else would go about it but we tried the old school of hard knocks."

"We went up to the Gift Show in Atlanta and trailed through eight floors of an

amazing maze of selections," he shudders at the memory.

The Cedar Chest -- the results of that foray into "Southern giftland, U.S.A." -- attests to the couple's skill at selecting appealing gift items.

A short inventory of the store was made with wind chimes of every description tinkling in the background. They are suspended from the ceiling for thorough viewing. John point with pride to their newly-installed center jewelry section where lovely island-themed jewelry is displayed under lights. Gold plated and pewter shell shaped pendants and earrings duplicate King's Crowns, Sand Dollars, Clam Shells, mini "Horseshoe Crabs," Starfish, Seahorses -- even a shark. For gentlemen there are shark belts and buckles in a pewter finish.

With the Bicentennial in mind the shop has stocked commemorative Bicentennial pendants in four themes at \$9.95 each.

Other interesting items are Oriental-

design hot pads, ceramic candle holder with the same floral design imprinted on the candle as on the holder, with matching pottery matchholders.

Brass paperweights in the shapes of lobsters, crabs, turtles and alligators range in price from \$4.95 to \$14.95. Another handsome paperweight features a floating sea urchin on a base of gravel at \$22.95.

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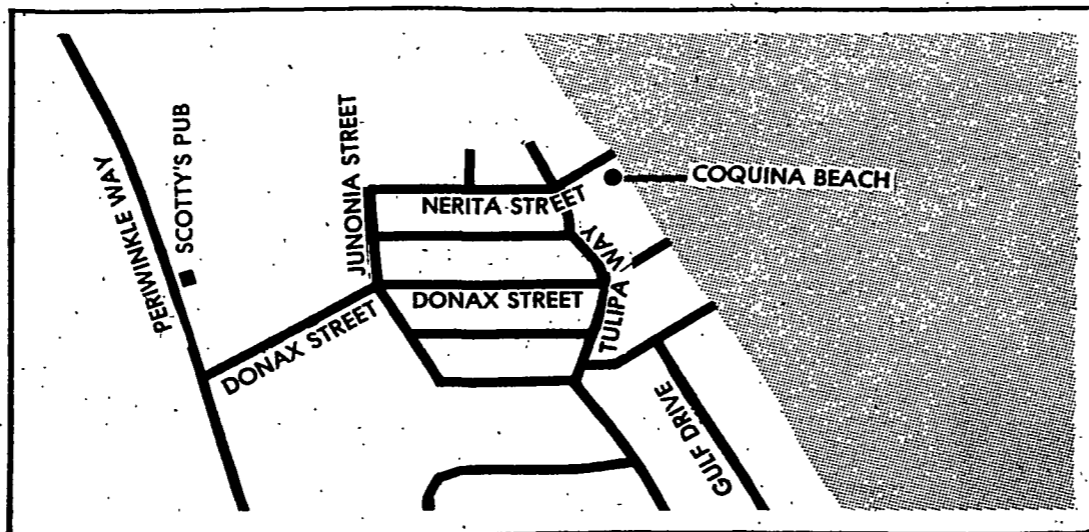
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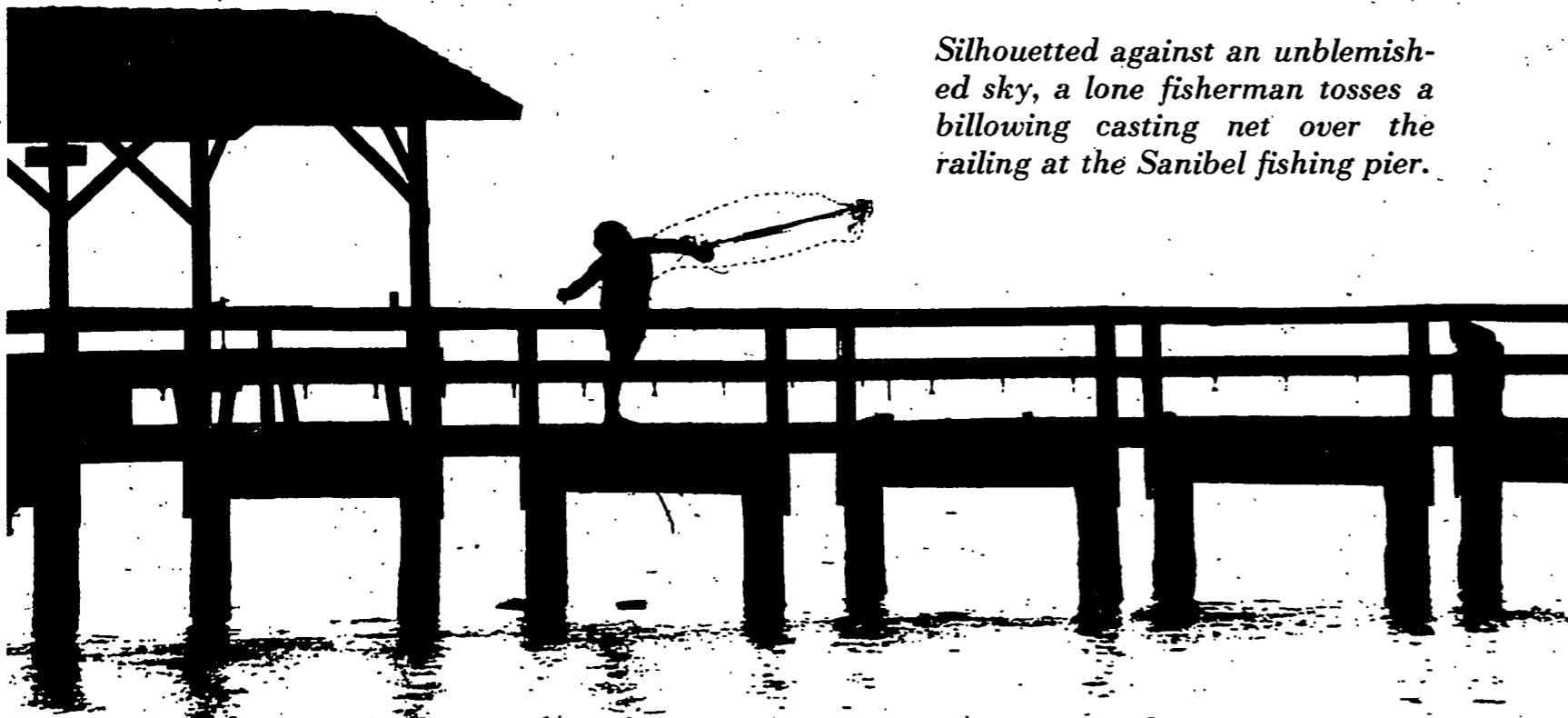
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Winning art works in the recent City of Sanibel Bicentennial Islands Landmarks Art Competition are now on view at the Bank of the Islands, Periwinkle Way and Casa Ybel Road.

The exhibit includes the "Best of Show" award winner, "Fish Houses," a watercolor by Kay Foster. Mrs. Foster of Sanibel also won a first prize in the watercolor division for her painting of the Summerlin-Towles House in Punta Rassa.

The Bank of the Islands main lobby, where the exhibit is on display, is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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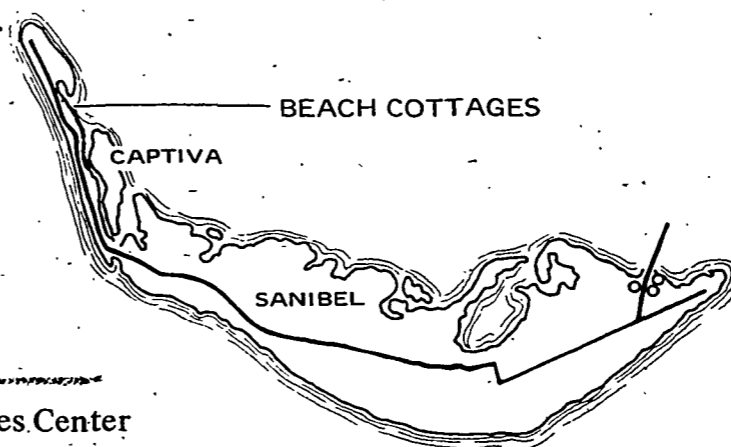
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He roams the wetlands and highlands
The beach and the ditch and lagoon.*

*His tread's so soft you can't hear it.
It's tuned to the sounds of the night.
Denoting an easy free spirit,
That revels in nocturnal flight.*

*This flight by the light of the moon
Involves a degree of distress
For the imp is a rascal raccoon
And his visit leaves things in a mess.*

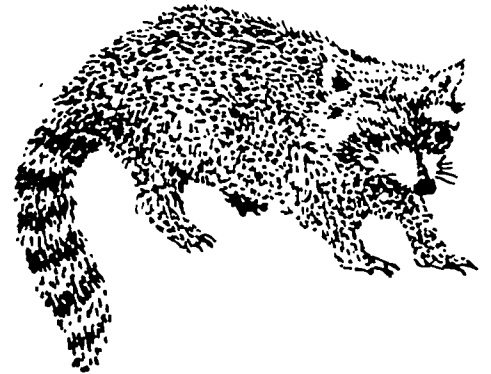
*When this rascal visits your garden
He wrecks your fond dreams for a crop.
You fret and your arteries harden
And your hopes for a harvest go plop.*

*He has a vast talent for mayhem.
His nature with mischief is fraught.
His instincts but rarely betray him.
With skill he evades getting caught.*

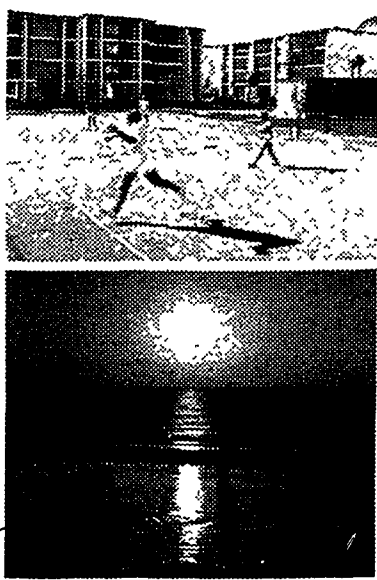
*This pesky little swamp critter
I'm sure we'd all like to stomp.
His visit leaves things in a litter,
Then he goes for a romp in the swamp.*

*Some think that he's cute and precocious.
His antics are saucy and bold.
But his conduct is simply atrocious.
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Work underway on Fair

Plans are already being formulated for the 1977 Sanibel Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Sanibel Public Library. Next year's fair will run for two full days -- Friday and Saturday, February 4 and 5 -- and the building and grounds of the Community Association will again be the site.

General chairmen for the sixth annual event are Jack and Mary Ronk and they have named the following committee chairmen: Robert Haynie, policy; Franklin D. Joyce, finances; Patsy Simmons, hostesses; Mada Harrison, lay-out; Ruth and Arthur Clark, raffle; Helen Leonard, book sale;

Betty J. Puff and Bette O. Parke, donation table; Mada Harrison, outdoor demonstrations and George Tenney, publicity.

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League will again set up and supervise the art exhibition. A parking committee chairman will be named later.

The 1976 fair and exhibition was the most successful of any of the prior events with an estimated attendance of well over 5,000 visitors. It also raised more than \$3,200 for the Sanibel Public Library which is almost completely funded by public subscriptions and is totally staffed with volunteer workers.

Comet West excites early birds

Arthur Orloff, a Sanibel resident with a storehouse of information on stars, who has recently turned his sights to the travel business, reports on "Comet West" -- the comet that made an appearance to the naked eye in island skies a week ago last Wednesday and has been exciting early risers ever since.

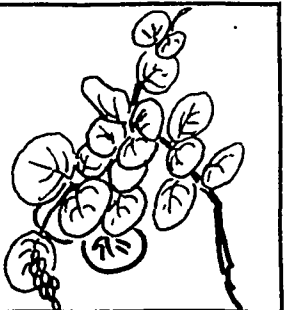
"It's about on its way out," Orloff says, "but can be viewed with the naked eye within the next two weeks between 4:30 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. by looking due east. It's tail, about 56,000,000 miles long, extends upward, away from the horizon and looks like a rain drop that goes down a dirty window."

He said "most astronomers using telescopes had been keeping track of "Comet

West" for the past month but it was not visible to the naked eye before a week and a half ago."

Some further identification helps offered by Orloff are: the tail of "Comet West" "...looks like it's cutting a swath and it's very bright, but doesn't twinkle, as stars twinkle."

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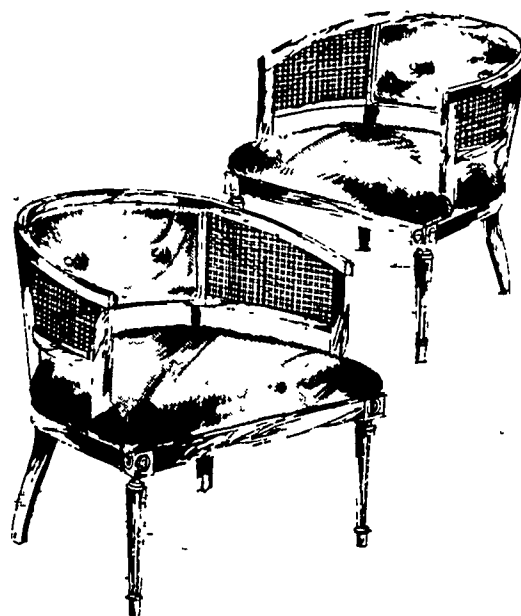
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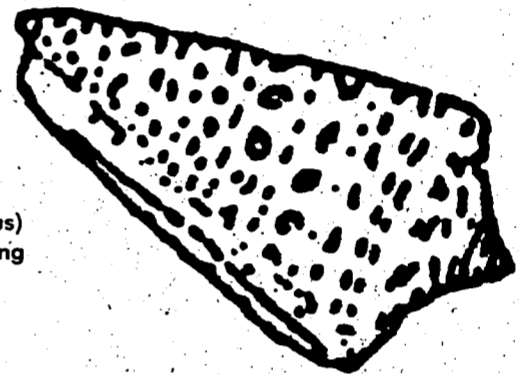
dwellers lived. Artifacts (tools, pottery, ornaments) found there authenticate their use of the area many centuries ago.

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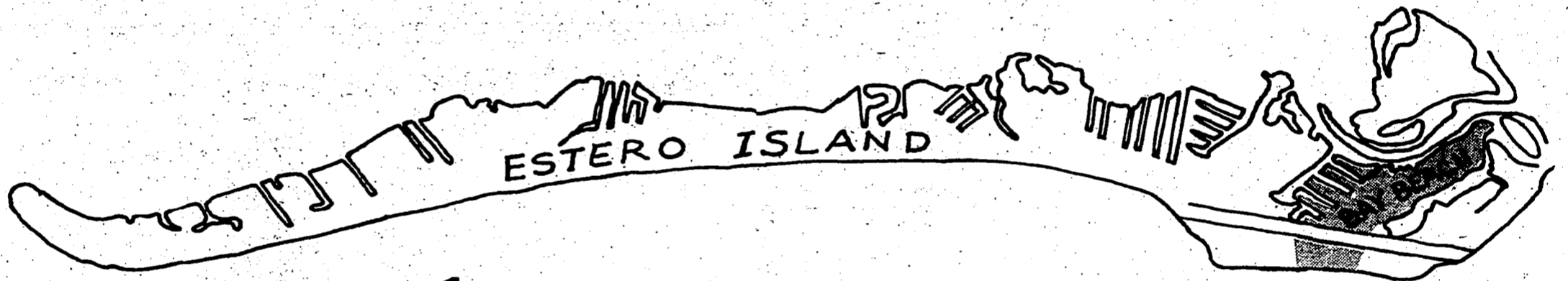
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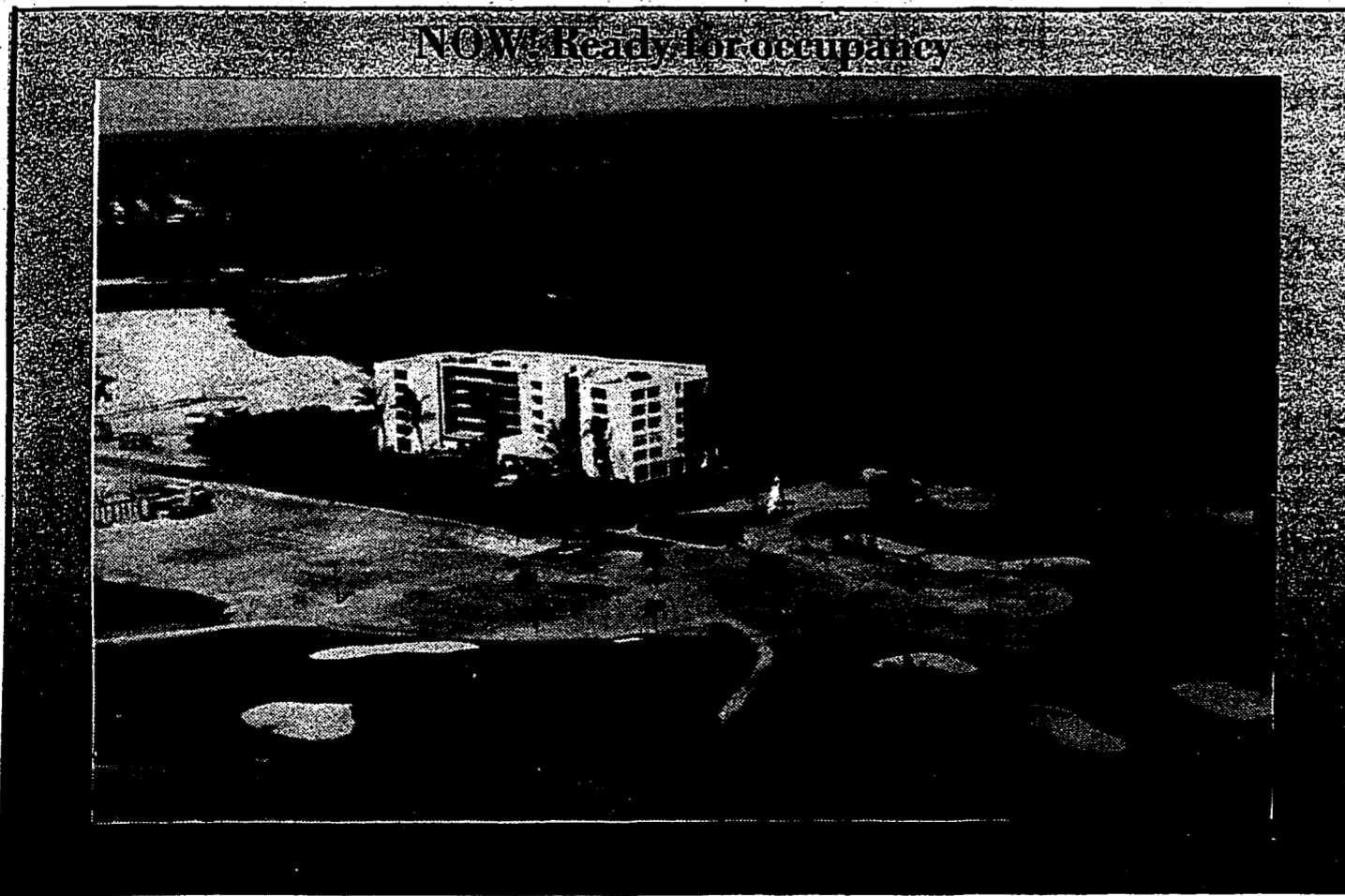


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Cayo Costa: revisiting a wild and lovely island

By George R. Campbell
International Coordinator of
the Fund for Animals

'Cayo Costa is truly a lovely island which is still largely unspoiled. The invading weed trees, however ... are becoming ever more prevalent there.'

Last week I joined twostaff members of ISLAND REPORTER for another visit to our northern neighboring island of Cayo Costa.

Although I have visited Cayo Costa

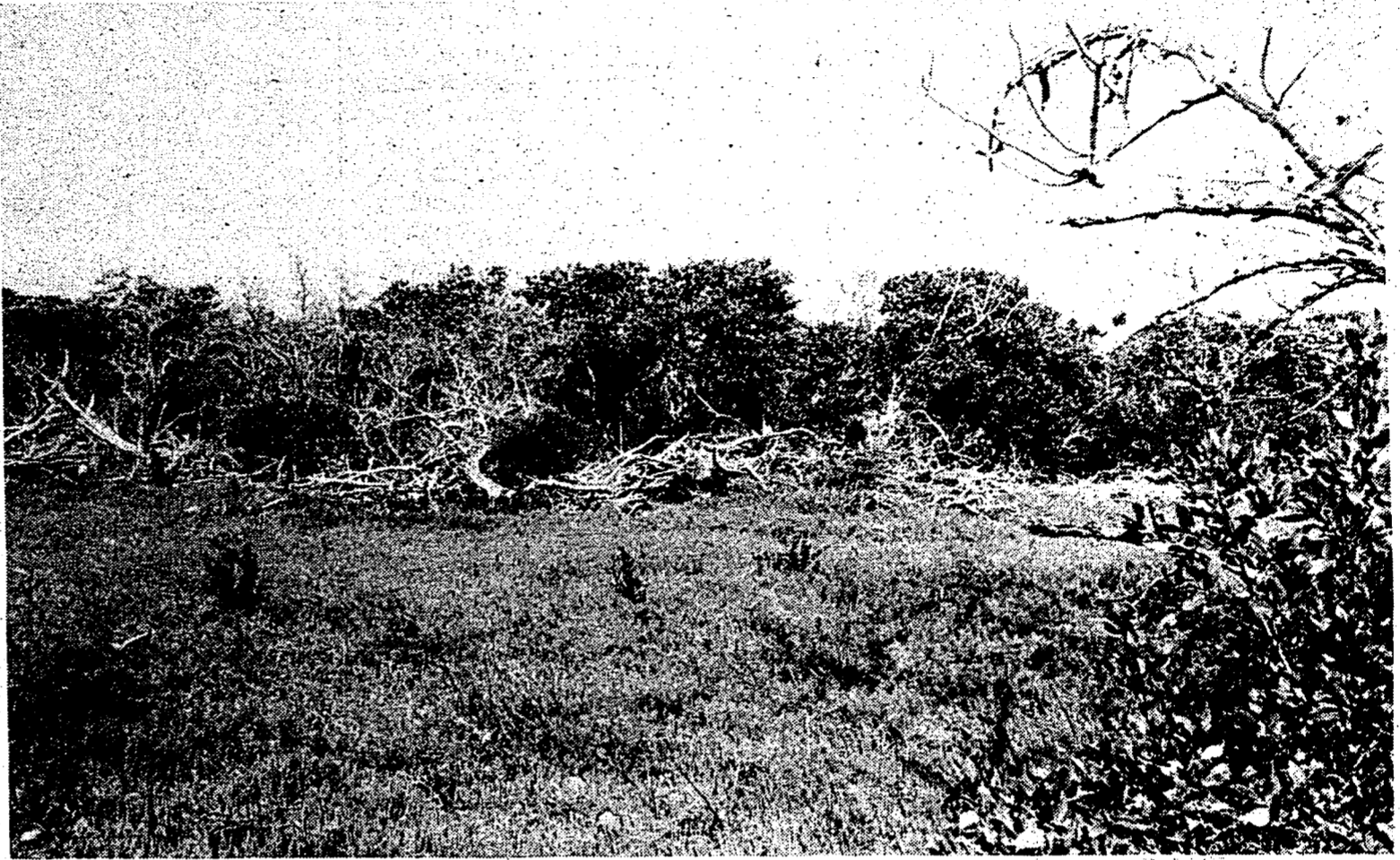


many times over the years, I have not been able to do a complete inventory of the animals and plants that exist there. It is a continuing task, for my notes are incomplete. To do as thorough a job as has been done on Sanibel would take a very long time.

Cayo Costa is truly a lovely island which is still largely unspoiled. The invading weed trees, however, that are common to other regions in Florida are becoming ever more prevalent there. For example, the skyline that Cayo Costa presents near the south end and for some part of the northern portion is largely the Australian Pine or Causarina. One does not have to look at all far to find that other common trouble-maker, the Brazilian pepper.

Cayo Costa does not have a large central fresh water slough system as does Sanibel, although there is indication that fresh water does exist for periods of time sufficiently long to enable amphibians to breed. In proof of this, I can confirm the existence of the green treefrog, [*Hyla cinerea*], and suspect that there are other species as well.

Gopher tortoises are very common in the upland ridges of the island and coachwhip snakes and black racers are not rare. The two-phased red and dark mangrove water snakes can be found in the lush mangrove forests on the Bay side. The loggerhead sea turtle nests on the Gulf beach of Cayo Costa and sub-adult



Cayo Costa purchase moving ahead

The long-awaited state purchase of lands on Cayo Costa -- as well as property on North Captiva and Punta Blanco islands -- is "going forward with all deliberate speed."

This is the word from Norman McMillan, in the land acquisition division of the Department of Natural Resources in Tallahassee. He says that

the DNR staff is pressing vigorously for speedy action on the purchase and adds that he sees "no roadblocks."

There was a considerable variation between the first and second appraisals of the property and DNR is now "updating" the appraisals, McMillan said. He has been in contact recently, with several

of the major property holders and said that he found them very cooperative.

Although McMillan didn't want to be pinned down to a precise time-table on when the final package would go to the Governor and Cabinet for approval, he agreed that it certainly should be within the next two months.

green sea turtles can be found in the bays during the summer.

There are two Southern Bald Eagle nests on the northern end of the island, one old and the other rather new. Very

often these great endangered symbols of our country can be seen wheeling above the island and nearby waters. Sometimes they are observed when resting on bars, either on the Gulf side on the Johnson Shoals or on spoil islands of the Bay area.

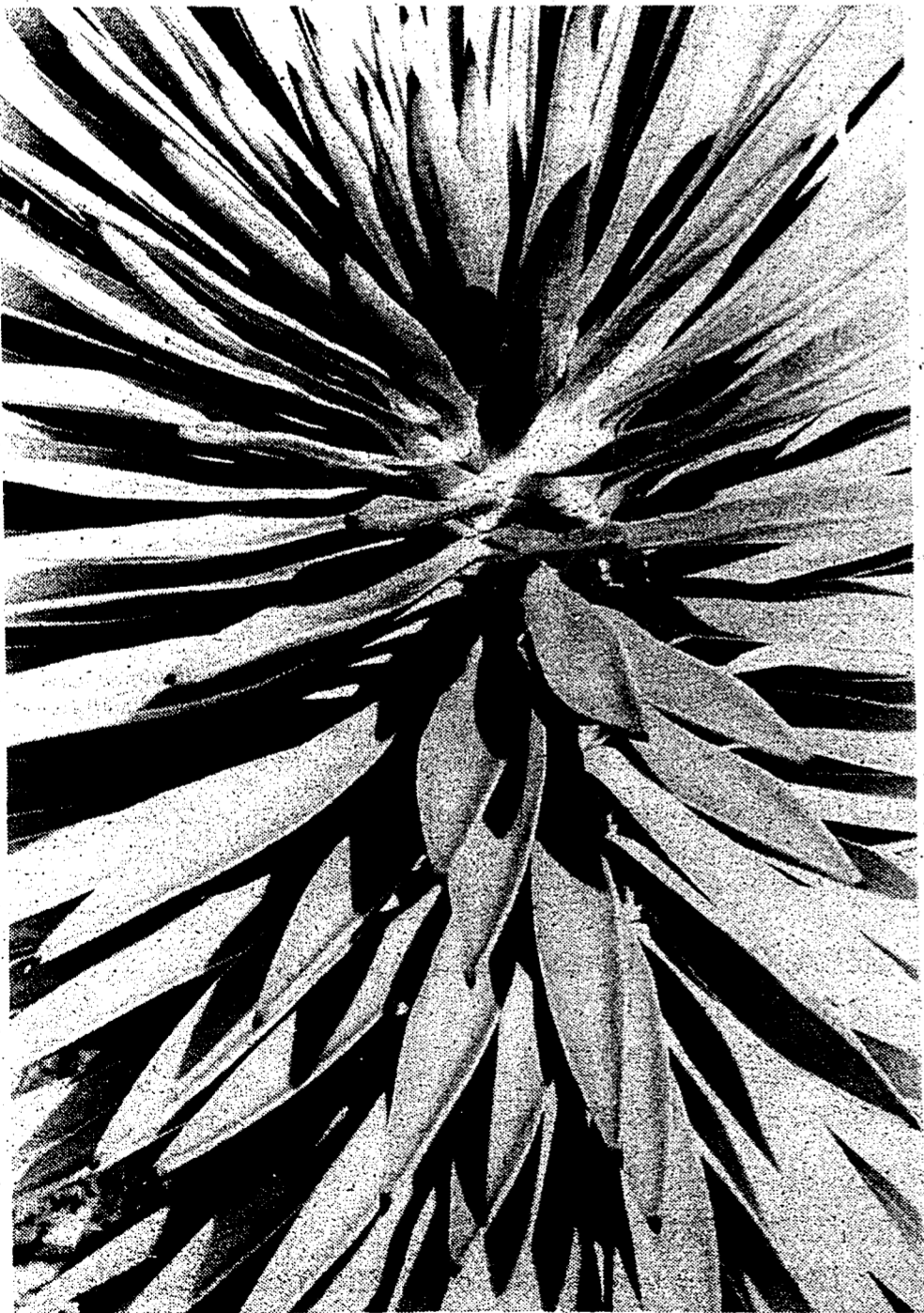
It is the latter area of Cayo Costa waters that one can see the great White Pelican which winds its way here all the way from the northwest part of the United States, to spend its winters. Last week, on March 12 we found only one remaining White Pelican, the others having started on their long journey back to the nesting grounds.

Near Cayo Costa, one can sometimes see Oystercatchers and, not infrequently, loons. On some of the channel markers nearby are the nest of the Fish Eagle, or Osprey and careful observation at this time of year sometimes reveals young birds cautiously showing their heads over the sides of the nests.

At the north end of the island lies a County "park" where a number of exotic animals have been introduced, including African guinea fowl, domestic swine and one horse. The swine can bring nothing but problems to the environment through their disturbance of vegetation and wildlife. It is not uncommon for example for gopher tortoises to disappear from areas after hogs are introduced.

The northern end of Cayo Costa has a large forest of pines -- the same pine that you see on the mainland, in other parts of Lee County (*Pinus eliotii densa*.) Among these long leaf pines can be seen the cabbage palmetto, our Florida state tree; cocoplums -- those glossy-leaved shrubs with the rather delicious though dry seeming fruit; live oaks laden with their epiphytic burdens of bromeliads, including

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'A few hundred feet north the Bay beach ridge achieves a certain appreciable elevation, allowing for some plants which prefer a "desert" or xeric habitat...'

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Tips for the first-timer on shelling, beachcombing

Dear Rhonda, The thought has crossed my mind several times lately that there are a lot of people for whom shelling and beachcombing

letter from a beachcomber

ing is a first time thing. It really came to my attention the other day when a young man from Wyoming (and you know there aren't any seashells there) came in The Green Flash and wanted me to point out all the Florida shells to him. This was his first visit to the Islands, he wanted to go shelling, and he most of all wanted to know what he should look for.

My first suggestion is to wear something cool and loose as you are going to be spending a lot of time in the hot sun, bending over to pick up a shell that catches your eye, squatting down to get a better look, sitting down to sift thru a shell bank, and walking in

the water, either to catch a shell or to cool off.

Carry a bucket. They hold more than plastic bags and don't split open. Carry a long stick for poking about and digging a bit. Those shells can get awfully rough on the fingertips and a good stick saves the manicure. If too much sun bothers you, wear a broad brimmed straw hat. It not only keeps the sun off your head but if a sudden shower should pop up it also keeps the rain off your face. And if you wear glasses as I do, there's nothing worse than raindrops all over the lenses when you have just spotted something spectacular, as a Junonia.

Just picture that Junonia washing back out with the surf while you're desperately trying to get the raindrops off your eye glasses. Wear a hat! Wear dark glasses too, especially if you're not used to the glare of the Florida sun on that white sand.

Another good tip, before you start out fill up a plastic bottle (even a baby's nursing bottle will

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plastic ziplock top bag and put that in the bucket. How else are you going to keep them dry?

So now you're all set to go, loose cool clothing, bucket, stick, ice cubes in plastic bottle, cigs in plastic bag, hat, dark glasses. If you think hunger will overtake you drop an orange in the bucket. Great source of energy and a thirst quencher. Make sure it's a Florida orange!

What you pick up for shells depends on your personal taste. If you see something "eye-attractive" then that is for you. You will find that you will get ideas as you go along, one shell might look so pretty as a display piece, a few more grouped together might decorate a mirror. Another would serve as an ash tray or a soap dish. Another might be attractive as a piece of jewelry.

The mind expands, the horizons broaden, what was yesterday's problem recedes into the Gulf with that never ending surf as it washes in and out. Proper perspective does return, if you let it, and after all, isn't that why you are going shelling?

Do remember to throw back the live ones. Happy Shelling. With love,

Nancy



'...there are a lot of people for whom shelling and beachcombing is a first time thing,' writes Nancy Simonson.

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do) with ice cubes. Drop it in the bottom of the bucket and as the day wears on you will have a nice cool drink of water. Glass containers are out. The shells you drop in the bucket could break the glass. Water is a must, as anyone who has walked the beach for hours on end, looked at all the salt water in the Gulf, panted for a drink of water and can't drink the salt water, will tell you.

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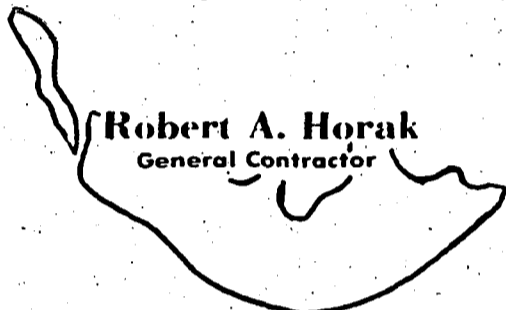
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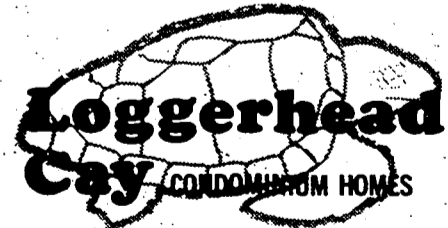
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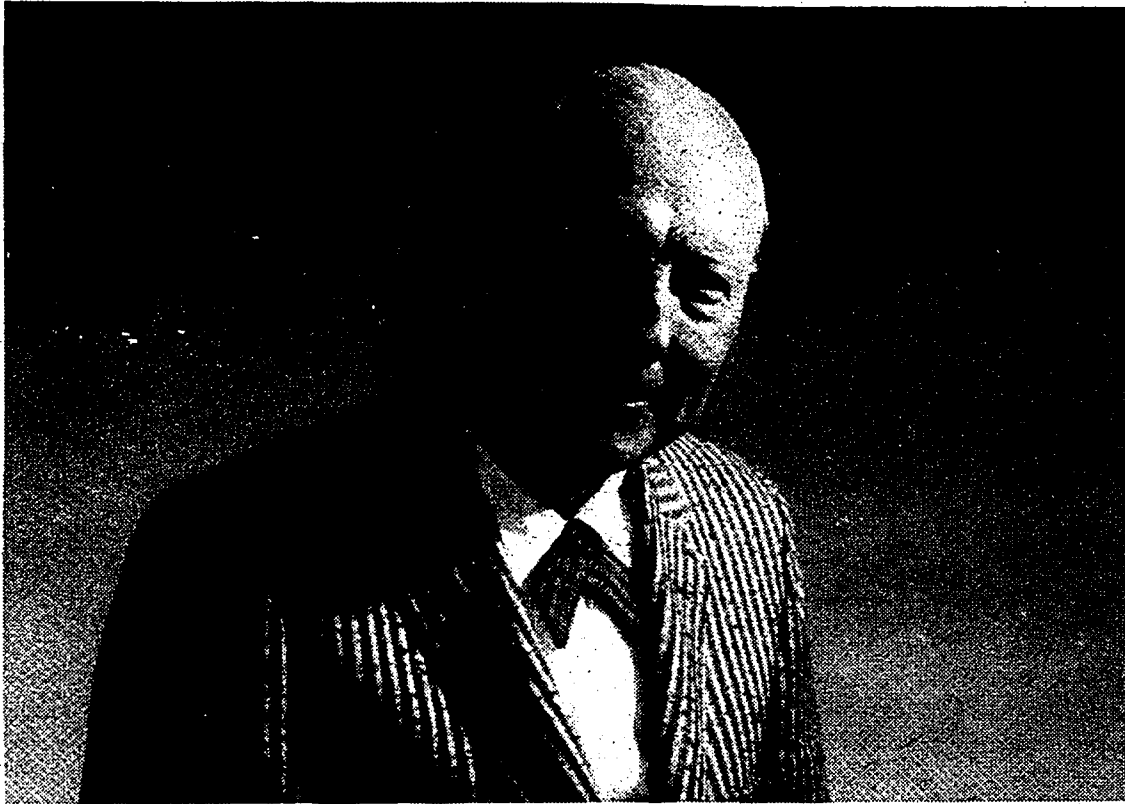
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Pioneer recalls duck and fish picnic on Sanibel

"He shot ducks on the Caloosahatchee ... then made the trip downriver to Sanibel to cook the ducks."



A rather elegant young man was photographed in 1920 attempting to lead an alligator over a wooden pier in Fort Myers.

He shot ducks on the Caloosahatchee, fished a little, and then made the trip down the river to Sanibel to cook the ducks and fish on the beach. An aging photo reveals a wine bottle perched in the sand on that lonely beach.

The young man was Albert W. Erkins, whose book "My Early Days in Florida, From 1905," was published last year. It was done in collaboration with August Burghard.

Burghard, who visited Sanibel rather recently for a short stay, is a veteran Floridian in his own right -- a newspaper editor and civic leader of Fort Lauderdale, and chairman of the Everglades National Park Commission that "brought the big park into being..."

Burghard has authored several books, but he clearly enjoyed the collaboration on the "memoirs" of Albert Erkins.

Erkins was one of those men who seem to have done everything, and from the time he arrived in Palm Beach in 1905 -- at the age of eight -- he began travelling through the wild, raw lands of Florida.

A year after Erkins' first visit to Fort Myers in 1920 he came back over with his

mother. They arrived in February and put up at the old Royal Palm Hotel. His uncle had left a Model T Ford at his disposal and with that they explored the surrounding countryside.

"We would take Uncle 'Hi's' Model T Ford and drive down to the beach at Fort Myers," he writes. "Where the ferry crossed over to Sanibel Island at Punta Rassa there was a little cafe-shack operated by a tiny scrawny old coal-black negro woman, a fine character who called herself Salene. She prepared the most succulent seafoods which were famous in the Ft. Myers area. Her clams were out of this world and we enjoyed them often."

They would voyage on down to Marco Island -- then wild and undeveloped, and described by Erkins as a place that attracted botanists and zoologists from "all over the world to study its plants, wildlife and history."

This is a book that rambles about over the state of Florida for about three decades -- just as Erkins did. It will be of real interest to those with a liking for the lore of early Florida days.

It was published by Wake-Brook House, Publishing Division, 960 Northwest Fifty-third Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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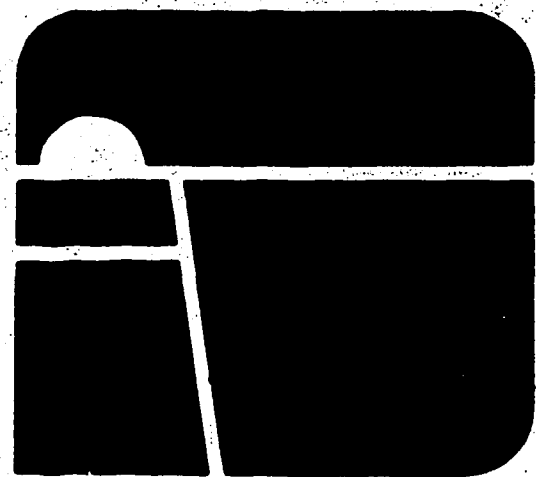
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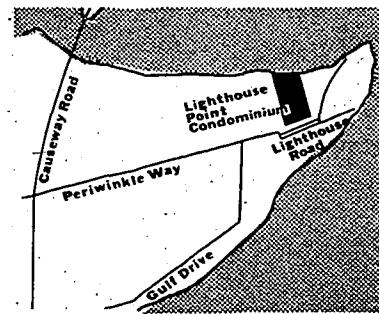
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Lindsay, Agnew forsake politics to pen novels

By Hal H. Harrison

You have always thought of John V. Lindsay as the former mayor of New York City, just as you have always remembered

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Spiro Agnew as that fellow who used to be Vice President of the United States. But times have changed and you should update your thinking. These men are novelists, writer of fiction.

Agnew's book will be in the library in May but Mayor Lindsay is out right now with his **The Edge**, a story of the United States on the edge of anarchy and economic stagnation (he should know something about that!), with civil government powerless and the military ready to take over. The book has its moments but let's face it, John Lindsay is not a good writer. The novel starts at such a high pitch that the plot has no where to go but down. His insider's account of a politician and his associates rings true and is probably the best part of the story.

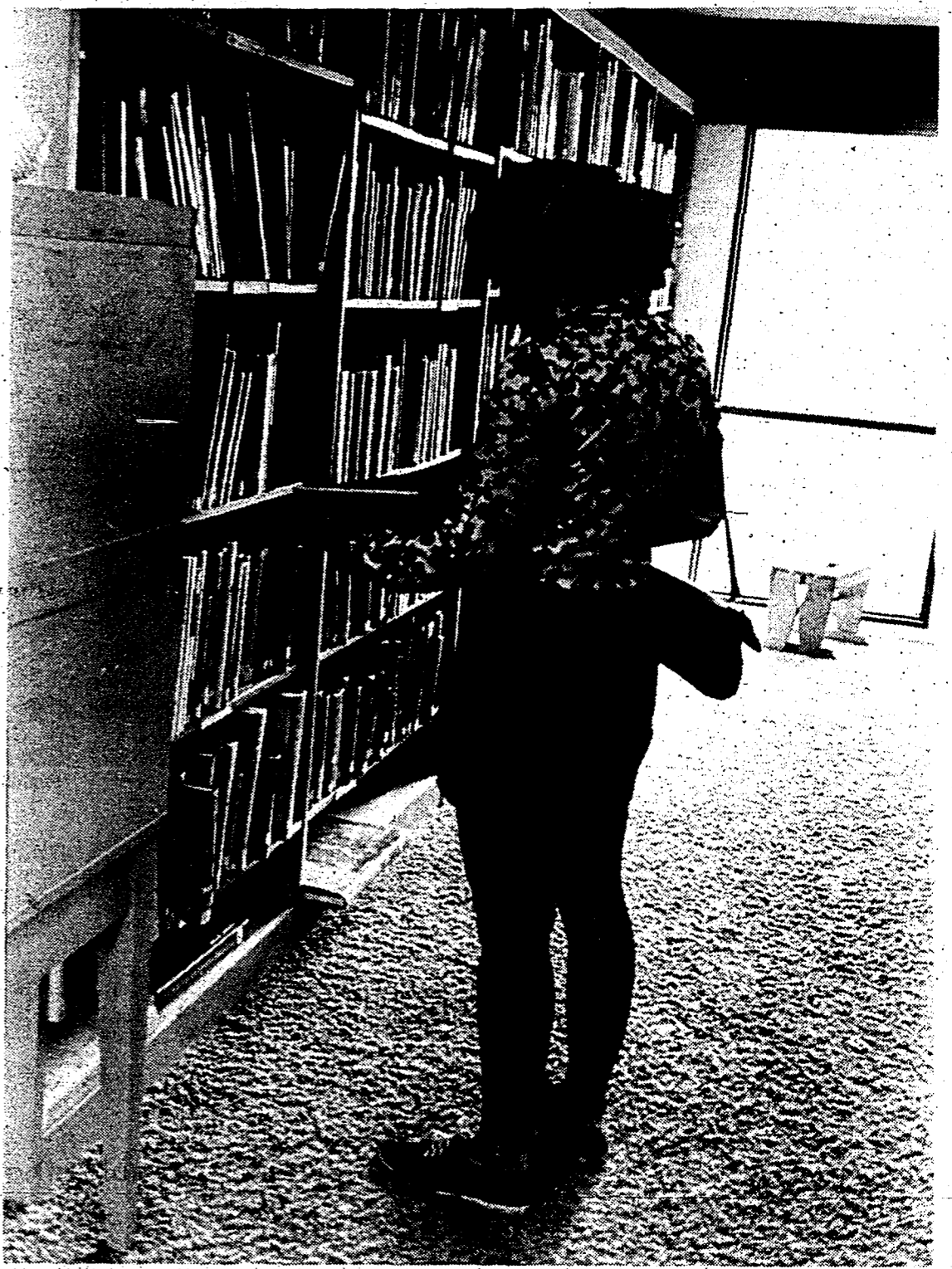
Anthony Cave Brown's **Bodyguard of Lies** is undoubtedly one of the most important works on World War II ever written. This documentary translates the ultra secret ... the British feat of breaking the German military code

and thereby shortening the war by many months. It is a true story of the clandestine war of intricate deceptions that hid the secrets of D-Day from Hitler and sealed the Allied victory. For World War II buffs and other historians I should think this book, albeit a long one (947 pages), would be "must" reading.

And speaking of history, we have another, a much shorter but also important book, **The Hindenburg** by Michael M. Mooney. This is a minute by minute account of the final flight of the Nazi airship. The suspense in this story is created when Luftwaffe officers and the crew aboard try to prevent the sabotage of the great zeppelin while the passengers casually go about their lives unaware of the deadly game about them and the disaster that threatens.

For those who believe that the old-fashioned novel is dead and must give way to the foibles and tricks that mark so many of our recent fiction offerings, we have, in **Searching for Caleb** by Anne Tyler, a story that will renew your faith that a book that can be outstanding and still tell a straightforward, heart-warming and entertaining story of a family, past and present. In **Searching for Caleb**, Anne Tyler has invented the Peck family, a Baltimore dynasty that is so conventional that it borders on the eccentric. Ms. Tyler's ability to portray her characters is a tribute to her

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The Sanibel Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 22, 1976, at 10:45 a.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, to hear a request by Donald J. Anderson to construct a single-family dwelling on lot 32, Trade-winds Subdivision (Gulf Dr.), Section 19, T 46 S, R 22 E, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on January 2, 1976, and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

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Sanibel Planning Commissioner Ann Winterbotham, who is an avid traveller and a devotee of Mexican art and culture, suggested to me recently that the best book on Mexico that she had ever read was

'Reconquest of Mexico' recommended as a 'best book' on the subject by Ann Winterbotham, devotee of Mexican art and culture.

Reconquest of Mexico by Matthew J. Bruccoli. With such a recommendation, we bought the book. Briefly, the story is about the author's adventures following in the footsteps of Cortes in his expedition to conquer Mexico. Bruccoli's revelation of his trip is witty, informative and eminently readable.

Hammett is an unusual story. It is a book by one former private detective, Joe Gores, about another earlier private eye, Samuel Dashiell Hammett. It is part thriller, part fictionalized history, part biography, and all suspenseful. The setting is San Francisco and Chinatown where Hammett's famous Sam Spade lived his classic adventures.

If you enjoyed Carola Salisbury's *The Pride of the Trevallions* last year, I am sure you will like her latest, *Dark Inheritance*. It is a brisk, satisfying Gothic about the tangled lives of the Dewaines, a Cornish family. The long road that separates a tavern-keeper's daughter from the gilded beings who live in the palatial Landeric is one that the heroine, Susannah Button, travels from England to Venice and back again. The experience is fraught with suspense, high emotion and danger.

To enhance our library of Susan Howatch's splendid Gothic novels, we have just purchased two older but highly successful stories by this talented writer: *The Waiting Sands* and *The Devil on Lammas Night*. For those of you who have enjoyed reading *Penmarric*, *The Shrouded Walls* and *The Dark Shore*, some happy hours await you in these two additions. Both are included in a single volume.

In any other year but the Bicentennial, Gore Vidal's 1876 would be little more than a best selling novel. In fact, the book is the last in a trilogy [Washington, D. C., in 1967 and Burr in 1973, both concerned with the history of the U.S.] but 1876 promises to be the book of the year.

Prepublication reviews have been all to the good. And so have the financial figures...the hardback and paperback publishers [Random and Ballantine] paid Vidal \$1 million advance, the Book of the Month Club paid \$85,000 to make it the main selection for March, and the second printing has now topped 100,000 copies. Furthermore, Vidal and his book made the cover story of the March 1 issue of *Time*.

With all that going for it, 1876 had better be good. It is! The suspense and plot are built around the election of a president in 1876. Samuel J. Tilden, with a plurality of 250,000 popular votes, was beaten by his Republican rival, Rutherford B. Hayes, when a dispute over the electoral votes resulted in a Congressional committee's decision in favor of Hayes.

The story is a sobering reminder that our political past may have been as bad as or worse than some of our present day problems. It is a tribute to Vidal's imagination and writing talent that he is able to take historically known facts and weave them into a suspenseful novel.

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five of the eight pairs that played the hand. Two spades are easily made. Three hearts can be set one trick with good defense. There will not be a game on Friday, March 19. The Community House will be used by Mario Hutton who will give one of this delightful programs, this time for benefit of bike paths on the island. Our next bridge game will be on March 26th.

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By J. G. Winterrowd

boards played in our Friday night game.
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	North	
	S-11962	
	H-87632	
	D-J4	
	C-KJ	
West		East
S-J8		S-53
H-AKJ5		H-Q1094
D-A3		D-Q10975
C-A9765		C-Q4
	South	
	S-AKQ74	
	H-void	
	D-K862	
	C-10832	

This competitive bidding situation will usually exist when one of each of the opposing pairs has a sound opening bid and their respective partner has good support for the bidder's suit. Out of the eight times it was played, it was set six times.


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Journal of Confederate mother sees publication

By Anne Marsh

The travels and travails of a young mother who elected to follow her husband as he participated in the battles of the Confederate Army is the basis of a journal compiled by Laetitia Nutt, a lady who spent her mid and final years on Sanibel and in various areas of Southwest Florida.

Entitled "Courageous Journey -- The Civil War Journal of Laetitia Lafon Ashmore Nutt," it was published last year.

Mrs. Nutt was a Kentucky matron in her late twenties when she "consented to allow her husband to join the Louisiana Cavalry at the outbreak of the war between the states provided she be allowed to follow him and bring their three young daughters." He consented with the words, "I would not go without you." The gentleman was Captain LeRoy Moncure Nutt.

Setting up housekeeping in multiple areas of the ravaged South, raising children in war time, reflecting on how the tides of war had affected childhood, school, and family friends, "Courageous Journey" is a Southern gentlewoman's personalized view of the conflict, of battles and retreats, Northerners, and even President Lincoln.

The journal was edited and published through the efforts of Florence Ashmore Cowles Hamlett Martin (Mrs. Gerald Martin); the granddaughter of Florence Ashmore Cowles, the journalist's sister. Mrs. Martin is the present owner of "Gray Gables," one of the oldest houses on Sanibel, on West Gulf Drive.

Following Captain LeRoy Nutt's army service the family returned to Shreveport, Louisiana where he became a noted lawyer and later a state senator from Caddo Parish. He died on March 22, 1882, "probably of yellow fever which swept Shreveport in the 1870's and 1880's," the editor notes.

In about 1888 the brave journalist decided to make a new life for herself and her three daughters and moved to Sanibel Island to homestead. Grover Cleveland was president at the time.

Mrs. Nutt was postmistress of Sanibel



The Civil War journal of long-time Sanibel resident Laetitia Nutt, pictured here with husband, LeRoy Nutt, was published last year.

Island from 1889 to 1895. Her daughters, the Misses Lettie, Cordie, and Nanny all became teachers, remembered by many local residents who are their former pupils. "The only one of the daughters to marry was Nanny who became the wife of Nelz Holt," the

editor recounts.

When Lee County separated itself from Monroe, the Nutts were instrumental in naming it in honor of General Robert E. Lee.

Mrs. Nutt, her three daughters, and her mother-in-law, Ann Moncure Taliaferrow

are all buried in a private cemetery on the grounds of "Gray Gables" by the Gulf of Mexico.

Many memories of days gone by remain with them, but the thin volume, "Courageous Journey," treats a portion of their lives that many will be interested to share.

On hardships: "Friday, October 16, 1863 -- The rain continues to fall in torrents and the leaden clouds look as though they had not half emptied themselves. I could not sleep last night thinking of my Husband and the thousands of other husbands, sons and brothers that are in line of battle round Chattanooga and not even a tent to shelter them from this drenching rain. Yet the thought of their hardships fills my heart with proud satisfaction and inspires me with constant hope and faith for our Country's cause, for no nation whose armies suffer cheerfully all that ours have and must still endure, can ever be conquered or crushed. God will save our sunny South."

On Christmas Day, 1863 -- "I had promised my little daughters a candy-pulling today but when I sent for the molasses, it had all been issued to the soldiers except a pint with which they contented themselves, saying that their Papa would get them everything pretty and good like he used to, when the war is over, and when that will be no human foresight can determine."

"My darling thinks it will end next year, that the Yankees can raise neither men nor money to prosecute it longer. I hope it will be so: they will never end it except from necessity."

Toward the end of the journal a note of doubt appears: "If I had realized at the beginning what grim visaged war meant, I think I would have left the children with my Mother and devoted all my time and energies to our sick and wounded, many that I have seen died for lack of careful nursing that I would have given if not tied down by the children."

Copies of "Courageous Journey," published by E.A. Seeman Publishing, Inc. may be obtained by mailing a check for \$8.00 to Mrs. Ralph Wadlow, 2135 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida, 33901.

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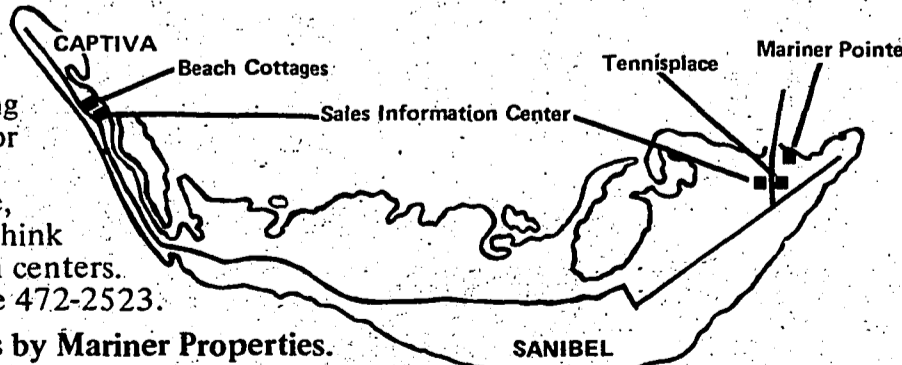
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Reader identifies ladies in old South Seas photo

The picture, taken at the South Seas Plantation when it was known as "the Chadwick place," was identified this week by Margaret (Mrs. Clayton) Norris of Fort Myers. It was published in the March 5 issue of ISLAND REPORTER.


Mrs. Norris telephoned to say that a neighbor of hers who subscribed to the ISLAND REPORTER had recognized Mrs. Norris' mother, now deceased, in the picture.

Shown above (right to left) are Mrs. Norris' mother "Miss Effie" McAdow; Mrs. Margaret Norris; Mrs. Clarence Chadwick; and Mrs. Dorothy Mosnant. The child in the picture is Mrs. Norris' daughter, Barbara Norris Brown, and Barbara's dog, a Boston named "Lady."

Mrs. Norris said the picture had been taken around 1934 or 1935. She said her mother, "Miss Effie," who died last year at the age of 94, was a music lover and she had this in common with Mrs. Chadwick, an opera singer whose husband owned the land on which the South Seas Plantation is now located.

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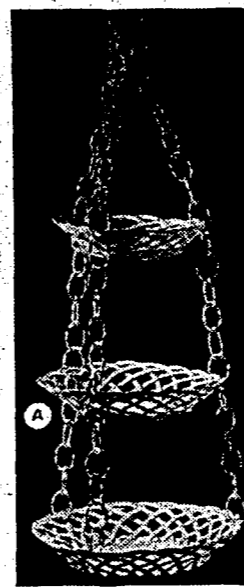
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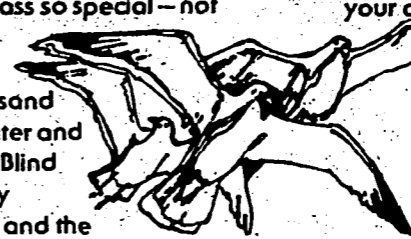
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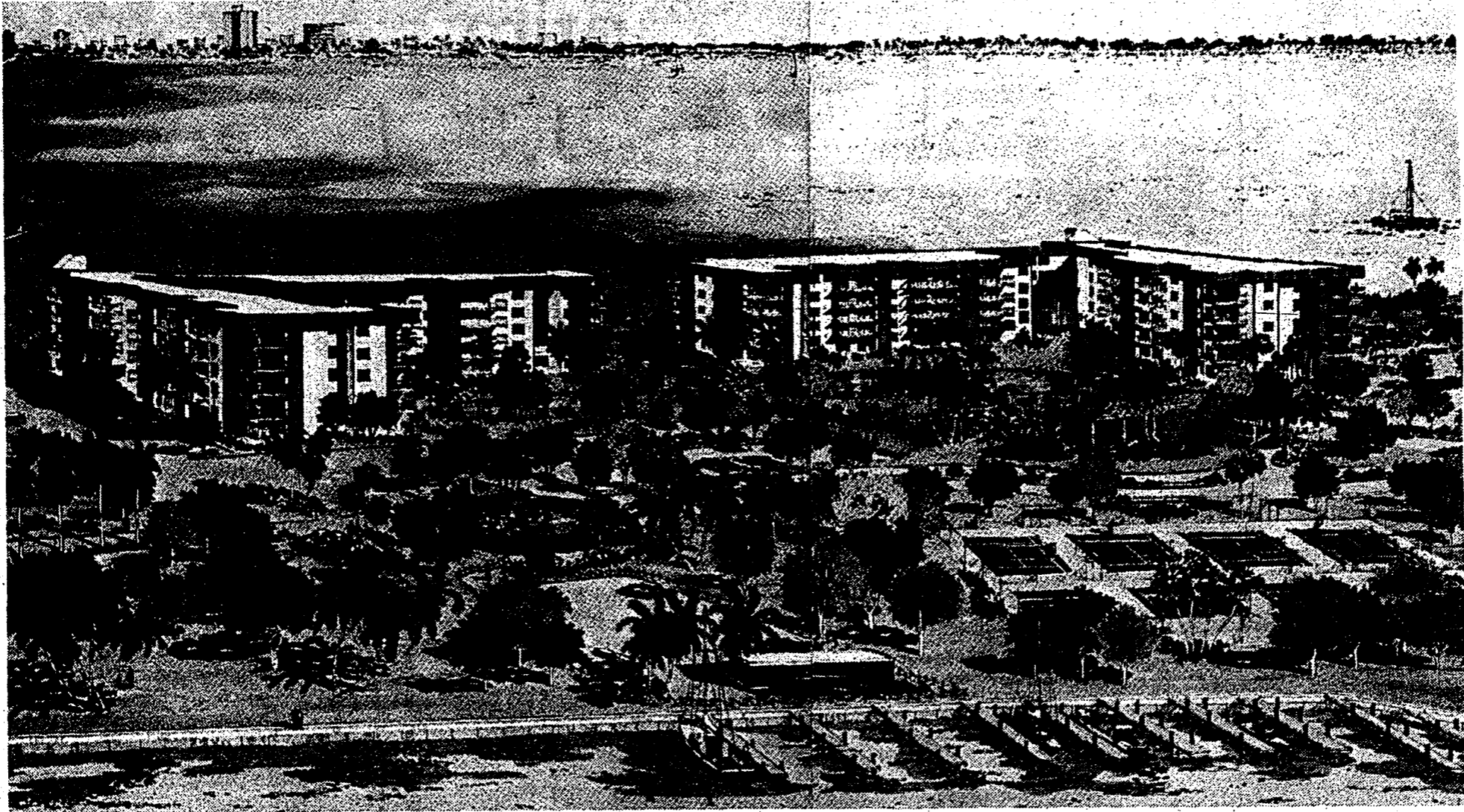
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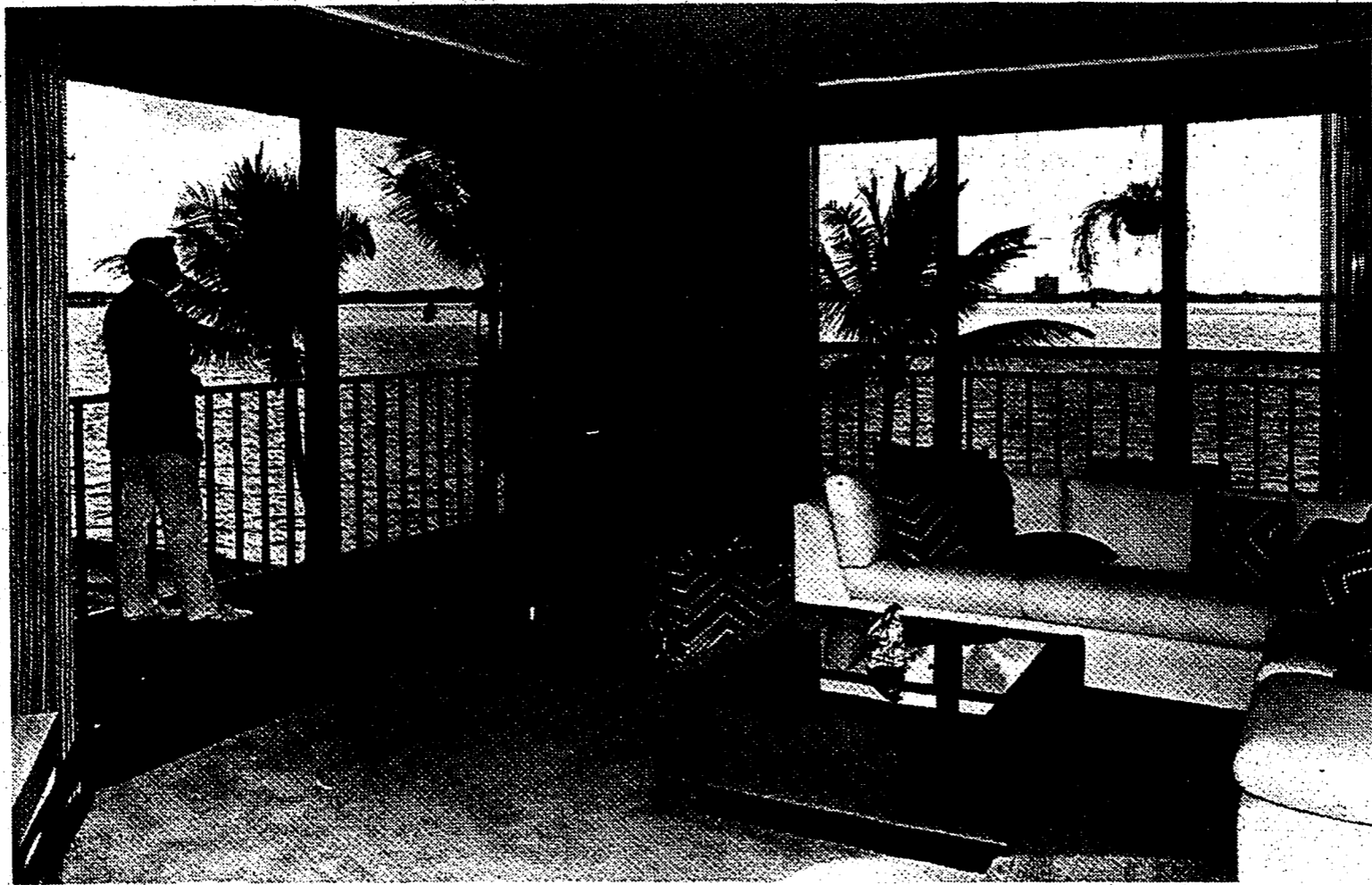
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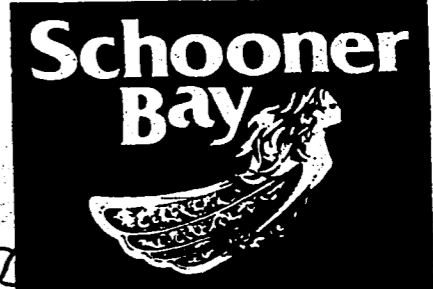
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Quiet, shallow bay is tucked away behind Pejuan Point on the southern end of Cayo Costa.

Cayo Costa vegetation

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the familiar Spanish moss; and, perhaps, three other species of *Tillandsia* sometimes called pineapple airplants.

There are also orchids in the live oak trees, the one most commonly seen being *Epidendrum tampense*. In this forest also may be seen the Saw Palmetto, the other common native palm of this region which can always be recognized by its serrated petiole. The technical name of this plant is *Serenoa repens*. The latter term no doubt refers to the fact that its trunk is usually reclined and underground -- obviously a defense against fire.

Often on the trunks of the oak trees can be seen the familiar little American "chameleon," [*Anolis carolinensis*] sometimes hiding among the curled fronds of the resurrection fern. This lively little member of the iguana family can change from a deep dark brown to a beautiful light green in just thirty seconds.

Wild coffee [*Psychotria undata*] is common in this forest and already the invasion of the Brazilian pepper [*Schinus terebinthifolius*] is readily apparent. One can only wonder what will be the future of this lovely pine woods as a result of this destructive interloper.

Recently, while walking through this forest, I observed an abundance of ticks crawling on my companions' clothing. This created a lot of excitement which led to an experiment to see just where the ticks come from. We learned, not very surprisingly, that they lie about two feet up on the bushes at the side of the path and are simply waiting for some warm-blooded prey to walk by to brush the bush, when they latch on.

We experimented with a member of the group who was wearing light clothing --

shook the bushes and in the matter of a few seconds, she picked up thirteen ticks. I believe these are of the genus *Dermacentor*, and they are the ticks which occasionally cause paralysis in dogs in this region. Apparently they are not vectors of any disease-causing organism but in fact occasional individuals produce a toxin that puts a dog into a paralytic state from which he only recovers a day or two after the tick is removed.

On March 12 two ISLAND REPORTER staffers, a couple of friends, and I tramped two areas of Cayo Costa. We started at the south end, on the Bay beach side, a few hundred yards below Pejuan Point and proceeded to investigate the mangrove forest. Then we walked up the Bay beach ridge to Pejuan Point.

The mangrove forest is very well developed at the south end, there being red, black, white and buttonwood mangroves present. In fact the largest white mangrove I've ever seen is at that site.

We had heard that there might be a fresh water pond in the center of the island in this region. We worked our way through the prop roots and pneumatophore "beds of nails" of this thick mangrove forest to find a salty mudhole filled with organic mud many feet deep, in which it was easy to become stuck. Perhaps a loner could carelessly enter such a "quick"-mud hole and, unable to extricate himself, lose his life.

It seems apparent that the Bay beach ridge is being eroded away at this point as the mangroves are right on the beach. While today they are still very healthy and strong, one could postulate that if more substantial erosion takes place in this area, these mangroves could be lost.

A few hundred feet north the Bay beach ridge achieves a certain appreciable

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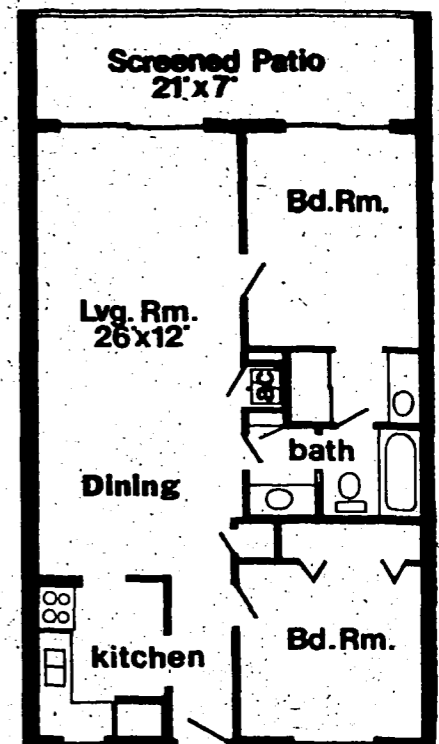
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elevation, allowing for some plants which prefer a "desert" or xeric habitat to maintain themselves. I refer here to *Yucca*, two species of *Agave*, and some prickly pear cacti or *Opuntia*. Also there were a few struggling gumbo limbos in this area and an abundance of grey nickerbeans in full fruit. We took advantage of the opportunity to collect enough

On March 15, at 11:00 a.m., in the company of Captain Doug Fischer, we watched -- at a distance of no more than 100 feet -- an adult southern bald eagle swoop down on a fish in Boca Grande Pass, just north of Cayo Costa.

The bird circled about 360 degrees and then approached the water, talons extended, and gracefully flew off with a fish. We could not decide whether the fish was dead or alive, a mullet or a houndfish.

of these beautiful beans to make some jewelry.

On the Bay beach we saw the familiar pen shells, cockles, horseshoes crabs, fighting conchs and large numbers of sea slugs. There was one large patch of what is called *Bryozoa*. We could not understand why these had all been cast up on the beach at one spot.

The horseshoe crabs, or *Limulus*, were not cast skins, but had been eaten, which led us to believe that raccoons are present and this was soon confirmed when we found many tracks.

Only a hundred feet or so beyond the place where the Bay beach ridge had been washed away, we began to see the Brazilian pepper and the *Casuarina* invasion. Here also we found sea oxeye, *Pithecolobium* or cat's claw, and a lot of sea purslane, on which we hungrily breakfasted since most of us had not yet had anything to eat.

A beautiful *Casassia clusifolia* or Seven Year Apple tree was found on this ridge as well as railroad vine, *Scaevola*, wild lime, joewood, and a *Spartina* grass which I believe to be *Patens*, although I must confirm this.

Soon we came to Pejuan Point and were able to penetrate the mangroves to the shores of the interior Pejuan Bayou where many beautiful and large red and black mangroves were present.

After gathering numerous plant speci-

mens for future reference and identification, we worked our way back to the tumble-down public dock and sailed off to Cabbage Key for some well-earned refreshment.

After lunch, we approached another part of Cayo Costa, after passing through Boca Grande Pass and down the Gulf shore past Johnson Shoals to a littoral area near the center of the island. There we saw a lone coconut, numerous *Agaves*, many cacti, and large fields of sea oats, together with *Scaevola* and *Yucca*. At this point, two dozen beautiful white ibis flew overhead offering us a spectacular view of their graceful flight.

Underfoot were many small glossy-leaved bushes with bright yellow fruit, *Ernodia littoralis*, the golden creeper. Here the sea grapes were very low, apparently unable to attain full development in the full blast of the wind coming in off the sea.

Altogether we had a pleasant day on a lovely island, and this experience only makes me want to do a more thorough study of Cayo Costa's living things.

Crocodylians are alleged to exist on Cayo Costa. One would suppose there to be alligators if there is any fresh water at all but this has yet to be thoroughly explored by me. If not -- if there is only salt water -- it may be that the rumored crocodile is truly just that, the rare endangered American Crocodile. The American Crocodile has been known to range as far as Cape Haze which is rather north and east of Cayo Costa and it is known in the waters around Sanibel, so there's no reason why there should not be one or two on Cayo Costa, but this will have to be proved.

Recently the talented young artist, Molly Eckler Brown, told me of a spot on Cayo Costa where a large number of raccoon bones had been accumulated, much as though some animal had been consuming raccoons there. A study of the Florida Panther has revealed that one of the principle items of their diet is the raccoon.

We have long felt that the Panther that is sometimes seen on Sanibel must range these islands and swim the passes, for it is known that the Florida Panther has a very wide range, including up to fifty square miles of territory. Also, Bill Piper has demonstrated conclusively its aquatic skills. I, for one, believe that Molly Eckler Brown described the site where a Panther



The beautiful gray-colored nickerbean lies like eggs in a prickly nest.

had been feeding on raccoons.

One would hope that after State acquisition of this island, appropriate controls could be established in an attempt to restore it to its completely natural original state. Though it is unspoiled as compared with Sanibel or other varrier islands, it stil has serious invasions of two weed trees and the feral swine. These three species should somehow be eliminated and strong efforts should be made to insure that other invaders are not introduced.

The swine problem should be relatively easy to handle and the *Casuarina* is not yet so abundant as to be impossible to eliminate, although there are many thousands of trees. But the Brazilian pepper presents a formidable problem indeed because it has invaded many areas and exists in great numbers.

It is my hope that after the State concludes its purchase that this lovely island can be maintained in a natural state in perpetuity.

More wildlife than people

A simple Sunday boat trip is all that's needed to convince a skeptic that Cayo Costa is both history and beauty. Protected by a salt water moat and a legendary annual harvest of mosquitoes, the island has been spared the development that has decided the future of practically every other Florida barrier island.

Lacking the fresh water system of Sanibel and the accessibility of Captiva, Cayo Costa has played host to a wide range of wildlife rather than homesteaders.

Except for the up to date garbage that lies trapped in mangrove roots and baking in the sun, the island looks about the same as it did years ago when hearty fishermen whacked out a settlement in the island's interior.

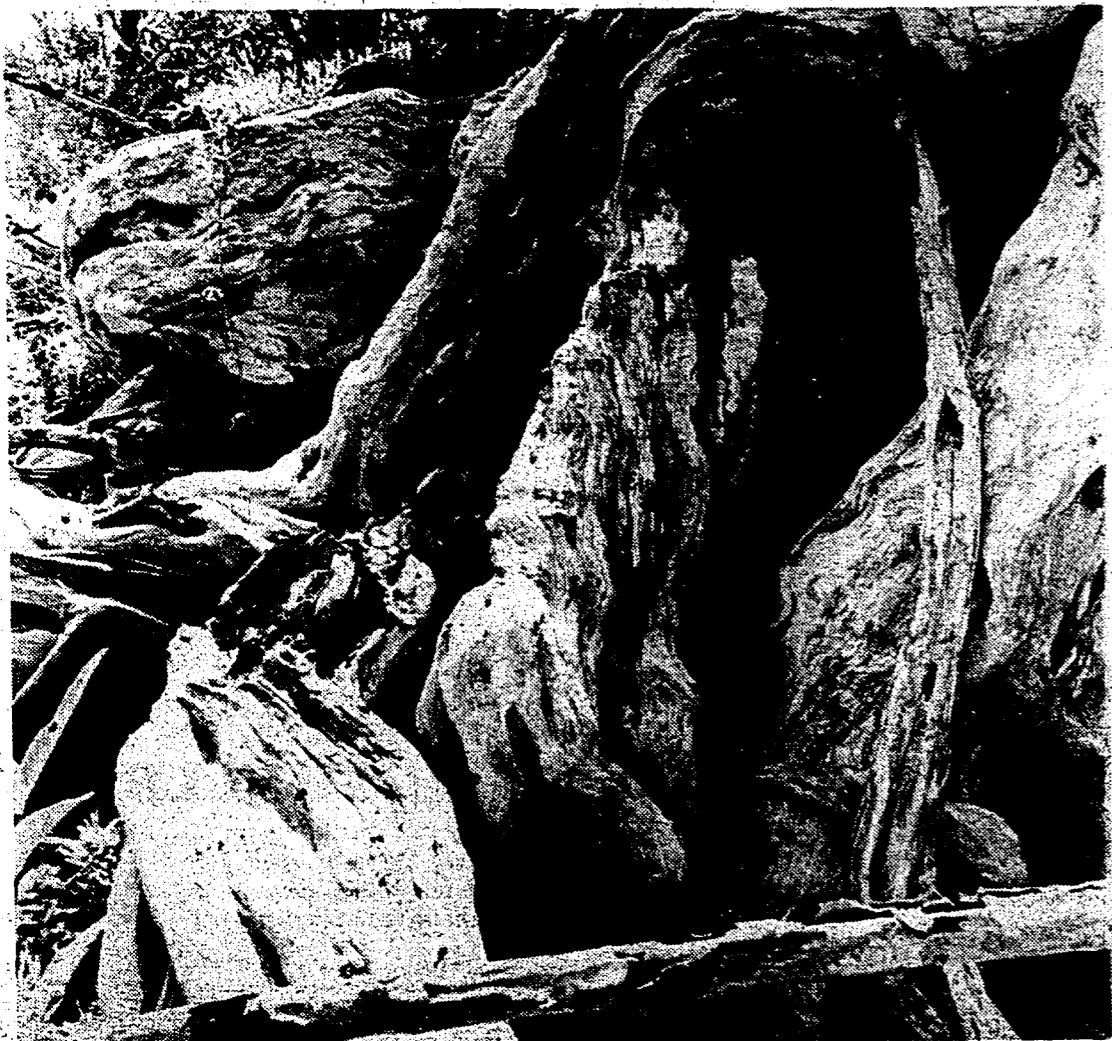
Freed from human habitation now, Cayo Costa is left to tend to its own. Abandoned ghost crab nests mix with new burrows to make swiss cheese of the bay beach. Overhead, pelicans on pa-

trol fish the coves, while black snakes lounge comfortably in the hot breath of the sun.

On the southern tip of the island, near Pejuan Point, giant black mangroves careen their way skyward, towering over a younger generation still fighting for space to grasp the muck.

Stands of battered sea oats on the Gulf beach, defeated in a struggle with the wind, dejectedly sweep the sand clean, obliterating the shallow prints left by feeding sandpipers, egrets, and herons.

On nearby Cabbage Key, steamy Stone crab claws and cool Planter's Punch quickly bring overheated boaters back to the 'real' world. But Cayo Costa leaves its mark. In the cooling shade of the old Mary Roberts Reinhart house on Cabbage Key, the skeptic will lean back, cast an eye back towards Cayo Costa, and admit to the true beauty of the largest undeveloped barrier island in Florida.



The old gnarled trees on Cayo Costa offer pleasing studies in texture and design.

FOR YOUNG READERS

Doug won't sell seashells but makes a happy swap

By Betty Garrabrant

"I'll trade you my biggest shark's eye for that tiny horse Conch," Doug said to Teddy.

"No way. I like that one. I want to keep it." Doug and Ted were arranging shell exhibits for the Fair. Doug's was an assortment of horse conches ranging from the tiniest which was no larger than a pinky finger nail to a beautiful orange one several inches long.

Teddy, with an eye on Doug's work, was gluing his collection of shark's eye shells in a pin wheel fashion. Doug's big shark's eye would look good at the center, Teddy thought to himself.

"Oh, aw-right, I'll trade," mumbled Ted with feigned reluctance as he reached hastily for the large shark's eye.

"Hey, your exhibit is real good, Dougie." The horse conches were arranged around a photo of Pepper, the family horse, who was being cared for by a cousin up north.

"Your pin wheel of shark's eyes is good too," admitted Doug magnanimously.

On the day of the fair the children woke early and were in line waiting to get in, when the chairman opened the doors and announced:

"Welcome to the 1976 Shell Fair." There was so much to see. Each member of the family lingered near the entry he liked best.

"Isn't this wedding bouquet of shells lovely," said Sharon.

"You would go for that. Just like a girl," teased Dan.

Well, I like the chess set of shells best," big brother Jim decided.

"But we didn't win, Daddy," moaned Teddy.

"Sure you won," said Dad. "Having a good time collecting the shells and doing a good job of getting them ready -- that's winning."

The disappointment of not winning was soon forgotten in the fun of watching the live exhibits.

"Look at that little horseshoe crab in the tank," exclaimed Teddy. "He's on his back and he can't turn over. Look at him kick."

"Never saw one that small," Doug remarked, as everyone crowded around to watch the little fellow's futile attempts to right himself.

"I love to watch the seahorses," said Mom, "and just think, Mrs. Seahorse makes 'papa' do all the work of bringing up the babies."

"Aren't you glad you're not a seahorse, Dad," laughed Doug.

On Saturday, when the fair was over, the children went to collect their exhibits and were carrying them back to the camper. A car pulled up next to them and the lady driver said, "I'm new in Sanibel. Is this where the famous shell fair is held?"

"Oh dear!" said Doug's mother, "You are just

too late. It closed at five today."

The visitor, hiding her disappointment, turned to the boys, "Let me see your exhibits, boys."

Doug crowded near to explain why he had used a horse conch idea. "I framed our horses picture with horse shells."

"And I made a pinwheel picture of my shells because a shark's eye grows 'round and 'round and 'round like a pinwheel," Teddy told the lady.

"Could I buy your exhibits?" she said. "I promised to bring my grandchildren something from the Shell Fair."

"Oh no - we couldn't do that," said Doug. "But we'll let you have them."

"We can make more," said Ted. "I couldn't do that," said their new friend,

"but maybe you would like to trade. I just came back from out west. I have some real Indian arrows and other things made by Indians. Would you like to trade?"

The boys were delighted.

"Hey, Mom," Ted said, as they traveled back to camp. "Now we have really truly Indian things and we've never been out west."

"It was like really winning a prize," Doug decided.

"Sure was," Teddy added.

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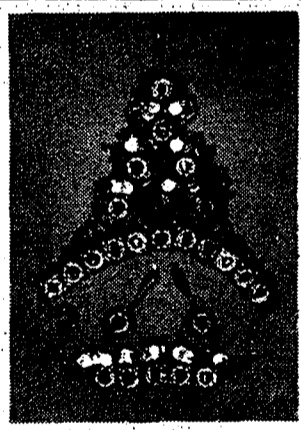
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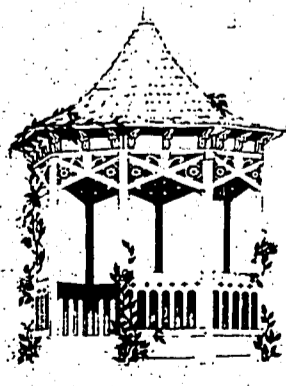
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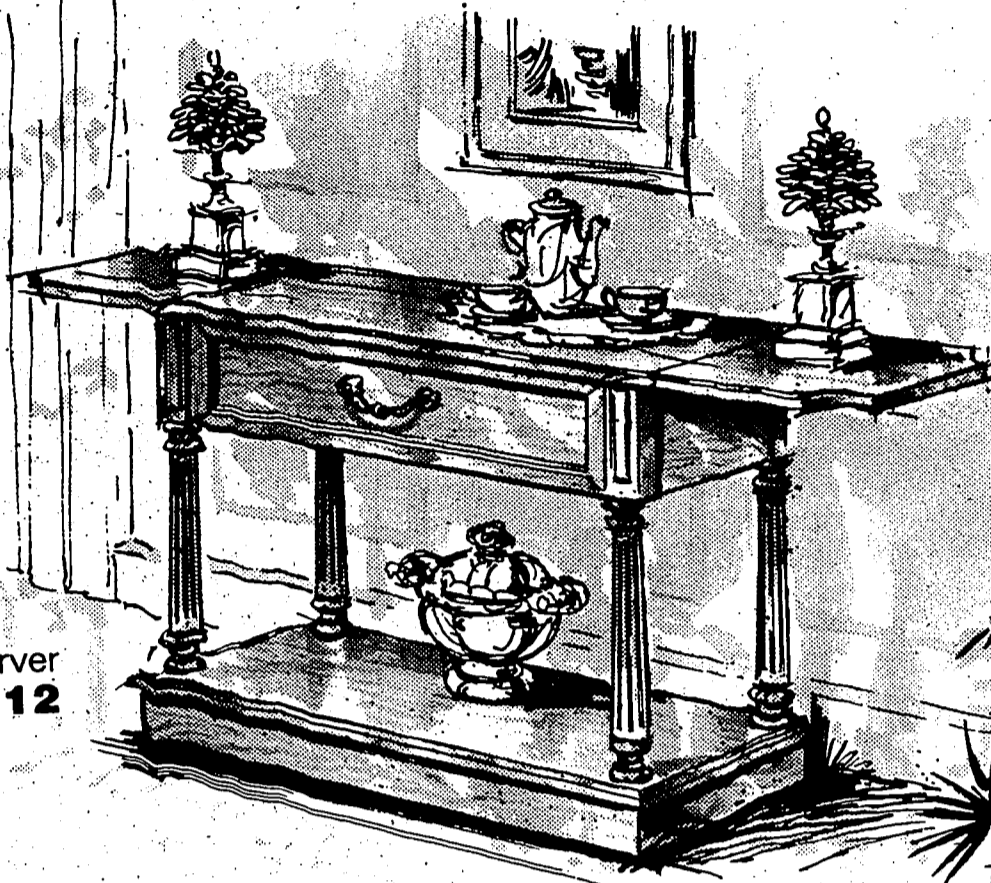
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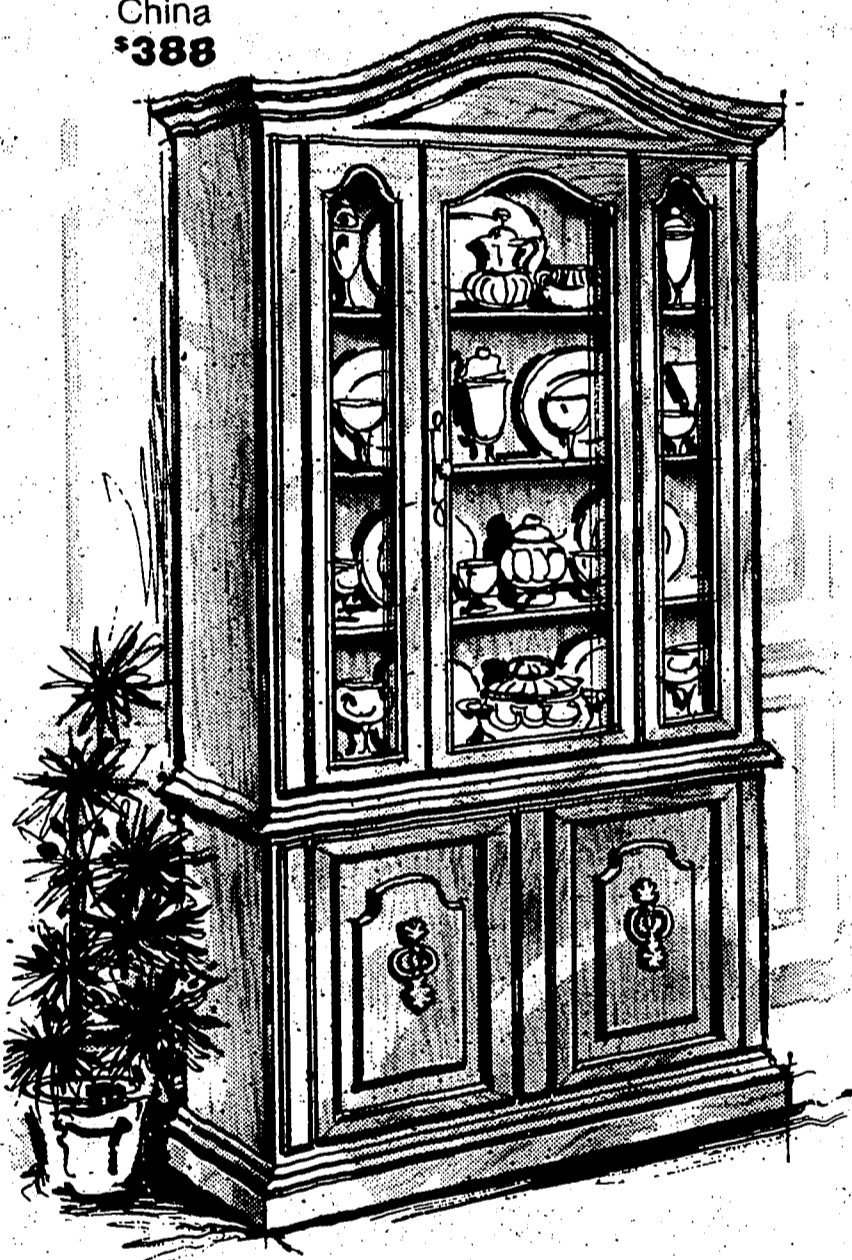
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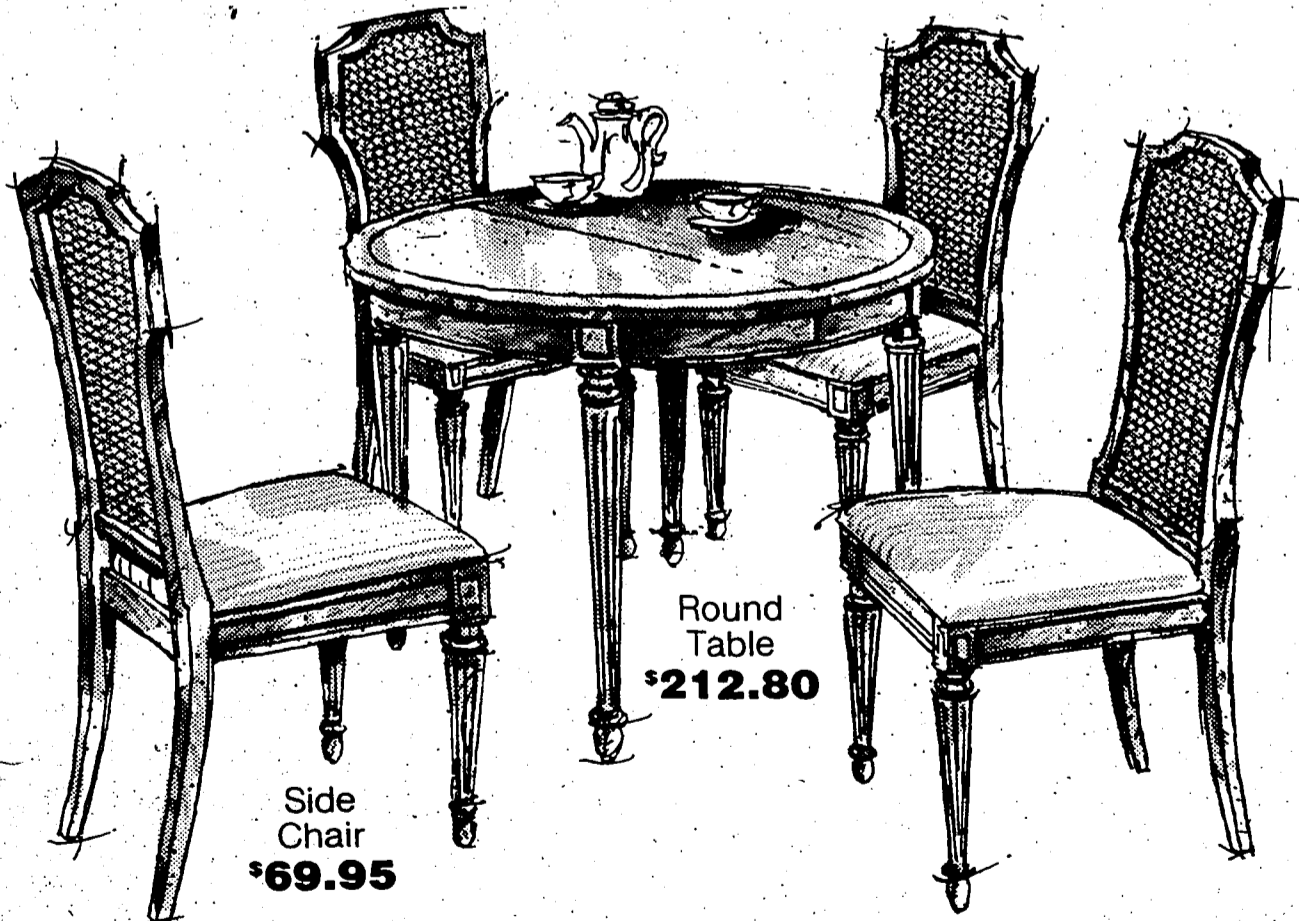
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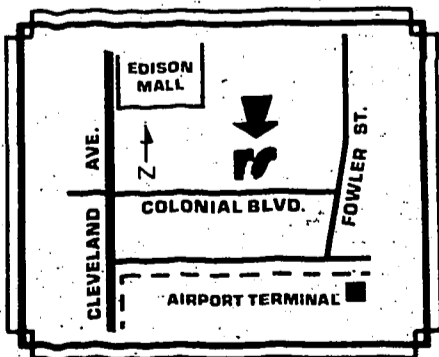
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ISLAND STUFF *Thumping mullet startle hotel visitor*

By Marie Dickey Kalman

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She said that aside from being less trouble to them that way, she preferred being farther away from the Gulf. The surf made her so nervous.

The next morning she arrived at the house on the verge of a nervous breakdown. It seems that in the middle of the night, she was awakened by strange bumps against the floor boards, and when she listened carefully, she could hear water gently lapping under the floor. There she lay all night afraid to go to sleep because she wanted to be able to strip and swim as soon as the water reached her, and if she did happen to drop off to sleep accidentally, one of those awful bumps would awaken her again. When the sun finally came up, bright and shiny over Buck Key, she wrapped something around her and stepped out on the

porch. There was the bay right where it should have been, and the sand by the building was only slightly damp.

She was dumbfounded. Just then, a very calm proprietor stepped out on the porch and said he hoped that dang school of mullet hadn't kept her awake any last night. Seems like every time they got a high tide the mullet had to come along with it, and bang on the floor all night, but after you'd been there awhile you got used to it.

It was a good thing the sun was so bright and shiny that morning, or the family's guest would have left on that day's mail boat. Instead, she stayed all winter, but the "hotel" was gone with the first gale.

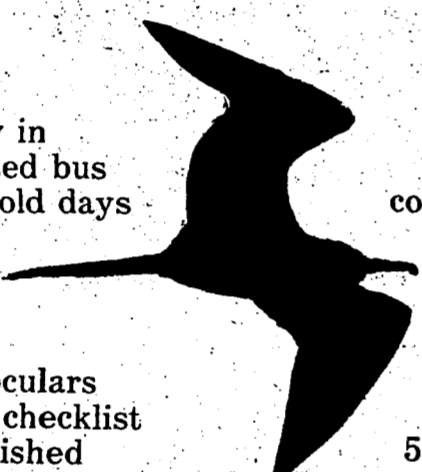
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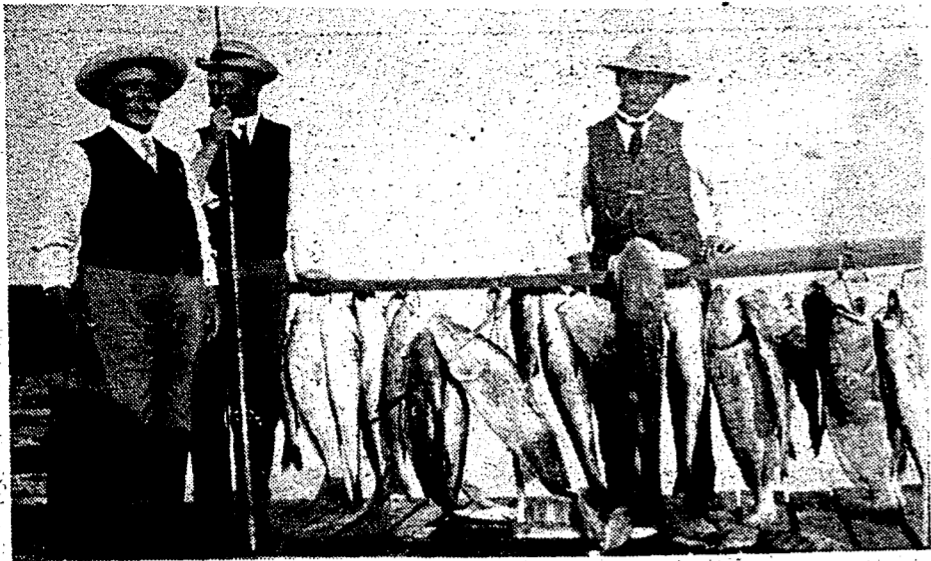
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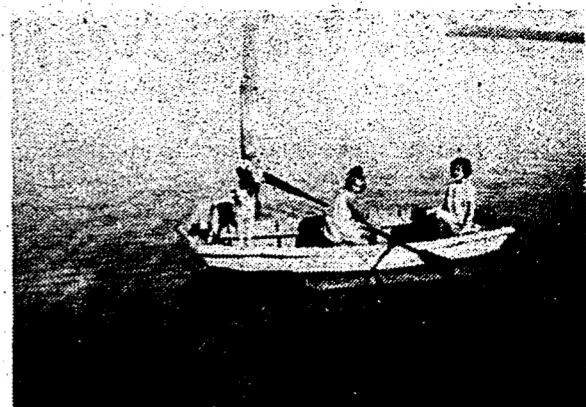


"Meals were served as the fish ran. For Kingfish, breakfast was before dawn..."

Tall yarns were spun, legs were dangled from the side of the dock and eyes were fixed on that channel where the boat would be first visible. It was peaceful waiting-for-the-mail, and yet there was always an undercurrent of excitement, for only the mail boat brought civilization's news to the island, and not until the lines were made fast, did one know just what that news was to be.

As time went on, Captiva actually became a spot of civilization herself. A bridge was built to join Sanibel and Captiva at Blind Pass. A solid hotel was built, and as the guests poured in, the social life of the island began to flourish.

On a Sunday, every one dressed whitely, and put on their best behavior, for it was a day of great importance. Some times it was a swimming race that drew them to the docks, or some times, a motor boat race. These were really something! There were no classes and the only requirement for entry was a motor of some sort aboard. Even if that motor was run by a rubber band, the boat was still eligible. You can imagine the effect as the contestants took their place in the line-up -- every one a dark horse -- then on the given signal



Marie Dickey Kalman, and Dottie Wakefield in their row-boat.

chugged, purred or putt-putted up the channel. Oh well, that was Captiva's way of doing it.

Of the more simple pleasures, of course fishing was all right to pass the time away, if nothing better came along. The sun only rose and set with the fishing schedule, that's all! Meals were eaten as the fish ran. For kingfish, breakfast was before dawn, lunch was a packed-up affair. For tarpon, breakfast was late, lunch was light, and dinner was at five o'clock, and a few onion sandwiches were packed for the midnight snack in the pass.

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ISLAND STUFF

● from 18-C

southern point of Buck Key, and between Buck Key and Captiva to the Captiva bulkhead. After that, both the mail boat from Ft. Myers and the fish boat from Punta Gorda made regular runs to the island, and now sailors of fairly

large craft can find a safe harbor behind Captiva, without the fear of running aground getting to it.

Captiva's post office was then just a corner in a frame and palm-thatched house, which set right on the bay. The mail was unloaded on what one would call a "dock" if one stretched the imagination a bit. It was really a foot-paneling held up by toothpick pilings, but there the mail was brought in and there was, and still is, the core of Captiva's society.

Every one gathered at noon every week-day to talk and wait for news from the outside world.

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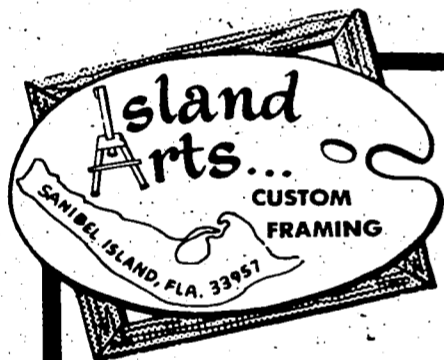
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Aid sought for Witnesses

R.A. Swire, spokesman for the eight Fort Myers area congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses, today announced their participation in a world wide information campaign directed at alleviating the persecution of up to 30,000 Witnesses in the east African country of Malawi.

The 2,000 Jehovah's Witnesses in the greater Fort Myers area will share in a special distribution of their March 22 issue of the "Awake!" news magazine which accounts "the murder, rape, internment in concentration camps and State custody of children being undertaken against the group in Malawi."

The Witnesses claim that their own reports of atrocities against the group have now been confirmed by wire services, newspaper and radio-television reports. In a letter to the headquarters of Jehovah's Witnesses in New York City dated January 23, 1976, Senator Frank Church of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations said: "In my continuing efforts to bring attention to the persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses in Malawi, I made a statement recently before the Senate regarding this intolerable situation."

Swire said that "the United States Department of State has also made know the concern of this country to the Malawi Government in Blantyre and in Washington, D.C., but, that the Malawian officials deny the persecution in spite of eye witness reports from numerous sources. This is why we must mount a world wide effort to inform persons of what a member in good standing of the U.N., British Commonwealth and the western democratic block is doing to honest, moral and law abiding people just because they wish to remain neutral in Malawi politics."

Andreas Hansen, presiding overseer of the Iona Congregation of Jehovah's Wit-

nesses, which serves Sanibel, says that "Malawi, Zambia and Mozambique, three neighboring east African nations, have all ben persecuting the Witnesses because of their refusal to join the national political movements begun in the early sixties. Rebel liberation movements achieved world recognition for their cause of throwing off colonial rule by terrorism and anti-government activities. Jehovah's Witnesses would not join with them and so were warned that someday the rebels would succeed in becoming the government and would in effect 'get them'."

"The Malawi Congress Party," said Hansen, "has insisted that the Witnesses purchase Party membership cards and break their politically neutral stand. Without the cards the Witnesses are set upon by government-inspired mobs, women and girls are raped and beaten, men lose their jobs and are murdered and tortured and children are either taken by the State or left to starve as their parents are put in concentration camps."

"We want to identify ourselves with our persecuted brothers, showing that we are in full agreement with the stand that they have taken, and that we too are worshipers of Jehovah, and separate from the world's political squabbles as Jesus Christ instructed in the Bible at John, chapter 17, verse 16," said Hansen.

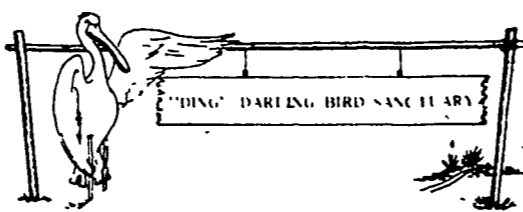
R.A. Swire said that the publicity campaign hopes to accomplish bringing world pressure to bear on Malawi to live up to its own constitution guaranteeing religious freedom. "Also," he says, "we would particularly like to have persons everywhere, regardless of their religious affiliation, write letters expressing their sentiments to Malawi, U.N. or even U.S. government officials."

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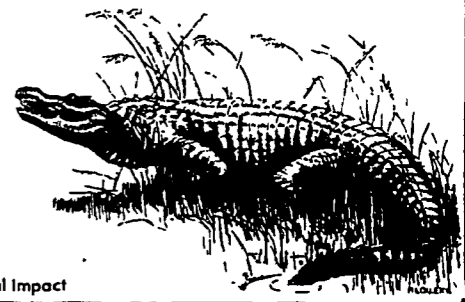
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Today's living

By A. Ray Cartlidge

Do you remember Primo Carnera? Max Baer?

Recently as I browsed through some old material I found an anecdote concerning the two in their fight for the heavyweight championship.

When both were about exhausted from swinging, they both aimed roundhouses at each other and missed. Both lost balance and fell to the floor facing together. The befuddled referee stood first over one and then over the other with raised arm to count, and didn't know which to start counting out.

Baer, ever the comedian, looked at his huge Italian adversary and said with a grin, "The last one up is a sissy!"

The incident reminded me of the words of Edmund Cooke:

"You are beaten to earth? Well, well, what's that?"

Come up with a smiling face.

It's nothing against you to fall down flat,

But to lie there, that's disgrace."

Neither a boxing bout, nor can life, be victorious from a prone position. We will always have to win on our feet. In fact we will always be in a battle, if not in the ring then in the world of business, our own bodies, our daily bread. Robert Louis Stevenson said that his whole life had been a battle with the medicine bottle and the bed. He had written in sickness, pain, and discouragement. Yet he had written on.

One who expects to have a battle, who expects to fall down again and again, and expects also

to have to struggle to get upright again and again, is on his way to winning.

Take it or leave it, Max Baer did give us a moral for everyday. Perhaps he never had the will to be a great champion. Yet he did tell us, "The last one up is a sissy!"

Everyday moral

In a Jonathan L. Seagull mood, Dr. Cartlidge, in "Today's Living," suggests the need to keep on trying in life's battles.



church / calendar

Episcopal Holy Communion Service Sunday, 7:30 a.m. South Seas Plantation Conference Room.

Sanibel Community Church Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor. Sunday Worship 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. (nursery provided to age 7); Sunday Church School 9:15 a.m. (ages 4-12).

Baha'i Group of Sanibel Island Informal discussions about the teachings of the Baha'i Faith. For information call 472-2141 or 472-1322.

First Baptist Church Rev. Gerald Frost, Pastor. Sunday Service: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening services, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer meeting, 7:00 p.m. Open for meditation and counselling, if desired, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Christian Science Service Sanibel Public Library, Sunday 11:00 a.m., Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

St. Isabel Catholic Church Father Gerard

Beauregard, Pastor. Sunday Mass 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.; Saturday evening Mass 5:30 p.m., Friday Mass, first Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m.; Daily Mass: 5:30 p.m.; Holy Days: 10:00 a.m.; Vigil: 7:30 p.m.; Confession before each Mass.

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church Rev. James D.B. Hubbs, Rector. Sunday - Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m.; 9:30 a.m. on 1st and 3rd Sunday's of the month; Sunday - Morning Prayer, Church school and Kindergarten, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday - Holy Communion, 9:00 a.m. **Captiva Chapel by-The-Sea** Service 11:00 a.m. Dr. H. Ganse Little, minister.

Greek Orthodox Church of S.W. Florida Sunday church services held 11:00 -12:00 a.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church, corner Canal and Broadway, Ft. Myers, Fla. Reverend Nicholas Sitaras 542-3025.

Gatherings

First Baptist Church Bible Class every Tuesday morning, 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bible Study Group, St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, meets Monday, 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

The Bible Reading Fellowship, St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, meets Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m., in the parish hall.

Evening Bible Study classes under the direction of Al Hartley meets Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning January 22 at the Sanibel Community Church, Periwinkle Way.

First Baptist Church will be open for personal prayer or meditation Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

"Sing-piration" at First Baptist Church on Sanibel, last Sunday night of every month at 7:00 p.m. followed by a social period.

Bible Study group of the Community Church meets every Monday from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. John P. Glass (3025 Gulf Drive.) Call 472-1154 if transportation is needed. All interested in attending are welcome.

The Ladies' Guild of the Sanibel Community Church, open to all women of the church meets at 1:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. For further details phone 472-2425.

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PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA

The Sanibel City Council will hold a Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, April 6, 1976, at City Hall to hear a request by Robert R. Hoppeter and David G. Thompson of Outer Island Development Corp. for subdividing a parcel of land into 9 duplex lots and a lake of approximately 3/4 acre in Section 36, T 46 S, R 22 E, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida (Camino del Mar Dr. off Casa Ybel Rd.).

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on January 2, 1976, and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

ATTEST: William B. Nungester
City Manager - City Clerk

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PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA

The Sanibel City Council will hold a Public Hearing at 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 30, 1976, at City Hall to hear a request by Island Water Association, Inc. to construct a 20 ft. x 50 ft. x 12 ft. high steel storage building on its main plant site located on the Sanibel-Captiva Road on land lying in Section 28, Township 46 S, Range 22 E, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, comprised of part of Government Lot 1 of said Section.

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on January 2, 1976, and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

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By Terry High, Age 10

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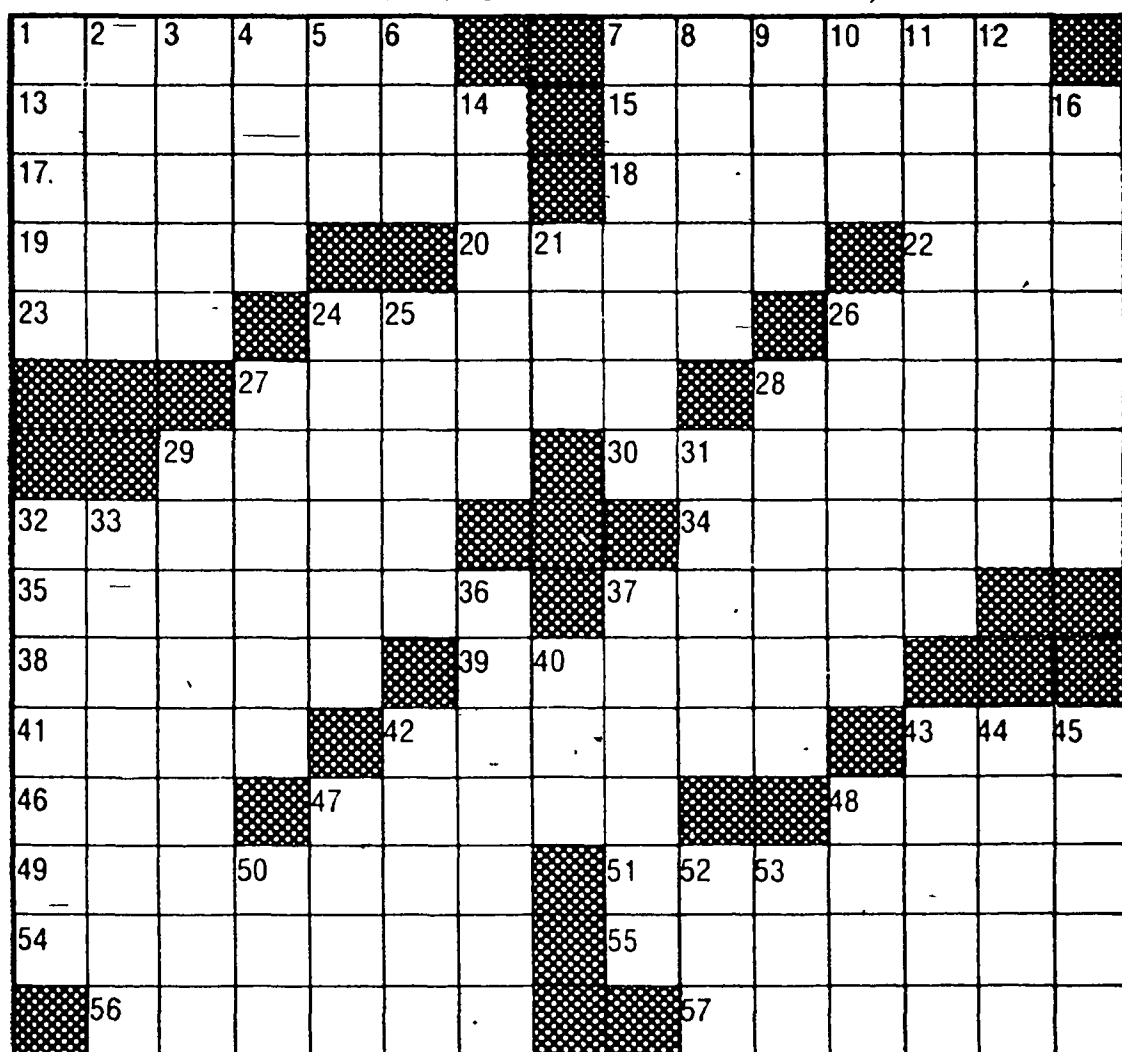
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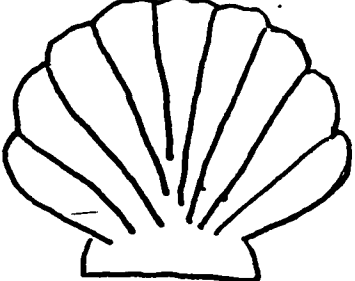
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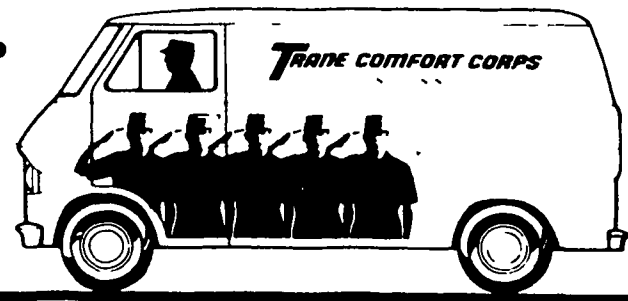
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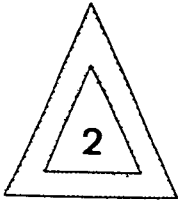


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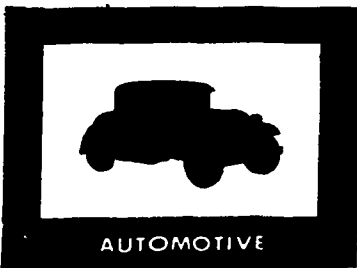
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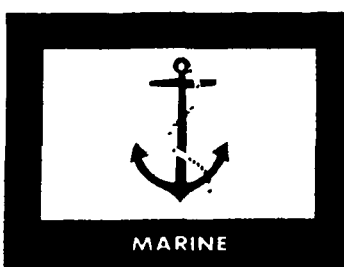
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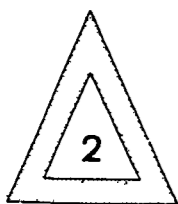
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**PUBLIC HEARING
SANIBEL PLANNING
COMMISSION
CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA**

The Sanibel Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 22, 1976, at 9:45 a.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall, to hear a request by Robert Hollopeter to construct a shopping complex, comprising four shops, two offices and a restaurant on a parcel of land located in Section 19, T 46 S, R 23 E (on the south side of Periwinkle Way west of Donax Street), Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City

Council on January 2, 1976, and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

ATTEST: William B. Nungester
City Manager
3-12, 3-19

**NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO REGISTER
FICTITIOUS NAME**

The undersigned does hereby certify that he is conducting a retail restaurant business at Sanibel, Florida, under the fictitious name of the Lighthouse Restaurant and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residences are as follows: John Vroman-Vrolyk, 719 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Florida. Ownership of

the Lighthouse Restaurant is as follows: John Vroman-Vrolyk - 100 percent.

It is my intention to apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Lee County, Florida to register the said name of the Lighthouse Restaurant under the provisions of Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, 1963.

Witness my hand this 15 day of March, 1976. John Vroman-Vrolyk.

STATE OF FLORIDA:
LEE COUNTY:

Sworn to and subscribed to by John Vroman-Vrolyk before me this 15 day of March, 1976.

Elliot Gelberg
Notary Public
3-19, 3-26, 4-2, 4-9

**NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO REGISTER
FICTITIOUS NAME**

The undersigned does hereby certify that she is conducting a bath and linen business at 2015 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Florida, under the fictitious name of Shell, Bath & Linen Boutique and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residences are as follows: Beatrice Shelpark, 951 Sand Castle Road. Ownership of Shell, Bath & Linen Boutique is as follows: Beatrice Shelpark - 100 percent.

It is my intention to apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Lee County, Florida to register the said name of Shell, Bath & Linen Boutique under the provisions of Section 865.09, Florida Statutes,

1963.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of March, 1976 Beatrice Shelpark.

Sworn to and subscribed to by Beatrice Shelpark before me this 3rd day of March, A.D. 1976.

Dianne DeRose
NOTARY PUBLIC
3-12, 3-19, 3-26, 4-2

**PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA
CORRECTED NOTICE**

The Sanibel City Council shall hold a Public Hearing at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 30, 1976, at City Hall to hear a request by Joseph L. Kuchariski to construct eleven (11)

detached commercial structures to be 1,500 square feet or less, with two (2) structures containing living quarters above the commercial units on 2.2 acres, lying north of Periwinkle Way between North Yachtsman Drive and South Yachtsman Drive, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on January 2, 1976 and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

ATTEST: William B. Nungester
City Manager - City Clerk

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**PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA**
The Sanibel City Council will hold a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m., on April 6, 1976, at City Hall to hear a request by Dale P. Beatty, President, The Commons, Inc., to construct a commercial complex of six two-level wooden plantation-style buildings (to include a restaurant, lounge and dance floor) on parcel of land in S.W. 1/4 of N.W. 1/4, Section 25, T 46 S, R 22 E, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida (Periwinkle Way, starting 300 ft. south of Dunlop St.).

Said hearing is in compliance with Ordinance 76-1, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on January 2, 1976, and Ordinance 76-6, as adopted by the Sanibel City Council on February 6, 1976.

ATTEST: William B. Nungester
City Manager - City Clerk

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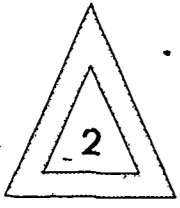
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