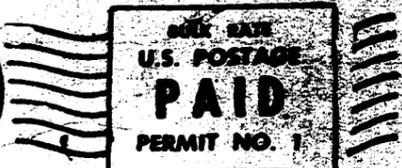


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## ISLANDS HELP HAITI

St. Michael's Church was the shipping headquarters this week when Islanders opened their hearts and closets to help the people of Haiti. Haiti was razed by hurricane Flora, the most deadly storm recorded since the turn of the century hurricane which killed 6,000 people in Galveston, Texas. Besides the 4,000 Haitians killed by Flora, many thousands lost their homes and everything they owned. Father Madden of St. Michael's took the first load into Fort Myers on Sunday. Six more loads were scheduled for Monday, and Father Madden said that all the goods contributed would be shipped and on the way to the stricken Island by yesterday.

## UNITED FUND DRIVE NOW ON

Many volunteers are doing their share to uphold the reputation of generosity of the Islanders in the present campaign to raise funds for the United Fund. Among the workers are Bob Dormer, Joe Gault, E. B. Bryant, Kenneth Carper, Allan Nave, John Ridge, Joe Redinger, Andrew Mellody, Elsie Henderson, Henry Cuscaden, Mary Cunningham, Dale Ballinger, Ray Booth, Priscilla Murphy, Bill Newman, John Kontinos, Smith Kaufman, Ken Walter, and chairman Mrs. Joe Gault. The United Fund this year is serving 8 organizations, and simple arithmetic points out that it is easier to make one contribution than it is to make eight. Be sure to answer your door when your neighbor comes to collect for this very worthy cause.

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County Commissioners P. A. GERACI, JULIAN HUDSON, MAC JONES & KENNETH DANIELS visited the Islands last week to see what progress had been made in repairing the damage done by the recent wind and high water storm. Geraci said he was pleased with the work that has been done on Turner Park, but that the Commission was faced with a serious problem on the rebuilding of the section of the Captiva road that was washed out. He said that he would like to rebuild the road in back of the homes on that section of Captiva if the owners would give the land for the

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The Sanibel Community Church will open for its fall and winter services on Sunday, October 6. See Church calendar for times.

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7:45PM

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DR. W. C. BAKER

Dr. W. C. Baker died in Sarasota last week. Dr. & Mrs. Baker were residents of Sanibel for several years before moving to Sarasota, and their many friends here are grieved to hear of his death, and extend their sympathy to Mrs. Baker.

MRS. HELEN P. MEYER

Mrs. Helen P. Meyer of Knoxville, Tennessee, died two months ago in the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Institute of Nuclear Research Hospital. She had been treated for years for Hodgkin's disease.

In spite of her sickness, Mrs. Meyer was able to make many trips across country and to Sanibel and Captiva Islands with her husband, Professor Harvey G. Meyer, who is an authority on marine shells.

Islanders were very sorry to hear the news, and all wish to extend their sincere sympathy to Professor Meyer, who arrived on Captiva yesterday to spend the winter season in the Erler cottage.

## SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

The Rev TAD ALLAN wants to remind everyone that church services --- for the month of October at least --- will be held at 9 a.m. The Ladies' Guild meeting will be this evening (October 17) at 8 p.m. in KAY NEWMAN'S home. All ladies are invited.

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**BOWLS AT 9 p.m.**

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purpose. He said that some residents have suggested pumping in fill on the bay side to accommodate a road and two small bridges, one across to Buck Key and the other back in the vicinity of Timmy's nook. This, he said, would "entail prohibitive costs."

The ISLANDER was told that when the property owners on this section of Captiva return from the north, the Captiva Civic Association will hold a meeting to discuss the matter of a road. Geraci said that he would like to attend the meeting so that he may hear and consider any suggestions that Captiva residents have to offer on this matter.

Many people we have talked to have expressed concern about what the County will do about the rebuilding of this road. It seems as if we lose a little bit more of it each time the wind blows a little harder than a stiff breeze. A solution that we believe that the County should explore would be to sea wall the beach front along the stretch of road. While it would be costly to put in this much sea wall, it is also very costly to the County and to the residents to continually repair the road. The way things are going, one more storm and the Kinzie brothers will have to bring the ferrys back to the Islands.



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The first two weeks of October were full of celebrations of one type or another for many Islanders. On the first, PEARL & JAKE STOKES celebrated their wedding anniversary --- and for the very first time, Pearl forgot and had made a baby sitting appointment. Fortunately it was for the early hours of the evening, and afterwards they had a real "Blast."

On the third, the REISINGERS reached their tenth anniversary, which they celebrated into the wee small hours with friends. Considering the recovery period, they may just skip any celebration for the next two or three years.

Not to be outdone, the DON AMONS celebrated their anniversary on the fourth with a party at Reisinger's Tavern and Game Room. Don served "Sloppy Joes" to all the guests, which, by the way, he prepares to suit a king's taste, assuming that a king would like a sloppy joe. During the festivities, someone discovered that it was COLIN MOORE'S birthday, and as Colin was a member of the party, it became a combined anniversary and birthday affair.

On the fifth, JOE REDINGER celebrated his birthday with a fried rabbit dinner. MARGO did the cooking, and said that it is his very favorite dish.

On the sixth, Mrs. JERRY WAY --- LINDA to all her friends --- celebrated her birthday with her family. Jerry wouldn't tell us which one it was, even tho Linda would be able to tell her age with no harm done, as she still looks "Sweet Sixteen." "Course, she should --- (look sweet sixteen, we mean) --- she couldn't have celebrated that birthday so awfully long ago.

On the eighth, MARY & GOGO GOGLIN would have celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary except that Gogo forgot (just like a man) and made a bowling date. Consequently the Gogins celebrated with MURIEL & BILL WAY, who both remembered, with a real old-fashioned and lovely evening --- dinner with candle light, wine and all the fixings. Mr. and Mrs. GENE BROADBENT also attended this party, and we suspect they were celebrating their return to Sanibel!

**FIRE FIGHTING CLASSES HELD**

FORREST HOWARD of Ocala, Florida, was a guest at Hiers' Cottages By The Sea last week. He is an instructor at the Florida State Fire College, and while he was on the Islands, he gave an advanced course in modern fire fighting technique to the Sanibel-Captiva Fire Department.

Mr. Howard knows his subject well --- he has spent 25 years in fire service for the State of Florida and in the Air Force Fire Department.

Sixteen firemen attended the 15 hour course, and were instructed in hydrolyses, chemistry and physics of combustion, hose evaluation, salvage, ventilation and overhaul. These subjects were not covered in the classes held by Mr. Howard last year.

Friday evening, the wives of the firemen and their children held a covered dish supper at the fire hall in honor of Mr. Howard and the firemen. Everyone enjoyed everything --- from

the fried chicken to the "Happy Burning" cake.

After dinner, they gave a demonstration in inflammable liquids, solids and gasses, which lighted up the sky for miles around until the fire was extinguished by our well-trained volunteer firemen.

Those attending the classes were Fire Chief ALLAN NAVE, CHUCKIE NAVE, GLEN and CHARLES RHODES, JOE and CARL WIGHTMAN, TOM NEE, STANLEY MCCAUL, KEN CARPER, JOHN & VELNA RIDGE, ED LEGEL, RAYMOND RHODES and CORNELIUS ADEMA, representative of the John Bean Fire Equipment Company of Fort Myers.

**TO THE ISLANDER:**

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(Signed) MARY CUNNINGHAM,  
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**TO THE ISLANDER:**

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(Signed) EDWARD L. LEISER,  
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**PEGGY GOES A-WANDERIN'**

Before the causeway was finished, a complete round trip on the mail boat with Captain Palmer Ladd and Captain Brewton Walters was impossible unless one spent the night in town, so at last we were able to make the trip without a night in town.

We arrived at the Yacht Basin, where the "Santiva" docks, at 9 a.m., just as the mail was being put aboard. Captain Ladd, who has been running the mail boat for 12 years, told us that it has been plying these waters for nearly 60 years. Started by the Kinzie brothers, it was later run by Ray and Clem Singleton before Cap't Ladd took over. (Cap't Ladd, by the way, has spent all his life on board a ship of one sort or another --- every kind of ship, except a submarine, for which he says he is just as thankful.)

On the way down the Caloosahatchee, the Cap't pointed out the interesting spots, such as the Edison and Ford homes. We passed under the almost completed Cape Coral bridge and had a view of that beautiful development. Slightly farther down, he pointed out the Iona farming section.

Along about this point, the Caloosahatchee is at least two miles wide, and while we looked at it, we were reminded of the day we stood in a room on the fourth floor of the Bradford Hotel in Fort Myers and saw the unbelievable power of hurricane Donna draw that great stream of water out into the Gulf, leaving only a mere trickle by comparison, just as tho a great suction cup had drawn it out in one great gulp.

As we moved down the river, we passed Little Shell Island, owned by our good friends, Rudd and Laura Wiles, who have been operating a small restaurant,

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KIM BILLHEIMER is back home and in school and is feeling just fine these days. He was operated on in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, by Dr. C. R. YANCY, a winter resident of Sanibel.

## PERSONALS

It's getting to be the time of year when our Islands begin to fill up with our winter residents and guests. The Colony on Sanibel has some new guests and some who have been coming here for years --- The PAUL L. DULANEYS of Cincinnati, Ohio, who are spending three weeks on the Islands this year ---the L. KENNETH ROBERTS of Isle of Hope, Savannah, Ga., who are here for a week --- Mrs. HOWARD SCHRINER of Atlanta, Georgia, who is probably thinking about the house she and her husband will build on their Sanibel property that they bought last year, is here for two weeks, and the JEROME GELLERS of Hewlette, New York, flew down last Thursday to spend their first vacation on Sanibel.

MARY JO GAULT, a freshman at Florida State, sends back word that everything is going along very well, and that she's not having any trouble, except for English. She's splicing some fun between her studies, too --- and last weekend went to Gainesville, where she was the guest of SUZIE STEARNS of Fort Myers.

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Mr. & Mrs. JAMES MAHONY of Miami spent a short vacation at Casa Turquesa last week. Mr. Mahony is with the U. S. Customs Appraisal Office in Miami. Mrs. Mahony is not a business woman, unless you call producing a pair of twins every two years --- which she has done twice --- a business! (Ed Note: No, but we'd call it work!)

Mr. & Mrs. JAMES DOWLING of Cas away's left Sanibel October 2, to spend three weeks in northern Illinois, where they will visit their son JAMES & his wife, who are expecting to present them with a grandchild any minute now. Ruth and Jim also hope to be able to visit friends in Wisconsin before they return home at the end of the month.

## PERSONALS

One of our favorite young Islanders, TONY FRENETTE, has been promoted to Airman Second Class in the Air Force. His parents, Mr. & Mrs. ROLY FRENETTE, recently got a letter from his Commander, 2nd Lt. WILLIAM R. WELCH, commending Tony on his devotion to duty as an administrative specialist and his contributions to his organization both off and on duty --- which of course is a good reason for a promotion, don't you think?

Mrs. MARGARET UPSHAW is back on the Islands after having spent the summer months in the north. Margaret has taken over as Manager of Oster's Cottages on Gulf Drive for the season.

MARY & EDSON ELDRIDGE of Shalimar on Sanibel are having a marvelous vacation. So far, they have visited Washington, D. C., New York City and Boston. They plan to visit Detroit and Chicago before returning home in a week or so . . . to nice warm weather for a change. It's just too cold up there!

Mr. & Mrs. HENRY PETERS of Higgins Lake, Michigan, came back to their winter home last week at Beachview on Sanibel. The Peters spend five or six months a year at Beachview, and are true nature lovers. They spend many hours on a sun-deck and enjoy the performance of a porpoise in the Gulf which seems to know when they come back because it puts on a special show for them. They're also visited on the sundeck by water fowl, which perch on the railing and preen their feathers. The Peters also spend many hours on the Beach looking for shells. Seems as if mother nature likes them just as much as they like her!

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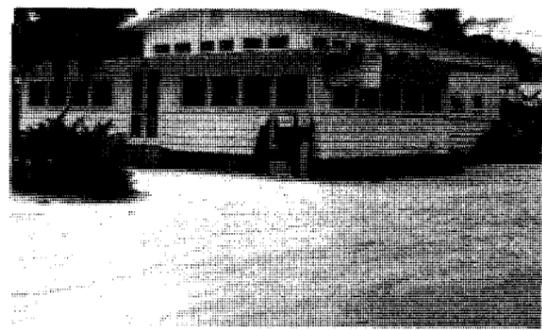
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PERSONAL

Mr. & Mrs. DONALD NELSON of Umatilla, Florida, have been at Sanibel Cottage for the past two weeks assisting "Mom" STRARER in running the Cottages while BLANCHE & FLOYD PFOUGH took a much needed vacation. The highlight of this visit (The Nelsons are regular Sanibel guests) was when Mrs. Nelson caught an 18 lb. redfish.

Blanche and Floyd got back home yesterday. They were awfully glad to be back, and said they had a marvelous vacation, but there's no place like home --- and besides, it was cold up there.

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CAPTIVA NOTES

That chilly weather up north which starts about this time of year has prompted the return of our winter residents. J. S. BARKER arrived on Captiva October 10, after spending the summer at his home in Wequetonsing, Michigan ... JANE & GRIFFING BANCROFT arrived at their home last week after spending the summer right out side of Washington, D. C. ... Mr & Mrs. A. WITTEMORE spent the summer in Bronxville, New York, and are now back on the Island for the season ... Mr. & Mrs. CHARLES PASCHALL, who summered in Wilmington, Delaware, came to their winter home recently and Mr. & Mrs. CHARLES BARR-ETT are Captives again after spending the summer up north.

GAS RATES REDUCED

Your Chamber of Commerce was instrumental in getting the commercial gas rates reduced. After they got in touch with the Gulf Gas Company and the Pyrofax Gas Company of Fort Myers, the rates were lowered substantially. Before the causeway, the price was 25¢; it was then reduced to 23¢, and after some hard work by the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce, the rates were reduced to 18¢. Nice, Huh?

CLERGY VISIT ST. MICHAEL'S

Father MADDEN of St. Michael's was host to the South Deanery of the Diocese of Florida on Monday. The Clergy of Sarasota, Charlotte, Hendry, Collier and Lee Counties attended.

The speaker was Dr. DON W. COPELAND of Boco Raton. There was a coffee hour following Holy Communion at 10 a.m. and a luncheon was served to the guests by the ladies of the Church, with Mrs. JACK RUSHWORTH in charge.

Mrs. ROBERT MATTHEWS of White Plains, New York, the daughter of DANIEL T. BAZIRE, has been the guest of the Nutmeg girls, BETTY SEARS & EVELYN PEARSON, for the past week and a half while she looked for a home in Fort Myers.

Mrs. Matthews will be moving there some time next month with three of her four children, JANE, JOEL & VIRGINIA. Her eldest daughter, SALLY, will remain in New Jersey where she is a student at Centenary College.

ISLAND SHELL COLLECTION ON VIEW IN N.Y.C.'S ROCKEFELLER CENTER.

PRISCILLA MURPHY was appointed chairman in charge of collecting shells for a Florida Shell display by DON BOTTORFF of the Lee County Chamber of Commerce.

The collection will be sent by the Lee County Chamber to Rockefeller Center in New York City for a Florida Exhibit there. The large display window, which is just to the right of the reception desk in the center, will include a pirate ship and treasure chest surrounded by the shells.

Priscilla was very busy gathering shells from her friends and members of the Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club. Many club members contributed rare and fine specimens.

When it was necessary, the shells were cleaned and prepared by Mrs. ETHEL PRESTON, who contributed many of her own shells to the project. Mrs. Preston also packed all the shells, and as Priscilla said, "Did all the hard part of assembling a collection for shipping."

Priscilla and the Lee County Chamber of Commerce want to thank all who contributed to make this collection truly representative of our Islands's shells.

THE ALLANS ARE BACK!

Mrs. ELSIE HENDERSON entertained the Reverend and Mrs. TAD ALLAN at a homecoming dinner in her Sanibel home October 6. The dinner she prepared was, of course, delightful, but the piece de resistance was the decorated cake she made which said "Welcome

back, Tad and Bobbie!" The guests were Mr. & Mrs. JERRY MARTIN, Mr. & Mrs. SMITTY KAUFMAN, Doc & Mrs. BRYANT, Mr. & Mrs. WALTER STRONG, ROSA, SCOTIA & KEN BRYANT, PRISCILLA MURPHY, Mrs. BERTHA STARLING & Mrs. VADANA TAYLOR and Mr. & Mrs. BILL HAMEN.

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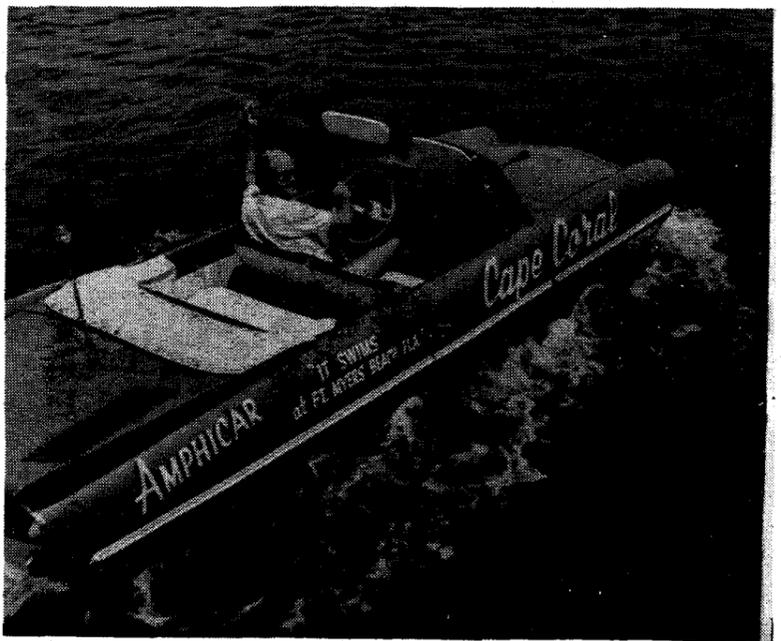
dock and pleasure resort there for several years. They're frequently visited, by the way, by many friends & customers from the Islands and the mainland.

Went on past Big Shell Island (wonder why somebody doesn't buy it?) which is a large Island recently named a bird sanctuary because of the many birds who had chosen it for a roosting and nesting place. Cap't Ladd told us that he has seen the trees practically white with all the roosting birds there.

Next came Fisherman's Key, which was bought some time ago by Mr. Velle, who planned to build a home there, but who passed away before construction started.

Next point of interest was Punta Rassa, where Cap't Ladd showed us the remains of the pilings where a dock used to be from which many, many cattle were shipped to Key West, Cuba and Mexico. Fort Myers was at one time almost a "wild west" town filled with cowboys and cattlemen. It has, as most of you know, gone thru quite a few changes since then --- for a while it was a typical sleepy little southern town, and now, of course, it's a thriving little city. Anyhow, to get back to the cattle, they were driven from Fort Myers to Punta Rassa --- hence the cattle dock.

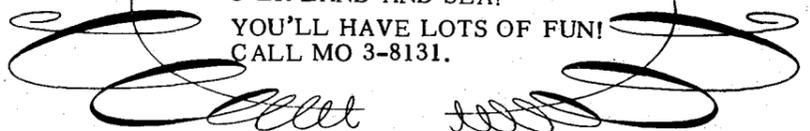
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**SHELL CLUB NEWS**

Mrs. MAUDE NICKERSON, who was to be in charge of the entire shell display division of the Shell Fair, left the Islands Sunday for Coral Gables, where she entered Doctor's Hospital, 5000 University Avenue, for an eye operation on Tuesday. She only expects to be in the hospital for a few days, but will remain in Coral Gables with friends for a few weeks.

Because of her illness, it was decided at the Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club board meeting on October 8 that MARY NIX will be in charge of division A and HELEN DENNY will supervise division B. WILLIE MAE GLASS will take care of the live shell exhibit.

**WHOM I WUZ**

That baby doll in our last issue was MARY ALECK. Mary, who operates the only beauty salon on the Islands, first arrived in January, 1952. Shortly thereafter, she persuaded her brother, JOHN KONTINAS, and his family to come here, and together they opened the Coconut Grove Restaurant, which was then (and is now) one of the Island's better restaurants.

Mary is very active in civic affairs, and after spending a lovely summer with her daughters, ALICE, DEENA & MARY ANN, she arrived back home in time to preside at the first Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club meeting, of which she is president.

Mr. & Mrs. FRED KENKEL are in the process of test-hopping our Islands before making a final decision to move here permanently. They left Jackson, Michigan, in May and have been looking around for a new homeland ever since.

The Kenkels have visited Sanibel for the past ten years, staying at Sea Grape Cottages, and have a fabulous collection of shells. Each year they work their way down the shelling beaches, starting up around Panama City and ending up at Sanibel, stopping at each beach along the way --- then, after they left here, they'd beach their way down to the Keys for even more shelling.

As you can imagine, they had quite a collection after ten years of this. When they decided to dispose of their be-

longings in Jackson, they put an ad in the Jackson paper to try and sell all their collections except their most favorite one. They didn't even get one answer to it.

Being practical people, they then put an ad in the same paper to try and sell their furniture. They had lots of answers to that one, but didn't sell a single stick of furniture as all the people who came to buy wanted the shells instead. The net result was they sold all their shells and had to give away their furniture.

They're now busily building up their collections again, when they can't get on the beach, pour thru guck with microscopes and tweezers for miniatures.

We have a strong suspicion that they'll decide to stay here permanently --- after all, Sanibel is the shelling spot of America.

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