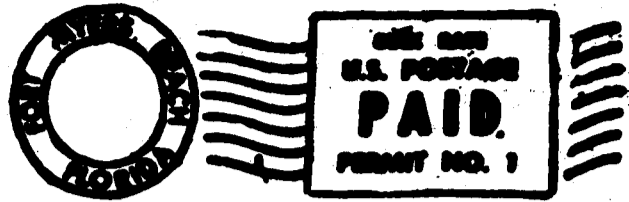


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LOCAL DEMOCRATS MEET

A group of local Democrats had a luncheon meeting last week at the Coconut Grove with Robert Cody Brown, Lee County Democratic Executive Committee Chairman. Mr. Brown described the Committee's efforts to organize at the grass roots precinct level, to which he has been devoting his full "retirement" time.

The local group agreed that there was a need to organize on the Islands so that the relatively small number of Island voters would have more weight in the County organization.

Those attending were Mrs. Willie P. Glass, Mrs. Joe Donahue, Mrs. Esperanza Woodring, Kenneth Bryant and Roy Bazire. Others will be asked to serve on a planning committee which will meet soon to take the next steps toward setting up a local Democratic Club.

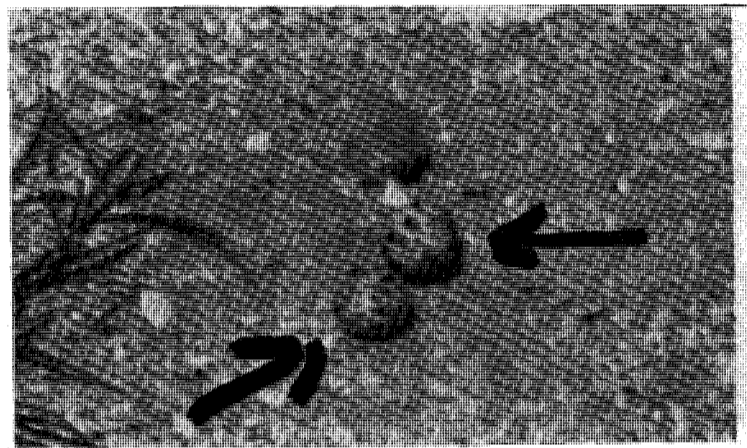


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Unless it's an egg. And if you look carefully, you can see the camouflaged Skimmer eggs which were laid by mama Skimmer birds on the causeway banks. Don't bother 'em --- don't pick 'em up --- and soon we will be surrounded by little baby Skimmers. By the way, PLEASE drive carefully through the "Bird Crossing" section of the causeway --- it is absolutely heartbreaking to see little broken bodies scattered by speeding cars.

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County Commissioner P. A. Geraci told the Islander this week that the County would be erecting a prefabricated building in Turner Park "within the next 60 days" which would contain not only rest rooms, but also a section where bathers could change their bathing suits and get in out of the rain (if any.) He said the building would be attractive and that they were planning a prefabricated structure so that it could be moved if ever necessary.

The County's recent clearing of a roadway to Bowman's Beach on Sanibel had sparked speculation that the Turner Park option would be dropped, and that a park would be created on the partially Federal owned Bowman's Beach. Mr. Geraci said that there was absolutely no foundation for this idea.

(Editor's note: We think that Sanibel and Captiva are most fortunate to have a County Commissioner who not only seems to be working for the good of the Islands, but who is also easily accessible when one wishes to ask him something. Availability, we feel, is a most important asset in public office.)

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DO YOU REMEMBER . . .

Our reporter found a great stack of Islanders from way back when . . . same name, different management and decade. (Oddly enough, we didn't know there was a first Islander when we christened the modern one.) Anyhow, we're hoping to bring you tidbits now and then which may stir your nostalgia or tickle your fancy.

For instance, back in January of 1937, the News-Press started delivering its paper by plane to the Islands, and the Islander's comment was that this innovation "A great compliment to this paper's popularity as we cover the Islands just like the sea shells, so it is little wonder a metropolitan publication was slightly disturbed." As we all know, the News-Press now makes delivery by Hap rather than plane ---painlessly, of course. (Oh, dear.)

And here's a poem---perhaps more of a word picture---from the December 26, '37 issue.

THE SHIP

I am standing on the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her sails and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength and I stand and watch her until at length she is only a ribbon of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then someone at my side says: "There! She's gone." Gone where? Gone from my sight---that is all. --- Just at the moment when someone at my side says: "There! She is gone!" there are other voices glad to take up the shout --- "There! She comes!"

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27	SAT	2:42A	1:12P	7:27A	8:28P	
28	SUN	3:19A	1:49P	8:03A	9:06P	
29	MON	3:57A	2:33P	8:48A	9:46P	
30	TUE	4:36A	3:26P	9:33A	10:29P	
1	WED	5:20A	4:32P	10:51A	11:18P	
2	THURS	6:05A	5:55P	---	12:08P	
3	FRI	6:51A	7:27P	12:12A	1:26P	

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Mr. & Mrs. CHARLES PASHALL of "Baybarlyn" have as house guests their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM J. SHIELDS and three grand-daughters, JOHANNA, CAROL & LINDA. The Shields are residents of Midland, Texas.

Mrs. DELLMAR REYNOLDS, with her two grand-children, PAUL & DEBBIE were visiting friends on Captiva this week. With them was PAMILA FUNK of Elkhart, Ind., who has been visiting with her grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. LEW FUNK, of Gulf Breeze Cottages.

Mr. & Mrs. DAINTRY FITZHUGH, who we are happy to say are spending much of their summer in their home on Palm Ave., have just returned from a three day visit with their daughter, JANE CALDWELL, in Coconut Grove. Jane, an accomplished sail boat racer, is the only female in history to have won the Trujillian Cup. She has won many trophies in sail boat racing and is the editor of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club booklet, published once a month.

Mr. & Mrs. BILL SHANNON, who have operated a restaurant on Palm Avenue for the past ten years, have now officially retired from that bit of business. Their restaurant had been turned into a very cozy home and Mr. Shannon is now head of the Captiva branch office of Priscilla Murphy Real Estate. The office is located on Palm Avenue on Captiva. Mrs. Shannon, MAE to us, has been giving a hand at Tween Waters for the

past year, and later will be associated with her husband in the real estate office. We wish them well in their new endeavor.

We have another new resident in our midst. Mrs. GLADYS M. PLUME, who has been a Red Cross director for the past 20 years, has purchased PAUL EVERETT'S house. Mrs. Plume will be in her new home until September, then will return to West Orange, New Jersey, where she will live for nine months before returning as a permanent resident of our beautiful Captiva.

Old friends of Mid-Island cottages this week are Mr. & Mrs. A.C. LEHMAN of Ridge Manor, Florida. Their guests are daughter and son-in-law Dr. & Mrs. R.S. HILL of Chesterfield, Mo., and their two Hill grandchildren, RUSSELL III and RANDELL.

Mr. & Mrs. J.L. LaPRADE and J.C. LaPRADE of Chatham, Virginia, are spending their first visit on the Islands. Mrs. CORAL BARTH of Vero Beach, Florida, gets special honors for having been the fishing "queen bee" of the week. Eight, ten and twelve pound groupers have taken her bait and were hauled in victoriously.

Mr. & Mrs. HERVEY ROBERTS of St. Louis, Missouri, were just here on Captiva to sign the contract for the building of their new home which will be located between ANDY'S and TIMMY'S on the bayside. Mr. Roberts will retire November 1 and become a welcomed resident of our Captiva.



BIRDS, BIRDS, BIRDS
by george weymouth

I moved to Sanibel about 2 1/2 months ago for two reasons; I love the island, and I've always had a keen interest in wildlife, particularly birds, and as we all know, Sanibel has plenty of birds. I've made a large chart (which I've hung in our home) and I've listed in a vertical line all the species of birds ever seen on the Islands, and across the top every day of the year is listed. Every day I am able, I mark down on this chart the different species seen that day and the approximate number seen.

For instance, I heard a Gray Kingbird at the lighthouse on April third; two days later I saw one, and two other people reported seeing them. By the eighteenth they were very common. Their sudden abundance (assume) has forced the Loggerhead Shrike and Sparrow Hawks to move to the mainland, as their diets are basically the same.

On April fourth, I saw two Least Terns on the Causeway; by the twentieth they were common all along the beaches, and

were nesting by the first of May on the causeway. (Tried to mark these nests with red flags, and was able to find around 1,200 on the South end of the Island, and figure there were around 400 on the North East end of the Island. I managed to band 400 young before they got too big.)

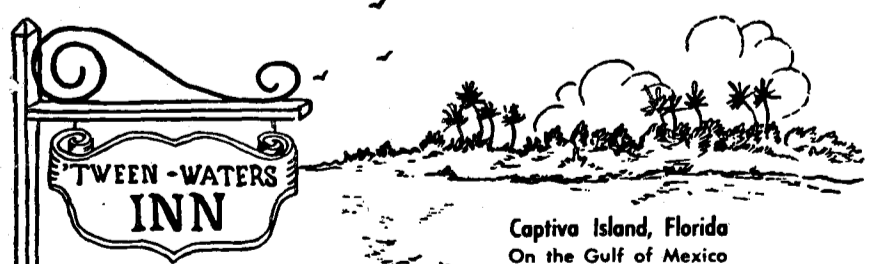
The Night Hawks arrived on the ninth of April and on the thirteenth I heard 1964's first Black-wiskered Vireo. Within two weeks they had also become very common, and on May 14th Mangrove Cocks made their appearance.

Around April 14th Charles LeBuff, who lives at the Refuge Headquarters, saw a Red-Headed Woodpecker (a former resident of Sanibel) and also saw around the lighthouse a Scissor tailed Flycatcher. We've also been seeing a Starling around the lighthouse and are a little concerned that it might start nesting.

A smooth-billed Ani (a very rare bird) flew by me at the Bird Tower on May 10th and 22 days later William "Tommy" Wood-Refuge Manager saw one by the rookery near by. Charles and I also saw one on May the 29th near the Mounds.

There have been approximately 100 Black Terns out on the Causeway in the last two weeks, on the same Island the Skimmers are nesting.

Any questions or comments will be greatly appreciated. Write George "Wildlife" Weymouth, General Delivery, Sanibel Island, Florida.

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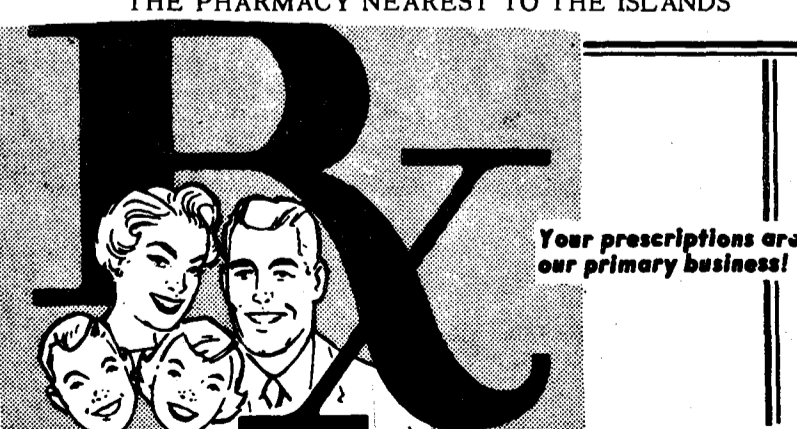
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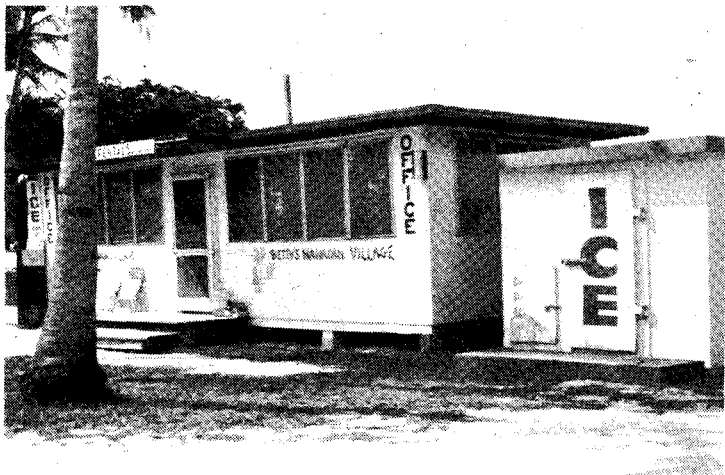
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The Islander's former reporter, CRIS GAULT, left Sunday, June 21, for a six week summer course in French at Florida Presbyterian College.

The summer seems to be going quite slow for the Island teenagers. During the day, most of them concentrate on getting a good tan. In the evening, they usually get together to watch T.V. and talk about future summer plans.

STEVE & JERRY MUENCH, of Syracuse, N.Y., are living on the Island for the summer while they help their father build a new trailer park. Steve, 20, and Jerry, 19, spend the hottest part of the day skiing or fishing in their boat--but they do work a couple of hours each day (or at least until their father returns from the North--at which time there will be MUCH more work done.)

TED WORSHAM, 17, a frequent

visitor is staying for a couple of weeks. He came over with his parents from Miami to visit the BILLHIEMERS, who are relatives.

TIM SLATER, VIC SMITH, CHRIS SMITH, BEN HALL, DAIN BRIKLEY & JERRY ZINT, of Fort Thomas, Kentucky, just coming from a "wild weekend" in Nassau, will be staying on the Island until June 31. The boys are staying with Mr. & Mrs. Smith at the Shell Basket. Four of them have been here before, and this trip they decided to bring a couple of friends with them.

We hated to say goodbye to PAT BROADBENT who left June 1 for Blowing Rock, N.C., with her father. Pat is helping him decorate their new model home. The rest of the family will move up there permanently at the end of the month. We are sure going to miss the whole family.

Sunday, June 13, JOE BUSTA, RICKY METCALF and FRANCIS PRITCHETT of Fort Myers and the Peach, came over to the Island to go skiing. Although the day didn't turn out exactly as they expected --- they ran out of gas, the ski rope broke and so did the steering mechanism --- all in all they had a lot of fun.

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