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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON WATER SYSTEM

Q. What is the ISLAND WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.?

A. The ISLAND WATER ASSOCIATION, INC., is a non-profit corporation, chartered under the laws of the State of Florida. Its sole purpose is to supply and distribute good water to the residents of Captiva and Sanibel at reasonable rates.

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Q. Who will be eligible for water?

A. Anyone who has a home, business establishment, improved or unimproved lot will be eligible.

Q. Who are the members of the Island Water Association, Inc.?

A. All persons contracting for water automatically become members, and have a vote in the election of officers and directors of the Assn.

Q. What will be the rates for water?

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Q. What will the costs be to connect up for water?

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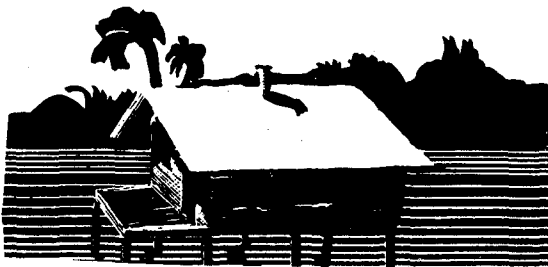
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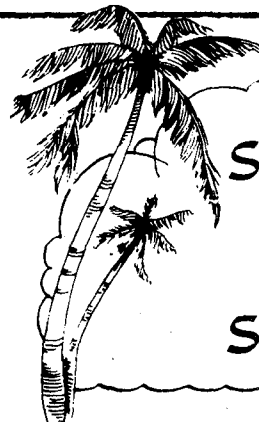
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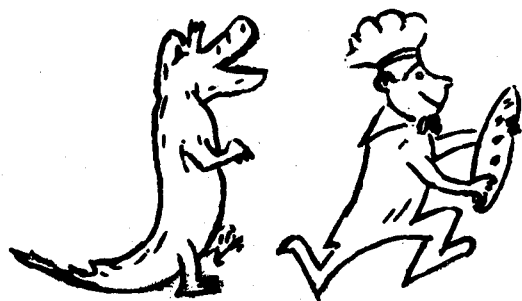


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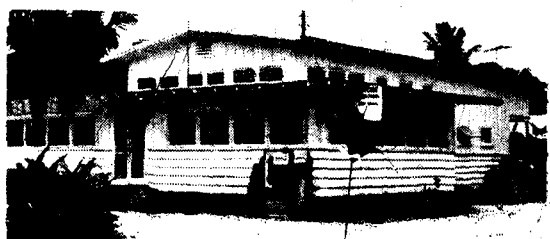
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OBSERVATIONS ON ISLAND BIRDS

Due to many circumstances, I was not able to get out in the field this summer. However, since it has cooled down somewhat in the last month, I've been able to get out and make some observations.

Maybe you've noticed that the Grey Kingbirds are gone. They began to leave around the first of September and were gone by the 30th of the month. The 'phone wires are now being roosted on by the Loggerhead Shrike (I first saw one on the 13th of September) and the Sparrow Hawk. On September 13, I drove over the Islands and saw not one Sparrow Hawk. The following evening, two showed up near the Sea Horse shop and last Sunday, over 150 were seen.

Other birds seen on the 13th but now gone from the Islands are the Night Hawk, Purple Martin, Black Tern, Gull-billed Tern and the Black-necked Stilt.

Barn Swallows, heading south, began to appear in early September and are now very common, as are the Rough-winged Swallows which appeared about two weeks ago. A Coot was seen at the bird tower on the 13th, and now there are four of them. I also saw the first Blue-winged Teal on that date. Since then, they have been joined by a handsome Pintail Duck.

The Catbirds and Palm Warblers showed up early in September and will stay with us until the middle of May.

Two new birds were added to the Island list on October 18. The first, a Rose Breasted Grosbeak was seen near the Sheriff's trailer, and the second, a Grey-cheeked Thrush, was spotted about a 1/4 mile west of the Snack Shack. Other birds of special interest seen on the 18th were the Wood Pewee (supposed to be rare - yet I've seen and heard six in the past two weeks), the Black-throated Green Warbler, the Pied-billed Grebe, the White Pelican and the Indigo Bunting.

On October 25, I drove to every "hot" spot on the Islands and identified 85 species. The highlight of the day was on Tarpon Bay road when I looked up on the 'phone wire and saw a Scissor-tailed Flycatcher and four Western Kingbirds. Some of the highlights of the day were seeing 35 Cheobes, an Acadian Flycatcher and a Bald Eagle. Others spotted were the Long-billed Marsh Wren, Swamp Sparrows, two female Scarlet Tanagers, a Magnolia and a Parula Warbler, and of course, some Roseate Spoonbills, which are always a thrill.

Mr. Griffing Bancroft of Captiva was out on the new dike with some visitors and they saw one lone Robin, so apparently they're on their way back.

Wildlife Weymouth (Ed. Note: We've also seen many rare birds around the Islands but could only recognize one species: The Bar-billed Scotch Sucker.)



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Who's Who on Sanibel

ELEANOR DOUGLAS (LEE) CLAPP, niece of Miss CHARLOTTA MATTHEWS of Sanibel, will have 47 pen and ink sketches in a book to be published soon after January 1. The book is written by Capt. ERNIE HALL, of Russel Park and is entitled "Flotsam, Jetsam and Scum." It was accepted for publication by the Cornell Maritime Press of Cambridge, Md.

BOB DORMER, recently retired from the U.S. Navy, is now associated with the Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate Office.

Mr. & Mrs. FRANCIS RAINER of Sudbury, Mass., have returned to the Sea Horse Cottages for their fifth season. Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM RANSIER of Birmingham, Mich., are also there for their fifth season.

Mrs. PAUL SIMONDS, who spent the summer with her mother in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, arrived back on Sanibel last weekend.

Dr. & Mrs. CLARENCE CONKLIN of Chicago have purchased a home in the Sanibel Estates area. Mrs. Conklin, while enjoying the summer in Westerly, Rhode Island, boasts of having caught FOUR striped bass with one cast. The bass weighed in at 14 pounds, on the cleaning table out popped three baby stripers, fully formed and each about five inches long.

The FRENNETTES's Beachcomber Motel on Sanibel is the happy home for a passel of return guests who will be enjoying island life for the next two weeks. Among them are Mr. & Mrs. ROBERT DETLEFSEN of Chicago, here for their second visit, Mrs. IRENE WILLIAMS of New York, who is on the New York TIMES staff, and Mr. & Mrs. ARTHUR ROBINSON and Mr. & Mrs. JOHN WILLIS, all of Toronto, Canada, where they are prominent in the engineering field.



Miss DEMBI SHAWN, who visited our Islands a couple of years ago (and had her picture taken and printed in the Islander) visited us recently for a short time. Formerly of Bumble Bee, Arizona, she's now in St. Petersburg at the Sunken Gardens where this photo was made. She said that work there was fun, but that she liked to relax and our Islands are the best place she knew of for that.



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JOHN HIONS (l.), his mother, Mrs. HIONS, and REGGIE HIONS were houseguests of the JOE GAULTS last week. The Hions are from London and are the family of Peter Hions, the English boy sponsored by the Gaults.

NEW TRAILER PARK

The BETTYS of the B-Hive arrived back on the Islands with lots of goodies picked up on their recent visiting and buying trip. First stop was their old home state of Indiana to visit family and friends. On their way back south they went by way of Fort Gordon to see former islander CHARLOTTE HARRIS, now serving as a WAC. They report that Charlotte hopes to visit the Islands on a future furlough. They then headed for Miami and Coral Gables to buy lovely things before returning and getting ready to open up the shop this coming weekend.

A/3c THOMAS MORSE has left the Islands after spending his leave here with his wife, the former MARY JO GAULT. They will spend the coming year at the University of Syracuse in New York where he will study Russian.

AL MUENCH, his son JERRY and a work crew have been at work clearing the new Periwinkle Way Trailer Park on the main road of Sanibel about three quarters of a mile right of the causeway.

Al says that they haven't removed one palm tree and are trying to leave as much of the natural landscaping as possible. They've even re-located water and sewage lines to preserve the trees.

All types of trailers will be welcome on the oversized lots, which also offer complete hook-ups. There will be a family section, and a children's playground is planned for the future. The Muenches hope to have the park ready by mid-November, which will be welcome news for short term Island visitors who have been unable to find accommodations for their trailers before because of the "full-up" problems elsewhere.

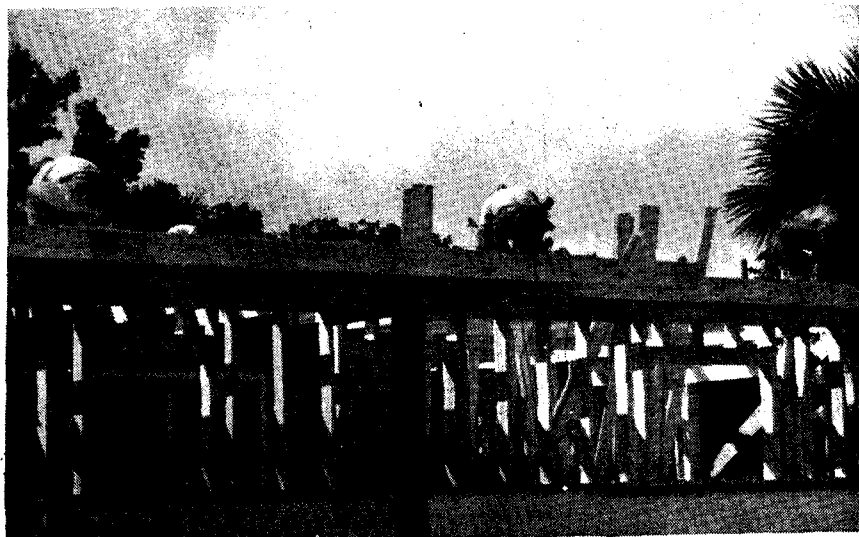


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Three carpenters hard at work on the construction of the addition to the PAUL KEARNS' Hurricane House on Sanibel.



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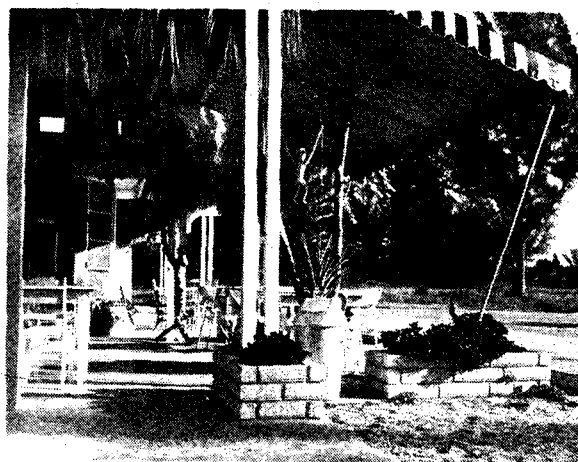
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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS from p. 1

After February 1st, 1965, the connection charge will be \$183.00 and \$75.00 must be paid at the time the connection is ordered, and the balance of \$108.00 can be paid at the rate of \$3.00 per month for 36 months.

Q. How does a vacant lot owner come under contract for water use?

A. A vacant lot owner may apply for water in the same manner as anyone else. The connection will be installed, but not turned on until the owner decides that he wishes to use the water, at which time he will begin paying regular rates for the water used. A maximum of three years will be allowed, beginning after the completion of the system, in which no water charges will be made, provided no water is used. After that period he will be charged for at least the minimum rate. It is expected that at least one and one-half years will elapse before the system will be completed. Therefore, such an owner has at least 4 or 4-1/2 years grace, before he must pay the minimum rate. In this way he can take advantage of the reduced connection rate.

Q. I have a well now. What should I do with it?

A. Unless you are one of the very rare well owners with good water, you most probably require much treatment in order to use it at all. Salt and mineral content causes your water systems to corrode, rust and deteriorate rapidly. It also causes your pumps to clog up and require numerous repairs. All of these problems are constly and injurious to your health. Pollution of wells is also an ever present danger. The water that will be furnished by THE ISLAND WATER ASSOCIATION, INC., is constantly tested and guaranteed to be uniform as to mineral content (softness), purity, and under constant pressure. We know that your total yearly bills will be less and your health and welfare will be safer when you use the water of the ISLAND WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.

Q. What obligations do I assume when I join the Association?

A. Only one--you must pay for the water you use--promptly. The Association will be incorporated under the State laws and as such, will assume all obligations and responsibilities. No assessments or taxes can be made against any individual members.

Q. How are the Officer and Directors elected?

A. The preliminary work of organizing the Water Association is being done by a Committee appointed by the Directors of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce and endorsed by both the Community Association of Sanibel and the Captiva Civic Association. The persons of this Committee are John Kontinos, President; Paul Stahlin, Vice-President; E.G. Konrad, Secretary & Treasurer; C. Smith Kauffman and Francis Bailey, Members. It is anticipated that the above named persons will be the first Officers and Directors of the newly formed Association until January 1966, when a general meeting of all the members shall be called. New Officers and Directors will be elected at that time. Each member shall have one vote for this purpose.

Q. Are the Directors paid?

A. No, they serve without compensation. The monies allowed are for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in organizing the Association.

Q. What salaries are paid by the Association?

A. Only those salaries to the personnel directly employed by the Association to operate the water system.

Q. When will work on the system begin?

A. Pine Island has practically enough subscribers now. We hope to get our needed 575 soon, so that we may begin the work in the Spring or Summer of 1965.

Q. Who expects to benefit from this water system?

A. Everyone who expects to live or own property on either Sanibel or Captiva. Good water is the first requisite for any community.

Q. I am a commercial user (motel, restaurant, trailer court, etc.). How many connections am I required to buy?

A. Only one meter required to serve your establishment.

Q. What is done with our deposit money?

A. All deposits are placed in bank accounts in the following manner: 10% is deposited to the Island Water Association, Inc., account. This amount will be used by the Association to cover initial organizational costs, such as postage, clerical help, paper, etc. 90% of all deposits will be placed in our escrow account. This account will be held for purposes of repaying the deposits, should the system not be built. It, therefore, follows that all the monies you deposit, save the 10% organizational costs, are repayable, should the water system not be built.

WATER SYSTEM TO BE TOPIC OF SANIBEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Sanibel Community Association will hold its monthly meeting and covered dish supper next Tuesday, November 10. The supper will start at 6:30 and the business meeting at 7:30 p.m. All who attend the supper are asked to bring a covered dish

and their own silverware.

Mr. Bishop, a water engineer, will speak on the proposed Island water system. All Captiva property owners, as well as those on Sanibel, are urged and invited to attend the meeting.

Who's Who on Captiva

Mrs. MAX HAYFORD has been busy as a bee this week seeing to it that all her lovely houses are in tip top shape for her winter guests. Mrs. JAMES PORTER of Cambridge, Md., arrived Saturday for her 10th year with Mrs. Hayford. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. ROBERT ANDERSON who lives near Boston. Mr. & Mrs. LEWIS KUHNLE of Brewster, Mass., are arriving for the 15th season and Mrs. SAMUEL BENNETT of Putney, Vermont, is on her way with one of her sons for her 5th winter away from the snow and ice.

Mrs. JOHN ENGEL had the "joy" of winning a bicycle as a door prize from the Sanibel Standard Station. Happy landing and congratulations!

Altho' RAY BOOTH still has (as of early this week) his arm in a sling, he is making himself mighty useful (Ed. note: It's about time!). The big job that really gives every one a lift is the new paint job on our Captiva Post Office.

CAPTIVA BOARD OF GOVERNORS DISCUSSES WATERSYSTEM

Mrs. GEORGE T. EAGER is back in her home for the 41st season. She recalls that the first 13 years that she and her late husband spent their vacation here it was in a tent pitched east of the light house. Their camping site has long been claimed by the Gulf. Mrs. Eager told us that Shanahan's House was the only eating and boarding place. The Islands were a rare treat from the hustle and bustle of New York City, where they lived. During those early winters, as many as 38 persons from the City visited the Islands in a single season because of Mr. & Mrs. Eager's enthusiasm.

Dr. & Mrs. JOHN HENDERSON of Princeton, N.J., who have been frequent visitors to Captiva, have sold their northern home and have bought a new home on the bay side of Captiva. Mr. Henderson is the daughter of Mrs. G.T. Eager.

Mr. & Mrs. BILL SHANNON went to the air port in Fort Myers Friday to meet the plane that brought Mrs. MARGE SPANG back to her home on Coral Way after spending the summer visiting friends and relatives in Penn.

ARVID JOHNSON left Captiva September 26 to deliver a boat to Afton, Minn. The one month trip took him across the Gulf to New Orleans, up the Mississippi River and then down the St. Croix River to Afton. He delivered the boat, safe and sound, to DAVID ONAN, a cousin of ROBERT ONAN of Captiva.

Mr. & Mrs. ARTHUR DUNHAM of Arlington, Vermont, have returned to Captiva and are now settled in Mrs. GLADYS PLUME'S recently purchased (from PAUL EVERETT) home.

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Captiva Civic Association was called this week. Those present were PAUL EVERETT, Miss JOSEPHINE REDDY, General JESSE LINDSAY, Mrs. HARVEY MEYER, PAUL STAHLIN & THATCHER ADAMS.

President Everett called the meeting to order for the big discussion of the evening, the extension of the water system from Pine Island to the Islands. After discussing individual community costs, General Lindsay moved that the Association loan \$100 to the Island Water Association to be drawn upon when needed. There was enthusiastic approval and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Meyer. It was also moved that an extra meeting be called before the regular January meeting so that winter residents who are not as yet here may have a chance to sit in on the new program for the Island.

The Captiva Board of Governors is very much on the alert, and is discussing other matters that will be a big boost to Captiva.

CAPTIVA LIBRARY

The County Library System, okayed last spring by Lee County freeholders and recently put into effect by the appointment of a committee by the Governor in late October, allots a specified amount of expense money for the purchase of new books and supplies. This amount, though small, is most helpful to the Captiva Library. Mrs. PARKER (PIN) MILLS, the Chairman of the Library Board, and Mrs. KATHLEEN DAVIES, Acting Librarian, have done an excellent job of indexing the books alphabetically and arranging them on the shelves by category and author.

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TALES OUT OF SCHOOL

We hear tell that we not only have a very talented reporter up on Captiva, but that Mrs. MARGUERITE FLORES is an accomplished sheller as well! Seems that she went out walking t'other day, and, since the water was so nice and the ripples so inviting, she decided to wade a while. That felt so nice that she kept on wading, and, then - she found herself on a shell bar, where she picked up fine specimens of live angel's wings, shark's eyes, Florida cones and various other beauties.



SITTING PRETTY

The Sanibel-Captiva American Legion Auxiliary Unit 123 is much closer to their goal of 100 new chairs with additional donations for chairs from ROSS & MARY PURDY, JOHN & VELNA RIDGE, MARGO REDINGER, FLOYD & MAUDE SNOOK, SMITH & GLADYS

KAUFFMAN, LEE ROY & HELEN FRIDAY, ELSIE MALONE, ELIZABETH ADLER, VIOLA WILLIAMS, BILL WAY, FLOYD & BLANCHE PFLOUGH and GREGORY & MARGUERITE FLORES, all of whom are Sanibel and Captiva residents, and from the HANK H. FRENCHES of Miami, Florida, who, with their check, enclosed the following note:

"Dear Mrs. Nix,

"Almost snatching the ISLANDER out of the mailman's hands the moment he rolls into our driveway - and devouring it from stem to stern immediately thereafter - we read about your badly needed chairs.

"Please accept our donation for one chair. You may inscribe it Mr. & Mrs. Hank H. French.

"Considering ourselves part of the endless chain of your island lovers and admirers, permit us to sign off with

Fondly yours,
/s/ Toni G. French (Mrs. H.H.)
Miami, Fla."

The total number of chairs to date is 34, and MARY NIX, president of the Auxiliary, wishes to express the gratitude of all the Auxiliary members for the generous response of all these good friends, and for the good wishes that have accompanied these donations.

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This is one of JOE GAULT'S many attractive illustrations in the new book by ELIZABETH CLEMONS, just published by Alfred A. Knopf. Miss Clemons and her husband, Vice Admiral Arthur Granville Robinson (U.S.N. Ret.), have visited tide pools and beaches all over the world. This is her 16th book. A third generation Californian, she chooses Sanibel for their vacations. Joe Gault, of course, is well known to Island visitors who enjoy shopping at the Gaults' attractive Sea Horse Shop.

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