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The cast of actors at the Pirate Playhouse of the "Reluctant Debutante," which is being presented for the last time this season Saturday night. Tickets are on sale at the box office. (L-R) Phillip Hunter (Director), Ruth Hunter, Jane Hines, Jerry Muench, Robin Hunter (The Reluctant Deb), Robert Dormer, Priscilla Murphy and Roy Bazire.

WATER ASSOCIATION MOVING TO NEW LOCATION

At the meeting of the board of directors of the Island Water Association held Tuesday 13, Paul Stahlin suggested that the Association badly needed new quarters in which to carry on its business. Mr. Stahlin then donated such space, without any payment or liability to the Association, for a period up to one year or until the Association has acquired and built its own space.

The new office of the Association will be in Town Square. This is the office formerly used by J.P. Carter Trucking Company and is well equipped with storage space for the Association's records. It also will allow permanent display of maps and progress reports.

The Association is now in the process of assigning coded numbers to each user. This code has been worked out to show the area, type of service and consecutive account numbers.

Office hours will not change---9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The telephone number will also be the same---Greenleaf 2-4981.

It is now believed that water will be brought to the Islands by late April or early May 1966. Construction of the system may be started this November. However, much of this depends on the progress of the Greater Pine Island Water Association in the construction of its system and its ability to deliver water to the Island Water Association.

AN EDITORIAL

To bridge or not to bridge is NOT the question---'Tis definitely must we and our many visitors continually suffer the outrageous lack of facilities which have not been provided for the public, or for our long-suffering business people?

Our promised comfort station for Turner Park---which was under "serious consideration" by the County Commissioners late last summer---is still just a promise. We cannot see how any sane, logical person (and we're sure our commissioners must be, for who would elect someone who was not sane and logical?) could even consider an attempt to bring more people to the Islands without first providing at least a modicum of convenience, (if not downright necessity) for those already here.

As for the question of the bridge in itself, a bridge which would open our beaches to the residents and visitors of Pine Island as well as those just passing through, we are not persuaded. Will all these extra people be content with Turner Park, Bowman's Beach and the twelve or so other access points? Or will they tromp through private property, as has happened all too frequently already?

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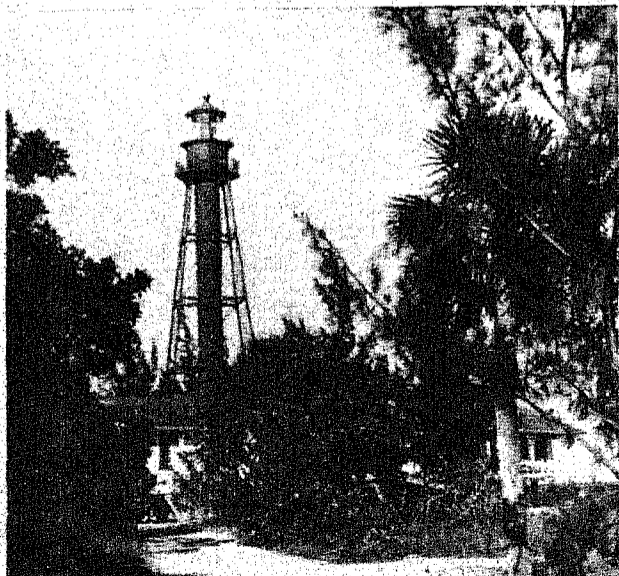
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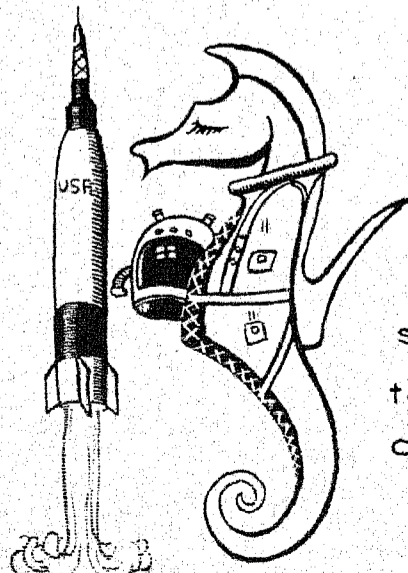
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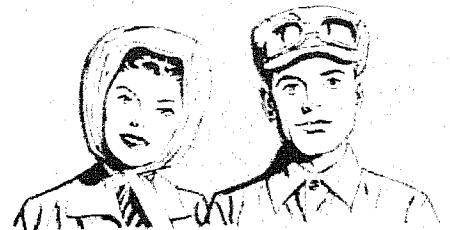
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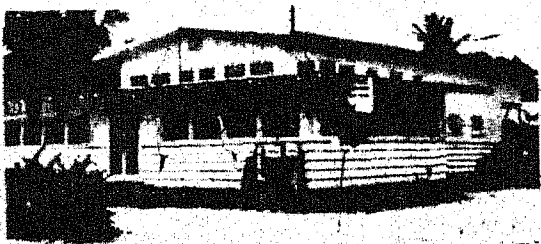
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WHO'S WHO ON SANIBEL

BARRCLAY READ has returned to his Gulf Drive cottage from his home at McLean, Virginia. Mr. Read will be here a month this time.

Some months ago Mr. PETER TOMPKINS was on Sanibel staying with Mr. Read doing the finishing touches to the book he was writing "The Murder of Admiral Darlan." This is based on historical facts and is an analysis of Admiral Darlan and his times with particular bearing on the rise to power of General Charles De Gaulle. The book is published by Simon & Shuster and has been very favorably received by the critics.

Mr. Thompkins is expected back on Sanibel shortly, and is expecting to buy a property in Fort Myers for his winter home.

Mrs. A. CLAY MOLLMAN of St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G.R. KIEWITT, has advised that if any of the Islanders wish to memorialize Mrs. Kiewitt she would be pleased to have contributions go to the Ding Darling Memorial Sanctuary. Checks should be made out to The Ding Darling Foundation Inc., and sent to Roy Bazire here on Sanibel. Mr. Bazire will see that they are properly credited as memorials to Edith Kiewitt.

EMILY PIKE, who has spent many winters at Island Inn, returned a few days ago to Minneapolis, Minnesota. We will be looking forward to her return trip next season!

Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KIRPATRICK from Gainesville, Fla., spent their honeymoon at the Island Inn. Mr. Kirpatrick was a Military Police in Berlin and Mrs. Kirpatrick is German. They found the Inn and Sanibel delightful. In fact the loveliest place in Florida and they hope to return next year.

Other guests at the Inn are: Mrs. MUELLER and son GARY are registered. They are from Orlando, Florida, and Gary is

in the Navy. Mr. and Mrs. H.E. BUHSE of New York City arrived by plane with their daughter. Mr. and Mrs. W.W. KIMBALL returned from New Port Richey, Florida. Mr. HORACE TREHARNE has arrived from Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. EUGENE ORNDORFF and two neices from Matton, Illinois, have registered at the Inn. Mrs. KAY KIDD and son have arrived from Towson, Maryland. Dr. MARTHA SMITH and Miss LOIS RANSOM from New York have arrived and are very enthusiastic about the Island. Mr. and Mrs. JOHN L. ZABRISKIE from Auburn, New York are also staying at Island Inn and enjoying the lovely Island of Sanibel.

Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR H. ZACHER of Sarasota drove down to Sanibel to be weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. MURRAY HAMILTON from Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The Hamiltons are enjoying the hospitality of the rather new N. D. YOUNG home on Gulf Drive for the month of April.

The Zachers brought with them Mrs. LYDIA MOREY of Sarasota who was the guest of ETHEL SNYDER. All six enjoyed Sunday dinner at the Nutmeg House as the guests of the Hamiltons.

DOROTHY DAVIS of Naples was a house guest for a few days at ETHEL SNYDER'S cottage on Gulf Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. E.W. NICK, who spent the winter at High Tide, have returned to their home in Erie, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN OSTER, III, are arriving on Sanibel tomorrow from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a short stay. They will be staying at the Oster winter home while soaking up some good old Florida sunshine.

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FOR SALE:

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STORYBOOK LADY

The "Storybook Lady," Mrs. H.A. Romine of Sanibel, has kindly donated her time to tell the children of the Islands marvelous tales which fascinate and captivate the young ones. The time is 10 a.m. every Saturday, and the place is the Sanibel Community Church. We know the children enjoy their hour, and we think that Mrs. Romine deserves a public "Thank You!" for her consideration.

To the Islander:

Hear ye! Hear ye!

The Glory of the Sea or to be more specific the shop "Glory of the Sea" on Sanibel Island now has a Conus Gloria-maris (chemnitz) commonly known as The Glory of the Sea. Our good friend Ede Mugridge, owner of the shop, is now the owner of one of the rarest known shells in the World. She was able to obtain this through the auspices of Dr. R. Tucker Abbott.

The purchase was consummated while Dr. Abbott was on the Island to once more judge the entries at the 28th Annual Shell Fair, and letters and telegrams have been whizzing between Philadelphia, Sanibel, and New Guinea. There is no commission involved in the sale of this specimen, so the native finder will get whatever amount Ede has paid for the shell.

The shell is a rare and beautiful specimen. The 30th ever found, I believe. It was found in October 1964 by a native diver from Pentegom Village, Djaul I.D. New Ireland I.D. in the Bismarks..

During our many years of vacationing on Sanibel we have come to be very friendly with Ede and were allowed to preview this gem which was not yet on display, before reluctantly leaving for the cool North. Since we've been home, we just want to tell the "Islanders" (we feel as if we were one of you and hope to be in the near future) how proud we are—as you must also be—to be able to say "We have a Glory of the Sea on our Island." It is a beauty to behold—a perfect tip with 15 whorls, perfect lip, all marling well defined and has a high lustre both inside and out. We suggest a round of applause for Ede for her fine civic action and to Dr. R. Tucker Abbott for helping her accomplish it.

Sincerely,
/s/ Betty and Carl Hilbert

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us new friends, it has also brought us problems which we are not sure we have been able to cope with completely. Sanibel and Captiva are famous for their peace and tranquillity as well as for the spacious miles of shelling beach and glimmering surf. We'll always have the Gulf, but if our other assets are lost, we may end up as the Coney Island of Southwest Florida.

We're not against progress, if it really IS progress. We like making money as much as the next man, but if we shortsightedly take the quick dollar today, will there be any dollar to make tomorrow—or ten years from now?

Almost without exception, the business people and residents we have interviewed feel that, if for no other reason than the lack of facilities, our Islands are not ready for additional guests. We also cannot conceive of even considering a new entrance to the Islands until this pressing problem is a problem no longer.

EASTER PARADE

Thirty-four children entered the first Annual Children's Easter Parade, sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva American Legion Post #123. The parade was from the Community House to the Episcopal Church (original plans called for it to end at Coconut Grove, but everyone got tired) and each child was given a gift and soft drinks donated by Island merchants.

Judges Glenn Rhodes, Father Thomas A. Madden, Mrs. Bettie Fenton and Mrs. Dotti Booker awarded the following prizes to the winners: Youngest child, \$5 gift certificate from Nave Plumbing, 3 1/2 month old Eric Wightman, best of show girl, \$5 gift certificate from Friday's House of Treasures, Billie Gesser. Best of show boy, \$5 cash, Sanibel Beauty Salon, Dale Legel. Best hat, \$3 cash from Gallery Motel, Bonnie Brown, best pre-school girl, a musical lamb from Birgit's, Yvonne Nave, best pre-school boy, \$5 cash from Dotti of Casa Ybel, Craig Skinner, best elementary school girl, \$5 gift certificate from Sea Horse Shop, Gail Carper. Best elementary school boy, \$5 cash from Coconut Grove, Curtis Nave, second elementary school girl, \$2 cash from the American Legion, Ann Kontinos, second elementary school boy, \$2 cash from the American Legion to Sammy Sharp.

DACHSHUND LOST AND FOUND

Missy Muench, whose father owns and operates the Periwinkle Way Trailer Park, was out in the park one day recently by herself. She was exploring and having a lovely time, when she saw a very fat little dachshund also out by itself exploring and sniffing and having a lovely time. Missey knew at once the dog was lost. It must belong to someone, it was so shiny and well fed, so she took it home.

Her parents started to telephone. They talked to everyone at Priscilla Murphy's. No, no one there had lost a dog. Jake Stokes came to take a look at it. No, it wasn't his dog, and anyway his dog happened to be at home.

The little dog, bored with all these goings on, lay down and took a nap. The Muenchs decided to let the owner hunt the dog. (Which they did.) They didn't have far to go, as they were staying at the Trailer Park. The owners were Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Muddlekrauss of Deland, Florida, and the fat little dachshund felt this had been "much ado about nothing."

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It was a kite! It was shiny red with a wide white stripe, and it made amazing maneuvers. It made circus like dives, then shot up towards the sky like a lightning flash! It gave the most fascinating performance. We finally realized that there was a young man at the other end of the two hundred and fifty feet of heavy string whose expert hand was putting the kite through its paces. He was running over the beach to take advantage of the breeze and he knew just what flip would make the kite do what he wanted it to.

Later in the day when the kite and its owner were again out on the beach your reporter took advantage of the situation to ask some questions. With a friendly smile we learned that the kite was made of plastic, soft and pliable and tough. Easy to assemble and constructed in such a way that it literally leaped into the air when the flying stick was inserted which opened its wings for flying. The owner was Captain Richard Lee of Massapequa, Long Island, New York. He is Captain of a commercial airplane. With a broad smile Captain Lee said he flies kites, he flies airplanes and he sails boats.

He told us how he and some other plane captains all fly kites on Long Island and that they have contests and battles. The kites come in all colors so the contests are quite colorful and exciting.

This experience confirmed my inner conviction that little boys never quite grow up. It is inspiring to know this! I am so glad and thankful it is so!

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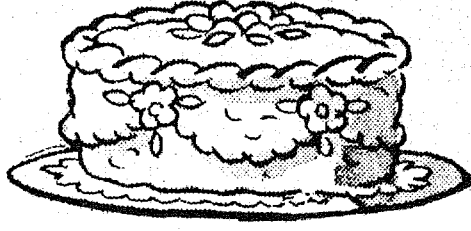
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Those who had season tickets for Fort Myers Symphony series and missed the closing performance, "Cavalleria Rusticana" by PIETRO MASCAGNI, handled so beautifully by the small town group, missed a rare treat. Mrs. ROBERT C. HAYNIE of Sanibel, who had charge of the dinner preceeding the opera, went all out to make it a beautiful affair both to the eye and to the palate.

Mr. and Mrs. TOM OSCHWALD of Tampa are guests of Mrs. Oswald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.A. VROOMAN, over the Easter week-end. Accompanying them is Mr. Oswald's mother, Mrs. INEZ OSCHWOLD.

Mrs. JERE TAMBLYN of Staten Island, New York, a frequent visitor of many years to Captiva, has returned once more as a guest of Mrs. J.J. GRULLEMANS.

Doctor and Mrs. ROBERT BRANNON of Birmingham, Alabama, and Mrs. Brannon's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. CECIL SLEDD of Miami, are enjoying a week at Mid-Island Cottages. Doctor Brannon is retired from his labors as a gynecologist. Mr. Sledd is an insurance executive with Hauser Company.

Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM RUSSELL, also of Miami, with their son BILL, a freshman at University of Miami, are back for their regular spring sojourn.

Other visitors on their first trip here are Mrs. AVIS CHRISTIANSEN, whose husband was affiliated with Moody Bible Institute for 40 years in Chicago, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. C.J. EHRENKROOK and their three sons, DAVID, 15, RICKY, 12, and RANDY, 5. Mrs. Chris-

tiansen and Mrs. Ehrenkrook and the young men remained at Mid-Island while Mr. Ehrenkrook, who is with Morton Salt in Chicago, went on to attend an executive meeting for that company in Nassau. Mrs. Christiansen is the mother of Mrs. Ehrenkrook.

It was a delight also to have Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE A. GORRY come by especially to see the spot that has captured the hearts of their friends and neighbors, The MURDYS of Darien, Connecticut, who make this their vacation center each year. Mr. Gorry is with the International Silver Company of Meriden, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. NELS LERDAHL of Madison, Wisconsin, who were visiting on the east coast, decided to come to Captiva to say "hello" to their old friend Mr. HARVEY MEYER. Having fallen completely in love with the Island, they remained for an extra day with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Meyer.

It was a delight and a joy that brought tears to the heart if not to the eyes to see and hear KAREN BOOTH at the organ on Sunday with our tried, true and faithful MARY BAILEY together playing The Palms. It seems but yesterday, Karen, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT BOOTH (more affectionately known as BOB and DODIE) was just a little butter ball of a child---now a lovely young lady.

Mr. and Mrs. RALPH BIXBY have as house guests over the Easter holiday their son W.K. BIXBY, his wife and their five grandchildren PETER, JENNIFER, ETHAN, LUCY and WILL. All having a bouncing good time.

SERVICES HELD FOR LESTER TUTTLE

Funeral services were held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Englehardt Funeral Home for Lester E. Tuttle, 45, who died a week ago Wednesday of a brain hemorrhage.

Tuttle, who had been on the Islands since last fall, was originally from Pennsylvania. Interment took place in the Fort Myers Cemetery.

According to the Sheriff's Department, which talked to witnesses, Aubrey E. Southward of Sanibel struck Tuttle. The department also reported that there had been no argument preceeding the blow which was the alledged cause of death. Southward has been released on bond after having been charged with manslaughter. No date has been set for trial as yet.

ANNUAL SHELL CLUB MEETING MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW

The Annual meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club will be held April 28 at the Coconut Grove Resturant. Dinner will be at 7 p.m. followed by the election and installation of officers. Please make reservations with Mrs. John Kontinos, phone 2-2751, indicating your choice of chicken or roast sirloin of beef; price, including tax and tip, \$3.50.

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LIFE SAVING SQUAD

There is a life saving squad on the beaches at Sanibel, both on the Gulf side and the Bay side. It's a voluntary squad and the members have much in common and are delighted to meet up with each other and compare notes when they do meet. I met Col. Jim Snyder on the beach Friday afternoon. Efforts that day were the saving of numerous live olives. Many were large and shining. The only mission of the squad is to save the live mollusks from the tourist who doesn't really want live shells but just hasn't thought about conserving wild life. We had both thrown back about fifty that had been left stranded on the sandy flat beach exposed by a very low tide. Olives make a curvy mound in the sand and it is so easy to pick live shells up at one end or the other. We just pick them up and toss them out in deeper water where they are not seen.

Live cockles, live conchs, and tulips are often left stranded by low tides and then the squads get busy. It's just one of those things. Some folks do and some folks don't. Of course, a rare specimen such as a golden olive, an albino conch or an especially lovely red tulip would be added to one's collection, but it is the wanton waste of quantities of shells which we deplore. So without any fuss or feathers we serve as active workers in the life saving squad. It costs nothing to join and it is fun. Try and see!

MARY CUNNINGHAM observed "that our own TOMMY ADLER as of Wednesday caught a very large Snook right smack, dab in front of 'The Eagle's Nest' (the name given to the new home of Mrs. W. HORACE WILLIAMS and Mrs. ELIZABETH T. ADLER) on Captiva Island. Keep it up, Tommy, and maybe we can establish a Fish House!"

The big sadness, however, is that next Sunday there will be no service in our beautiful little Chapel by the Sea. Dr. GUTHRIE SPEERS, our pastor, who has filled our hearts to overflowing these past six months, will be greatly missed by those of us who remain on the Island--but how good to have the assurance, God Willing, that he and his good wife will return to us again in November.

Mr. and Mrs. DALE BALLINGER took a three day, well deserved holiday when they with their EDDY and DIANNE motored to the east coast to visit their daughter Mrs. PETER CLAFLIN, her husband and their grandchildren for Easter.

TO ALL OUR ISLAND FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES:

We wish to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the loving messages by telephone-telegram and so many lovely notes we recently received when our husband and father left us.

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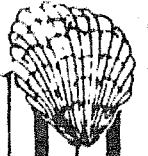
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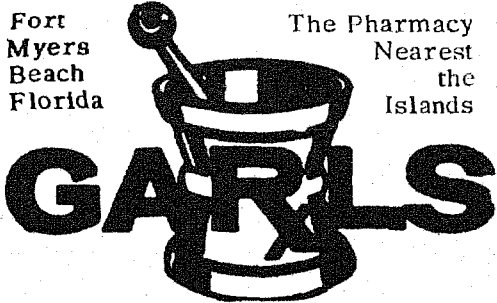
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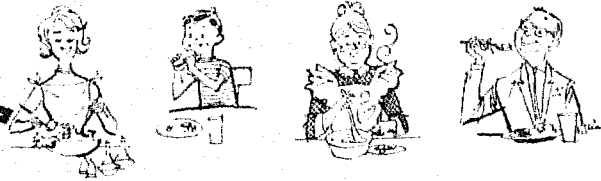
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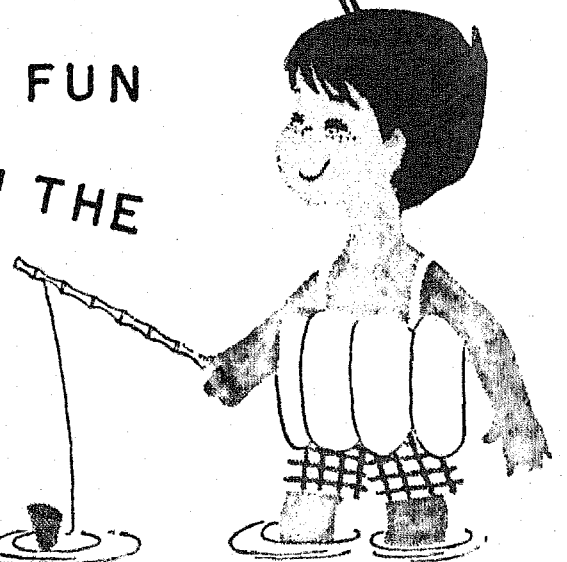
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