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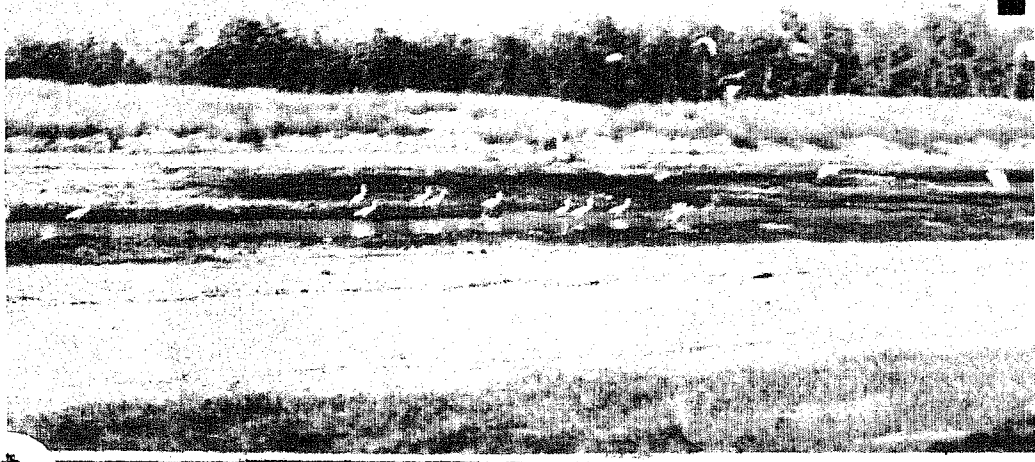


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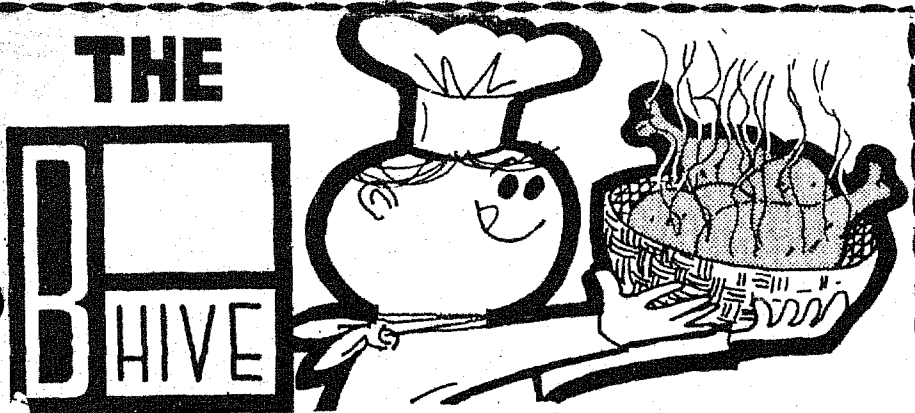
The directors and officers of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, December 9, at the Sanibel Community House. C. Russell Mason, executive director of the Florida Audubon Society, will discuss a proposed charter making the local society a branch of the Florida Society but at the same time maintaining its present status as a chapter of National Audubon.

The regular monthly meeting will follow the director's meeting at 8:30 p.m. Ernst Christensen, park naturalist of Everglades National Park, will speak on the subject "Hurricanes --- Their effects on wildlife." Mr. Christensen is a most interesting speaker and has addressed the local society before. You will want to hear him. The public is invited.

Moving Day At The Library



Many hands make work light and congenial, willing workers made Sanibel Library Moving Day a happy experience --- Betty Muench in a pick-up, Jo Pickens in a "bus" and Leon Levy in a station wagon --- ferried books and shelves from the old location to the new. Jerry Martin hauled all the heavy items in his truck. The loading and unloading crew were Wilb Snyder, Tom Nix, Marty Holtz, Pat Murphy and A.E. Coburn. Don Simonds, with an assist from Jim Pickens, anchored the shelves to the wall and the ladies went to work replacing the books. The packing and unpacking were done by Elise Fuller, Pauline Wilson, Willie Glass, Jo Romine, Mrs. Parke, Mrs. Nebleth, Jo Musson, Frances Heyser, Joyce White and Edie Levy. Mr. Buell Franklin deserves a special vote of thanks for building the new book shelves. YOUR library is a good one! Come in and see for yourself --- LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE will be held from 10 to 12 o'clock, Saturday morning, December 4. You are cordially invited to attend.



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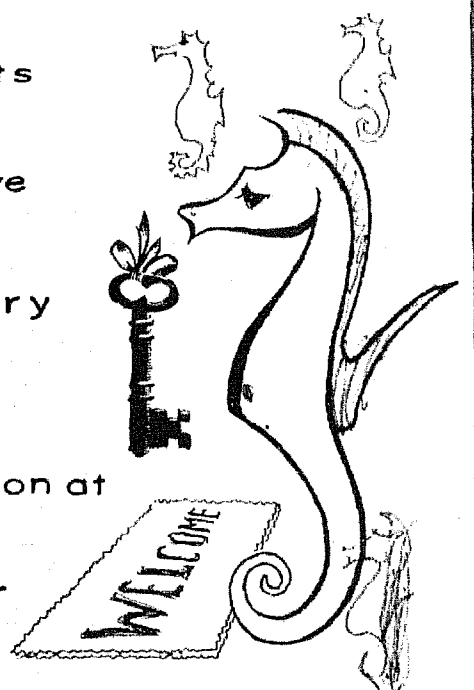
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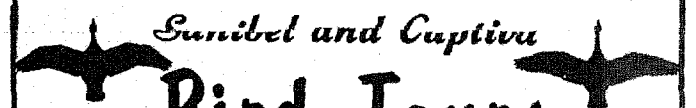
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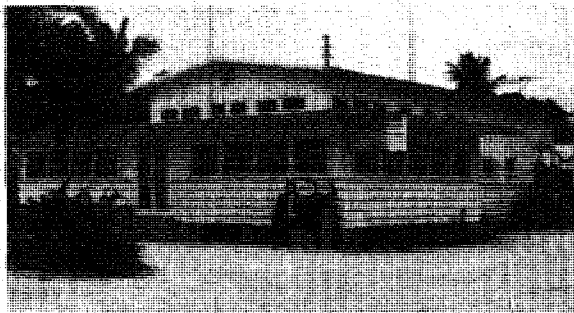
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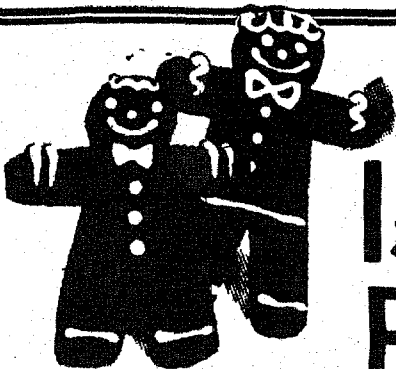


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ISLANDER

On Saturday morning, November 20, a Memorial Service was held in the Chapel-by-the-Sea for Mr. Harold M. Bixby, who died at his home on Captiva on November 18.

Mr. Bixby was born in St. Louis and educated at Amherst College, graduating in the class of 1913. He was a chief backer of Lindbergh's flight in 1927, and is credited with naming the plane "The Spirit of St. Louis." He made the statement at the time that "in my opinion, Lindbergh's feat is the greatest in the annals of human experience. It required careful, thorough planning, the highest order of courage, almost superhuman endurance and the utmost in flying skill."

After the flight, Mr. Bixby participated in "Welcome Home" celebrations in New York and Washington, including a reception at the White House.

In 1928 he helped organize the original Transcontinental Air Transport Corporation, and became one of its directors, as well as a director of Detroit Aircraft, and other concerns. In 1932 he became Far Eastern representative for Pan American, and until 1946 served as the system's administrative Vice President.

Mrs. Elizabeth Case Bixby, four daughters, and seventeen grandchildren survive.

Friends of the Chapel-by-the-Sea on Captiva should know that the telephone number for the Chapel and for Dr. and Mrs. Speers is Greenleaf 2-3292. The number in the telephone book is incorrect.

Mr. and Mrs. CLAYTON FORD of Blissfield, Mich., and Bradenton, Florida, spent the week-end with the EARL R. LILLIES.

Mr. and Mrs. S.E. KUIKEN spent Thanksgiving Day with their good friends, the JERE-MIASSENS.

The Captiva Library has acquired recently from Lee County three biographies of special interest. "Kennedy" by Theodore Sorenson, "Woodrow Wilson" by Arthur Walworth, and "Albert Schweitzer, an Anthology" edited by Charles Joy.

Recent arrivals on the Island include Mrs. HINES ROBERTS of Atlanta, and Mrs. SARAH DENNIS.

Mrs. LOCKWOOD PERRY from Asheville, North Carolina, and her daughter from Jacksonville, have also come for a stay.

The Rev. and Mrs. ALBERT J. ROWELL are negotiating to purchase the cottage next to BOB SABATINO on the road near Andy's dock. Rev. Rowell is the pastor of the Fort Orange Methodist Church and is a member of the Florida Conference of the Methodist Church. He and his wife and three children plan to use this home as a base and do not expect to be here continuously at present.

TIMMY says that he will open the "Nook" for soup and sandwiches at lunchtime, as soon as there are enough people on the Island to make it worth while. This is good news for lunchers-out.

THE ELECTRIC POLE
by ethel snyder

In the spring of 1951 the Electric Corporation of Fort Myers had decided that they would extend electric service to Sanibel and Captiva islands! This news was almost too good to be true to the Islanders who had weathered through many years with kerosene lamps, kerosene stoves, candles and other inconvenient contraptions. Even so we still preferred life on the Islands, but we rejoiced at the prospect of actually having electricity.

One of the first steps in the spring of 1951 was a survey. Young men in hip boots were seen sloshing around with instruments on tripods back in the jungles. Every now and then they got close enough for conversations, if shouting back and forth could be called conversations. They were unanimous in their opinion that of all the places they had surveyed Sanibel was the worst! Waist-deep mire, swamps, alligators, (who resented intrusions into their privacy) and ubiquitous mosquitoes! But we beamed on them with such radiance and approval at the very thought of having electricity that they forgave us and went right on with the survey!

In the fall when I returned from four months in the North
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Nutmeg House on Sanibel Island entertained many Captiva residents for Thanksgiving dinner. One party had Mrs. SPENCER EWING and Mrs. SUSAN KARR and friends; another party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN RACEK, and another of Mr. and Mrs. THEO. FONDA, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES ALT and Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR DUNHAM.



BOWLING NEWS

The Islanders made a clean sweep in the Beach Classic Friday winning four games. Ed Legel bowled over his average. Gogolin, bowling for Dotti's Fashion and Gift Shop, was going in good fashion. Doc Bryant came through for the highest game of the season with a 256, a little over his average. The team got a late start as Bryant was on vacation but has come from last place to fourth place, just five games out of first place.

There are many fishing guides among the Islands, but where would you go to find a woman fishing guide? We have one, ESMERALDA WOODRING, who not only runs her own boat on such trips, but until recently had a contract to tow Captiva Belle, our miniature Texas Tower. In the early stages of the work on the erosion project, she ran her boat and towed the Belle each night from the location south of the Post Office, along the Gulf to a safe harborage at South Seas, and towed it back in the morning.

Esmeralda was born on La Costa Island, and has spent all of her lifetime in the area. Besides the activities mentioned, she does commercial fishing in the summers, and takes out groups of people interested in bird-watching. In the present jetty project, when the poles are too large for the crew to handle, she tows them in her boat into deep water.

It's a far cry to her other activity, baby-sitting, but that's just another proof of her versatility.

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(Ed Note: Both missives were enclosed with or attached to subscription renewal checks. Guess differences of opinions make newspapers as well as horse races!)

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Mr. and Mrs. PAUL MAST and Mr. and Mrs. PAUL ADAMS were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR R. McNAMARA of Dayton, Ohio, at a Thanksgiving evening dinner party at Coconut Grove. The McNamaras recently arrived back on the Islands for a six month stay at Sea Shell apartments.

JACK and BARBARA ZBAR of Dalton, Georgia, were guests at Hurricane House over the holidays and were very thrilled with Jack's shell find --- a perfect three and a half inch junonia which he picked up in front of Casa Ybel Saturday morning. The Zbars have been coming here for years, but this was their first junonia --- which, by the way, was adjudged by neighboring experts as being one of the finest ever found on the Sanibel shore!

Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES J. MULLER of 14290 Saratoga, Detroit, Michigan, arrived November 1 and stayed at Sanibel Cottages. The Mullers have been coming to Sanibel for 14 years.

During their stay here, Mr. and Mrs. ROM ROKE of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KRAFT of Sarasota, Florida, were guests of the Mullers on the Island.

In addition to delightful company, the Mullers's fishing and shelling luck was excellent --- she found an orange one inch egg shell and he found a perfect Scotch bonnet, a varigated rose murex and an albino whelk. He also, in the fishing line, caught a ten and a five pound grouper off the Blind Pass bridge.

The Mullers spent a week with the Krafts in Sarasota before they headed back to the chill north last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. HENRY PETERS have returned for the winter at Beachview. They are entertaining relatives, Mr. and Mrs. DON MENGE and son RICHARD and Mr. O. BURGETT for a ten day visit to the Islands.

DANIEL COSSEY of Sanibel wants to thank all the friends who contributed towards the fund for the Fort Myers Mount Harmond Baptist Church, of which the Reverend C.D. COSTUM is minister. Over a hundred dollars was collected.

Daniel Cossey is the son of a Baptist minister in Alabama. He and all his brothers and sisters went to the Baptist church. They are all grown now. His favorite Bible verse is the 12th verse of Chapter 14 - Proverbs.

Mr. and Mrs. KURT EICH-ENAUERL opened bids Tuesday for their new Gulf-front motel at the end of Tulip way. Construction of Kapu Kai (forbidden sea) is slated to start December 10. The 18 unit (eventually planned 46 unit) motel, complete with swimming pool, putting green and shuffleboard courts, will cost approximately \$160,000 to build.

The Eichenauers (he's a native of Frankfurt, Germany) traveled almost 40,000 miles in this country and Europe before they found the perfect spot for their motel --- Sanibel. They discovered the Island by accident early this fall and promptly fell in love with it, as have so many other visitors-turned-residents.



THE FISHING IS GOOD. . . particularly for snook, as both J.B. RION (left) and HOUGH McINNIS (right) will testify. The Rions have returned to their Sanibel home from Murfreesboro, Tenn. The McInnis hail from Santa Rosa, California, and are spending the winter at Sanibel Trailer Park. (photos by pickens)

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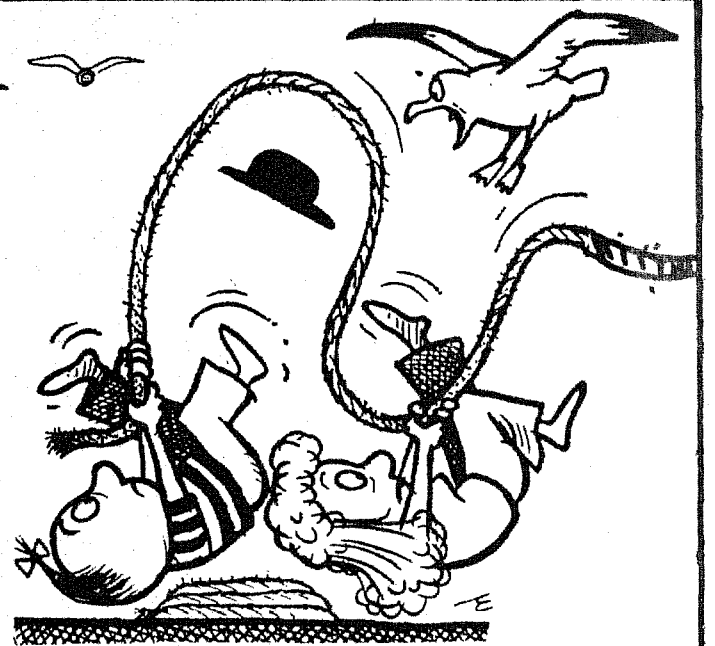
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ELECTRICITY from page 3

Carolina mountains, the survey had long been completed and now the poles and equipment were being brought over on barges. The island was still a South Pacific sort of place. My beach cottage could easily have been mistaken for a Tahiti affair, and I still had kerosene lamps and candles. But electric bulbs were imminent!

One morning a good looking young man, tripod, cameras and charming young wife appeared at my door! He represented the popular Colliers publication and had come to do an article on sea shells and to get photographs in color to accompany said article. That early in the fall I seemed to be the only one who had returned for the season and the management at Island Inn had sent him down to see me. Of course I was quite overcome with the commission, but was willing to do any and everything I could to assist. I do not recall just how long they did stay. Several days at

least and a fine article and two pages of color photographs appeared in the February 9, 1952, issue.

One very amusing incident did happen and just recently it came to thought and even the memory is good for a laugh.

The young representative from Collier's was Carroll Seghers II and he was efficient, indefatigable, charming and right to the point. He and Mrs. Seghers felt at home in my cottage and most welcome so I did see them often.

One morning when the sun out front was just right, he had spread out a good collection of local shells on the clean sand for a close up picture. He had worked with his tripod, looked from this angle and looked from that angle, stepped backward, came forward, changed the position of the junonia, retired under a large black cover to look through the lens.

In the meantime, a group of men from the electric company had come from the main-

land with a lot of tall poles. There were eight or ten husky men and a lot of poles, and they had dragged one of them into my yard. When they had dragged it out front they discovered the photographer about his business for Colliers and who had no interest at all in their business --- POLES. The electric men however did have an interest in his business. They dropped the pole they were carrying and all of them came over to see what he was doing! They found it more interesting than their own business, and all of them made an audience about him. Never have I seen anyone as utterly oblivious as Mr. Seghers in that group of


men; He went right on adjusting his lenses, placing this and that just so, submerging under the black blanket as if they weren't even there. Not a remark was made.

Finally they picked up their pole, (they had brought tools like ice tongs with which they dragged it) and drag it they did within a couple of feet of the tripod! They dragged it across the yard; I don't know where they took it. Neither did Mr. Seghers. Nor did he care. Maybe he didn't see it! Even though a telegraph pole is a large object. Even when prone! He certainly had not by the slightest token taken any notice of it!

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