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## FASHION SHOW PLANS

St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church will hold its annual fashion show at three p.m., February 22, at Island Inn on Sanibel. Mrs. George Causey of Fort Myers will narrate the show. Shops that will provide models and show "Vacation in the Islands" clothes are Dotties, Red Pelican, Seahorse and Baileys. It is expected that other specialty shops will have displays but the plans for these displays have not been finalized.

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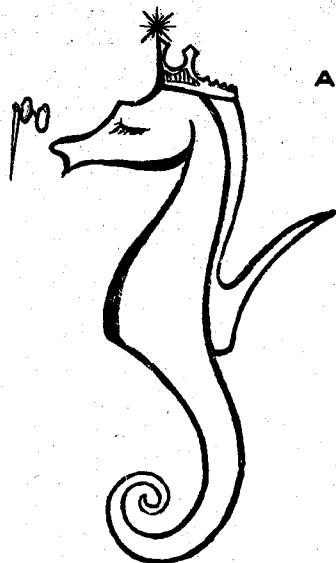


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nity Church, Members Homes --  
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Lions Club, dinner meeting  
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Florida Trend Magazine says the number of Floridians licensed to pilot airplanes increased by 38 per cent to more than 21,000 last year in Florida.

Fresh fruits contain large quantities of water and are important for the vitamins and minerals they offer, says the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association.

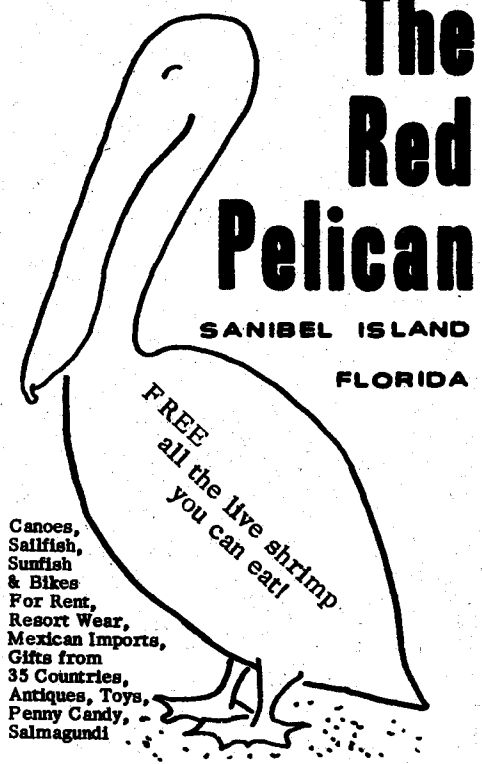
Among the guests at Island Inn are: Mr. and Mrs. HUGH JOHNSON and family of Oberlin, Ohio; Judge and Mrs. MAURICE COHILL, Jr., of Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT MILLER and family of Providence, R.I.; Mr. GEORGE LACEY of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES P. CLIFFORD of Wayzata, Minn.; Mrs. C.K. WEICHERT of Cincinnati, Ohio; Miss HELEN TYLER of Hickman, Ky.; Bishop and Mrs. GEORGE LUXMAN and son, DARCEY of Ontario, Canada; Dr. and Mrs. ALLEN LUKENS II, Newton Island, Mass.; Mr. TOM M. WINTERSMITH of Louisville, Ky.; and Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT L. TURNER and Dr. and Mrs. CHARLES WATT, both of Thomasville, Ga.

Many fish living 4,000 feet down and deeper have built-in luminescent lights, says Capt. Bill Gray of the Miami Seaquarium.

### ARTISTIC JUDGES

For many years Mrs. Clarence Horn (Grace) wintered on Sanibel Island as a guest pursuing her love of shells and shelling. Two years ago she bought her own home here. All of these years she has taken an active part in church and community activities and is well known for both her beautiful shell work as well as her recent entry into the world of canvas, palette and brushes to produce lovely oils depicting some of the Island's beauty. Mrs. Mary Purdy came to Sanibel at every opportunity with her husband, Ross, and together they decided that 'this was the place' so when Ross retired they moved to Sanibel and built their home. They both entered wholeheartedly into community affairs and the Islanders soon became aware of Mary's special artistic ability. In her home are many objects of her gifted handiwork and she has always given generously of the beautiful things she makes with shells to further the successful endeavors of Church, civic and patriotic organizations on Sanibel.

Mrs. Dorothy Stearns also first visited Sanibel as a guest. She is an artist and found so much that she wanted to put on canvas that visits just weren't quite enough so she built a winter home here. Even that wasn't quite enough so she recently sold her home at Amityville, N.Y., and has become a year round resident. With her love of beauty, she was soon involved with shells both in painting and in using them decoratively.

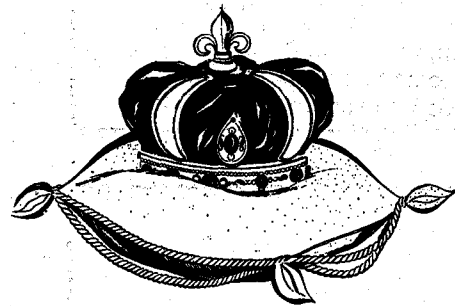


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Mr. Campbell is editor of Space/Aeronautics Magazine. Mrs. Campbell, in addition to leading a busy life as homemaker and mother, is rapidly becoming recognized as one of the leading painters in the New York area. Some of her loveliest oils and water colors have been inspired by the beauties of Sanibel and Captiva on previous visits to our Islands.

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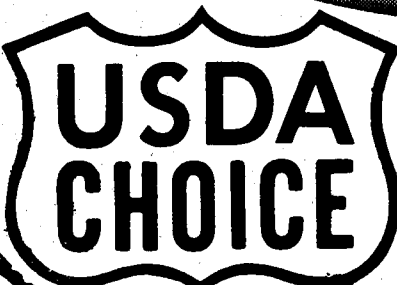
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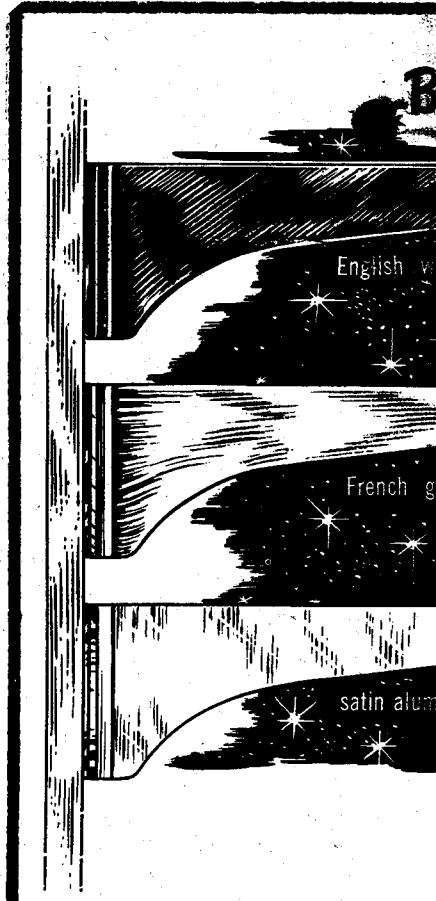
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by ray sorel

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Scientific measurements with a Secchi Disk showed that the disk could be seen when it was nearly 500 feet deep in the Red Sea. A Secchi Disk is a standard white disk a couple of inches in diameter.

It's possible that the water is some of the springs here in Florida may approach the clarity of the Red Sea. Some of these springs are close to 200 feet in depth and there's no trouble seeing the bottom from glass bottomed boats. You can drop a quarter in Wakulla Springs, for example, and watch it drift all the way to the bottom.

If you're talking about the penetration of light in water, it seems to me that this Secchi Disk method isn't any good. In order for you to be

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ROLAND Q. ROBERTS  
ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY

Roland Q. Roberts, prominent Lee County Republican, Thursday night announced his candidacy for the District 3 seat on the County Commission to be vacated by incumbent Commissioner Herman Hastings. Roberts' announcement was made to enthusiastic members of the Fort Myers Republican Club, many of whom believe that his candidacy is tantamount to the acquisition of another Republican seat on the County Commission.

Roberts, in his initial venture into politics, ran against Commissioner Hastings in the 1964 election and confounded the experts of both parties by making it a horse-race down to the final count of absentee ballots. Hastings eventually won by an extremely small margin, but a shift of only 250 votes would have placed Roberts in the winner's chair. With Hastings out of contention this year, many Republicans believe Roberts' proven ability to get votes in Lee County, his leadership and extensive work in conservation and other local fields plus a lifetime of experience in mass-media advertising combine to make him an outstanding candidate.

Roberts, who resides at 675 Randy Lane on Fort Myers Beach, moved to Lee County in 1959 from Chicago where he was a partner in the firm of Roberts and Mathien Advertising Company, Inc. In his business he dealt primarily with mass media on behalf of business and industrial accounts, as well as conducting surveys and doing market analysis. Roberts lives with his wife, Elizabeth, and a son, Stephen, 23, who attends Edison Junior College.

Among other activities, Roberts is president of the Fort Myers Beach Lions Club; vice president of the Lee County Conservation Association, Inc., a director of the Lee County United Fund, a director of the Beach Improvement Association, a member of the Beach Advisory Board, and a member of the Lee County Recreation and Development committee.

The candidate said he intends, during the campaign, to make an analysis of increasing county taxes over recent years and to determine where the vast sums of tax monies are being spent and most important of all, what we are getting for our money. Roberts stands for a leveling off of both tax spending and tax rises consistent with the needs of adequate government.

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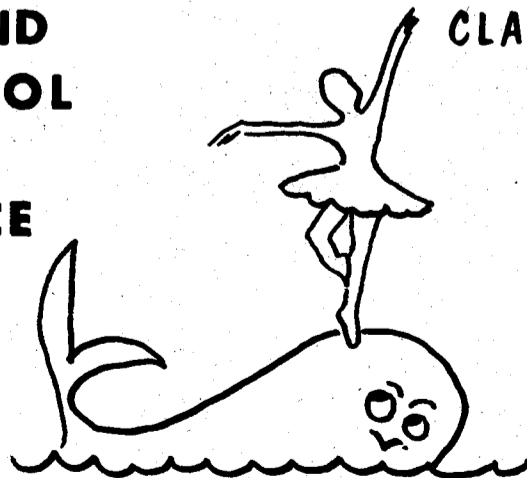
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Though men will curse and say:  
"I'll get that Snook someday!"  
None will cut one pink fillet  
Behind the gill and through the  
tail;  
Their heads will only turn and  
look  
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Snook.

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The unusually complete reference shelves of the Sanibel Public Library have been further augmented by the "Buying Guide Issue of Consumer Reports" published in December, 1967. This guide for 1968 contains more than 2,000 ratings by brand name and model, evaluating a wide range of major and small appliances, audio components and systems, radios and TV, home maintenance materials, photographic equipment, workshop tools and garden supplies.

This guide has been compiled from material published in the monthly magazine, "Consumer Reports." It is intended as a sampling of the more significant reports that have been presented in the past. Much of the material has been distilled and refined. Some reports have been revised to bring the material up to date, and some has been completely reworked.

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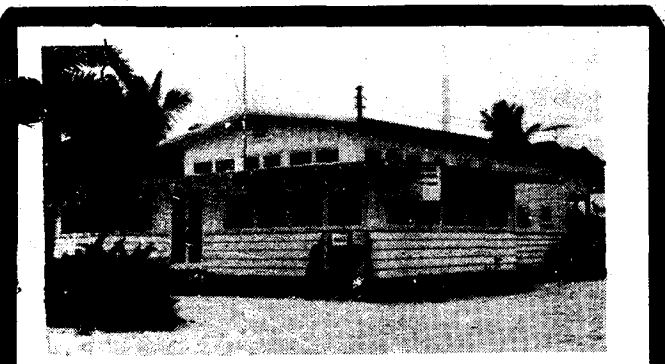
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#### AUDUBON SOCIETY

An illustrated talk on the native trees and shrubs of Sanibel and Captiva will be given at the next meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society at Sanibel Community Center at 8 o'clock on February 8. The talk, by Hervey Roberts of Captiva, will concentrate on the native trees and shrubs that have particularly attractive flowers and fruits. The public is invited.

The society's first "Roughing It" trip on January 30 was attended by 27 persons---more than were expected in view of the fact that the trip was announced as being rugged. Led by Charles LeBuff of U.S. Fish and Wildlife, the group worked its way through mangrove swamps and a fresh-water alligator pond, frequently in water up to the knees. No one dropped out, and everyone appeared to enjoy the rough going.

Mr. LeBuff hoped to show the group an alligator. But with 27 people splashing through knee-deep water any alligator present had discreetly withdrawn. The group did see some interesting birds and plants, including some clumps of wild orchids that have been almost wiped out despite the fact that they are protected by law.

#### ALBERT - CIRCE AND NEPTUNE AT THE PIRATE PLAYHOUSE

There are three new additions to the cast of "Pagan In The Parlor." Albert, Circe and Neptune at the Pirate Playhouse. "Albert" is a dear little yellow parakeet who lives at Villa Capri. Marshall Tabacchi spruces him up for each performance before he arrives at the theater. Albert is an integral part of Pagan.

Circe and Neptune are two goldfish which are also involved in the plot. Ruth and Philip Hunter bought them this week, complete with a bowl full of rose-colored water at the Fort Myers Fair. When performances of Pagan In The Parlor are finished, Circe and Neptune expect to live in the aquarium which was presented to the Sanibel Elementary School by Mary Aleck.

#### TAX VOTE COMING An Editorial

There seems to be no question but that the legislature will increase the state sales tax to 5%---one of the highest in the nation. Also this month we are being asked to increase our taxes for schools and a bond issue for new school buildings. With the increase many property owners had this year in taxes all of these new measures (if passed) will put a heavy burden upon the home owner.

We do not know exactly where the requirements for present day schools come from---whether from the county school board, the state or federal government, but we do think they have gone overboard on the "frills" that add a great deal to the costs.

If some of the so-called frills could be eliminated perhaps we could pay our teachers a little more and provide them with more equipment to work with.

At this time some educators think that children of various ages should be taught in the same room---they are no doubt too young to remember the country school of years ago which operated on the same principle and from them came some pretty smart people.

Many people today think the South is very backward in their expenditures for education, yet Florida is in the same bracket with Connecticut, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, and Virginia as far as money per capita is spent.

We think that the additional school levy and bond issue will have rough going at the polls later this month.



#### REAL ESTATE NEWS

Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate reports the sale of a lot in Sanibel Estates to Bernard and Carol Smith of Avon Park, Fla.

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#### TO THE ISLANDER:

It is possible that I saw the Torpedo Ray described by Mr. John F. McGwin in the January 25 Islander, or one just like it.

I believe it was on December 2, 1967, that I saw such a ray in shallow water in front of Hiers' Cottages. It was scalloped, spotted, and slow moving. I touched it with a stick I was carrying, and the ray did not visibly react.

When I described it to my friend, Gertrude Cole, she said that she and her husband, the late Jack Cole, had seen such a ray when fishing several years ago. When Jack touched it, he received an electric shock.

My husband and I have been Sanibel visitors since 1951, and this was the first such ray seen by either of us.

/s/ Mrs. Roland E. Russell.

#### TO THE ISLANDER:

It has recently been brought to my attention that several imposters, each claiming to be Professor Rudolph Unger-dunger, are at large on the Islands. The result of this unprincipled skull-duggery has been that doubt has been cast on my identity, not to speak of questions as to my authority in the field of science, particularly in Marine Biology, which of course is my specialty.

I would like, therefore, to give notice that there is only one Professor Rudolph Unger-dunger and that I am he. Anyone else claiming to be me is a phoney, a no-good, and not to be taken seriously.

It would be well for these imposters to bear in mind that I am not to be trifled with personally, in addition to which I am backed up by the not inconsiderable resources of the National Ichthyological Institute of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, which has a long-standing and enviable record of supporting its members in matters pertaining to marine phenomena.

/s/ R. Unger-dunger.

#### SANIBEL - CAPTIVA ART LEAGUES

About 20 artists, some beginners and some advanced, met at the Captiva Community Center on February 1 to participate in a sketch class sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Art League. The group worked outdoors making sketches of the tiny sunlit Chapel by the Sea. Mrs. George Winterbotham, prominent artist and teacher from Sanibel, helped the artists with criticisms and suggestions. The sketch class will meet regularly at 10 a.m. on Thursday mornings at the Captiva Community Center. Members will work indoors or out depending on the weather. Artists interested in working with the group are welcome. There is no charge. Anyone wishing to participate should bring a chair and whatever materials he prefers to use for sketching. Those planning to use water colors or oils should also bring a drop-cloth or newspaper. For further information call Mrs. Hal Harrison, GR 2-5971 after 5 o'clock.

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It took Michael Pirisci about an hour to land this big one surf fishing with 10 pound test line on the beach in front of Zic Zac. The Piriscis are vacationing at the Foote Cottage on Gulf Drive.



Shown above is Bob Sabitino's half day record catch, 40 Red Fish, along with the catchers, Murry Hoyt (L) of Middlebury, Vt., and Allen Zimmer of Louisville, Ky., were the two anglers. Both men are staying at High Tide Cottages.

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SEA CHEST from P. 6

gated before World War I and between the two world wars, scientists were filling in the remaining gaps. One of the last gaps was the region in the "near" ultra-violet, the region where the ultra-violet is almost visible. The penetration of light through water hadn't been measured before because photoelectric cells sensitive to this region hadn't been invented. Physicists were connecting the known light penetrations on either side of this region assuming that it would follow the same curve when it could be measured.

When they got around to it finally, they found that light penetrated water so easily in this region that they called it the "blue window." This light penetrated much farther than the light at wave-lengths on either side. The attenuation of the light was so slight, as a matter of fact, that the scientist making the measurements thought there was something wrong with his equipment. It wasn't necessary for him to get out in the ocean to make these measurements. He set up a trough of water and passed the light up and down this trough with mirrors so that it looked like a very long trough to the light.

The invention of an ultra-violet laser recently and the ability of ultra-violet light to penetrate water so well may lead to some rather interesting underwater instruments in the not-too-distant future.

**ALLIGATORS PROTECTED**

Congressman Paul Rogers termed the endangered species passed out of the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee as the most effective legislation yet designed to protect Florida's alligators.

The bill sets up federal machinery to prosecute dealers in poached alligator hides. The full committee passed the bill this morning. Hearings were held earlier in the subcommittee on fisheries and wildlife conservation, of which Rogers is also a member. Rogers supported the legislation and backed the amendment which included alligators among the species which the legislation covers.

Rogers explained that present law covers the transport in interstate or foreign commerce of many species, but the reptile family that includes the alligator, was not given protection under this law.

"We have included reptiles and amphibians and other such wildlife in the bill," Rogers said. "This means that the person who buys alligator hides and then sells them, or the person who buys them in another

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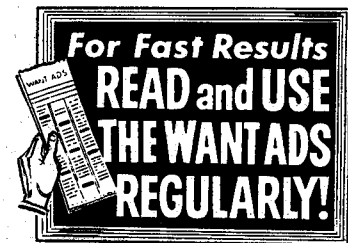
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state now are violating a federal law.

"If a poacher is not caught in the act of slaughtering and can get the carcass of hide to a shipper, there is little state or federal officials can do under the present law," Rogers said. "But I anticipate the House will act soon on this legislation so that anyone dealing in the unlawful handling of alligator hides will be subject to federal penalties and fines."

The bill carries penalties up to a \$1,000 fine and/or six months in prison. "Our alligators are fast vanishing," Rogers said. "I think this legislation is the most effective piece of machinery yet devised to halt this slaughter."

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5 The Chosen. <i>Potok</i>	5 Tolstoy. <i>Troyat</i>	
6 The Gabriel Hounds. <i>Stewart</i>	6 Memoirs. <i>Kennan</i>	
7 Vanished. <i>Knebel</i>	7 At Ease: Stories I Tell to Friends. <i>Eisenhower</i>	
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