

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

The ground breaking ceremony for the First Baptist Church of Sanibel's educational building and Pastor's home went off without a hitch last Sunday at 3 p.m. Dignitaries present were: (1. - r.) The Rev. Jack E. Otis, Pastor; Bob Stevens, Contractor; The Rev. James Holbrook, Pastor of McGregor Baptist Church of Ft. Myers, Somsor of the Sanibel Church; Belton Johnson, charter member; Clayton Johnson, itiam Hart, Phyliss Ladd, members of the steering committee. The photo was by Dr. H. Fred Williams, Superintendent of Missions.

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MAN, THE KILLER by larry c. huston @ July 15,71

It is doubtful the brown pelican will survive the progress of man. Its fate is already prescrived. In one sense man has entered into and has become a deciding



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factor in the chain of events which have led to the pelicans present day plight. It all began quite innocently. Several years ago, back during the great depression of the 30's, products were being developed and used to help man in every day life. Products which took the burden from man's shoulders of having to swat flies off his cows, spray his out-door privies and generally reduce bug count has taken the toll of birds.

With development of hard pesticides man has even reduced bug count on himself. With all this progress the formula of death for the brown pelican and many feathered friends was written.

Now it is true that this was not intentionally done. Man is quite a soft hearted fellow. A summons from almost any direction will bring out all the workers to help rescue the birds of the world. In fact, man has even curtailed his desire to kill birds by gunplay, that is, many who used to hunt every bird and animal on the list have even stopped going afield.

Other chemicals have been developed, refined or produced in the name of progress to help the everyday life of the peoples of the world. The oil industry is booming. The lights of the nations of the world are burning. Vast ships are carting this material across the waters to refineries. With each bit of progress to relieve man's muscles or to help mankind, products are born which seem to threaten the beauties of the earth.

The march to kill the bugs eating our crops have invaded the realm of the water birds. Especially, birds that depend on water for fishing to feed themselves and their young, are in danger of becoming extinct.

D.D.T. is a real threat. It innocently helped man produce more crops. It slew bugs by the zillions. The per acre tonage of farm crops increased to fantastic proportions due to use of hard pesticides.

But fantastic proportions of wild life are going down the drain due to the consumption of infected fish. Fish that ingested water carrying the chemicals, which washed down the streams from the fields and into the esturine waters of the great rivers and shorelines of the land masses, are the next link in the formula.

Each time a pelican dives into the water to do his thing of daily providing sustanance reduces his chances of survival.

Hard pesticides build up inside birds, which have digested the fish, which ingested the water, which carried the chemicals that flowed down stream from our crop producing fields, which were sprayed or dusted in the first place.

Then when the bird nests, lays eggs, and generally goes about his every day chores of getting on and off the nest he or she break the eggs. To begin with, calcium production is out of whack and the eggs are layed without enough shell thickness to last out the busy nest til hatched. Each time a pelican returns to the nest and after making the password signals to his mate, she climbs into the nest. Next she puts a large foot on each egg and grips it. Then she wiggles her tail to settle down on the nest.

The eggs are broken before they hatch. Sometimes eggs are layed which have no shell at all and only a thin membrane.

Each year pelican reproduction is off and with it we lose a little more of the wonders and beauties of nature. Next week - the threat continues.

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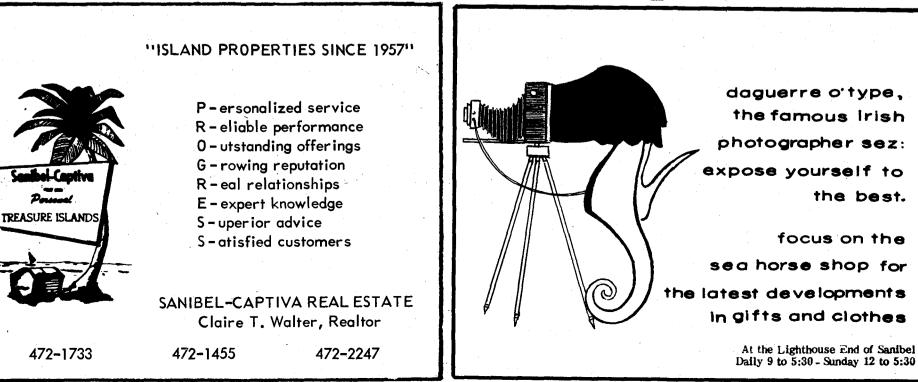
Although we speak about it only in whispers, The Red Tide is here.

Sanibel has not been affected as adversely as areas both north and south of us but Monday the sight and smell of the dead fish littering the beach was not pleasant.

Most of the amothered fish are small trash fish. The county and most of the larger motels along the beachfront keep tractors going constantly, dozing up and burying the fish before they get too bad.

What to do? Discourage children from swimming in affected areas, pray for off

Like the Englishman's verse, "It might be better but it could be worse."



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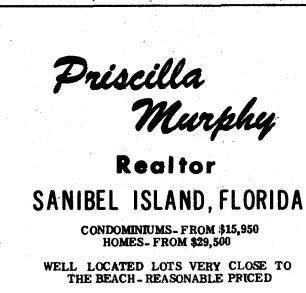
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SUNDAY:

ISLAND INN

Mrs. Harry Schanberger and Mrs. H. Hinson of Fort Lauderdale, are here for a happy sojourn at the Inn. Other visitors from around the state are Mr and Mrs. W.L. Pedersen of Maitland, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Antonio of Orlando, and Mrs. William Charlton and charming daughter from New Port Richey.

Others from out of the state who are relaxing at the Inn are Mr. and Mrs. C.J. McGinnis of Phillipsburg, N.J., Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Dilworth of Munhall Pa., the Robert Tuttles of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gohmer, Jr. of Alton, Ill., Miss Caroline E. Whitney of Watertown, N.Y., the E.G. Latshaws of Oak Park, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Locatell of Atlanta, Ga.

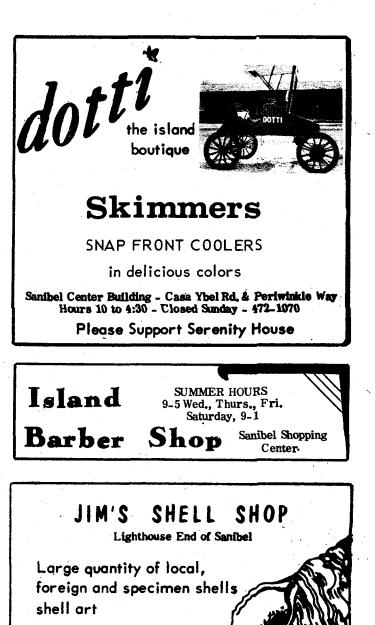
BEACHVIEW COTTAGES

Mr. and Mrs. T. Turnbull of New York are here for a quiet rest at the Beachview. Other visitors from around the state are the William Walkers of Fort Lauderdale and Dr. and Mrs. C. Califf of Winter Park, who are enjoying their first visit to the island. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Alonzi of Clearwater are here with their son and have been enjoying shelling. Mrs. Alonzi was the lucky sheller in the group. She found a lovely golden olive.

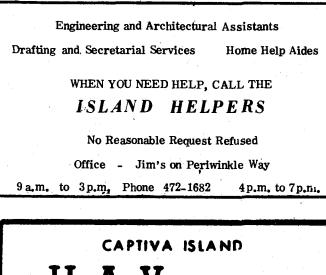
Other visitors are the Roy W. Manns of Litchfield, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Christena and their lovely granddaughter from Indianapolis, Ind. Mrs. Charles M. Brungard came down from Vandalia, Ill., bringing her mother and son with her. Steve, the son, has all the girls agog here-abouts.

THE COLONY

Guests at THE COLONY this week include: Mr. & Mrs. Bennett Burgoon, Jr., of Ligonier, Pa.; Mr. & Mrs. James



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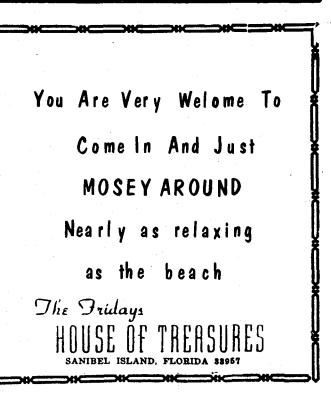




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COUNTY COMMISSION NEWS

Captiva will contain residents of the

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zoning for these two unique islands will

feature a population density of 16 units

per acre as the normal maximum zoning will be possible only with commission

The possiblity of a major parks plan

will be discussed next week when an off-

icer and consultant from the National As-

sociation of Parks and Recreation will

visit Lee County. Mr. Roger Brown, of

the National Parks Assn. will visit the

county's parks on Monday and Tuesday in a study for the major parks plan. He

will make his recommendations to the

board, and Chairman Bruce J. Scott

and Commissioner Walter Shirey will re-

port to the board on the suggestions and

In other action by the County Commissioners, Chairman Bruce Scott told islanders that fire department funds will

be forthcoming from the surplus money brought in by the Sanibel Causeway. He

said it was "just bookkeeping, since all

county funds come from the general rev-

plans presented by Mr Brown.

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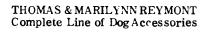
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The Lee County Commission granted duplex zoning Tuesday on lots in Tarpon Bay S/D on Sanibel Island for Mrs. Jean Ray of Sunray Properties Inc.

The action could have an effect on efforts by the U.S. Department of the Interior to buy lots in the subdivision for the Ding Darling Wildlife Preserve. Mrs. Ray petitioned the county to

change the general use zoning on five lots to multiple family residential use so she could build triplex apartments. The petition was denied by the Zoning Board at its May 24 hearing because of a letter from the Department of Interior in favor of including the lots in the refuge. Chairman Bruce J. Scott told the

Chairman Bruce J. Scott told the commissioners that it is the duty of the board to provide the zoning necessary for a property owner to properly use his land as long as it does not harm adjoining land owners.

In a compromise agreement with Mrs. Ray, the commissioners granted duplex zoning on the northside of Periwinkle Way and gave her a special permit to construct a general real estate sales office on the southside of the street.

REAL ESTATE SALES

Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, reports the following sale: from Mildred S. Nicks to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Ruggles of Harwick, Mass., a lot in "The Rocks."

FISHING LICENSES

eway, He Fishing licenses for freshwater fishsince all ing for 1971-72 are now available at Bailey's Store or at the County Judge's office in the Courthouse in Fort Myers. SCHOOL NEWS

The Summer session at the school under the direction of Mr. Paul Cochraneshas been one of learning and fun while doing so. June 28, Mr. Cochrane acted as judge for a pet show which was enthusiastically attended by both pupils and pets. Prizes were awarded in several classifications as follows:

Smallest: Myrtle the Turtle, Sandra Wightman. Largest: Agnes, the Springer Spaniel, David Squires. Best Dressed: Willie, the black cat, Yvonne Nave; and Cindy, a scnoodle, Tim Kontinos, tied. Prettiest: Cocoa Schnoodle, Ilena Kontinos. Best Trained: Agnes, the Springer Spaniel, David Squires. Funniest: Sue, black Poodle, Eric Vertdahl. Most Unusual: Screech Owl, Chuck LeBuff. Wildest: Black Cat, Joey Lacey.

The black cat escaped to the woods in the melee only to return after the other guests to the party had gone, and Mr. Cochrane served soft drinks and candy bars to the contestants. Incidentally, for the unknowledgeable like your truly, a schnoodle is a cross between a Schnauzer and a Poodle.

Friday afternoon, the recreation group held a picnic at Turner Beach and a great time was held by all. Plans for the future call for a Hobby Day, when children will display their hobbies.

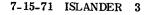
SERENDIPTY REOPENS WITH FAIRY LAMP

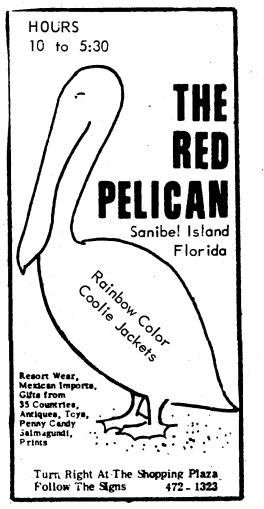
Serendipity has reopened and will be displaying a valuable Fairy Lamp which consists of a cup for a candle made of delicate translucent china and a shade. The lamp is made by an English firm that originally made candles long before the electric lamp was invented, some time near 1886. The lamp is a signed original by Clark of England and, because it is very old but still in mint condition, it is worth about \$650. So one must be very careful when handling the beautiful antique or you may have just bought yourself a handful of shards to the tune of \$650.

Serendipity, which incidentally means something good which happens to one unexpectedly, invites you to come in and inspect this rarity in the antique line and also some of their other "gems". They are located next to the Snack Shack.

BROWSING AROUND

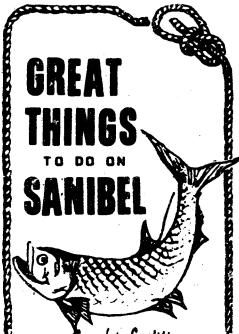
Driving across the Causeway to Sanibel was a sad affair with drifts of small trash fish flosting on the usually blue-green waters. Fortunately, very few game fish have been affected as badly-reports of dead snook and trout are few and far between. We understand that in this emergency of dead or dying fish, the County and the Parks and Recreation Department have tried to come to the rescue of the beaches by bulldozing the dead fish under, and we truly hope the Red Tide (or Blue-green algae) will have disappeared in a few days. Everyone, PLEASE, concentrate on mitching the approximate from the southeast to perture







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Mullet were jumping in the waters in Blind Pass, and many swimmers were enjoying the clear, clean waters on Truner's Beach and all along the Captiva shore. All of the marinas reported good fishing out beyond the murky waters.

The new owners. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hahn, of the Island Store on Captiva are house hunting until they get their dream home built. They will welcome any suggestions. Call them at 472-2126.

The Sandwich Shop is featuring homemade doughnuts to go with that good cup of coffee or iced tea or coke, and Coconut Grove can now serve you a cold beer with your meals.

Glory of the Sea has a few showy spondylus shells for the novice sheller like yours truly. These shells come from the deeps of the Gulf Strwam on the East Coast. The shells at \$2 are a real bargain.

The Shell Net has some nice coral along with their other pretties. But if you are serious about the shelling art, Elsie Malone's has it. The Elsies and Dan have just returned from a shelling trip down in the Keys near Marathon and also farther afeild to the Netherlands Antilles, Aruba and Bon Aire, and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands. Bob and Jean Wagner went with them and also Joan and Rusty Bennett. Bob is the author of a famous shelling reference book, and the Bennetts are the winners of the Dupont Trophy at the Sanibel Shell Fair. They all brought back some beauties. Doc and Vi Elliott have gone to live at the Green Tee Apts. in Fort Myers. Doc

Doc and Vi Elliott have gone to live at the Green Tee Apts. in Fort Myers. Doc has been helping out the Collacotts at the Sea Horse Aquarium and Shell Shop. Doc, a professional football player with Red Grange and the Canton Bulldogs, was in charge of Warner Bros. Theatres in Youngstown, Ohio, before he retired five years ago. Vi is Mrs. Collacott's sister. We hope they will be happy in Fort Myers, but they will be missed on the island. And we hope the Collacotts will just love their new mobile home.

Many of the shops are having sales like mad. The Black Pearl has one on rattan wall plaques and some mini paperweights, fashioned in their own studio. Thetan has some water buffalo sandals still. The Corner Shoppe has a whole table of dainty hand-knit items, plus 1/2 off on all their clothing.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE ISLANDER:

Many thanks for your interest in our Fourth of July Ball Team Dance. Your most wonderful plug of our Dance on the Front Page of the Thursday, July 1st, issue of The Islander was most appreciated and did much to help make our affair a success. /s/ Francis M. Saxinger

Dance Chairman

Sanibel - Captiva Ball Team

TO THE ISLANDER:

We who live on Captiva appreciate deeply your front pageeditorial in the July 1st issue entitled "Turner Beach in Need of Attention". Back in January of 1971, President Mike Reddy of our Captiva Civic Association appointed a special committee to study this very deplorable Turner Beach problem. In April a meeting was held between this committee and Lee County Commissioner Mr. Walter Shirey and Mr. Park Piggott, the Lee County Parks Supervisor, and they admitted that the situation was dangerous and deplorable and offered hope that something would be done about it soon.

Since that time we have received no word of their plans even though I wrote Mr. Shirey again in May. In your article you stated that the parks director pleaded that the funds for parks were limited. This may be so but certainly it should not take a great deal of money to make the present park safe and usable. This is a problem which no one but the Lee County Commission can properly and adequately solve. It is their responsibility. The property owners on Captiva are paying taxes at a higher rate than most anywhere else in Lee County and they deserve to have better treatment than this. I would suggest that more people write to the Islander in protest to the unnecessary delay.

/s/ Lorence B. Burdick, Chairman Turner Park Committee Captiva Civic Association

TO THE ISLANDER:

Regarding Turner Beach and last week's headline and short article which starts out, "Why Turner Beach has not been cleared of fallen trees is the ques-tion of the week." If that badly eroded stretch is cleared of fallen trees it will surely be because the County Commissioners have not read Florida's Bulletins on the control of erosion. The conclusions of these publications is generally that the best barriers to sea water erosion are horizontal objects. Turner Beach, at the parking area is disappearing repidly and the removal of the many pine trunks and roots would surely hasten its disappearance.

Like so many Americans, is the reporter one of those persons who will not walk 150' from his parked car to swim or fish, and on at least a third of a mile of heavenly beach? Is it really so that "so much of the recreational beach isblocked off"? At low to median low tide one can walk to the beach either on the Blind Pass side or on the Gulf side and this past retirement aged swimmer has no difficulty in walking the high ground paths without being "scratched or cut".

A good part of the stretch of beach from Captiva to Bowman's Beach has fallen trees which break the force of the tides and which have been there for years while expensive nylon bags and dog-leg groins are swallowed up by the Gulf. To remove those fallen trees from Turner Beach would be criminal. Many many thousands of dollars have been spent on Captiva to control erosion and with very, very little effect. Do the sand-filled nylon bags at Turner Beach contribute in any way to the beauty or usefulness of the beach? Perhaps the Australian Pine has not been too good a citizen of Southern Florida but their fromidable root (uprooted) system and their silvered trunks constitute natures best erosion control that we have seen.

/s/ Gerry B. Schnelle, V.M.D.



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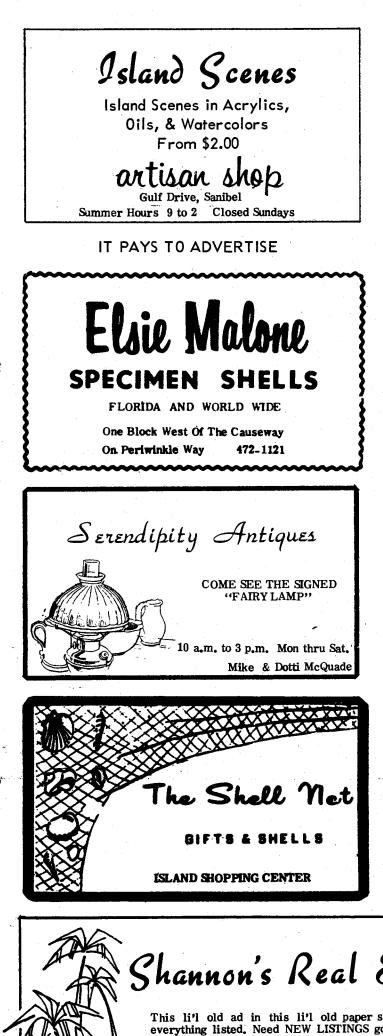
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THE SURFRIDER MOTEL

Mr. & Mrs. David Metzger of Canoga Park, Calif., enjoyed the beach and the shelling along with their daughter and son-in-law and granddaughter, the Greene's from Puerto Rico. Mr. & Mrs. Lombardy and daughter are

Mr. & Mrs. Lombardy and daughter are here from Maryland for a rest and some good sun. Mr. & Mrs. Heberle and their daughter are here from Missouri and are going to take a nice tan back home with them.

Mr. & Mrs. Alden from West Palm Beach are here to enjoy somenice peace and quiet.

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Turbitt of Eliot Lake, Ontario, are here for a lengthy stay and are planning on getting plenty of sun and R & R. They are here for their regular yearly visit and we are really glad to see them again.

Mr. & Mrs. Reed and their three children from Rock Island are here again this year and brought some friends to enjoy their stay with them, Mr. & Mrs. Koehler of Davenport, Iowa. We know they all will have a very memorable vacation and take home some pleasant memories.

Mr. & Mrs. Nobbe and their two daughters are here from Ohio and they are really having a lot of luck in the shelling department.

Mr. & Mrs. Small from N. Palm Bch. are here to enjoy the restful days and the tranquility. They think Sanibel is just great and are planning a return visit.

Mr. & Mrs. John Griffing are here to enjoy the sun filled days and balmy nights Mr. & Mrs. R.N. Schwenberg of Canoga Park, Calif. are getting plenty of sun and sand. Mr. & Mrs. McCoy of Detroit are here for their first visit. We know they will enjoy it so much that it will be the start of many vacations to our lovely islands.

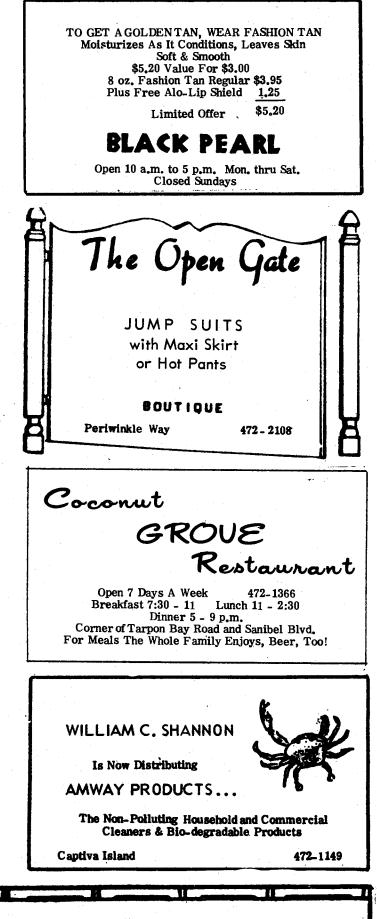
Mr. & Mrs. Drescher of Frankfort, Ky. are enjoying their vacation and the beach and pool with their friends Mr. & Mrs. Wallace. They are all getting a nice tan to show off when they get back home.

Dr. Bellino of Bradenton, Fla. needed to get away from phones and duties for a while and found just the place to do it, at the Surfrider.

Dr. Graham enjoyed the same rest. He and Mrs. Graham are also from Bradenton. Dr. & Mrs. Moya and friends Dr. & Mrs. Nagel made a return visit this year for the quiet and unhurriedness of the Islands. They all really hate

to leave our little paradise. The Frank Joyce's of Treasure Island are fairly regular visitors here and this

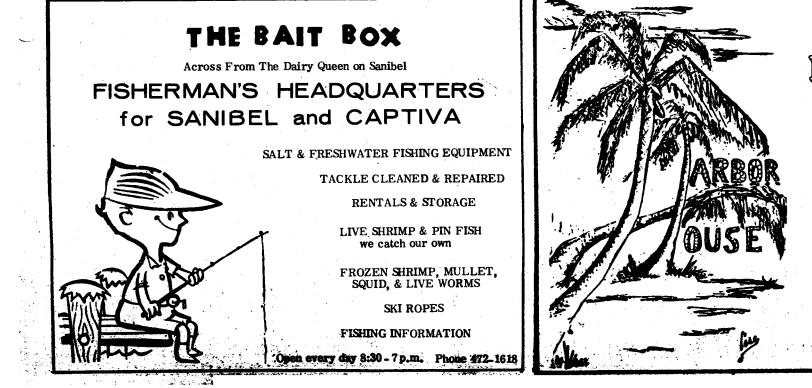
year was no exception. Mr. Haywoski and his son are enjoying plenty of good fishing and shelling. They will have some nice trophies to take home even if only in memories.







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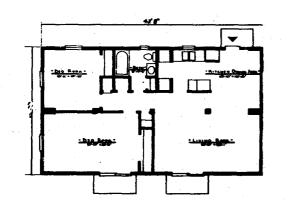
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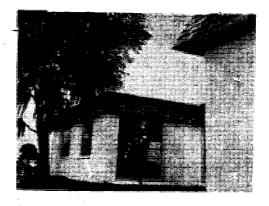
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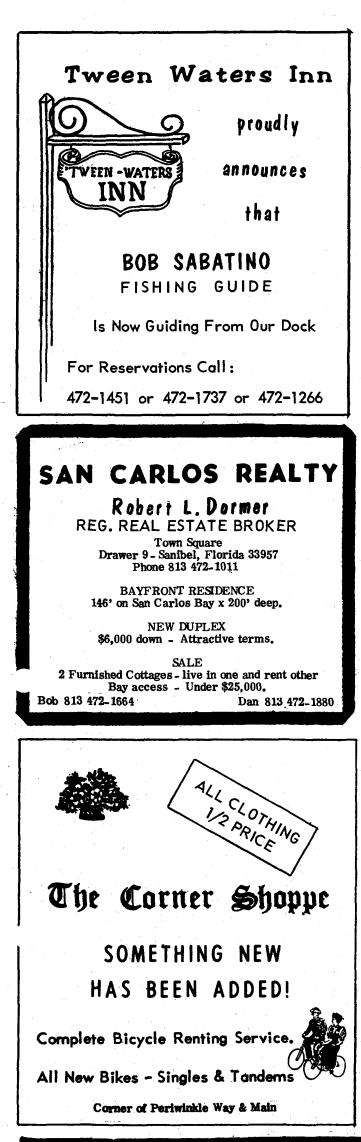
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ISLAND BEACH CLUB NEWS

by bryce bryant

The A. Caplans of Plantation, Florida and two year old son are spending an extended vacation at the Island Beach Club. They love it here and the baby loves it so well that he made trips on his own, unbeknown to his parents. Of course other guests found him wandering along and returned him to worried parents. He is a very bright lad in that he always takes the cottage key with him, so everyone knows where to return him.

Welcome back to Betty Smith of Ft. Lauderdale. Betty is a registered nurse, but finds time in her busy schedule to pay us a visit several times during the summer. She is always a very welcome guest at Island Beach Club.

Dr. C.A. Lopez from Ft. Benning, Ga., spent a month at the Club, with his lovely wife and 5 children, It was wonderful to have such a delightful family, and they found so many things to do, fishing, shelling, shuffleboard, and just good old fashioned hiking. We wish them a good trip home, and they tell us that a repeat visit is at hand.

So many old friends have returned to visit, and it was so nice to shake the hand of Dr. Clarence Anderson, and Joe Hogge with marvelous family, and Donald McElligott of Lake Worth and family; and of course we must not forget Allen Timm with his wonderful wife and two children. A great "welcome back" to all of these folks.

It was really great to welcome a dear friend to Island Beach Club even though they live only twenty miles away, but David Kahn & wife get over so rarely he and wonderful wife might as well live hundreds of miles away. But their visits are so delightful, and we always hate to see them go.

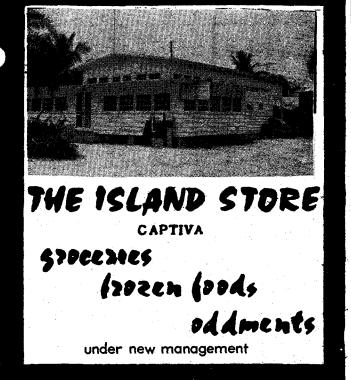
Winging in to Island Beach's excellent landing strip comes Attorney Al Winn of St. Petersburg, just fresh from along weekend in the Bahamas and many of the outer islands. That flying is the only way to travel, and Al sure proves it, as it is not only a boon to his legal business, but when he can get away from the practice of law, it does come in real handy for speedy trips all over. And it is a real welcome sight to see he, and party, settle down at the Beach Club for even a short stay.

A real rest was enjoyed by manager Bryce Bryant's parents from Englewood, Florida before flying the friendly skies of United to Ohio for at least two, perhaps more, months. Of course "Mom" Bryant "over-did" the dancing at the wing ding sponsored by the American Legion Baseball Team, but she is O.K. and looking for the next one. It was a good and jolly crowd, and it was great to see the Allen Nave family enjoying the evening. In fact the whole baseball team enjoyed dancing to Tommy Mason Trio. Good music, and a good time was had by all. We hope we can do it again real soon.

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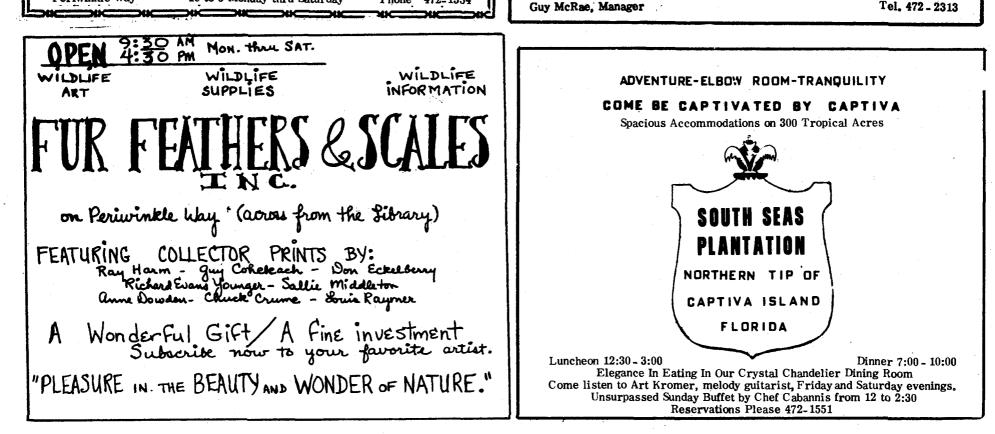
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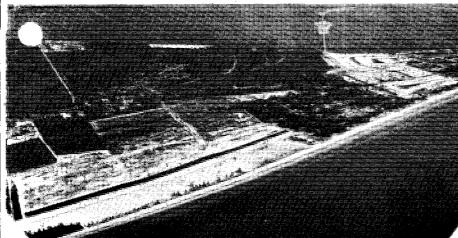
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