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Shell Kills Extensive

"Appreciable damage has been suffered by the molluscan communities in lower Pine Island Sound," reports Mr. William C. Lyons, Marine Biologist, State of Florida Marine Research Laboratory, St. Petersburg.

"Damage apparently included extensive setbacks to such species as the crown conch *Melongena Corona*, the lightning whelk *Busycon contrarium*, the Florida horse conch, *Pleuroploca gigantea*, the angel wing, *Cyrtopleura costata*, and coon oysters, *Crassostrea virginica*. While it is not possible at this date to prove that damage to these species occurred as a result of last summer's red tide, the condition of the many dead shells I observed, together with the reports I heard, suggest that this is probably the case."

Mr. Lyons had been sent to Sanibel to investigate the condition of shell life in the area by Mr. Randolph Hodges, Director of the Florida State Dept. of Natural Resources, following a request for assistance from the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

Mr. Lyons visited the island on Dec. 15 and met with representatives of the Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club, the Conservation Foundation and local shelling guides. During his visit, he was taken on a trip to observe damage to molluscan communities in Pine Island Sound by Mr. Grady Edmondson.

A program to alert local citizens and visiting tourists to conditions is being developed by Mrs. Harvey Meyer and Mrs. Robert Dormer with the assistance of Mr. Edmondson, Mr. Dick Frieman and Mrs. Esperanza Woodring and is sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

Are You Registered?

Mrs. Clarence Clutz, Lee County voting supervisor, has announced that there will be a registrar representative on the Islands January 27 through January 29 at Bailey's Store.


All persons on the islands eligible to vote in precinct 16 and 17 who have not yet registered are urged to do so. To register to vote, you must be 18 or over, a resident of the state for at least a year and a resident of the county for a minimum of six months.

You may register at Bailey's from 9 - 5, Thursday, Jan. 27; 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28; and 9 - 5 Saturday, Jan. 29.

Two Trips Today

Today, Thursday, Jan. 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon will sponsor an Open House at the Woodmere Preserve, located at the dead end of Gulf Drive on Sanibel. The preserve is perhaps the most interesting place on the island from the botanical point of view, as it offers the opportunity to see many typical and rare native plants. Willis and Opal Combs, who own and maintain the preserve with loving care, will be hosts to all visitors.


Again today, in the afternoon at 2 p.m., the members and friends of the local Audubon are invited to participate in a Nature Walk starting at the entrance of the Ding Darling Wildlife Sanctuary on the road to Captiva. Once again this popular event will have as leader Hervey Roberts, formerly an island resident, who is now visiting Sanibel. As usual, all are welcome and cordially invited to attend.



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Calendar*

Sanibel-Captiva CONSERVATION
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second Tuesday of every month at 3:30 p.m.

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Thursday, 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday,
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p.m.

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of every month, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the
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month at Webb's Castaways Restaurant.

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Iowa, have left the cold and wintry
north for a month of sunshine and
warm winds. They will be staying at
Surf 'N Sand Cottages.

ISLAND INN GUESTS

Guests at the Island Inn include Mr.
& Mrs. Edwin Ownes of Lansdowne,
Pa.; Mr. & Mrs. Kennedy-Craig, now in
their condominium at Island Inn for the
winter season; the president of the Inn
and his wife, Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Kimball
of New Port Richey, Fla.; Dr. Joyce
Kaufman, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. & Mrs.
Michael G. Kammen and two children
from Ithaca, N. Y.; Dr. & Mrs. Musher
and their two from New York City and
Dr. A. J. Coleman of Kingston, Ontario,
Canada.

Other guests include Mrs. Louise
Keppie, Clearwater, Fla.; Mrs. Verne
Rhodes, Ashville, N.C.; Dr. & Mrs.
Morley, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mrs. J. R.
Emra, Glen Rock, N. J.; Mr. & Mrs.
Burton P. Sears, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs.
Emma Hart, Woodbury, Conn.; and Mr.
& Mrs. Nelson J. Sanford from Naples,
Florida, vacationing here for a week
before their trip to Europe.

Also Mr. Sam Andress of
Columbus, Ohio, returns again for a
short vacation; Rev. & Mrs. S. M. B.
Fulcher and party from Ft. Lauderdale,
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Feind; Dr. & Mrs.
Joseph M. Rich, Cherry Hill, N.J.; Mrs.
W. S. McKillip and Mrs. D. B. Scott of
La Grange, Ill.; Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth B.
Page, Longmeadow, Mass.; Mr. & Mrs.
Robert Telfer, Bloomington, Ind.; Mr. &
Mrs. Dudley Ingraham, Litchfield,
Conn.; Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Patterson,
Bridgeport, Conn.; Misses Emily and
Helen Johnston, New Wilmington, Pa.,
and T. M. Johnston, Coral Gables, Fla.;
Mrs. Harry Ford of Gambier, Ohio; Mr.
& Mrs. Hunter McDonald, Nashville,
Tenn.; Mr. & Mrs. Ward Webster, South
Haven, Mich.; Mr. & Mrs. W. Mason
Warren, Anna Maria Island, Fla.; Mr. &
Mrs. James N. Hyde of New York City,
and from Le Mera, California, Mr. &
Mrs. Lester J. Nash.

SURFRIDER GUESTS

Well known designers from Miami,
Harold & Kathy Taylor are visiting the
Surfrider. R. A. DeSutter of Attica,
Ind., left the bad weather to enjoy some
Florida sunshine and Mr. & Mrs. Milford
Knowles, also from Attica, are enjoying
a return visit for rest and relaxation.

Other guests are Mr. & Mrs. Julian
Rifkin of Cohasset, Mass.; Mr. & Mrs.
Reubin Lurine of Scarsdale, N.Y., who
left the hustle-bustle of the city to
enjoy the peace and quiet of our islands;
Joe and Irene Matthis of Louisville, Ky.,
who also left cold weather to enjoy our
wonderful sunshine and Mr. & Mrs.
John Pfeffer of Bainsville, Ohio, will be
visiting until February.

Mrs. Bunnell attended the wedding
of her dear friends, Joanne Baynum and
Steve Kulzscar in Miami over the
weekend.

CASTAWAYS

Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Ogden of
Anderson, Ind., have returned for
several months rest and relaxation at
Castaways. Other return visitors are Mr.
& Mrs. Robert Weaver of Tryon, N. C.,
and the Adolph Bauers of Cuba,
Missouri. The Lauren and Lewis Waltzes
from Bremen, Ind., are also return
resorters, and here for the winter
months are Mr. & Mrs. Roy Sheldon of
Marlborough, Vermont.

WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Mr. & Mrs. WALTER SCHMID are
entertaining two northern guests for the
next week or so. Mrs. Schmid's sister,
Miss MARIE DOREMUS is here from
New York City, and she brought her
friend, Miss DOROTHY QUORTRUP
from Sea Cliff, Long Island, N. Y., and
the Schmid's have been busy explaining
away the wintry blasts that suddenly
blew in shortly after the guests arrived.
Fortunately, it is only a temporary
thing, weatherwise.

Sorry to report Mr. TOM BOWERS
of White Caps is back in the hospital for
some further tests, but we all wish him a
speedy recovery.

Mr. & Mrs. RAY F. WIEGERT of
Gulf Drive have seasonal guests visiting
from Binghamton, N. Y. They are Mr.
& Mrs. DONALD WILSON. Mrs.
Wiegert's sister and husband are visiting
on the island too, for several weeks;
they are the CLIFFORT A. NELSONS
of Rockford, Ill., and they are staying at
the Shalimar.

Visiting the RICHARD O.
WILHOITS of Coquina Drive were two
lovely elementary school teachers from
New Port Richey. Daughter,
CHRISTINE WILHOIT brought her
co-teacher friend, BARBARA BROWN
down for the weekend, and they did
enjoy the water and beach before the ill
winds began to blow.

Incidentally, these same winds
wreaked havoc with small craft before
the storm signals went up, and some left
on the beaches, but no real casualties
are reported, thankfully.

The DON WILLIAMS of Ibis Road
entertained ALBERT PINCUS over the
weekend. Mr. Pincus is from
Hollywood, and says they don't have
any weather like this in Hollywood!

Mr. & Mrs. MARK EDGAR of
Harwich, Mass., are on the islands
visiting their daughter, Mrs. FRANCIS
BAILEY, and are staying in her beach
studio on Gulf Drive.

They're having a lovely time
golfing, fishing and beaching, although
Mr. Edgar did get drafted to help
reorganize the new shoe department at
Bailey's. Originally here for "just a few
days" their visit may extend through
the season.

"All I know," said Mr. Edgar, "is
that we have to be back before tax
time." We hope they continue to enjoy
the islands for as long as possible.

Mr. & Mrs. MIKE GAYNOR of
Keansburg, N. J., found a beautiful
junonia while walking along the beach
Saturday near Wit's End Lodge. Isn't
that wonderful beginner's luck?

The A. W. WOODS are back at their
Tahiti Shores home from Cleveland,
Ohio, and will be staying until up in
June, and they are being welcomed back
by their many friends.

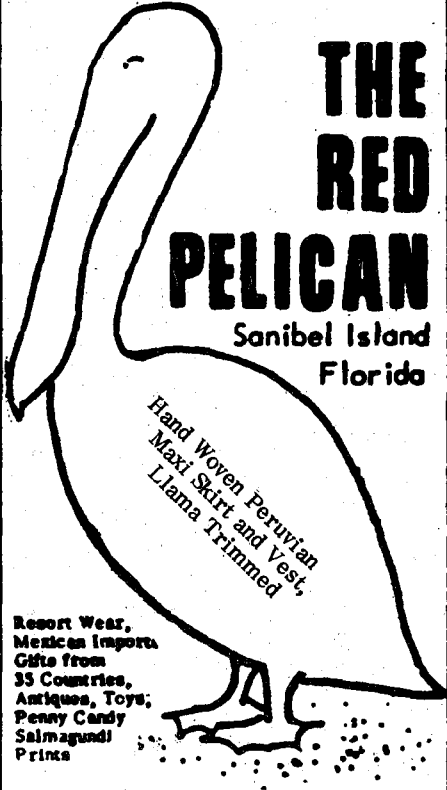
ESPERANZA WOODRING of
Woodring's Point had old friends, JOHN
and RUBY REDDINGTON visiting last
week, and they did some relaxing and
catching up on news.

Mr. & Mrs. DON BROWN of
Baldwinsville, N. Y., are being
welcomed back to the island for the
season. They are staying in the JOSEPH
WOODS' home at Chateau Sur Mer.

BEACHVIEW COTTAGES

Mrs. Caroline Burger is receiving
happy 80th birthday wishes from
everybody hereabouts. She is from
Ryckoff, N. J. Bill and Florence
Browder are being welcomed back to
the Cottages. They are from Nashville,
Tenn., and Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Jacobs are
visiting with friends the William Dudleys
of Verona, Wis. Other return guests are
Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Key of Downers
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE ISLANDER:

A copy of the following letter was sent to the Islander for publication: Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson Lee County Courthouse Fort Myers, Fla. Dear Sheriff Thompson:

The Chamber of Commerce wishes to call the attention of those in authority to conditions on Sanibel and Captiva Islands that are rapidly becoming dangerous, and to ask the cooperation of these authorities in developing a means of dealing with the situation.

The Chamber has received many complaints following the recent holiday season, when the islands were overrun by swarms of "day" tourists many of them in home-on-wheels-type trailers or self-propelled units. These were, in many cases, of great length and wide beam.

It was apparent that some of these tourists were not registered in the available trailer park spaces, and they therefore spent their nights parked in various places on the island, where they are specifically prohibited.

Also, during the day, they were observed parked along the narrow island roads, with the owners away, probably on the beaches. In several instances, cars and/or trailers were parked directly opposite each other, leaving a narrow space between that would have been too narrow for a fire truck to go through. This is an extremely hazardous condition.

One resident has suggested that parking patrols could be organized to caution against illegal parking. He states that there are enough residents who are disturbed about the situation that a great many volunteers for this duty would be available.

We feel that it would be necessary, if such patrols were undertaken, to give some authority to the citizens, in the shape of a badge or a designation of some other kind. Most Americans respect and obey authority, although we have found that few of them respond to

a courteous suggestion by a resident who is obviously a private citizen. This last has been tried, as some of the letter-writers have stated to us.

We would be happy to meet with anyone who could help and direct us, as we believe that the situation is serious now, and that it would be unwise to wait until the next tourist influx in February to find a solution to the problem.

We are safe in saying, we think, that any expenses incurred, such as badges, road signs, etc., would be borne by island residents and that the County would not be called upon to assume any of the financial burden that might be involved.

/s/ Joe Gault, President, Frances Roberts, Exec. secretary

TO THE ISLANDER:

Our audiences have been most generous in buying "Barefoot girl on Broadway" to help Meals for Millions which we sell at the Pirate Playhouse. Would it be at all possible to make room for the following letter to thank them. Many, I am sure, will be glad to know that the East Pakistan refugees have been helped by Meals for Millions. Thank you and good wishes.

/s/ Ruth Hunter. "Dear Friends: "Many hungry and desperate people have been helped this summer because of your gift. Thank you for your concern and compassion which we acknowledge by the attached receipt.

"You will be interested to know that we have responded to the holocaust created by six million refugees fleeing from East Pakistan to the various neighboring states in India.

"we have received a July 2, 1971 letter from Mr. Stephen Mathai of CASA, a Department of the National Christian Council of India, rejoicing that our gift of 4,000 lbs. of Multi-Purpose Food was being used in 3 field hospitals

set up for the refugees.

"Another ton has been sent this month to the refugees from Red China who continue to escape to Taiwan and are fed and housed by the Free China Relief Association. The story of FCRA'S 25 years of service to escapees from Red China is one of heroism and compassion. I pooled undesignated gifts to make these shipments for refugees in India and Tiawan.

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/s/ Donald F. Ebricht, Ph. D. Program Director Meals for Millions

the unanimous opinion of the local chapter of the AIA. Since it was presented at a public hearing and is now a matter of public record, we should be given the names and addresses of the architects who drew up and/or supported this document.

In this and other issues, we would not restrict the right of people to disagree but it should be honest and open. When Sanibel and Captiva were fighting for the height restricting ordinance, nearly 5000 names and addresses were collected of people who opposed high rise construction here. For some, it was not easy to stand up to be counted but a principle was involved then and we think it is again. If the architects actually feel so strongly that high rise construction is preferable to low rise construction in beach areas, then they should be glad to identify themselves. No reputable professional man will mind our requesting this. Certainly an unsigned letter is not valid and could have been dreamed up by a few of the fellows over a couple of drinks, for all we know.

/s/ Elinore Dormer



TO THE ISLANDER:

Only architects could be unanimous and anonymous all at the same time. At a recent County Commissioners meeting, Mr. George Bail presented a letter to Mr. Scott which strongly opposed the petition of Bonita Beach residents to restrict building heights there to 35 ft. and asked for and got the cooperation of the Commissioners to "educate the public" to the desirability of high rises there and elsewhere. This letter was unsigned and bore no letterhead yet it claimed to represent

TRAILER PARK EXPANSION OPPOSED BY GROUP

The proposed expansion of the Periwinkle Trailer Park is being opposed by a concerned group of property owners adjacent to the expansion area.

A spokesman for the opposing group indicated their feeling that as year-round residents and taxpayers any expansion of the trailer park at this time would create additional serious traffic problems to an already highly congested area in and about Nerita, Junonia and Donnax Streets. These streets comprise the direct access routes to the public beach area as used by trailer park guests. Nerita St., the nearest and most frequently used beach access road, cannot handle additional traffic which even in normal times in the off tourist season is a problem. It is so narrow throughout its length that two cars cannot adequately pass each other. In the peak of the tourist season Nerita St. is daily jammed with people on foot, cars, campers, trucks, motorcycles and motorbikes which make the permanent residents of the area literally unable to carry on their normal and legitimate business of getting into and out of their property without endangering their own and others lives in the congestion of Nerita St. The spokesman stated that despite signs directing trailer park guests to Donnax St., the trailer park guests continue to use Nerita St. predominately to reach the public beach area. The spokesman further stated his own experiences in nearly being involved in accidents on Nerita St. due to the unlawful and reckless handling of motorbikes from the trailer park. It was pointed out that a few weeks ago one such trailer park guest received a broken leg in a car accident on Nerita St. Because of such incidents and the general traffic congestion in the area, property owners fear that any further expansion of the Periwinkle Trailer Park at this time can only compound the already existing serious traffic problem on roads and streets in the area that were not planned, built or maintained to support or accommodate such traffic.

The group spokesman indicated that it was the hope and recommendation of the group that the County Commission deny the expansion of the trailer park at this time. It further recommends that if this cannot be done that at least the commission defer a decision until such time as the County Commission can receive, study and implement the present long-range Comprehensive Plan for Sanibel-Captive Islands and so better fit the trailer park matter into the more feasible long-range development plans for Sanibel. The group does not oppose trailer parks per se but only that such should at this time conform to the long-range concept of development for Sanibel.

The group urges all concerned islanders who oppose the trailer park expansion to attend and voice their opposition at the public hearing to be held at the County Commission hearing rooms at the courthouse in Fort Myers on Jan. 24 at 2 p.m.

/s/ Arthur J. Arnold, for the concerned group.



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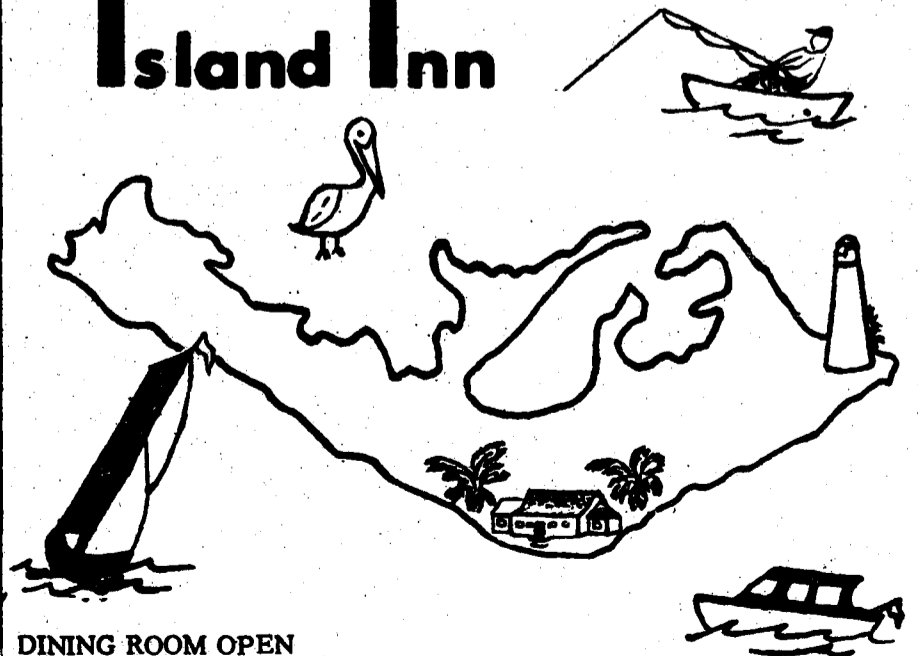
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According to Harriet Howe, chairman of the Planning Committee, there has been a most enthusiastic response among Island artists and craftsmen in their participation in the First Annual Arts and Crafts Exhibition and Sale set for Saturday, Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community House on Periwinkle Way. All proceeds from the benefit will go to the Sanibel Public Library Building Fund.

Included in the list of artist and craftsman participants are: Toni Andrews, Raxanne Badenock, The Black Pearl, Martha and Stanley Brown, Marne Carnahan, Helen Denny, Jean and Russell Denyes, Sue Dugan, Mr. & Mrs. R. Dugger, Marian Faris, May Hudson, Susan Kerr, Leon Levy, Emmy Lou Lewis, Mary Pevear, Betty Robson, Bill Romizer, Lena and John Sallemi, Florence Simonds, Ken and Jeanne Soper, Dorothy Stearns, Janet and George Tenney, Thetan Crafts, and Jean Walther.

Several of the exhibitors have agreed to demonstrate their crafts as well as to display their handiwork. George and Janet Tenney will be doing things with shells; Russell Denyes can be seen making his horseshoe nail figures. If you are interested in hand weaving, you may observe Marne Carnahan at her loom. The Bettyes of the Black Pearl will show work in progress and explain the technique of working with resin; also, Mary Pevear will be demonstrating the art of decoupage. One can watch Toni Andrews, Florence Simonds, and the Duggers working in various forms of ceramics. Would you like to know more about making bead flowers? Jean Denyes and May Hudson will show you how. If candles are "your thing" Betty Robson will make one for you.

Should your interests be in the popular craft of macrame, Jean Walther will be on hand to demonstrate the art. And should you care to watch a wood carver at work, Ken Soper of the Craftsmen Shop can be observed at work in the afternoon. Bill Compton of Thetan Crafts has not as yet told us what his demonstration will be, so a surprise may be in store for you.

As an added attraction, Leon Levy will demonstrate the technique in art of Japanese Ink on plastic. This unusual demonstration is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for periods of about 30 minutes each.

Bill MacIntosh, of the MacIntosh Book Shop, will provide a display of books on various crafts and donate a percentage of the sales to the Library Building Fund. He has also donated several books to be sold for the benefit of the same fund.

Non-exhibitors who have generously offered hand crafted items for sale in behalf of the Building Fund include The Artisan Shop, Jane Bancroft, Marie Beiriger, Marian Cannon, Margaret Carner, Katherine Cook, Dorothy Fishburne, Harriet Howe, Winifred Jurka, Lou Borchers, Virginia Kelley, Helen McNamara, Pintard Mills, Grace Shepherd, and Helene Sparks.

All exhibitors have offered some of their work for sale entirely in behalf of the Library Building Fund.

Chairman Harriet Howe wishes to express her sincere thanks to the following Planning Committee members who so unselfishly donated their time and efforts in behalf of this first Annual Arts and Crafts Exhibition and Sale: Lena Sallemi and John Sallemi, co-chairmen; and committee members, Toni Andrews and Marne Carnahan. It is their hope that all Islanders, guests and mainlanders will turn out en masse for this commendable library project and its outstanding and distinguished list of island artists and craftsmen.

WILDLIFE NOTES by Griffing Bancroft

There have been an unusual number of wood ibis, or storks, on the islands this winter. Watchers on bird tours have been pleased at seeing flocks of as many as two dozen of these stately birds.

Now, while some should stay around, they probably will not see so many. And while this may be bad news for the watchers it seems to be good news for the birds. For, two months late and after many experts had given up hope, the storks have now gathered at their big nesting colony at the inland corkscrew swamp.

This is the more surprising since it is offset by some definitely bad news. The water level at the cypress swamp sanctuary is eight inches below normal and two inches below what it was at this time during the drought last year.

All through November, when they usually start nesting, and December the birds were seen here but not at the nesting grounds until very recently.

The mis-named wood ibis is not an ibis at all and should be called the wood stork. It belongs to the same order of birds which includes the herons, egrets, spoonbills and ibis, but it is in a separate family. It is the only American member of the widespread family which includes seventeen species of storks in all parts of the world.

The results of a recent study of all these birds by the ornithologist M. Philip Kahn has been published in the magazine Natural History. Dr. Kahn presents overwhelming evidence that for most storks, including the American wood stork, the outside stimulus that triggers the reproductive cycle is simply the food supply.

And the food supply depends here on the depth of the water in which they feed. If too deep the little fish and other animals they are after are dispersed and they cannot find enough. If too shallow, there usually just are not enough.

But now it seems there is enough prey, for the birds at last have been observed at courtship and other nesting preliminaries.

Some years, when they could not find enough food, the storks have simply not nested at all. Last year, nesting attempts in December were abandoned, but a sizeable number started nesting even later, in March.

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SANIBEL-CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Caretta Research, directed by Charles R. LeBuff, Jr., presented its 1972 budget to the Board of Directors of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation at the regular monthly meeting Jan. 11. The report proposes total expenditures of \$3,261.11 and the Foundation's Board okayed a commitment of \$3,300.00. Of this amount \$2,000.00 is on hand in a grant from the Damroth Foundation of \$1,500 and a \$500.00 local donation, both earmarked for Caretta Research. The additional \$1,300.00 must be raised by contributions to the Foundation for Caretta.

"Most expenditures will be restricted to Sanibel-Captiva. However, increased funding of other projects, in particular Cape Romano, are fundamentally necessary for conservation of loggerhead turtles on the Gulf Coast of Florida," LeBuff's budget report stated.

The report outlined 1972 activities as "egg transplanting, limited rearing of juvenile turtles, public education through news releases, personal appearances, cooperation with the Environmental Education Project of Lee County Schools, development of a packaged film strip on loggerhead turtle ecology and survival problems, preparation of a marine turtle booklet and fighting for improved legislation to protect sea turtles and their nesting beaches." In addition, "further collating of available life history data, interpretation of material gained in 1972 and currently underway by several team members should result in publication of new information on the loggerhead turtles that nest and live along the Gulf of Mexico."

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Mr. W. W. Kimball, president of the Island Inn Company and Mrs. Kimball congratulate the newlyweds in front of a large picture window as the sun was setting over the Gulf. The Kimballs arranged the reception party for 50 guests in the recreation room at the Island Inn. Champagne was served with the homemade wedding cake.



The Higginsons cut their wedding cake and both agreed it was a lucky day in December when they met. She said they plan to spend other vacations here on the Island and some time in the mountain retreat at Gatlingburg.

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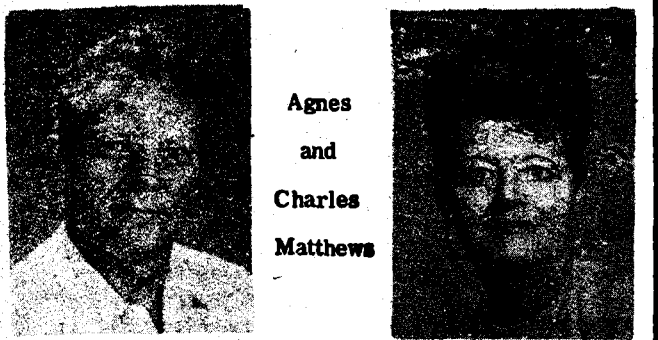
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Husband, Lou Funk, who has been active in community affairs also, suffered a heart attack and has been seriously ill, but will be returning home this week. The Funks will be living in their new residence at 2020 Queen St. in North Fort Myers.

ISLE OF UMBRELLAS

The Isle of Umbrellas opened at the Pirate Playhouse with a bang. The audience loved it --- loved the play for its laughs and surprises, its wispy charm and its unpredictable twists and turns. But most of all they loved the cast of fine players; Elaine Patton, Porter Goss, Don Modrall, Edith Craig, George Tenney, Ruth and Philip Hunter, and Helma and John Reynolds.

The second performance of Isle of Umbrellas, which the Hunters acquired the rights to in London this summer, is coming this Saturday evening, January 22. Curtain time at the Pirate Playhouse is 8:15. Box Office, 472-1692.

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The happy family groups who celebrated the Christmas holidays here at the Segunda have now mostly returned to the northland, alas, but with fond memories of the gala New Year's bash, hosted by Segunda owners, Bob & Jeannie Alberts, which culminated their stays. Attending were the Walter Gorskes of Oberlin, Ohio; the Bill Whites of East Point, Ga.; the Calude Gunnels of Charleston, S. C.; the Charles Barnes of Avon, Conn.; the Mathew Kubicks of Lynsbrook, N. Y.; the Bill Stoneburners of Fort Lauderdale; the Misses Dorothy Charron and Gertrude Sutherland, both of Ottawa, and a number of Sanibel friends and kinfolk. The New Year was welcomed by one and all with a sparkler-lit parade about the Segunda grounds, and the festivities were enhanced by the fine catering provided by Scotty's Pub. Island friends of these Segunda guests will be glad to know that most already plan to return for the holidays in 1972-73.

Since the turn of the year, we have also had the pleasure of welcoming returning guests, Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Baldwin of St. Petersburg, who will be back again at Easter, the Lamar Logans of Tampa, and Mr. & Mrs. Guy Thomas of Kokomo, Ind. New visitors have included Mr. & Mrs. Walter Zornes and Mr. & Mrs. Don Dietrich, all of Danden, Del., and the George Pennington family of Sawnee, Kansas.

With the popular winter season now well underway, other Segunda guests, old and new, are settling in for longer stays. Mr. & Mrs. Dan Yearwood of Brentwood, Tenn., formerly of Tampa and Fort Myers Beach, plan to be with us into March, as do long time friends of Sanibel, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Tillson of Bedford, Mass. Returning for a shorter stay at present, but planning another visit in March as well, are Mr. & Mrs. Frank Post of Coral Springs, Fla.

Completing the congenial Segunda group this week are first time guests, Mr. & Mrs. John Mykrantz of Galena, Ohio, with their friends and golfing partners, Mr. & Mrs. Darold Greek, of Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wragg of East Walpole, Mass., here for a two week sojourn before setting off to cruise the Caribbean.

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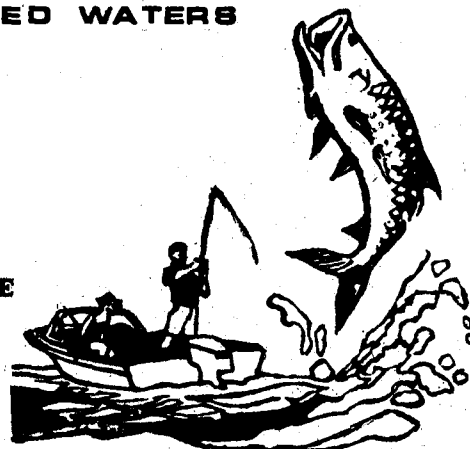
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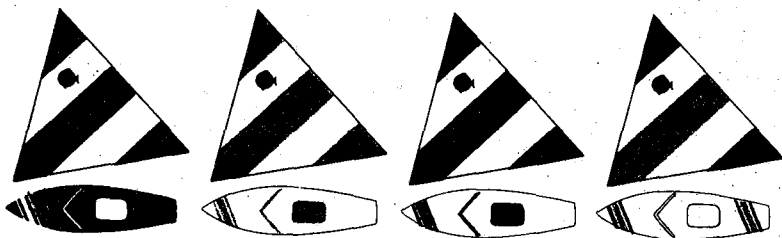
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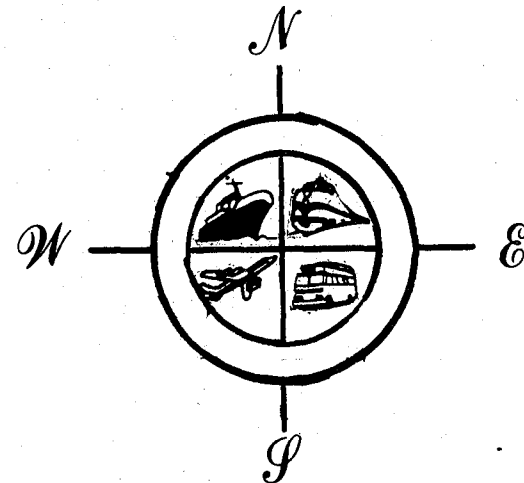
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Mr. Wright, who was born in Rochester, N. Y., graduated from Dartmouth College with the one idea that he would be a professional economist; and nothing else. "I was interviewing Personnel Managers who came to look at the college students. I told them I wanted to be a professional economist -- did they want such a young man in their company. I obtained three jobs and I took the one that would teach me the most about how a company was managed. This was the Armstrong Cork Co. Although it was the lowest paying job, they gave me a year in which they taught me what the company did and how it was run. I went through every factory, talked with everybody of any consequence managing that company and at the end of the year I understood how they manufactured their wide line of products."

He remained with them for 19 years as their advisor, and during this time he was "loaned" to the U. S. Government during the Truman Administration for 18 months, helping set up the President's Council of Economic Advisors. While he was with the Armstrong Cork Co., he was sent out as consultant to other governments in the world; to the U. S. Treasury; the Federal Reserve Board; National Housing Authority; and the Depts. of Agriculture, Labor, and Commerce. The Proctor and Gamble Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, then hired him and he was associated with this company for 17 years as consultant and advisor.

When pressed for an explanation of what work he did he answered, "An economist's calculations are used as the basis upon which to develop estimates of sales, the prices to be paid for raw materials, interest rates to be paid, etc." Then came the inevitable twinkle in his eye when he added, "The difference between a professional economist and anyone else is that he gets paid for his opinions."

It was interesting to learn, also, that in 1944 and 1948 he was one of five men who helped draft a preliminary platform for one of the major parties.

Always probing, always seeking answers, and a stickler for detail, Mr. Wright tackles any problem, from drawing up plans for his present house to growing a garden, with efficiency and enthusiasm. His hobbies include oil painting and, of course, fishing, which is one of the reasons he and his attractive wife Edythe love Sanibel so much.

One afternoon, as I was leaving the Wrights' home, I asked him what he used in the ground to make his vegetables grow so beautifully. I realized I should have known better when he answered with customary drollness, "Six inches of old Wall Street Journals."

And yet, was Wilson Wright flogging? Could it be that he was assuring himself and his vegetables that there would be an up-trend? If there was a twinkle, it was hidden behind his dark glasses.

ART SHOW BY DOROTHY C. ROBINSON

The Captiva Memorial Library is currently showing a colorful group of Studies of Mushrooms in watercolor by Dorothy C. Robinson.

These watercolors will be on view during library hours, 9 - 12:30 on Tuesdays and Fridays, during the remainder of January and through Tuesday, Feb. 8. A number of the paintings are for sale and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Library.

Dorothy Robinson, a resident of Captiva Island and Annapolis, Md., has been painting for a number of years and her subjects are varied; portraits, landscapes, and nature studies of flowers, shells, and mushrooms. She has studied with several outstanding painters, Eliot O'Hara, Joanne S. Scott, and Lester Jay Stone.

Mrs. Robinson has participated in many juried shows in the Maryland area and is presently represented in the Cape Coral National Art Show. She has had one man shows at the Annapolis County Library, the South County Library, the Odenton Library, all in Maryland; the Statler Hilton in Annapolis, and most recently at the Colonial Players Theatre there.

Her awards have been numerous including a top award at the Academy of Arts, Easton, Md.; Best in Show, 1966, 1967, in the Maryland Federation of Arts Annual Juried Show; Special Award for Portraits, Five Counties Show, Glen Burnie, Md., 1969; First in portraits and first in watercolor landscape in the Maryland Biennial Elimination for the national show of the National League of American Pen Women, 1969.

Not only has Mrs. Robinson participated in the management of the Summer Garden Theatre Art Show, a revolving exhibit in the theatre lobby in Annapolis, but she was also the second vice president of the Maryland Federation of Art in charge of publicity, art chairman for National League of American Pen Women, Anne Arundel Branch, during 1968-69, and was commissioned to do research and design of needlepoint kneelers for the chancel of St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Annapolis. She is currently in charge of the exhibitions on the display board of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League at the Captiva Post Office.

BROWSING AROUND by fran o'callaghan

Many new shops have opened up on the Islands this season and among them are Santiva, the yummy place to get prepared foods, and the Huster and Market features some delicious prepared foods too, having opened with a whole new look.

Sea to Sky is something new and a little different in the way of shell and memorabilia, and Fur Feathers and Scales is another shop with a different approach to nature. The Jade Butterfly offers beautiful oriental artistry and jewelry.

And then, not to forget our old friends, Ethel Reynolds has some mighty fine sellout articles like shell boxes, plaques, rare shells and miscellaneous trimming and findings, all at prices you can't afford not to look into. Ethel hopes to sell out this season and take that well deserved rest she needs, so that she will have time to pursue her shell and design hobby.

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The Norman Berman family and Mr. & Mrs. C. R. Aphorp are from Shaker Heights, Ohio. Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Allen of Pittsburgh, Pa., are enjoying some sun and rest, and the Paul Myers of Hyattsville, Md., are here for some R&R. Dr. & Mrs. Paul Davidson of Madison, Wis., are enjoying a much needed rest and the David Coates of Wynnwood, Pa., are getting a tan, and the M. S. Ramms are getting some sun and beachcombing from Palatine, Ill., and Mr. Donald Morice from Florissant, Mo., is enjoying the pool.

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA GARDEN CLUB

The Sanibel-Captiva Garden Club will meet Tuesday, January 25, 8 p.m., at the Sanibel Civic Association building.

The program will be "Culture and Care of Roses on the Islands." Mr. Roland Meetzee will be the guest speaker.

Anyone having rooted cuttings, seedlings or plants (named, if possible) please bring for "Exchange or Sale Table." All donations will be used towards landscaping the Civic Association Building.

All Island residents and guests are welcomed. There are no dues or guest fees.

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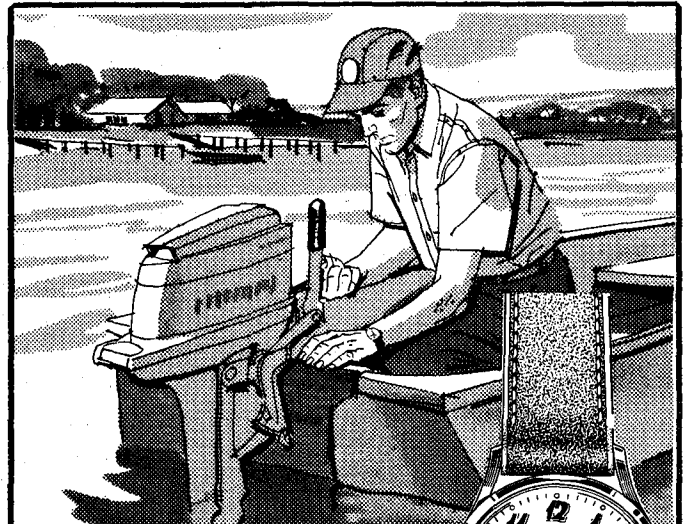
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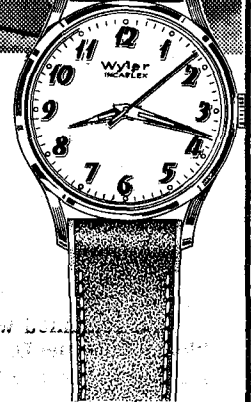
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The Board of Directors of the Sanibel Rocks Civic Association, Inc. met on Jan. 13 at the home of its president, Colonel Robert Aycock.

The Association was formed in 1960 particularly to promote the orderly development of the Rocks as a top quality, single family residential area. The group has grown to over 100 members. It has also acted on several occasions in a marshalling role to preserve the integrity of zoning and anti-pollution principles involving larger areas of Sanibel.

The Board reviewed the

Association's activities for the past year. Special attention and discussion was accorded the recent and unprecedented subdivision employed to develop three structures on an approximate 100 foot wide Gulf front lot adjacent to Mitchell's Sand Castles by the Sea. The Association's attorney was asked to investigate and report on this development as soon as possible.

A nominating committee of three was appointed by President Aycock to draw up a slate of Association officers for the coming April elections:

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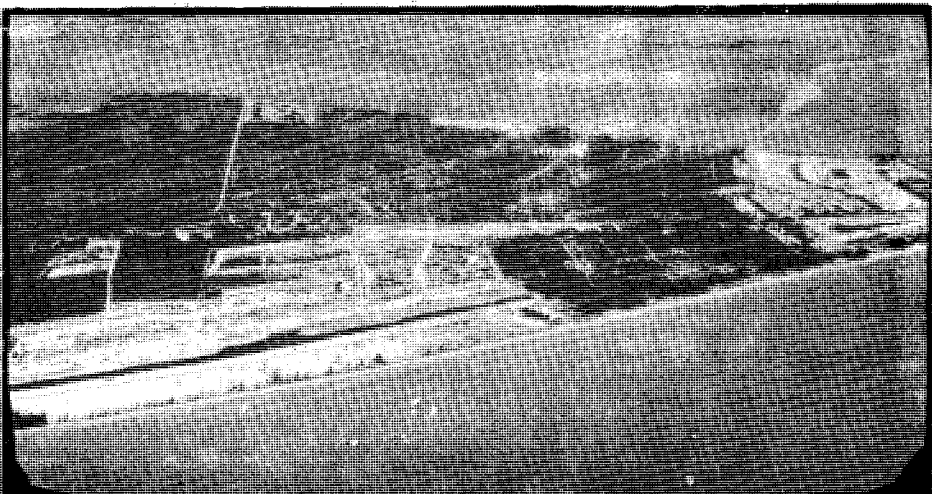
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"In Florida, the conflict between technological society and the irreplaceable values of the natural landscape is most severe. If pollution is the most serious problem in the great metropolitan centers, then lack of control over land-use is the most serious problem in the total world environment. In Florida, this lack of control has been most clearly exemplified. In Florida, the means for control must now be found.

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LADIES GUILD

Some of the information regarding the January meeting of the Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church was incorrect as last reported. Plans now call for a luncheon meeting at the home of Mrs. Floyd Snook on the Sanibel-Captiva Road, Thursday, Jan. 20 at 12:30. A complete luncheon will be served by Mrs. Snook and her co-hostesses, Mrs. John P. Glass and Mrs. John Shepherd. All women of the church are most cordially invited to come and join in the fellowship. This day-time meeting has been planned especially for those who do not care to attend the regular evening meetings.

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Some have their families with them, and all will enjoy a vacation and fun on the beaches and relaxation.

AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

Audubon activities are scheduled weekly throughout December through April. Generally, the meetings are on Thursdays, but for exact time and place it is best to check the season's program which is posted in most places of business.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Laughrey & Holtz Island Real Estate reports the following sales:

A tract in Section 18, Township 46S, range 23A from Harvey and LaVerne Gigstad to the Sanibel Harbours Estates, Inc.

A canal front residential lot in the Sanibel Harbours S/D from Mr. & Mrs. John F. Kirkpatrick to Mr. & Mrs. Jack E. Rowe formerly of Fort Worth, Texas.

A residential homesite in Sanibel Lake Estates from Admiral and Mrs. Carlos Cardeza to Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Hartop of Ontario, Canada.

Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, reports the following sales:

From Mr. & Mrs. Victor Niranen to Mr. & Mrs. Southwick Vietor of New York, a lot in Sanibel Estates.

From J. P. Carter Co. to Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Haynoski of New Jersey, a lot in Windrow.

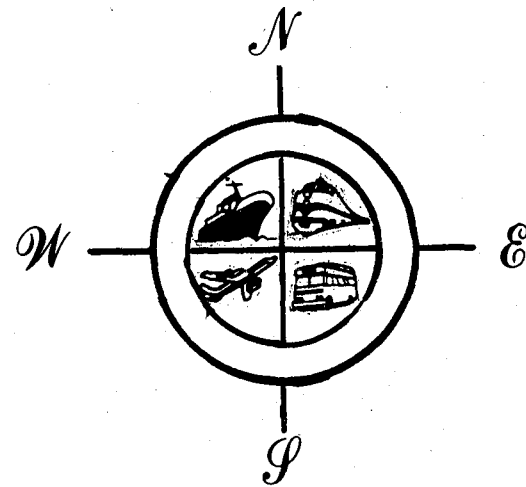
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CAPTIVA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

The Captiva Civic Association will hold its first meeting of 1972 at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow (Friday) at the Captiva Community Center.

Michael J. Reddy, president, will preside at the annual meeting which will include in its agenda reports from the treasurer, Byron Kirby; the librarian of the Captiva Memorial Library, Mrs. M. J. Reddy; members of the Turner Beach committee, John Oster, Jr. and Mrs. Louise Clow; Mrs. Jeannette Hayford on Law Enforcement; Ray Booth, chairman of the Captiva Erosion Committee, and Charles Jett, Jr., chairman of the by-law revision committee. John Racek, chairman of the nominating committee, will also present a slate of four names for election to a three year term as directors on the Board of Governors of the Association.

The treasurer will be accepting the 1972 dues of \$3.00 per person. Any resident of Captiva for a month or over during the year or any property holder on the island is eligible, upon payment of dues, to become a voting member of the Association. Any resident of the west tip of Sanibel, who is already a member of the Association may retain his voting membership by paying 1972 dues. All others are welcome as associate members, without voting privileges, upon payment of the same dues. If you cannot attend the meeting, please mail your check, made out to the Captiva Civic Association to Mr. Byron Kirby, treasurer, Box 188, Captiva Island, Fla., 33924.

At the close of the meeting, the Board of Governors will meet to elect the new officers for a one year tenure. The Association has scheduled a potluck supper to be held at the center on Feb. 25 and there will be a second Association meeting held in late March.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING CONFERENCE

All Islanders are urged to attend the two public meetings of the Environmental Planning Conference in Fort Myers, Jan. 27 and Jan. 28. The evening sessions, starting at 8 p.m., will be in the new Gymnasium of Edison Junior College. They are open to the public, without charge. The Environmental Confederation of Southwest Florida is sponsoring the conference and the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is host.

Nathaniel P. Reed, Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks of the U. S. Dept. of the Interior, Washington, D.C., will speak Thursday night, Jan. 27. He will discuss "Views of the Direction and Environmental Needs of South Florida." Secretary Reed, prior to assuming his present position, had been conservation advisor to former Governor Kirk and continued for awhile with Governor Askew.

Ian L. McHarg, nationally famous planner, landscape architect, lecturer, author and teacher, will address the conference in the second public meeting, Jan. 28, 8 p.m., also at the Edison Junior College Gymnasium. Mr. McHarg holds the chair of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning at the University of Pennsylvania. He is one of America's foremost advocates of the ecological approach in designing tomorrow's cities and countryside, spelled out in his book "Design with Nature."

Both guest speakers will stay on the islands during their visit here, Secretary Reed briefly, and Mr. McHarg for a number of days. Some 150 official delegates from the five west coast counties of the ECOSWF area, from all parts of the state, and some from other areas of the nation, will gather in Fort Myers at Edison Junior College for the two day conference which seeks to implement a sound environmental and land use plan for all of South Florida.

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Phase 1 of the long awaited comprehensive plan for land use and development for Sanibel and Captiva is now almost completed. Advisors and members of the Board of Directors of the Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board have gathered facts and figures related to existing zoning, land use and population. As a next step, this material will be analyzed and recommendations will be made by a committee which will include 2 County Commissioners, 2 Lee County Zoning Board members, 2 Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board members and one representative each from the Community Association, the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce, and the U. S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management.

It is expected that the Commissioners will then act to implement the plan which will also include recommendations (present and future) regarding the adequacy of the existing road network and access to the islands as well as that of other utilities. Before this is finalized, however, the committee will relate the amount of land zoned to the rate at which it is being used or absorbed for the specified zoned purpose, and will analyze types of uses permitted in each zoning classification to determine their social, environmental and physical effects upon the islands. The Public Works and Health Dept. will be asked to judge the capacity of utilities, (water, sewage, roads, electrical, etc.) presently serving Sanibel and Captiva.

**NEWS FROM THE ISLAND BEACH CLUB
by Bryce Bryant**

Another year has passed, and with it so many changes, we do not believe it is the same place; gleaming white buildings, nice interiors, good looking grounds, a mini golf course rapidly getting greener, so that soon we might be putting away. It is a real joy to all of us who have been here so long to see the wonderful changes taking place.

Flash: We have just received word that the most gracious and wonderful person of all times, Miss Loren Ford, artist and author, is returning for the 22nd year to our shores, and of course, will be a guest of the Island Beach Club. Along with Miss Ford will be her daughter, Mrs. Dora Stone from Austria. Two welcome wonderful people. We can hardly wait to see them.

This is the 13th year (a good thirteen), as it has been that many times Professor Pere Olof Lowdin and the Quantum scientists from all over the world have headquartered at the Island Beach Club (former Casa Ybel). It is a proud time for us each year when Pere and his lovely wife and daughters visit us. A proud time to have all of the distinguished scientists and professors from so many parts of the world. Welcome for lucky number "13" to Professor Lowdin and all of the other distinguished guests and staff.

Dick Wolfe, Island Beach Club's Senior Auditor, is back in harness and trying to keep all facts and figures straight for us. It is good to have Dick back again, and we do hope his health remains good. Of course, breathing that great salt air at 3 a.m. every morning and then bragging about the fish he is catching should be a real good prescription.

Walter Bielows, junior auditor and clerk, is hard at work trying to finish General Manager Bryce Bryant's new office, along with 200 or so extra duties he has to perform. As every resort and motel person well knows, the staff job does not just consist of checking people into their room and collecting the money. Here at the IBC the auditor-desk man is a package store salesman, desk clerk, reservation clerk, part time carpenter, public relations man, bookkeeper, and sometimes dog watcher; every once in a while Kuno, Bryce's K-9, gets left behind for various reasons, and then the desk man takes over.

It is wonderful to have Bob and Flo Houser on the staff of the Island Beach Club. The Housers are from Ohio. Bob is public relations and area consultant for the Club. He is also one of the best painters we have run across. Flo is still trying to get white paint out of his clothing. Flo adds that extra brightness to IBC that we have missed so long. Her excellent good humor and ready smile does a lot to brighten up an already bright place. We hope they both stay with us a very long time.

Manager Bryce Brant spent New Year's Eve with his very good friends the M. F. Duclos in Miami. Mr. Duclo is the Chief of Security at Miami Aerodex Corp. located at Miami International. Donna, his lovely wife, is a good housewife and mother, having no other career than helping Duke with his, and doing a fine job of this. Their children include Dukie, David, Billy and good old Robert (age 3). By the way, the Island Beach Club is their very favorite spot to vacation.

A great big welcome letter from Edna Anderson at Indianapolis, Ind. She tells us that perhaps with a little help from the Good Lord, she might be able to make it down this year. We missed her so much last year, as her smile covers the earth, and her good natured humor is surpassed by none other. Her only fault is the Sanibel Bends, as she is an ardent shell collector, and her home is loaded with them.

The Dr. Fred Karstens called just before New Year's Eve and wished me a happy 1972. We are disappointed that they will not be with us this year due to the illness of Dr. Karsten's mother. We do wish her well and hope she might come and visit with us when she is able to leave the hospital. The Karstens are from Horicon, Wis., in the heart of the great hunting and fishing marshes. Your correspondent hopes to be there in time for the Muskie fishing next spring.

A belated happy New Year to our friends on Sanibel Island, and we do hope that 1972 brings us all a great year, free from Red Tide, hurricanes, etc., just to help us make up the many losses of 1971; and to make a HERO out of us poor struggling motel and resort managers. Don't forget to send those applications in for our Club Lounge. It gets better with each month. And your old friend Harry Harris will be on hand to greet you. Club Card is a must to be served.

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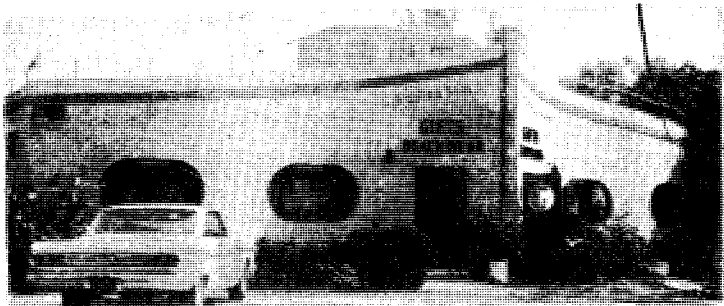
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6 ✓ BEAR ISLAND. MacLean	5	5
7 ✓ OUR GANG. Roth	6	3
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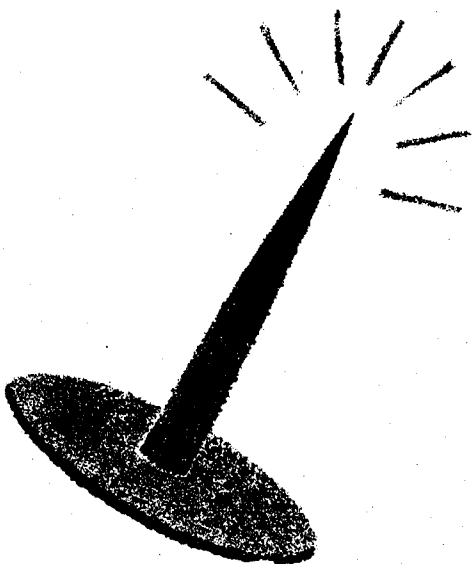
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