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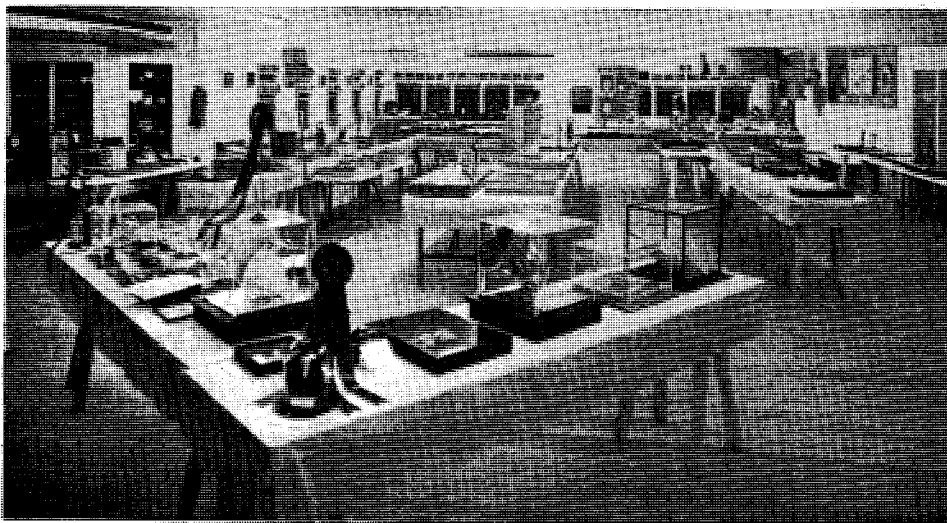
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Mario is not only a past master in the field of photography, but a poet as well, and for the past several years he has been sharing with the public his beautiful color slides, accompanied by his own rhymed commentary. In past years, his programs have proven so popular that people have been turned away, and it is for this reason that "Vintage 1971" is being presented on two successive evenings.

This program is the second in a series of events planned for the benefit of the Library Building Fund.

As is well known, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald T. Martin have generously donated land for a new library on Pine Ridge Road, next to the new fire station. Also well known to Islanders and visitors who patronize the Sanibel Public Library, is the fact that larger quarters are desperately needed.

Tickets for "Vintage 1971" are available at the Sanibel Public Library, the Island Beach Club, and MacIntosh Book Shop. The donation is \$3.00.

According to Mary Siegenthaler who has had charge of tickets, advance sales have been most satisfactory. There will be door prizes, one of which is an 18-inch black and white TV. Winners need not be present at the drawing; those not present will be notified.

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Sanibel COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, Inc.,  
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AMERICAN LEGION POST 123, American  
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CAMERA CLUB meets every second  
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## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

The PAUL MAMETS of Whelk Drive are recovering nicely from the Shell Fair, too, thank you. "We enjoy it no end, but thank heaven, it comes only once a year, because we all work overtime every day until it is over," said Mrs. Mamet.

Mr. & Mrs. DON J. MARSHALL will be visiting their son DONALD MacKELLER and family in Biloxi, Miss., later in the month. The MacKellers have two children, one of which the grandparents have never seen, and they want to see them before the family leaves for a two year assignment in Germany, where MacKeller will be working in computer processing. Then maybe at a later date they can again get together in Germany.

The ERARD MATTHEISSENS of Captiva have just returned from a delightful visit to Cuernovacas, Mexico, where they visited friends, and enjoyed the change of scene and weather no end. Monday, grandson, NATHANIEL WHEELWRIGHT from Lenox, Mass., came to visit and also granddaughter, MARTINA MATTHEISSEN from Marion, Mass. The young people will be enjoying the beach and sun during their semester break, and hopefully, will return with a real sun tan.

First time visitors to Sanibel are Mr. & Mrs. CARL W. WILD of State College, Pa., house guests of BETTY and JOE McMURTRY. The Wilds are so happy for the sun and sand instead of the 18 inches of snow back home.

Mr. & Mrs. JOHN KNEER of Kearny, N.J., and Hunter Mt., N.Y., have been the guests of their dear friends, TONY and IRENE ADAMS of Sanibel. Also enjoying the visit is Mrs. Kneer's 80 year old mother, Mrs. VALERIE WYSOCKI, and 11 year old nephew, VICTOR WYSOCKI, both of Kearny, N.J.

The former RUTH JONES is honeymooning with her husband, W. W. ANDERSON at Beachview Cottages, and that is the reason for that wonderful beam in her eyes, and that special glow all about her.

The ROBERT L. MacALLISTERS of Captiva have been enjoying a delightful visit from Mr. & Mrs. HENRY MacALLISTER of Worcester, Mass., and the SIDNEY SOULES of Northboro, Mass., and they all took in the Shell Fair which they definitely enjoyed, but, alas, all good things must come to an end, as they all go home this week. We hope they will find sand in their shoes and return to visit again soon.

Dr. & Mrs. VERNON L. MacKENZIE of Lighthouse Way have grandson BRUCE MacKENZIE visiting them from Cincinnati, Ohio. Bruce, who is 18 and very interesting, may decide to attend Edison College here. Mrs. MacKenzie is still recovering from the Shell Fair, which was a delight, but tiring, and Bruce helped too.

PEGGY MALONEY celebrated her over 39 birthday Sunday all day, and people came to congratulate her from all 'round.

Dr. & Mrs. N. EDGAR JACKSON of Corinth, Vermont, have been visiting with the FRED MILLERS of Captain's Walk. Dr. Jackson is Honorable Chaplain of the U.S. House of Representatives. He is the author of 18 books, of which 9 have been professional book club selections. He was formerly a Professor of Psychology at the University of Minnesota. He now lectures widely at professional conferences, colleges, universities and retreats here and abroad. He also visited with his niece, MAGGI DAVIS, of the Corner Shop.

Mrs. RUBY PATTON of Northport-Tuscaloosa, Ala., is visiting with her sister of Groveland, Fla. She is vacationing at the Caribe Adventure and attended the annual Shell Fair.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**TO THE ISLANDER:**  
 In reading your issue dated March 2, 1972, I am appalled that our Island newspaper would publish an anonymous letter, and doubly appalled that it contained so much mis-information.

Our Driftwood Workshop for the Sanibel Shell Fair was open to the public, a truly community affair, and I was much impressed with the number of residents and non-residents who participated. Materials used were contributed by many people and necessary supplies were either contributed or paid for by the Community Association.

Just to put the matter straight.  
 /s/ Winifred Iurka  
 Chairman, Driftwood Shop  
 Sanibel Shell Fair 1972

**TO THE ISLANDER:**  
 A copy of the following letter was sent to the Islander for publication:  
 Dear Mr. Holtz,

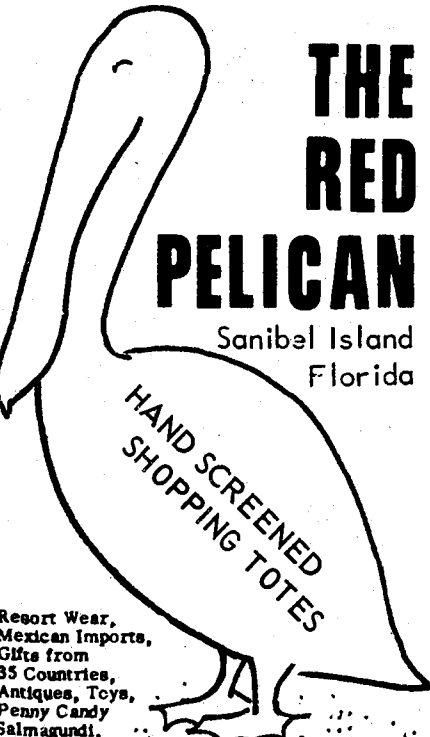
The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is most grateful to the Sanibel Community Association for its donation of \$1,000.00.

We are grateful too to have the interest and concern of the island's most representative group in our effort to preserve and protect that beauty which brought us all to Sanibel.

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## SHELL FAIR BEST EVER

Judge William E. Old, Jr. malacological authority and curator of the American Museum of Natural History in New York City said, "This is the best Sanibel show I have judged and certainly one of the best shows I have ever seen." Olds judged here in 1967 and 1970. Mrs. Germaine Warmke, the other judge, is a marine biologist at the University of Florida, and she, too, spoke of the excellence of the displays. Mrs. Warmke is a noted author and was Oceanographer at the University of Puerto Rico, along with many other varied accomplishments in her career.

The Shell Fair, which opened March 2 at the Sanibel Community House on Periwinkle Way ran through March 4 at 5 p.m. Many of the collectors have been gathering their shells from all over the world for 25 years. Sanibel and Captiva school children, too, displayed their collections.

The exhibits were divided into a number of categories. In the Shell of the Show, Helen Eker won a blue ribbon with her conus *Hirasei*, world-wide division for its extreme beauty, size and perfection. Each display in this category was limited to one shell, in a case which could be opened for judges to examine the shell. W. C. Hamby won in the Florida Shell of the Show with his Queen Helmet, and Fae Muller won the Sanibel-Captiva Shell of the Show award with her albino olive, displayed in preservative in its natural state. William Bledsoe and Eugenia Wright split first place in the world-wide exhibit, and Helene Eker won first place with her ten case display of one family of cones, three of which shells are considered the rarest in the world.

In the Scientific Division, Christine Goddard won first for her one genus of Tyrrean Purple display. Second place in this division went to Reva Denson and third place was captured by Miss Carol Nix, age 18, with her white genus *Oliva*. Mary Ford received an honorable mention in this one genus display.

In the Scientific Division, in the miniatures, Jerome M. Bijur of Naples won a blue ribbon and also a special judge's award, which was one of four given. Gladys Rodrigue came in second. The miniatures were beautifully displayed in velvet lined cases.

Again the Scientific Division, Eugenia Wright won a blue ribbon with her display of the family Scaphellinae of the Volutes. Mary Ford won a red ribbon with her large exhibit of *Marginella*, and third place went to W. C. Hamby. Christine Goddard took a blue ribbon with her one species display, showing color form and growth. Catherine Lucas came in second. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Chippeaux came in third with a white ribbon, and Myra Scribner received an honorable mention.

The Dupont Trophy, considered the biggest prize of the show, went to Mr. & Mrs. Sherman Clark for their Florida shells collection. Second place in Florida shells went to Harold Wiswall.

In the Educational Class Neil Hepler split the first place award with Ada Dayton, who also won a special judge's award. Second place in this class went to Christine Goddard.

Neil Hepler won with his display for one area, excluding Florida, a blue ribbon with his cone shells of the Western Atlantic.

Again in the scientific division, winners Lucia E. King of the Naples Shell Club and Christine Goddard split first place in one genus. Second place in this same category went to Christine Goddard and Catherine Lucas with Mary Nix and Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Chippeaux tying for third place. Honorable mention went to Myra Scribner.

In the Student Division, ages of the children were from 5 to 18. Monica Gabrysh, 15, took first place with her collection of Sanibel-Captiva shells. Steve Parks, 17, took second place. Jennifer, 10, and Jeffrey, 12, Jorgenson, grandchildren of the William Such's of Asbury Park, N.J., captured first place with their collection of local shells while visiting their grandparents on the islands, and received the Mary Cunningham trophy. John Jorgenson, age 5, and the littlest entrant, took second prize for self collected shells from Sanibel and Captiva by Elementary School children. Blanche Bartelami, 6, also labeled her own shell collection and received first prize in this category. Mark Kylo came in third.

In the Anomalies Division, for their marine fossil shells, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dormer took third place.

In sea life other than shells Mrs. Richard Frieman and Mrs. Forest Miller were blue ribbon winners in a combined exhibit. Priscilla Wiswall took third place in the sea life class.

In the Self Collected Division a trophy and blue ribbon were won by Mrs. Helen Such with Gladys Rodrigue coming in second. Mrs. Jack Moskowitz received a third place ribbon and honorable mention went to Gisella Koncz. Gladys Rodrigue was declared adult experienced winner for Sanibel-Captiva shells. Robert Rodrigue, age 20, was the winner of the blue ribbon and trophy for the adult beginner in collection of Sanibel-Captiva shells. Winifred L. Iurka received second place and Shirley and Willie Compton were third with their combined collection.

In the Rare Shells Division, Mrs. Myra Scribner won first place and a special judge's award for her lovely display. Mr. William D. Bledsoe of Los Angeles received second place and W. C. Hamby was third in this category.

In the Artistic Division, Anthony Adams received first place for his beautiful yellow jingle shell table, with Joseph A. Romani coming in second and Fae Muller third. Honorable mention went to Ardis Allen, but all of the tables are truly works of art and would look so nice in any setting. In the Artistic Division still, with open pictures, Gisella Koncz won first prize with her floral picture. E. J. Vegliante took second prize and third went to William J. Corwell. Marion P. Herr received honorable mention. Still in the Artistic Division, Emma Guthrie won first place and special judge's award for her miniature orchids made entirely of tiny shells. Audrey S. Ritchie came in second with a floral Bird of Paradise made of fish bones and shells and Mrs. Robert C. Hatfield came in third with three goblets decorated with shells.

In jewelry made from shells, Fae Muller took first place; Ethel Reynolds, second;

Ardis Allen, third; and Mrs. Robert Hatfield received honorable mention. Mrs. A. Hodassy won first prize with her gift items display and Mrs. Helen E. Such came in third.

Reva Denson won first prize for her glassed-in picture of flowers; Mrs. S. M. Valentine and Ardis Allen shared second place honors with honorable mention going to Vallere L. Burt. In the Commercial Dealers Division, highest honors went to Elsie Malone for her scientific class of Florida shells, which is considered to be the finest collection outside of a museum, by many.

Scientific world-wide collection of shells was won by the Black Pearl Shop. Third place went to Gary Magnotte. Robert F. Rex took second place honors with his gold painted jewelry. He is from Fort Lauderdale. Honorable mention went to Reat Penney.

In table arrangements of exquisite beauty, Black Pearl again took first place. Reat Penney took a blue ribbon too, with his arrangements of old fashioned floral bouquets made entirely of shells. They were so realistic you could almost smell the flowers.

Judges took over three hours to render their decisions, and remarked on the number of rare shells exhibited and the fact that the exhibits were carefully arranged and displayed in an orderly and tasteful way. Visitors were permitted to vote on their choice of the outstanding shell exhibit with the winner being Emma Guthrie.

Also, the beautiful shell table, filled with over \$500 worth of lovely shells, donated by persons and businesses on the islands, and fashioned by Mr. Charles LeBuff of Naples was won by Mrs. Dorothy Van Buren of Fort Myers.

Everyone visiting the Shell Fair said it gets bigger and better every year. Many enjoyed a delicious hamburger and soft drink dispensed by ladies in the "Galley," while others visited the Driftwood Shop which not only featured some local driftwood, but also many handmade items for gifts and good eating. Mrs. Fae Muller worked long and hard teaching the volunteers the intricacies of shell craft to be sold in the Driftwood Shop.

Conservation and Audubon exhibits were quite impressive too, with live specimen plantings in gallon cans showing the indigenous plants on the Islands and including the seagrape, Florida coffee, cactus, golden creeper, wild pineapple, wild poinsettia, necklace pod, sea bean, agave, sisals, beachberry, lantana, coco plum, wild olive and others. They are called chlorotic natives, are pest free, flood, salt, wind, and drought free, and even withstand hurricanes.

The largest crowds ever attended the shell show, with over 600 registering in the first morning of the show. But despite the crowds, there was adequate parking space provided.

The live shell exhibit was bigger and better, too. There was an eerie looking lizard fish, several live angel wings who normally burrow 18 to 24 inches in the mud, and there were live conches, coral and living star fish, plus other small fish too numerous to mention. Some were fascinated by the live display, which was kept living through aeration and fresh sea water in the tanks. Others were repelled by the sight of what they consider beautiful shells, but with a repugnant dweller in them, but all showed interest in this unusual exhibit.

At the end of the Shell Fair, little Lolly Vartdal, age 4, drew the winning ticket for the lovely shell table, and Mrs. Van Buren, the winner, will receive it as soon as she has been contacted. Lolly's parents are the Robert Vartdals and he was Sh Table Chairman.

The winner of the popularity vote from attendants to the Fair was Mrs. Emma Guthrie for her shell orchids which also won a blue ribbon and special judge's prize. The tiny orchids in a realistic spray were very beautiful; tinted orchid and white shells made up the spray. Also, the original illustration on the cover of the Sanibel Shell Fair brochure was auctioned off by Dr. Ingalls Simmons. Mrs. George Winterbotham was the artist who did the original drawing. The bidding started at \$25. Mrs. C. D. White bid on the illustration for her mother, Mrs. Andrew Kinzie, who came to the Islands in 1904 as a member of one of the pioneer families, who first had a steamboat connecting Punta Rassa with Fort Myers and later owned the ferry boats used to connect Sanibel with the mainland until 1964, when the present causeway was put in use.

The framed illustration was encased in a frame made by Mr. Ed Legel and donated for the drawing. The bidding ended at \$50.00 with Mrs. Kinzie winning the illustration. She had told her daughter, Mrs. White, that she wished to present it to her son-in-law, Duane White as a memento for his hard work as chairman of this year's Shell Fair. This thoughtfulness impressed all who knew of it. And that is how the wonderful Shell Fair ended this year's biggest and best.

## COURSE ON CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Only about six persons replied to a recent article offering the possibility of a short course on "Conservation of Natural Resources" which might be conducted on the Islands if there is sufficient interest.

The course would be conducted by a member of the Lee County Environmental Education Program, directed by Mr. William Hammond.

Since it is getting late in the season to start such a course, any islanders interested in participating but not until next year are invited to notify Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, attention Roy Bazire, P.O. Box 25, Sanibel Island, Fla. 33957.

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Contributions were also gratefully received from the following: Island Bake Shop, MarCar Ceramics, Black Pearl, Reynolds Craft Shop, Shell Net, Legel's Supply, Sanibel Originals, Sea-Ramics, Red Pelican, McCaul's Driftwood, The Last Straw, Dotti's, Bailey's General Store, MacIntosh Book Shop, Open Gage, Corner Shop, Thetan Shop, Sanibel Shell Industries, The Duggers, Seven Seas, Sea Horse Shop and Friday's House of Treasures.

It anyone has been omitted it is because of the inefficiency or inaccuracy or whatever of yours truly, the chairman.

/s/ Winifred Iurka

BEACHVIEW COTTAGES

Return resorters are Mr. & Mrs. Leo Deruntz from McHenry, Ill., and the C. H. Gilmores of South Charleston, W. Va. Mr. & Mrs. Frank Nealy of Saugerties, N.Y., are back for the season and so are Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Nortell and daughter Kathy from Newark, Ohio. Kathy has been enjoying the beach, pool and shelling. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Richter drove down from Garden City, N.Y., and in time for the Shell Fair. This is their first visit to the islands. And down from Odell, Ill., are the Lowell Fosdicks for some sun and rest.

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA  
 ART LEAGUE

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League is presenting a program of special interest on Monday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House and the speaker will be Vincent Vidrine, the well known artist who is now living in Fort Myers.

Mr. Vidrine's successful career in the art field qualifies him as an authority in his work. His lecture and demonstration on the use of color, color theory, color mixing, and color harmony will be of much interest and value to artists working in all media and styles.

Mr. Vidrine has had many years of specialized training in a wide range of activities. He is a graduate of the Art Institute of Chicago and continued there to teach for 22 years. He was instructor in drawing, painting, basic design and advertising art. He had done book illustrations, designed murals and stained glass, fields in which he did much research. His special interest has been Serigraph Prints, a silk screen process in which the artist makes his own prints. He has won many prizes for these prints in national shows. His pictures hang as collections at the Art Institute in Chicago.

League members are urged to attend this interesting program on March 13. Visitors will be welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Shell Club will meet Wednesday, March 15 at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Association.

SORRY!

Batboy Jerry Muench's name was omitted from last week's list of players. (Would you believe by his wife!)

GEORGE W' SABIEL

Funeral service for George W. Sabiel, 74, of Captiva Island was held last Friday at the chapel of the Harvey Funeral Home. Burial will be at a later date.

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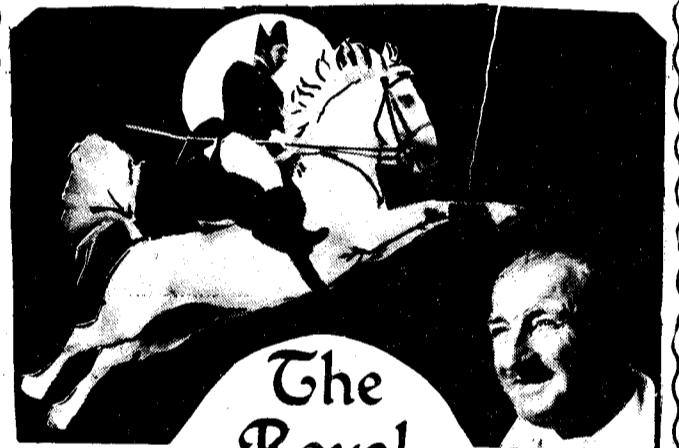
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### SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH TO ENLARGE

The Sanibel Community Church is planning to add an addition to the church. The expansion will add three Sunday school rooms, a nursery and a choir room. Also, the auditorium will be extended back 23 feet, allowing for approximately 100 more church seats. The work contract has been given to Karl Wightman with a starting date of May 1, according to Don Marshall, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

There will be no financial campaign, but any donations to the Building Fund will be gratefully received.

Attendance at the interdenominational church has grown

tremendously this year. The church has been unable to accommodate all, and ten to thirty persons have remained in their cars to hear the service over the loud speaker system, when seating space in the "little brown church in the vale" ran out. The new addition to the church will not change the appearance of it according to Dr. H. E. Sheeley, Pastor. "Persons of all denominations are welcome at the church," he stated.

#### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Dr. & Mrs. Vernon Rowland of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and Tahiti Shores, Sanibel, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ann Catherine, who vacations often with her parents and sister Susan on Sanibel to Mr. John William Shriver, son of Mr. &

Mrs. O. Blaine Shriver of South Charleston, W. Va.

Miss Rowland, who attended the University of Michigan, is now a junior and undergraduate scholar in Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland and plans graduate work in social work and law. Her father is a professor of psychiatry in the medical school of Case Western Reserve University and is engaged in neurophysiological research. She is the granddaughter of Mr. Charles William Lamming of Manchester, Mich., and the late Mrs. Lamming and of the late Dr. Vernon C. Rowland, an early president of the Academy of Medicine in Cleveland, and the late Mrs. Rowland of Cleveland Heights.

Mr. Shriver, a chemist and graduate of West Virginia University is now a

research assistant in biology in Case Western Reserve University and plans a graduate fellowship in Washington University in St. Louis next year. His father is an engineer with Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone.

A May 20 wedding is being planned.



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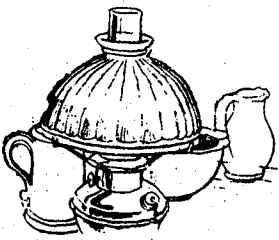
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**CASTAWAYS SOLD**

Castaways Resort at the north end of Sanibel, owned and operated for the last 20 years by Dean and Barbara Mitchell, has been sold to Bill Sowers, a former Volkswagen dealer from Rolla, Mo., who will operate the resort under the name of Bill Sowers Limited.

The Castaways is on about five acres of land split in half by the Sanibel-Captiva Road and has frontage on the Gulf of Mexico and for several hundred feet along Blind Pass. Besides the Polynesian styled cottages at the resort, there is a waterfront restaurant, a marina, and completely equipped housekeeping units.

Sowers operated the Volkswagen agency in Missouri for about nine years and recently sold that business in order to move here. The negotiations on his purchase of the Castaways was handled through Rutenberg Realty Co.

Mr. & Mrs. Sowers already have assumed management of the Castaways and in the near future will begin a remodeling and expansion program of the facility. The facility presently has a total of 27 units, most of them efficiency apartments.

Mitchell is retaining his ownership of another island motel resort, The Sand Castle by the Sea, as well as the ownership of the home occupied by his mother near the Castaways. He is, however, eliminating some of his interests so he will have more leisure time.

The purchase price of the Castaways was \$350,000.

**SNOOK ADDITION OPENS**

A \$150,000 complex of apartments expanding the Snook Motel Apartments on Gulf Drive to 28 units, has just been completed by Don Hiers, general contractor. The owner and operator is Myton Ireland. In addition to the new 14 units, the other 14 units were recently renovated. Ireland bought Snook Motel Apartments on the Gulf three years ago. The building is CBS construction, two stories, and stands on two-foot pilings.

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Also Mrs. Phyllis Pasternack and party from Plantation, Fla.; Mr. & Mrs. Rufus A. Wheeler and Mr. & Mrs. J. S. Lansing of Scotia, N.Y., and Mrs. H. A. Brand of Western Springs, Ill.

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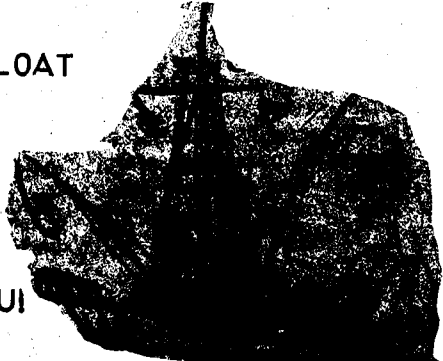
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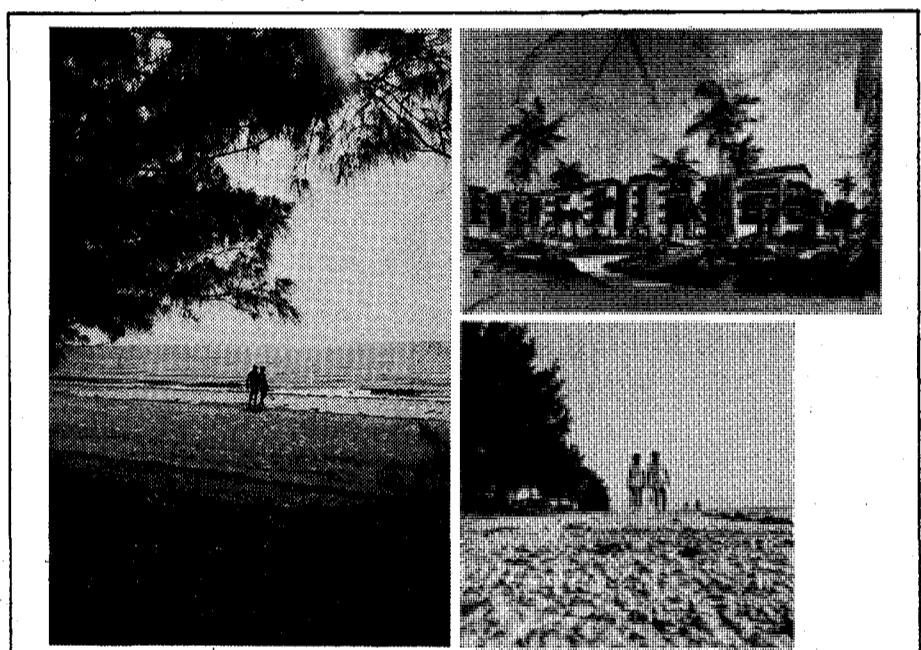
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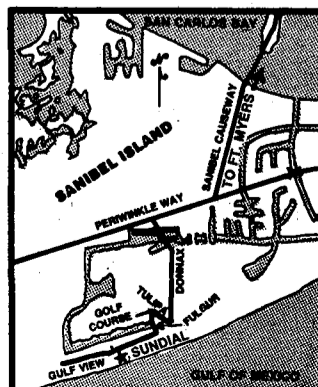
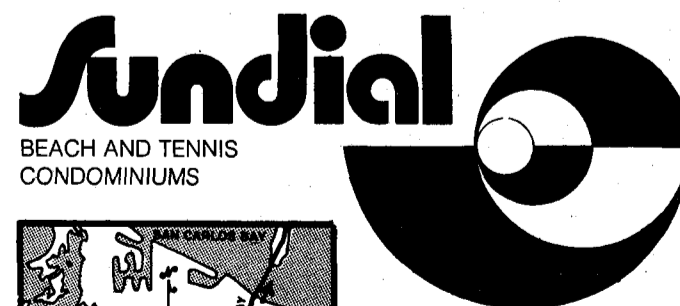
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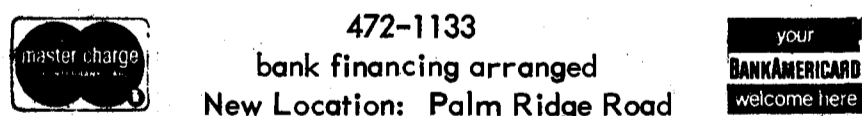
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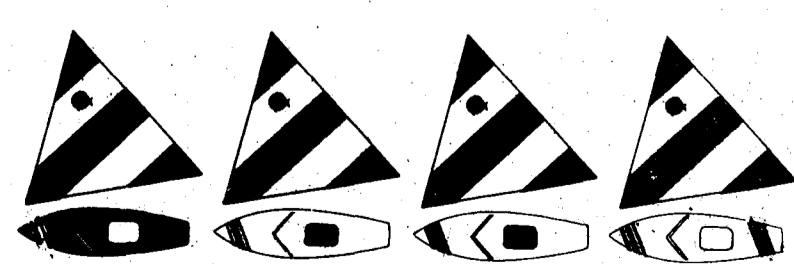
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First to be visited is the Charles Holland home on San Carlos Bay Drive in Sanibel Isles. As one might expect from the owners of the Straw Shop, the home has a distinct Polynesian decor and straw and rattan dominate the furnishings. The home has a spectacular setting on a point jutting into San Carlos Bay and features an indoor swimming pool.

Western red cedar dominates the home of Mr. & Mrs. Levert Andrews in Thateaux Sur Mer. It was designed by Architect Martin Gunderson and faces on the Gulf. Features include a spacious living room with beamed ceiling, a master bedroom overlooking the Gulf and a potter's studio where Mrs. Andrews works with a kick-wheel and kiln in producing some of the finest pottery made in America.

The Arthur A. Clark home on a canal in Tahiti Shores pays mute testimony to the owner's long career in the publishing business with a charming combination den and library with book-lined walls. A lanai off the master bedroom has a bubbling fountain and the connecting angled porch has a fine river gravel floor. The decor is a happy mixture of contemporary and antiques.

Almost directly across the street and facing the Gulf is Fairwinds, the spectacular octagonal home of John Kenedy. The approach is through an orchid garden and the Chinese motif which the home features is immediately evident from the red lacquered doors with their gold dragons. Especially noteworthy is the Venetian glass crystal chandelier in the living room and the collection of antique clocks. Two wings extend from the octagonal center section, the first housing the den, bar and master bedroom and the second the guest rooms and bath.

While the exterior of the Porter Goss home on Gulf Drive has Spanish overtones with its red tile roof and three large arches, the interior has all of the mood and charm of an English Tudor house. The high ceiling, the French windows opening onto the lawn and the spiral staircase leading to the children's quarters upstairs enhance this feeling as does the fine furniture which the Gosses brought with them from England, where Mr. Goss served with the U.S. State Department.

The careful clearing and precise pruning of the natural growth around the Gulf Drive home of Mrs. Herbert Lewis, the last to be featured on the tour, demonstrates how the beauties of nature can be treated. There are a few exotics but the foliage is "original Sanibel." Thus the wild olive, rough fern, bamboo and wild coffee give the effect of an appealing, spacious and controlled "jungle" yard. The small but completely charming Japanese type house was designed by Mrs. Lewis and the interior decor follows this motif.

## CARETTA RESEARCH TEAM

Charles R. LeBuff, Jr., director of Southwest Florida's Caretta Research Team, based on Sanibel Island, announced this week the recent appointment of Richard Beatty of Naples as the organizations Assistant Director. Beatty has been extremely active in marine turtle conservation work in Collier County for several years and was



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one of the founders of the group. He has served as Collier County Unit Director since 1968.

Wayne Parker, the director of Big Cypress Center in Naples, was elected to replace Beatty as the Collier County Unit representative of the Caretta Team. Parker will direct continued tagging of adult loggerhead turtles on Keewaydin Island, study predation problems upon turtle eggs that exist there, and utilize the facts of sea turtle survival problems as an educational aid. Young people associated with Big Cypress Center have been actively engaged in several aspects of loggerhead turtle work in recent years in cooperation with the Caretta project.

LeBuff stated that "an increased effort will be made in 1972 to safeguard larger numbers of sea turtle eggs than has been possible in previous years." The group plans a summer camp on Morgan Beach, near Cape Romano, on land made available by Mr. James Carr owner and developer of Morgan Beach-Isles-Shores, Inc. If the 1972 sea turtle nesting season proves to produce sufficient nesting landings the Caretta Team hopes to collect and transplant to a protected hatchery approximately 50,000 eggs at the Morgan Beach station alone. LeBuff mentioned that adults or students who are interested in assisting as volunteer workers for various jobs this summer can contact him by mail at Sanibel.

## SANIBEL-CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

All owners of apartments and homes in The Colony and guests of the well known island resort have received a letter from Mr. Bennett Burgoon, Jr., one of the owners, urging them to support the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's \$300,000 fund raising campaign to purchase additional areas in Sanibel's fresh water wetlands.

To stimulate gifts, Mr. Burgoon states, "This situation is so critical, The Colony has agreed to match all owners' contributions up to a total of \$1,000. Actually we know your contributions will total much more than \$1,000 and we must get them in before the April 30 deadline."

With the letter, Mr. Burgoon attached a copy of the Fort Myers News-Press article on the Foundation's fund raising campaign which appeared on the front page of its January 27 issue.

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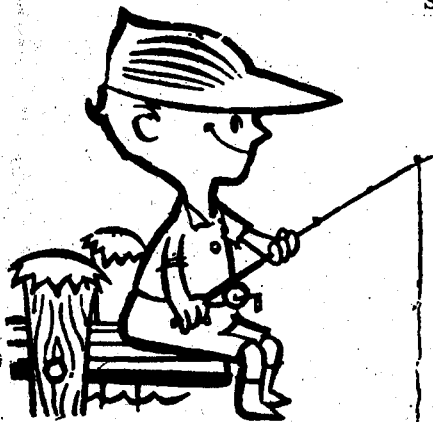
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Through colored slides and a live commentary by Rosemary K. Collett it presents a conservation-oriented tour of the three African nations of Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania. Shown are the lands, the peoples and the wild animals of these countries. Mrs. Collett is author of books on animals and conservation. She has been featured on national television and publications. With her husband, George, she operates the Felicidades Wildlife Foundation in Venice, Fla.

As usual the program is open to the public, and all are cordially invited.

### SHELL FAIR ART SHOW

One hundred and thirteen paintings were on display by 30 different artists in the outdoor pavilion for viewing by the general public. Thirty-nine of these pictures sold for prices ranging from \$10 to \$125, making the total amount received \$1200 to be shared by the artist, the Sanibel Community Association and the Sanibel-Captiva Association.

Hundreds passed through the pavilion and were invited to vote for their favorite picture on display. A watercolor by Mildred Feiruch was the winner in the popularity vote with a watercolor of the old Bailey Store running a close second, and painted by Dorothy Robinson. Third in the voting was an oil portrait "Age of Wisdom" by Grace Shepherd.

Nada Harrison was the chairman of the exhibit and was ably assisted by many members of the Art League and the Community Association. There was a representative cross-section of many media displayed: Photographs by Larry Huston of Fort Myers Beach, pencil drawings, pastels, oils, watercolors, acrylic oils, collage and assemblage. They ranged from primitive paintings to sophisticated abstracts. Many used interesting materials, some were mounted on wood with interesting grain patterns, others used plexiglass and printers' materials in interesting patterns. But the showings were predominately representational with very few abstracts with pictorials being the mainstay.

Quite a cross-section of people viewing the pictures was noted also. There were year round residents, tourists and other visitors of the day. The paintings were submitted by some residents and some winter residents and resorters. Dorothy Robinson's still lifes were truly representative of the Islands and were popular watercolors.

Mrs. Feiruch had other pictures on viewing which rated high in the popularity voting also.

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League is open to both residents and visitors to islands alike, and all artists or art lovers are invited to join. The dues are \$2 per person for a year's membership, and checks may be made payable to Jean Bair, Water Shadows, Sanibel, Fla. 33957.

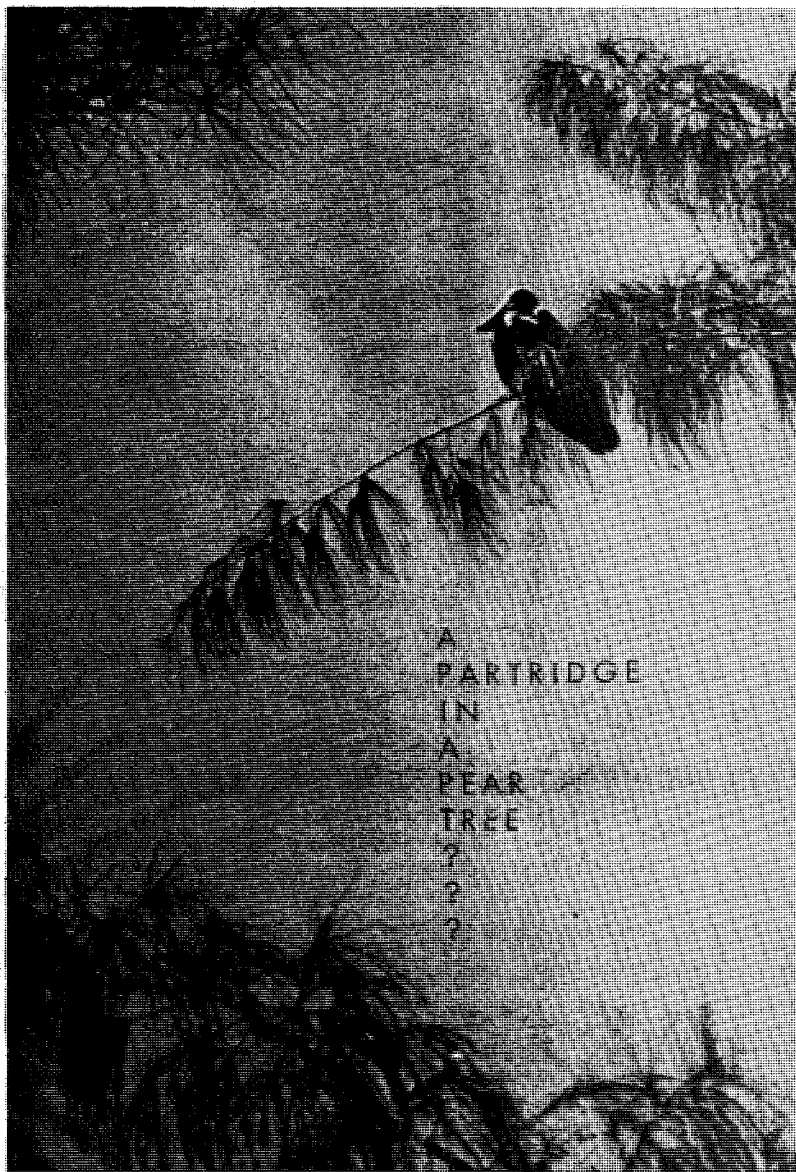


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### WARNING TO VISITORS

Please be sure to lock your cars when shelling on the beaches. There have been break-ins, so please do not leave any valuables in the car. Take purses, cameras, and binoculars with you.

### LADIES GUILD

A luncheon is planned for the March meeting of the Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church. Present plans call for the group to meet at the Coconut Grove on March 16. Those who are unable to meet for lunch are urged to attend the meeting afterwards at the Church.

The nominating committee composed of Mrs. Edward Brunner, chairman; Mrs. Don Marshall and Mrs. Hal Irwin will present their slate of officers to be voted on at the meeting. Plans will also be finalized for the covered dish dinner in April honoring the new members of the church and marking the installation of the new officers. A discussion will also be held concerning the formation of an afternoon group for the Guild.

Reservations for lunch should be made through Mrs. Walter Strong at 472-1093 or Mrs. Charles Muller at 472-2430. Please watch next week's issue of The Islander for further details on this very important meeting.

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Mrs. Paul McCulloch will have on display at the Captiva Memorial Library a showing of her larger than life fruits and vegetable on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. through March 21.

The paintings, of almost mural size, but framed, will be shown, some for the first time, and they were painted from live specimens. They are most unusual in form and are most interesting.

RUTH RANDELL HAS IMPRESSIVE BACKGROUND

Ruth Randell, who will demonstrate at the Art League Workshop on March 8, has an impressive background for her craft. She received her bachelor of Fine Arts degree and her Master of Fine Arts degree at Syracuse University in New York. She also studies at the Cleveland Art Institute, New York State School of Ceramics and at Vienna, Austria.

She has taught at the Mechanics Institute in Rochester, N.Y., and at the Rhode Island School of Design.

Her major work has been in teaching for the past 32 years at the School of Art at Syracuse University. She also taught at a summer session at the Art Institute in Lima, Peru, and has exhibited not only in the United States extensively, but in other world-wide exhibits in Europe.

She has won prizes in two National Ceramics shows and is the author of the first book on ceramic sculpture published in the United States. Ruth Randell has travelled around the world collecting crafts for the Art Museum at Syracuse University. She is listed in Who's Who of American Women and also in Who's Who of American Artists.

HUNTERS' THING

Hunters' Thing is proving so successful that plans are under way to have a special performance for the benefit of Meals for Millions on Thursday, April 6.

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Assisting the Hunters in "Reluctant Debutante" is Pat Slater who makes a brief appearance as their debutante daughter. Back stage is Bob Dormer whose handling of scene changes has engendered rounds of applause. In the box office for the March 4 performance were Porter and Mariel Goss. Hosts for

the final scheduled performance of Hunters' Thing on Saturday, March 11 will be Charlotte and Duane White. Curtain 8:15, box office, 472-1692.



LADIES GUILD  
SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH


The Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church will have a luncheon on Thursday March 16 at 1 p.m. at the Coconut Grove. All ladies of the church are invited to attend. Let's have a very good turn out. For reservations call Fae Muller, 472-2430 or Sylvia Strong, 472-1093 by March 14.

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**MAKING TRACKS with Sandy**

I spent an interesting hour with Mrs. Martin Cannon of Captiva, not long ago, and the time flew by much too fast. I had found her house easily enough, for although there is no mail box, no name, no street number to guide you, there is one identifying symbol: a picture of a cannon tacked to a tree at the entrance to the driveway. Nestled in among the trees overlooking the Gulf is her tiny home on pilings -- a story book setting if I ever saw one!

My hostess was waiting for me at the top of the stairs and I was welcomed into her small and charming world. The rooms are colorful and cozy; the living room, with its high ceiling, has a balcony on three sides that "doesn't go anywhere," she is quick to say, but simply serves as a gallery to display paintings by the islands' artists. Here, and throughout the house, are works of art by Leon Levy, Jane Bancroft, Maybelle Stamper, Bob Haynie and Mary Pevar. An interesting driftwood coffee table in the living room and a peace sign that hangs from the roof outside are the handiwork of Bill Compton of Sanibel.

Marion Cannon is delightfully witty and twinkles with a happy nature, possessing a marvelous enthusiasm for life that encompasses a wide gamut of interests. She was educated at Barnard College in New York, spent nine years in Europe during which time she studied languages at the Universities of Brussels, Belgium and Hamburg, Germany. "I went over there to visit friends for a few weeks and stayed nine years," she laughs, "so now people question whether they should invite me even for a weekend."

Charlotte, N.C., is her home away from Captiva where she is well known for her great interest in civic affairs and especially for her writings of poetry, prose and short stories. "The Red Clay Reader," featuring North Carolina writers has published many of her poems. Of her writings, she says she sometimes awakens in the middle of the night with an idea, that, if not written down immediately, will be forgotten by morning. Her other talents include embroidery, needlework, sketching and painting.

There is no "generation gap" where Marion Cannon is concerned for her house is likely to be filled with teenagers and the very small fry. For her tiny guests there is a "for-real" swing that pulls down from the high ceilinged living room especially for them.

And wouldn't you know she would call her home in Charlotte "Witch Hill?" When asked why, she calmly said, "because only females live there!"

**WILDLIFE NOTES by griffing bancroft**

The herons, egrets and ibis that for the last two years have nested in the Bailey sanctuary on Sanibel apparently are getting ready to do so again.

As usual the earliest are the big American, or common, egrets. Great blue herons start nesting much earlier and some already have young, but for some reason unknown to anyone but themselves the great blues have not nested in the rookery in the Bailey sanctuary.

So the first birds to start the long routine of reproduction there are the big egrets. Those on bird tours have now been seeing these birds displaying, spreading out the long lacy plumes.

At this stage most, presumably, are doing this to warn all others that the little area where the displaying bird is stationed is going to be his territory. But some have gone beyond this and already are in courtship.

One was seen bringing a stick in his beak to another, displaying his feathers, and presenting her with the gift. It is, of course, a practical gift and once she accepts it she puts it to good use starting to build a nest..

Once a pair bond is formed ceremonies like that continue as the parents relieve each other at guarding the nest, incubating and caring for the young. This is to insure that the pair bond endures through the season as it takes both parents to raise young. One must be constantly on guard while the other feeds.

The smaller birds will, if they do as they did last year, start their nesting before long. In fact, the mating call of the Snowy egret, a sound not unlike that of a man gargling, has already been heard and one Snowy has been seen among the big egrets showing off his smaller but even more elegant plumage.

Anhingas, which nest early and which nested in with the others in the Bailey sanctuary last year have not been seen in the preliminary stages this year.

The birds which have nested in this rookery in the past, besides those mentioned, have been Louisiana herons, little blue herons, cattle egrets, a great many white ibis and just a few glossy ibis and black-crowned night herons.

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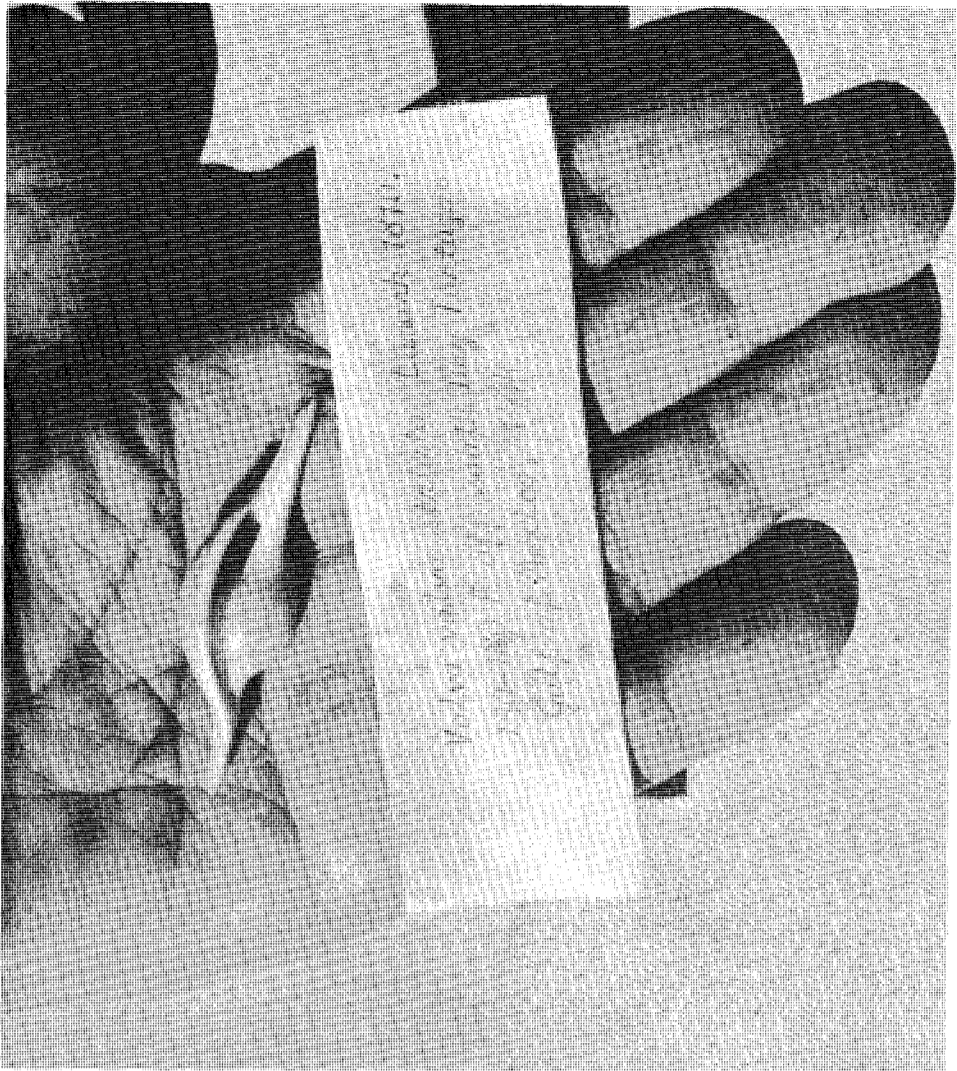
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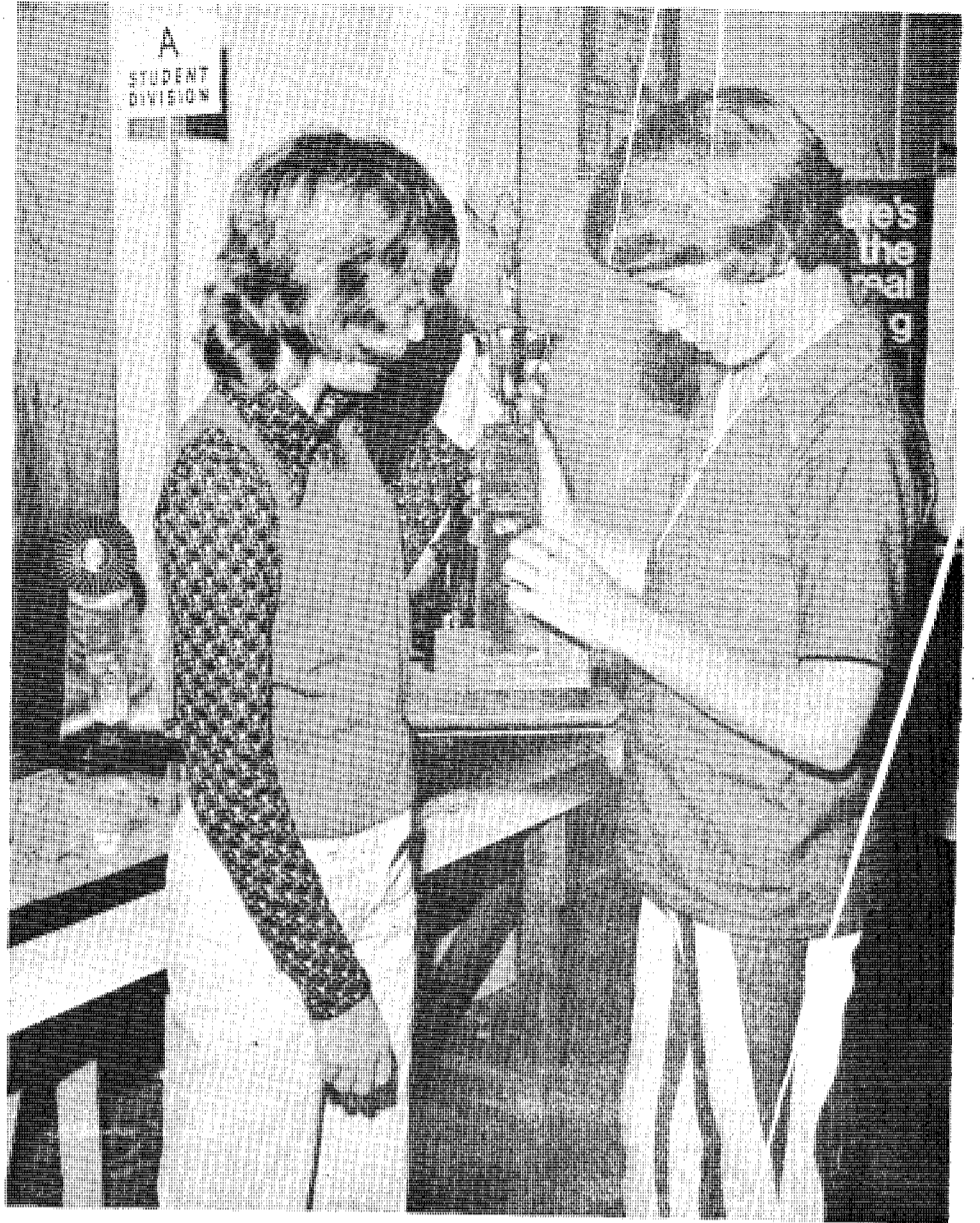
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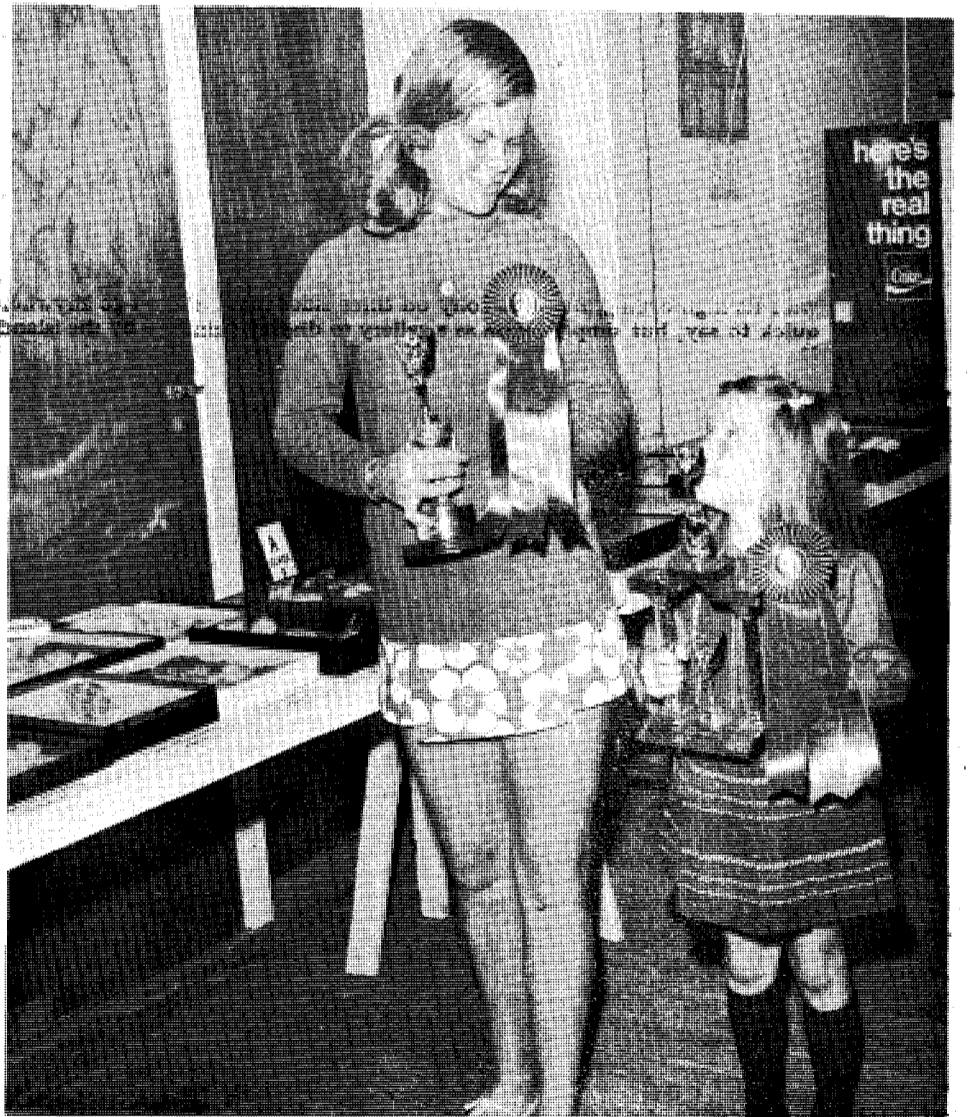
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Winners of the Mary Cunningham Award, Jennifer and Jeffrey Jorgensen.



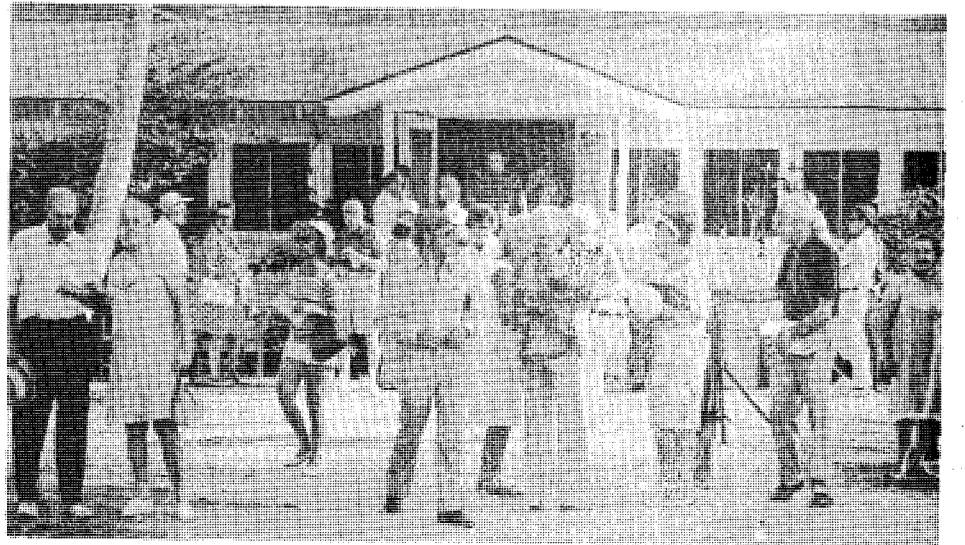
President of Sanibel Community Association presenting Peoples Trophy to Mrs. Emma Guthrie.



Left, Monica Gabrysh, high school student, Self Collected, Sanibel-Captiva. Right, Blanche Bertolami, elementary school student, Self Collected, Sanibel-Captiva.



Mrs. Fae Muller, Shell of the Show winner, Sanibel-Captiva and general chairman, C. D. White.



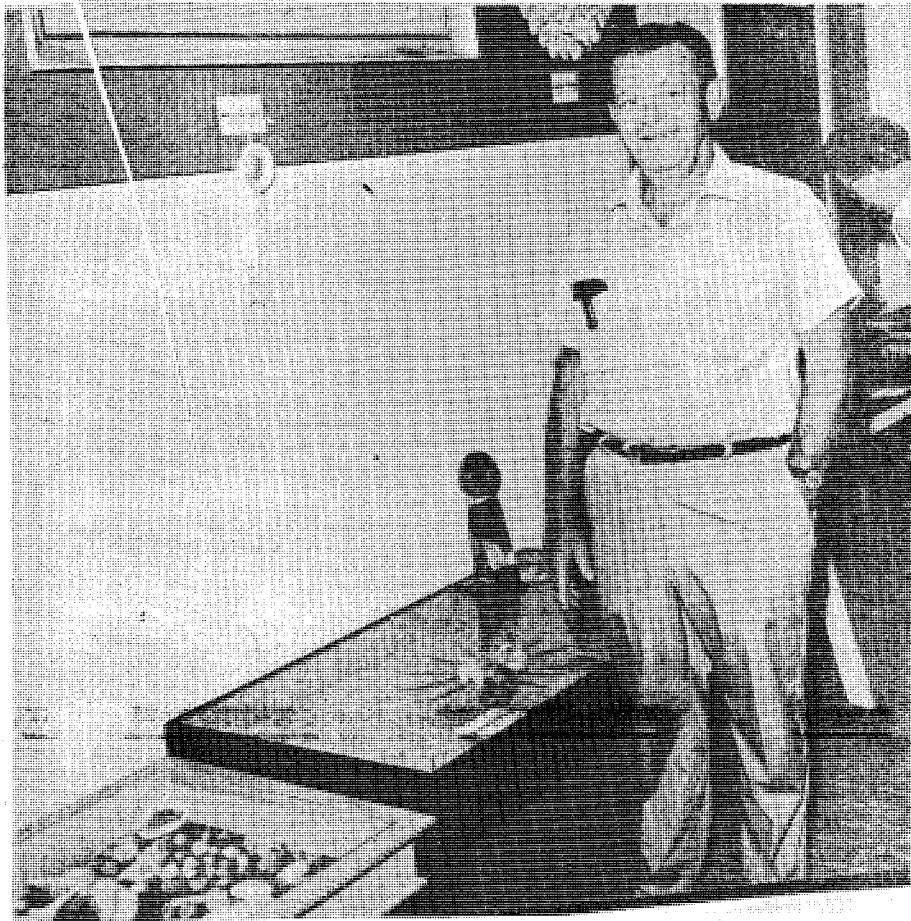
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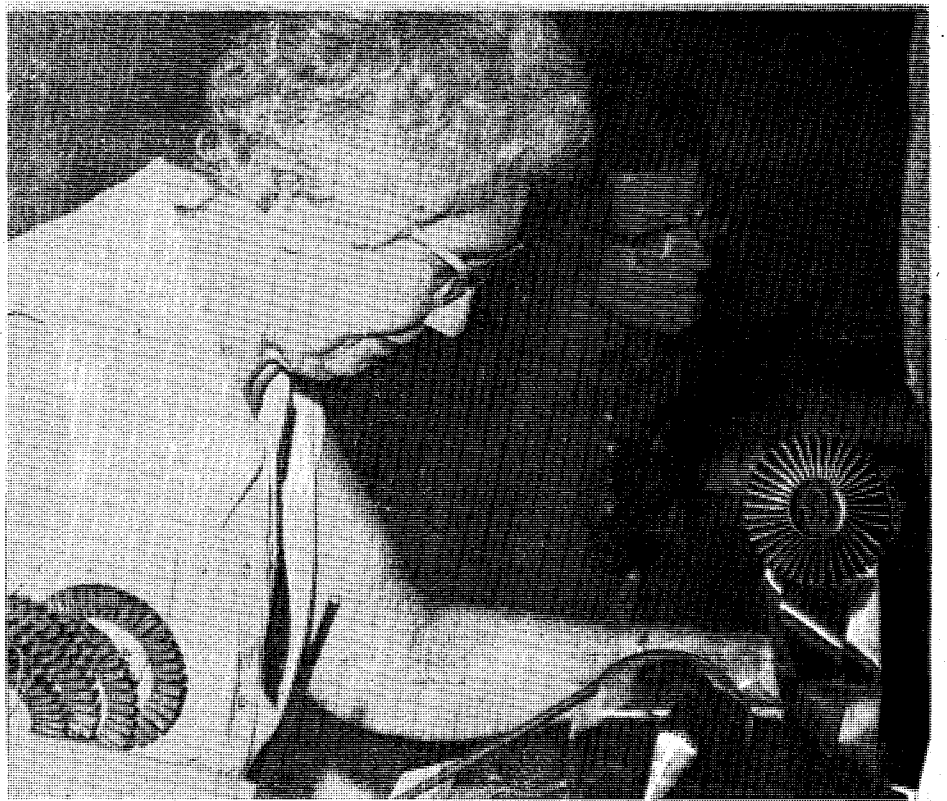
W. C. Hamby receiving ribbon for Shell of Show Florida Division from co-chairman of exhibits, Mrs. Alice MacKenzie. Mrs. Hamby is behind shell.



Judge Old presenting 1st place Scientific Division, World-wide shells, to Eugenia I. Wright.



Anthony Adams, 1st place shell table winner, Artistic Division, Class I.



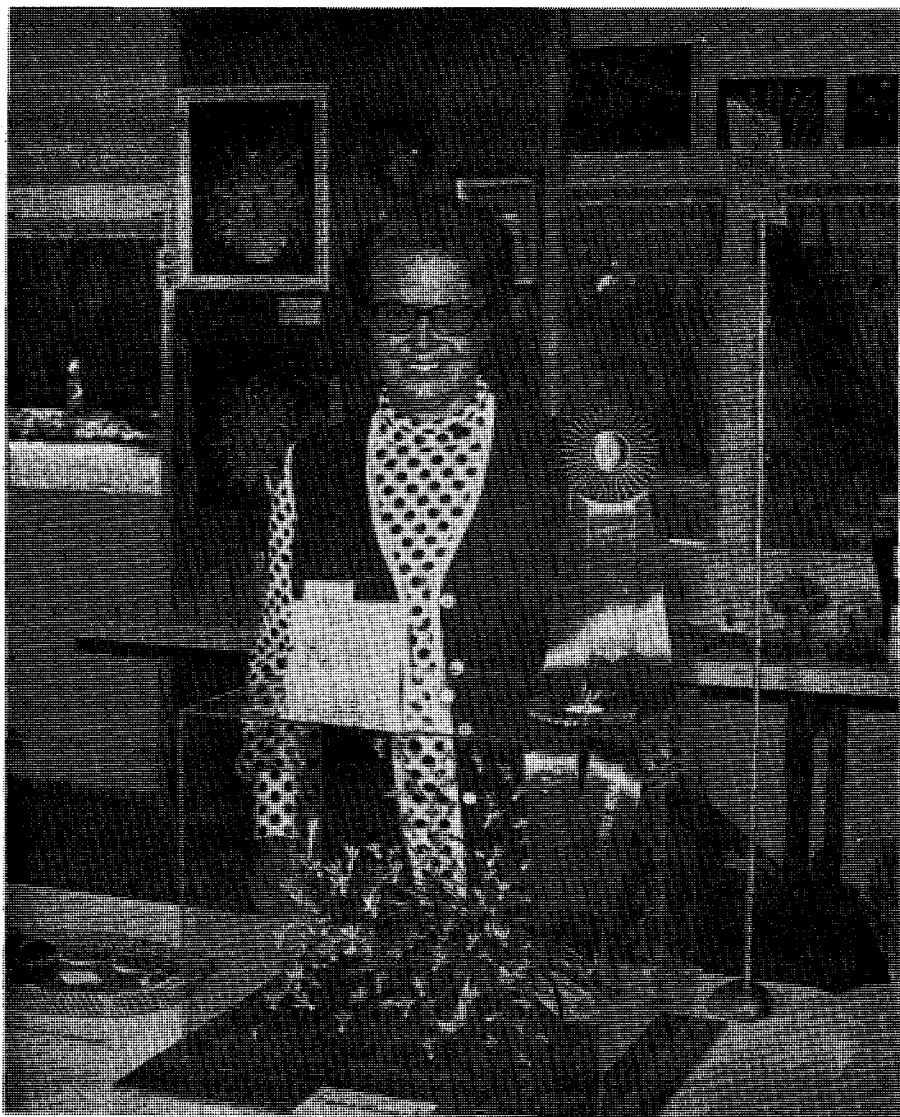
Mrs. Sylvia Strong placing award on Shell of the Show, World-wide Division. Judge Germaine Warmke in background.



Gladys Rodrigue, 1st place, Self Collected Division, Class II.



Robert Rodrigue, Self Collected Division, Class I, Sanibel-Captiva shells.



Mrs. Emma Guthrie, 1st place winner, Artistic Division, Class II, Judges Special Award and Peoples Trophy.



Gisella Konec, 1st place, Artistic Division, Class IV open pictures.



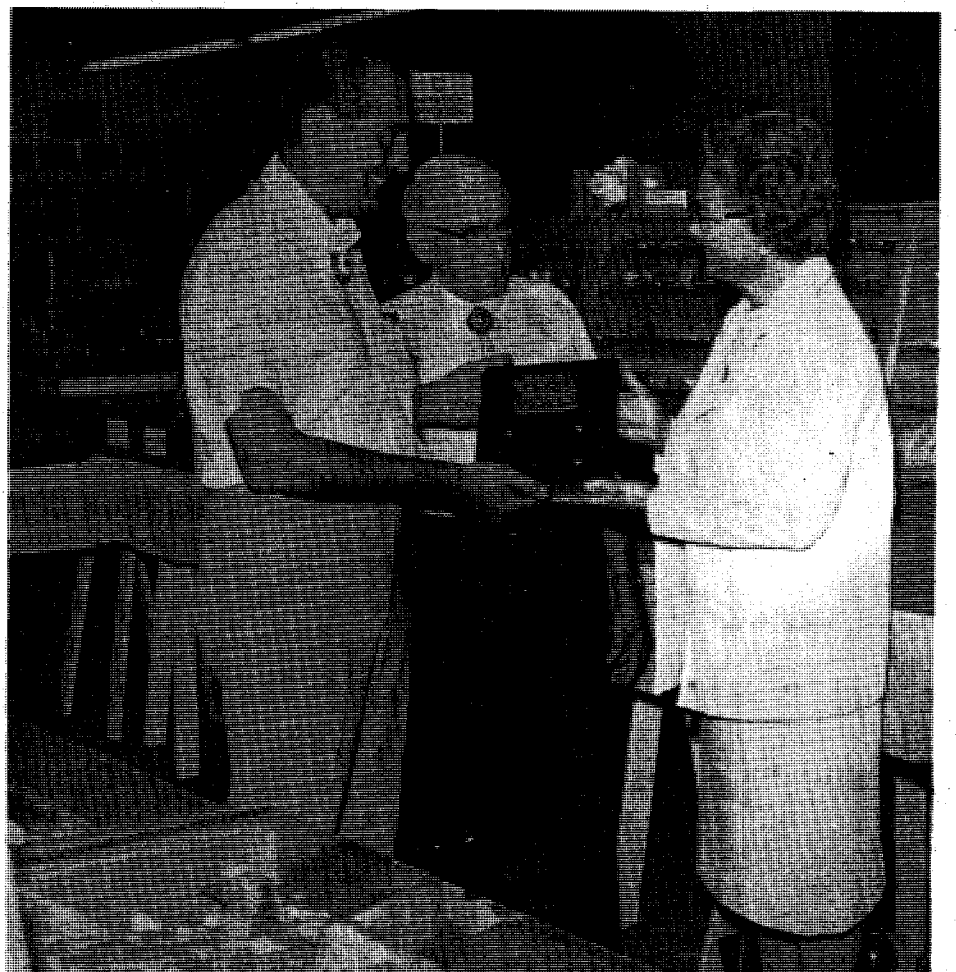
Two 1st place winners, Commercial Division, Mrs. Elsie Malone (Shell Shop) and Betty Parks (Black Pearl).



Judges.

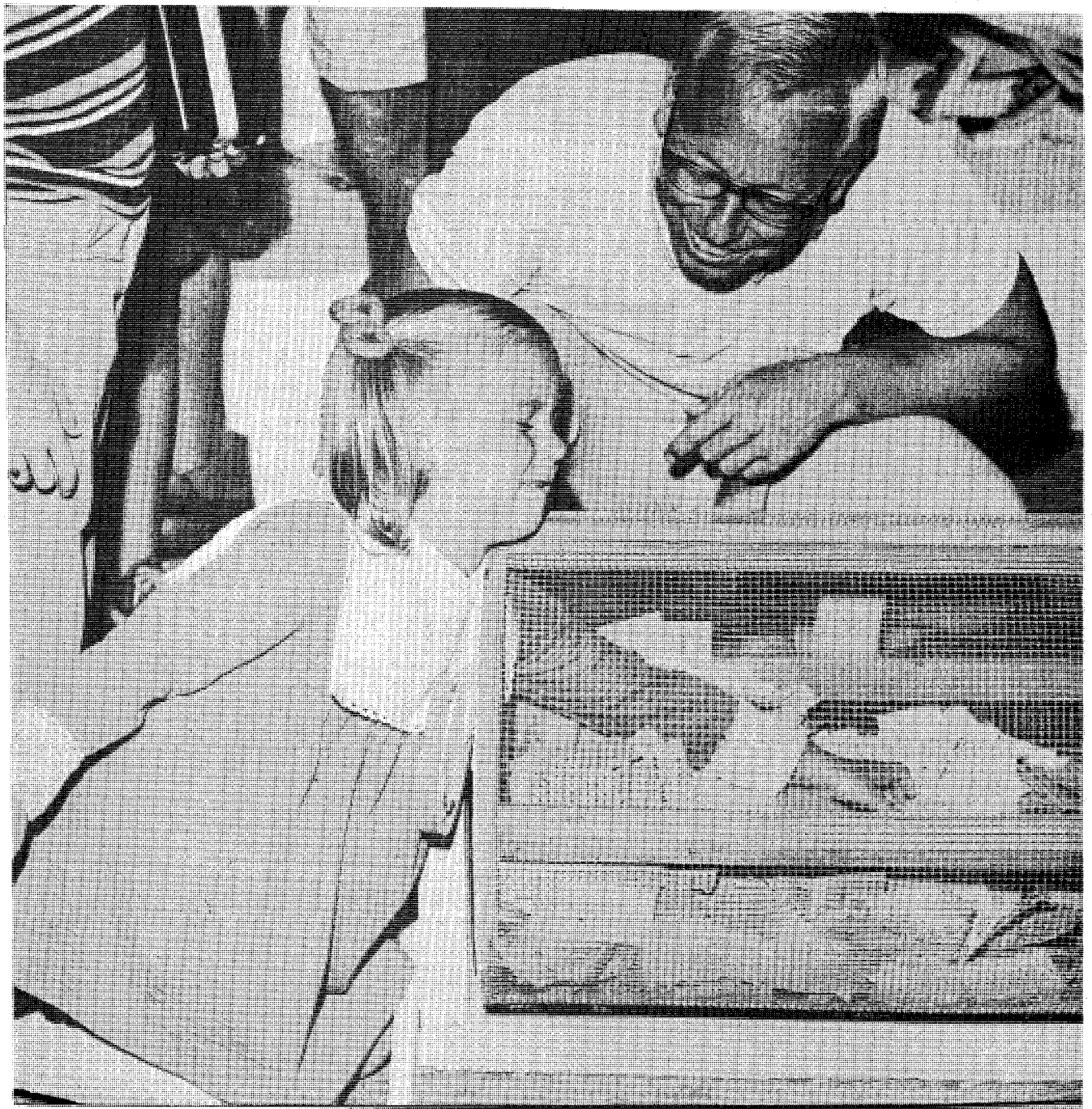


Judges Germain Warmke and William E. Old, Jr., Curator of Museum of Natural History, New York City.

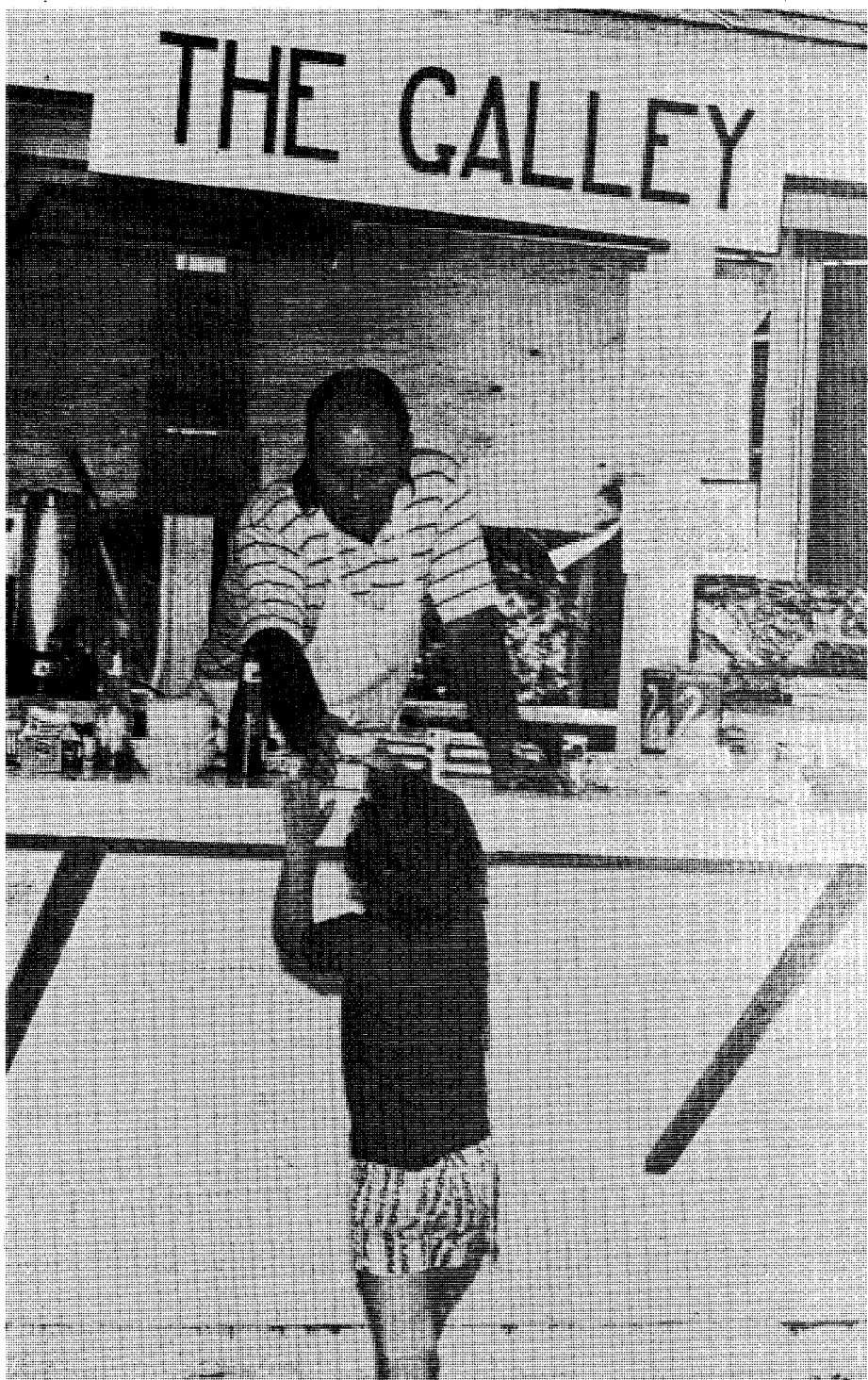


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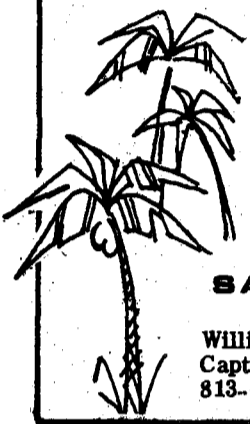
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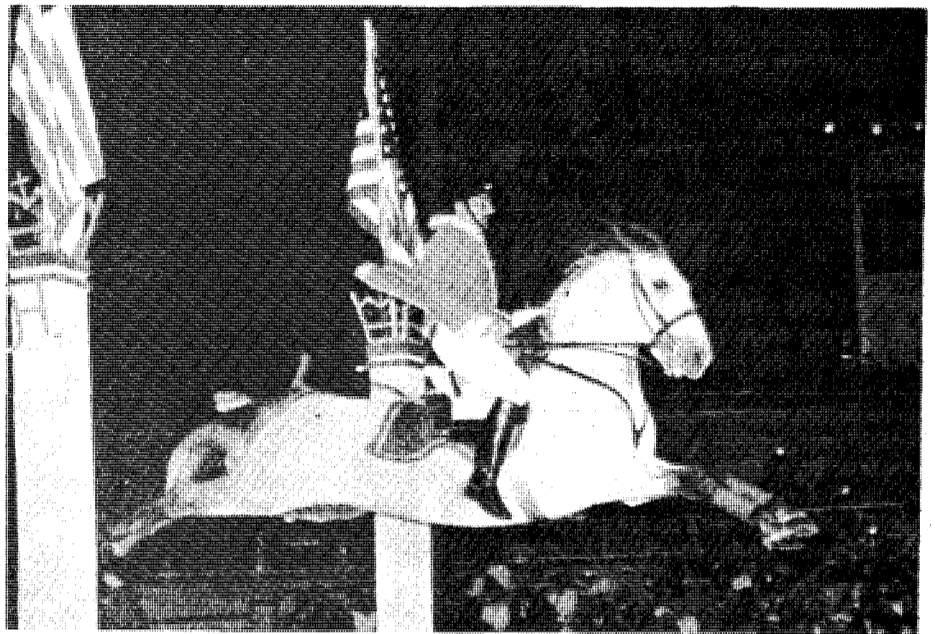
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Some of the other stars are Harry Herrmann, first rider of the "airs," Gabriella Herrmann, only woman in the world to ride the "airs" and Wolfgang Dellefont, formerly instructor at the Spanish Riding School in Vienna, and second rider to the late Robert Taylor in the Walt Disney movie, "Miracle of the White Stallions."

Tickets are on sale at Sears in Fort Myers, with reserved seats \$6, \$5, and \$4. General admission tickets are \$3. Children under 12 are \$1 off, all seats. Tickets will also be on sale at the gate, or can be ordered by mail, P.O. Box 488, Punta Gorda, Fla.

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### ALICE BARLOW TO TALK AT CAMERA CLUB MEETING

"The Art of Photographing Shells" will be the subject of the next Camera Club meeting to be held at the Community House Tuesday, March 14 at 8 p.m. According to John Shepherd, chairman, Alice Barlow will be the speaker.

Alice Barlow, the wife of Dr. Barlow, has just returned from a trip with her husband to a medical convention in Australia and will have much to tell about photographing shells.

Not only is she an expert photographer, but is also an authority on shells. She is responsible for many of the illustrations used in Dr. Tucker Abbott's books including his newest one soon to be published.

Mrs. Barlow will show her equipment and explain her techniques, lenses, timing, lighting, the use of a shadow box, etc., and what to emphasize in photographing shells to bring out their beauty and features.

She will be assisted in her talk by Helene Eker and Eugenia Wright.

Anyone interested either in shells or photography should attend this meeting. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge or donation expected. All members are asked to bring four or five of their own shell pictures for showing.

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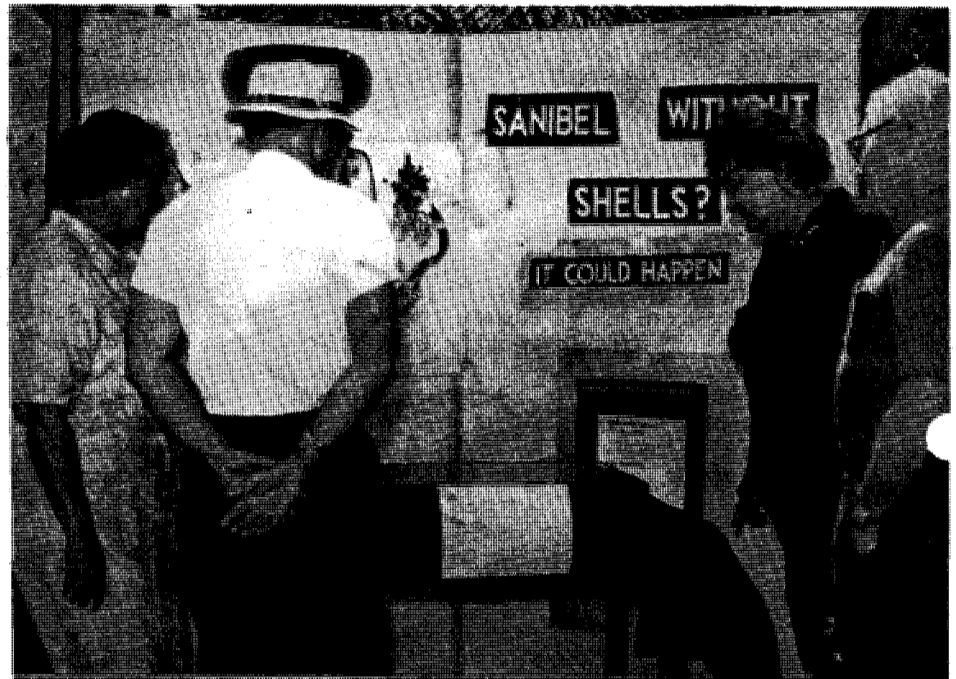
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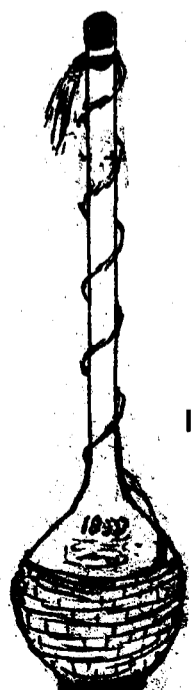


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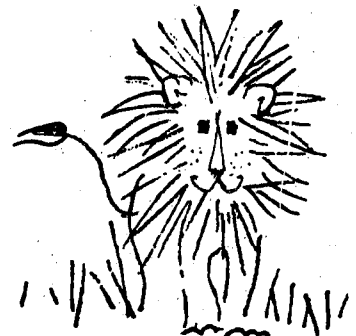
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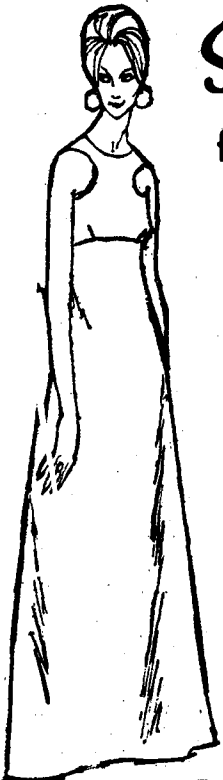
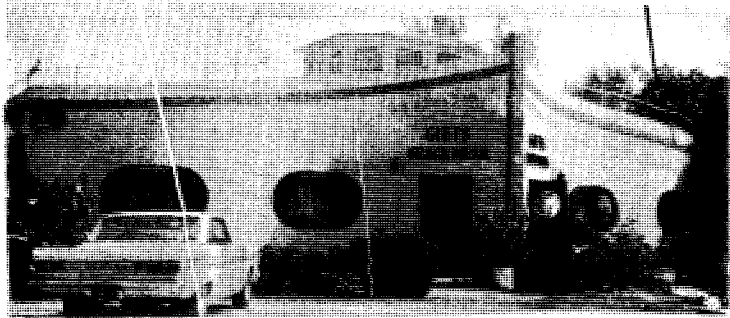
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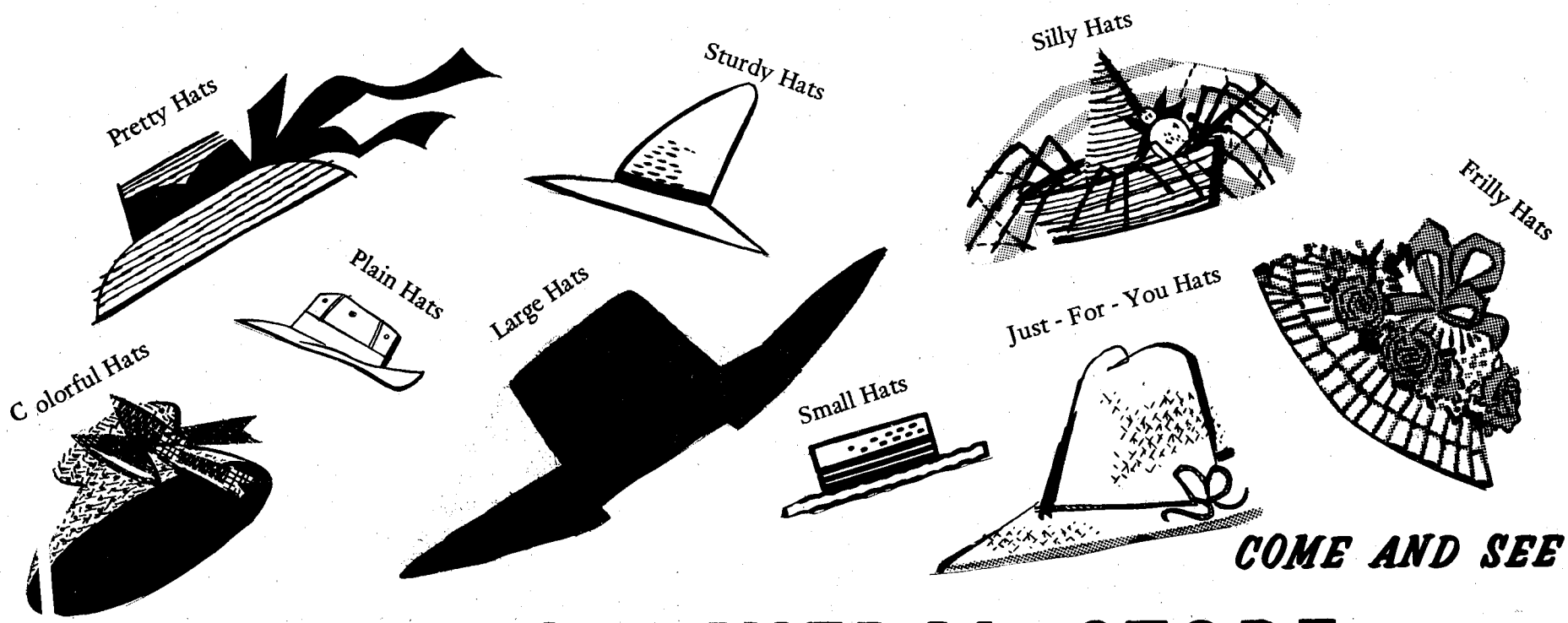
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