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MAKING TRACKS WITH SANDY

(Note: The following is a copy of the letter sent to Mrs. Erskine Caldwell who requested that readers of Family Weekly send her their suggestions of where she and her husband should move to next).

Dear Mrs. Caldwell:

Letters will come to you from all over America listing the reasons why you should move to some particular town or city and each one will no doubt try to outdo the other. Most of these letters will tell you what they HAVE. I want to tell you what we on Sanibel Island in Florida DON'T have. I'm not trying to keep you away, you understand, I just want to set things straight right in the beginning with no holds barred.

For one thing, we don't have stop lights. Nary a red and green light flickers on the main street, Periwinkle Way, at night --- only the moon, stars and an occasional shop window lighting the way.

We don't have street cars or buses, only bicycles, automobiles and people with two legs that get them where they want to go. The beaches are full of "Walkers" --- suntanned and healthy, who possess one common ailment, "The Sanibel Bends", contracted by stooping to pick up our famous shells.

We don't have much night life; one small movie that seats 250 people, that's all. And, of course in season, Ruth and Philip Hunters' Pirate Playhouse that used to be an old schoolhouse and is now their arena theater. Here, plays are performed using local actors directed by the Hunters who bring a bit of Off-Broadway to On-Periwinkle

Way. Nothing startling, just homey and fun.

We don't have bickering and restless natives, only a vibrant Community Association of neighbors interested in one another. They get together once a month at a meeting and old fashioned potluck supper and sometimes if you're last in line you're not too lucky. Like one prominent resident who whispered in my ear as he went with his plate, "I got seven kinds of beans."

We don't have much entertainment, just local talent and plenty of that especially at Christmas and other times. And talent thrives at craft shows and bake sales. Fascinating folk are here from all walks of life --- sort of like one big family.

There's not much noise, if any; only peaceful bird sanctuaries, butterflies and bees, but maybe you might shout at a passing cloud, all billowy and fluffy.

Our skyline hasn't tall buildings. The only things over 35 feet are trees and flying pelicans.

No, we don't have much to offer unless you love the extraordinary ordinaryness of a life with sun-drenched days and star-filled nights, plus blue water all around.

We don't have much --- just paradise.

Yours,
Sandy

PUBLIC HEARING

There will be a public hearing of the Sanibel-Captiva Comprehensive Plan in front of the County Planning Commission July 26 at 7:15 p.m. in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room in the Courthouse.

Islanders are urged to attend.

SANIBEL GROUP BIDS FOR BANK

A group of Sanibel residents has applied for a national bank charter to start a bank adjacent to the Sanibel Island Post Office.

The filing with the Atlanta Regional Office, Comptroller of the Currency, calls for capitalization at \$1 million. A total 50,000 shares of stock would be sold at \$20 a share.

Organizers are Francis Price Bailey, Jr., Porter Johnson Goss, Derroll Reah Johnson, Stanley Earl Johnson Jr., John Konstantio Kontinos, Priscilla Angela Murphy and Charles Allen Nave. Legal representative is Travis Gresham Jr. of Fort Myers

The application was made last week based on a representation filed in March and approved. The organizers have a two-acre site picked out on the northwest corner of Island Inn Road near Periwinkle Way, Stanley Johnson said.

Another group filed earlier this year for a state bank charter, Edward M. Henry, Fort Myers banker and one of the organizers, said the application is before the State Comptroller and is scheduled for a field survey.

The state bank would be named the Bank of the Islands, sited on a 3.5 acre lot at the intersection of Casa Ybel Road and Periwinkle Way. The national bank group has proposed "National Bank of Sanibel-Captiva" as first choice of a name, but the comptroller will make the actual decision.

The state bank proposes capitalization of \$600,000 with 30,000 shares at \$20 per share. J. E. Scholefield at 4646 Rue Bayou on Sanibel is agent for the organizers.


Organizers are Henry Scholefield, Robert C. Haynie, G. Byron Kirby, Walter Woodhams and bankers James W. McFadden and Frank H. Sexton. The state bank would not be related to Southwest Florida Banks Inc., a holding company headed by Henry.



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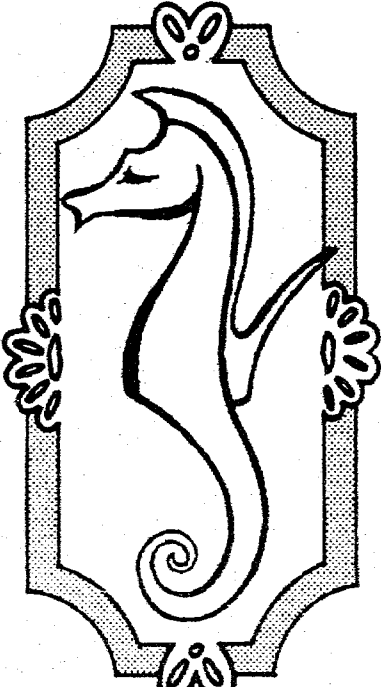


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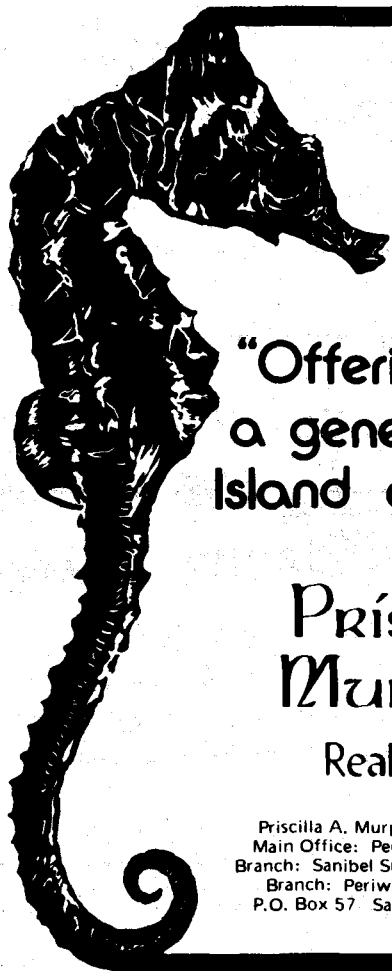
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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, open meeting, St Michael's & All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Friday nights, 8 p.m. For information, 472-2150.

CAPTIVA MEMORIAL LIBRARY will open Tuesday, 9:30 until 12 noon and Friday, 1:30 until 4 p.m.

SANIBEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, Inc., Sanibel Community House, 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE, Third Tuesday of every month from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Community House.

SANIBEL CAPTIVA AUDUBON: Programs open to public at Sanibel Community House, Thursday at 8 p.m., also monthly outdoor events.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 123, American Legion Home, 2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.

BINGO MUREX, American Legion Home, Wednesdays, 8 p.m. (no minors).

BOY SCOUTS meet 7:30 p.m., Saturday nights at the school.

LIONS CLUB of Sanibel Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m., first and third Wednesday of each month at Island Beach Club.

FIRE DEPT. meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 8 p.m., Palm Ridge Road Firehouse.

SANIBEL LIBRARY HOURS: Monday and Thursday, 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10-12 noon.

SANIBEL CAPTIVA SHELL CLUB meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House.

SANIBEL CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION, Board of Directors, meets second Tuesday of every month at 3:30 p.m.

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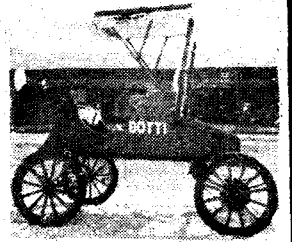
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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

On Thursday, July 19, the Senior Center Forum will present "How to Save Money on Electricity." The speaker will be Mrs. Rebecca Tart from the Florida Power and Light Co.

The Senior Center presents forums every Thursday at 10 a.m. All forums are preceded by a sing-a-long of old time songs.

The Senior Center is located at 1800 Colonial Blvd. in the Iona House. All seniors are invited to come and hear about this "shocking" good news.

DRESSMAKING COURSES RESCHEDULED

Dressmaking courses scheduled for July 18 through Aug. 29 have been rescheduled to Oct. 27 through Dec. 8.

July classes would be interrupting vacation plans of the majority of the registered students. Adults or teens call 472-1382 for registration.

JULY TOURS

July 19 - Wildlands Hike, Bailey Tract, 8 a.m.

July 20 - Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 9 a.m.

July 23 - Wildlife Drive, Lighthouse, 8:30 a.m.

July 24 - Beachwalk, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.

July 25 - Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 9 a.m.

July 26 - Wildlands Hike, Bailey Tract, 8 a.m.

July 27 - Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 9 a.m.

July 30 - Wildlife Drive, Lighthouse, 8:30 a.m.

July 31 - Beachwalk, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.

For those parties desiring to participate in the canoe tours, please call the refuge office for reservations; the number is 472-1100. At least 4 canoes must be filled for this tour to be conducted.

WHO'S WHO AND WHY

MARY BISHOP'S family is arriving and they'll all spend a couple of weeks vacationing at the Song of the Sea on Sanibel. Her son and family, NANCY and PETE BISHOP and children, MARY and JOHNNY will come from their home in West Chester, Pa., and join her daughter and family, MIMI and JIM FOSTER and daughter, JANIE, who live in Orlando.

ATTENDS TROPICAL FRUIT FESTIVAL

James O. Evans of Surf Realty attended the annual Tropical Fruit Festival and Mango Forum at Homestead, Florida on July 11.

The event, sponsored by the Mango Forum, annually draws thousands of people who look, sample, buy and learn about tropical fruit plants.

Each person attending the event at the Homestead Agricultural Center, 18710 SW 288th St. (Redland Road and Biscayne Drive) was given a free mango.

Exhibits providing information on disease, and insect and nutrition problems of the more than 200 tropical fruits grown in South Florida, will be part of the festival. Visitors are invited to bring in fruit samples for identification and evaluation by specialists from the University of Florida.

An exhibit of lethal yellowing disease of coconuts was set up. Demonstrations were given on an easy way to husk coconut.

BLIND TO BENEFIT FROM LIONS FISHING CONTEST

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club is offering fisherman a great bargain on July 28. Bring your own rod and get free breakfast, bait, lunch, an experienced skipper to take you to the best fishing areas, cocktails after fishing and an opportunity to win one of six valuable prizes. All this for a contribution of \$25.00.

Bob Vartdal, contest chairman states every effort will be made to give each contestant an opportunity to land a "big one" and still provide enough competition to make July 28 an exciting day. Vartdal added "Fun and safety will be the order of the day."

Fishermen will meet at 6:30 a.m. at the Island Beach Club on Gulf Drive for breakfast and then will proceed to Tarpon Bay Marina for assignment to boats.

All fund raising projects of the Lions Club are for the benefit of the blind. The Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind and the South Florida Eye Bank are among those benefitting from the efforts of this Lions Club.

For further information contact any Lion or call Bob Dormer, 472-1101; Bob Parcells, 472-1513; or John Willard, 472-1632.

EDISON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Edison Community College has received a \$5,000 grant for their college library resources program for the 1973 fiscal year. According to Mr. Dean Ritzman, director of the Learning Resources Center at the college, the grant will be used to purchase a National Union Catalog, which is a research document listing all books ever printed, and a series of films.

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Edison Community College will present five short films in the campus auditorium at 7:30 p.m., July 20. The films are "German Festival Time, New Water for a Thirsty World, France on Wheels, A Place of Hearing, and Orange Free State." Total showing time is about 90 minutes and there is no admission charge.

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Enrollment figures for Session I at Edison Community College show 363 students in attendance. This figure represents an increase of more than 12 percent over this same session last year.

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Well No. 1 is located on Association property behind the new plant. Well No. 2 is on the east side of Rabbit Road on land owned and being developed by Mr. Paul Stahlin. Another well site was partially cleared but work was halted until it is determined if the Water Association has a valid title.

All of the well sites have been deeded to the Association at NO CHARGE and the gentlemen mentioned above deserve the thanks of all Islanders. The Water Association will call on others who own property on the Sanibel-Captiva Road near the water plant and along Gulf Drive near Rabbit Road for future well sites. Well should be located no closer to each other than 1000 feet but in such a way that piping is minimized.

The desalinization plant is 89 percent complete and still on schedule. This paper must go to press before the results are final. However, it is expected that the Farmers Home Administration will make the loan for almost 1 1/2 million dollars Monday morning at 10 o'clock in the Lee County Bank Board Room. All parties concerned seem certain that the mountain of forms are properly filled out and executed.

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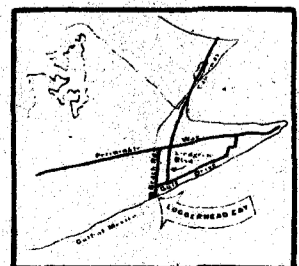
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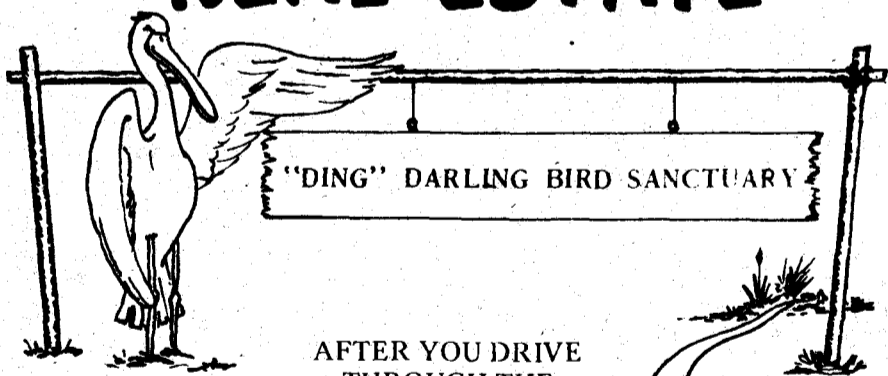


PALMS UP! TIME TO GROW

Palms are typical of Florida's semi-tropical climate according to the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association (FNGA). Most nurserymen carry at least one to ten varieties of palms. This is the month that you should consider planting palm trees. Palm trees, unlike many of our shade trees have fibrous root system and are easily moved during the rainy season of the summer. Once you cut a palm tree root it does not grow further from that point. A new root must be initiated from the base of the palm. This is the reason why you see rather small balls on cabbage palms, queen palms and others. Don't fret at your nurseryman if the ball seems a little small. Palms, like other plants, thrive better if they are cared for properly. At this time of year you should be giving your palms an application of a good mixed fertilizer such as a 6-6-6 at the rate of one pound for each inch of trunk diameter. It is not necessary to punch holes in the ground to feed palm trees. In addition to the fertilizer, manganese sulfate is required by most of our palms. On a large tree 20 feet tall you would apply approximately 6 lbs. On a small tree 3 to 5 feet you would apply approximately 2 lbs. Manganese Sulfate applications should be made once a year to all palm trees, according to the FNGA.

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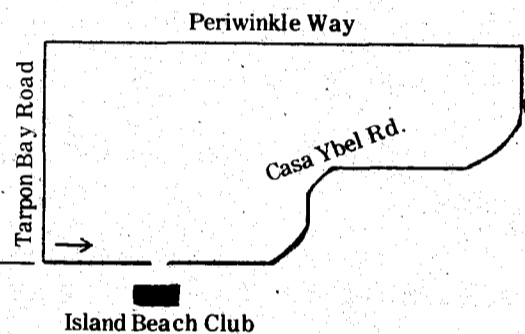
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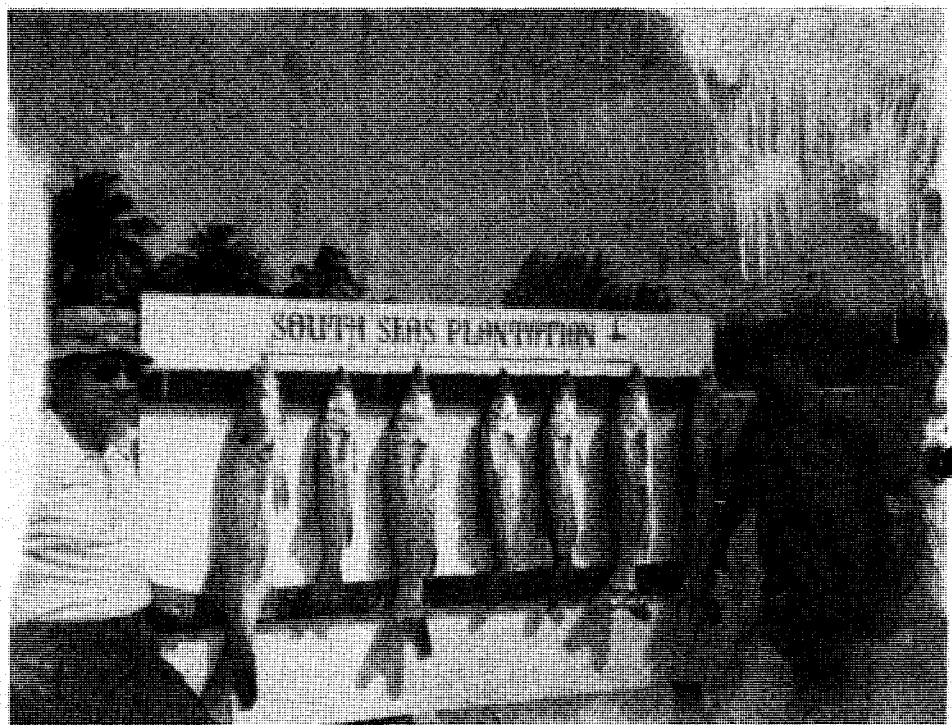
DING'S THINGS

The secret of any successful wildlife management program is sound land management. In fact, other than such undertakings as censusing, stocking, protection, researching, and hunting and fishing, most wildlife management techniques are concerned with land management. For instance, consider a waterfowl refuge in the Central Flyway where ducks, geese, and swans migrate from the Arctic to the Gulf of Mexico over the western states. This refuge probably includes in its management plan some sort of activities for enhancing the waterfowl populations. They may do some banding to determine where and when migration begins and ends. They may census the populations to get a trend estimate of numbers of birds. They may provide opportunities for citizens to harvest the flocks or they may allow no hunting. Each of these works upon the waterfowl resource already existing.

The important consideration is that existing population -- what factors caused these birds to be? Researchers have analysed breeding habits of waterfowl to find out what habitat characteristics encourage the production of young. When these factors are discovered, then the matter of land management is considered. Refuge managers begin manipulating the land to manage the land's wildlife. Potholes may be blasted in the prairie provinces for ponds, dikes built to impound water, aquatic plants encouraged as waterfowl food, nesting cover, food, and water spaced to the greatest advantage. So that, given a breeding population with all the necessities provided for rearing young, a new brood of young will be on the way.

Land management is also a tool of those refuges which serve as wintering grounds, and often many of the same practices occur. Impoundments, food production areas, and cover are encouraged and managed to their maximum benefit; so that when the spring migration to the breeding grounds begins once more, healthy birds are the result of good land management during the winter.

For the next several weeks, some of our nation's refuges will be considered and their importance in the refuge system will be illuminated.



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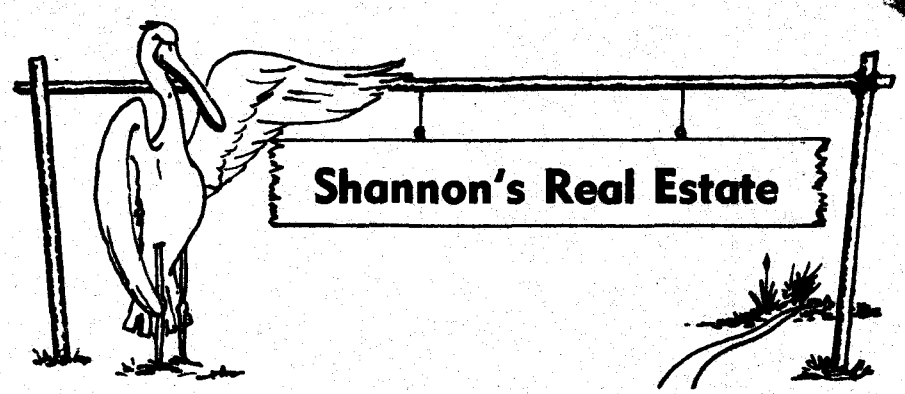
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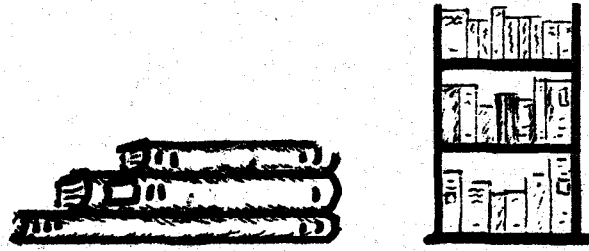
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THIS WEEK AT THE SANIBEL LIBRARY

by Hal H. Harrison

(Note: The Sanibel Public Library, although an independent organization, is affiliated with the Lee County Library system. Guest columnist this week is Fayette H. Storm, Lee County Librarian).

For those who serve on the working side of a library loan desk, life is never dull. I can recall several incidents which have taken place throughout the years, and just remembering them lightens my Librarian's load. Then, too, librarians at convention time like to get together to compare notes on their amusing encounters with their unsuspecting public, and I have garnered some of those, too, as I recount:

A book stolen from one library was returned to another library via a box of donated books, and promptly returned to its rightful owner. The book was titled "The Professional Thief."

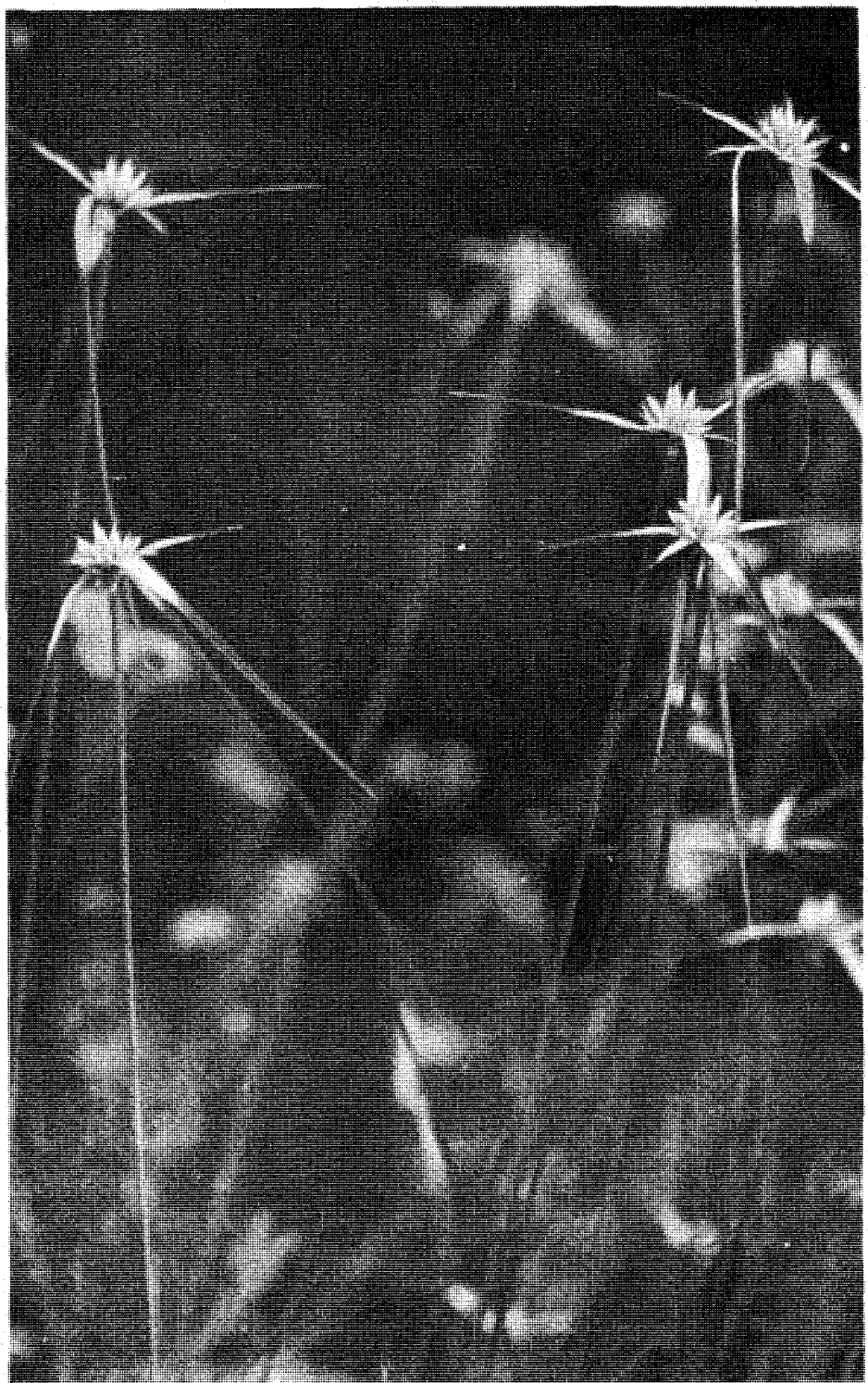
One novice library clerk of German heritage thought that a patron who asked about Audubon magazine was referring to information on German's super highway system.

A recent article in the nationally distributed Kiplinger Newsletter was noted by one librarian to read: "points to an unprecedented 'free time' boom -- now beginning. Affecting just about any business catering to fun, education, culture. Sporting goods. Learning materials. Books -- but also great congestion of resorts, parks -- MAYBE libraries." (Just maybe?)

A heartwarming incident involved a children's librarian who observed two small boys pulling into the library a little red wagon filled with library books. One boy said, "There they are! Me and John have gone all over the neighborhood to gather them up, and we'll have more. We're sure sorry you're shutting down the library, 'Cause we just love to get books." The astounded librarian asked the boys what made them think the library was about to close down. The answer was, "'Cause we saw it on the sign on the door!" The sign which had been posted earlier in the week read as follows: THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED FOR GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 16.

Playing on the popular Alka-Seltzer commercial, one enterprising librarian placed this sign in the reading room area: QUIET - YOU'LL LIKE IT!

One librarian has surmised that the key to speed reading is an overdue library book.



ISLAND FLOWERS

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Letters to the Editor

TO THE ISLANDER:

In today's Islander was an article by Elinore Dormer re the request by the Dunes developers to have the County vacate Bailey Road where it passes the property sold by the Buells to the Dunes.

I would suggest a further reason for denying this action.

Prior to the Dunes present

management taking over, a request had been made, and denied by the authorities for a marina and access from the present Dunes area to San Carlos Bay.

Subsequent to the takeover of this property by the present developers a mosquito control ditch was being dug from the Dunes property toward the main canal of Water Shadows on the

west, due to the alertness of the people in Water Shadows, the State stepped in and forbade the completion of this ditch. One might ask why after all these years was such a ditch suddenly needed? Also one might wonder how long the ditch would remain a ditch had it been completed as it has been explained that a property owner may quite legally enlarge a ditch if he owns both sides.

This brings up the fact that there is on the Buell property portion of Bailey Road a drainage, or control ditch over which traffic may pass on a crude, county constructed bridge. If vacated, one wonders how long this bridge, ditch, canal or whatever, would remain its present size?

It is an intriguing thought, affording as it might, if done, egress to the bay for the Dunes, also egress for tons of nutrients to help choke the bay from the fertilizers of hundreds of homes in this huge development, where lawns are required per the prospectus, also a golf course.

Clark D. Newcombe

TO THE ISLANDER:

I am Youth Programs Director for Delaware Nature Education Center in Wilmington, Delaware. This fall from November 13 to December 19, 1973, I will be teaching an environmental course for the Tatnall School in Wilmington, Del., which will center in the Sanibel Island, Florida area.

I have nine students, and we plan to leave Wilmington on Nov. 13 by bus, taking four days to arrive at Sanibel. The youngsters will fly back to Wilmington. The main thrust of the course will take place at Sanibel Island; however, we will be free to travel.

I plan to arrive in Sanibel at the end of August for a period of three days to get a feel for the area and make further plans. Presently I see this course as a series of environmental field investigations, tours (Everglades National Park, etc.), and meeting professionals in ecology and related fields. We are interested in all aspects of the natural

sciences.

If there is any way in which you can assist me directly or indirectly, I would appreciate it. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Michael E. Riska
Youth Programs Director
Delaware Nature Education Center
Box 3900
Wilmington, Del. 19807.

(Editor's note: Anybody have any ideas for helping? If so, why not write Mr. Riska. Thanks).

TO THE ISLANDER:

A little while ago a gentleman living near Blind Pass Bridge complained about the litter anglers and other visitors leave behind.

Well, here is my story. Leaving my house at Captiva yesterday (Sunday) at 9:30 a.m. to drive to Sanibel I crossed Blind Pass Bridge and did not like seeing some empty cans and paper litter there.

Coming back at the same bridge, not yet two hours later, I could not believe my eyes. On both sides of the bridge empty can next to empty can lined the curbs together with other trash. What a shame to spoil our beautiful Islands that way.

If people can't discipline themselves and put their garbage where it belongs, they should be disciplined by law, meaning a stiff \$50.00 Can't we have warning signs like this on each side of the bridge? How badly we need more police, deputies to enforce the law on our islands!

Mrs. Joseph J. H. Veling
Captiva Island

TO THE ISLANDER:

Has a word limit ever been considered for your letters?

Perhaps this is just a challenge to see if things of value and significant content can be stated in a few words.

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Jesse L. Clouse
Sanibel, Fla.

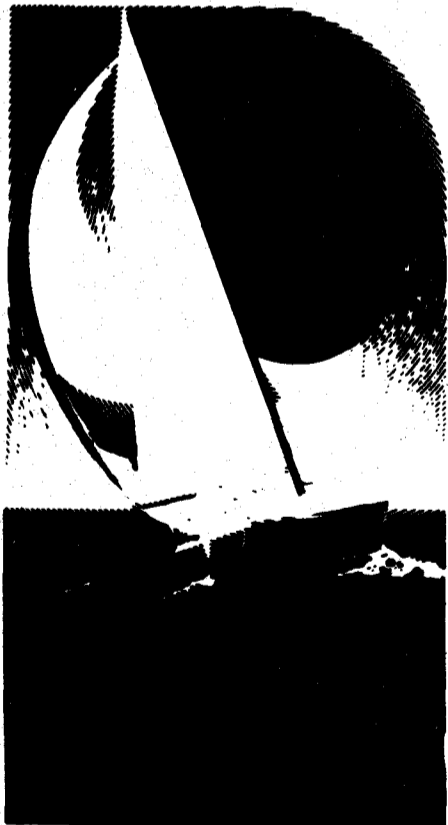


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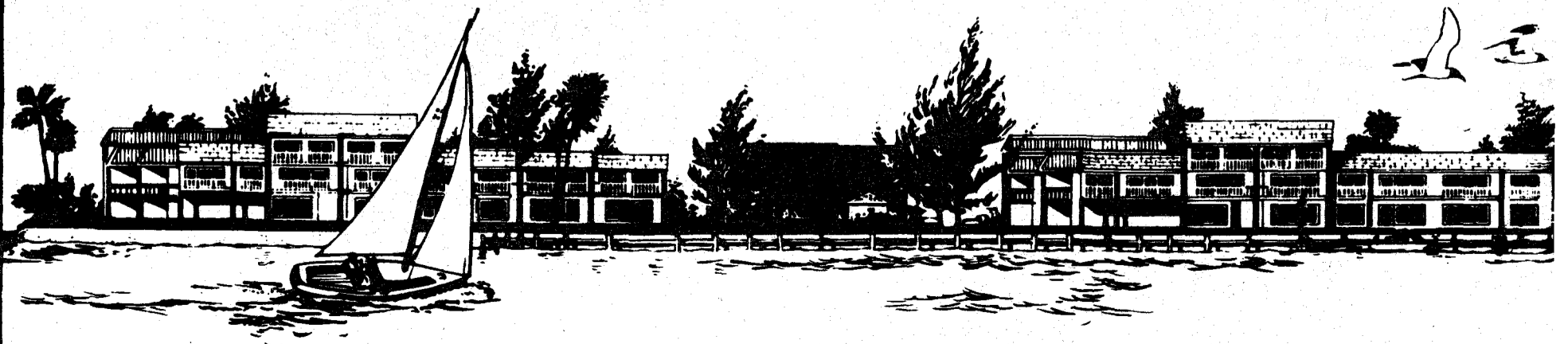


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TO THE ISLANDER:

It appears the Islander has unwittingly abetted a new threat to the ecological well-being of Sanibel-Captiva. The threat takes the form of a large, illustrated advertisement for trail-bike rentals appearing in recent issues.

Two points in the ad suggest a warped sense of appreciation of the islands. First it advises using a trail-bike to see "all of Sanibel and Captiva Islands in their natural and beautiful forms." Perhaps motorcyclists in their unnatural surroundings of dust, fumes, and noise are unaware of their impact on natural and beautiful forms. Also, they may not realize how much they detract from the enjoyment of others who have reached quiet, out-of-the-way places on foot. But maybe the motor freaks do wonder what happened to all the wildlife they expected to see.

Second there is an enthusiastic appeal to the pioneering spirit, "go where cars and manually powered bicycles cannot." This is insidious because it encourages beach and dune erosion; threatens rare vegetation, nesting birds, and frightens wildlife; increases the incidence of back-country littering and fires; and infringes on rights of property owners. Similar ecological vandalism has become widespread in New England, due to the proliferation of snowmobiles, and in California, from the use of all-terrain-vehicles of every description. The trail-bike craze should not be allowed to establish itself on Sanibel-Captiva.

It is also ridiculous to think that these motorized tenderfeet, swarming like noisy insects over the landscape, are roughing it in any sense. Let's save the off-road areas for those who enjoy using their muscles and go in silence. Hikers and canoeists, having expended some effort to see the quiet places, will be more apt to respect them. Trail-bikes should be restricted to the roads like any other motor vehicle. Inveterate thrill seekers should be redirected to the nearest drag strip, or perhaps Disney World.

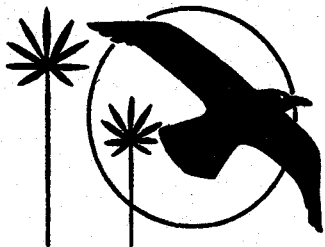
John L. Culliney, Ph.D.
Woods Hole, Mass.

TO THE ISLANDER:

Thank you for printing my letters in your Islander, and letting me have the privilege and American freedom to express my thoughts, opinions, and views on the different matters concerning our beautiful island.

My letters have made impressions upon people, "pro" and "con", which is to be expected. Upon writing the letters, I was aware of making "waves" and "rocking the boat." Aware of making friends and of not making friends. Again, this has to be expected. But I do feel everyone is entitled to their opinions, as I am to mine. Perhaps some one who isn't a friend today, will be a friend tomorrow, in spite of my views in different matters. I hope so, because I will always speak up for what I believe in and will never change. If I am to be accepted, as a person, it will have to be as I am. Good, bad or indifferent. My aim is not to exactly win a popularity contest, but to get and defend my rights and the rights of others. So who approves of this, fine, and who doesn't, makes no difference to me. They are entitled to what they think and believe in. If they want to say Hello to me, when passing on a street, or prefer to pass without greeting, again, fine with me. NOT that anyone has done this! Everyone has been friendly, so far, and said they enjoyed reading the letters and felt it might do some good for the island, yet. But opposing feelings are to be expected to arise, under the circumstances, but it will not suppress my speaking out about my views or opinions. I feel people CAN live in this world with differences of opinions, and still get along in a friendly way, if they can respect the opinions of others, and others can respect theirs.

Mrs. Helen V. Braun
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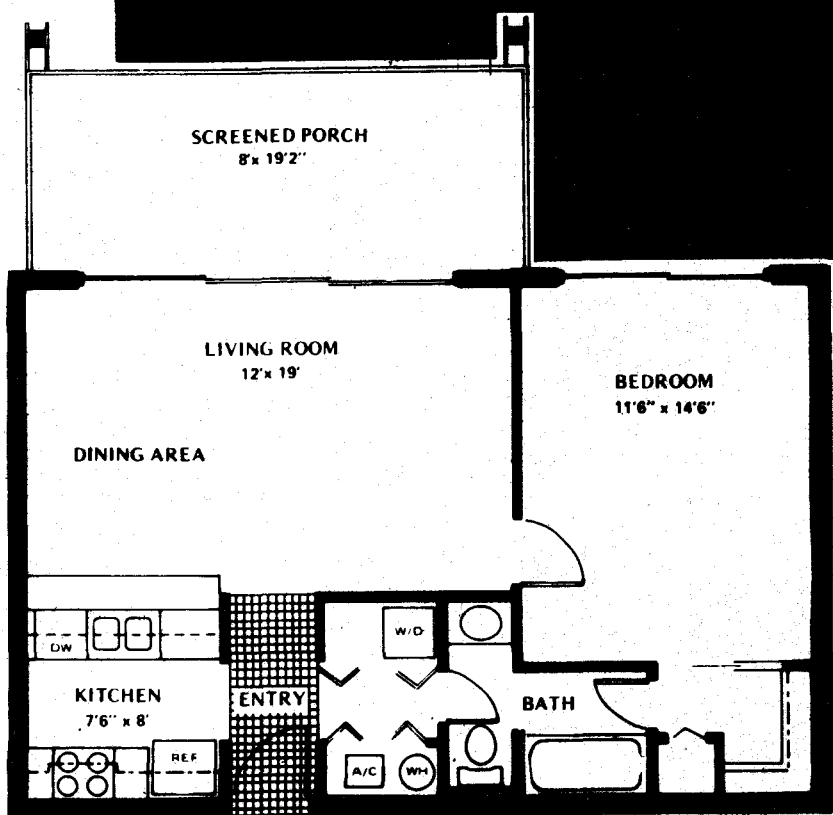
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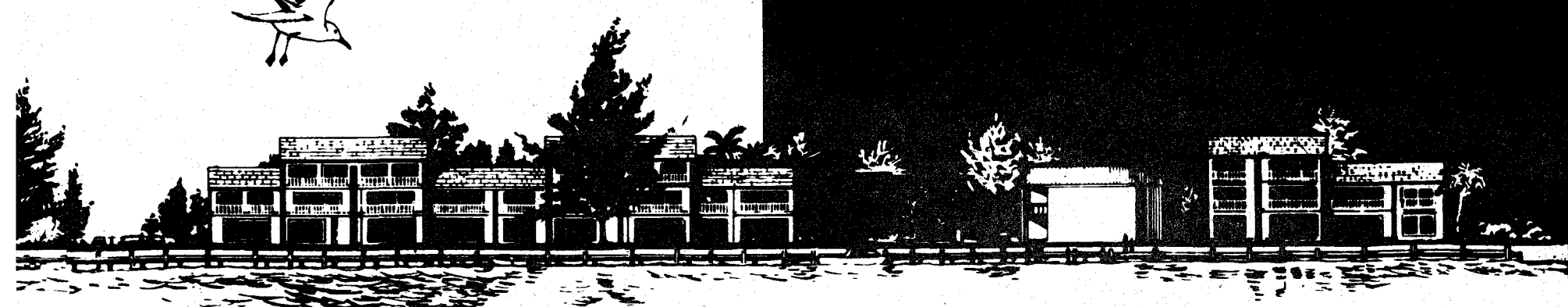
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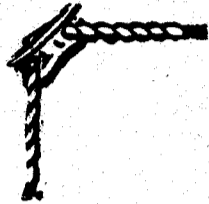
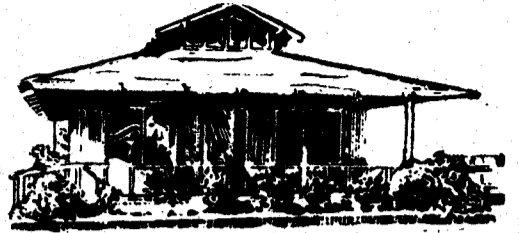
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A Grain Of Sea Salt by betzi abram



There is a certain light-hearted question to be resolved by the friends of Drex Moore, and that is whether to call him The Singing Skipper or Our Captain the Perfessor. His sailing is not in question because he DID win a silver cup in the CMCS Watermelon Regatta but there are certain other interesting sidelights to his character. First of all, his ukelele accompanies him on all cruises or races and at some point he always strums away while singing ballads such as "Squaws Along the Yukon" or other uplifting folk songs. His passengers and crew inevitably join in, and there is some evidence that the resulting increase in hot, moving air has helped to fill the sails measurably. (Although some skeptics - a pox on them - have said that the extra speed is only a

delusion caused by the fact that all nearby crews are so filled with consternation that they fall off, accidentally jibe, or luff their sails responding somewhat as Ulysses sailors did to the songs of Circe.)

Aside from that, a trip on the Zee-Dee is always highly educational. For certain absent-minded characteristics, which will not be discussed here, Moore is often referred to as "Perfessor," but he is also a veritable fount of in-

formation. And he manages to spark conversations of such deep intellectual content - for instance on marinating watermelons in rum - that you learn a great deal more than you need to know. This may be followed by a first hand account from one of the crew on how to make corn-squeezin's by setting large

mason jars in the bottom of your silo. In each jar you put yeast and a little sugar, cover the top with screening and cheesecloth. Blow the silage in on top and the following year, after it's used up, you will be rewarded with a mighty potent collection of fluid in your Mason jars. The next step is to dip a wick in each jar and graft the other end into a slit in the stem of a two-thirds-ripe watermelon. Tape the stem and wick securely, wait until the watermelon is ripe and presto, you can get loaded on one slice of watermelon!

For non-alcoholics there may be a great discussion of latitude and longitude. Did you know that the nations of the world do not agree on the exact length of a nautical mile? Some say it is 6076 feet and others argue that it is 6080 feet. Bother! However, as you know latitude is marked by those little imaginary lines going around the globe and, as a rough rule of thumb, each degree represents about 60 statute miles. However, don't forget that at the equator the lines are further apart and at the Poles they are closer together. Thus, using your thumb so-to-speak, and knowing that the equator is assigned 0 degrees you can figure out that if the St.

Whoochit Islands are 180 miles north of the equator they are 3 degrees N latitude, or vice versa, without even looking at your encyclopedia.

Now if latitude, in one sense, measure space, longitude measures time. Starting with Greenwich (pronounced Gren)itch) England where the longitude is 0, time moves along east and west at 15 degrees and hour, until they meet at the international date line which is 180 degrees around the globe. Naturally, at the poles all the longitudes come together which means that if you were to sail out from Anchorage, for instance, you could buzz into tomorrow and then slip back into yesterday within 12 hours and without losing your sanity. Somewhere in this interesting data, I'm sure is buried the makings of a good science fiction story on time and space but I haven't been ashore long enough to think of it.

Oh yes, even more useful information is brought out. If you are strangling, hold your arms up over your head. Unfortunately, I forgot to ask if this applied in the water as well as on dry land. But anyway, you've missed a real trip if you've never sailed with Drex Moore.

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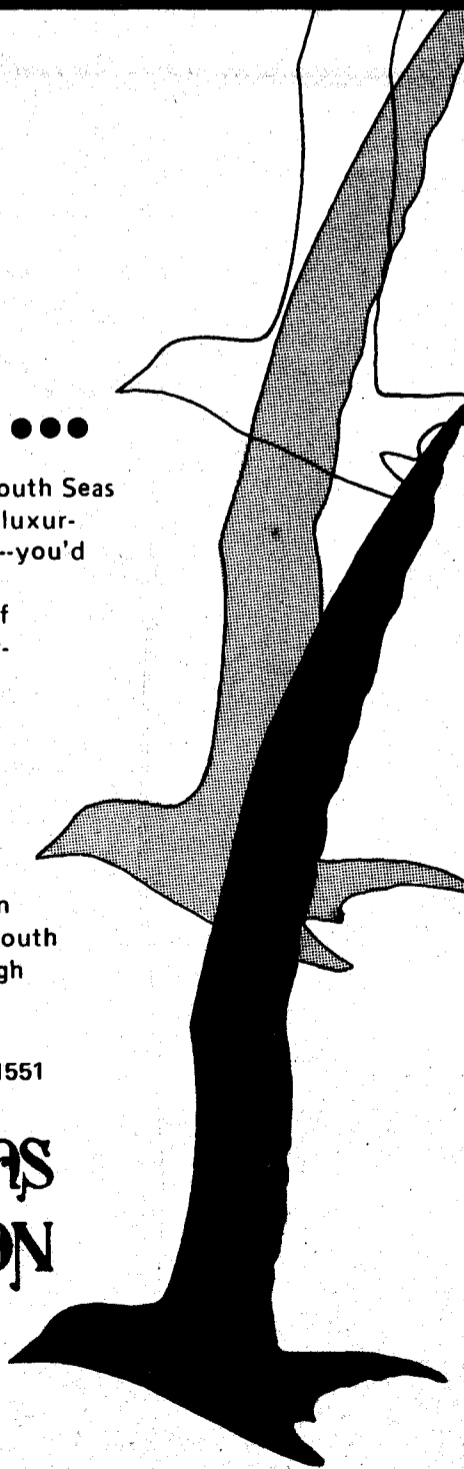
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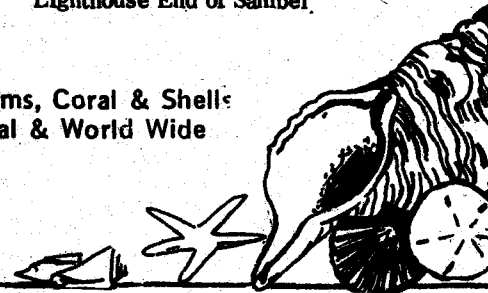



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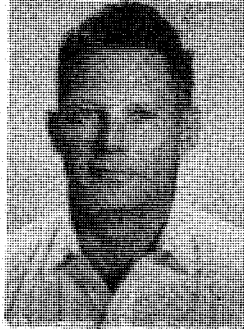
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PROFESSOR WILLIAMS: There are many reasons why a husband and wife do not experience an orgasm at the same time. In fact, a large percentage of married couples do not, but this is no indication that the marriages are unhappy. Studies have shown that it takes some wives as long as 20 years to achieve an orgasm or climax during sex relations but they have not considered their marriage a failure. If the emphasis is on the fact that unless the couple is completely sexually compatible as evidence by a mutual orgasm that the marriage is a failure, then, the couple either does not understand what really is involved in marriage or that sex is the only real tie which binds them together.

Sex is only a part of marriage. It may take months or years, or possibly never for a mutual orgasm to take place, but, this doesn't mean that the marriage is not happy and that the wife is not gratified. I feel this becomes a big problem, only, when over-emphasized or magnified.

DEAR PROFESSOR WILLIAMS: Is it true that there is "only one person in the world" for one to marry?

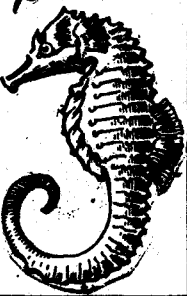
PROFESSOR WILLIAMS: The question which you are asking probably originates from the Christian religion. It is believed that when a person is following the will of God, that God will lead that individual to his or her marriage partner. If you believe this way, then there is only one person in the world for you to marry. There are others who believe this way although they are not particularly religious. However, there are many who feel that marriage involves two people who are brought together by pure chance and-or coincidence. After dating a period of time, the couple found that they were compatible and their personalities were complimentary. Love developed and they were married. Many feel that they could have married any number of persons but chance and circumstances set the stage for that particular marriage.

Frankly, as a Christian, I believe that God will lead a person to his mate if he leaves it up to His will. However, whatever your belief and feeling, when you do get married, consider your marriage as if it were made "in Heaven" and it will be much more stable than not.

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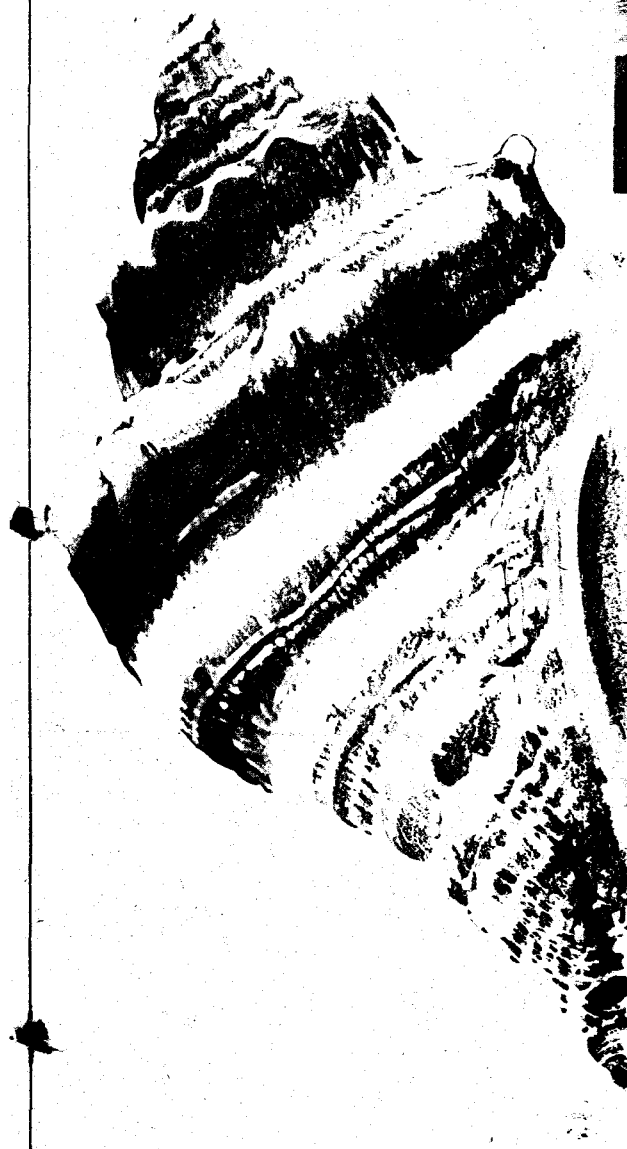
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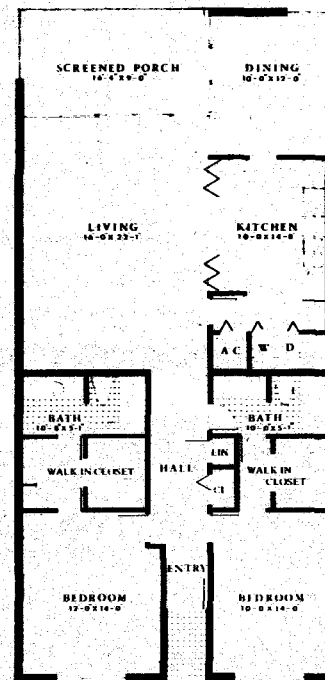
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The first hazard young people face on embarking on a real estate career is that earnings are most often directly based on commissions from sales. This means that the young person should possess a certain amount of sales ability and be ready to face the possibility of low earnings at

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To help young people to qualify for a license and get through the initial training period, many high schools and colleges now offer courses in real estate and some universities offer undergraduate and graduate degrees in real estate.

The future for young people because of the increasing stress on education, competence and specialization is good in real estate. Progress does not depend on seniority or the approval of others in the

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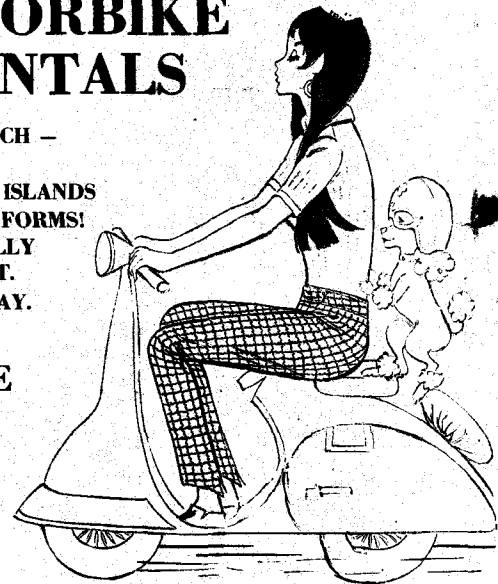
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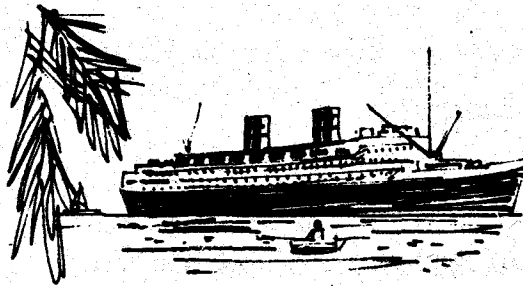
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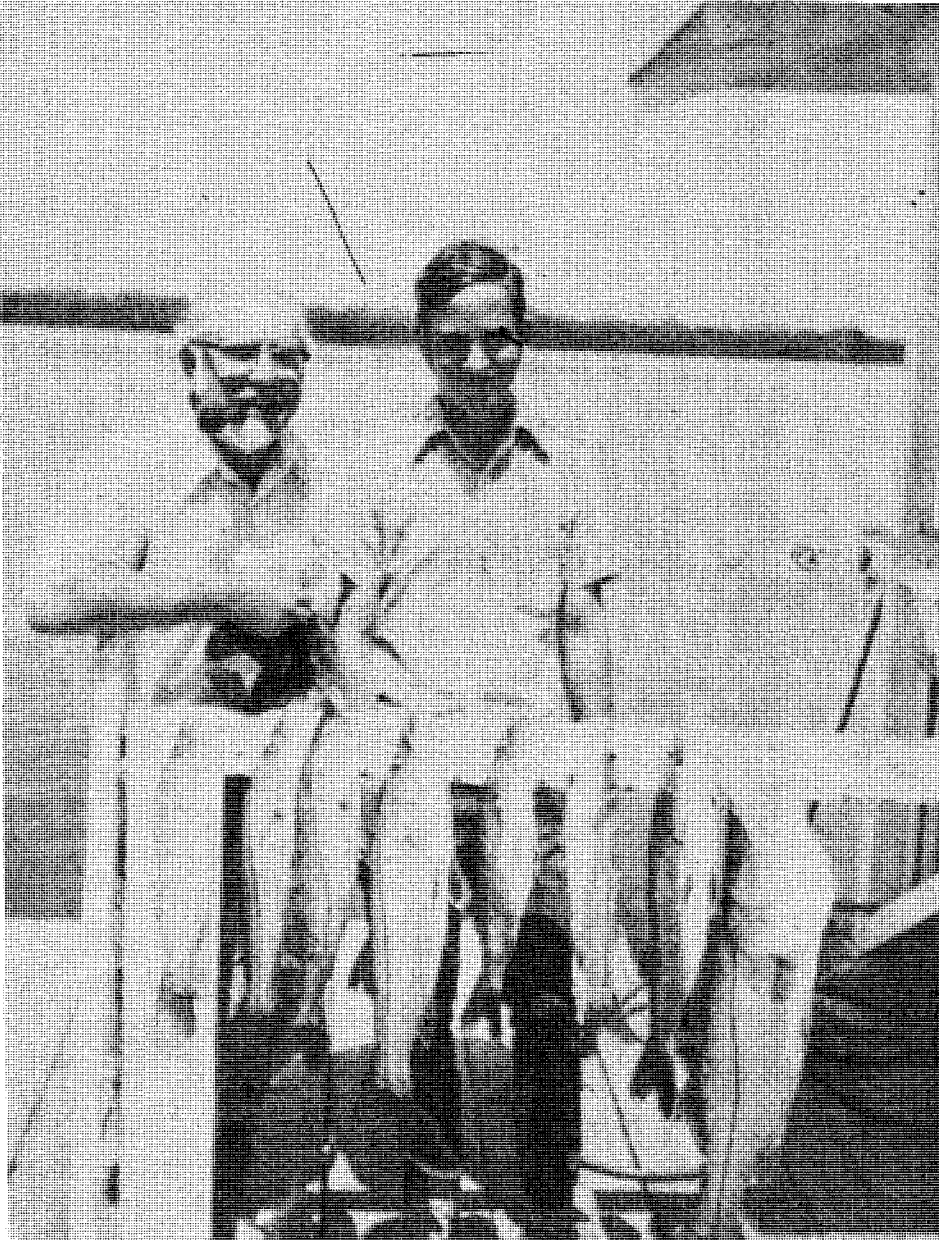


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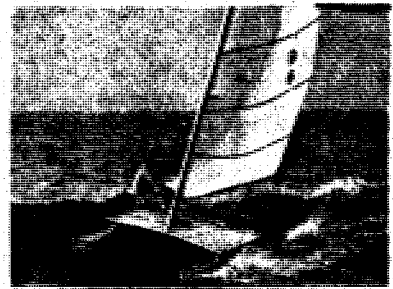
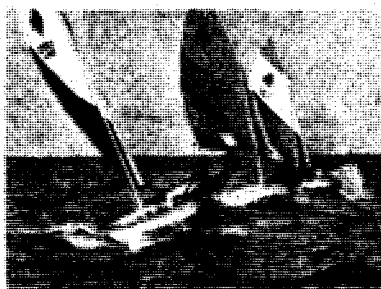
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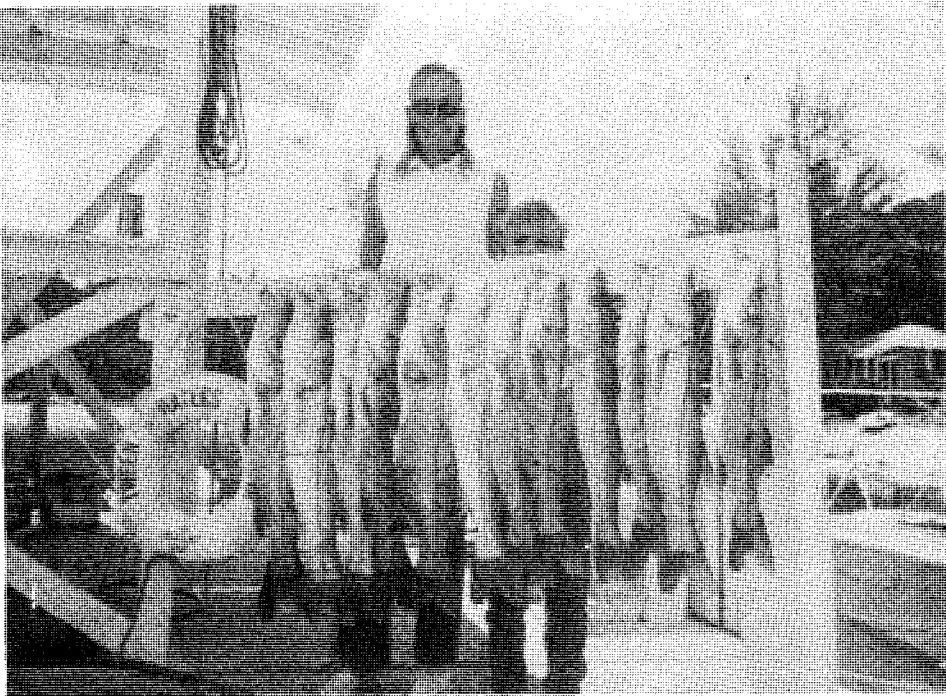
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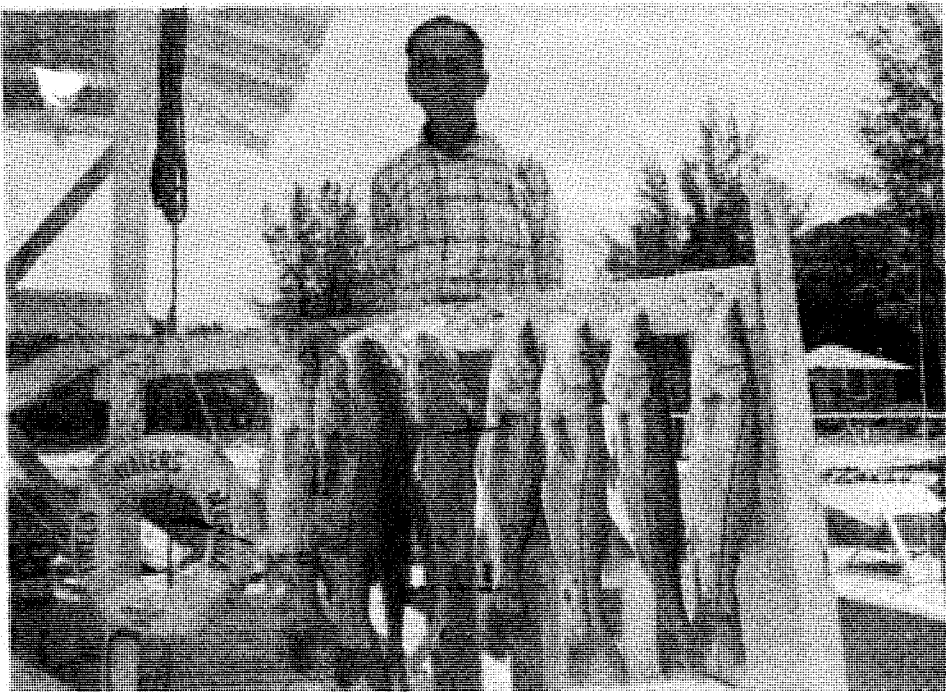
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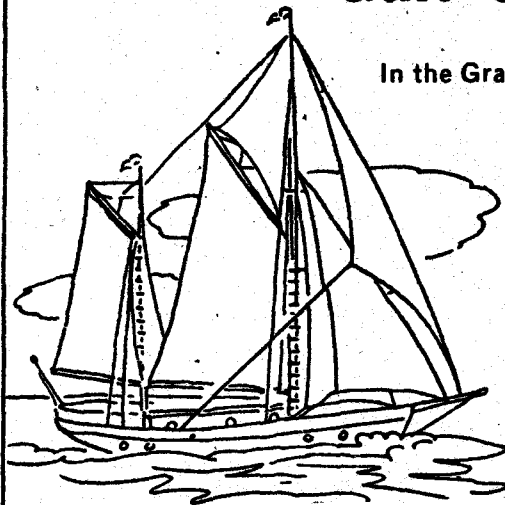
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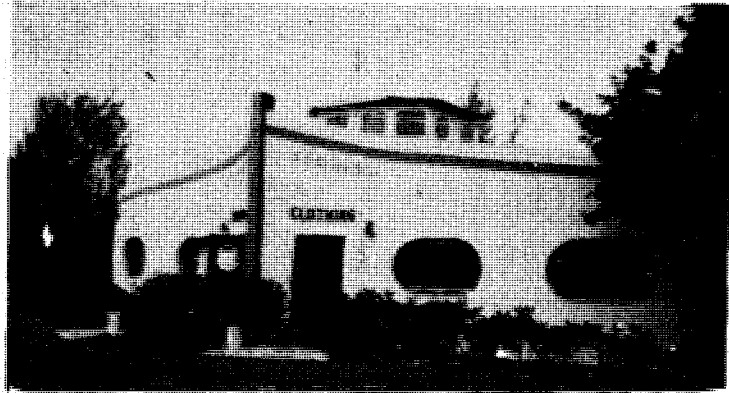
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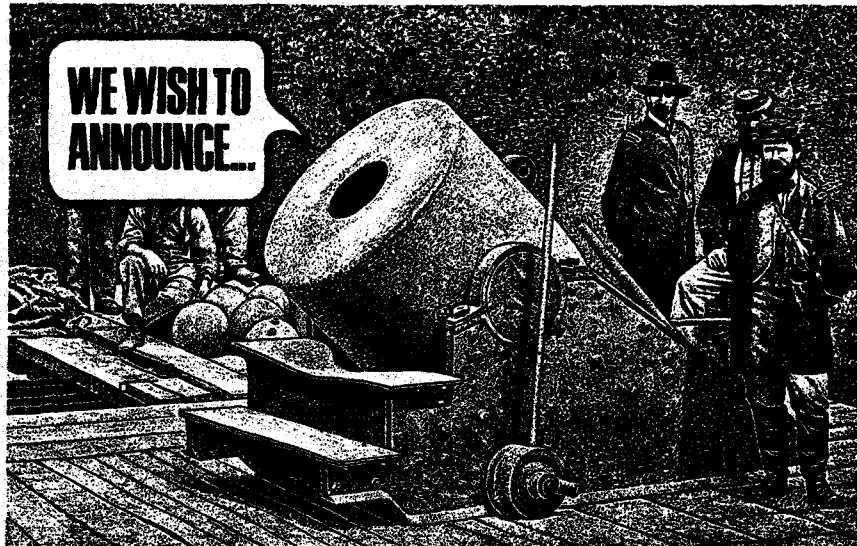
This Week		Last Week	Weeks on List
FICTION			
✓1	BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS. Vonnegut.....	1	10
✓2	ONCE IS NOT ENOUGH. Susann	2	15
✓3	FACING THE LIONS. Wicker	3	4
✓4	THE ODESSA FILE. Forsyth	4	37
✓5	HARVEST HOME. Tryon		1
✓6	JONATHAN LIVINGSTON SEAGULL. Bach	6	64
✓7	THE MATLOCK PAPER. Ludlum	5	12
✓8	EVENING IN BYZANTIUM. Shaw	7	12
✓9	THE SUMMER BEFORE THE DARK. Lessing	8	4
✓10	THE HOLLOW HILLS. Stewart		1
GENERAL			
✓1	DR. ATKINS' DIET REVOLUTION. Atkins	1	33
✓2	LAUGHING ALL THE WAY. Howar	3	10
✓3	THE JOY OF SEX. Comfort	2	30
✓4	I'M O.K.-YOU'RE O.K. Harris	5	65
✓5	SYBIL. Schreiber	4	7
✓6	MY YOUNG YEARS. Rubinstein	7	5
✓7	WEIGHT WATCHERS PROGRAM COOKBOOK. Nidetch	6	8
✓8	THE IMPLOSION CONSPIRACY. Nizer	10	19
✓9	THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST. Halberstam	8	33
✓10	HOUR OF GOLD, HOUR OF LEAD. Lindbergh	9	16

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