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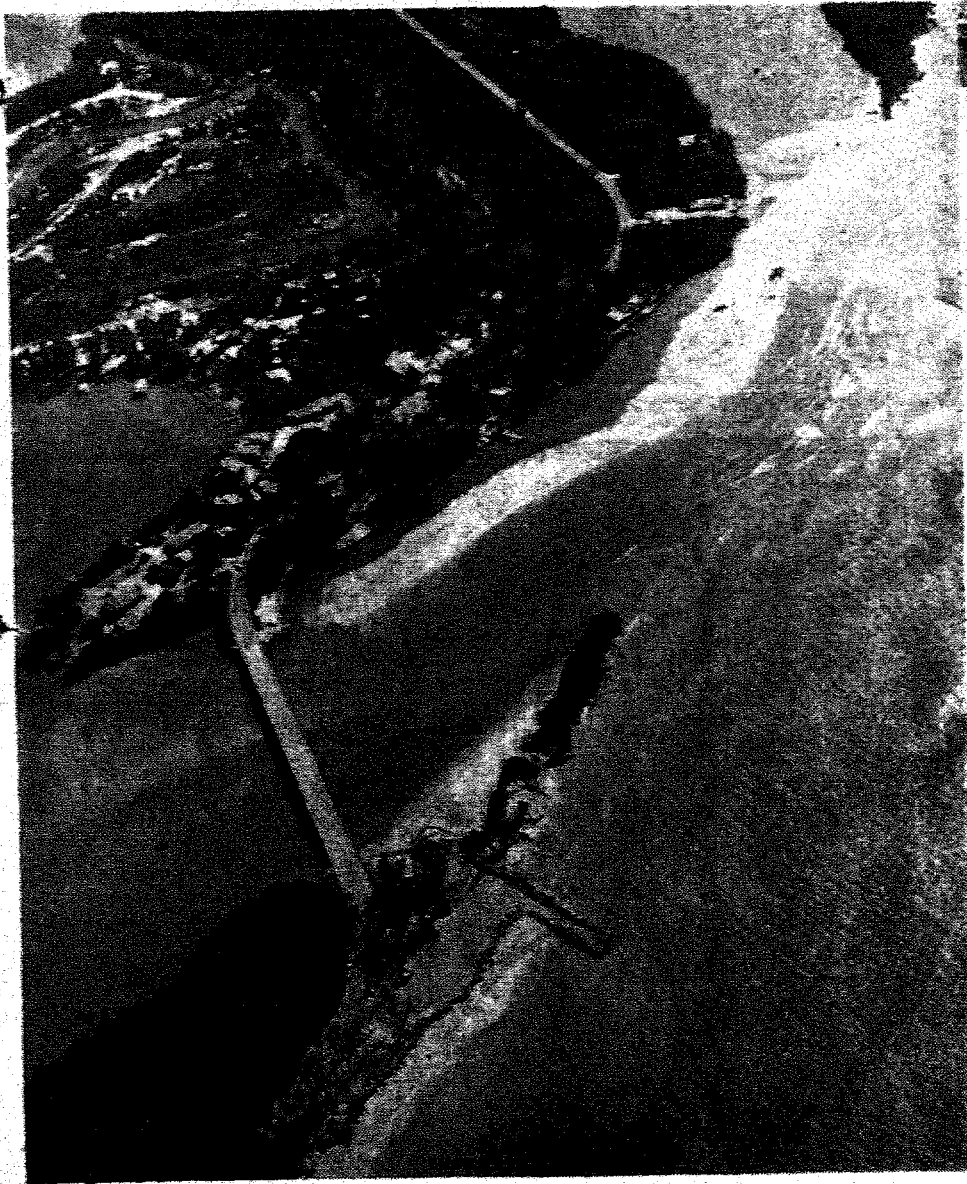
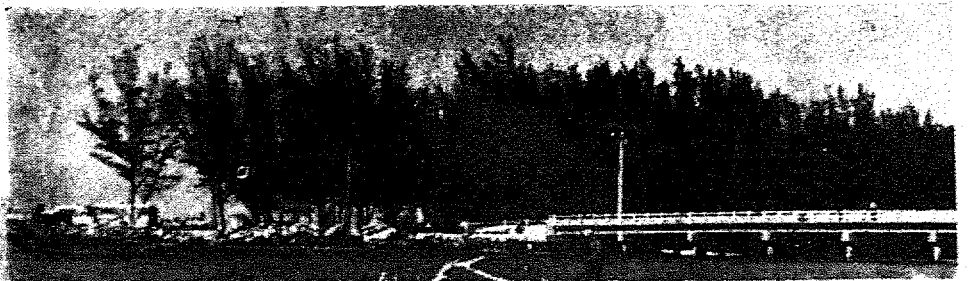


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AMERICAN LEGION POST 123 American Legion Home, 2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.

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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 Tween Waters Inn of Captiva.

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

SANIBEL LIBRARY HOURS, Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m. to 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.

KIWANIS CLUB meets each Thursday at noon at Seashore Plantation

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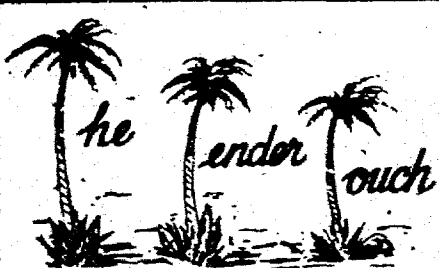
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Who's Who & Why

Mr. & Mrs. J. D. FITZHUGH'S son and family from Miami have been visiting on Palm Ave. on Captiva for the past week.

Mrs. PAUL WATKIN is leaving this week for her home in Long Island, N.Y., after spending several weeks at their new home also on Palm Alve. Mr. Watkin will stay on to supervise landscaping of the new house.

Mrs. BERT WILES of Myrtle Beach, S.C., has been busy shelling so that she can fashion her beautiful shell flora creations and art crafts. She keeps her neighbors in Periwinkle Park agog with her imaginative arrangements.

DOTTI McQUADE is back in Duke Medical Center undergoing a series of checks and tests, which we hope will find her in improving health. MIKE is with her.

GEORGE and JULIA POPE from Atlanta, Ga., have spent a long time travelling, shelling on many another island, but they think Sanibel is the greatest, and they feel so at home at Periwinkle.

DORIS and ED KELLY are another pair of trans-continental travelers. They left Welton, Conn., in their motor home and traveled for two years towing their VW and seeing the country. They spent most of last year in Mexico, but they now seem to have come to rest on Sanibel. They bought a lot and are planning to build as soon as Mr. Kelly recovers from surgery which he recently underwent, and we trust he will be as good as new very soon.

MARY BOWER'S death saddens so many. She was always so thoughtful of others. Few knew that she had a terminal illness, and she will be remembered with love and affection a long long time. Members of the entire volunteer fire and rescue department would like to express their deepest sympathy to the family, too.

E. J. BENNETT has returned to Captiva after a ten-day visit with friends in Ft. Lauderdale and West Palm Beach.

Mr. & Mrs. ERNEST N. STANTON are at their Captiva home for the winter, having returned recently here after a holiday visit in Central America with their daughter.

JOHN J. WESTON, JR. is at his Captiva home.

Mrs. LOUISE CLOW has returned to her Captiva home after being hospitalized for two weeks in Fort Myers.

Mr. & Mrs. TOM PEARSALL are at their Captiva home for the winter, returning last week after spending the holidays at Rocky Mount, N.C.

A. M. BLACKBURN, JR. of Orlando was a guest of E. J. BENNETT one day last week. Mr. Blackburn, formerly from Newport, N.H., was advertising director for Mr. Bennett when he published the Claremont, N.H. Daily Eagle.

GEORGE DROWNE has completed the painting of their Captiva home.

ROBERT and VINA DAWSON of Dunbar, W. Va., are extensive shell hunters and have made some lovely shell creations with their finds. Also, they are great fishermen and caught a big snook at Blind Pass on Friday.

SYLVIA and TED SWARTZ came down from Glen Falls, N.Y., by auto train and enjoyed a delightful trip in the Vista Dome with all sorts of amusements enroute. Hope this portends the return of trains to our lives.

Two couples who travelled together from Berrien Springs, Mich., are CARL and GENEVIEVE BIXBY and ROBERT and DORTHA JONES. They left the tip of Lake Michigan in apple country in some pretty cold weather, and so are luxuriating in our bright sunny days.

LESTER and EMMA AHRENS left McFarland, Wis., to come down to Periwinkle Park for their umteenth visit to the islands. They have been coming since the time when the ferry ride to the islands was the event of the day. They always hate leaving Sanibel and fortunately have been able to return every year when the snow flies up there.

ROY and RUBY VAN SICKLE came down from Detroit for the winter. They have been six-year visitors to Periwinkle Park and love it. They have a new Holiday Rambler for this stay. They are great shellers and beachcombers.

MAE and LIONEL DUFF of Aberdeen, Md., left home in a freezing rain when even the Turnpikes were closed and said, "It was like arriving in paradise to find our island in the sun." It is easy to make friends in the Park with hospitable neighbors, and the Duffs are enjoying it.

Visitors on Captiva last week were New Hampshire Congressman JAMES A. CLEVELAND and Mrs. CLEVELAND who were guests of E. J. BENNETT with whom Mr. Cleveland once served in the New Hampshire State Senate. The Clevelands spent most of the Congressional recess visiting friends at Hobe Sound and West Palm Beach. They reside in New London, N.H.

Mrs. ELIZABETH D. PHILLIPS of Fort Lauderdale, and her daughter, Miss ELIZABETH J. PHILLIPS of Durham, N.H., were weekend visitors on Captiva, guests of E. J. BENNETT.

Mrs. HELEN THOMAS is a newcomer to the islands, to live here for a month. She is from Orlando, coming here for a quiet and restful vacation.

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TO THE ISLANDER:

The following letter was sent to the Islander for publication:

Dear Commissioner Sayers:

You surely surprised a lot of people who read the News-Press reprint in the Jan. 10 Islander. This is to let you know that that same lot of people appreciate your realizing that "If -- one more building is going up on the (Sanibel) waterfront it's an emergency and I think we ought to stop it."

Compared to the records of the other Commissioners (except hard-working and enlightened Walter Shirey) your statement reflects an awakening to the very dangerous forces at work busily bulldozing the one-and-only Sanibel into an homogenized horror.

As an ominous portent of what is happening to Sanibel (unless you act now and forcibly to stop it) may I quote some facts about Miami Beach recently reported in the New York Times.

Evidently, since the Miami County Commissioners of bygone years had not the foresight or the inclination to place a reign on the frenzied money-making of the so-called "developers" this is what Miami is faced with today (among other things).

-- An expenditure of 44 million dollars has got to be made because all the high-risers; hotels, condominiums, etc. ranged along the waterfront like "a solid stone wall" have, by the resulting erosion, just about eliminated the once lovely beach. The 44 million is required to dredge sand from the ocean floor and dump it back on to what's left so that a 200 foot wide area may once again exist. (How much will it cost to do this again, after the beach disappears once more?)

-- Any property that now has a building on it may be bought for "improvement," but the new building that goes up can not have any more accommodations than the original one. Know why? Because the pollution is so bad that no additional waste pollution can be tolerated.

This, then, is a classic example of politicians who couldn't say "no" years ago, reaping what they have sowed.

Our County Commissioners are people, too, and they will eventually pass on the same way we ordinary mortals do. Are they destined to leave behind a legacy of intolerable congestion and pollution on Sanibel?

If they continue to be blind, or actually to foster, the activities of special moneyed interests (who pressure for the fast buck and then depart for other ripe plums) they can expect to leave behind them a despoilation on Sanibel which will be alluded to as a horrible example for generations to come. I, and many, many more, fervently hope and trust that your recent stand will spread to the consciousness of the rest of the Board so that what's left of Sanibel will at last be preserved.

Cyrus Biscardi
Roslyn Heights, Long Island, N.Y.

TO THE ISLANDER:

The "Jingle Corner" of your 1-10-74 edition caught our attention. The entire "Taffy was a Welshman" is given below. (Note spelling of Welshman.) There are some variations, for which see "The Annotated Mother Goose" by William and Cecil Baring-Gould - Branhall House.

Taffy was a Welshman,
Taffy was a thief;
Taffy came to my house,
And stole a piece of beef;
I went to Taffy's house,
Taffy wasn't home,
Taffy came to my house,
And stole a marrow bone.
I went to Taffy's house,
Taffy was in bed,
I took the marrow bone
And beat about his head.
Taffy was a Welshman,
Taffy was a sham,
Taffy came to my house,
And stole a leg of lamb;
I went to Taffy's house,
Taffy was away;
I stuffed his socks with sawdust,
And filled his shoes with clay.
Taffy was a Welshman,
Taffy was a cheat,
Taffy came to my house,
And stole a piece of meat;
I went to Taffy's house,
Taffy was not there;
I hung his coat and trousers
To roast before a fire.

Even in the nursery the Welsh were considered with great disdain by the English.

David & Janet De Vol
Captains Walk, Sanibel

TO THE ISLANDER:

Has anyone ever thought of petitioning the State Legislature for the islands Sanibel and Captiva, to become a county of their own, separate and devoid of Lee County? We could call ourselves Santiva County, or some such suitable name.

We are a completely separate parcel of land, surrounded by water on all sides, which can be very advantageous to us for this purpose (we might even apply for statehood perhaps, while at it. We couldn't fare any worse) and by detaching ourselves politically from Lee County, would be detaching ourselves of their headaches and have only our own to deal with.

Also, some thought that as a separate county, with our own City Government, we would perhaps stand a much better chance of obtaining funds for the islands, from the goose that lays the golden egg. Namely, the Causeway Bridge.

My political ignorance might be showing, but it is a thought that came to me, that no one else has seemed to come up with and I was wondering why not?

The Bahama's petitioned for their independence and received it. Why can't and don't we?

Mrs. H. V. Braun
Sanibel Island, Fla.

Letters to the Editor



TO THE ISLANDER:

A poet wrote:
"Myself when young did eagerly frequent

Doctor and Saint, and heard great argument
About it, but evermore
Came out the same door wherein I went."

All this erudite discussion (sometimes called flap) about the Sanibel International Jetport and the

Sanibel RR siding and Who Shot John had better be put on the back burner until the completion of Professor Ungerdunger's Feasibility Study.

While he is at it, he might do a bit on the feasibility of Jingles.

May we hear from you soon, Professor?

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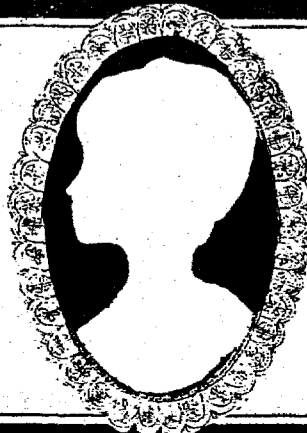
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TO THE ISLANDER:

The following letter was sent to the Islander for publication:

Dear Mrs. Hunter:

Though my husband and I won't be on Sanibel this winter we enjoy our Islander --- a week late but we read it --- every page!

... "Taffy" was always a favorite of mine when I was a child. It's . . . from Nancy Cork's Pretty Song Book (C 1780).

Best wishes for your Pirate Playhouse. Sorry we won't be at Casa Blanca this season.

Dorothy Greene
Belvidere, N.J.

TO THE ISLANDER:

Hats off and a salute to Florence Martin: What a picture you always make! Such a sparkly smile, beautiful hair-do, delightful costume, impeccable taste. And what dignity! I'll take Sanibel's Lady Florence every time. It's a joy to see you well, and your usual happy self. God Bless you.

Ruth Hunter

P.S. Why don't we rename Florence Dr. at Palm Ridge to Lady Florence Drive?

MARY NIX' KEY LIME PIE

Mary Nix, busy housewife and shell collector here on the Islands has her long time favorite recipe everyone has been asking for. Of course you can use lemons instead of the Key limes for a variation.

- 6 large eggs
- 1 can Eagle brand sweetened condensed milk
- Juice of 6 Key limes
- 3 tbsp. sugar

Separate eggs and put two egg whites in one bowl and 4 in another. Put all the egg yolks in a third bowl and beat well. Stir in the condensed milk, blending well. Stir in lime juice, one tbsp. at a time, until the mixture is thick and creamy. Beat the 2 egg whites until stiff and gently fold into creamy mixture. Pour filling into two precooked pie shells (the bought ones are delicious). Beat the 4 egg whites until stiff and add 3 tbsp. of sugar. If the weather is damp or humid, add a pinch of cream of tartar to make the meringue dry and fluffy. Heap the pie high with meringue and bake in moderate oven until just lightly brown.

SIX SANIBEL LIBRARY DIRECTORS ARE UP FOR 1974 ELECTIONS

The annual meeting of members of the Sanibel Public Library will be held Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. at the Sanibel Community House, with election of six directors the principal item on the agenda.

All persons who paid their 1973 membership fees are eligible to attend, and to vote. In addition to the election there will be reports from the officers and the librarian.

A nominating committee consisting of Arthur Clark, Don Simonds and Edie Levy has submitted a report recommending the election of Marn Carnahan, Victor Hackler, Edie Levy, Betty Muench and Pat Siegenthaler for three-year terms and of Mary Peabody for a one-year term.

If elected, they would join present board members Jean Bair, Arthur Clark, Hal Harrison, Harriet Howe, Charles Werkheiser, Jean Denyes, Bob Haynie, George Tenney, and Duane White.

CLARA A. DIMMICK

Clara A. Dimmick, 74, of Captiva Island died Jan. 21.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Paul E. Stahlin of Captiva; a son, Donald G. Dimmick of Beaumont, Tex.; two sisters; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Private arrangements were in charge of Leo W. Engelhardt Funeral Home. Burial was in Otisco Cemetery, Belding, Mich.

ISLAND INN GUESTS

Arrivals at Island Inn are Mr. & Mrs. Howard Detweiler of Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Mildred Nixon, Garrettsville, Ohio; the George Kohns of Madison, Wis.; Mr. & Mrs. James King, Arlington, Va.; Mrs. Harvey Fraizer and Mrs. Lightner of Charlottesville, Va.; Miss Louise Haughton of Schenectady, N.Y.; the Warren Coes and the Ed Iwicks from Oshkosh, Wis.; Mr. & Mrs. Henry Mackall, Minneapolis, Minn.; Dr. & Mrs. James Stuart, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; and Dr. & Mrs. Edward Gunn of Hilton Head, S.C.

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COLONY GUESTS

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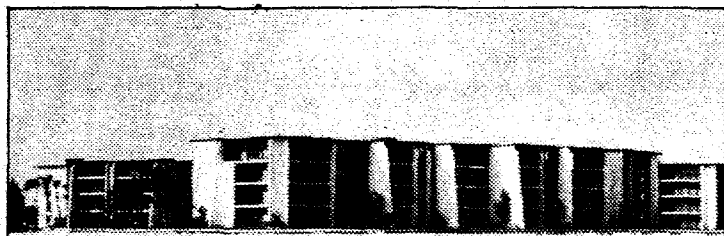
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 Feb. 4, Wildlife Drive, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 5, Beachwalk, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 6, Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 1 p.m.
 Feb. 8, Wildlands Hike, Bailey Tract, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 11, Wildlife Drive, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 12, Beachwalk, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 13, Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 1 p.m.
 Feb. 15, Wildlands Hike, Bailey Tract, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 19, Beachwalk, Lighthouse, 9 a.m.
 Feb. 20, Canoe Tour, Tarpon Bay Marina, 1 p.m.
 Feb. 22, Wildlands Hike, Bailey Tract, 9 a.m.
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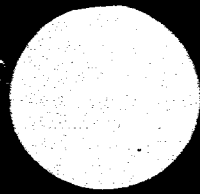
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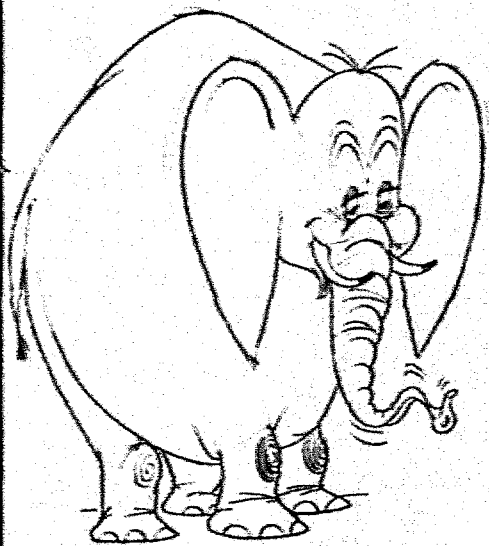
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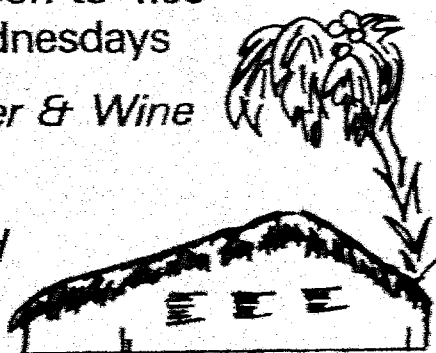
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by Fran O'Callaghan

The many ducks we saw in the Ding Darling Sanctuary, literally hundreds, have been identified as mergansers, with their saucy little pointed turned up beaks.

We hope you have heard the Islands' latest bit of publicity. Cape Coral relinquished a free spot on WMYR at 11:40 to 11:45 on Wednesdays. On Jan. 16 the spot was used to air the islands audio visual film at the Chamber of Commerce. Last Wednesday, on-the-spot Frances Roberts and Mickey Wood of the Chamber of Commerce spoke of the new bus service inaugurated in the islands on Jan. 25, and gave the schedule. They spoke Wednesday, Jan. 30, about the Shell Fair scheduled for March 7, 8, and 9.

For all of you who have not seen the beautiful shell tables to be given away on March 9 at 3 p.m. You can see the one in front of Bailey's Store most of the time, or at Priscilla Murphy's main office when not at Bailey's. The other table is circulating on Captiva. The woods are beautifully grained and are of a lighter hue than usual, making the table look newer, and the gorgeous shells are even more beautiful than in years before as they seem to be of brighter and more varied colors. The tables were again fashioned by Master craftsman and cabinet maker Charles LeBuff of Naples, and the lovely array of shells was donated by all the shell dealers on the islands, who parted with some of their choicest to fill the stunning table. You can purchase tickets for \$1.00 donation from anyone in practically all the stores. We can't all be lucky; so I hope it is you this year or I.

February offers a busy schedule and calendar of events. Feb. 3 will be the Open House for the new library on Sanibel. Feb. 9 and 10, Arts and Crafts Show. Feb. 15, PTA gala production by Mario Hutton. Feb. 22, House Tour and tea at St. Michael's Episcopal Church and more will be added as time unfolds.

We visited the Reel Eel just to see what goes on in the sporting world, and wickedly handsome Skip Purdy with the beautiful auburn hair, and mustache to match, was asgracious a host as one could want. You have to see to believe all the things he has. There are scuba diving tanks (even air to fill them), life preservers, rafts, inflatable boats, beach towels and a complete line of fishing equipment. In fact, there is a little bit of everything for each line of sports, such as tennis sox for men and women, Sanibel T-shirts, windbreakers for men and women.

Besides a full line of tennis equipment, he also offers all kinds of golf equipment, even to the elegant clubs. Along with the indoor and outdoor games, a new line of Fisher-Price toys for the kiddies is on display. Shuffleboard equipment, wax and score cards and cue sticks are here and he has skis and just about anything needed in the sports field. So go pick out your favorites and have a ball!

It's always fun to look in the Jade Butterfly and see what's new. And they have lovely antique jades, some fantastic amethyst geodes, amber and varied colored beads made from different colors of jade from white to pink, orchid and, of course, various shades of green. Did you know that jades come in all those shades? I didn't.


The symposium of the world's "heavyweights" in the field of Quantum physics adjourned on Sunday, after a very stimulating and satisfying symposium, they say. This year, meetings were scheduled so that they had time to enjoy the islands and the beaches with some time even to sight see. Hereofore, meetings were scheduled throughout the day, but this time they met at 8 a.m., adjourned for a long lunch and recreation period, and then resumed at 4 p.m. ending for dinner at 6. In the evening, meetings began at 8, ending at 10 or so, which is a rigorous enough day but not so crammed with meetings, that there was no time for anything else. A great time was had by all.

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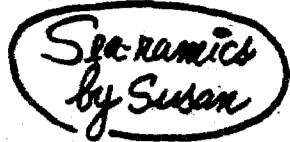
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And in the building is a thriving little store called Fisherman's Supply. It has the flavor of an old country store --- to the eye --- but none of the aroma of horehound drops, peppermint sticks or pickles in a barrel. "Aha," you say to yourself, "So this is where this is! I've heard about it for years, but I never knew where it was exactly."

And then when you talk to the


manager, Jim Garofalo, who's been there 18 years, he smiles and says, "Most people, the first time they come here, say 'Aha, so this is where you are. I've heard about you for years, but I never knew where you were exactly.'" Still smiling, he says, "And we've had a sign up down at the end of the road for nearly three years." Hmmm.

But Jim doesn't seem too disturbed; it seems Fisherman's Supply does a very thriving business even if "nobody knows where they are." It's a real Horatio Alger type success story with the present owner having been one of two employees in Jacksonville more than 25 years ago and having built up the original business to 4 busy outlets: one here, one in Tampa and two in Texas. It sells supplies for shrimpers and commercial fishermen --- from white rubber boots, clothing and towels, to ropes, radios, and ratchets. Most of the time, if they don't have what you want, they can order it, but in this era of shortages says Jim, "we can't say for sure, any more."

Overhead strange things dangle from the rafters, looking like giant crowns from the Imperial margarine ads --- air vents it seems. The sun streams in the open door and sets up the fiery gleam of polished brass, looking more like some beautiful ornament than a useful item, but it's a spotlight bracket. And over there are piles of snowwhite awning. Is that really what those grubby old tattered things that cover the back deck look like when they're new! There are bales and bales of new netting, enough to make a decorator's heart leap, but not destined for so idle a chore. These are nets to be tarred and to earn men a living for themselves and their families. Overhead, long bamboo poles lie in a rack making one think of Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn and Mississippi catfish --- only around here they use 'em for trout. Paint, cokes, bolts and shackles. You name it, it must be there somewhere. The tides lap along the pilings, the gulls screech and the dust swirls on the road because it's 11:30 and everyone knows the store closes at noon on Saturday. Busy, busy, phone rings, cash register chinks, boots clomp, voices murmur. Mighty surprising for a little store that nobody knows where it is!


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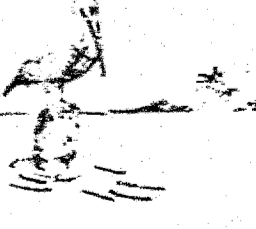
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by Hal H. Harrison

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Out of print for many years, we are now fortunate to have a new edition of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings' "When the Whippoorwill," a volume of this famous Floridian's best stories, a Christmas gift to the library from Mr. & Mrs. James M. Klein. This volume brings into one collection Mrs. Rawlings' shorter works of fiction. The author's most acclaimed book, "The Yearling" is also available at the library.

Thanks to the generosity of Dorothy and Charles Fishburne and Donald F. Modrell, we now have both volumes of "The Foxfire Books." The information (Americana at its best) packed into these two books is unbelievable. In an effort to preserve a rapidly disappearing part of our America culture, Editor Elliot Wigginston and some of his students went into the Southern Appalachians with tape recorders and cameras and created a magazine named Foxfire. Vol. 1 brings together some of the most exciting material. "Foxfire 2" broadens and continues this unique story.

One of the most beautiful books in the Sanibel Library is one received as a

Christmas gift from George and Ann Winterbotham. It is "The Wild Places," a photographic celebration of unspoiled America. Commentary is by Naturalists Ann and Myron Surton with color photographs by many of the country's outstanding nature photographers. The book is a tribute to America's wildlife and wildplaces.

For art lovers we have "The Art of Andrew Wyeth," a gift from Brigid Bock. This book explores in depth the richness and diversity of the art of Andrew Wyeth and makes a significant contribution to the understanding of one of America's favorite artists. There are 110 color reproductions and 52 black and whites, which include all of Wyeth's "best."

William and Louise Chamberlain gave the library a Christmas gift which was authored by a personal friend of theirs, Louis J. Halle. The book, "The Sea and The Ice," recounts Halle's voyage from New Zealand to the South Pole, delightful reading for the naturalist, bird watcher, and the armchair explorer. Illustrated with black and white photos.

Gourmet chefs were not overlooked in Santa's shelf of goodies for the library. Thanks to Russell and Jean Denyes we have George S. Fichter's "The Florida Cookbook." This book gives new insights into familiar favorites and introduces many new and exotic dishes made possible by Florida's bordering subtropics and by the Latin and Caribbean influence.

For fun and laughs, fans of Erma Bombeck, whose column runs in the Fort Myers News Press, will enjoy her latest book, "I Lost Everything in the Post-Natal Depression." We have Robert and Mildred Scott to thank for this gift. The book is an irreverent, hilarious account of family life -- vignettes which reveal Erma Bombeck at her best.

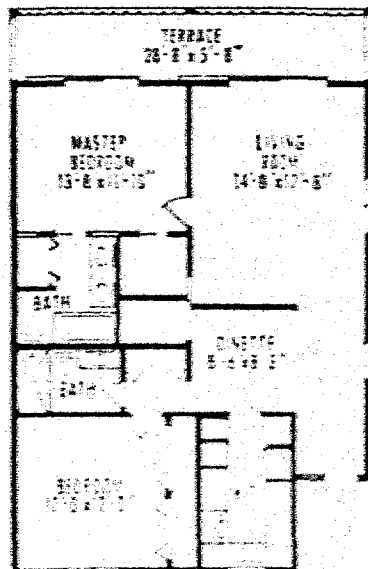
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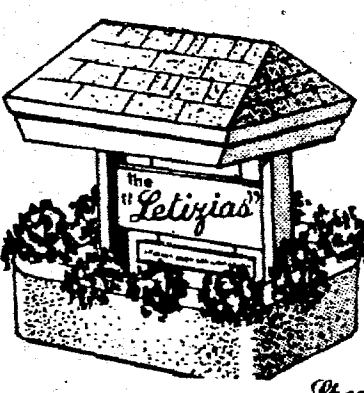
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Island winners at the Southwest Conchological Society's Shell Show came on strong this year. In the Artistic Division Kay (Laurence) McRae took the Southwest Conchological Society Trophy and a blue ribbon with her plates etched with a shell design. She took two other blues; one for a wall hanger with shells and one for a screen with shell designs. Emma Guthrie won a Southwest Florida Conchologist Society Trophy and a blue ribbon for her beautiful arrangement made of fish bones, sea urchins, and gooseneck barnacles in a coral container. She also won a blue ribbon for a shell flower arrangement.

Sophie Uhlman too won a blue and a special judge's award for a large sea life picture. A blue ribbon went to Mrs. Stewart Armington and also a special judge's merit award for her shell and stamp collection. Dr. Arnold Pinsker won

a blue ribbon with his shell flowers under glass on green crushed velvet. Mrs. Charles Hertwick took a blue ribbon with her set of miniature shell pictures. Christine Goddard won a blue ribbon with her antique Sailor's Valentine. Anabelle Barker's pine needle tray with miniature shells took a blue ribbon also. Gladys Riner received a blue ribbon for a large mirror trimmed entirely with white shells.

In the Scientific Division blue ribbons were awarded to Chip and Edie Chipeaux for one species; to Mrs. Gladys Riner for one genus; to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hertwick for one family; and to Charles and Marjorie Coniff for land or fresh water mollusks. Two awards for miniatures went to Ada Dayton, one for World Wide and one for Florida miniatures. Mr. & Mrs. Robert F. Bonner won a blue ribbon with their Florida collection of miniatures.

In the Educational Field, Neil Hepler won the Dupont Trophy and Ada Dayton

won a blue ribbon and the Southwest Florida Conchological Society's Best of Show Trophy.

Other blue ribbon winners were: Florida Shells, Mary Nix; World Wide Shells, Mr. Stewart Armington, who also won a Special Judge's Merit Award; Self Collected Shells, Mrs. Nellie A. Dow; Fossil Shells, Mr. & Mrs. Robert F. Bonner; the Adult Beginner Class, Mr. Harold Shireman; the Junior Exhibit (under 12) Chad Shireman, one for Florida Shells and one for miniature shells; the 13-17 year old bracket, Terry Shireman, one for his world wide collection and one for self-collected. Tamara Shireman received a blue ribbon in that category also.

In the Commercial bracket, Elsie Malone took a blue ribbon and the Southwest Florida Conchologist Society Trophy for the Best of Show, for her all peccens in one family. Ed Hanley's world wide collection won a blue ribbon and Edna Russell won two with her special

collection of "Freaks," and her display of beautiful shells which also earned a Judge's Special Merit Award.

The Florida Shell of Show Award went to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bonner for a fossil Cypraea Problematica named by Heilprin. The World Wide Shell of Show award went to Mr. & Mrs. Howard Oberlin for their entry Polumborarium brayi named by Clinch. Commercial Shell of Show award went to Mr. Edward Hanley for his Modiolus Americanus named by Leach.

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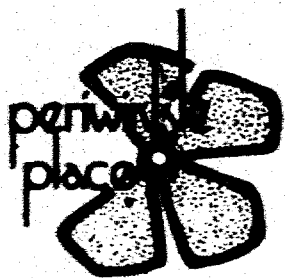
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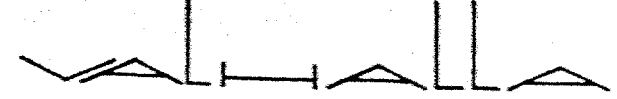
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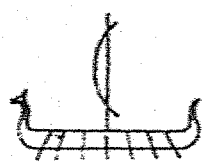




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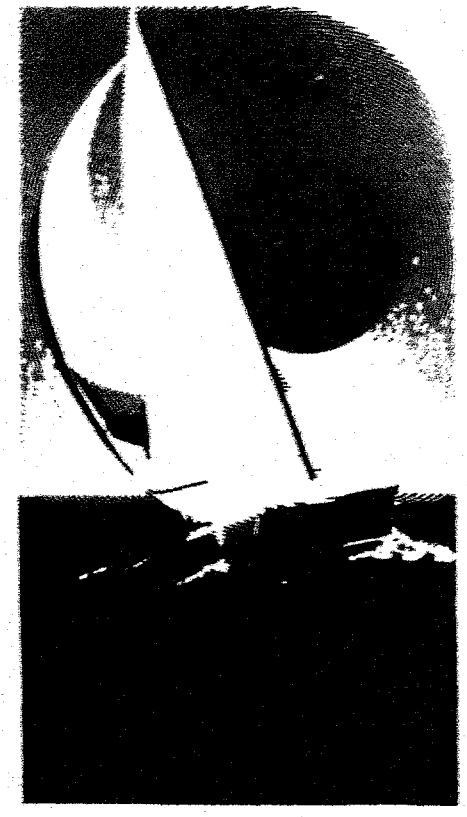
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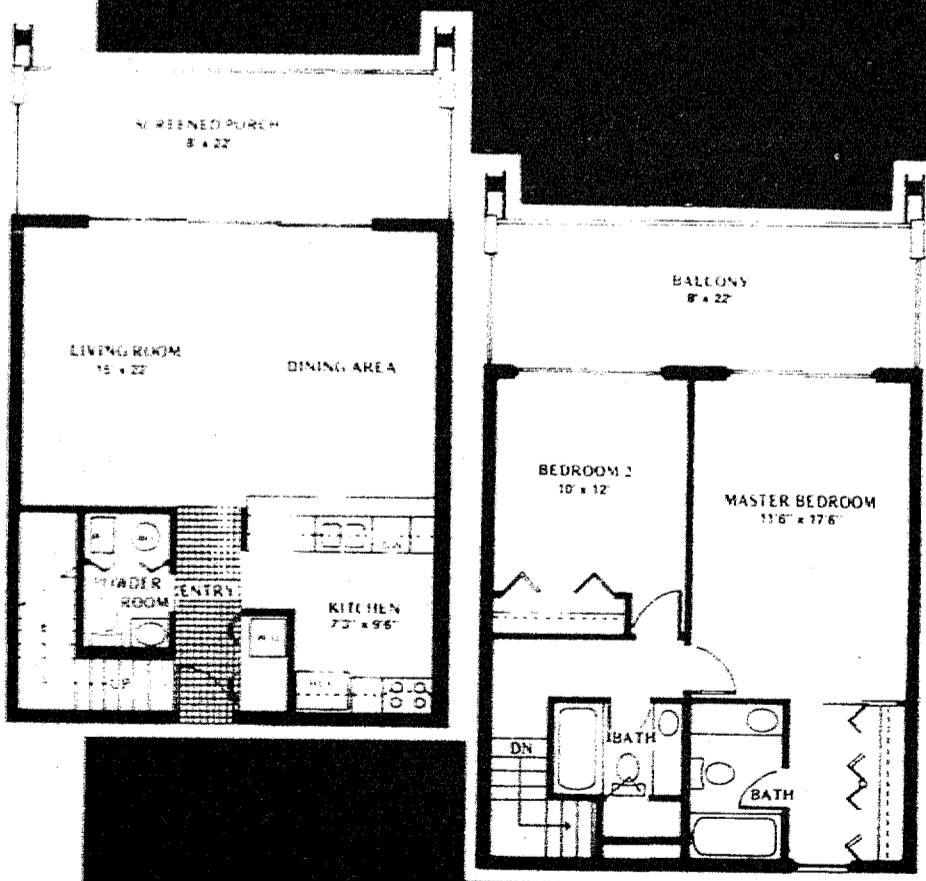
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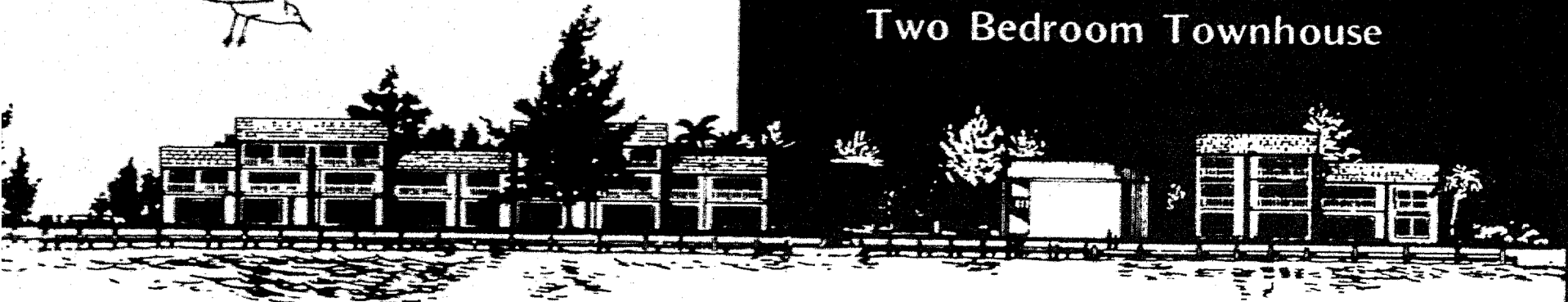


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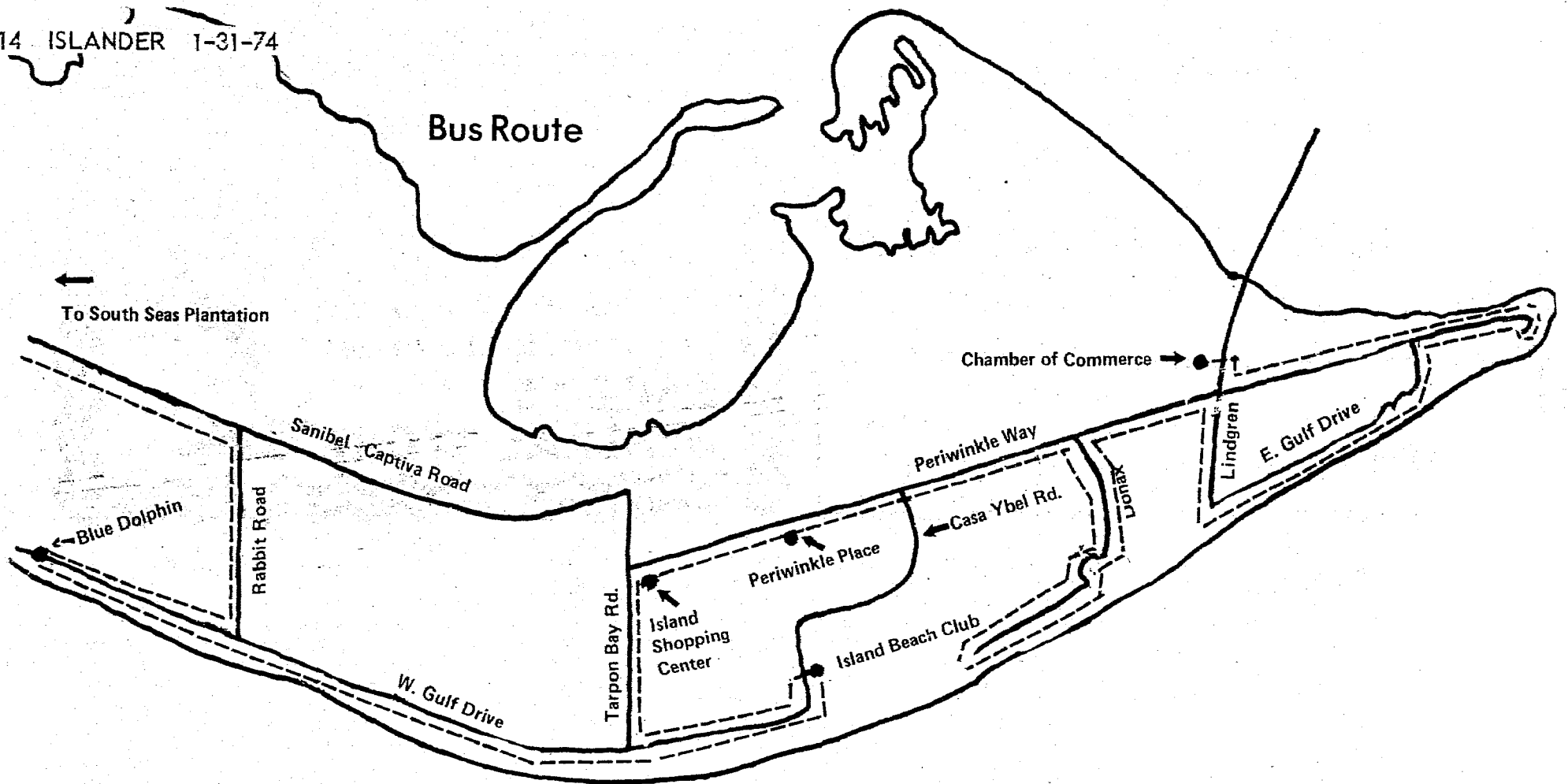
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WORKERS ENLISTED FOR ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

Nearly 200 Sanibelites will be involved in the third annual Arts and Crafts Fair to be held Feb. 9 and 10 at the Sanibel Community House. There are eight more exhibitors this week making a total of 54. In many cases more than one person is involved in the exhibit.

Signed on since the last list was printed are Edna Russell, ceramics; Marilyn High, painting; Mrs. T. S. Elgar, decorator items; Tim Gault, drawings and jewelry; Eleanor Huber, watercolors; Booth Courtenay, shell pictures; Anne Winterbotham, needlepoint; Ken Soper, wood carving.

George C. Tenney, general chairman of the Fair, held for the benefit of the Sanibel Public Library, says more exhibits than ever before will be outside, not only because of the record number of exhibitors but also because it will provide more of a feeling of a fair.

Assisting Tenney in general policy matters are Mada Harrison, Robert Haynie, Bettye Puff and John Sallemi, who was in charge of last year's fair.

Mrs. Leigh Bair, in charge of hostesses, has listed the following to help during the two-day affair: Miss Ruth Anderson, Mrs. Edward Brunner, Mrs. Arthur A. Clark, Mrs. Edmund Carnahan, Mrs. W. C. Chamberlain, Mrs. Marie Craig, Mrs. R. O. Denyes, Mrs. Walter Emmons, Mr. Robert Haynie, Mrs. Victor Hagerstrom, Mrs. Howard Hulsman, Mrs. Fred Holtz, Mrs. Victor Hackler, Mrs. Harry Iurka, Mrs. Stanley Johnson, Mrs. Roderica M. Jones, Mrs. William Kreuger, Mrs. Leon Levy, Mrs. John Lawrence, Mrs. Millard Libby, Mrs. Vernon MacKenzie, Mrs. Albert Muench, Mrs. Clark Newcombe, Mrs. Jack Ronk, Mrs. John Reynolds, Mrs. C. P. Siegenthaler, Mrs. Ingalls Simmons, Mrs. Walter Strong, Mrs. James Scholefield, Mrs. Thomas Simpson, Mrs. William Standeven, Mrs. Alice Strunk, Mrs. William Sur, Mrs. C. Edward Scott, Mrs. Lewis Umland, Mrs. F. Everett Wadman, Mrs. Charles Werkheiser, Mrs. Richard Wolfe, Mrs. John Willard, Mrs. George Weyl, Mrs. Howard Yule, Mrs. George Zajicek.

Arthur Clark, in charge of the exhibit setup, has arranged to get help from John Sallemi, Victor Hagerstrom, John Cook, Robert Haynie, Wilb Snyder, Paul Mamet and Joe McMurty.

John Cook, in charge of finances, has signed up as cashiers Leigh Bair, Victor Hackler, Victor Hagerstrom, Robert Haynie, Ed Scott and George Weyl.

Victor Hackler, in charge of publicity, will have the help of Betty Muench and Suzanne Pickens.

Marshall Tabacchi, in charge of parking, will be assisted by Fred Holtz, Ted Carnahan, Bill Rusch, John Willard, Willard Haskell, Oscar Meyer, Howard Hulsman, Chick Chase, Don Marshall and Charles Muller.

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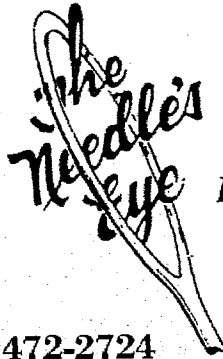
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According to J. H. Willard, of the Sanibel Community Association, a special welcome dinner for new members will occur Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1974. A recent campaign resulted in many new members during the month of January. All are invited to the dinner which will be hosted by the officers and their spouses.

Entertainment will include music during dinner and dancing later. A gay evening is predicted. Dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Feb. 5, 1974.

PHOTO-VERSE BY HUTTON

Once again Mr. Mario Hutton will present his famous photo-verse program on Feb. 15 and 16 at the Island Beach Club. This year's selected organization is the Sanibel-Captiva PTA. As in the past, Mr. Hutton has selected some organization to benefit from the proceeds of this program.

Last Fall, when Mr. Hutton approached the PTA regarding the benefit

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TONIGHT'S AUDUBON PROGRAM WILL BE ON BROWN PELICAN

Tonight, January 31, the local Audubon Society presents a program of special interest entitled "The Brown Pelican - Abundant Yet Endangered" at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House. The speaker will be noted naturalist, Ralph W. Schreiber, generally considered the foremost authority on the brown pelican, not only in the United States but in the entire world.

For the past several years Mr. Schreiber has studied this species, its feeding, courtship and breeding habits in California, Mexico, and other Central American countries. He is now with the Dept. of Biology of the University of South Florida in Tampa and is conducting a study in depth on the status of the brown pelican in our state. Mr. Schreiber's talk will be illustrated with a number of unusual and fascinating slides.

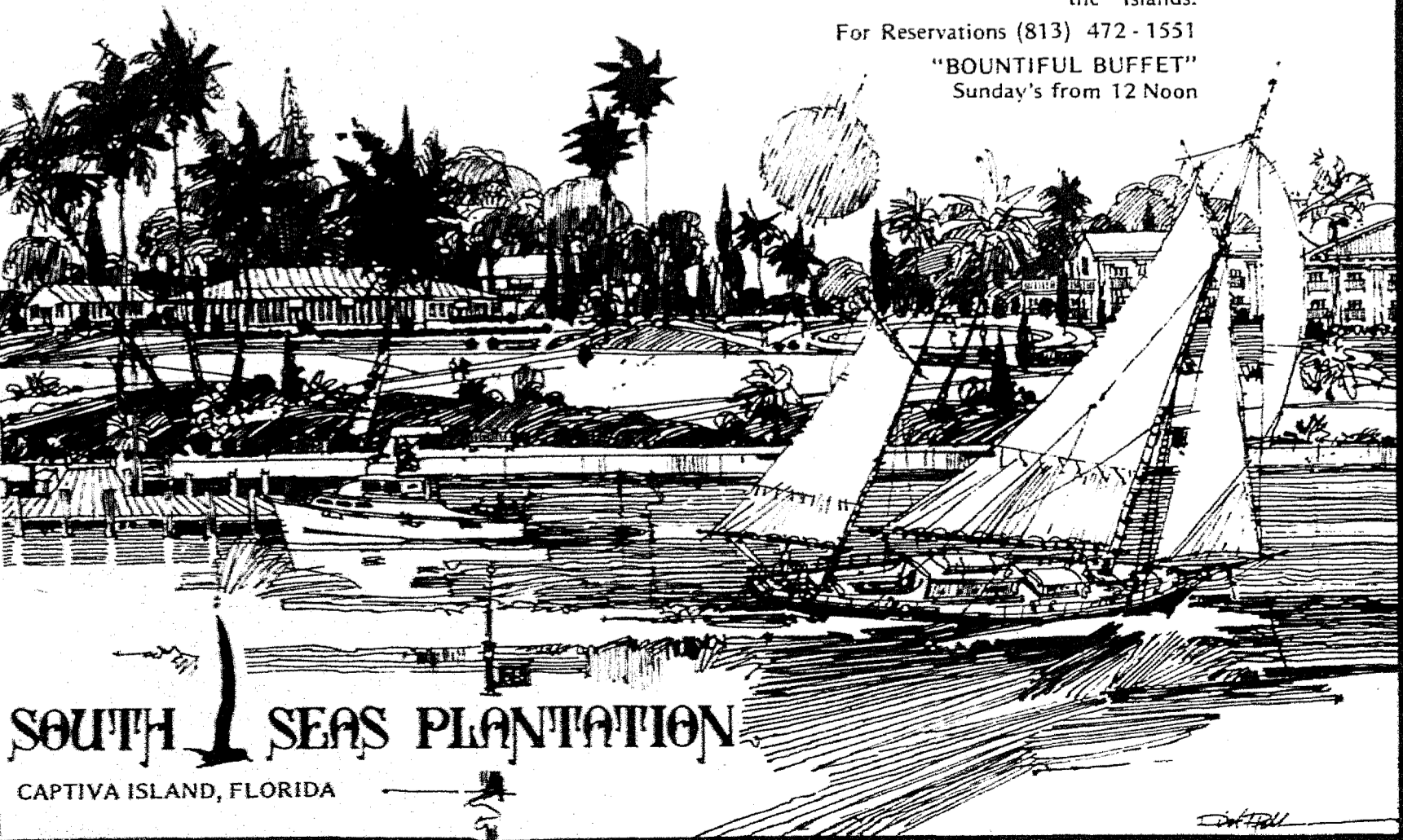
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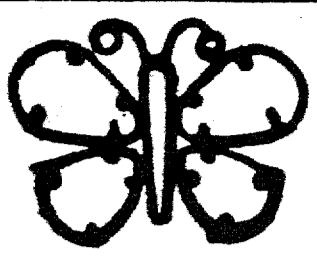
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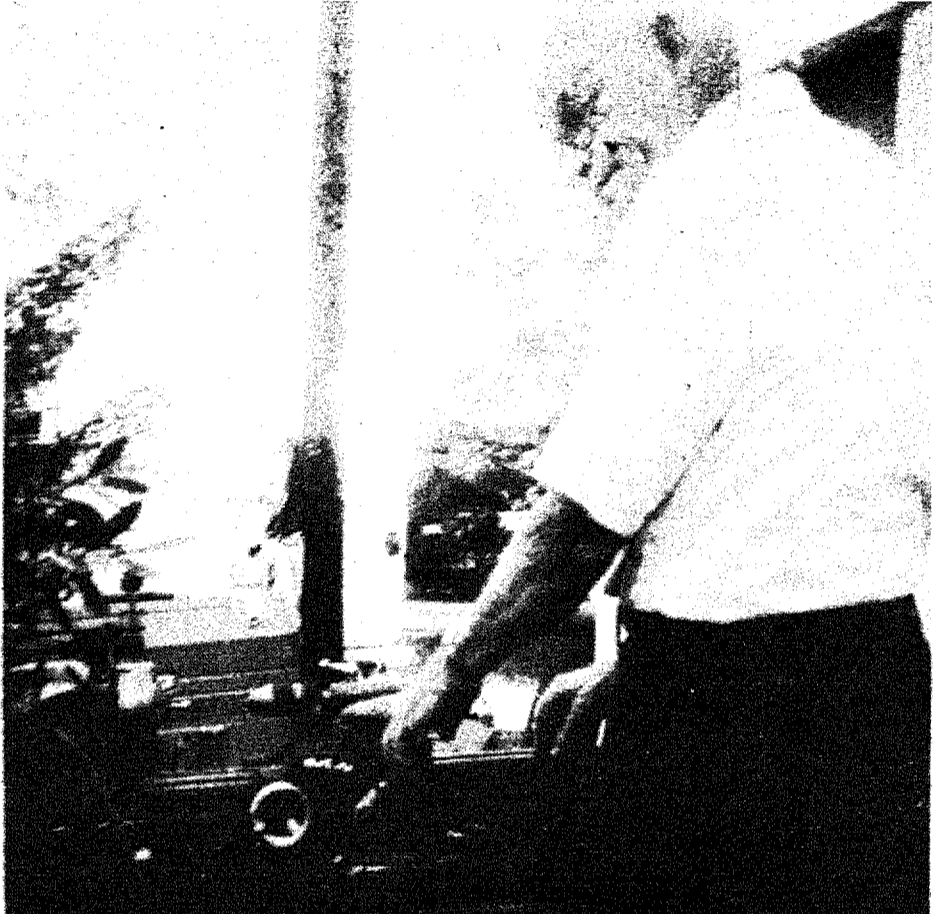
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bloom."
 Hobbyists will be operating their projects, and you can even ride some of them each Friday, Saturday and Sunday after Easter. Some of the other exhibits include a dog powered (treadmill) clothes washer, water powered sewing machine and all kinds of other farm tools and functions in common usage in pioneer times.
 Mrs. Basil Jones is a charming lady with a warm personality, and her hobbies are independent of her husband's, as she is a "rockhound" and shell collector, making creations for her home. She plays church music for relaxation and enjoyment, all making her a very popular lady.

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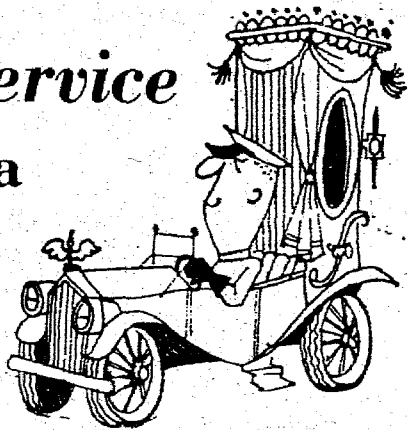
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Mr. Lorence will also be having two mini-seminars for artists on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 15th and 16th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

One will be a small painting class and workshop. The other will be for criticism and questions and answers on all phases of Art.

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Partial resume of John Lorence

Education

Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, Mich 1 year MFA, Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., 2 1/2 yrs. BFA; Western Reserve Univ. Cleveland College, Cleveland, O., 2 years, Cambridge School of Design, Cambridge, Mass. 2 yrs.; Mass. Inst. of Tech., Cambridge, Mass.; (Arch. Dept., special student in Design under Prof. Gyorgy Kepes) 1 semester; Parsons School of Design, New York Univ. New York, N.Y. 2 years

Teaching Experience

Associate Professor, Department of Art, Wisconsin State Univ. 1965 Chairman of Fine Arts Dept., Layton School of Art, Milwaukee, Wis. 1961-1963. Instructor, Painting, Printmaking and Design, Layton School of Art 1960-3. Instructor, Art History, Marquette Univ., Dept. of Continuing Educ. 1960-3. Painting, Sculpture, Drawing and Humanities Art Seminars. Presently Lecturing at Portland, Maine Museum School. Mr. Lorence has had over 20 one man shows and participated in over 30 National group shows. Guest Lectures at Many Universities, Art Schools, Museums etc. Registration for Mini-seminars at Schoolhouse Gallery.

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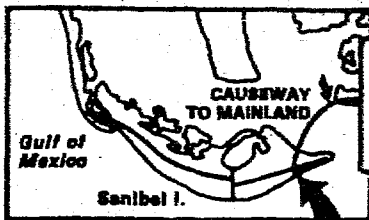
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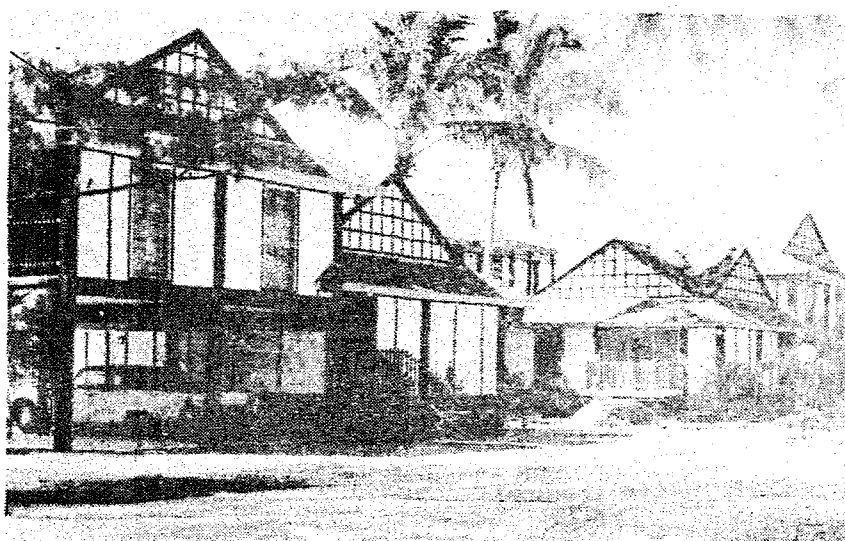
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- ou* **FOUR REFORMS**, by William F. Buckley Jr. (Putnam's \$4.95.) Well reasoned and superbly argued proposals in the area of welfare, education, taxes and crime; the bias, if any, is libertarian.
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Best Seller List

This Week	Last Week	Weeks on List
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FICTION

✓ 1 BURR. Vidal	1	11
✓ 2 THE HONORARY CONSUL. Greene	2	17
✓ 3 COME NINEVEH, COME TYRE. Drury	3	10
✓ 4 THEOPHILUS NORTH. Wilder	5	12
✓ 5 POSTERN OF FATE. Christie	6	6
✓ 6 THE HOLLOW HILLS. Stewart	4	29
✓ 7 BEULAH LAND. Coleman		5
✓ 8 THE SALAMANDER. West	8	20
✓ 9 THE FIRST DEADLY SIN. Sanders	7	14
✓ 10 NICKEL MOUNTAIN. Gardner	10	2

GENERAL

✓ 1 ALISTAIR COOKE'S AMERICA. Cooke	1	11
✓ 2 THE JOY OF SEX. Comfort	2	58
✓ 3 HOW TO BE YOUR OWN BEST FRIEND. Newman & Berkowitz with Owen	3	27
✓ 4 IN ONE ERA AND OUT THE OTHER. Levenson	6	19
✓ 5 UPSTAIRS AT THE WHITE HOUSE. West with Kotz	7	12
✓ 6 COSELL. Cosell	5	16
✓ 7 THE BEST OF LIFE. Scherman	4	8
✓ 8 PORTRAIT OF A MARRIAGE. Nicolson	8	13
✓ 9 PLAIN SPEAKING. Miller		1
✓ 10 PENTIMENTO. Hellman	10	16

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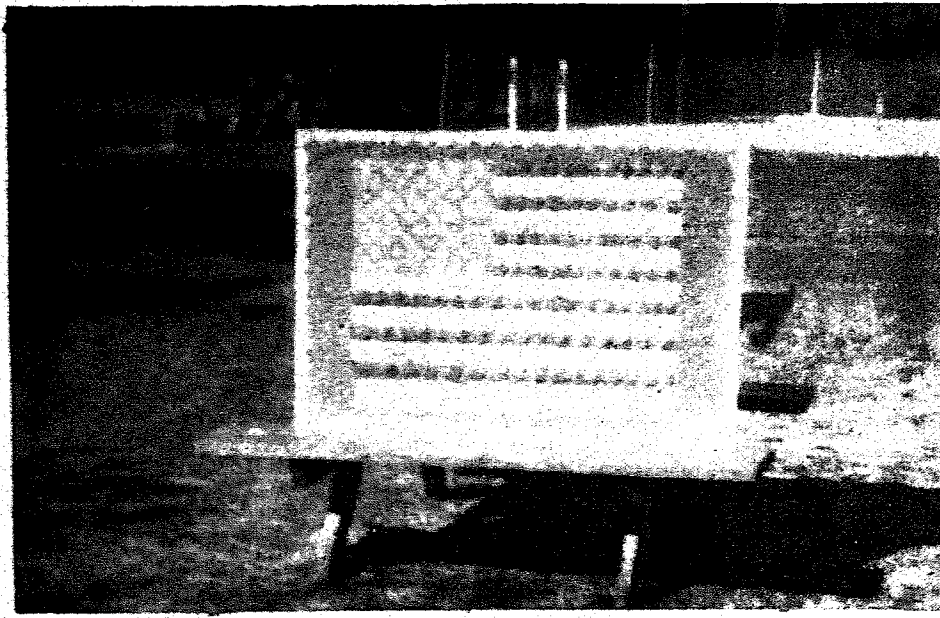
CHILDREN FASHION SHELL FLAG

BARBARA AS FAIRY-MAE



Here is busy Barbara Nave as she appears in "The Curious Savage" at the Pirate Playhouse. And this pretty miss is busy, because on Tuesday, the 28th, she opened the Island's first sewing shop, The Nimble Thimble on Periwinkle Way with Mrs. Charles Nave, Sr. (Goldie to us Islanders.) Here you will find beautiful fabrics, patterns, sewing lessons, etc.

Fairy-Mae's costume, shown here was created for "The Curious Savage" which plays again Feb. 2 at the Pirate Playhouse with Don Modrall, Marilyn Barry, Ron Wrenn, Susan Dean, Vincent Back, Pat Slater, Bob Barry, Keith and Patricia Trowbridge and the Hunters, Ruth and Philip, who also directs this amusing play by John Patrick. Curtain, 8:15, box office, 472-2121.



Wish we had this beautiful flag in color. It was made by the children of Sanibel Elementary School out of island shells, colored red, white and blue, for entry in the Southwest Florida Fair now in progress in Fort Myers. Channel Ducks (or Sailor's Ears) formed the red stripes and buttercups and surf clams formed the white ones. Of course, star fish are the stars on the blue background, and the whole is truly a work of art. All the children from kindergarten up through the fifth grade had a hand in fashioning it and donating the shells.

Teachers who had a hand in the flag's creation are B. G. Runnels, Mrs. Hedwig Winans, Meri Rhodes, Linda DeMayo and of course, principal Richard Ivill.

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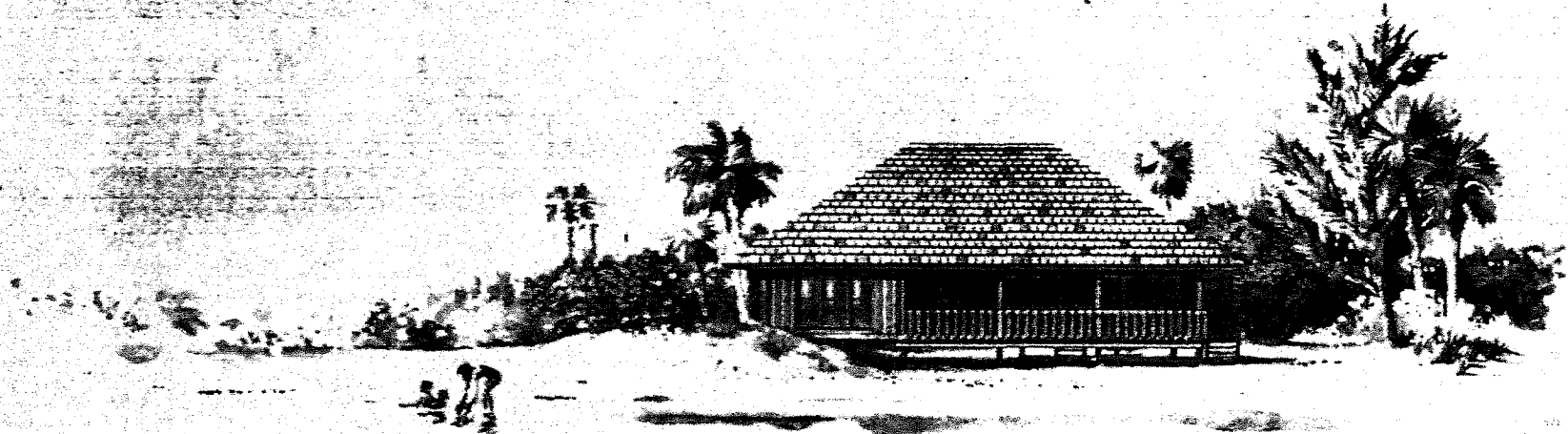
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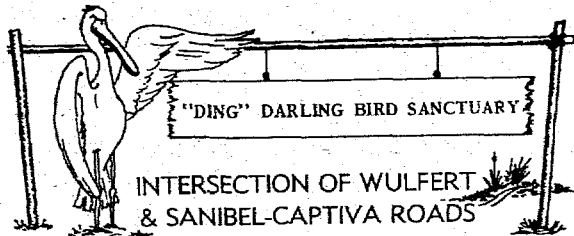
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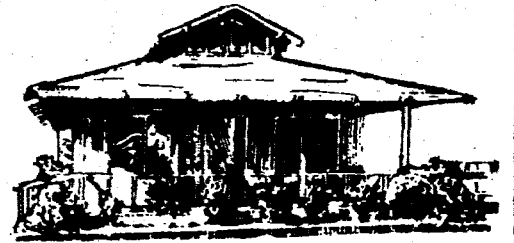
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SAYERS TELLS OF PLANS FOR TOLL MONEY

County Commissioners have been talking off and on of what they would like to do with tolls collected from the Sanibel Causeway, but Commissioner Dick Sayers summed up their plans for the money at a Lions Club meeting in Fort Myers on Thursday after the release of a 12-page report recommending that the Causeway be refinanced for \$18 million dollars.

The report was prepared with the joint efforts of county officials, Sanibel representatives, and county financial consultants, but Sayers emphasized use of the money for existing roads in the county. The report recommended the retention of the \$3.00 toll but with a \$25.00 quarterly charge for Lee County residents. Nine projects were listed in the report including a beach renourishment program for Captiva, improvement of critical intersections, an alternate route along Periwinkle Way, and acquisition of parklands on the islands.

Since total funding will amount to over \$21,000 for an alternate plan Sayers said the county commissioners should determine which projects should have precedence using the list as a base, but that he thought improvement of county roads should outweigh island projects. He then listed a group of road projects which included four laning 869 from Colonial to McGregor Blvd.; four laning a loop road from Ortiz Ave. extension to Gladiolus Drive; extension of Colonial Blvd. from the Seaboard Coastline railroad tracks to State Road 82; widening and raising McGregor Blvd. between the Sanibel Causeway and College Parkway; four laning Gladiolus Drive and Cypress Lake Drive from US 41 to McGregor and all contingent on refinancing the Sanibel Bridge.

At least two county commissioners, James Sweeney and Kenneth Daniels have agreed that the county road work is needed but disagree with Sayers plan for appropriating nearly \$20 million for the road work from the Sanibel tolls.

Porter Goss, head of a committee of 20 from the islands to study ways of spending toll money, opposed the use of the funds as outlined by Sayers. Bob Taylor, chairman of the toll bridge committee, said the Sayers' plan does not conform with theirs, as they had agreed with the county on an equitable split with the county getting a larger percentage of the money than the islands and that county officials Lavon Wisher, Ben Pratt and Dick Schmidt had approved the split.

Islanders have indicated they would like to have 35 to 40 percent of the money available inasmuch as they have contributed an even greater percentage in tolls than off-Islanders.

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There seems to be some confusion as to how our Rescue Squad is now operating, says Captain Phil Verdung of the Sanibel Volunteer Fire Dept. "However," he stated, "it operates as it always has with one exception. As of January 1, 1974, a new Florida law was passed that required at least one qualified Emergency Medical Technician be in the van at all times when transporting a patient to Lee Memorial Hospital. It also requires that the driver have a first-aid card and have passed the Southwest Florida Safety Council defensive driving course. We have plenty of qualified drivers but only one man has passed the Emergency Medical Technician course and, because of his work, he is not available at all times.

This presented a grave problem for the Islands. Since we could not meet all the requirements our Commissioners met many times with Ray Dean of Lee County Ambulance Service to see if a solution could be found. After many meetings, including one with Walter Shirey, it was decided that the only way we could legally operate the ambulance was to lease our van to the Lee County Ambulance Service. In return they take over all the insurance needed, maintain the van, and equip it with all items necessary to meet the Florida law covering ambulance service.

"They will also supply a medical technician around the clock. This enables the Island to have 24-hour protection which would not have been available otherwise. Had this agreement not been reached, all our Rescue Squad would have been able to do in an emergency would have been to give on-the-spot first aid, and stand by until an ambulance was dispatched from Fort Myers. This could have been quite a problem. I believe our commissioners and officers should be commended for their tireless efforts to solve this problem."

Captain Verdung further emphasized, "Contrary to any rumors that may have been heard, the ambulance is stationed at the Firehouse 24 hours a day."

Any patient transported off-island to Lee Memorial or Naples Hospital by Lee County Ambulance will be billed by them and the money will go to Lee County Fire Control District to help offset expenses. Calls made by the Rescue Squad will be without charge.

PUT YOUR BUSINESS ON THE MAP

The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce is publishing a new Directional and Informational map of the Islands.

This map will include all roads, facilities and points of interest and all businesses on the islands whether they are members of the Chamber or not.

To be included as a business you MUST stop in at the Chamber Building and fill out a form indicating your correct name, address, and grid location.

This form must be completed within the next two weeks as the map will go to press shortly after that.

MAKE SURE YOU ARE INCLUDED!

**WILDLIFE NOTES
by Griffing Bancroft**

It looks like this will be another year when Florida's storks fail to nest.

These big birds, now officially re-named Wood Storks instead of the previous improper designation, Wood Ibis, normally nest in our inland cypress swamps. The Audubon sanctuary, Corkscrew Swamp has long been the scene of a breeding colony.

The birds usually start their nesting in December. Some did arrive at Corkscrew on schedule this year, but a cold wave came along and they left. As of this writing they have not come back.

This is unusual but not unprecedented. Some years the storks simply fail to nest. An explanation for this failure has been advanced by an ornithologist M. Philip Kahl in a recent issue of Natural History magazine.

Mr. Kahl spent years studying all the storks of the world. There are 17 species, mostly in Europe and Africa. The wood stork is the only North American member of the family.

Mr. Kahl's findings, as far as their nesting is concerned, boil down to this: The outside stimulus that touches off the breeding cycle with most storks is simply food. When they find food enough, the proper hormones develop, courtships take place, pairs are formed and nesting begins. If they do not find food enough they simply skip a year.

In southern Florida the food supply for these birds may depend on water levels. When the water is high, after the rainy season, the aquatic life on which they feed is widely dispersed and hard to come by. If the water is too low, food may be scarce.

So the usual nesting time is in early winter when the levels should be just right. But if all this is right, some other hitch must have developed this year, for water levels were more or less normal and still no nesting.

There is some evolutionary sense in it if the nesting does depend on food. For the birds may be saved the useless hazards of nest building and incubation of eggs when there won't be enough food to raise the young.

Anyway, the colorful birds have not gathered in their nesting areas and so can be seen regularly other places, including our islands.

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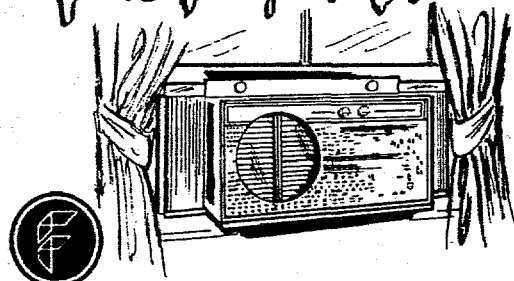
SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCES

THE CURIOUS SAVAGE	Saturday	February 2
THREE BY TWO	Saturday	February 9
THE MATCHMAKER	Sunday	February 10
THREE BY TWO	Saturday	February 16
THE CURIOUS SAVAGE	Sunday	February 17
THE MATCHMAKER	Friday	February 22
THE CURIOUS SAVAGE	Sunday	February 24
THREE BY TWO	Saturday	March 2
THE MATCHMAKER	Sunday	March 3
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THREE BY TWO	Sunday	March 10
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THREE BY TWO	Sunday	March 17
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