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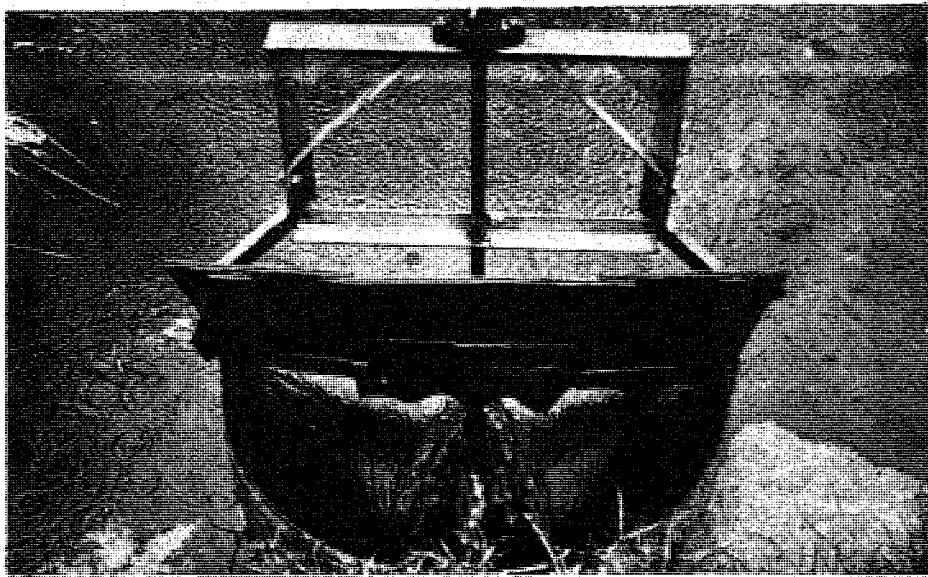
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*The Daze that the
Rains (s) Came Down...
(or vice versa)*

by Ginni Brown

In case you don't have a handy rain gauge (or specially if you're up north and have just been READING all about it) we had over eight inches of rainfall a week ago Monday and Tuesday, and according to a late night broadcast Sunday, we had 17 inches of rain the last week in June. Squoosh!

While there was little actual damage to property, with the exception of Maude and Hervey Meyer's home on Captiva, some beachfront motels and condominiums on Sanibel reported extremely high water, especially Castaways on Blind Pass, which was hit by a six-foot-high tide Tuesday a.m. Trees were down, phones were out (ours is STILL out) and electricity was off.

Thursday, we were hit by the tail end of a tropical depression, which had been hovering off souther Mexico last Monday and which dumped another upteen inches of rain, making the road between McCaul's and South Seas Plantation impassable. The dirt (well, rock, sand and clay) road had washed out (or fallen in) in two places by Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday and Thursday morning, truck loads of fill were dumped in the

washed-out places, but the rains hit before they could be leveled or packed. Therefore -- goop!

One point we'd like to make -- unfortunately, we have talked to a number of people who now think they've been through a "storm." Well, they haven't -- we had a heavy rainfall and some inconvenience -- but nothing like a hurricane.

What is frightening is the tendency of some groups, such as Civil Defense, to cry wolf. One of these days, we are going to have a real storm -- and quite possibly, a number of people in low-lying and/or beachfront properties, who have been evacuated in the past, will decide they've had enough of this nonsense, and won't leave when it is really necessary. And the we'll have some dead or injured citizens.

Of course, we do have 48 to 72 hours of warning (normally) when a big one comes along (at least two days before Donna, one KNEW she was on her unemerry way) which should give those in exposed areas enough time to get into town, away from the Gulf and river.

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Who's Who & Why

WARREN & ROSLYN ZUCONE and LEANE 8, and LIZA 13, are from Miami. They are camping in Periwinkle Park. They enthuse, "We heard so much about Sanibel -- how beautiful the beaches are. This is the first time we'd had a chance to get here. We love it."

LISA MANE and CAROLYN and SUE TARAVELLA from Eden, NY, are camping together. They enjoy it but they say, "We wish we hadn't had so much rain."

LIZ PERRY, SUE LASSWELL, LINDA LOUZON, and DEBBIE DURGAN came to Periwinkle Park together. They are from Muskegon, MI.

RONALD and JOAN PECK and BRUCE 13, and BLAINE 15, and SANDY 8, are from Akron, OH. "We've been in this area and have experienced all the rough weather we've had lately. High water and high winds: We are tenting."

LEROY & ERNESTINE SMITH and their children, GARY, VANESSA, STACEY and RANDY, and their friend, LISA are from Miami. They camped in Periwinkle Trailer Park. They told us, "The park is nice. The children enjoy the beach and riding the bikes."

H. A. CANTWELL and his wife, JEANNE, from Seminole, FL, are finding their exploring Sanibel pleasant. "It is still an unusual place," they say.

DAVID & JEAN FRASER and DAVID, LAURIE, and JULIE said about Sanibel, "We like it, but we would have liked a public swimming pool." They are from West Palm Beach.

BENNIE & SOPHIE VALENTA and their children MICHAEL, DANNY, JOHNNY and AARON are from Corpus Christie, TX, and their friend GRACE STOCK is from Sequin, TX. They are staying in Periwinkle Trailer Park. They enjoy Florida.

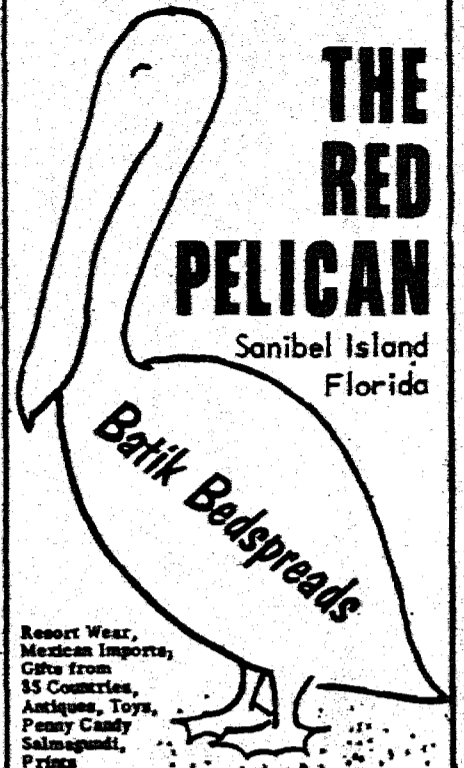
RAYMOND & CLAIRE LAJOIE and their two sons, MICHAEL and MATTHEW came to Periwinkle Park from Palm Springs, FL.

THE COLONY

Out of state guests this week at The Colony includes Diann Dorsey from Cincinnati, OH; Mr. & Mrs. Richard Gaunt and family from Jonesboro, GA; the Ronald R. Tansill family from Atlanta, GA; Linn L. Hiatt from Whitehall, OH; Mr. & Mrs. William Wright and their family and Mr. & Mrs. William Benton and family from Lansing, OH; Mr. & Mrs. Earl Matteson from Mt. Zion, IL; and Jack L. Lingenfelter from Peoria, IL.

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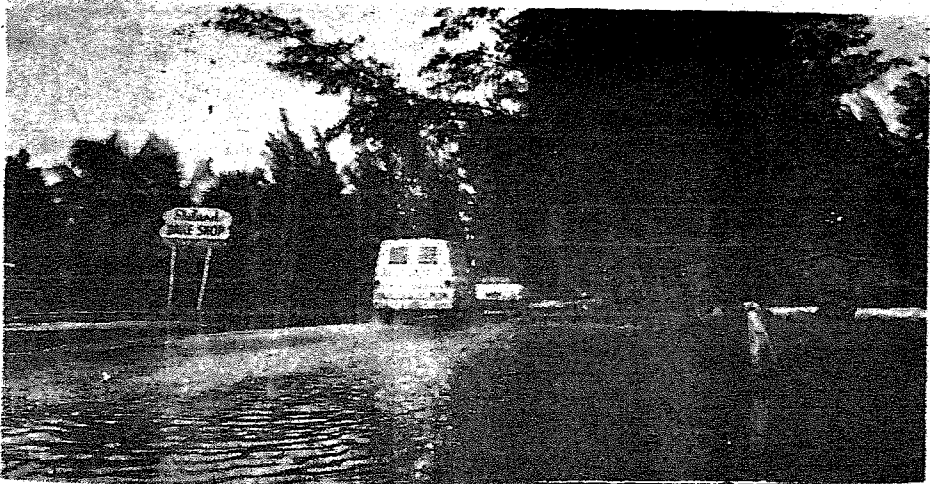
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Flooding on Periwinkle Way.



CASTAWAYS TURNS HAIRY-SCAREY TIME INTO MEMORABLE OCCASION

The Castaways bestowed honorary Castaways memberships with Sand Dollar plaques on six brave families who went "above and beyond the call of duty" the night of the high tide, gale, storm, lotsa water -- you name it.

Betty Gardiner who found herself alone at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday without co-owner June Henry (called away by an emergency in Naples) says that the "cheerful, cooperative, calm, intelligent manner in which the families, adults and children conducted themselves was a joy to behold."

As water rushed over the sea wall at 3:00 a.m. in the worst flooding of the resort that has ever been seen, the Gulf-front guests were moved to the poolside units. Then when the smell of gas was detected, all were lined up and moved to the Bay cottages where coffee, orange juice, toast and other food was provided for everyone by sisters Margaret Dorman and Ruth Dust. Mrs. Dorman is a public health nurse, in charge of out-patient treatment at the Veteran's Administration in St. Petersburg and formerly worked with Betty in the Pinellas County Health Department.

Betty also gives high praise to Captain and Mrs. Harry S. Trenery, who awakened her at 2:30 a.m. to alert her to the intruding tide. Also in for kudos were full and part time staff: Jeanne Nunn, Steve Hyer, and Dennis and Earl Webb who came to work for a clean-up operation in the continuing rain.

Guests praised for their cooperation and bravery were Col. & Mrs. Eddins, Jr., of Ft. Benning, GA. The colonel incidentally holds the distinction of being the ONLY West Point graduate to father triplets. (However, that was not during the storm.) The Eddins are the daughter and son-in-law of Mrs. Edmund Schwarze whose husband is the manager of the Sheraton Inn in Fort Myers

Mrs. Schwarze was "a real trouper" according to Betty. She kept everybody entertained and laughing. Mr. & Mrs. Fred Bawel of Longwood and their three children, one with an arm in a cast, also helped keep up morale and high spirits.

The Eddins, the Trenerys and Ray Lind, who works for the telephone company in Miami, were commended for turning off the power in the resort and, after the danger passed, turning it on again. Douglas Briggs Tavares, a Castaway for five years, turned off gas tanks which had broken away from their moorings - a singularly brave act, but not uncommon for the ex-Marine.

Another guest, Bill Powell of Atlanta, GA, gave a quiet type of "real, needed support" by sticking with Betty during the rising tide time before dawn and telling stories of "far worse times in the years he's been coming to Sanibel." A kind white lie, perhaps? Susan Karr, a Castaway neighbor, says she hasn't seen it so bad in 25 years.

The Castaways Restaurant was only closed for one day when the staff from Captiva could not get across Blind Pass bridge, and those from Fort Myers had similar problems in the other direction.

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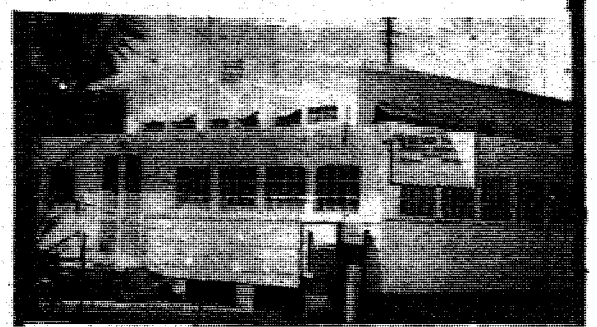
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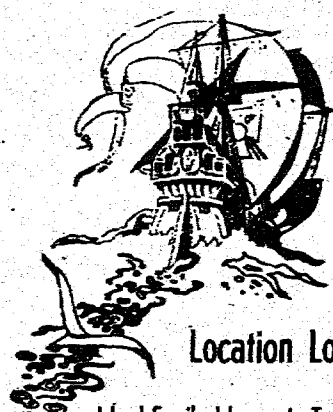
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Margaret Thorsen, new owner of the Black Pearl.

BLACK PEARL IS IN NEW HANDS
by Sally Walker

A longtime enthusiasm for shell collecting, plus glowing reports of life on Sanibel first drew Margaret Thorsen, new owner of the Black Pearl to Sanibel.

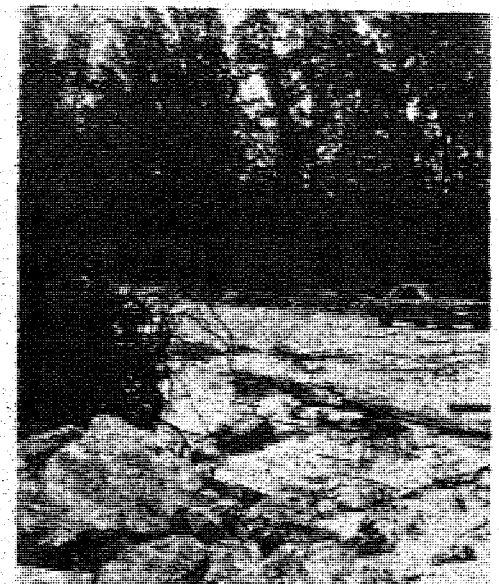
"I came here a year ago February for the first time and fell in love with the island. I bought a lot in Shell Harbor and heard this shop was for sale," explains Margaret. And with the purchase of the Black Pearl came the opportunity to combine two favorite hobbies - shell collecting and free-form enamel work.

"I was very lucky to study with one of the foremost enamelists of the country, Don Andrick of Worster, MA..." Margaret tells us. Since then she has gone on to win awards for her intricate, colorful enamel work on copper. All the enamel and metal work is done by hand and kiln-fired in the shop. Lovely sterling silver pieces and shell jewelry are also crafted at the do-it-yourself shop.

For Margaret, coming to Sanibel meant leaving her position as department chairman of computer programming at Springfield College in MA. Before she left though, Margaret persuaded her good friend Jone Bush, who coached tennis at the college, to take a year's leave of absence and join her on Sanibel. Two other friends helping with the shop are Liz Macy and Peggy Bennett, both long-time shell fanatics. All are willing to offer you friendly, professional advice on art crafts projects.



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This Week at the Sanibel Library

by Hal H. Harrison

In a recent column, I wrote about our plans to develop a "Western Fiction" section in the library - that we were doing this because we felt there was a demand for these adventure books that we had been neglecting. Well, we now suspect that there is another group of our patrons that has been bypassed to some extent --- the science fiction buffs. Not that we have completely ignored books in this field, just that we have not made a major project of keeping up to date.

We plan now to explore the potential of this department. As we are doing with westerns we now will do with science fiction books --- create a special shelf for this type of reading material and keep it stocked with new and popular books. How far we will go with the idea depends entirely upon you. How interested are you? We will know when we check the circulation. So, let me tell you about a few of the new science fiction books that have just arrived.

Isaac Asimov is probably the best known of all science fiction writers. He has over 120 books to his credit. In his new one, "The Gods Themselves," Asimov explores the interrelationship of three different worlds, the action of their inhabitants, and the resolution of their common problems. It is an impressively imaginative story with a sensational climax.


In another book, "The Hugo Winners," Asimov serves as editor for an anthology of 23 prize-winning science fiction winners. The Hugo Award is to Sci-fi what the Oscar is to Hollywood, and every year the coveted statuettes (modeled after a space ship) are presented at the World Science Fiction Convention. Here are the award-winning stories for the years 1955-1970, each with an introduction by Isaac Asimov.

Another anthology brings together 26 of the best science fiction stories ever written, "Science Fiction Hall of Fame," edited by Robert Silverberg. The selections for this book were chosen by members of the Science Fiction Writers of America. The names of authors in this 558-page-book form a distinguished roster; their works provide a brilliant panorama of the diversities of style and subject encompassed by the term "science fiction."

And another to give you a wide perspective into the genre --- "The 1973 Annual World's Best SF" edited by Donald A. Wollheim. The editor here continues his tradition of annually choosing the best sci-fi stories of the previous year, and in this anthology, he has given us 10. If you are a sci-fi fan, some of the authors may be familiar to you: Anderson, Tiptree, Coney, Pohl, Simak, Bass, MacFarlane, Tilley, Vinge, and MacLennon.

A few years ago, an anthology of science fiction stories titled "Dangerous Vision" was very popular in the sci-fi field. In fact, its success was so outstanding that the editor, Harlan Ellison, has now published a sequel, "Again, Dangerous Visions." Here are 46 original stories none of which appeared in the original volume. The editor incidentally has been termed "the chief prophet of the new wave in science fiction."

Finally we have a sci-fi book that stands alone --- "Cage a Man" by F. M. Busby. To give you a quick glimpse of what to expect, let me quote from the advertising blurb: "One moment Burton was alive and well on earth, then in a flash, he found himself hurtling through millions of miles of uncharted space --- prisoner of an advanced alien race whose 'humanitarian' plan involves the surgical transformation of all mankind into misshapen parodies of themselves."



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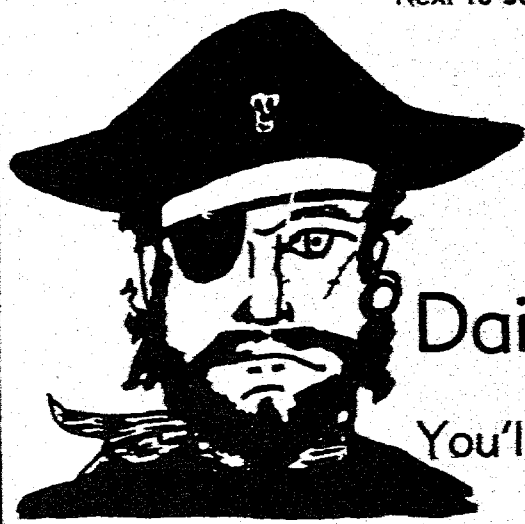
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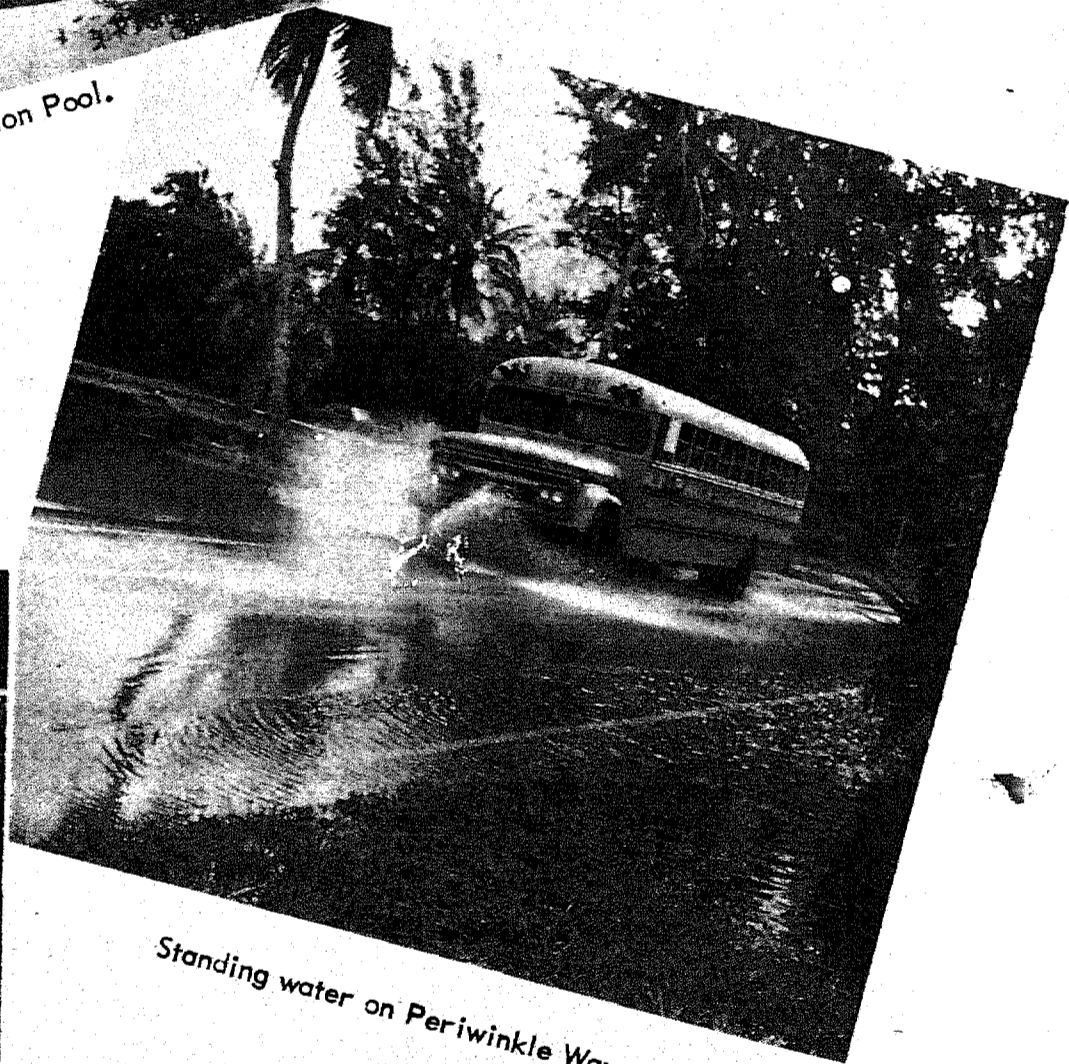
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Standing water on Periwinkle Way



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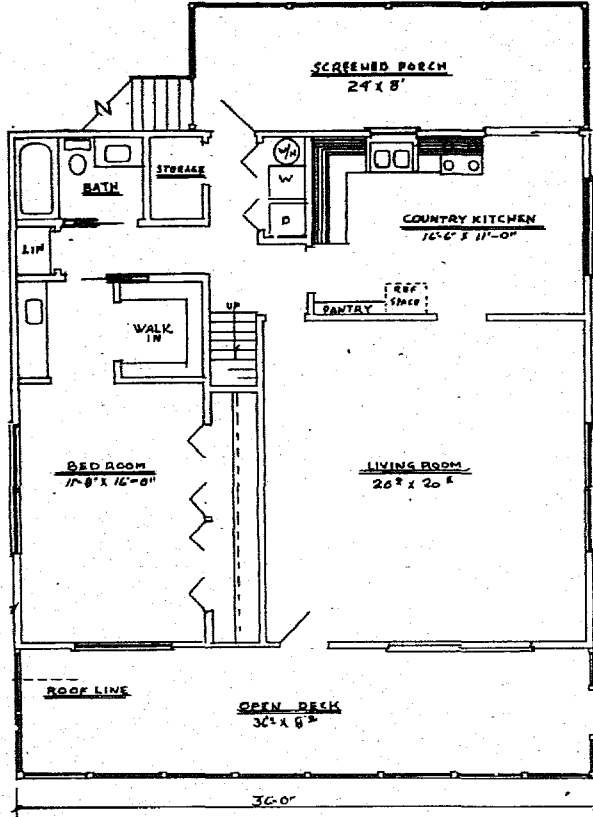
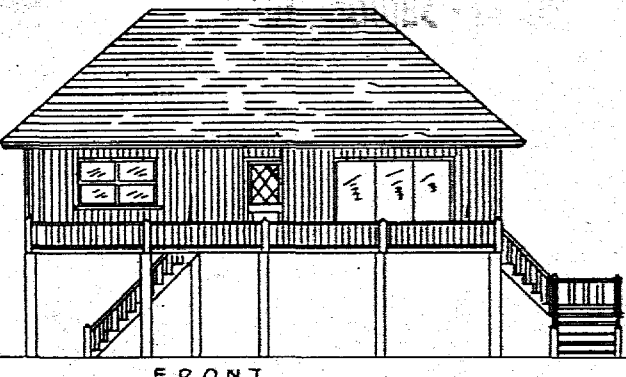
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The visiting minister for the Sanibel Community Church for this coming Sunday, July 7, is to be Rev. Leland N. Laack of the Fort Myers First Presbyterian Church.

WILLIAM T. ROMIZER

William T. Romizer, 70, of Sanibel, died Monday, June 24. Coming from Cape Cod, MA, he had resided here for the past six years. A graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, class of 1927, he was a retired store manager for Sears with 27 years of service. He's survived by his wife, Mrs. Jean (Wib) Romizer; a son, William P. Romizer of Lynn, MA, and a sister, Margaret Spaulding of Belleville, IL.

Private funeral service was held Wednesday at the Harvey Funeral Home with the Rev. Leland M. Laack, associate pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

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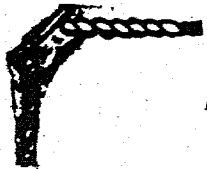
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MORC, the Midget Ocean Racing Club, a national organization, has a new chapter - station 38 - in Fort Myers and they held their first race Sunday off Fort Myers Beach.

To sail in MORC races you must have a cruising boat 30' or under and No Sweat fills the bill admirably. For various reasons, however, including a hole in the gunnel from last week's hairy weather, she was not fit to sail. Thanks to Red and Sha Russell, who took me along as a crew member on Sha Sha, I got to sail in the race anyway - and it was fun.

The course was clockwise from Marker 4 around two floating marks and back to 4, out to the weather mark, back to 4 and out to the finish line at the weather mark. The fact that the marks were hard to see - none of us was exactly eagle-eyed - and that in the lightning and rain we tended to forget how many times we'd been back and forth to the weather mark just gave an added dimension to the experience.

We started out - after munching on excellent corned beef and pumpernickel sandwiches made by Sha - in very light air with five other boats: Bittersweet II, skippered by Bill Knapke, Brandy by Paul Taylor, Cookie Monster by Bob Brown, Happiness Is by Kim Davison, and Stampede by Bill Smith.

Eventually things picked up. Black clouds on the horizon bore down, the wind rattled the sails and on we six sailed with reefed or completely lowered mainsails. At one point we were tearing along gaining on the Brandy by leaps and bounds (literally, considering those waves) when the rain hit.

Whoosh. In an instant everyone disappeared. It was not only hard to tell which way was north or south, east or west, but I wondered which way was up and which was down considering the amount of water above and below us.

Through the rain I saw the Cookie Monster had reefed all her sails (or so it appeared) and when the rain cleared, she had apparently dropped out of the race. Later the Brandy also dropped out when they broke a jib halyard. Well ahead of us, Bill Smith skippered the Stampede to a dashing win on elapsed time. Unfortunately, because our telephone and a couple of thousand others in Lee County have been non-working for over a week, I cannot tell you who won on corrected time or how the other boats finished.

Part of the fun was getting to sail under Red's newly patented Jennaker. The boat handles well and the sight of that sail gives you a strange, heady feeling. There it is, billowing out like a spinnaker but off to the side - if you're reaching as we were - and up in the air like a kite. I kept expecting us to lift off the water and fly away any minute. The sail is made like two genoas sewn together along their common luff and can be used double thickness as a

regular genoa or opened up, by means of tack lines, to form a delta wing kite that lifts and permits the air to flow over the surface from peak to foot as water flows over a waterfall. The sail is wrapped around the headstay and adjusted by tack lines, so that no poles are necessary. Slight pulls on the tack lines, depending on wind conditions, allow the sail to be opened or "closed" by the wind itself and make it an easy sail to manage for the single sailor or the skipper who's short-handed.

Of course, a Jennaker costs about twice a regular genoa but in terms of adaptability, you probably have the versatility of 4 sails for the price of two. And anyway, to paraphrase J. P. Morgan's famous remark about yachts - if you have to worry about what it costs, you can't afford to be sailing in the first place! So for those of you who'd like more information write to Britton Yacht Systems Inc., 108 E. 30 Street, N.Y., NY, 10016. Tell 'em Sea Salt told you.



A "NEAT" PRIZE

The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission takes "hats off" to Bill Perry of Milton.

At the conclusion of a recent bass tournament on Blackwater River, Perry, manager of a northwest Florida sporting goods store, asked the fishermen to line their boats along the shore to compete for a special prize. Each boatman was handed a litter bag and asked to empty all trash into it.

Surprisingly, five of the fourteen participants had 5 pounds each, but the winner topped that with 6 1/4 pounds of litter and was awarded a rod and reel valued at \$75.

This is the spirit instead of the letter of the law. But just in case the spirit fails to move others, the letter of the law is as follows.

It is unlawful for any person to throw or dump refuse or rubbish of any kind on any highway or public lands, or in the waters of the State, or upon private property without the prior consent of the owner.

This law, Section 403.413, Florida Statutes, carries a fine of up to \$500.00 for the first offense and provides for enforcement by any law enforcement officer in the state.

A serious side effect of littering is the closing of many areas to fishing and hunting that otherwise provide recreation for the multitudes of sportsmen in Florida. Property owners and everyday taxpayers deserve a better break, and people like Bill Perry can help bring it about.

BOTTLE RETURNED AFTER 2700 MILES AND 11 YEARS

A bottle carrying a message that was tossed overboard from the S. S. Constitution in 1963 by a 12-year-old girl was returned to her last Saturday, 11 years later and an estimated 2,700 miles from where it was dropped.

The bottle was found May 12 on Saga Bay property, a new 2,800 acre community alongside Biscayne Bay by Jack Switzer, 53, an equipment operator.

He returned what's left of it and the message, June 22, to Cathy O'Neill, 23, now Mrs. David Kunhardt of Washington, DC. Switzer will also claim the reward Cathy promised when she dropped the bottle overboard Saturday, 11 a.m., June 1, 1963.

"This is the most amazing thing that's ever happened to me," she said.

"We were returning from India where my father had been in the foreign service and the message-in-the-bottle idea was one of the things an officer suggested to keep me occupied," she recalls.

The message notes that the ship, en route to New York from Funchal, Madeira, was positioned at Lat. 35-02 N., Long. 34-27 W., (308 miles southwest of

Flores Island in the Azores) at the time Cathy tossed the bottle overboard.

Switzer was operating a 15-ton grader at the Saga Bay site when he had a flat.

"While I was waiting for the repair truck, I began to look around," he recalls. "I saw this brown bottle in the dirt, noted that there was something inside and carefully broke it open.

"The note was wet from condensation but the message was legible," he says.

Switzer then contacted Saga Bay officials to see if they could locate the sender, Cathy O'Neill, at the address she listed in 1963. With the help of a Washington television station Cathy was located.

She and her husband flew to Miami at the invitation of Saga Bay to visit the site where the bottle was found and meet Switzer.

Saga Bay officials speculate that the bottle drifted for about two years before being swept inland.

Officials of American Export Lines, which operated the 1,000 passenger S. S. Constitution until its layup in Jacksonville in 1968, said the ship was recently sold to Atlantic Far East Lines.



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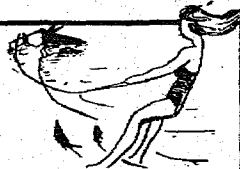
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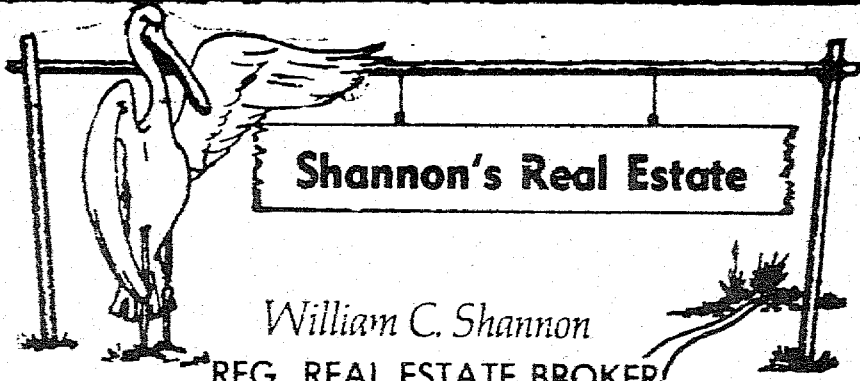
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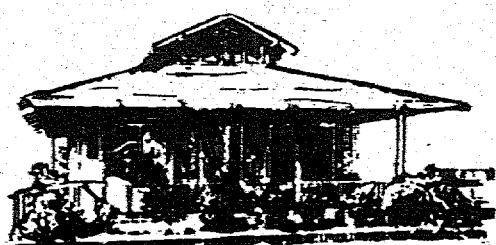
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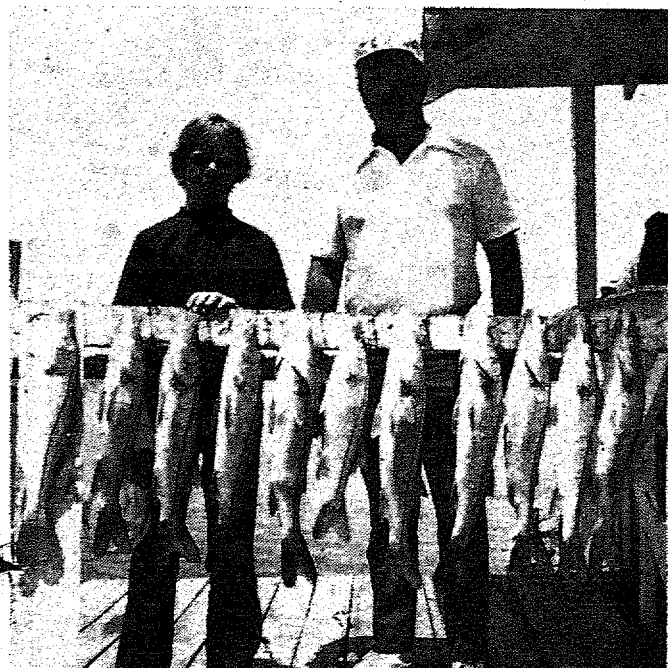
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Mr. & Mrs. Frank Herndon of Sanibel caught the above snook with Bob Sabatino as guide.



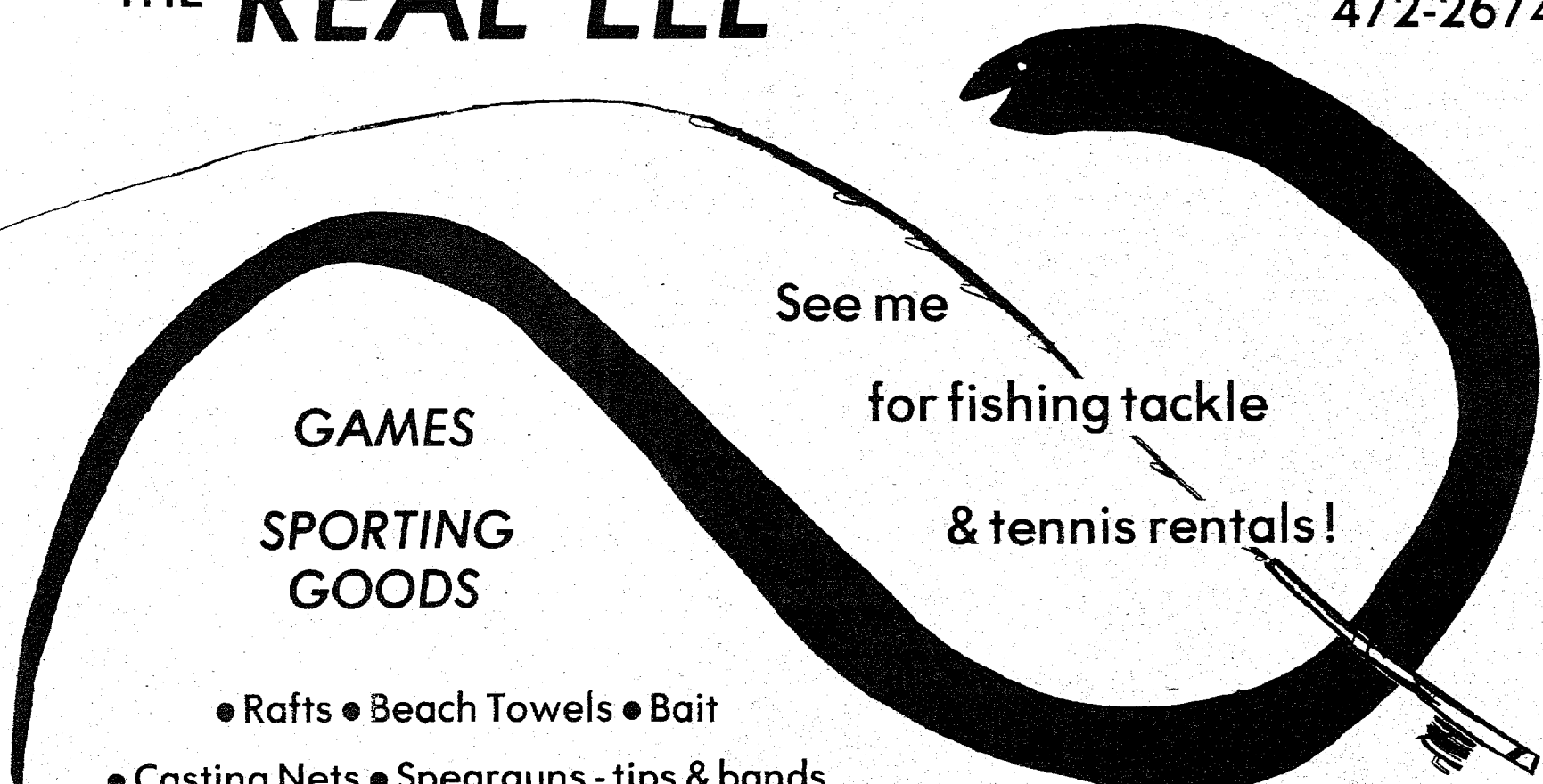
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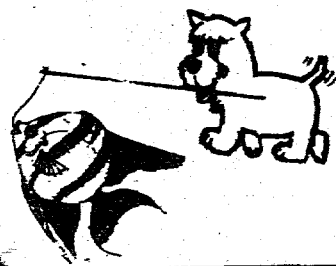
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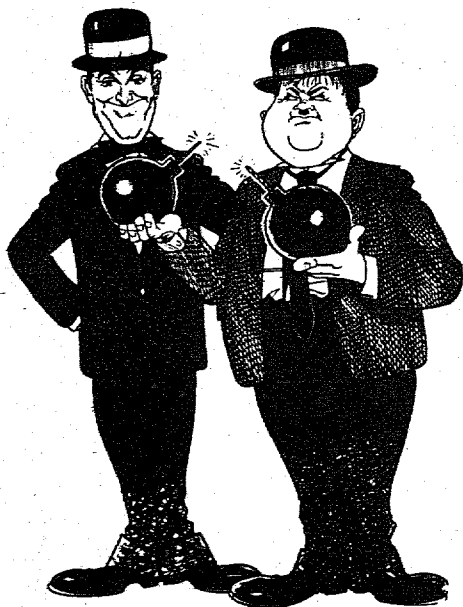
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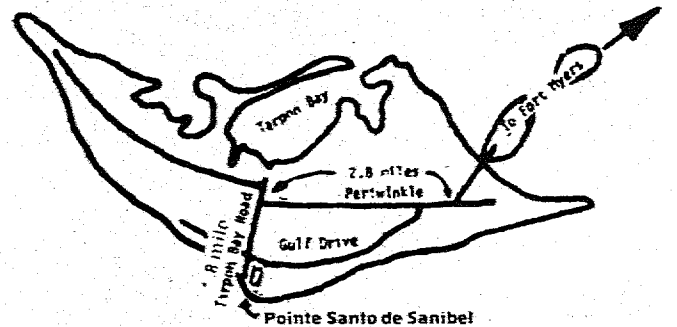
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