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Jake Mathews, Allen Nave (chief), Tom Frady, Ray Rhodes, Jim Anholt, Joe Tucker and Oscar Gavin of the Sanibel Volunteer Fire Station listen to Instructor Phil Maynard of the State Fire College critique their efforts at the training exercise. Photo-Sanibel, Inc.



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"It is surprising how many people don't have their mail properly addressed," said W. R. England, clerk of the Sanibel Post Office last Monday in a letter to the Islander.

Some of the very persons who complained about the last increase in postal rates have not had their addresses corrected which necessitate extra handling and added expense.

Mr. England also stated that on one day last week he noticed at least 85 letters, of approximately 2,400, that needed directory service. Over half of these were checks, bank statements, or bills.

"Most of the bad addresses bore only the customer's name and Sanibel as an address, or an address that is not current, or even the obsolete routes and box numbers. Several give the names of the houses.

"When we have more carriers and clerks sorting mail these letters will be delayed. The new clerks or carriers will not know where everyone lives just by their names, nor will they associate former addresses with the present County-assigned street addresses. Another clerk with local knowledge will have to resort or redirect these letters."

A clerk sorting by address can normally process 30-45 pieces a minute but if the proper address is missing he could be slowed down as little as 6 pieces per minute.

Sanibel residents are urged to check their addresses. A proper address is one of the following: 1) A county assigned street number. 2) A post office box number. 3) A motel or condominium complete with unit or apartment number. 4) An established business. 5) A trailer park (with assigned box number if applicable). 6) Or General Delivery (for short time transients with no other local address).

"Postal customers are having to foot the bill for the extra costs involved. We are all postal customers so please check the addresses on your mail and have the improper addresses corrected," requested Mr. England. Out-of-town property owners would also do well to check their addresses on Sanibel now rather than wait until they return.

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COPE TO MEET

The August meeting of COPE, Community Organization for Patients with Emphysema, will be on Thursday, August 22 at 2 p.m. The meeting will be at the First Federal Savings & Loan Association building, North Fort Myers Branch, located on Pondella Road, between old and new U. S. 41.

The speaker will be Miss Florence Frank, head of inhalation therapy at Lee Memorial Hospital. She will demonstrate and teach breathing exercises beneficial to the chronic lung patient.

The meeting is sponsored by the American Lung Association of Southwest Florida and is open to all who are interested in learning about emphysema and respiratory diseases in general.

PATIO FURNITURE NEEDED

Picnic furniture for the patio area of Lee Convalescent Center in Fort Myers is needed. The first of planned monthly picnics for the patients was a complete success, and contributions of outdoor furniture would be a welcome benefit for future outings. Persons desiring more information can call Phyllis Cornell, Activities Director, at 334-1091.

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

AL ANON - First and third Friday of each month, 8:00 p.m. at St. Michael's and All Angels Church.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - open meeting. St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Friday nights, 8:00 p.m. For information call 472-2150.

LADIES GUILD of the Sanibel Community Church meets at 1:30 every third Thursday of the month. For details, phone 472-2425.

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

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - area meetings. Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrine Bldg. off Cleveland Ave.; Fort Myers South, Mondays at 12:15 in the Sheraton Inn on Rt. 41; Fort Myers Beach, Thursdays at 12:15 in the Holiday Inn on Estero Blvd.; Cape Coral, Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. in the Cape Coral Country Club. For information call Dick Vann, 463-9436.

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

AMERICAN LEGION POST #123 - American Legion Home, second Tuesday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP #88 meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the school.

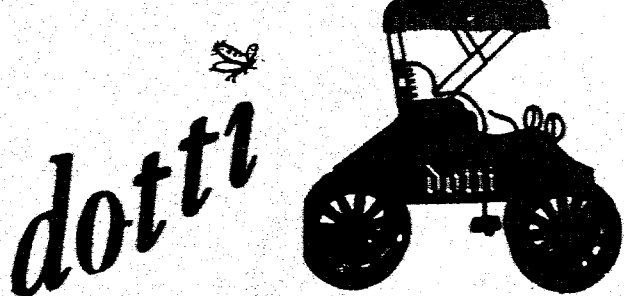
LIONS CLUB of Sanibel-Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m. the first & third Wednesday of each month at Island Beach Club.

FIRE DEPARTMENT meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 7:30, Palm Ridge Road Firehouse.

SANIBEL LIBRARY HOURS: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

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

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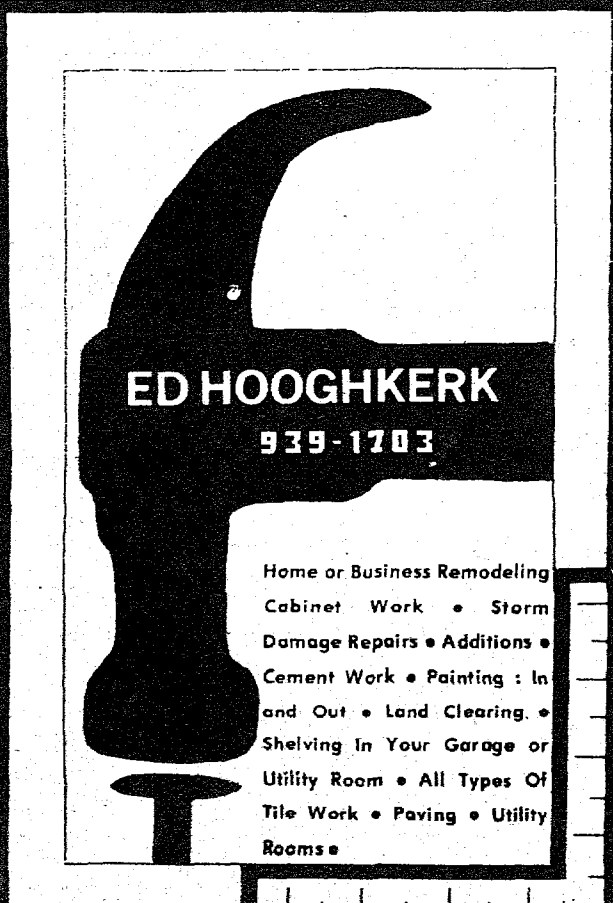
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Florida guests include Anthony D. Klappas and family from St. Petersburg; Mr. & Mrs. J. Lucas from Clairmont; Mr. & Mrs. Brittingham and family from Hialiah; the family of Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Perdue from Orlando; Dr. & Mrs. Allcott and family from Mt. Dora; Mr. & Mrs. Philip Everingham from Coral Gables; Russell Demoret from Altamonte Springs; Lt. Col. C. E. Mead (Ret.) from Winter Park; Becky Stanley from Ft. Lauderdale; William Austin from Altamonte Springs; and Mr. & Mrs. Donald Arenth from Fort Myers, FL.

GRAND AWARDS DINNER HELD

The Grand Awards Dinner for Priscilla Murphy Realty, Inc., was held at South Seas Plantation on Thursday evening, Aug. 8. Wives and husbands of the sales staff joined in the gay celebration which culminated a year of successful sales activity. A 7 o'clock reception in the cocktail lounge, was followed by the presentation of awards and a formal dinner in the President's Room.

Awards went to Don Modrall, Hazel Amon and Vivian Tongyai.

Who's Who & Why

ALBERT EVANS of Rabbit Road made the Dean's List all three semesters at the University of Florida in Gainesville, finishing the year with a perfect 4.0 average. This summer Albert is living with a German family and working on their farm in southern Germany. Sounds like a fantastic opportunity to learn German! This fall Albert will enter medical school.

Last Wednesday a family came over from Ft. Lauderdale to spend the day on Sanibel and left with a pleasant surprise. Mr. & Mrs. JOE KEEGAN stopped by the Sea Horse Shell Shop in the morning and asked PAULINE TUTTLE where a good shelling spot might be. She directed them toward the Lighthouse end of the Island. Later that afternoon the excited couple returned to the shop to show Pauline their find. She verified it as a lovely, fair-sized junonia - a perfect momento of their stay.

PRISCILLA MURPHY has returned to her desk at the Island Shopping Center office of Priscilla Murphy Realty, Inc. She will be in and out on a short schedule until she has completely recuperated from her recent eye surgery.

Enjoying the shelling and fishing are AMMIE and HERB DANIEL and their family, LUANNE, TAMMIE, TOM and CHARLES from Titusville, FL.

KENNETH, FLORENCE, KIM and JANEL MAUK from Claysburg, PA, were particularly impressed with the palms on McGregor Blvd.

ALBERT E. and AUDREY JONES from Largo, FL, and their friends, CHARLES and PATRICIA GHENT from Dunnedin are visiting Sanibel which they love, but they are seriously considering never coming to the island again because of all the big buildings and businesses.

GUSTAV and JEAN REINHARDT and their son, GREGG from Miami say, "It's kind of wet but nice."

DON and PAT BRAUN and their daughter CINDY from Pinkneyville, IL, have found many pretty shells.

JOHN and BARBARA DORAN and children, KEVIN, PATRICIA and BARBARA from N. Palm Beach particularly liked the royal palms as they drove in on McGregor Blvd.

JACK and LOIS STEWART from Pompano Beach have been to Sanibel several times. They even spent their honeymoon here.

HENRY and NANCY BROWN and children, PHYLLIS and KIM from Camp Springs, MD, are camping for the first time in Florida.

BUD STRATEMEYER, LYNN and JEFF from Atlanta, GA, have been coming to Sanibel for 15 years. Bud told us, "We liked it here very much, but we may look for somewhere else. We don't like all the building. This place is shrinking."

GENE and EDITH DAUGHTRY and their seven children, PATTY, BETTY, KENNY, TERRY, ED, TIMMY and JONATHAN are camping with friends, EDDIE and MARIE MILLWATER and their daughter, SHELLY, CHARLES and JOYCE SPELL and their children, GREG, KENNETH and LLOYD. They are all from Ft. Lauderdale. They said, "This is a great fishing spot. We caught over 50 pounds of fish!"

JERRY and MARY FRANCES HOWARD and sons, BRENT, BRAD, BARRY from Windermere, FL, are camping in Periwinkle Park. They told us, "We'll probably be back. The shells are great. We're making a collection for Cub Scouts."

DONNA and DON NORMAN from Orlando said the campground at Periwinkle Park is real nice and they really like it.

DAVID HUBACHER and DOUG BARIMO from Miami said, "No comment. It's just good!"

L. E. and VELMA POTEAT and daughters AMY and LAURA from Miami are visiting Sanibel.

ROBERT and IRMA TATUM from Plant City, FL, were overnight guests of WILEY and MARY BUNTING. Robert came for a restful stay after getting out of the hospital.

RICHARD and PAT REICHARDT from Jupiter, FL, brought their family to Sanibel. They are DEBRA, ERIC, TAD and AMY.

For the second time, J. C. and RUTH ADAMS from Douglasville, GA, have come to Sanibel. Their granddaughter TAMMY is with them.

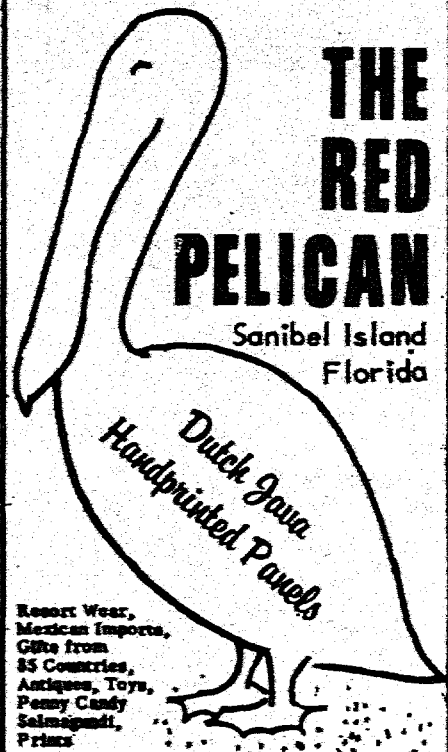
JODI, JAY, JEFF and JOE are camping in Periwinkle Park with their parents, RON and BONNIE HARRIS. They are from Tipton, IN.

PAT and AL LILJA and their daughter, DEBBIE, are on a pleasant camping trip. They're from Orlando.

CHERIE and JEFF BURGARD from Homestead, FL, are interested in cacti. They have found quite a few on Sanibel. They said, "We especially like prickly pear and night blooming cereus."

DEWEY and BARBARA JOHNSON, KEVIN and DAWN live in the only city in the U.S. in an Indian reservation. It is Salamanca, NY, on the Seneca Reservation. The Johnsons are camping in Periwinkle Park.

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Dale Weber beside several of his paintings.

DALE WEBER TO GIVE ART DEMONSTRATION

From 1 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, Fort Myers artist Dale Weber will give a demonstration of oil and acrylic painting at the Island Arts Gallery, 1473 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.

Mr. Weber is originally from Wisconsin and has spent most of his life in Florida. He attended the University of Tampa and currently resides in Fort Myers where he is a draftsman. He is a member of the Fort Myers Art League and the Art Council of Southwest Florida.

His oils, acrylics and pastels have been exhibited throughout the area. In June of this year, Mr. Weber had a one-man show. He uses a variety of styles, and his most recent paintings employ cubism in bold, brilliant colors. A love of Florida is evident in most of Mr. Weber's work.

The Island Arts Gallery has several of Dale Weber's paintings on exhibit.

VETS URGED TO ASK EARLY ABOUT HOSPITAL BENEFITS

Many men and women who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States are unaware of their eligibility for medical care through the Veterans Administration hospital system. Unfortunately for some, the inquiry concerning this eligibility comes only after they have spent all of their ready assets for private hospital care.

Every veteran should acquaint himself with the benefits to which he may be entitled, according to W. B. Mackall, Director of the State of Florida's Division of Veterans Affairs.

Under present laws, a veteran may be eligible for admission to a VA hospital if the period of military service terminated under conditions other than dishonorable. This applies to both men and women, and to wartime and peacetime service. Some veterans may be eligible even though their discharges were other than the regular honorable type.

Further Mackall said, eligible for admission to a Veterans Administration hospital for treatment of any condition is the veteran whose discharge was either honorable or general under honorable conditions. If a person received an Undesireable Discharge or a Bad Conduct Discharge, he may or may not be eligible for VA hospital care, depending upon the circumstances causing the discharge.

In such instances, a veteran should apply for medical care when it is needed, and the VA will obtain the military records and determine whether the discharge is a bar to benefits. A Dishonorable Discharge is given as a result of a General Court Martial, and will always serve as a bar to veterans benefits.

A number of veterans who served only during period of peace time have in the past been denied admission to a VA hospital. Such veterans, if their service was honorable, may now be eligible for hospital care. Public Law 93-82, effective on September 1, 1973, placed wartime and peace time veterans on the same basis with reference to VA hospital care.

Any veteran who is in need of hospital care or who have veteran concerns should contact their local County Veteran Service Office, any office of the Veterans Administration or W. B. Mackall, P. O. Box 1437, St. Petersburg, 33731. Always include VA claim number, social security number, service number, or any means of identification in your correspondence.

TO THE ISLANDER:

Could you please check your figures again on height of King's Crown Condominium. It looks closer to 45 or 50 feet in height than the 35-foot limitation approved for the island.

s/s Willis B. Combs
Sanibel Island

P.S. Maybe your cloth tape stretched in the rain.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Yup, we've noticed the same thing. We were told, unofficially, some time ago, that King's Crown had been allowed a variance because of the flood plain law and that's why it looked so much higher.

However, before putting such a thing into eternal print (ahem) we thought perhaps we'd better check. So, we called Don Molloy, head of the Lee County Zoning Board. He said that it really was only 3 inches too tall (well, 35.25 feet above "average mean ground level.") "And after all," he added, "you could jump on it and push it down that far."

The trick here, of course is "average mean ground level." This interesting measurement was arrived at by members of the engineering department, who came to Sanibel with instruments and took readings from different locations to find out what it was. Mr. Molloy has a letter from them, too. And the letter reaffirms that King's Crown is only 35.23 ft. above a.m.g.l. Anyone for a definition party?

TO THE ISLANDER:

With the cost of gas rapidly increasing the way it is and threatening to reach 75 cents a gallon here on the Island my wife and I invested in bicycles. We have a 17-month-old daughter so naturally we bought a baby seat to go on the back of my bike. These bikes are great if you are not going anywhere, but, if you do have a destination nine times out of ten you must travel Periwinkle Way.

It is frightening to travel that road on a bike especially with a baby you love on the back. People pass you missing only by inches and you wonder why there are no sidewalks. There is plenty of room on both sides of Periwinkle for sidewalks. A wide one on just one side would be a great improvement.

I'd like to see a check on how many people have been hit by cars on Sanibel Island and how many of them were hit on Periwinkle. I have been here less than a year and know of at least one accident and I have no desire to become the next!!!

Maybe some of the money from the causeway can be used for these SAFETY SIDEWALKS. I hope this will not be read, agreed with, and forgotten, like everything else seems to be. There is a real need for this so let's do something about it.

s/s Thom Traucht



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To the Islander:

Dear Sir:

In reply to the article of Philip Warren's suggestion to "move the toll booths" of the Sanibel Causeway, July 25 issue:

Mr. Warren, your heart might be in the right place, but your plain common sense is someplace else. And common sense is what we need a lot of on these islands. You think a solution to the Causeway problems is to move the booths so that it would "open it up" to the rest of Lee County, stating that the \$3.00 toll keeps the Causeway from being used more and the people of Sanibel "have very nice places to go on the island."

Honey! Let me enlighten you and the rest of Fort Myers; Lee Countians who live out there in those wide open spaces! Fact one: give free access to more people than can afford to pay the toll, would only be opening it up to more PIGS! That's putting it harshly, bluntly, but those are the facts. The garbage left all over the island by visitors is astounding. It also presents a rat infestation problem which we now have. You leave, we have to live in what you leave behind.

Fact two: "Nice places WE can enjoy?" Where? The condominiums occupy all of the beaches and where they don't, "NO TRESPASSING" SIGNS ARE

UP AND ENFORCED BY THE "owners." I live here, and have gotten chased out of several places, trying to get to the beaches or a place to fish. According to law, the beaches are open to the public. If you can get to them! And if we do find access to a beach, it is doubtful that we "natives" would be able to recognize it under all of the garbage that is deposited here, by all the "nice" visitors to the islands.

Fact three: we pay the toll, too! To have the privilege of getting to our domains! Our only access to our taxed homes! Moving the toll booths to allow a free Causeway to others would only be penalizing the residents of the islands, if they wish to use the facilities out there. And believe me, we are being penalized enough! We get the grease spots from the gravy of the tolls that is poured into making your side of Fort Myers a "better place to live!" And if these funds aren't making your life a little better on that side of the fence, then, honey, something's wrong someplace. Because if your side isn't getting better things from all this money, and we islanders aren't, then there's something rotten in Rotterdam and it ain't all cheese and fish!

It is easy for Lee Countians who do not live here on the islands all year round, to think it is the land of millionaires and paradise. But there are hard-working,

Mr. Average citizens who also live here who can only afford the simple way of life. And if inflation keeps on the rise, even the simple way won't exist for us any more. Live here for a while, and you would better appreciate our problems and how little, if at all, we get to solve them. Financial or County Servicewise.

Now, if you had suggested leaving the toll booths where they are, and installing another toll booth on the Sanibel mainland, or "last bridge" at another fee of \$3.00, appropriating these funds directly to the islands, but allowing residents free passage - now, that, I would call constructive thinking! (No pun intended).

I'm serious about the funds being used for the islands firstly and about free passage for residents. I cannot take credit for the idea of putting another booth on Sanibel mainland as it was someone else's idea suggested to me, some time ago, when I was involved in trying to get the toll removed for the permanent residents. Many people told me they were behind me on this, but when the time came, they were all so far behind me, they were out of sight. I couldn't see them. This is not a one-man stand. Support was needed. And it's not there.

Mr. Warren, we need bicycle paths desperately; better roads; we have beach erosion problems; severe road flooding

during a minimum rainfall. Forget it if a storm or hurricane hits. We would never make it out of here because the roads are covered so deeply in water, and pine trees fall blocking the roads of escape. Building is going on so quickly that our facilities can't keep up with it all - water, sewage, etc. The list can go on, it's endless. Our fire and rescue departments can use equipment. We don't even have garage doors on the building to protect what we do have. And you certainly know what salt air does to metal. Our roads have severe drop-offs along the shoulders that would throw you into a bad auto wreck if you went over the edge of the road. If you had to yield to an emergency vehicle siren, pulling onto one of these shoulders, you could end up needing an ambulance yourself. In some places, grass hides these drop-offs, but that's another thing. Grass maintenance along the roadways is not kept up as it should be.

About purchasing all the recreational land we can and using our natural resources, I agree with you wholeheartedly. But first, let us protect, clean up, subsidize, maintain, and appreciate what we already have, before these places, too, go the way of the obsolete.

If you could see the over-flow of garbage in the receptacles at the Causeway park, you would not feel that it is "used very little now," Mr. Warren. So if you stop and do some thinking, you will realize that it indeed does matter "where the toll booth is now" as well as in the future!

People seem to forget that without the islands, there wouldn't have been a Causeway. After you move the booths for the benefit of the rest of Lee County residents, what else do you want to take away from us? Or is the attitude out there "to Hell with all of those out on the islands?" This may surprise you and a few others, but we not only pay taxes as you do plus the added expense of the toll, but we hardly get any appropriation from that toll. In other words, let us keep paying the toll, give the rest of the County residents free use of the Causeway, and the funds from the toll keeps getting poured into Fort Myers city projects, for the betterment of the city! Whoa, baby! Pull up the reins (not reins). We are getting clobbered enough out here.

Cape Coral is a very nice place to go fishing, boating, and picnicking. And their bridge toll is going to be removed. A gateway to a very lovely little town, with a very beautiful river and free bridge passage - what more can you ask for? There are also many nice places towards Naples, too. A whole national park.

This is my suggestion. One of them. Some of the others are unprintable, and very unlady-like.

Sincerely,
(Mrs.) H.V. Braun

ANOTHER SUNDAY OF SERMONS-IN-MUSIC

This coming Sunday, August 18, the "Two Jacks" return to the pulpit of the Sanibel Community Church for the second and final "Sermons-in-Music." Those who attended last Sunday's service realize what an original idea these two devoted men have in presenting, in music and story form, the part music has played through the ages in the spread and teaching of Christianity.

The "Two Jacks," Jack Wilson and Jack Bookhardt, both with degrees in music from Rollins College in Winter Park, have spent much time tracing the history of biblical songs and music and have developed a novel way of presenting their stories. Both men come to the Island from the First Presbyterian Church of Orlando, FL, where Wilson is ministry of music and Bookhardt is organist.

Seldom do the people of Sanibel, even in the winter months when these two islands are bulging with talent, have an opportunity to see and enjoy such originality of purpose and such dedicated talent.

This religious service at the Sanibel Community Church is at 11 o'clock and visitors of all denominations are welcome to attend.

An Islander Survey

Two years ago the Sanibel - Captiva Chamber of Commerce made a proposal to the County Commission regarding the refinancing of the causeway monies. The proposal suggested that residents be allowed to buy a year-round sticker for their cars at about \$100 a year, that a large percentage of bridge funds be returned to the Islands and that the non-resident rate would stay at \$3.00.

Since then, arguments have arisen over what would be a fair adjustment on the toll issue. This week, five Island residents aired their views on the question:

Should Island Taxpayers be given a break with the \$3.00 toll?



Mark Bruno, Sanibel

"No, they shouldn't. It's tax deductible. I want them to raise the toll, and raise it more for commercial vehicles."



Chet Smith, Sanibel

"Well, we do have the \$1.50 off on the commuter ticket book. I think any Lee County resident should have the same break. I'm satisfied with the way it is."



Trudie Prevatt, Sanibel

"I thought the idea of having a yearly sticker on your car was good. If Sanibel got money from the causeway."



Donna Herrling, Sanibel

"I think that people who own businesses on the Islands but who don't live here should be able to come on the Island free, because they help the business and progress of Sanibel."



June Holland, Sanibel

"I think we should have a yearly pass. I have two children in school in Ft. Myers - sometimes I was going into town as often as twice a day for sports and music activities last year. I think people should have a choice between a yearly pass and the toll book."

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WALTER J. WOODHAM

Walter J. Woodhams, 75, a resident of Sanibel Island for the past 10 years died Thursday. He was a member of the Episcopal Church and the Rotary Club. Surviving is his wife, Elly Woodhams, of

Sanibel; a son, Walter B. Woodhams of Peru, IN; two daughters, Margaret Jean Horn of Normal, IL, and Betty A. Smith of Orange, CA, three sisters, all of England, and nine grandchildren.

Funeral service was held Sunday at Leo W. Engelhardt Funeral Home with the Rev. John L. Knapp officiating.

JOHN EVANS RACEK

John Evan Racek, 78, died Tuesday, Aug 6, at Columbia Hospital in Milwaukee, WI. He was a winter resident of Captiva Island, and also lived in Thiensville, WI.

He was a retired chief clerk of the General American Transportation Corp. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Bldogett, of Thiensville, and a nephew, Dr. Harold Racek of Idyllwild, CA.


Services were held last Friday at Christ Episcopal Church, Milwaukee. Memorials to the Memorial Fund of Chapel by the Sea on Captiva.

CLARENCE O. LAUER

Clarence O. Lauer of Gardiner, MT, and Sanibel Island, FL, died in April of 1974 in Gardiner. He was born Sept. 6, 1890 in Warner, OH. Mr. Lauer went to Yellowstone Park in 1914 and was employed as a surveyor and the chief clerk in the office at Mammoth when Yellowstone Park was still under the jurisdiction of the U. S. Army.

He served in the Army during World War I. He was president and general manager of the Gardiner Electric Light and Water Co. until his retirement in 1956. He came to Sanibel in 1948 and spent each winter here since 1952 when he and Mrs. Lauer built their homew on Sea Grape Lane.

Mrs. Lauer preceded him in death in 1961. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Wilbur R. (Betty Jane) Thomas and a granddaughter, Lee Ann Thomas, both of Gardiner; a brother, Gerald Lauer of Sanibel Island, and many nieces and nephews.



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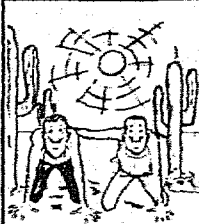
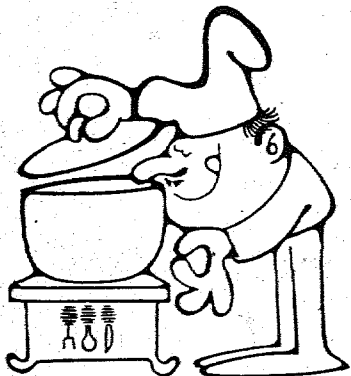
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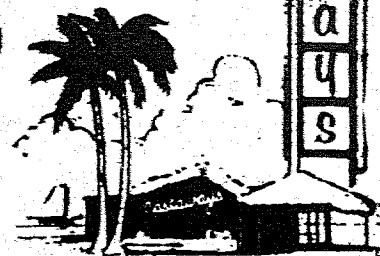
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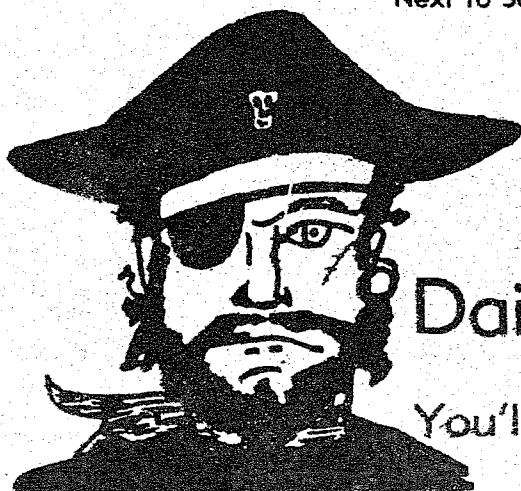
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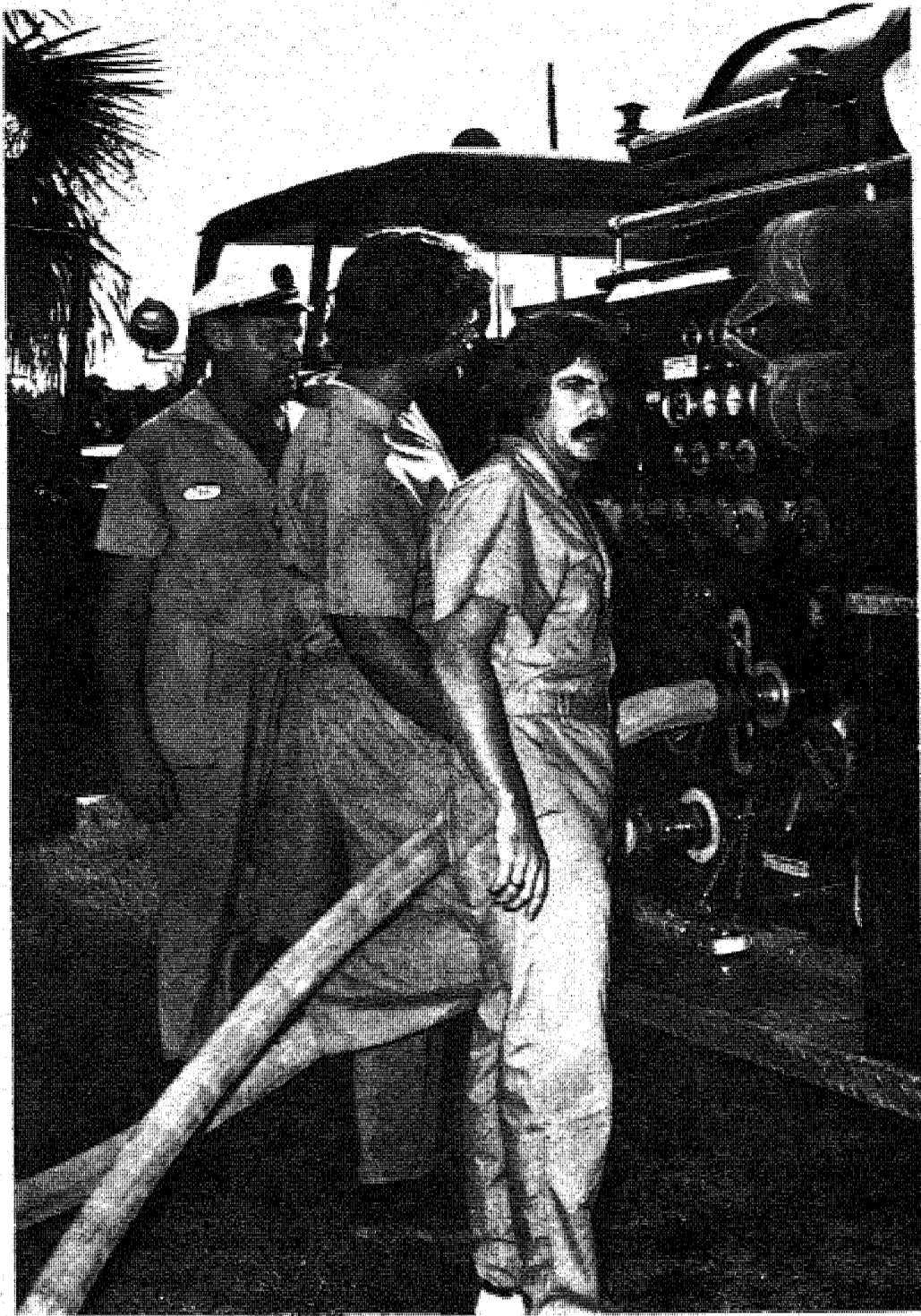
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Sanibel's Fire Chief, Allen Nave, prepares to light the fire. "That's quite a change from normal procedure, Allen!"



Marty Holtz, Joe Tucker, Phil Maynard (Instructor), Jim Anholt, Allen Nave (chief), Ray Rhodes, Jake Mathews and Bruce Frazer hook up the engine for the training exercise.



Charlie Frederick, Jim Anholt, Oscar Gavin, Bruce Frazer (obscured by hand), Phil Verdung, Jake Mathews, Marty Holtz and Dave Valtin receive approach instructions from (center) Phil Maynard of the State Fire College.



Joe Tucker, Jim Anholt and Marty Holtz - "We're waiting for pressure, fellas!"



Marty Holtz, back-up, watches as Dave Valtin, Charlie Frederick and Tom Frady work their way in toward the blaze.



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"Benji," a Shih-Tsu, from Tibet and 9 year old Debbie Nasrallah, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Nasrallah of Tampa are getting acquainted with Herman, a South Seas Sun God at the Castaways Resort.



The Castaways caters to dogs but also an occasional cat - like Mr. Oliver, owned by Melissa Ridenour of Pompano Beach. Her new found friend is Michelle Harrison of Winter Park.



E. A. Fernandez of Temple Terrace tempts French, her 10-year old male poodle, while a scalawag from the neighborhood looks on enviously.

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Unbelievable but true! Susan Maggard, 13 years old, spending her first vacation on Sanibel found a beautiful horse conch and a tremendous wheelk last week while wading up to her waist in front of the Castaways Resort.

Susan, her sister Kathy, brother Tom, and parents, Mr. & Mrs. Andy C. Maggard are from Lake Mary.

SANIBEL BAYOUS

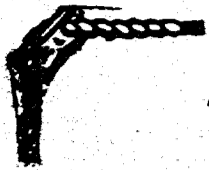
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A Grain Of Sea Salt by betzi abram

by Guest Columnist Wilf Etches

When this lovely planet we call Earth was being created, there is just no doubt that the Lord loved the water because He made so much of it, in fact three times as much water as land. He just knew that the water would level off the human race and bring them together on a more equal and friendly footing. Past history over all the years has proved that His great judgment was indeed correct. Also it has been a great barrier in keeping some of the great peoples apart.

A story comes to mind that does prove this great water body can bring people together very effectively. A business man with a nice yacht wanted to put on a party for some of his business friends. He arranged the weekend and invited ten couples, husbands and wives and with his own wife made up a lovely party of a dozen. The party started out nicely and by the evening it was plain to see that the gang was splitting up into two groups, the friendly group and the superior group. Breakfast Sunday morning was a mixture of the friendly ones and

the others in little groups.

The silence was getting foggy too. The host's wife was worried but he said "Just leave this to me. I think I can fix them." He went into the galley (kitchen to you land lubbers) to get dinner ready. Finally it was ready - not a big spread, just a sloppy stew, fruit out of a can, bread and butter and coffee. He placed the stew on the table in a big bowl and yelled, "Come and get it." Rather silently they came and sat down. They had to help themselves and then some one noticed that there was a sardine floating in the stew. They all helped themselves to many seconds and by the end of the meal there was a real friendly attitude and the meal was a great success.

Oh yes! The sardine was still floating around and everyone was talking about it, but the owner never admitted that he had put that little fish there on purpose. There was no doubt that little rascal had bridged the gap. There is just no place on this earth that could happen; it had to be done with the help of the great body of water the good Lord gave us.



PELICANS THREATENED

A flight of pelicans gliding past just above the water's surface is a sight so common to Florida's coastal residents, the bird is hardly given a second glance. In Louisiana, though, where the pelican is the state bird, and once occurred in the tens of thousands, a pelican sighting is unusual.

According to research biologist Steve Nesbitt, a cooperative venture between the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission should re-establish a nesting population of the Eastern Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) in Louisiana.

By the early 1960's, the Louisiana pelican population had practically disappeared, and at such a fast rate that the decline went unobserved until there were practically no birds left in the state.

Nesbitt said the cause of the die-off is not known, but some people suspect some type pesticide. Unlike the problems cause by DDT residues which cause nesting failures, the culprit in Louisiana was apparently lethal to all age groups of the bird.

To help re-establish Louisiana's pelican population, Nesbitt and other

Commission personnel have captured and sent approximately 650 immature pelicans to Louisiana in the past seven years. Thus far, according to the biologist, the program appears successful. The mortality rate of the transported birds has been negligible and the pelicans that have reached sexual maturity at three years old have established rookeries and reared young.

"We may never know what caused the die-off," Nesbitt said, "and can only hope the immigrant Florida pelicans will never be subjected to the same problem."

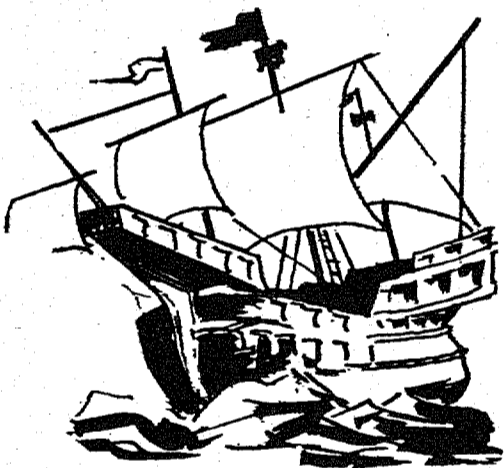
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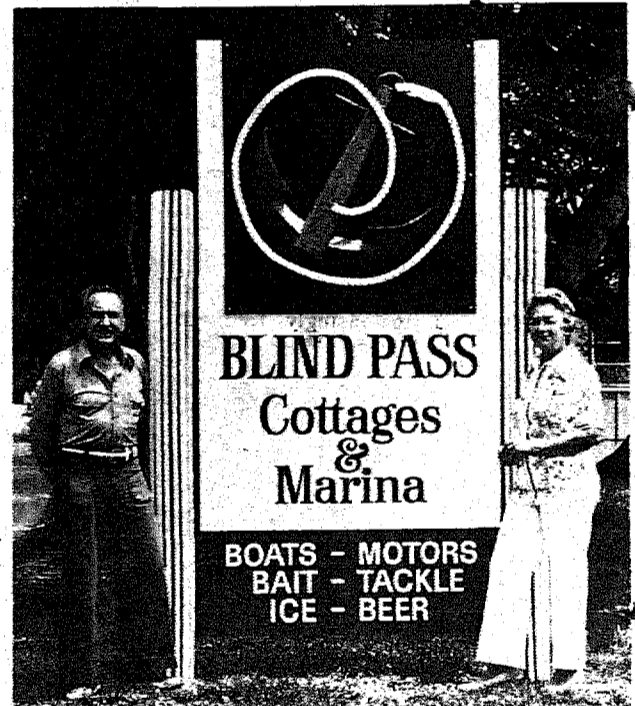
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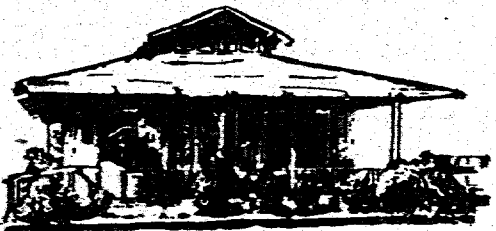
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Joined by eight other lawmakers, U.S. Rep. Bill Gunter (D-Fla.) introduced legislation today to appropriate funds for a scientific study of the possible human health hazards of Red Tide.

Among the bill's co-sponsors are three other Florida congressmen: Rep. James Haley, Chairman of the House Interior Committee; Rep. Sam Gibbons; and Rep. Bill Chappell, Jr.

Gunter said the study is needed because of the absence of information about potential dangers to human health posed by the red tide and scientific evidence that its effects on humans may not be as negligible as many have assumed.

Grounds for concern

"Evidence indicating that the human irritants carried in the air during outbreaks of Red Tide are made up of particulate matter, rather than being gaseous, provide definite grounds for concern and indicate the need to undertake a serious scientific study," Gunter said.

The red tide marine organism (*Gymnodonium breve*) has long been recognized as a killer of fish by the thousands, and increasingly frequent outbreaks along Florida, New England and California coasts have caused severe dislocations in fishing, shellfish and tourist industries, Gunter noted.

But, he continued, less attention has been given to what may be even more serious problems in terms of the impact on human health.

"Persons who already suffer from definite respiratory problems such as asthma and emphysema are obviously affected," Gunter said, "but the Tide may pose other dangers to the health of all who live in these coastal areas."

The Gunter bill would appropriate

\$187,500 and provide six staff positions for a comprehensive study by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. He described the research group's task as: characterization of the irritant; development of a toxin in culture; experimentation to determine the effects of the irritant; research on past effects of the Tide on persons with respiratory problems; and development of a means of eliminating or reducing the ill health effects of the Tide.

Existing Programs

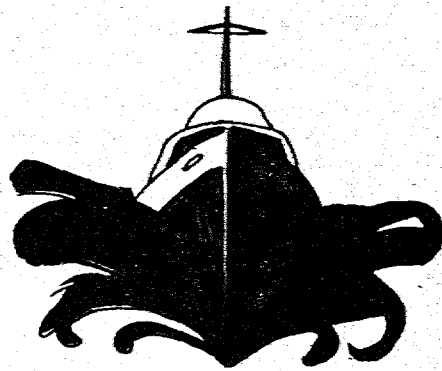
Gunter said the scientists would, as far as possible, work with present, already-existing research programs into the red tide phenomenon in general now being conducted by the Marine Research Lab, St. Petersburg; the University of Tampa; University of Florida; University of Southern Florida; the National Marine Fisheries Service lab in Panama City; the Mote marine Lab on Siesta Key, Sarasota; and other research facilities.

Most of the existing programs, however, have focused on red tide as a natural phenomenon in an effort to establish early-warning systems and determine if the outbreaks of the tide itself might be controlled or eliminated in any way.

It is vital to continue and expand, where possible, this research as well," Gunter said, indicating he is studying the possible need for additional funds for this research.

"However, the questions that exist with respect to the human effects should receive prompt attention and we should get a comprehensive scientific study into this aspect underway."

Gunter said he expects to pick up support from a number of additional congressmen in the next few weeks, particularly from coastal areas of the United States affected by frequent outbreaks of the Tide.



*The
Elusive
Snook*

[Catching Bait]
by Dave Woods

Before you catch the fish, you'll have to catch the bait. Pinfish are about the best kind for the average "snooker." Pinfish resemble the freshwater brim and have a sharp dorsal fin, which explains their name. Fishermen and fishing guides use pinfish as their staple snook bait, in preference to lures and shrimp.

Pinfish live in the grassy flats so they can eat the tiny shrimp and dead organisms native along the bottom. They can hide in the grass, but are still prey to water birds and larger fish, including our elusive snook.

Man takes his toll with hook, line or trawl net. Hook and line is the most popular way, usually cane poles with about five feet of line and very small hooks. The bait, pieces of shrimp, fish or any meat, is cut into little bite size pieces. When a pinfish makes his move you feel a little tug and the object is to snatch it up and hook him in the lip.

Sometimes while dunking lines for pinfish, you'll run into a good place for mangrove snapper, and then it's bang! bang! bang! as the little fish, about ten inches long, hit one after another. Snappers live around the pilings and under docks, which adds to the excitement, as you try to steer them away from the barnacle encrusted wood. After you've caught about ten or twelve of these wild little things, it's back to the bait.

It's true that pinfish are sturdy creatures, but you can't just throw them in a pail of water and expect them to live without aeration. When buying an aerator, get one that you can clip onto the side of a bucket or cooler. Or get one of those bait buckets that you can pull along side of the boat, or tie up to a dock. These will keep about a dozen bait overnight and possibly two or three dozen for a few hours.

Another way to get pinfish is with a trawl net. This method brings up a lot more pinfish than hook and line, plus you can be fussy and just pick out the perfectly sized ones. A good place to trawl is in Pine Island Sound along the grassy flats where they feed. A trawl net resembles a funnel when it is open and pulled behind the boat. After a run, the small end of the funnel is shut with a rope until it is brought up and emptied. The trawl is pulled for about fifteen minutes and then heaved up into the boat and untied. A large gob of seaweed is dumped out on the deck. Inside the seaweed are crabs, sea urchins, spiny blowfish, scorpion fish, filefish and usually about 20 or 30 pinfish.

It is sticky prickly work getting the pinfish into the baitwells. It is advisable to wear thick gloves unless your hands have about an inch of hard callus. The best time to trawl is either at high tide over the grassy flats, or at night when the pinfish move out into the open. Late at night the calm waters in Pine Island Sound glow and sparkle from the phosphorescence when it is disturbed. The boat leaves a fiery trail of light as the prop churns up the water.

Hook your pinfish through the lip. Insert the hook under the lower lip and out one nostril. Be careful you don't brain him.

Okay, how about the other baitfish? Shrimp or mullet for example. These are also netted, mullet with a cast net thrown into a school or in a likely spot. You can catch your own shrimp with a dip net at night in Blind Pass or Redfish Pass. They all leave for the open sea on a high tide changing to low.

If you are unsuccessful or just too tired to catch your own bait, then buy it. Most marinas supply either shrimp or pinfish for a few dollars a dozen. Once you have your bait you can go fishing. Happy reeling!

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**QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY
REP. PAUL NUCKOLLS**

Dear Mr. Nuckolls,

I enjoyed your talk last Tuesday night. It was clear, concise and to the point.

One question I didn't think to ask was in connection with the Public Disclosure Act for all candidates seeking public office. I think it's an invasion of personal liberty and a discrimination to ask him (or her) to disclose all his finances. A better way would be to create a state agency to audit the income of all state and local office holders.

I would appreciate your comments.

J.C.
Cape Coral, FL.

Dear Mr. C.,

As one potential candidate quipped to me not long ago, "Next we'll have to streak."

I certainly hope not.

As in dealings with any group, the rotten apple permeates the batch. The Legislature probably would not have passed such a stringent disclosure law had it not have been for the offenders.

During my first session as your Representative, the House voted for censure of the Lt. Governor for gross violations of office. Last session, I witnessed the indictments of one of our state Cabinet members, and investigations of our Insurance Commissioner and State Comptroller.

And of course, there was Watergate.

Because of the difficulties Florida was experiencing, the Legislature felt that a disclosure law was mandated by the people.

The Public Disclosure Act created an Ethics Commission, composed of a representative cross-section of business and former political leaders. The duty of the Commission is to serve as a watchdog over the disclosure forms, and in the event of violations, to act upon them through recommendations. Members of the Commission were chosen from both political parties for equity in judgment.

Candidates may choose one of two alternatives for disclosure. The first, a six-point listing of income sources, does not require the amounts of income derived, but asks for a list in descending order the sources of the candidate's income over 15 per cent of his total income. The alternate form is a copy of his Federal Income Tax form for the last year and a copy of his net worth to be included with a financial statement.

Having to file a full disclosure has resulted in many would-be office holders deciding not to run. Why? Because it has become a common practice by newspapers to publish these public records as a matter of fact. It is simply done, although it has no bearing on a person's abilities or integrity.

I personally feel that the disclosure act would, in a small way, result in a return of public confidence that has seemingly been lost.

But unlike God's laws, mens laws often need revision. For years the Judiciary (all judges) have had to submit copies of their income and a complete breakdown

of their assets and liabilities to the Judicial Qualification Commission. Unlike the Public Disclosure Act, this commission cannot violate the confidence of this information unless an individual is both accused and found in violation of a conflict of interest.

I would like to see a modification such as this amended into our existing Public Disclosure Act. That way, both sides could be reasonably served.

Representative Nuckolls will be glad to answer your questions personally. If your question is of wide interest, it may be published in this column. Please address your inquiry to: Representative Paul Nuckolls, P. O. Box 6631, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

**BREAK-IN OCCURS AT
SANIBEL POST OFFICE**

David C. Eubanks, 20, of Sanibel and Houston, TX, may have gone before a Federal Grand Jury in Tampa this week (after the ISLANDER'S deadline) on a charge of breaking into the Sanibel Post Office last week.

According to Postal Inspector John R. Reed, the break-in occurred at approximately 11:30 p.m. Thursday. Eubanks, whose parents own a home on Sanibel, was later arrested; \$10,000 bond was set by a U.S. magistrate Friday.

"I'm sorry," said Inspector Reed, "that we can't make any statement on whether anything was taken or not. There have been legal complications in the past arising from premature statements."

**Basic Egg
Salad**

Combine 2 chopped hard-cooked eggs, 2 tablespoons mayonnaise or margarine and 1/4 cup finely chopped celery. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Makes enough filling for 2 small sandwiches. To this basic mixture, you may want to add a bit of chopped pickles, olives, cucumber, bacon or green pepper for variety.

Egg-Olive Filling: Mix together 4 chopped hard-cooked eggs, 4 tablespoons finely chopped ripe or stuffed olives, 4 teaspoons drained pickle relish or piccalilli and 4 teaspoons prepared mustard, blending to spreading consistency. Makes about 1 cup filling.



**This Week at
the Sanibel Library**

by Hal H. Harrison

In our specialty departments we have a few new things to report. For science fiction fans:

"The Dispossessed" a novel by Ursula K. Le Guin, who won both the Nebula and Hugo Awards for her "The Left Hand of Darkness," now brings us a book about a brilliant physicist from an isolated planet who, in the face of great hostility, threats, and pains of separation from his family, makes an unprecedented trip to the rich mother planet, Urras. His purpose in making the trip is to tear down the walls of hatred, distrust, and philosophical division between his planet and the rest of the civilized universe.

Another new Sci Fi entry is "Universe 4," edited by Terry Carr. This is an anthology of eight great science fiction stories by such names as Goulart, Lafferty, Panshin, Sargent, Silverberg, Vance, Waldrop, and the team of Eklund and Benford.

Another anthology is "Orbit 14," which contains the best of all new science fiction stories edited by Damon Knight. The "14" in the title indicates that this is the 14th volume in Knight's revered annual Orbit series. Like the others, this one is a carefully selected group of eight new writings by well known authors in the Sci Fi field.

I can't classify this as science fiction but it might be just the kind of book that some Sci Fi fans would enjoy . . . "The ABC of Witchcraft, Past and Present" by Doreen Valiente, who is a practicing witch herself. The book is a history and guide to the many strange byways of a vast and fascinating subject. The author has studied the occult for over 20 years and she seeks to present a serious contribution to the study of a subject too long obscured by prejudice and sensationalism.

You may think it contrived to follow witchcraft with this next book and you may be right. But it is an excellent book on "Vultures" by Ann Warren Turner illustrated by her mother, Marian Gray Warren. The artist is a student of Leonard Baskin and her illustrations leave no doubt as to the mentor's influence. It is a large and beautiful book in which vultures of the world are shown and described. Fierce-looking but shy, awkward on the ground but graceful in flight, vultures are depicted here as they truly are . . . free and majestic inhabitants of the wide and open sky. The author also explains their role in the ecological scheme of things. This book is for all ages - well, from 12 up.

Western fans will delight in a new addition to that shelf: "The Gunfighter, Man or Myth" by Joseph G. Rosa. Was the gunfighter of the Wild West a hero, protector of the innocent and helpless, or was he a trigger-happy rascal? Was a lawman like Wild Bill Hickok, Bat Masterson or Wyatt Earp a noble defender of society, or was he a killer who shot from behind a badge to avoid paying for his crimes? Well documented and illustrated, this book tells what the West was really like.

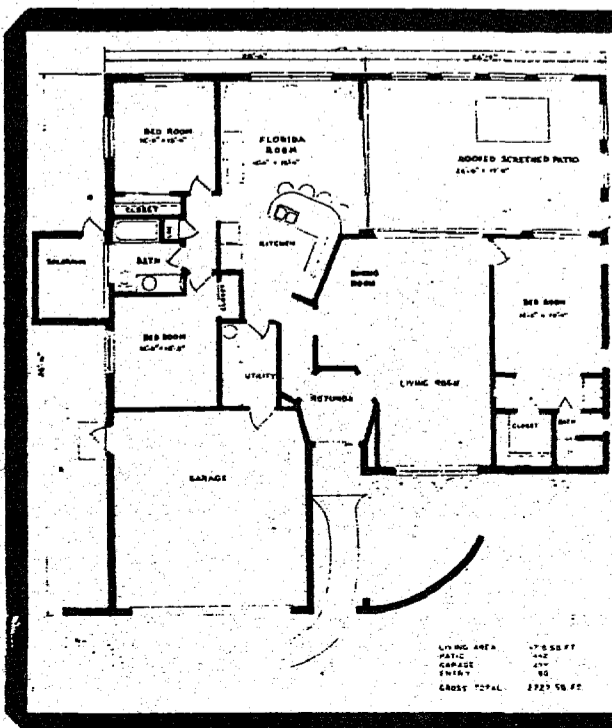
We are gradually building a nice library of poetry and one of our latest additions is "Crowell's Handbook of Contemporary Poetry" by Karl Malkoff. This is one that most of us need -- one that will help orient the perplexed who are not sure what constitutes good poetry -- or what constitutes a poem at all. This book will help us all understand more fully what poets are trying to do. It is intended primarily to assist in the actual reading of new poetry.

Anne Sexton, winner of the Pulitzer Prize for poetry, adds another volume to our shelves -- "The Death Notebooks." It is the result of several years of work and was originally planned as a work to be published after her death. Ms. Sexton is among the most brilliant and original of modern American poets.

Gardeners should make a note of the fact that we now have George B. Stevenson's "Palms of South Florida." It covers 195 species with detailed treatment of 126 species most often encountered in our area.

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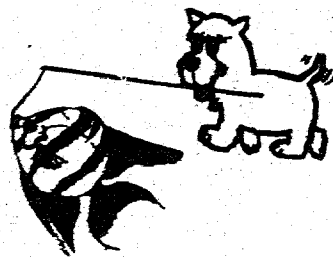
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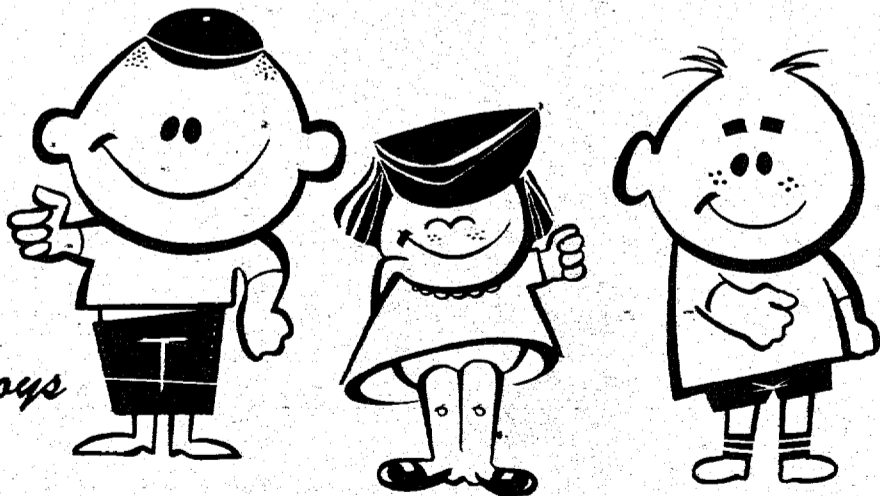
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