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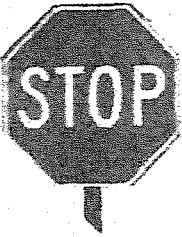
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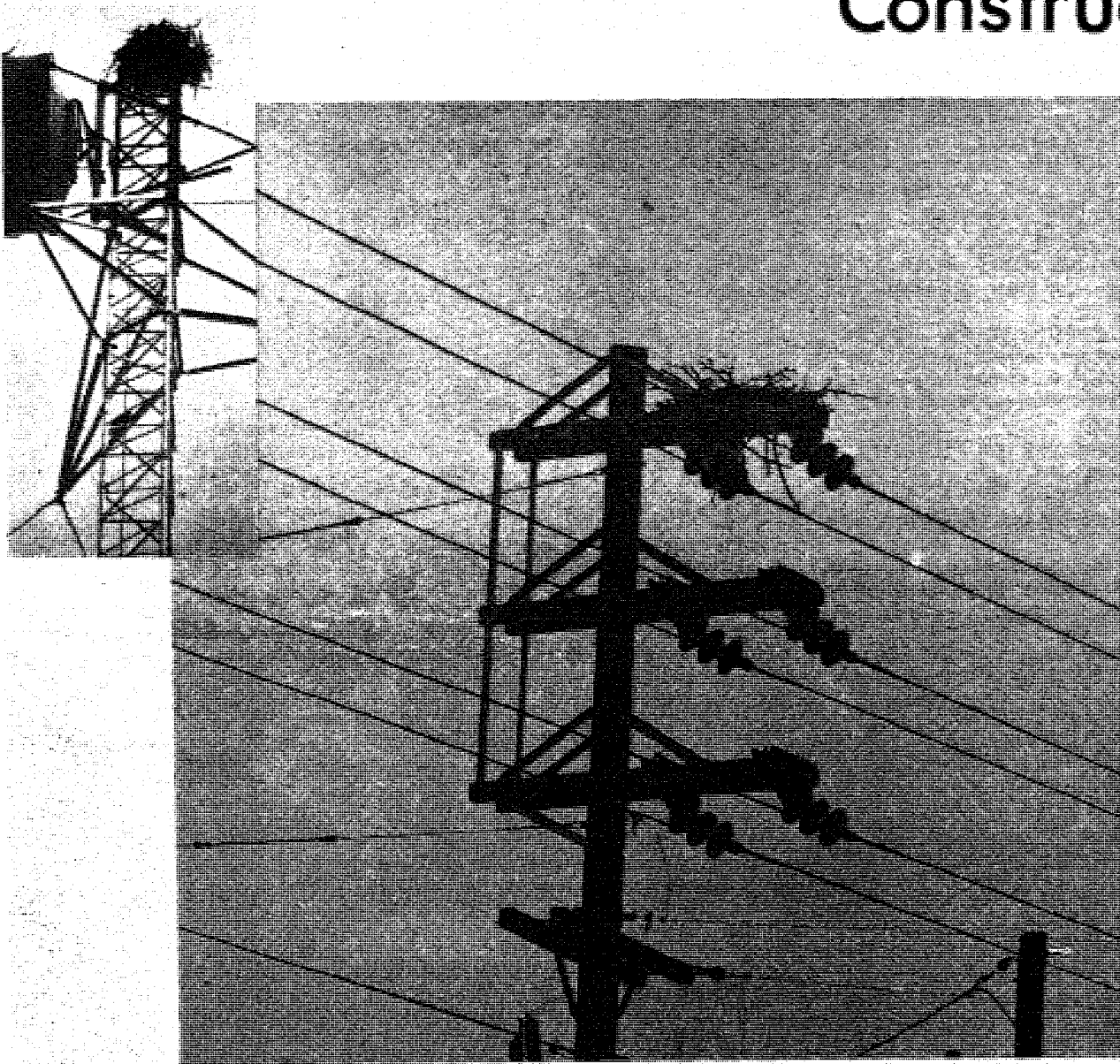
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## Construction halted

## on over-35 ft. Sanibel highrise



by Ginni Brown

An over the 35 foot height limitation highrise was started on Sanibel last weekend, but construction was halted by Wednesday afternoon.

The structure, built by Mr. and Mrs. Bill O'Spray, did not have a legal water hook-up, septic tank or even a city building permit. As a matter of fact, the only utility they had a semi-working agreement with was the Lee County Electrical Cooperative.

A representative of the electric company told The ISLANDER that, indeed, yes, they had a "working agreement" with the O'Sprays.

"What with Audubon, and a bit of arm twisting from Washington, D.C., we certainly do admire those families, even though they are troublesome at times."

Mr. O'Spray, in an exclusive interview with The Islander, said he had no intention of applying to the city for permits. "Why, I wouldn't give one back feather for those kind of regulations," he crowed. "My spouse and I build exactly as our parents did and their parents before them, city or no city."

Pictured here is the structure which the O'Sprays gave up on Wednesday afternoon, possibly due to its location on the dangerous corner by the Legion on the San-Cap Road.

Inset is the silhouette of a completed O'Spray home, a towering 100 or so feet in the air on the telephone company's microwave tower.

The ISLANDER was unable to reach city hall before our deadline for any official comment on either of the over-the-legal height structures.

## County planners consider CLUP

by Carol Quillinan

The Lee County Planning Commission met Thursday evening to continue the discussion on the Sanibel Land use plan.

Chairman Harry Rodda opened the meeting by asking for an opinion on the plan. Garland Klutz, who has attended most of the city's planning commission meetings, said that the plan was "excellent. I give my approval."

Wiley Parker said that the more density there is more services will be required. However, he cautioned about keeping in mind what the county responsibilities are regarding evacuation routes. Low density meant minimum impact, he said.

Gateley Daniels spoke on the problem of economics, asking what it would take to sustain the city regarding hospitals, schools etc. He said that the commission must recognize that there will be an economic impact to the county.

Rodda asked whether Daniels felt it was an adverse impact. Daniels responded "Yes, I feel it will be adverse. Whether the taxes can be raised enough on Sanibel for the people to cover the cost of the plan, I don't know. With down zoning, there will be less money coming in, and I don't know."

Rodda said that an increased population meant increased hospital beds.

Daniels said that what was worrying him was the restructuring of the tax base. "Will the tax base pay for the planners? Will it pay for the cost of their government?"

Paul Jacobs said that the effect of the tax base on Sanibel is "an effect of the tax base on the County. I feel that the impact is adverse or negative. We also haven't heard enough about the motel units. If motels can't build on Sanibel, we'll have to take care of that lack somewhere else."

Rodda felt that that was a plus factor for the County in that tolls on the causeway would be increased from daytrippers who were staying in Fort Myers.

Ken Moslander asked whether the commission had the right to make demands of the city. "Do we have an obligation?"

"If Sanibel is unable to pay for services, does that burden fall on the county?" He said that perhaps the commission might be "interfering in their internal affairs, but there might be consequences of not pointing out errors. It's a good plan if it's not more idealistic than practical."

Rodda pointed out by state law 257 the commission was obligated to review the plan. "If we feel that this plan has an economic effect on our plan, we're not out of line making comments even though we don't have a plan yet. We're also not out of context to suggest that the city reconsider the development intensity."

Moslander countered with "It's true that

we don't have a plan but we have a set of numbers. Our population projection for the next twenty years for Sanibel is 4 or 5 times the number in their plan. We've projected 30,000. Their projection of 2,500 units is going to cause us to rethink where we're going to put those people.

Klutz read the economic assumptions ending with "there can be little doubt that The Comprehensive Plan is economically feasible."

Moslander said "the arithmetic is fine but are the underlying assumptions correct?"

Bill Hammond echoed Mayor Goss who said at the last commission meeting that Sanibel's problems came from Lee County.

"Perhaps," Hammond said, "Lee County does have some responsibility to the people of Sanibel, although the plan reflects value judgements that the Sanibel people have made. I don't feel comfortable criticizing their plan without one of our own."

Although he did not go into numbers, he remarked that it was the county responsibility to move people during hurricanes from Punta Rassa to Highway 41.

Hammond did not feel that it was the job of the commission to be critical of the plan at this time, and that the "Sanibel citizenry will have to address their own problems."

Alan Peterson quoted the Kiplinger Report as being a very accurate prognosticator of Lee County's population growth over the 1960-1970 period. "Now, if

Sanibel does not take its share of projected growth, that share has to go somewhere else and the quality of life will go down in those areas. I don't think the quality of life should go down in Lee County to preserve the quality of life on Sanibel."

Rodda again tried to bring up the density restrictions in regard to whether the city had a right to take away privileges already given by the county but the commission wanted to primarily dwell on the economic aspects.

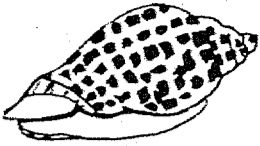
Taking a poll of the commissioners, all felt that more information was needed in regard to the economic impact of the plan on the county.

Getting briefly into the real estate aspects, Daniels said that 5 units per acre for motels was not economically feasible, reminding the commission of Dave Holtzman's talk last week. There will be an immediate effect in the devaluation of land, he said.

"When you change the use downward, the taxes go down," said Daniels. "But there's a time lag for usable land to appreciate in value even to its present value before devaluation and it may never happen. It's going to take a long time for that land to command \$20,000 per unit," he said.

He said that the net effect on Lee County should be spelled out.

The commission agreed unanimously to ask Sanibel to review the economic impact and have that information incorporated in the plan.



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## things to do

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

**BIRD TOURS** - Griffin Bancroft, 472-1447, George Weymouth, 472-1516.

**FISHING GUIDES FOR CHARTER:** Capt. Ted Cole, 472-2723; Capt. Doug Fischer, 472-1551; Capt. Baughn Holloway, 472-2802; Capt. Belton Johnson, 472-1122; Capt. John Johnson, 472-1020; Capt. Bob Sabatino, 472-1784; Capt. Duke Sells, 472-1784; Esperanza Woodring, 472-112; Capt. Chic Kennedy, 472-4087; Capt. Herb Purdy, 472-1849, (also offers sightseeing trips).

**MUSEUM** - the Odyssey Museum of Miniature Americana 1554 Periwinkle Way, 472-1786.

**NATURAL HISTORY FIELD TRIPS** to Sanibel's wildlife habitats by Richard Beebe and George Campbell. Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment. For reservations call 472-2180. Wednesday's Open Trip: meet at Sanibel Elementary School parking lot, Sanibel-Captiva road at 9:00 am. Wednesday fee: \$4 per person.

**NOAH'S ARK** - Thrift shop open Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located in back of St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church.

**SAILING** (lessons and/or charter): Southwind, 472-2531; Paul Taylor, 472-1551.

**SHELLING TOURS** - Beach Bay Bayou, 472-1315; Baughn Holloway, 472-2802; Duke Sells, 472-1784; Tarpon Bay Marina 472-1323.

**SIGHTSEEING TOURS** - Herb Purdy, 472-1333 or 472-1849; Tarpon Bay Marina (canoes), 472-1323; Capt. Chic Kennedy, 472-4087, Sanibel Marina.

**SIGHTSEEING INFORMATION** - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, 472-1100.

**TENNIS & SCUBA EQUIPMENT (RENTAL)**, The Real Eel, 472-2674.

**WATER SKIING** - Herb Purdy, 472-1333 or 472-1849.

**OFF ISLAND DAY TIME ATTRACTIONS** - Edison Home in Fort Myers, 334-1280; Shell Factory, U.S. 41 North Fort Myers; Jungle Cruises, 334-7474, Fort Myers Yacht Basin; Waltzing Waters, 283-0636, Pine Island Road.

## fraternal groups

**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.

**KIWANIS CLUB** meets each Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. at Scotty's Pub on Periwinkle Way.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP No. 88** meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the school.

**LIONS CLUB** of Sanibel-Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at Island Beach Club.

**AL ANON** - Every Friday, 8:00 p.m. at St. Michael's and All Angels Church. For information call 472-2491.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - open meeting. St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Friday nights, 8:00 p.m. For information call 332-1300.

## clubs & civic groups

**AMERICAN LEGION POST No. 123** - American Legion Home, second Tuesday of the month, 8 p.m.

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

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

## political and governmental

**SANIBEL CITY COUNCIL** meets the 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays of every month at 9 a.m. at City Hall, unless special meetings are called. The public is invited.

**SANIBEL PLANNING COMMISSION** meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Sanibel City Hall, unless special meetings are called. The public is invited.

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

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

**FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS** hold their regular meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. at the new firehouse, on Palm Ridge Road. The public is invited to attend.

## libraries

**CAPTIVA LIBRARY:** Hours, Tuesday & Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon.

**SANIBEL LIBRARY:** Hours, Mon., Wed. & Fri., 2 - 4 p.m.; Tues., Thur. & Sat., 10 a.m. - 12 Noon.

## how to get there

**BOATS (FISHING) TO RENT** - Blind Pass Marina, 472-1020, Island Boat Rental, 472-2228, Tween Waters Marina, 472-1784, Tarpon Bay (canoes), 472-1323.

**BOATS (SAIL) TO RENT** - Snook Motel, 472-1345, The Colony, 472-1424, Southwind, Inc. 472-2531.

**MOTORCYCLE RENTALS** - Sanibel Motorcycle Rentals 1203 Periwinkle - 472-2001.

**BICYCLES FOR RENT:** Hines Rental 472-2874 or check the motel you are staying in.

## Church Calendar

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

Sanibel Public Library  
Sunday 11:00 a.m. - Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

### EPISCOPAL HOLY COMMUNION - CAPTIVA

South Seas Plantation Conference Room  
Sundays ..... 7:30 a.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Rev. Gerald Frost, Minister  
SUNDAY SERVICE:  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Services ..... 7:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY EVENING:  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

### GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

The Rev. Nicholas Sitaras  
Services held in the Redeemer Lutheran Church corner of Canal and Broadway, Fort Myers.  
Sunday ..... 10:00 a.m.

### ST. ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Gerard Beauregard  
Saturday Evening Mass ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday Mass ..... 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.  
Friday Mass:  
First Friday of each month ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Daily Mass ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Holy Days ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Vigil ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Confession before each Mass.

### ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. James D.B. Hubbs, Rector  
SUNDAY:  
Holy Communion ..... 7:30 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship,  
2nd & 4th Sundays ..... 9:30 a.m.

### SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor  
Sunday Service & Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.

### SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

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## Around town...

by georgie mankin

The Sanibel Community Dinner was a great success last Tuesday evening. More of the people living here should take part in the functions held for them.

Our Sanibel Elementary School held their fourth bicentennial program on Friday the 7th; the conservation awards were handed out to the students at the same time. Miss Kiesel and Mrs. Winans were in charge.

Mrs. Winans' 3rd grade class designed and liquid embroidered bicentennial t-shirts depicting scenes such as the Old North Church, Liberty Bell, King George, American Eagles, flags, etc. The emblems expressed each child's feelings about his country.

The program not only told about past American events but also what the future events might be if we don't protect our environment.

The 3rd grade class was awarded the class project trophy for the bicentennial red, white, and blue flower garden which they had planted as well as for the ecology pond which they are now making. These children at Sanibel School are doing a really great job—be proud of them!

Guests at Blind Pass Cottages this week include: Mr. and Mrs. Brian C. McConnell and children of Columbus, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Zlaket of St. Pete; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hallewell of Orlando, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Glasgow of Clermont, Fla.; Peyton Watson of Green-

ville, S.C.; honeymooning are Mr. and Mrs. Bijan Nakhjav of Miami, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bronson on their bi-monthly stay from Clearwater, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Horst Fehrmann of Miami, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Flener, of Wilmington, Del.; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamilton of Orlando, Fla.

Sailing off the coast of the islands are Mr. and Mrs. John Vlasich of Port Huron, Mich. They are really enjoying the gorgeous weather and the beautiful beaches.

Funning and sunning are: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Josephs of New Bern, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. Pat McCormick of London, Ohio; and Jean Lafayette and her son, Carl of Galipolis, Ohio.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Wood were Miss Deborah Blaho of Prattville, Ala.; Mr. and

Mrs. Emil Blaho of Dayton, Ohio; and Mrs. Ann Kurfiss, also of Dayton.

If you have a news tidbit be sure to call your Around Town reporter at 472-2874 or the Islander and give us your news!

Swarthmore College senior Gretchen Klaussman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric K. Klaussmann of Sanibel, has been elected an associate member of Sigma Xi, an honorary society encouraging scientific research.

Ms. Klaussmann, a biology major, won election to associate membership in the honorary society based upon demonstrated potential for research and a record of solid academic performance. This international society is about 75 years old and the Swarthmore Chapter which has existed for more than 50 years includes several Nobel Prize winners as members.



Roy Seegree of Henderson Road with a couple of bumper bunches of crunchy celery---island grown, of course!

## Sanibel Harvesters

by Carol Quillinan

Spring on Sanibel is harvest time. Gardens on the islands have been planted since September, most gardeners planting two crops during the growing season. Roy Seegree, Henderson Road, has harvested this year, yellow, white and zucchini squash, sweet and hot peppers, egg plant, red irish and sweet potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, two varieties of parsley, corn from eight foot high corn, three varieties of field peas, watermelons, cabbage, broccoli, brusselsprouts, onions, lots of marigolds


and last but not least, celery.

Roy received some celery plants from the South Bay Growers, Inc.,. The celery outdid itself making huge stalks. Roy was so proud that he sent some pictures of his celery to the firm. He received back a letter saying that if he was going to harvest celery, he'd have to join the Florida Celery Exchange!

Roy is retired from the South Bay Growers company after twenty years of service, enjoys gardening as a hobby and has found out that a low electrified wire, (instead of marigolds)

will keep out the racoons and other wild critters who also enjoy the fruits of his labor.

Resort Fashions  
and  
Accessories

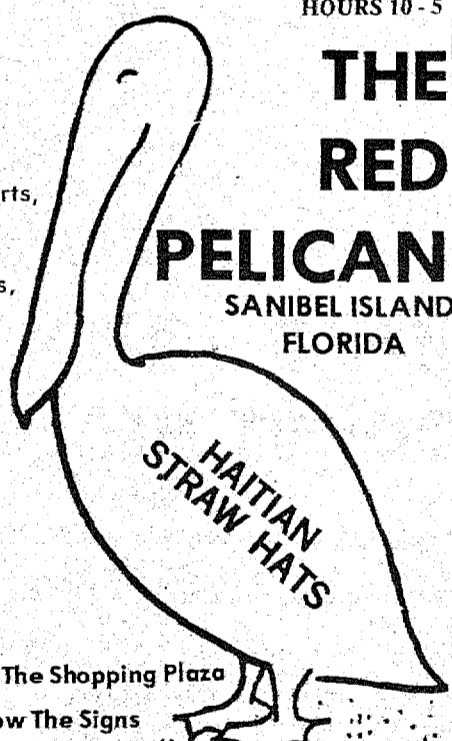


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TUES., MAY 18  
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6:30 - KIWANIS ORIOLES vs. Lions Mets (Jr. girls)  
8:00 - Bobbi-Del Cardinals vs. Kelly's Athletics (Sr. girls)

WED., MAY 19  
(AT BEACH)  
6:30 - SAN. HUXTER'S YANKEES vs. Kiwanis Pirates  
8:00 - TIFFANY GIANTS vs. Lions Aux. Angels (Jr. girls)

THURS., MAY 20  
(AT SANIBEL)  
6:30 - Carlos Bay Braves vs. SAN. KIWANIS ASTROS  
(AT BEACH)  
7:00 - Lions Cubs vs. Beach Bank Royals

FRI., MAY 21  
(AT BEACH)  
6:30 - LionsMets vs. KIWANIS ORIOLES (Jr. girls)  
8:00 - Kelly's Athletics vs. Bobbi-Del Cardinals (Sr. girls)

SAT., MAY 22  
(AT SANIBEL)  
9:30 - Lions Aux. Angels vs. TIFFANY GIANTS (Jr. girls)  
11:00 - Kiwanis Pirates vs. SAN. HUXTER'S YANKEES  
Bye: Sanibel Tigers ----- Rotary Red Sox  
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MON., MAY 24  
(AT BEACH)  
6:30 - Lions Mets vs. Lions Aux. Angels (Jr. girls)  
8:00 - Beach Bank Royals vs. Kiwanis Pirates



Close plays at home plate highlight softball action

## Sanibel girls win big

by Richard Arthurs  
Sanibel girls won two clean victories under grey skies last Saturday at their home field behind the Sanibel elementary school.

In the first game of the morning, Karen Estep's Tiffany Parlor Giants nipped the Lion's Auxiliary Mets by a score of 23 to 10, thanks to a fine pitching performance by Tim Voignier. The Mets' mound ace Terry Brown, on the other hand, was off her game, as we say on the links, having walked in roughly ten runs one inning under manager Brian Bissell.

The Sanibel Exxon Tigers carried the second game of the day, beating the Kelly's Sandwich Shop Athletics 9 to 2 in a tight pitching duel between the Tigers' Janice Price and the A's Dawn Matthews. The Tigers' Kim Duncan and Janice Price both hit for triples, as did the A's Mary Brown. And in the big three-run sixth inning for the Tigers, Kim Duncan hit yet another triple, but was called out at the plate by umpire Dick Muench on a very close play while trying to stretch her triple into what would have been the only home run of the day.

All we can say is better luck next time to the girls from Fort Myers Beach and their coaches, Jay Bright and Betsy Brown. Chalk up another one for Sanibel softballers.

## Local tax base being eroded?

by Carol Quillinan

On April 23 the property appraiser's office of Lee County received a letter from the attorney for Michigan Homes on Sanibel about the lack of use of lands in the Beachview Country Club Estates subdivision imposed by the City of Sanibel's moratorium ordinances, and land use plan.

The land, the letter said, was divided up into improved lands now carrying a density of two units per acre "thereby depriving them (the owners) of more than one half of their building sites and more than one half of their use value."

The unimproved lands have been allocated a O.O. density and "for all practical purposes, the Group B lands have become utterly and completely useless." The letter calls for an adjustment in values and assessments of the improved lands and that the unimproved lands "be taken from the tax rolls completely."

Phil Hall, property appraiser, said that his office has reviewed the improved lands and have made reevaluation reduction of

one-half. At last year's millage of 4.03 for the City, the reduction would result in a \$3,224. tax loss to the city alone. The school board, county and fire district tax loss was not computed.

The group B lands had not yet been revalued.

Hall explained that the marketplace determined the value of a piece of property and as property became scarce (due to any number of reasons, such as lack of use, conservation, public parks etc.) the commodity which is scarce demands a higher price.

Therefore, as Sanibel lands become a scarcity, the value goes up based on what buyers are willing to pay.

In the meantime, while the market is catching up with the supply and demand aspects the city must support itself.

How this is to be done will most likely be reflected in a rise in millage as outlined in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP) to compensate for lands which have been valued downward as the Jamestown Beachview lands were.

## Only two respites before P. C.

This week the Sanibel Planning Commission heard only two respite cases during their brief morning meeting yesterday. Further, City Planner Sam Shannon reported that to his knowledge there are just three more respite cases awaiting a hearing from the Commission before the final adoption and review procedure for the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP) gets under way on June 7.

The first request for relief heard by the Commission yesterday was that of the Island Water Association to construct an 896 sq. ft. cinder block addition to their existing public station on Center Street in the Sanibel Center Subdivision. The structure will house three new pumps, which, according to I.W.A. general manager Larry Snell, will enable the association to provide better service and increased water pressure to the eastern end of the island. One of the new pumps to be installed in the addition will be a propane stand-by pump, intended to allow the association to serve residents during a power failure. Despite the concerns of residents in the vicinity of the pumping station that the new facilities might increase the noise level in the area, and despite the objections of Vegetation Committee chairman George Campbell that the I.W.A. had undertaken their landscaping of the site without the necessary city vegetation permits, the commission unanimously granted a recommendation of approval to the association, subject to the I.W.A.'s providing adequate natural screening for the facility, as well as their attempting to keep the noise down in the neighborhood by keeping doors and windows to the plant closed as much as possible.

The request of Douglas L. McIntyre, trustee of the Sprindrift Realty Trust, to construct a duplex on the corner of Elinor Way and Olga Avenue, on the other hand,

didn't fare as well. The petition met with unanimous recommendation of denial from the commission on the grounds of the density allocation for the site, the size of McIntyre's lot being only 18,000 sq. ft. as opposed to the 30,000 sq. ft. needed to build a duplex under the proposed CLUP.

Toward the close of the morning session, planner Shannon read into the record portions of a letter received by the city last week containing the recommendations of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council staff on the city's proposed CLUP, which is currently up for review by the council.

Although the regional planning staff questioned certain aspects of the plan, in particular the economic assumptions and housing element, their overall recommendation to the council was that "The Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the City of Sanibel is compatible with the adopted goals, objectives and policies of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. Council's staff has also determined that the policies and guidelines promulgated by this Plan enhance the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Sanibel without negatively impacting area-wide resources, services and facilities. Thus, the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council's staff does not object to the adoption of this Plan by the City of Sanibel."

The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will consider their staff's recommendation and then hand down their official review comments on the CLUP at their regular meeting to be held this Thursday, May 20, at the Ramada Inn in Fort Myers, beginning at 10:30 a.m. All interested parties are urged to attend the meeting, which, of course, is open to the public.

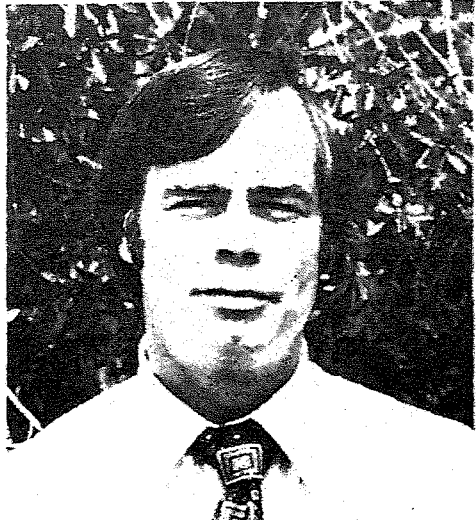


# In your opinion. . .

Do you think the causeway toll should be lowered, raised, or left just as it is ... and why?



Helen E. Fitzpatrick, Sanibel: "I believe it should be left as it is, simply because we'd get a lot of undesirables over here if they lowered it. It would turn Sanibel into Coney Island. Look at it this way, where else can anyone get so much for only three dollars?"



Bill Hatcher, Sanibel: "I think it should be raised, except for permanent residents and trade people. I think we're getting a lot of people on the Island who aren't helping our economy out here any."



Melvin Hunter, Sanibel: "I think they should keep it the way it is. They've got to have a toll to pay for the bridge, right? It's not that bad."



Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Murphy, Barrington, Rhode Island: "We're so delighted with the Island that we have no complaints whatsoever. This is our first time here and we think it's just great!"



Mrs. Arthur Berg, Sparta, Michigan: "Left as it is. I'm from Michigan, so it really doesn't affect me too much anyway."

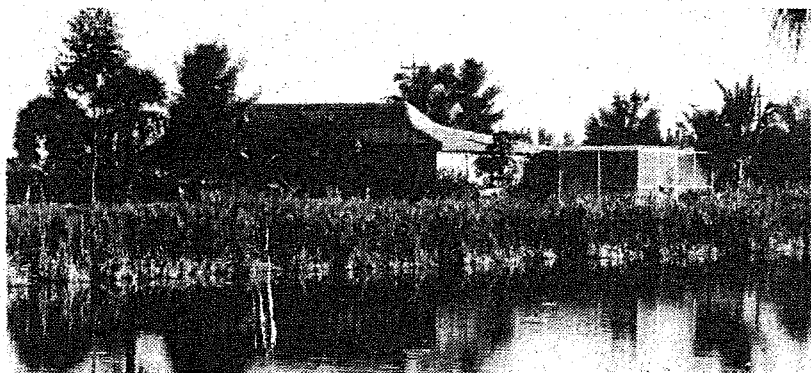


Anne Kennedy, Sanibel: "I think it should stay the same. It just seems like a good price."

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Nearly fifty parents and kids up to sixth grade gathered together at the Sanibel Community House Tuesday evening for a cover-dish supper and old fashioned sing-a-long.

Dick Muench announced that parents were needed to help out with summer programs, that the forms which were distributed at the door should be filled out, and that the children would plant periwinkles on Saturday along with the Blessing of the Bike Path.

After a very nice dinner, Judy Kennedy led the sing-a-long. The parents couldn't sing worth a peanut and the little ones didn't really get into the fun of the evening until Judy asked them to sing their version of On Top Of Old Smoky.....

On top of Spaghetti  
 All covered with cheese  
 I lost my poor meatball  
 When somebody sneezed.

It rolled off the table  
 and onto the floor  
 And then my poor meatball  
 Rolled out of the door

It rolled in the garden  
 and under a bush  
 And then my poor meatball  
 Was nothing but mush.

And early next summer  
 It grew into a tree  
 and grew lovely meatballs  
 All ready for me.

Judy Kennedy teaches voice, piano and guitar to adults and children.

An extensive recreation program for kids up to 17 is being planned for the summer months. However, in order to make the program successful, a lot of parental help, teaching, chaperoning, driving, etc. will be needed.

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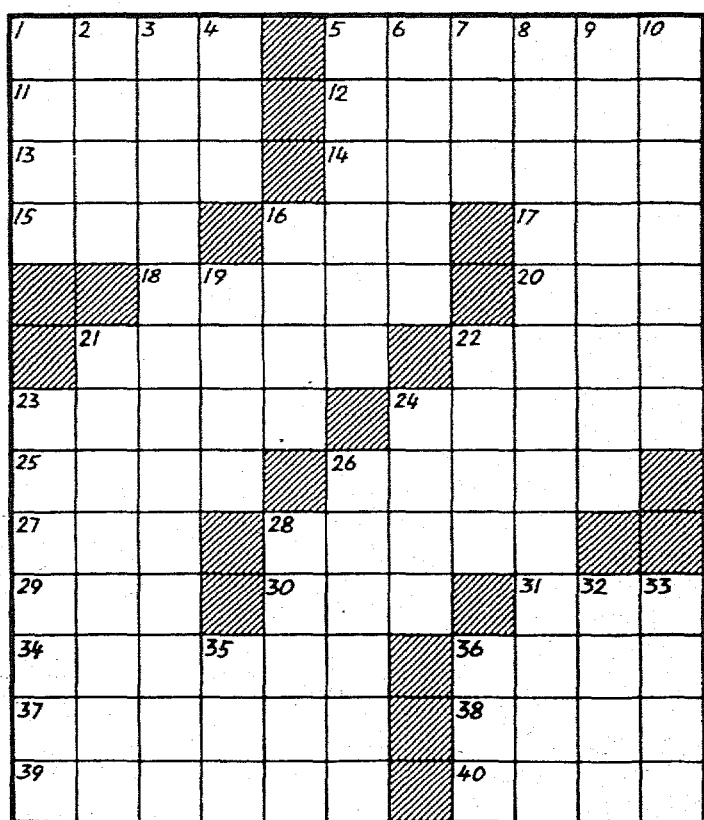
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**ACROSS**

- 1 River or monster
- 5 China service (2 wds.)
- 11 European river
- 12 Of certain mountains
- 13 Latvian
- 14 "Old man" of the gridiron
- 15 — Hammar-skjold
- 16 Before
- 17 "— the ramparts..."
- 18 Devoured
- 20 Exhaust
- 21 Vernon or Rainier
- 22 Cold Trieste wind
- 23 Magna —
- 24 Harry or Henry
- 25 Jason's ship
- 26 Furious
- 27 Cereal plant (obs.)
- 28 Holds dear
- 29 Guided
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- 40 — Hathaway

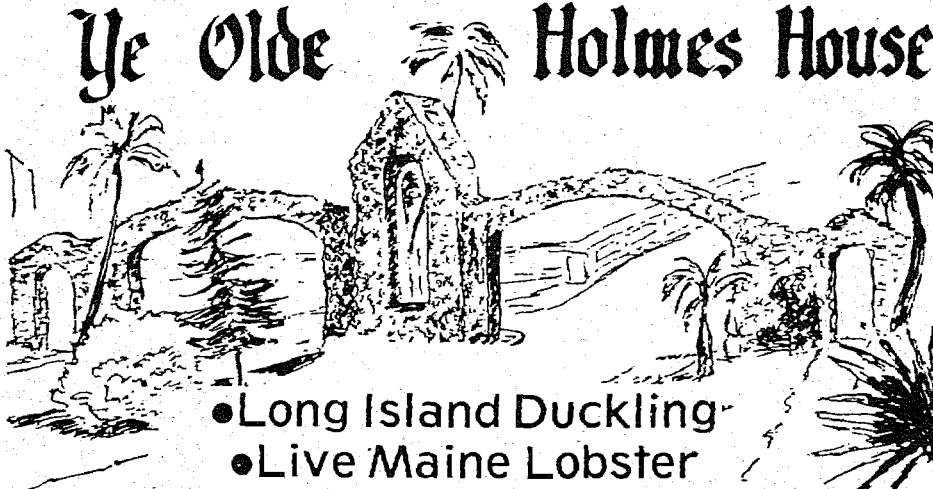
**DOWN**

- 1 Midas metal
- 2 Concept
- 3 Slacker's motto (4 wds.)
- 4 Op or Pop
- 5 Small drum (var.)
- 6 Dancer Vera- —
- 7 Brazilian tree
- 8 Type of transgression (3 wds.)
- 9 Made beloved
- 10 Riot control item (2 wds.)
- 16 Sicilian volcano
- 19 Detroit product
- 21 "Naughty" girl
- 22 Oliver Hardy's nickname
- 23 "—"s Raiders" of WWII fame
- 24 Indonesian island
- 26 Decaying
- 28 Verdi's "— Miller"
- 32 Unyielding
- 33 Combustible heap
- 35 Pshaw!
- 36 Physicians' org.



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by ginni brown

'Tis all too true, and too little well known, that some of the very best things to eat are the easiest to cook—they just taste complicated, that's all. Our two offerings for this week tend to bear that out—the first's for a crock-pot pork chop and vegetable deal, and the second's for a salad dressing.

On with the pork chops—Take 6 loin pork chops about three quarters to an inch thick and sprinkle garlic powder, lemon-pepper marinade and salt liberally on both sides. Place on rack in broiler and broil under high heat for about five minutes on each side, or until they're a pretty color brown and you think most of the fat's dripped off. Drain.

Take four large carrots; peel 'em all and slice three into long ways slices about 1-8 to 1-16th of an inch thick and about three to four inches long. Slice the last carrot (hopefully, the widest around) into 1/4 inch rounds. While you're at it, peel and slice three or four large yellow onions.

Melt about a third of a stick of butter in a saucepan; add three drops of Tabasco, some mashed garlic (or about a quarter tsp. of garlic powder) and some salt to the butter;

don't let it brown. Drop in the carrot rounds and cook till you think they're thoroughly coated and then a bit. Line bottom of crock-pot with carrot rounds, place a layer of washed new red or brown small potatoes directly on top, then start layering the pork chops, sliced onion and sliced carrots in, ending with onions on top. If pork chops are lean, pour the melted butter you dropped the carrot rounds in on top of the first layer of onion-carrot, below the first layer of pork chops. Cover tightly; turn on high for an hour, then turn on low and go away for six to eight hours. If you're in a hurry to get away, turn on low at the beginning, but plan on staying away (or not eating) for eight to ten hours.

If you wanted to do this in a casserole in a regular type oven, follow the same procedure as above, but add

three quarters of a cup of dry or semi-dry white wine, cover and cook in 325 degrees oven for about two and a half or three hours, or until vegetables are tender. You'd also probably want to put a layer of onion over the carrots before you put the potatoes in, too, come to think of it.

The second recipe is for Lemon Garlic salad dressing. Crush or press four medium sized cloves of garlic, put in small (about 2 cups measure or so) bowl and add a teaspoon of salt. Let stand a bit.

Add a quarter cup of lemon (or lime) juice and two thirds of a cup of salad oil and beat with a fork. Let sit at least 20 minutes before using, and be sure to re-beat just before adding it to salad mixings.

According to your family's taste, you may want to add anywhere from a teaspoon to an eighth cup of cider or wine vinegar to mixture, but go carefully—it can get sourly potent in a hurry.

Have fun—and if you have any recipes you'd like to share with the rest of us, we'd be only too glad to try 'em and print 'em!

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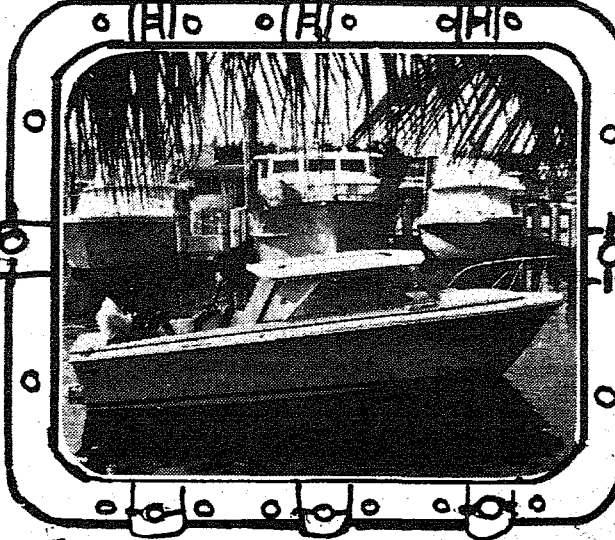
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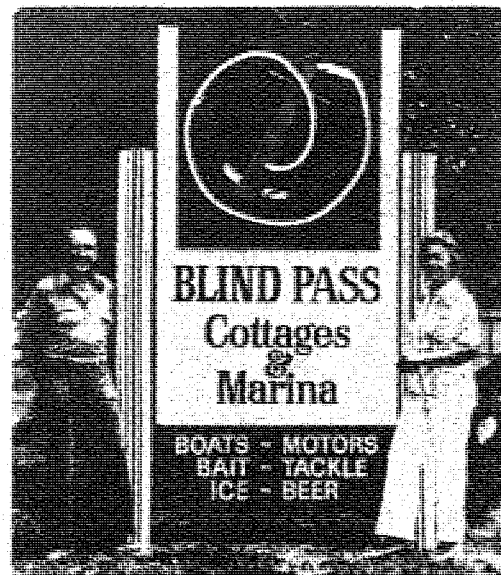
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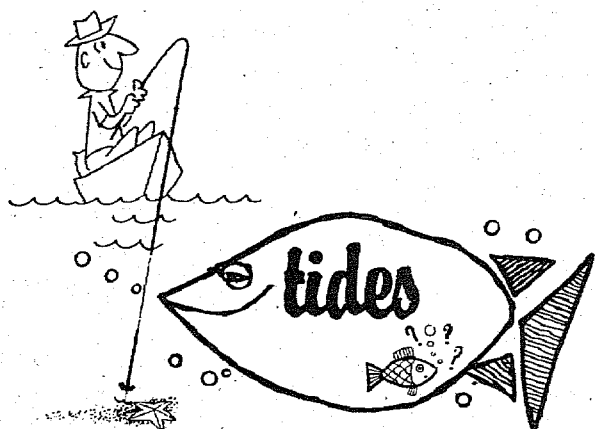
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### A bit of a boast. . .

While it is not in our nature to boast (umm-hum!) we'd like to share some information with you which we have learned by our ever growing subscription list.

As you may have noticed, there is a subscription blank at the bottom of the classified page, and, of course, it gets changed from time to time. This week, however, we got a subscription order on a blank which was AT LEAST a year old — which leads us to believe that people not only read The ISLANDER, they keep it around for a long time.

That's encouraging — besides not being a mullet wrapper — it tends to indicate that if your ad did not bring an immediate response, it always might in the future, such as eight months from now, when someone up north return and visits YOUR shop because of an ad which caught their eye in this week's paper.



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Tides courtesy of Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, Inc.

Conversion table: The above tides are for the lighthouse point of Sanibel only. To convert for Redfish Pass (north tip of Captiva), add 55 minutes to the time shown for every hi tide, and subtract two (2) minutes for every low tide. (NO, we don't know why, but it works. Instructions following are even less sense-sical but, as we stated, they do work.)

For Captiva Island, Gulf side, subtract 30 minutes from each high tide, and subtract 1 hour and 16 minutes for each low tide.

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6:35 11-Sunshine Almanac	10:00	26-\$20,000 Pyramid 2:30
6:50 11-F.Y.I.	11-The Merv Griffin Show 20-Celebrity Sweepstakes	11-The Guiding Light 20-The Doctors 26-Break the Bank
6:55 11-Spanish News Cast	10:30	3:00
7:00 11-CBS Morning News 20-Today 26-Good Morning America	11-Gambit 20-Wheel of Fortune 11:30	11-All in the Family 20-Another World 26-General Hospital
7:25 11-Local News 20-Today in Florida	11-Love of Life 20-Hollywood Squares 26-Happy Days	11-Match Game 26-One Life to Live
7:30 11-CBS Morning News	11:55	11-Tattletales 20-Robert Young, Family Doctor-Film 26-Edge of Night
8:00 11-Captain Kangaroo	11-CBS Mid-Day News 12Noon	4:30
9:00 Sesame Street	11-News Eleven 20-The Fun Factory 26-Let's Make a Deal	11-Mike Douglas, co-host, Neil Sedaka (Thru Fri.) Mon: co-host, Gabriel Kaplan, with all star guests 26-Dinah
20-The Phil Donahue Show 26-Sunshine Showcase: Tues: "All My Sons," Burt Lancaster, Edward G. Robinson; Wed: "Criss Corss," Burt Lancaster, Yvonne DeCarlo; Thurs: "Kiss The Blood Off My Hands," Burt Lan- caster, Joan Fontaine; Fri: "The Killers," Burt Guesswho, Ava Gar-	12:30 11-Search for Tomorrow 20-Take My Advice 26-All My Children 12:55	5:00 20-Adam 12 5:30 20-To Tell the Truth 6:00 11-News Eleven 20-Eyewitness News 26-NewsScene

For full week's TV schedule,  
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A tip of the hat to Scotty's Thirst Quencher, where for two weeks now parched cyclists have been invited to stop and refresh with Perfection's finest aqua fria. Bottoms up, gang!

tuesday - 6:30 p.m. till sign off

6:30 p.m. 11-CBS Evening News 20-NBC Nightly News 26-ABC Evening News	8:30 11-Good Times 26-Laverne & Shirley 9:00	26-Peter Gunn 11:30
7:00 11-Nashville Music 20-Concentration 26-Treasure Hunt	11-MASH 20-Police Woman 26-The Rookies 9:30	20-Primary NBC reports on Michigan & Maryland returns 26-ABC Mystery Movie 11:45
7:30 11-Porter Wagoner 20-Hollywood Squares 26-Travel Horizons	11-Championship NBA Basketball (Primary coverage on Maryland- Michigan primaries scheduled at half time; approx. 10:30 p.m.) 10:00	11-News Eleven 12 Midnight 20-The Tonight Show 12:15
8:00 11-Bugs Bunny-Road Runner Special 20-The Rich Little Show 26-Happy Days	20-City of Angels 26-ABC Special, "Love, Life, Liberty & Lunch" 11:00	11-CBS Late Movie, "Swingin' Summer," James Stacy, in which teen-agers have tumultuous (and musical) summer romance. 1:30
8:28 11-Bicentennial Minutes	20-Eyewitness News	20-The Tomorrow Show

wednesday 6:30 p.m. till sign off

6:30 p.m. 11-CBS Evening News 20-NBC Nightly News 26-ABC Evening News	10:00 20-Hawk 26-Starsky & Hutch 11:00	Rob Reiner, Edward Asner, a drama of newly desegregated high school students turn fear & frustration to violence.
7:00 11-Untamed World 20-Concentration 26-Name that Tune	11-News Eleven 20-Eyewitness News 26-Peter Gunn 11:30	20-The Tonight Show 26-ABC Movie of the Week 1:00
7:30 11-Friends of Man 20-The New Price is Right 26-Pop Goes the Country	11-CBS Late Movie "Halls of Anger," Jeff Bridges,	20-The Tomorrow Show
8:00 11-Tony Orlando & Dawn 20-Little House on the Prairie 26-Bionic Woman		
8:57 11-Bicentennial Minutes 9:00		
11-Cannon (2 hr. special) 20-Best of Sanford & Son 26-BARETTA 9:30		
20-Fay		

## Your astrological week

especially cast for the Islands  
by Madam Dorinda (phone: 481-3051)

**Aries:** Your manner in controlling your domestic situation may cause irritation among those with whom you live. Problems may develop around your role as a disciplinarian—go easy.

**Taurus:** You may have trouble making others understand you, and this may leave you feeling depressed. Take care of a loved one's health even when rebuffed.

**Gemini:** Keep a good grip on your self control, a tendency toward extremism is shown. A pet may suddenly leave or enter your life.

**Cancer:** You will find yourself drawn to groups of people with similar goals, making many new friends and joining organizations. There will be tests put in your path for your own benefit.

**Leo:** Use special caution in driving or operating machinery. Some health problem is likely, do try to finish up a project started as soon as possible.

**Virgo:** You will be inclined to all work and no play, or else no work and all play. Maintain a balance, otherwise health will suffer. Romantic problems can be aggravated.

**Libra:** Chances are good for meeting people, enjoying congenial company. Follow a hunch for making a change, and you can have a lot of fun with it.

**Scorpio:** Be sure that you have all that is needed before beginning travel. You could spoil a deal by being too eager, hold back a little. The affairs and needs of parents are important now; give more.

**Sagittarius:** Try to get what you were refused last week. People you deal or live with may be moody, temperamental; make allowances. Accept a chance to teach or serve as a guide.

**Capricorn:** Defer purchases, discussions, agreements on financial matters till others concerned are with you. Persistence will pay off; you may receive a caution, but trust your instincts to lead you this week.

**Aquarius:** Your time at work will be taken up with detailed chores, and there could be criticism coming from those above you. Practical jokes are likely to backfire on you.

**Pisces:** Those who have children are apt to have some difficulties, but your powers of communication are great. You can persuade others to your point of view. Short trips are favored.

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6:30 p.m. 11-CBS Evening News 20-NBC Nightly News 26-ABC Evening News	"Shark Kill" till 9:30 26-Welcome Back, Kotter 8:30 26-Barney Miller 9:00 11-Hawaii Five-O 26-Streets of San Francisco	11:00 11-News Eleven 20-Eyewitness News 26-Peter Gunn 11:30 11-CBS Late Movie: "Sidekicks," Lou Gossett, Larry Hagman, a comedy in which a black, posing as a slave, gets "sold" and "re-sold" in pre-Civil War days in the Old West.
7:00 11-Mayberry RFD 20-Concentration 26-Wonderful World of Magic	9:30 20-"The Dark Side of Innocence," world premiere movie	11:30 20-The Tonight Show 26-Mannix-The Magician 1:00 a.m. 20-The Tomorrow Show
7:30 11-The Partridge Family 20-Screen Test 26-Bobby Vinton Show	10:00 11-Glenn Campbell Special with Olivia Newton- John 26-Harry O	
8:00 11-The Waltons 20-NBC Double Feature		

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7:00 11-I Spy		

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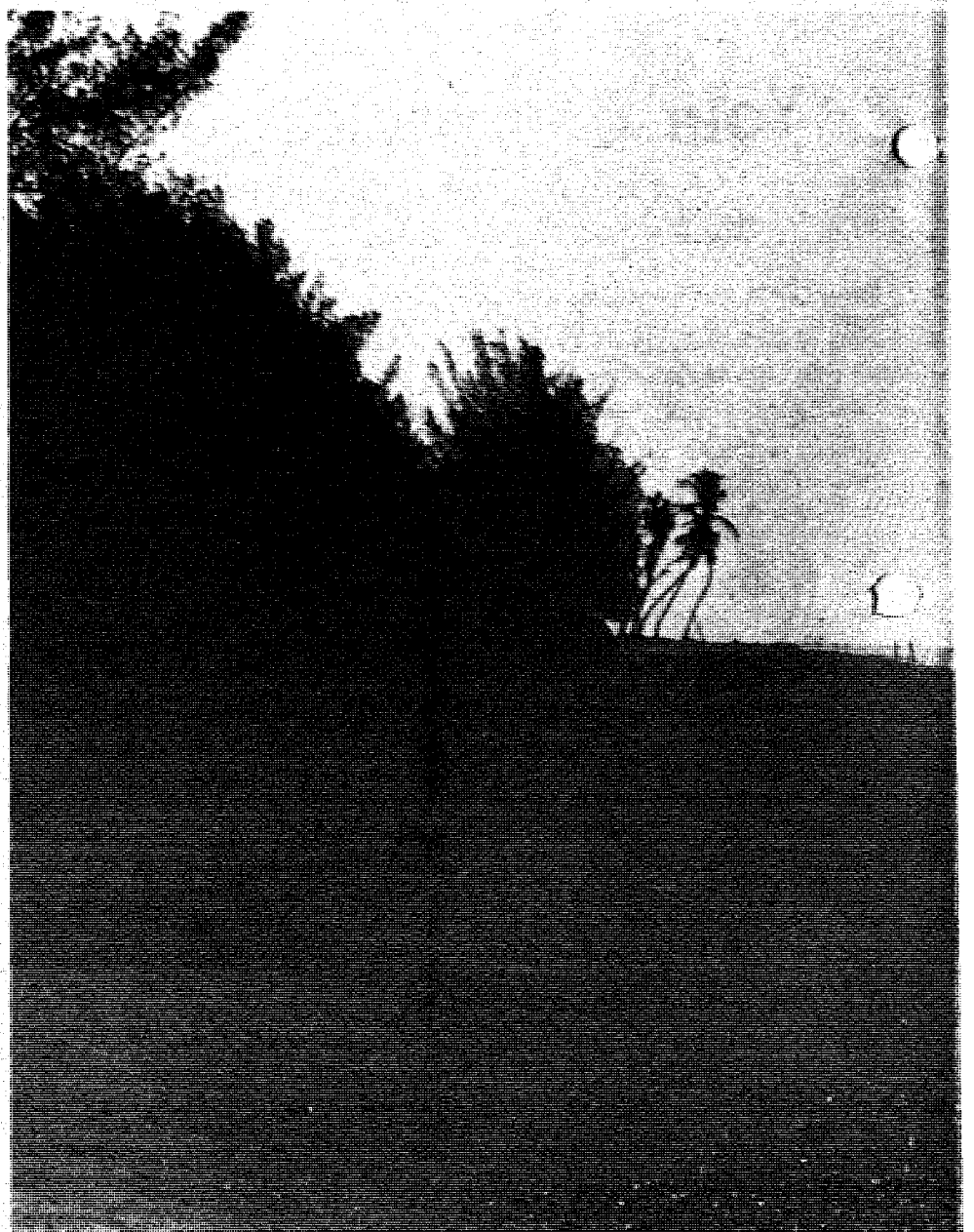
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26-ABC Friday Movie  
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20-Police Story  
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20-Eyewitness News  
26-Peter Gunn  
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20-Tonight Show  
26-The Rookies  
11:45  
11-CBS Late Movie: "The  
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mixed-up kid takes a rat  
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father's lab, not  
knowing it carries a  
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decides to go camping.  
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20-Midnight Special  
"Million Seller Show"

saturday all day

7:00 11-Music and the Spoken Word 20-My Partner The Ghost 7:30 11-Fury 8:00 11-Pebbles and Bamm Bamm 20-Emergency Plus 4 26-Hong Kong Phooey 8:26 11-News (for Children) 8:30 11-Bugs Bunny-Road Runner Hour 20-Josie and the Pussycats 26-The Tom & Jerry Grape Ape Show	12 Noon 11-The Valley of the Dinosaurs 20-The Jetsons 26-The Lost Saucer 12:30 11-Fat Albert & The Cosby Kids 20-Bonanza 26-American Bandstand 12:56 11-Children's News 1:00 11-CBS Children's Film Festival 1:30 20-NFL Action (new) 26-Travelogue 1:56 11-News for Children 2:00 11-Wilburn Bros. 20-Grandstand 26-TBA	6:00 11-News Eleven 6:30 11-Thirty Minutes 20-Eyewitness News 26-ABC Saturday News 7:00 11-Lawrence Welk 20-NBC Saturday News 26-Hee Haw 7:30 20-Wild, Wild World of Animals 8:00 11-The Jeffersons 20-Emergency 26-Good Heavens 8:27 11-Bicentennial Minutes 8:30 11-Doc 26-ABC Saturday Movie 9:00 11-Mary Tyler Moore Show 20-NBC Movie: "The Call of The Wild" 9:30 11-Bob Newhart 10:00 11-Carol Burnett with The Jackson Five and Emmett Kelly 11:00 11-News Eleven 20-Eyewitness News 26-ABC Weekend News 11:15 26-Late Movie: "The Invisible Man's Revenge," with Jon Hall, Alan Curtis 11:30 11-Don Kirshner's Rock Concert 20-NBC Saturday Night (humor) 1:00 a.m. 20-Midnight Special "Super Stars"
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## Remembering...

or what the  
back issues of  
The Islander  
reveal...

OR, history sure does  
repeat itself,  
doesn't it?

MAY 1962

The ISLANDER staff, bless us all, was on total vacation. Next issue was due sometime in June, theoretically.

MAY 1965

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nix were the hosts of the Sanibel Community Association dinner according to the May 13, 1965 ISLANDER, and the other front page story was a dissertation on Terns written by B.E. Warburton, a biology student at McGill University, which had been submitted for publication by Willis Combs, who was then president of the Audubon Society.

Our penchant for puns was as heavy then as it is now, since we stated quite clearly that we were printing the article in its entirety "since one good tern deserves another."

Mrs. Robert Preston, wife of the actor who starred in "Music Man" was visiting at the Reef, Molly J. Orloff bought a "Main Road" parcel on Sanibel from Florence H. Martin through Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate for \$13,500, the M.E. Beatties had recently moved into their new home in Palm Lake Subdivision, Enid Donahue wrote a letter saying maybe the Pine Island Bridge connection wasn't all that bad an idea, since many acres of land previously under cultivation were no longer in use, and Bob Sabitino and his family who had lived on the Islands since 1960, were just getting settled in their new Captiva home.

Larry Gavin of Captiva celebrated his tenth birthday at a party in Fort Myers, Jerry Muench went back to Syracuse for the summer, and the day after the paper came out was to be the Big Night of the Junior-Senior Prom at Fort Myers High, and the following week, Senior Skip Day and the Key Club Orgy were planned school activities. (Editor's Note: from what we hear in this

day and age, neither activity needs a "special day" for performance as such are everyday occurrences rather than sanctioned specials.)

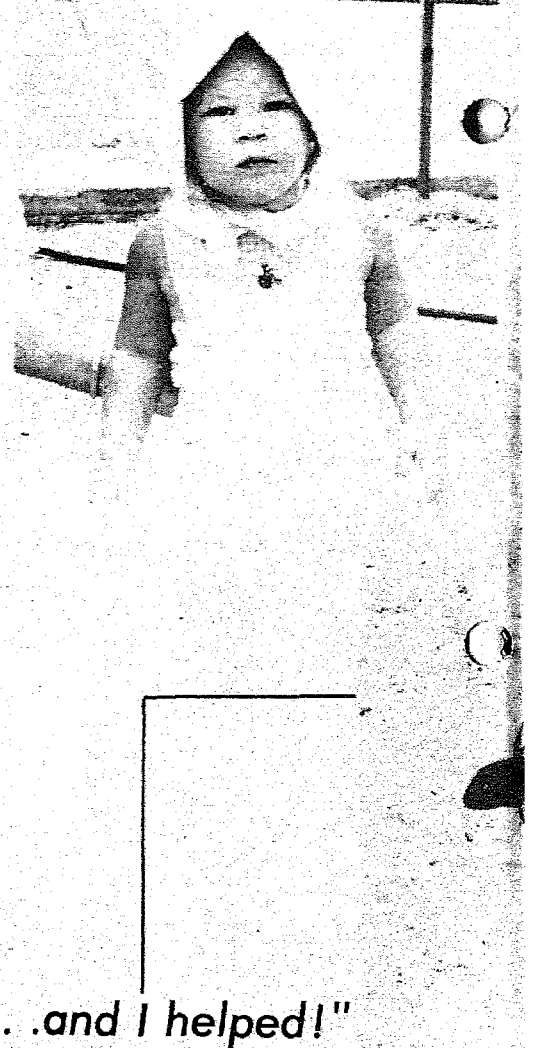
MAY 1971

Dr. Charles Fishburne, Jr., was the scheduled featured speaker at the Sanibel-Captiva Democratic Club's annual meeting the night of May 19, 1971, according to the May 13, 1971 ISLANDER.

Mario Hutton and Roy Bazire represented the Islands at the first quarterly meeting of ECOSWF (Environmental Confederation of South West Florida) in Sarasota, the Beachview Country Club, styled as "Sanibel's first and only golf course," was making rapid progress, what with seeding the first nine holes expected before the summer rains.

The ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church was scheduled to meet at the home of Mrs. J.P. (Willie May) Glass on Gulf Drive, a drive was on to save porpoises from "indiscriminate collection for shipment to various entertainment and 'research' organizations, (this week, May 1976, we read the news that a Federal Court has forbidden tuna fishermen to use porpoises to decoy tuna into nets, which means we can buy tuna fish again) Frank Vellake announced the new Fire House on Palm Ridge Road would be completed in about 60 days, "The Passions of the Mind" by Stone and "The Greening of America" headed up MacIntosh's best seller lists, and Miracle Whip was 49 cents a quart, shank hams were 39 cents a pound, Folgers coffee, 49 cents a can, 18 ounces of Kraft grape jelly were 29 cents, and ice cream was 59 cents a half gallon, at Bailey's in case you didn't guess.

# Bike



...and I helped!"



## Of taxes and erosion

(see other tax story on page 4)

by Carol Quillinan

The erosion of a tax base is a very serious matter. The Naples-On-The-Gulf Board of Realtors recently presented a position paper to the Collier County Commission based on a study by David N. Pfaff and Associates, a community information research firm.

The synopsis by Pfaff gives percentages of lands "either owned by an agency of government thereby removing them from the tax roll; or have their uses restricted in such a way that their appraised value for taxing purposes has been reduced or threatened. These lands compose 62.6 per cent of all the acreage in Collier County, leaving only a bit

more than a third of the county's 2,006 square miles as the unimpaired source of real estate tax revenues to support the local government."

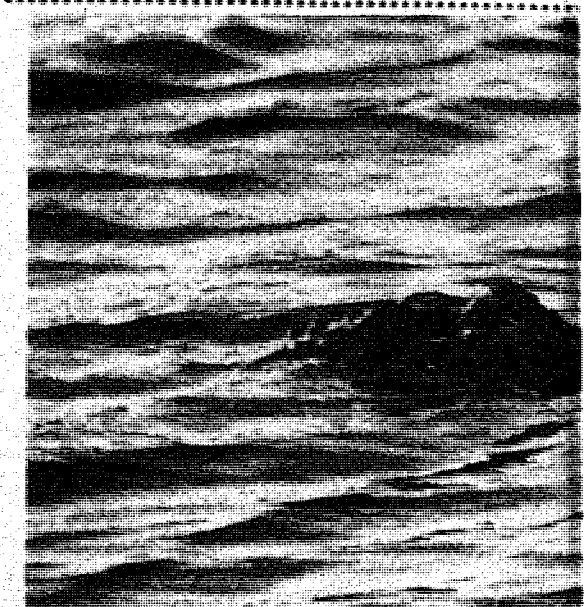
"The report determined that the impact of the ST re-zoning (ST re-zoned Special Treatment by the county because of their environmental sensitivity) was to reduce the tax roll value of those properties by \$35 million. This reduced the anticipated Collier County government General fund revenues from real estate taxes by \$193,312 and the School Board by \$311,501."

The report adds up the tax loss engendered by the purchase of the Area of Critical Concern lands and the Big Cypress Watershed by the Federal Government this year. The total is a whopping \$2,651,157 reduction in tax revenues representing 12 per cent of the total real estate tax revenue income for both the Collier county government and the school board.

"It must be noted that these are not one time losses but are permanent losses of income to the governments which will be suffered every year."

"In addition to the direct losses, the report computes a loss of revenues in excess of expenses for services rendered to the residents of the "Big Cypress Area." For the school board, this "profit" amounts at present to \$541,691 per year and \$354,478 for the county which will be lost with the end of tax revenues from that area. That loss will have to be made up in taxes from the surviving areas," the report continues.

The computed additional tax dollars, which will have to be borne by the surviving area residents, amounted to an additional \$24.91 for a 3 bedroom-two bath home in Poinciana Village, \$60.32 for a 2 bedroom-two bath Bayfront Condo and \$72.08 for a 3 bedroom two bath Moorings home.



Let's talk about



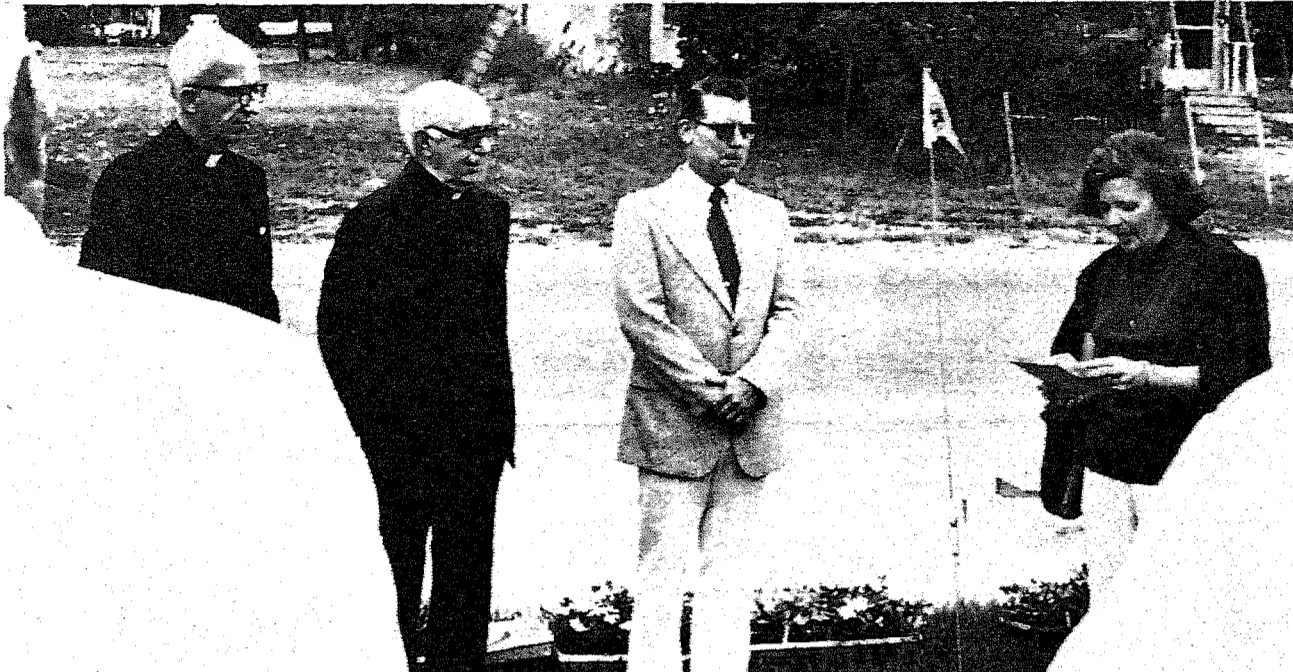
# path Blessed; median planted

Undaunted by last Saturday's ominous clouds and strong winds, a group of fifty or more Island bicyclists and gardeners of all ages turned out for the blessing of the city's bike path and subsequent periwinkle planting, which commenced at 10:30 a.m. before the Bank of the Islands on Periwinkle Way.

Master of Ceremonies, Anne Marsh, introduced the clergy, Father Gerard Beauregard of St. Isabel Catholic Church, Reverend James Hubbs of St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church, and Reverend Gerald Frost of the First Baptist Church of Sanibel, who, each in his turn, offered a prayer for the safety of Island cyclists using the bike path.

Mrs. Marsh then introduced the chairman of the Bike Path Committee, Mariel Goss, saying that the path "should really be named the Mariel Goss Memorial Bike Path," because of all the time and effort Mrs. Goss put into the project.

Mrs. Goss made a plea for contributions to support the



Dignitaries ask blessing for bike path.

ongoing work of maintaining the bike path and hopefully its eventual expansion. To raise funds, the Bike Path Committee is selling bicentennial bike flags, bells and teashirts, as well as selling memberships to Sanibel Bike Paths, Inc. Donations are one dollar for a child's membership, two dollars for adults, and five dollars for the whole family.

The last speaker of the

morning ceremony was Police Chief John Butler, who gave some sound safety advice to the younger cyclists in the crowd and distributed bicycle safety pamphlets to all. Chief Butler and Patrolman Ray Rhodes provided police protection for those members of the gathering who stayed to plant the periwinkles, which followed immediately.

The periwinkles, intended

to serve both as a visible buffer between the bike path and Periwinkle Way to discourage motorists from driving on the path and to "put the periwinkle back into Periwinkle Way" as it were, were donated by the city. The labor required to plant the periwinkles, on the other hand, was donated by the community, many of whom turned out trowel in hand to work last Saturday. Assiduous were the planters

as they worked their way quickly down the Island from their starting point in front of the Bank of the Islands, leaving in their wake a long trail of young periwinkles, groping for a foothold in the sandy. By ye, grace of God, they'll make it.

All in all, 'twas another community project well executed, thanks to the concerned bicyclists of Sanibel.

"It's a new bike path. . ."



Everybody gets involved.

In conclusion, the report states "While Collier County government in recent years has been substantially increasing its dependence on Real Estate Taxes to support the costs of government, it and other agencies have been taking steps which have reduced and may reasonably be expected to continue to reduce the base from which these very taxes are derived. These policies—which are actually in opposition to one another—would appear to deserve serious study by the appropriate bodies and be of vital concern to every property owner."

After a summation of the Pfaff report, the position paper states: "It should be noted here that we are addressing the Quality of services which is just as much in jeopardy from a reduction in the tax base as is the Quantity of services. Therefore, the question becomes not just the adequacy of finances

for more space in schools, but for improved school curriculum....not just for more sewer lines, but for improved treatment efficiency. The acquisition and maintenance of environmentally endangered areas are themselves government services which can likewise be threatened in the future as the fiscal capabilities are a function of the taxes people are willing to pay balanced against their expectations for government services and controls.

"Although not always in agreement as to the methods of implementation, we are all interested in preserving the quality of life in Collier County. There is cause for alarm, then, when we examine the recent steps which are being taken by Collier County government and other agencies which have, and will continue to have the effect of reducing the tax base."

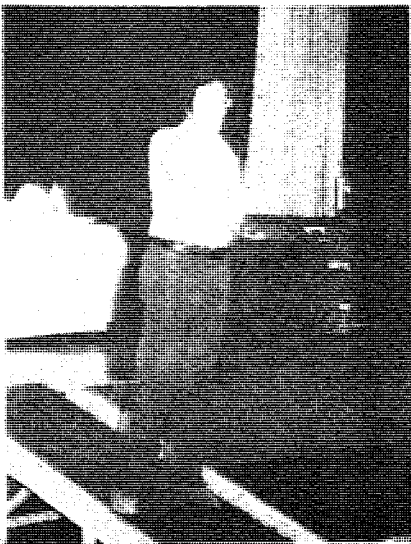
The paper calls attention to the time lag between what the governmental agencies say they want in the way of land use controls and tax exempt land acquisition and when the residents will have to pay for "the needed compensatory advances in the tax rate."

The Board of Realtors asked the Collier County Commission to "adopt a policy of requiring a tax and economic impact statement prior to making any significant changes in zoning, land use restrictions, public land acquisitions, or similar public controls and that a committee be formed to develop guidelines and procedures to be used by the appropriate governmental staff to determine the tax and economic impact of proposed changes, which would then be drafted in statement form for the Commission."

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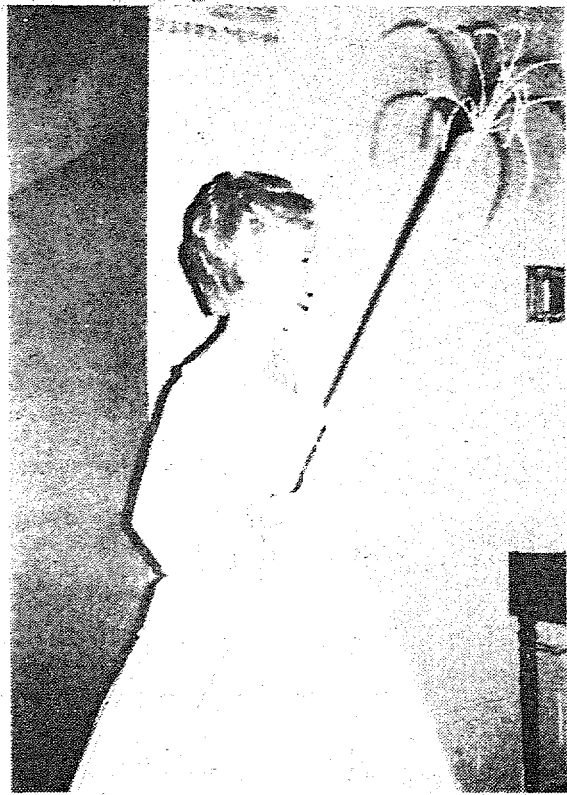


# Time draws near for "Cinderella" performance



by Carol Quillinan

"All my yelling and screaming comes to an end this week," director Edward Meszaros told the cast of Cinderella, Monday night. The cast received their directions for the final nine days of rehearsal for Cinderella. "I don't want to see any full faces," he said. "Three quarter face to the audience... Cinderella and Prince Charming...drool. You're supposed to be in love with each other!"



After a few more minutes of how to move, what to do, positioning of the chorus line, the first dress rehearsal of the play began at Seven Lakes Auditorium.

The cast went through the finale first. The director stalked up to the front of the auditorium saying, "O.K. That was mediocre."

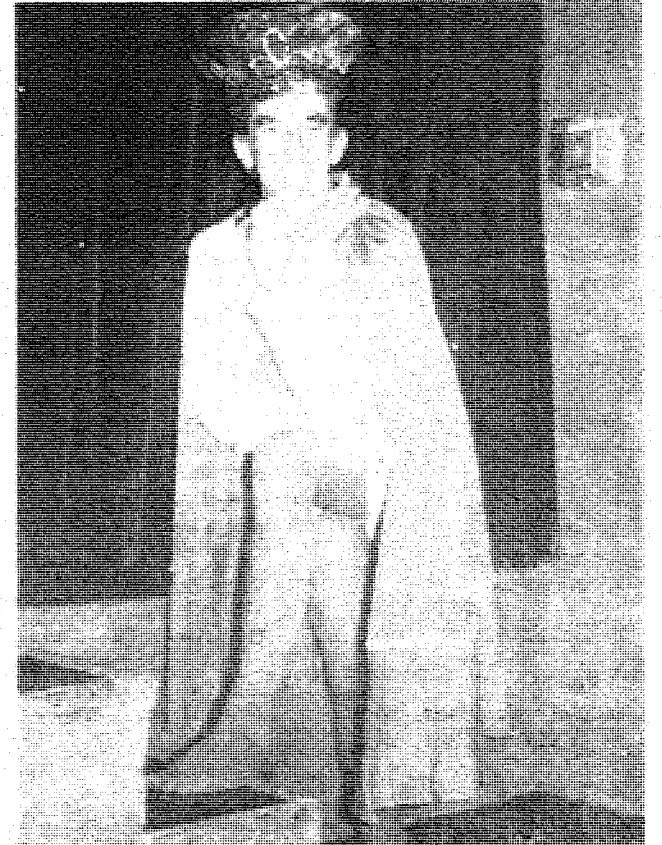
The cast laughed. The director had a way about making the cast feel good about their mistakes and

eliciting an attitude of "let's do better next time."

"Enthusiasm is the key word for tonight," he said. The play began, the play stopped. The chorus line was rearranged...the play began...

Cinderella has progressed in a couple of weeks from a state of shambles to organized confusion but continues to have the look of a very fine performance.

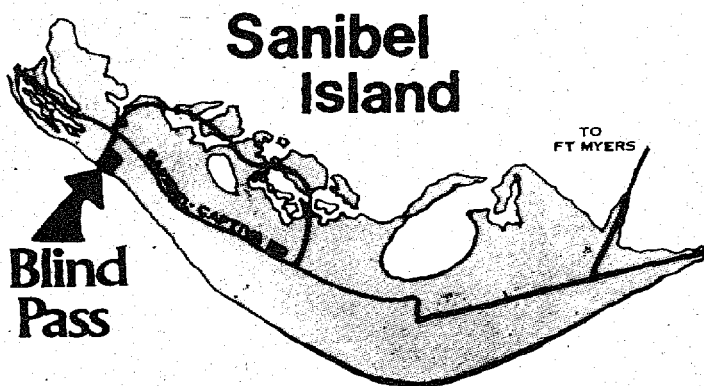
The play will be given May 21 and 22 at the Seven Lakes Auditorium. All are welcome.



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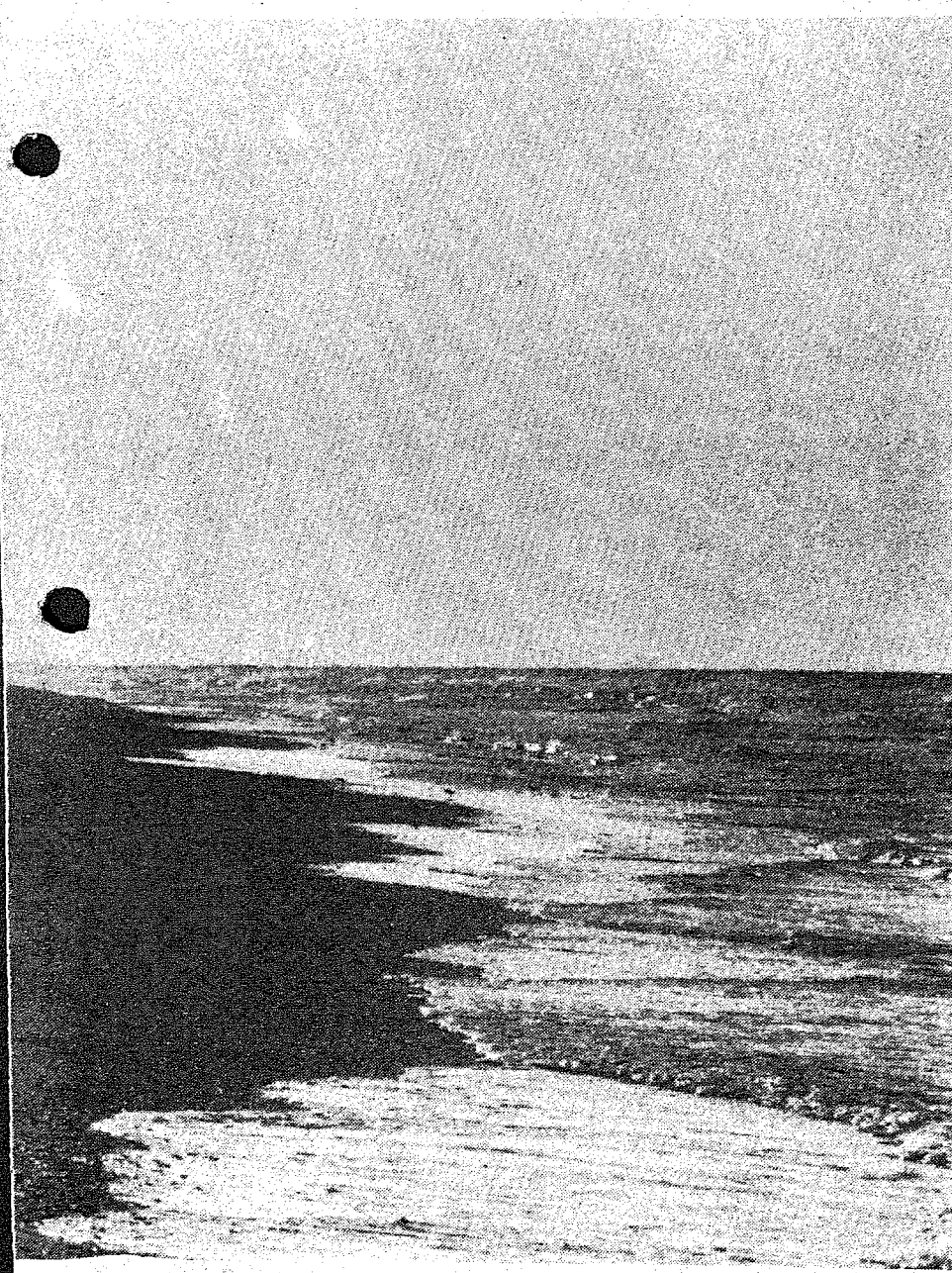


**sunday all day**

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| 6:57  | with Bill Hammond and Robert Troutman. Barbara Allen moderates | Memphis, Tenn. 4:30  |
| 11-Morning Devotions 7:00   | 26-Make a Wish 11:30   | 26-World Invitational Tennis Classic 6:00                                  |
| 11-Thy Kingdom Come 7:30  | 12 Noon  | 11-News Eleven   |
| 11-Rex Humbard  | 11-Face the Nation   | 20-Champion Fishing  |
| 20-The Bible Answers 8:00   | 26-Issues & Answers 12:15                                      | 26-Indianapolis 500 Time Trials (auto racing) 6:30                         |
| 20-Amazing Grace 8:30   | 20-Gulf Coast on Wall Street 12:30                             | 11-CBS Sunday News   |
| 11-Oral Roberts   | 11-Camera Three  | 20-NBC Sunday News 7:00  |
| 20-Old Time Gospel Hour 9:00  | 20-Meet the Press  | 11-60 Minutes  |
| 11-Breakfast at the Matador Room                                      | 26-Directions 1:00   | 20-Disney Special, "The Boy Who Talked To Badgers"                         |
| 26-Good News 9:30   | 11-U.S. Of Archie  | 26-Swiss Family Robinson 8:00  |
| 20-Changed Lives  | 20-Grandstand  | 11-Sonny & Cher  |
| 26-Old Time Gospel Hour 10:00   | 26-Insight 1:30  | 26-Six Million \$ Man 8:57   |
| 11-Catholic Mass  | 11-Harlem Globetrotters  | 11-Bicentennial Minutes 9:00   |
| 20-Norman Vincent Peale 10:30   | 20-World Champion Tennis final live from Hawaii                | 11-Kojak   |
| 11-Day of Discovery   | 26-The American Angler 2:00                                    | 20-McCloud   |
| 20-Davey and Goliath  | 11-Live Lightweight title bout, Roberto Duran vs. Lou Bizzaro  | 26-ABC Sunday Movie 10:00  |
| 26-Groovie Goolies 10:45  | 26-Travelogue 2:30   | 11-Bronk 11:00   |
| 20-This is the Life 11:00   | 26-Big Valley 3:30   | 11-News Eleven   |
| 11-Riverside Baptist Church   | 11-NBA Basketball  | 20-Ironside  |
| 26-These are the Days 11:15   | 26-Champion Bowling 4:00                                       | 26-ABC Weekend News 11:15  |
| 20-"Head On," a discussion of estuaries development in San Carlos Bay | 20-Danny Thomas Golf Classic finals live from                  | 26-Late Movie: "The Bride of Frankenstein," Boris Karloff, Elsa Lanchester |

**Monday 6:30 p.m. till sign-off**

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| 6:30   | 8:27  | 10:00   |
| 11-CBS Evening News                              | 11-Bicentennial Minutes   | 11-Medical Center   |
| 20-NBC Nightly News                              | 8:30  | 11:00   |
| 26-ABC Evening News 7:00                         | 11-Phyllis  | 11-News Eleven  |
| 11-Gunsmoke                                      | 26-ABC Monday Night Baseball 9:00   | 20-Eyewitness News  |
| 20-Concentration                                 | 11-All in The Family  | 26-Peter Gunn 11:30   |
| 26-Space 1999 7:30                               | 20-NBC Sports Special - Heavyweight Championship title match, M. Ali Vx. Richard Dulln live from Munich, Germany 9:30 | 11-CBS Late Movie: "Senior Year," Gary Frank & Glynnis O'Conner as high school seniors bitten by a bad case of puppy love |
| 11-Rhoda   | 11-Maude  | 20-The Tonight Show   |
| 20-John Davidson Show (Premiere "new look" show) |   | 26-ABC Monday Night Special   |
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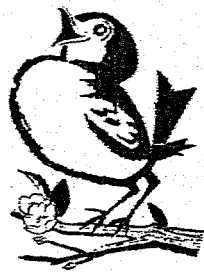


long the shore at sunrise. . .



The city has been installing attractive directional signs along the bike paths this past week

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The purpose of this public hearing is to take evidence in reference to a proposal by the Captiva Erosion Prevention District to construct two groins near the north end of Captiva Island.  
The general public and any interested parties may appear and give testimony at this hearing.  
— Harmon W. Shields  
Executive Director  
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May 18, 25, 1976

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It **MUST** have been a home run, right?  
(see story page 22)

### Wanna raise a tiger?

Zoos, circuses, game bird breeders, and other persons who breed endangered species in captivity will be helped by new regulations proposed by Interior's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Keith M. Schreiner, Associate Director, announced.

The regulations, proposed recently in the Federal Register, simplify the process of transferring ownership of certain endangered species which are being bred in captivity. Sixteen species, four of them native to the United States, are found to be bred extensively enough in this country that they are being proposed as "Captive, Self-Sustaining Populations." Interested persons have until July 6, 1976, to comment on the proposal.

"These breeders play a vital role in the conservation of endangered

species," Schreiner said. "In fact, if it weren't for them, some species that are no longer found in the wild would be extinct. These captive populations not only provide gene pools which, of themselves, are worthy of preservation; they also make possible the reestablishment and rejuvenation of wild populations as well as man's continued, legitimate use and enjoyment of the species without jeopardizing its existence."

"For example, there are almost 300 tigers in captivity in the United States. Of these, only about 10 came from the wild—all the rest were bred here and more than 25 individuals have been able to breed them."

The proposed regulations would determine that "Captive, Self-Sustaining Populations" of the following Endangered

Species have been attained in the United States: tiger, leopard, jaguar, ring-tailed lemur, black lemur, brown-eared pheasant, Edward's pheasant, Humes pheasant (bar-tailed pheasant), Mikado pheasant, Palawan peacock pheasant, Swinhoe pheasant, white-eared pheasant, Nene goose (Hawaiian goose), Hawaiian duck, Laysan teal (Laysan duck), masked bonwhite

The regulations would set up a greatly simplified system of permitting qualified persons to buy or sell these species for purposes that would not result in the import, export, or death of the animal or the loss of its reproductive ability. The regulations also provide for a recordkeeping system sufficient to enable the Service to monitor the well-being of the captive populations.

## County to consider car toll stickers and AVI tomorrow

by Richard Arthurs

For a number of years, now, the Lee County Board of Commissioners has been kicking around the idea of alternatives to the system of toll collection currently in practice at the Sanibel Causeway Toll Booth. In the past, the discussions have failed to bear fruit, but at their regular weekly meeting to be held tomorrow at the county courthouse, the commission will once again hear the issue raised by Lee County Director of Transportation Ben Pratt, whose office has been charged with the investigation of possible alternatives to the ten dollar toll ticket books now in use.

The alternative presently under consideration by the Department of Transportation involves the installation of an Automatic Vehicle Inspection System (A.V.I.), which would eliminate the ten dollar toll passbook, although not the three dollar toll for one-shot visitors, according to Ben Pratt.

Under the A.V.I. System, commuters would pay in the vicinity of twenty-five dollars for a toll sticker which would be good for three months. When displayed upon the exterior of an automobile, the sticker would allow the motorist to pass through the toll booth without stopping, thanks to an electric eye which would be installed at the toll

station. The estimated cost of purchasing and installing the A.V.I. System is \$40,000, making the proposal economically infeasible until such time as the volume of traffic crossing the bridge is great enough that two toll booths must be kept open for most of the day, said Pratt. Another problem with the proposed A.V.I. System is how it would meet the needs of Island residents with more than one car, who are better accommodated by the current passbook system, Pratt admitted.

At tomorrow's meeting, Pratt will be asking the commission to okay the expenditure of \$2,500 to have the county's consulting engineers, Coverdale and Colpitts of New York, investigate the A.V.I. proposal.

Of course, no decisive action can be taken on the matter until the appeal of the Causeway bond issue is settled, County Administrator Lavon Wisner told us last week. Still, the county is pursuing its investigation of the A.V.I. System so as to be prepared when the appeal suit is finally resolved.

The Sanibel City Council gave its wholehearted approval to the A.V.I. proposal in a letter to Mrs. Wisner some weeks ago.

### SSP passes inspection with flying colors

As a result of a routine health inspection conducted by Lee County health inspector Bob Bradford, South Seas Plantation Resort on the northern tip of Captiva was cited with 23 health hazards by county health officials on Friday, May 7. At that time, they were ordered to correct the violations, discovered in the kitchen of the King's Crown dining room, by the following Monday, unless

they wanted to risk possible revocation of their operating permit.

Monday, May 10 the restaurant passed the reinspection with flying colors. The follow-up inspection was conducted by Bradford and Joe Barker, food hygiene coordinator with the health department.

Said Barker, "Everything was up to par. They did an excellent job of correcting the violations."

South Seas president, Allen TenBroek, stated last week, "We feel that the types of violations that the health department was worrying about, while technically violations, were still not the kind that would endanger the health of our customers. They were mostly things outside or behind the kitchen, which we quickly cleaned up and which will never be repeated again."



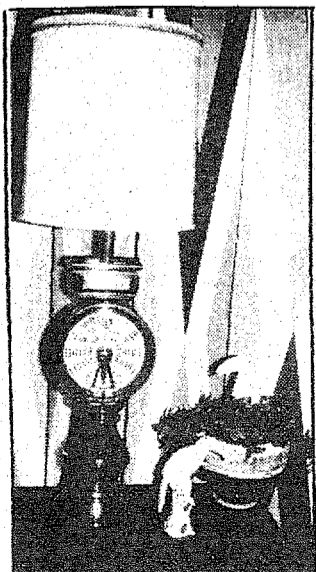
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# Corps plans Punta Rassa hearing ... sometime

by Richard Arthurs

Last week, Steve Rose, Project Manager for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville Office, revealed that the Corps would most likely hold a public hearing on the applications for dredge and fill permits for the proposed 525 unit condominium development on nearby Punta Rassa. Rose based his opinion on the fact that the Corps has received a number of requests for the hearing in recent weeks, one of them from the Sanibel City Council.

At their last meeting, the council decided unanimously to uphold the recommendation of city planner Sam Shannon to do an impact study on the development proposal to see what effect, if any, the project would have upon the Island's traffic problems, emergency evacuation procedure, and beaches. His study, which was presented to the council at their last meeting, concluded:

"The issuance of the permit would result in the alteration or destruction of numerous acres of coastal wetlands and cause the degradation of the natural systems of the area. Transportation problems would be significantly increased both as they relate to the inadequately designed intersection at Punta Rassa Road and State Road 867 and the necessity to provide adequate evacuation routes for the residents of Sanibel and Captiva. Permission by the Corps to develop without the provisions for major on-site recreational opportunities, especially beach area, would result in future residents of the project using nearby areas for recreational activities thus placing an undue burden on adjacent communities; services and facilities, in this case Sanibel's. In that Punta Rassa is reported to be the site of the first settlement in Lee County, the potential loss and destruction of valuable historical data should be appropriately reviewed in the permitting process. All the



John Kontinos talking to the council...

"This project will be built!"

above stated assessments substantiate the fact that the granting of the permit for development at Punta Rassa is not in the public interest."

In conclusion, Shannon recommended that "The Sanibel City Council should direct the City Manager to notify the Department of the Army Corps of Engineers that the City of Sanibel would be adversely affected by the granting of Permit Application No. 76K-0222 and thereby request that the Corps of Engineers conduct a public hearing to determine the valid public interest. Further, the Sanibel City Council should also instruct the City Manager to request the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement by the Corps of Engineers on the permit application."

John Kontinos, co-applicant for the Corps permit along with architect William Frizzell, was present at the meeting to argue his

case. He said that the impact on Sanibel from the construction of the proposed development would be negligible inasmuch as the population increase in the area would be very gradual due to the high quality and so prohibitive cost of the units he proposed to build. Further, he contended that State Road 867 will be able to accommodate the added traffic strain and that no adverse environmental impact will result from the dredging of two lagoons of about nine acres in total area, for which the Corps; dredge and fill permit is required.

Kontinos also asked that the council review the findings of previous public hearings on his proposal, saying, "If we get right down to the specifics of this project, that land will be developed! We think that this is the right way to develop that property."

After hearing the remarks of Kontinos and project engineer Jim DeLozier, who was also present, Mayor Porter Goss said, "I feel that the traffic problem and the burden on our beaches are legitimate concerns. I think the idea of updating this public hearing under today's standards is a valid one."

Councilman Zee Butler moved to approve Shannon's recommendation to direct the city manager to request a public hearing from the Corps before the May 14 deadline for public comments, which motion passed unanimously. The Sanibel City Council, having no legal jurisdiction over the Punta Rassa project, would be expressing their concerns as private citizens during any such hearing.

As of the end of last week, Rose could give us no details as to when the public hearing would be held, or even when the Corps would get around to setting a date for the hearing, due to the busy schedule of the District Engineer. At that time, the Corps was still waiting to receive the comments of the State Fish and Game Commission on the proposal.

## Letter to the ISLANDER:

TO THE ISLANDER:

We believe that the lawsuit challenging the validity of Sanibel Causeway bonds was not brought to right a wrong, for there is no wrong, but to legally harass. In view of the plaintiffs and the organizations they spring from, we are convinced that this is yet more of the "delay and destroy" tactics of the enemies of land use planning and the City of Sanibel. The intent is to tie up Lee Co. in court, at taxpayers' expense, and deny both county and Sanibel the use of revenues generated by the tourist trade. Should the plaintiffs lose, as surely they will, they will try to drastically reduce bridge tolls or remove them entirely. Should this happen, these dissidents, who never accepted incorporation or islanders' determination to plan their growth, could succeed in destroying both Sanibel and Captiva.

We all know that people will take anything offered free so it is not surprising that there are many names on the petition circulated by the Lee County Young People's Political Caucus. Had their leader been here longer, he would know that only occasional visitors, mostly tourists, pay the \$3 toll. All others, buy books of tickets at 50 cents per round trip per carfull. Should even this be dropped, taxpayers again would have to shell out for loss of revenue now collected mostly from out-of-staters.

The pity of it is that the people who frequent the islands would be the first to suffer. What pleasure for anyone in snarled traffic, noise, fumes, litter, pollution, crowded beaches and, inevitably, an increase in crime and the breakdown of facilities?

YYPC has made a very bad move and one which will not soon be forgotten. Few voters will approve their support of the extreme right in its efforts to strangle Sanibel and Captiva. What will they demand next? A free ferry to Cayo Costa?

-s- Elinore Dormer  
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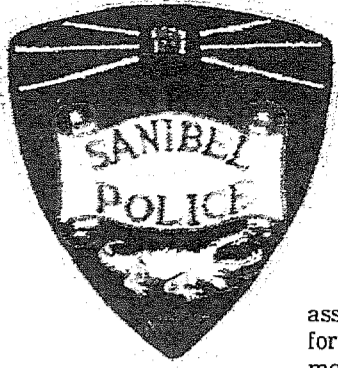
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# Police report

Normally, a full moon brings trouble, but the only really outstanding trouble was that alarm, which went off 22 times in the past week, and five other alarms which went off here and there around the Islands for no apparent reason. No B&E's (Breaking and Entering) triggered any of the alarms; they were set off by vacuum cleaners, soft drink machines and things that go bump in the night but always seem to be GOA (Gone On Arrival) as each check showed premises 10-4. No traffic violations were recorded, there was one fender bender type of accident, two calls for

assistance and three calls for the ambulance and/or medical help. Two pairs of glasses were found, as were two dogs, two purses, one bike, one book and a Sunfish craft. A set of keys was lost.

White van reported parked on beach. Officer found van in proper parking lot and owners returning from swimming.

A suspicious vehicle with esoteric equipment reported in area filled with loud people. Car fitting description found; occupants stated they had just gotten through work. Another officer, later on, spoke to occupants of vehicle, at which time they admitted "speeding around," which had been

included in the original complaint.

One of the dogs reported lost and found was fine, but collarless upon his return after a three-hour jaunt.

Boat called in that they were returning to port with girl who had a large hook embedded in her person. Medic responded.

Person reported missing; later found. Only strange thing was that report came in under one name, but missing and found person turned out to be spouse of complainant.

Vehicle reported on beach; turned out to be person who wished to go to beach but to also stay in hearing if any "emergency" calls came in for him. Subject advised not to park on beach in future.

Camper R-V reported parked at end of road "all afternoon." Officer arrived and advised occupant (s) to move to trailer park.

Business manager called to complain that cars

utilizing other business in area were parking in his territory; SPD advised complainant to have signs put up and cars towed away. Other business responded by accusing first of having open sewer plant. Building inspector notified.

Watering hole manager asked for assistance in removing loud person from premises who said loud bad words in front of people and officers. Mission accomplished!

B&E reported, probably through entrance way in roof. Beer and dimes taken; wines and other coins left untouched.

Complaint came in that people were diving "improperly" in that they did not display diver's flag. When officer arrived, divers had started picnicing ashore and said they had used a flag.

A possible B&E turned out to be an open door—no signs of forced entry and nothing found missing, just unlocked door.

Cat found, picked up, clawed fender, who had to get a stitch into close wound. Cat owner found; said she'd keep eye on cat for 10 days per doctor's request.

A report of a prowler was changed to "vehicle on right of way" when prowler couldn't be found, but empty parked car was. Car removed and searched. Everything OK.

A person or persons unknown threw a concrete road marker through the windshield of a parked car, causing vandalism.

Trash fire reported; extinguished by garden hose by time fire fighting vehicles had arrived on scene.

Call came in that a gunshot had been fired through a window; unfounded. Small hole in window, but no hole on inside screen; broken light fixture fell on floor.

Complaint came in that a vehicle tried to hit caller on purpose while man was riding bike. Unable to locate vehicle immediately; later learned a vehicle matching description had gone through toll booth off island at a high rate of speed.

Call came in that suspicious persons were loitering in area known for recent rash of B&E's; GOA.



## Shady occurrence at County Courthouse

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Call came in that female had shot off fire extinguisher; basic problem—no fire! Turned out she did; promised to pay establishment for new one.

Complainant called in that two prowlers were around her home and that she was leaving premises. Upon return, reported that back door screen had been cut; matter turned over to LCSO.

Call came in about vehicular trespassing; driver found fishing; and was asked to move on and did so.

Call came in that man was abusing his dog; officer spoke to man, who said that was the way he trained his dog. Officer suggested dog owner find another way.

Complaint came in of prowlers flashing lights; report changed to "UFO" (Unidentified Flying Object) attack. Officer arrived at scene three minutes after original call; encountered very excited person who described being

hit by two "extremely bright" flashes of light, which, he stated, paralyzed him and made him feel numb. When questioned by officer, subject said he thought he'd been shot by some sort of paralyzer ray from an UFO, and that he'd seen UFO's before. Search of area revealed no suspicious persons, shellers, footprints or UFO's. Officer reported there was an extremely bright display of lightening over Gulf during entire search, UFO's GOA-UTL.

Report came in of almost \$100 missing from cash register; no mad or fired employees around.

Complaint came in that quart of spirits had been removed from home without permission, possibly by young person. Investigation continues.

Call came in about fire on canal bank; follow up call said rain had put fire out. Fire department arrived to verify fire was out.

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## What's happening today at city hall

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 18, 1976

9:00 a.m. 1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance (LeBuff) 2. Approval of Minutes of previous meetings (February 2nd with continuations, April 20 and May 4, 1976). 3. Correspondence.

9:15 a.m. 4. Planning Commission Report.

9:30 a.m. 5. Consider adopting emergency ordinance regulating parking of motor vehicles, including specific recreational vehicles; providing definitions of included recreational vehicles; restricting the time and location motor and recreational vehicles can be parked in public places; prohibiting habitation in such vehicles except in approved locations and, prohibiting camping unless authorized. (Replacing Ordinance No. 76-10 expiring May 28, 1976).

9:45 a.m. 6. Public hearing and second reading of an ordinance prohibiting the operation and parking of motor vehicles upon paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles and, providing regulations concerning the operation of bicycles.

10:15 a.m. 7. Consider request by Mr. John K. Kontinos to construct an addition consisting of 187 square feet (to be used as storage and display area for The Grog Shop) to Island Shopping Center (corner of Periwinkle Way and Tarpon Bay Road), Section 26, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

10:30 a.m. 8. Consider request by Robert M. Taylor, owner, Periwinkle Partners, to construct a one-story 5,400 square foot building on a tract or parcel of land lying in the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 25, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida (2075 Periwinkle Way).

11:00 a.m. 9. Consider request by Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Bertram, Jr. to construct two single-family homes on lots of over 20,000 square feet each, said lots being replatted from the original Lots Nos. 1, 2, 17 and 18 of Martin's unrecorded subdivision (corner of West Gulf Drive and Lake Murex Drive), Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

11:30 a.m. 10. Consider request by Keith W. Trowbridge, President, Casuarina Corporation, to construct Buildings No. 1 and No. 3 of the Sanibel Beach Club on a tract or parcel of land lying in Government Lot 1, Section 30, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida (Nerita Street and 739 Cardium St.).

12:00 Noon Lunch.

1:30 p.m. 11. Consider request by Joseph and Florence Higgins to construct a single-family home on Lot No. 3 Poinciana Circle Subdivision lying in Section 27, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida.

1:45 p.m. 12. Consider request by Roswell P. Sherling, Chief Engineer, Lee County Electric Cooperative, Inc., to construct a relay control building and oil circuit breaker pad at the substation facility located in the East 330 feet of the South 330 feet of Government Lot 5, Section 18, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Lee County, Florida.

2:00 p.m. 13. Continuation of hearing on request by Dave Holtzman to construct a restaurant and three (3) additional two-story buildings (42 units) at Shell Harbor Inn (Lindgren Boulevard and Gulf Drive).

2:30 p.m. 14. First reading of a proposed ordinance establishing the provisions for both on-premises and off-premises sale of alcoholic beverages providing definitions; adopting State Beverage Law; providing for the hours of sale; providing for distances and locations and provisions of sale; providing for the transfer of licenses and, revocation or suspension of licenses.

3:00 p.m. 15. First reading of a proposed ordinance regulating the operation of taxi cabs; setting forth the required insurance; providing for application for service; providing for standards of service and providing for suspension and revocation of license.

3:30 p.m. 16. Finance Committee Report.

4:00 p.m. 17. Consider adopting resolution applying for an Order directing that the County Court sit in a location suitable to the City of Sanibel and convenient in time and place to its citizens and police officers.

4:10 p.m. 18. Consider adopting resolution opposing the approval by the County Commission of the proposed Troutman development of The Estuaries.

4:20 p.m. 19. Consider adopting a resolution establishing a Water Conservation Committee and appointment of members thereto.

4:30 p.m. 20. Consider a resolution to include City of Sanibel in the Central and Southern Flood Control District for Water Management purposes.

4:40 p.m. 21. City Attorney's Report.

5:00 p.m. 22. City Manager's Report.

5:15 p.m. 23. Mayor and Councilman Reports.

5:30 p.m. 24. Public Inquiries and Comments.

Adjournment.

### Power Squadron gives tips to Cubs

The Sanibel Captiva Power Squadron gave the members of the Sanibel Captiva Cub Scouts a talk on boating safety last Tuesday at the Elementary School, according to Scout Leader Bob Krepin.

The boys, who range in age from eight to ten, were also given balsawood model sail boat kits by the Squadron. They are now, presumably, busily constructing their crafts, which will be

sailed in the Very First Annual Sanibel Captiva Sailing Regatta.

The regatta, which will take place in a couple of water filled ten foot long gutters at the school, will occur in a week or so.

"We'll award the winner with The American's Cup, or something," Krepin told The ISLANDER.

Watch the ISLANDER for more details ... it may shape up to be the race of the year!

### CPOOS meets May 27

The Concerned Property Owners of Sanibel will meet at the Community House, May 27 at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be David Pfaff of Pfaff and Associates, a firm which has done an indepth study of the Collier County Real Estate Tax Base and Budgets. Pfaff and

Associates are consultants in marketing programs and community data.

David will discuss, in general, the impairment of the tax base in regard to tax exempt lands and lands adversely affected through governmental action.

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As pictured here, Philip and Ruth Hunter, Philip and Ruth Hunter of Sanibel's Pirate Playhouse join Ralph Marciano and Betty Anderson after the final curtain of "George M." at the Lehigh Acres auditorium Saturday, May 8.

Betty, who's chief of the Lehigh news bureau, appeared with Philip in the movie. "Cotten Pickin' Chicken Picker," which was filmed in Lehigh a few years ago with Mel Tillis, Sonny Tufts, Lila Lee, Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom, Del Reeves and a list which goes on forever.

Ralph Marciano, who wowed an audience of almost a thousand in the title role of "George M." on the last night alone, was congratulated for his fine performance by the Hunters and Ms. Anderson.

Ruth gave us a quote about George M. Cohan (known in some circles at the "Wizard of Broadway") from her book, "Come Back on Tuesday," which relates Ruth's start in the theatrical world on Broadway and around the country.

"George...was having an audition for a new musical at the Liberty Theater. Once he had one, and 900 actors found out about it and jamed the theater so that George M. had to call it off.

"At this audition at the Liberty, a big actor went around the stage singing 'Hallelujh, Halleluha- - - allelu...'

"That's enough," shouted Mr. Cohan. I did think he might have let the actor finish the last hallelujah, and I thanked my lucky stars I wan't going to sing for him. I'd come to act.

"The stage manager brought me over to Mr. Cohan. 'This is a good actress,' he told Mr. Cohan, taking my arm. 'she's a comedienne.'

"O.K.," said George M. 'Befunny.'

"The look on his face didn't encourage me to try. I thought of that actor's unfinished 'hallelujah' and wizzed out of that stage door much faster than I had come in."

"But now," said Ruth (after seeing the play) "and reading his book 'Twenty Years on Broadway and The Years It Took To Get There,' I realize that's just the way he was, a genius, a smart-alec and a great guy --- and instead of worrying about that singer's 'Hallelujah,' I should have tried singing --- that would surely have been funny!"

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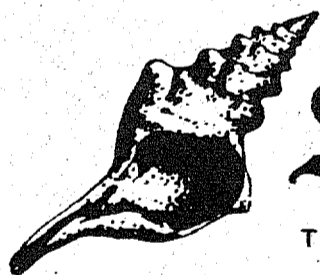
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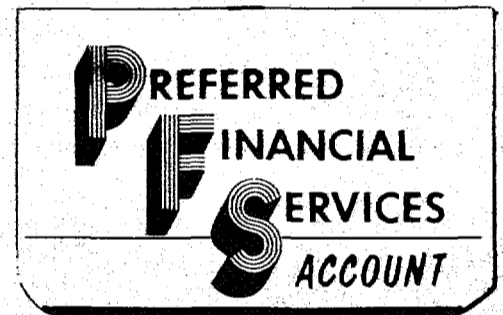
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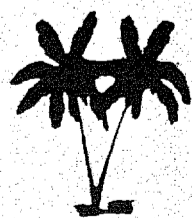
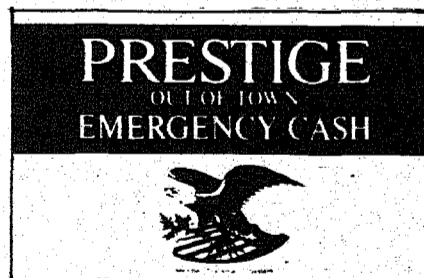


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# Shands hears Tracy-Ridge case

by Carol Quillinan

Monday afternoon, May 10, in Judge Shands' hearing room, Alan Gold, attorney representing Gordon Tracy and Velna Ridge against the City of Sanibel, made three motions. The first was to withdraw attorney Howard Rhodes from the case and substitute Alan Gold, the second was to amend the pleadings to include the owner of the property, John Hallward as plaintiff, and third, to ask for a date for temporary injunctive relief.

The first two motions were granted. The third gave the judge pause after Gold explained that the original pleadings had come under a writ of mandamus in December, 1975, which admitted that the plaintiffs had not exhausted their administrative relief remedies.

Gold said that Tracy-Ridge had, under directions of the court, gone before the Sanibel Planning Commission and the City Council until finally on April 2 they were denied permission to build the requested trailer park. On April 26 the complaint for injunctive relief was filed.

Gold said that the plaintiff's leasehold rights were threatened and would be seriously damaged if the case could not be resolved before the comprehensive land use plan was adopted into law.

Roger Berres, assistant city attorney for Sanibel, said that the City of Sanibel was sovereign, that it had the right to regulate, to allow for provident planning and if the interim ordinance was valid, the court could not amend the pleadings and that the court must consider the writ of mandamus. (The writ was apparently issued on paragraph 12 of the moratorium ordinance not being valid.) He said that the city was working as rapidly as possible on a land use plan for a very fragile island. It was difficult to speculate what the outcome for individuals would be while "operating in a vacuum. We don't have a plan yet," he said and added that an interpretation of land use would be needed.

The judge asked if Berres was asking him to judge what was ecologically and legally proper?

Gold responded that vested rights must be established and that the plan must ac-

commodate vested rights. He admitted that the courts have not decided on this issue, as yet.

"I know, you're askin' me to do it," Shands said in his slow southern drawl.

Gold: "You can't ignore those rights. There will be a severe jeopardy to the leasehold."

Shands: "How do you know these things when there isn't any plan?"

Gold said that the status quo regarding vested rights 'could not be changed and asked "How do we preserve that status in a vacuum?"

Shands said that it would be improper for him to rule on the rights issue when the higher courts have not. "Let's hear the writ of mandamus," he said. "If the court determines that the ordinance is valid we could issue a temporary restraining order on the city until we have a hearing. What's wrong with that?"

Berres said that two and a half years of study would be wiped out if vested rights could be proved and the plaintiffs were allowed to go ahead with the project.

Shands asked the attorneys whether they wanted to have a mandamus hearing "tomorrow," Tuesday, May 11.

Receiving no definitive answer he said, "Let's call a spade a spade. There's a lot of devils runnin' around as well as a lot of angels." The problem, as he saw it he said was that a ruling needed to be made if a community government had the right to do away with vested rights.

The issue at hand, he said, was "how far can Sanibel go on ecological-esthetic grounds to adopt an ordinance to legally curtail vested rights that have previously existed?" He charged the two attorneys to "come in here ready to argue on that issue."

Berres said that the city's planners and experts would have to be brought in "our planners...our plan, our documents..." He asked the court to wait until the plan was adopted... "then we'll put our plan on the line."

He said that it would not be fair to all those people not to wait until the adoption of the plan.

Shands asked "Where have I been unfair if I had the hearing right now or after adoption?"

Berres said that regarding the "analysis of alleged vested rights," fairness could not be judged prior to the adoption of the plan.

Shands again asked why not? He said that the problem was one of the power structure

and not whether the density of a piece of property was 2 or 4.4.

"You're going to have to show why that density is necessary. Vested interest cannot be denied. He's here challenging your right to tell him how to use his land," Shands said.

He then asked if density was the criteria for denying the permit. Gold said that was right. Berres said something inaudibly.

Shands said, "Mr. Berres, I swear, I don't think you understand. At issue here is the right to use your land as you want within the zoning. Now, you're limiting their use by density."

He told Berres not to confuse the issue with ecological problems. "They can't build because of density, right?"

Berres said that the city was in a discretionary posture right now and the city council was not sure of the ultimate density on any property but that the plan reflected a density of 1 d.u. for 3 1-3 acres on the Tracy-Ridge land.

Gold said that was seven trailer spaces on 22 acres.

"That's nice and private, isn't it?" Shands said.

After some discussion on police power, Shands said that there was only one issue... does a property owner have vested rights prior to the incorporation of the city.

"I'm going to continue this case," he said. "That's what all judges do when they don't know what to do. I'll take it under advisement," he said, smiling.

Then, becoming serious, "If I determine that the City of Sanibel has the right to invade the vested rights of individuals, I am not going to sit here and determine the density."

He asked that the attorneys return later in the day for a hearing date. Berres asked for 60 days. The judge said that 30 days ought to be long enough. Gold asked that the effect of the ordinance the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP), if adopted into law before the hearing, be held in abeyance in regard to his client's property. It was agreed to do so.

Tentative dates of July 27, 28 and 29 have been set for the hearing.

Fred Bosselman will be representing the City of Sanibel and Alan Gold will be representing Tracy-Ridge.



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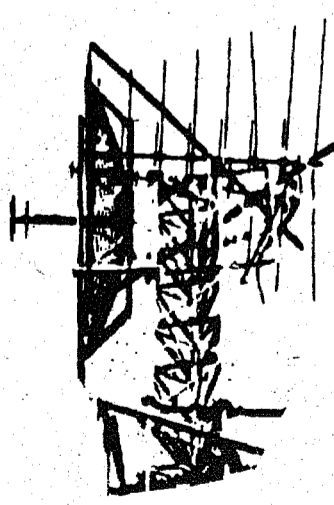
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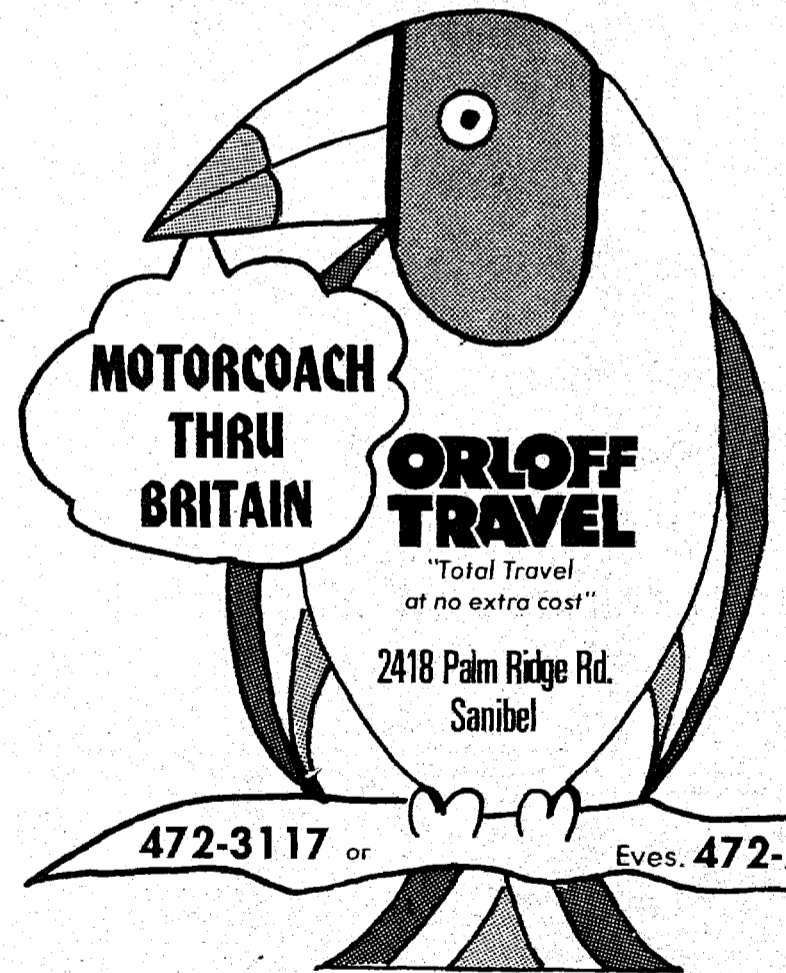
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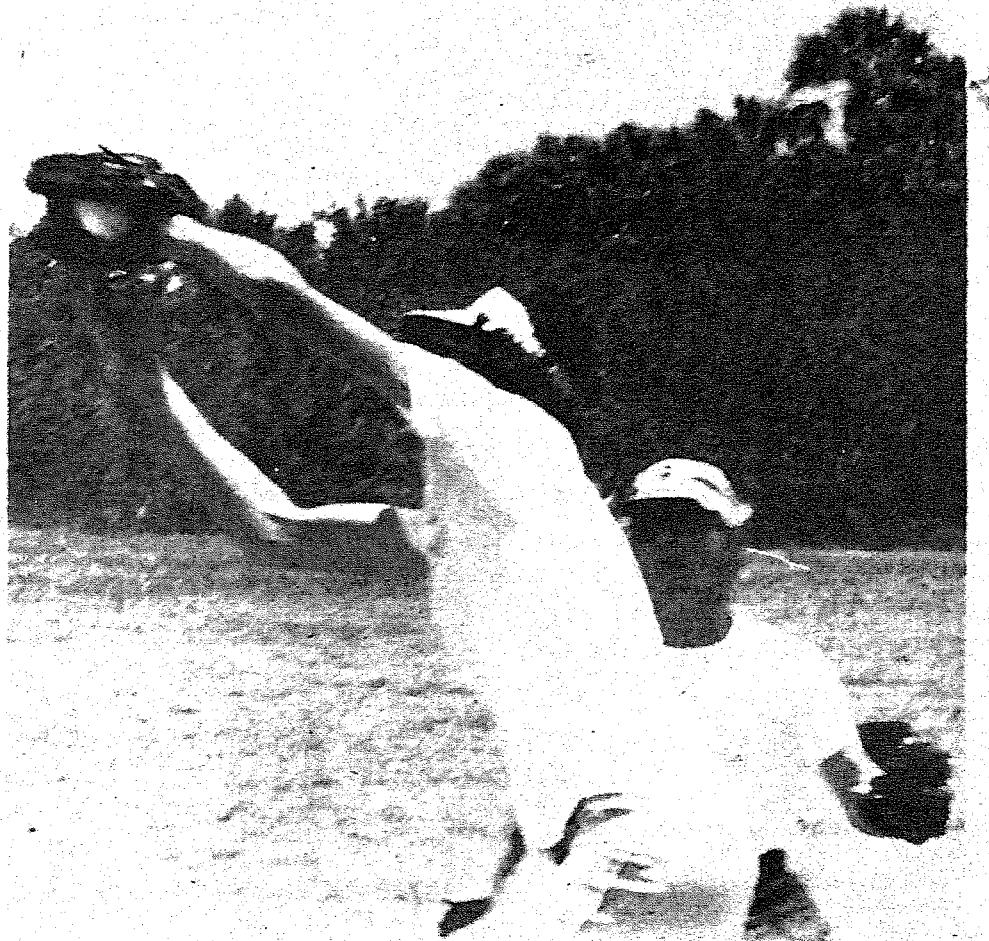
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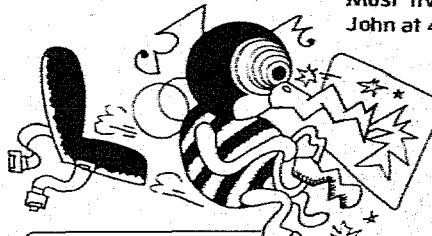
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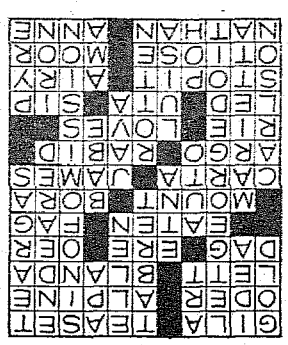
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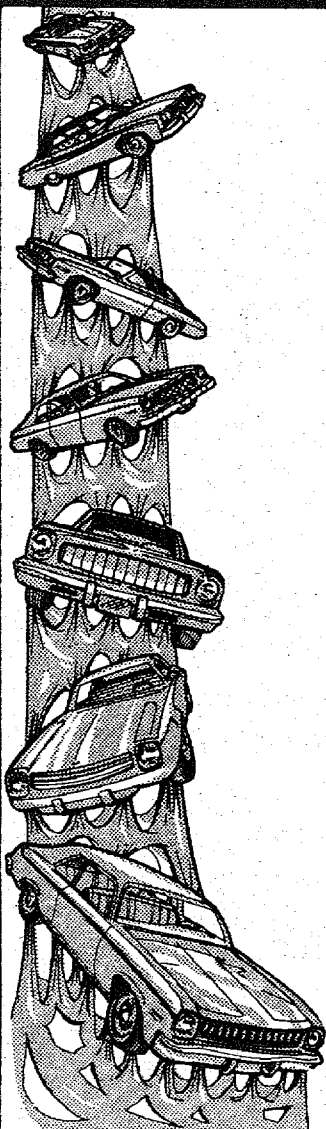
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