OLDEST ISLAND RESIDENT
73 YEARS OF A HAPPY LIFE ON DAUPHIN ISLAND . . .

By Katherine DeGruy

WEATHER . . . OR NOT

Since weekly weather forecasts put out by the United States Weather Bureau are general forecasts for the entire United States and do not tend to show the Dauphin Island area, here is a rule of thumb that fishermen may go by.

In general when no disturbances are near, a steady wind is a good sign for fishing. When the wind is light, there is usually no fishing. When the wind is strong, there are usually no fishing. fishermen in the gulf in small craft should keep a sharp eye out for cloud build-ups over land and over water at night. So especially on the lookout for high cloud build-ups with dark tops.

On the big cloud build-ups it is not unusual for the formations to move to 20 to 25 knots with winds of 40 to 50 knots in them, so judge your distance from the clouds to a safe anchorage accordingly and allow yourself plenty of time to get back in case of a storm.

Prevailing winds in general are Southwesterly during the daytimes and Southwesterly and Northwesterly at night.

This weather information is the opinion of the writer and is not necessarily endorsed by the U.S. Weather Bureau.

The oldest settler on Dauphin Island finds the recent change from fisherman's haven to vacationer's playground all to the good, "I can get a doctor now," said 73-year-old James Mallon, "and besides the roads are better."

The son of an Irish fisherman, Mallon was born on the island, makes his home there and found his wife in the island school. If you can't find a wife in your own town, you don't need one, Mallon twiddled this veteran of 51 years of marriage.

Mallon remembers in his early years the law on the island was settled with fists - "No guns or knives" - and there were no juvenile delinquents. Ducks were plentiful on the west end of the island, and the shooting was excellent. A true sportsman's code preceded today's game wardens. We killed what game we could eat. That was all."

The weekly trips to the mainland by sailboat for supplies is another obligation which the bridge has remedied. These trips often took as long as two days to complete when the wind was either unfavorable or the seas were rough. During these times, the islanders had to survive as best they could with what stores they were able to ration and preserve until the supply boat could complete their mission. And there were no doctors living on the island, this same mode of transportation, though at times underpinned and too often aborted, served as the only means of securing professional medical services.

Weather was a major factor in life on the island. The school teacher came by boat from Mobile for the island's 3 months of school during July, August and September. Wind in the sails being the only means of propulsion, the boats were a great extent at the mercy of the elements. Mallon recalls one year when a teacher was being transported to the island a severe squall suddenly engulfed her boat. The lashing waters washed her overboard, and her body was never recovered.

The worst blow Mallon remembers was the hurricane of 1966. Then married and the father of several children, Mallon "took to the woods and watched the tops whipped from the pine trees." Mallon's new house and that of a neighbor were rendered to shambles, and although the trees still bear the scars of the storm, and the property damage was extensive, not a life was lost from the island's 250 population.

Many famous people have visited Dauphin Island before the bridge connecting the mainland was built. In 1929, Mallon took Henry Ford fishing when he visited Mobile in his yacht. And a president of Goodyear Rubber Company spent 2 weeks camping in the woods, fishing and hunting with him.

The island's residents remembered with special fondness World War II when Mallon and a group of others patrolled the waters in the vicinity of the island ever on the lookout for enemy craft. Mallon served as captain on one of these patrol boats.

Mallon has ten children, (Continued on Page 12)
EDITORIAL

With this, the first issue of the DAUPHIN ISLAND NEWS, the entire staff wishes to sincerely thank all the fine understanding people who contributed, so generously, their time and efforts to make this first publication a reality. They believe as we do that Dauphin Island is the most enchanting and exciting new development to ever present itself in this area and that a profound challenge exists to all associated with its management and growth.

We have endeavored to contact as many people as time permitted but now realize in retrospect that we have hardly done justice to but a fraction of the local population and business establishments. We humbly ask your indulgence for any and all errors that we may have committed and are sure that if you sit down with this paper and exert very little effort in the process, our mistakes will be prominent. If that's what you're looking for you'll find us most obliging, however, we hope that all concerned will realize that in time our mistakes will be rectified and we will enjoy a close, mutual understanding which will be dedicated to the promotion, maintenance and perfecting of our Island Paradise.

We are looking forward to hearing from you and want your criticism both mild and violent and at the same time would appreciate any helpful suggestions you might have to offer on how to make this paper more readable, more informative and more interesting.

We know there were many social events in the past two weeks not mentioned in this issue. We tried to contact hostesses about several parties but had no luck in reaching them. So if you're planning a party in the future let us know and we'll get all the available information in plenty of time. If you are going to have something really special we'll try to be on hand with the camera. Don't be shy, give us a call. For social news call Mrs. J. C. Hans GR 9-2318.

BROOKLYN AIRMEN ENJOY ISLAND

Dauphin Island, with rapid advances in public and private recreation facilities since the opening of the airport from the mainland, is also being further developed by its maritime services.

Brooklyn Air Force Base has had fun facilities on the harbor at the end of the season for some time and they are now in the midst of their summer program.

And just recently, Army Engineers at Mobile awarded a $250,000 contract for construction of an airport and landing fields north of the beach area on the eastern end of the sandy-beach area.

Principal parts of the installation, being built by Southern Construction Company, Inc., include buildings for control tower, supply, administration and dispensary, dining hall, eight men's dormitories, base officer quarters, parking area, mule and trailer, and power. The project involves some rebuilding of Brooklyn's recreation facilities.

The aircraft and warning site, scheduled for completion in the spring, will be maintained by Brooklyn personnel and evaded by the 663rd Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron from the Eastern Air Defense Command.

The ACWRon is to consist of about 22 officers, one warrant officer and 200 men. About a dozen civilians will also be assigned to the site.

The installation, being built on land already owned by the government, will not interfere with civilian facilities on the playground.

Upon its completion, Lt. Col. Maurice E. Staring, chief of air installations at Brooklyn and liaison officer for the local command, will accept the facility for the base and supervise its maintenance.

Meanwhile, many Brooklyn personnel are taking advantage of the varied recreation program offered by the base on the island. Swimming and fishing enthusiasts are taking advantage of the Gulf's blue waters. The military personnel and their dependents have access to the two fishing boats, house trailers and dining hall facilities. In addition, officers' living quarters are provided for short vacation stays.

Brooklyn maintains capable facilities for its beach.
Social

Visiting Dauphin Island for the months of June and July is Mrs. Edith Matzeager Balfie and her two lovely daughters, Ann and Susan.

While here she is staying at the new beach home of her parents, the West End of Dauphin Island and thoroughly enjoying the facilities of the Property Owners Club. Mrs. Balfie and her husband, J. C. Balfie, are stationed with the U.S. Navy at Norfolk, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lyons, Jr., had a son Sage home for a brief visit from Washington and Lee and enjoyed a family dinner at the Isle Dauphine Club.

Congregating at the Property Owners Club were 86 members and wives of the Mobile Dauphin meeting for their regular monthly meeting. This was the last meeting for the summer but was turned into a gala dinner party to introduce the wives of the members.

Mrs. Horace Thurber entertained friends on the island, beginning with luncheon at the POC and cards later in the Wheel Room. From the Club the group drove to the Thurber cottage to spend the night and enjoy a little fishing. Along for the fun were Glo Booth, Georgia Sharpless, Florence Blacklight, Mary Lee Turner, Jeannette Basch, Georganne Treadway and Charlotte Long.

Over for the day at the POC were the Cliff Worsham and the Frank Fraxiers.

Mr. Lew Jeffers, President of Hayes Aircraft in Birmingham, had a luncheon June 22 for several business associates at the POC.

Also seen at luncheon this same day were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson. Mr. Johnson is the son of Forney Johnson for whom one of the Island streets is named.

There’s music every night in the Brigantine Room of the POC from 6:45 until 11. Currently appearing is David Moffet.

On June 29th the Hospitality Committee of the Business and Professional Women’s Club met with their guests at the Isle Dauphine Club for the last meeting of the summer. Mr. James F. Pierson was honored and table most attractive, wereMrs. Thomas D. and other members of the club. A musical program was presented by Mrs. Georgia Sheppard and entertained the members with several songs.

Business Men’s Association to Mail Folder

The Dauphin Island Business Men’s Association are preparing a colorful 2-color brochure to attract the tourist trade for this season. Plans call for printing fifty thousand folders to be distributed in a six state area plus a distribution to all motels and hotels in the immediate area.

The folder emphasizes the facilities and accommodations which are actually in operation at the present time, complete with mention Boating, Fishing, Sun bathing, swimming, fine foods, the Picnic area, the Deep Sea Rodeo and other recreational features to be enjoyed at this time.

Casino Chatter

The opening party of the Sand Dunes Casino was certainly a beginning of the real activity at Mobile’s newest resort addition — Dauphin Island.

After dinner, the guests joined in the entertainment on the patio overlooking the Gulf when Jack Cardwell with his guitar sang the old favorites.

Roy Albright, Vic Hudson and Sidney Pfieger must have felt proud when the entire group of guests sang Jack’s original composition “Dauphin Island” in tribute to the time and effort given by them, our Park and Beach Director, Mr. Frank Toy and Velma and Steve Croom agree the song should be recorded for every juke box in Mobile.

The 67 graduates, after having a song of parties, held one of their own at the Casino with supper and dancing under the stars on the patio. Committee in charge was “Missie” Moore, Toni Jackson and Lea Shearer. It was decided to have charter buses in the future so more young people could come for this kind of gathering.

Herbert and Marian Johnson have “homsatied” a section of the palm covered beach shelters every Sunday with Jimmy, Harry, Gray and Susie.

The informal dances at the Casino each Friday night have been quite popular with both the locals and visitors. Credit is in order to Mr. Robert Hays for the attractive decorations throughout the Sand Dunes building.

The selection of “Miss Dauphin Island” will be held at the highland of Bonneville Beach, Wednesday, July 17. The selection of one of the contestants to hold this honor will be televised for the public, who would be unable to attend to witness the selection in person.

Adding to the agenda of entertainment at Dauphin Island Deep Sea Rodeo will be the square dance at the Casino for the public and participants of the rodeo itself.

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And it is. A deep subject — a big mystery.

For one thing, there is deep history. This was Madoc, son of Owain Glyndwr, the King of North Wales.

There is a deep mystery so deep that the greatest scholars and poets have probed it and come away perplexed. Charles Scribner & Sons' "Child of the Snapping Turtle" and "Fink," published by the Abelard Press, and "The First Christmas Dinner," published by Harper's, are the books Rayford has written. A new book, called "Chasin' the Devil Round a Stump," a history of Mardi Gras in Mobile, is being prepared for publication, now.

The Dauphin Island News inaugurates with this issue, a feature that will be a regular part of the paper. This column will be conducted by a noted historian of the Dauphin Island region who has devoted years of research to the Gulf Coast — Julian Lee Rayford. In this column, Mr. Rayford will go into more detail about Dauphin Island than he did his latest book, "Whittlin', Woman & Crawlin." He will help us understand the story of the island.

The Dauphin Island News has carefully selected names which are significant in the long, romantic and colorful history of this island which played a vital part in the settlement of North America and which is now being developed as one of America's greatest resort and recreational areas.

A Committee on Nomenclature has been established to help settle the question of the names of the streets and avenues. The committee's job is to make sure that the names of the streets and avenues are arranged alphabetically, beginning at the Fort Gaines Park on the east and at the Sand Dunes on the south. The names of streets and avenues begin with the same letter that you would choose for the street which you are on.

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Recognition is certainly due Miss Eva Mae Sprinkle, one of the first employees of the Port and Beach Board on Dauphin Island.

The Historical Notes are a part of the Port and Beach Board on Dauphin Island.

A native of Dauphin Island, she is well informed on its history as well as its geographic interests. She has proven herself a valuable asset to those who have interests in Dauphin Island.

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FIRST HOMES SET BUILDING TREND

In the course of the last two years, as home building got off to a cautious beginning and then slowly gathered momentum, there were from time to time notable milestones which profoundly affected the trend of building on the island.

In the early days, shortly following the completion of the bridge, was scattered building in the wooded central area. During this period the Dewberry brothers from Birmingham built big year-round homes on adjacent lots just east of the shell mounds. These lovely homes, facing out over Dauphin Bay, being almost the very first homes built, were an inspiration to all visitors as they evidenced complete faith in the island as a future resort.

Ernest Todd of Mobile followed, last summer, building a striking masonry home behind Cadillac Square which, in departing from the conventional, gave the visitor a feeling that here was a house designed to blend with the island, to take full advantage of the wonderful climate and promote indoor-outdoor living.

Just a year ago the focus of attention was turned to the sand spit that forms the west end of the community. Misner & McEvoy, St. Petersburg contractors doing seawall construction on the island, erected two model beach cottages on pilings overlooking the beach. These houses, reflecting the Florida architectural influence, admired by thousands of visitors, served as models for almost a score of other houses which were constructed facing the Gulf during the summer months.

The Property Owners' Association of Dauphin Island Land Sales Corporation, concerned that local residents might not fully appreciate the adaptable living available through skilled designing for water-front homes, built a model home on a seawall lot in Indian Bay addition near the Marina early last summer. Incorporating full use of glass wall panels and doors, open-beam ceiling and masonry construction, this house was visited by thousands of interested and impressed weekend visitors and purchased by Mrs. Joseph Beard of Mobile who promptly sold her fine home in town and became the first new permanent resident of the island.

During the last several months three houses of particular interest have been erected. Mr. C. A. Bul- len, of Houston, impressed with the island during his frequent visits supervising construction of the casino and club, has just completed a large masonry and glass house, slightly modern, which will be used by executives of his firm. Situated on Buchanan finger in Dauphin Bay, this house may well set a pattern for other corporation guest houses to be built in the future.

Mr. Blake McNeely of Mobile became a regular weekend resident last month in a two-story house he has just finished, overlooking Laffitte Bay in the Royal Lagoons area west of the woods. Making full use of his keen imagination, McNeely designed what is easily the most striking and colorful house on the west end. Mr. John Grice, of Mobile, last month introduced a larger house to the west end beach area in building a four bedroom, four bath house that has all the size and appearance of a year-round family dwelling. Situated half way from the road to the surf, this house will do much to quell the timidity of some folks not as familiar with the surf as to Mr. Grice.

There will be other landmarks erected in the months to come and each will serve to influence the building ideas of other property owners. For rendering this service they must be commended.

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SAND DUNES CASINO

ISLAND CASINO HANDLING CAPACITY CROWDS

If the words “Public Beach and Casino” make you want to run for the nearest shower and wear shoes while in the shallower part of the very delightful Sand Dunes Casino and you'll have a hard time believing you're Public. It was a revolution to this writer and granted it's new, it can, with wise management and a few enforced restrictions, stay a place that anyone may thoroughly enjoy.

The exterior is quite inviting, a combination of St. Je brick and redwood that should age beautifully and require a minimum of upkeep. The trim is a dull green which finishes the appearance in an attractive yet very practical manner. All of these features in the architecture of the building indicate that the Casino will forever be any run down, moth-eaten look.

The interior has been decorated in very practical materials that can withstand the usage required, yet in decorative colors that please the eye. The main room upstairs has very comfortable furniture cushioned in bright colors, its light airy atmosphere tempting even the most rabid sun worshipper to sit and relax. This lounge overlooks a patio complete redwood tables topped by colorful umbrellas matching redwood chairs. Also overlooking the patio is the LaFitte room or cocktail lounge. This room is decorated with black tables and chairs, the latter covered in white plastic, an attractive feature.

Inside the main building is a snack shop and conveniently located next to it is a dining area with redwood tables and benches.

Also on the pier is a hot dog stand for your convenience so if the fish are really biting and you don't want to go all the way back to the casino for fear of missing "the big one" you can grab a bite without letting the pole go.

There's a gift shop next to the main lounge, you can rent bathing suits, umbrellas and even have private parties during the week with delicious barbecued lunches of fried shrimp, chicken or baked crab by making reservations so what are you waiting for, contact Barbara Luecher at GR 7-4444. This casino is for the use of one and all and is there for your pleasure. So everyone is encouraged to keep it clean in the good shape and beautiful for years to come by not missing its facilities. Remember that if you bring lunches they must be eaten in the picnic area provided for this purpose and don't scatter what is left over for the gulls. If they're hungry, make them dig it out of the box.

YOUR LIFE IS IN THEIR HANDS!

Every precaution is being taken to protect the lives of those swimming at Dauphin Island. Pictured above is Bob Williams who is in overall charge of the six life guards on duty. The beach patrols are on duty from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day to safeguard and caution the bathers. Bob reports that he has had no serious trouble since his men are all accredited Red Cross graduates and the swimmers have been very cooperative.

There have been occasions when a bather will swim out to the life line, assuming he could rest there before the return trip. THE LIFE LINE WILL NOT SUPPORT YOU! It merely marks the outside boundary in which the life guards can lend you assistance. Bob has had to administer first aid to a few folks who stepped on trash fish thrown from the pier, but feels that this situation will improve when the fishermen realize this condition exists. Bob is a graduate of the Troy State Teachers College and will become the Assistant Coach at Murphy High this term.

Miss Mary Hallway, one of the prettiest sights on Dauphin Island.
BUILDING AND DEVELOPING PROGRESSING AT RAPID RATE

By Richard Farrelly

Building and development has progressed at an impressive rate on Dauphin Island in the two years since the bridge was formally opened to traffic.

On July 2, 1955 when the first cars moved across the new span, the landmarms of community development were non-existent. The two shore lines alone then have seen a huge program of public and private building move forward at an impressive rate.

Miles of paved roads, water and sewage services, scores of private homes, the sand dunes casino and magnificent Isle Dauphine Club, apartments, restaurants, stores, yacht docks and harbor, hundreds of additional reclaimed lots, boat repair facilities, all new, evident, testify to the immense program that has been underway.

Commitments to construction from the proceeds of the original sale of lots, were both completed and opened for use late this spring. Representing an investment of over $600,000, these developments, located on the sand dunes overlooking the beach, have proved extremely popular and are regarded as a tremendous benefit for the continued island development.

Work has been proceeding regularly on the development of the yacht docks and harbor and the marina now has two long piers in use with a large number of the available stalls leased to annual tenants. The marine fueling and repair facilities adjacent to the marina have been under construction since last summer.

The motel, located on the beach near the casino, and the two apartment houses, in addition to the several houses available for rent, have sustained the accommodations market through this summer. It is evident that the two large motels immediately contemplated will relieve the demand that becomes greater all the time.

In addition to these major developments, there has been further building along the service lines. A service station was completed last summer and four restaurants and snack shops have been operating for many more weeks, dating back to the summer of 1956.

These force-runners are merely indicative of more building to follow. The Air Force has a million dollar radar station under construction at the east end of the island near Port Gaines, a radar service station is on the drawing boards. It is expected that at least one large motel will be started in the near future.

Additional homes start each week. A store building which will house a modern grocery store will be completed within a few weeks. These are only indicative of development which indicate the great faith so many people have in the future of Dauphin Island. They are signs also of the long strides made in two short years.

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SPORTS

The 1957 Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo, one of America's great summer sports events, is slated July 26-27-28 with home base on historic Dauphin Island, a fast-developing, multi-million-dollar resort area some thirty miles from Mobile.

Anglers from more than twenty states are expected to compete for $10,000 in merchandise prizes and trophies and the supremacy of the Gulf of Mexico will yield hard-fighting tarpon, ling, cavallo, and many other species of game fish.

During the Rodeo, the tally sheet of participant and spectators ranged around 3,500 and 600 boats were registered.

Dauphin Island, now linked to the mainland of Mobile County by the new, four-mile Gordon Persons Overseas Highway and offering many new facilities for sportsmen and their families, should welcome the greatest crowd this year in the history of the fishing festival which originated in 1957.

Billed as the "Original" Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo, the three-day fishing event can be done on a low budget and on-the-spot expenses need not exceed $100 per person as Rodeo officials figure it.

The break-down is as follows: $10 for a rodeo ticket; $24 for a charter fishing boat for three days; and $18 for housing for the three-day period. These expenses total $24, and with a $100 budget that leaves $66 for incidental.

In 1957, more than ever before, the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo will be a family-type outing. The fisherman can be aboard a boat out in the Gulf while the wife and youngsters enjoy the surf bathing along one of the world's finest, white-sand beaches. After fishing, the entire family can explore the island's its historic Fort Gaines, a Civil War bastion that played a major role in the Battle of Mobile Bay. And if the wife and youngsters want to fish, they can drop a line from the jetties, wharves off the island or spans on the Overseas Highway. They may win more of the prize loot than the old man who is out fighting the big ones.

The appeal of top-flight sport at rock-bottom prices has for the past quarter century attracted Dauphin Island, and with millions in new facilities now in progress, the appeal is much stronger.

Sponsorship by the Mobile Junior Chamber of Commerce gives the Rodeo even more zest — and many well-managed softball tournaments, boxing matches, a huge $10,000 light-fish fry for participants and other exciting events make it the greatest.

At the Long Cut it is: "For fish 'n' fun, it's the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo!"

TATTERED TARPO
TROUNCES AVID ANGLER

By Charles Gay

The surface of Pau Aux Herons was smooth and still. It was hot and very humid at 6:30 a.m. A breathless, quiet pervading heat interrupted by breeze on occasion. The muffled rumble of the powerful cruiser engine was the only sound on the gray thick waters. A few scattered shreds of not quite burned away mist hung low on the sound still pink in the sun rise.

Mr. Edwin Varley had tied the last knot in the white nylon rope of the mullet to secure the wicked 12-0 hook, and as the bait was carefully lowered into the white foaming wake of the cruiser, Capt. Sam, several of the accompanying fishermen expressed no uncertain diction at the thought of dragging a dead mullet as tarpon lure. As the minutes passed, as the Dauphin Island bridge dropped further below. The scorching sun climbed a degree higher toward the zenith, the skepticism mounted.

In the intervening minutes coffee had been brewed and all conversation had turned to prospects of trolling in the open Gulf for King Mackerel. The thought of hooking a tarpon had largely been forgotten. It happened more like a deep-water explosion than a fish. The bottom of the sound exploded, a spray of torn water formed, a curving bow of water, disoriented, a twist, a tumbling somersaulting silvery scurried monster the top of the leap was visible and there suspended was six feet of savage fury.

The broad yellow line screamed from the smoking reel as the Tarpon streaked away for another jump under the bridge three feet above mast height. The silver scales ratted like a heavy cannon canister. The distended gills shown red blood and in the leap it was plain that a portion of the Tarpon's tail had been torn away as well as a patch of scales on sides of the head about the size of two hands. Apparently the Silverking had recent engagements with a shark or porpoise. There was no damage to a fighting heart.

Mr. Varley played a masterful running fight. A running reel delicately balancing tension against the bursting strength of the line, against the inescapable strength of the Tarpon, against the meager 100 yards of line left to fight with, which even then spun from the shrinking reel. And as each run ended in the soaring ascent of the fish toward freedom the stout rod bowed beyond any expected limit of recovery.

And as it went man against brute, brute against skill. And the once still waters lay torn in palls of spray and foam. The angler fought doggedly. Arms burning in his shoulder sockets. Muscles pulsing to bursting strings of agony. A blinding bitter sweat burned at his eyes, faster even than could be wiped away. The scene was now intent spectators. Matching a fighting heart against the raw courage of the Silver adversary.

It was over as quickly as it began. The last frantic rush of the Tarpon ran ripped away the last shred of line from the gripping jaws of the stainless steel reel. The last remaining thread parted with a forlorn faint pop, and the battle was over.

No one said anything for a long time, and even for the rest of the day, talk was in the same hushed whispers people have for the presence of the dead. And everyone understood. They looked blankly across the horizon at the place where the BIG ONE GOT AWAY.

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'ESTWARD HO' CRUISE STOPS AT MARINA

The New Orleans Power Squadron making their tenth annual "ESTWARD HO!" cruise to various Gulf Ports stopped at the Dauphin Island Marina for a three-day period enroute to Fort Walton. This year's cruise was commanded by Joseph Droll, aboard his yacht the NIGHT WIND NO. III, arrived at the Marina Sunday, June 5, after a stopover at Gulfport, Mississippi and departed for Fort Walton at 7:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 12.

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Three pretty deserters from Macon, Miss., Betty Ridings, Ann Klaus and Lynnda Culpepper, enjoying the surf and sand at Dauphin Island.
MALLON (Cont'd)

closing 3 sets of twins, all except one of whom live on the island. He has 65 grandchildren and five great grandchildren. "Dauphin Island has a school system now," he says, "and it's overrun with Mallons."

If Mallon's opinion of "Post-Bridge life on the Island" is shared by the other native Islanders, the bridge has been welcomed step of progress to all. This is not to say the thought of easy accessibility to outsiders was not viewed with skepticism and apprehension, however. Mallon for one feels that the convenience and advantages far outnumber the incommodiousness caused by the fantastically rapid development of his native Island into truly the "Playground of the South."

Beachcombing (Cont'd)

without a drop of preparation appearing on his unfurrowed brow. A more temperamental person would go screaming out the door, at least that's what I'd have done on several occasions during this interview. It takes a diplomat, mathematician, scrub boy, salesman, psychiatrist all rolled into one to make a new club stay out of the red. And another thing you must be is a hard-nosed husband at least in this case. Mr. Adkins told me that shortly after the club opened his wife had a baby, and he was happy with the result.

Pictured above is Mr. CARL HEINISCH, one of the congenial bridge tenders handling your tickets of appreciation for the construction of the beautiful Gordon Persons Overseas Highway. Mr. Heinisch was on hand at the opening of the bridge and accepted the first prize from Mr. J. F. Ward on July 2, 1955. He reports his biggest day as July 4, 1956 when he and an assistant collected $800.00 in one night's take. Mr. Heinisch is a native of Germany, having arrived in this country in 1918. He resides at East Fowl River.

Bill Adkins

chef he'd brought from New York became indisposed and left him with a kitchen filled with unprepared food and a dining room packed with unfilled dinner guests. The cook had to think of the results had he been a bachelor, but fortunately he's married and to a very vivacious and extremely ca-