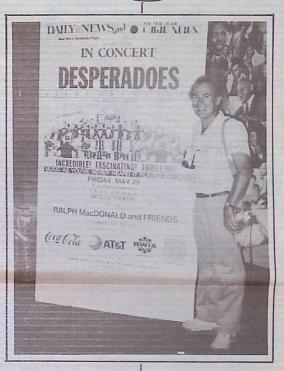
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JIMMY BUFFETT AT THE APOLLO

Much to our surprise, we found out late Thursday, May 28th, that Jimmy would be appearing at the famous Apollo Theatre the following Friday evening. The marquis at the Apollo announced that the award winning steel drum band from Trinidad, The Desperados, would be appearing with Ralph MacDonald and Friends. Ralph MacDonald's friends turned out to be noted jazz saxophonist Tom Scott, and Caribbean rocker Jimmy Buffett. Tom Scott, "the most valuable player" in LA recording studios has used Ralph's arrangements on many of his albums. Ralph arranged the balmy "Greola" on JB's "Floridays" album and has since spent time with Jimmy frequenting Key West watering holes playing impromptu sessions with local bands. Coral Reefer Robert Greenidge, leader of The Desperados, felt that JB's Caribbean connection made him a natural to sit in. Jimmy told The Goconut Telegraph that he was overwhelmed at the prospect of actually performing on the Apollo stage. Another footnote in musical history.



NEITHER RAIN NOR SLEET...

Early concert reviews are in and the "Parrot Looks At Forty" tour appears to be in great shape for the summer. First night concert goers at Chastain Park in Atlanta sat through sweltering heat, while the monsoons struck the second night, but the band played on. "Fingers" Taylor opened both shows with his rendition of "Dixie Diner" reminiscent of the "You Had To Be There" tour 10 years ago. Crowds were taken on an historical ride through the entire gamut of Jimmy Buffett music from "Peanut Butter Conspiracy" to the yet unreleased "That's What Living Is To Me". Atlanta has always been receptive to Jimmy and The Cor

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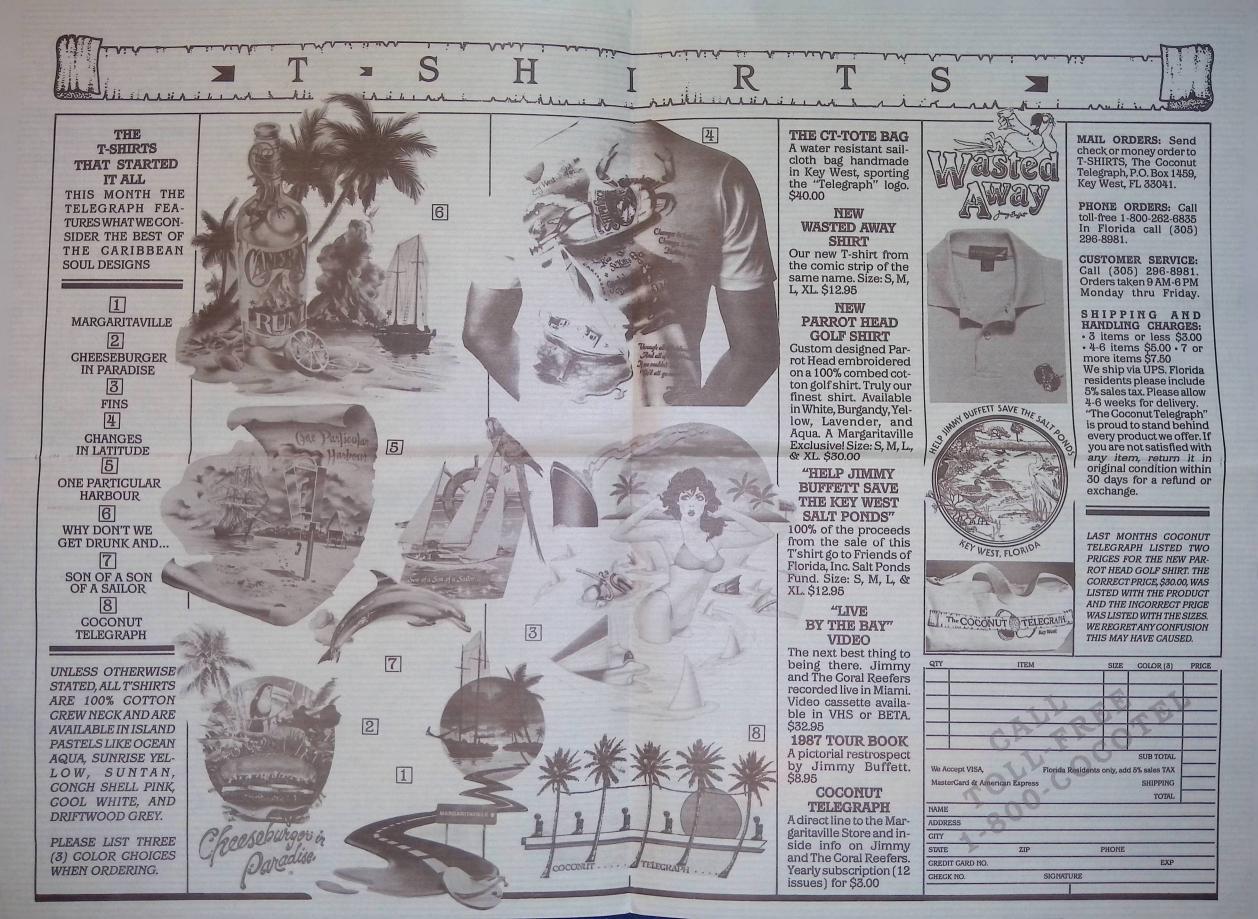
al Reefers, and this summer was no different. In spite of the weather, sold out audiences cheered their way through 3 hours of JB at his finest.



CORAL REEFER SPIN-OFF

Singer/songwriter and part-time Coral Reefer, Marshall Chapman, has just released her new album entitled "Dirty Linen" on the Line record label. Having her songs recorded by Sawyer Brown, Tanya Tucker, and of course, Jimmy Buffett last year, made 1986 her most successful year in the music business to date. The "Last Mango in Paris" album features several songs co-written by Marshall including "Everybody's On The Run" and "Beyond The End". Marshall will also be touring this summer with Jimmy as part of The Coral Reefer Band. Looks like 1987 is going to be another good year. "Dirty Linen" is available on cassette through Tall Girl Records, Suite 803. 900 19th Ave. So., Nashville, TN. 37212





SALT POND UPDATE

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A he Friends of Florida have been working very hard to fulfill Jimmy's \$1,000,000.00 pledge for the acquisition of the environmentally sensitive Key West Salt Ponds — the last bit of undeveloped Paradise in Key West. As of May 1st, less than 10% had been raised; but of that amount, 90% was from Parrot Heads via the Goconut Telegraph!

Last May, the Friends of Florida launched their "Is Paradise Worth A Penny?" campaign to raise public awareness and money on a local level. Local merchants were asked by Jimmy to donate one penny for every dollar (1%) earned over Memorial Day weekend. The Margaritaville Store pledged their 1% for the entire 1987 business year. Several non-local businesses heard of the campaign efforts and also made cash donations.

The local government wasn't to be outdone on this community effort. The Key West City Commission and Mayor Tom Sawyer (yes, our Mayor's name is Tom Sawyer) voted unanimously to direct \$.50 from each dollar generated from Fort dollar generated from Fort Zachary Taylor, a city beach park, into an acquisition and management fund.

Jimmy was very busy on behalf of the Friends of Florida the week before starting his '87 concert tour. The Friends of Florida had sponsored an essay writing contest for school children in the Keys on the theme "What Is Paradise Worth?" For the Grand Prize, Jimmy served as guide on a cance tour of the Salt Ponds for winners Maria Protopsaltis, 3rd grade, and Josh Ferris, 7th grade. Maria was later quoted as saying the favorite part of the tour was eating Domino's Pizza at Jimmy's after the canoe ride (the local Domino's Pizza has been a significant supporter).

Jimmy then flew to Tallahassee to appear at the CARL (Conservation and Recreational Lands) public hearing. The 407 acre Salt Pond project is now on the CARL acquisition list and eligible for state purchase funds.

So, we're off to a great start, but far from home. The community response and cooperation on both the private and public sectors is very encouraging. If it continues, success is assured.

Any of those who would like to make a personal donation, please send checks to Save The Salt Ponds, c/o Friends of Florida, 201 William St., Key West, FL 33040. You can also help by purchasing a Salt Pond T-shirt in the Goconut Telegraph. All profits go to the fund. Businesses that would like to participate in our campaign can call or write (305) 296-0152 for project information.

This bit of Key West Paradise is important for everyone now and in future generations. We can't let it evolve into a concrete jungle. Jimmy and the Friends of Florida thank everyone for their support.



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