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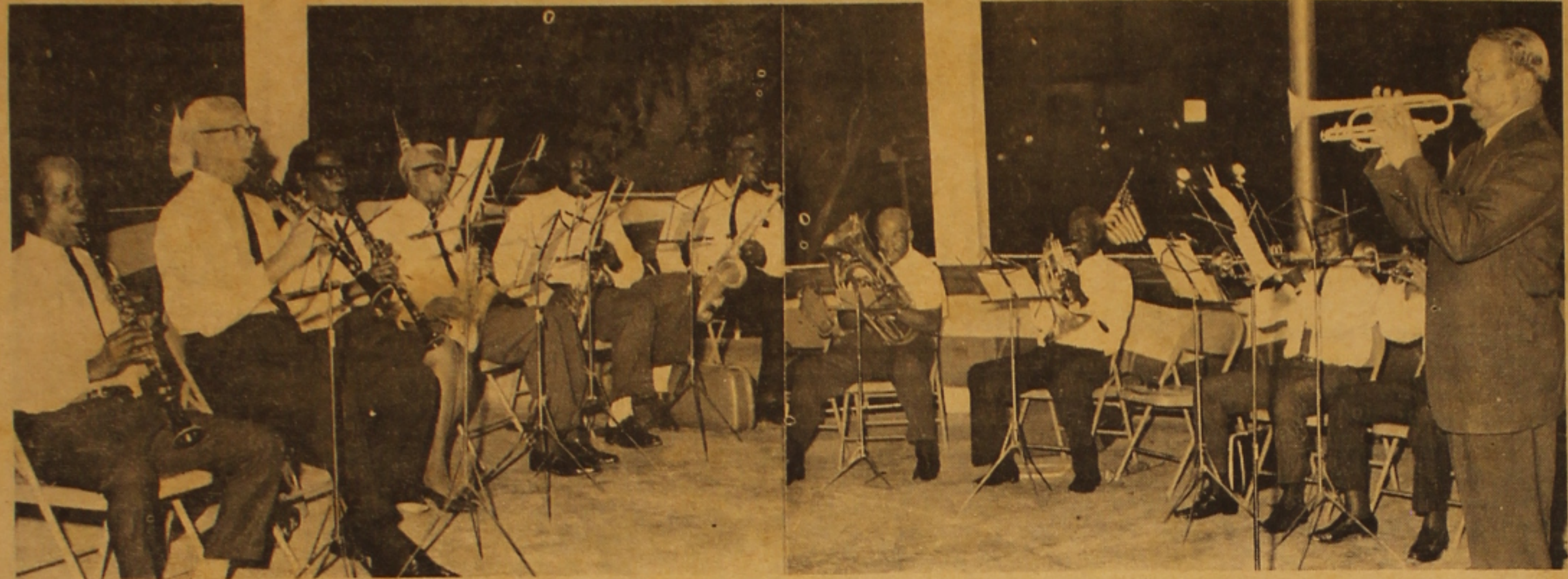
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PWD Employees Protest Reassignment Of Worker



COMMUNITY BAND IN memorial concert — Some of the members of the St. Thomas Community Band are shown during a memorial concert honoring the late General Eisenhower and the late David Monsanto, band leader. The concert was directed last Sunday evening in the Emancipation Garden by Alphonse Donastorg, standing. (Daily News Photo)

By The Associated Press

Re-assignment of three Virgin Islands government employees has resulted in a protest to Acting Governor Cyril King over one of the transfers.

More than 20 employees of the business office of the Department of Public Works showed up at Government House yesterday morning, wanting to see the Acting Governor to protest the transfer of their boss, William Farrington, to the Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs. Farrington will remain in the same grade level at the same salary.

(See PROTEST, Page 8)

General Eisenhower Makes Final Journey

ABILENE, Kansas (AP) — A black baggage car carrying the body of former President Eisenhower eased past silent crowds yesterday as the funeral train rolled toward Abilene, Kansas. In his home soil, Eisenhower will be buried today.

Groups of hundreds and crowds of thousands gathered at track side as the ten-car made its way through towns and cities in West Virginia and Ohio.

Only a handful waited as the train reached Cincinnati's Union Station. A memorial service at the station was cancelled at the request of the widow and family — who are already worn by the strain of three days of funeral ceremonies in the nation's capital. (See JOURNEY, Page 2)

Scholarship Plan Studied By Ed. Board

The regular meeting of the V.I. board of education was held recently at its offices in St. Thomas.

Present were Mrs. Vivian K. Anduze, chairman; Phillip Gerard, vice-chairman; Mrs. Eirene McDonald, Rufus Martin and (See PLAN, Page 8)

Interior Public Lands Secy Maybe Confirmed

News Washington bureau

WASHINGTON — Harrison Loesch of Montrose, Colo. is expected to be confirmed by the Senate today as assistant secretary of the Interior for public lands management. His office will over-see the activities of the Office of Territories and affairs in the Virgin Islands.

Loesch was introduced to the Senate Interior Committee yesterday by Senator Gordon (See INTERIOR, Page 8)

Brochure On Historic Dist. Issued Here

By The Associated Press

With the issuance of a brochure, the Virgin Islands Planning Board has attempted to explain the scope and importance of legislation which established most of the downtown area of Charlotte Amalie as an Historic and Architectural control district.

Last June the V.I. Senate passed a bill creating the zone and (See BROCHURE, Page 8)

OF UNDERSEA LIVING

Aquanauts Near End

By MATT ALLEN

ST. JOHN (AP) — The four aquanauts participating in the Tektite One project on the bottom of Great Lameshur Bay in St. John have passed the two-thirds mark in their planned 60-day experiment at underwater living and working.

The men, all marine scientists from the Department of Interior, have been conducting underwater studies, both inside and outside of their twin-tower living quarters, called the "habitat."

The men started the underwater project on Feb. 15, and will not come to the surface again for another two weeks. One purpose is to determine how well men can live and work together during long periods in a strange environment.

The four have been plagued recently with a condition known as "swimmers ear," which is a bacteriological infection that is common among swimmers and divers, especially in warm waters.

Medical personnel at the Tektite site say that the four men have completely recovered from the infection.

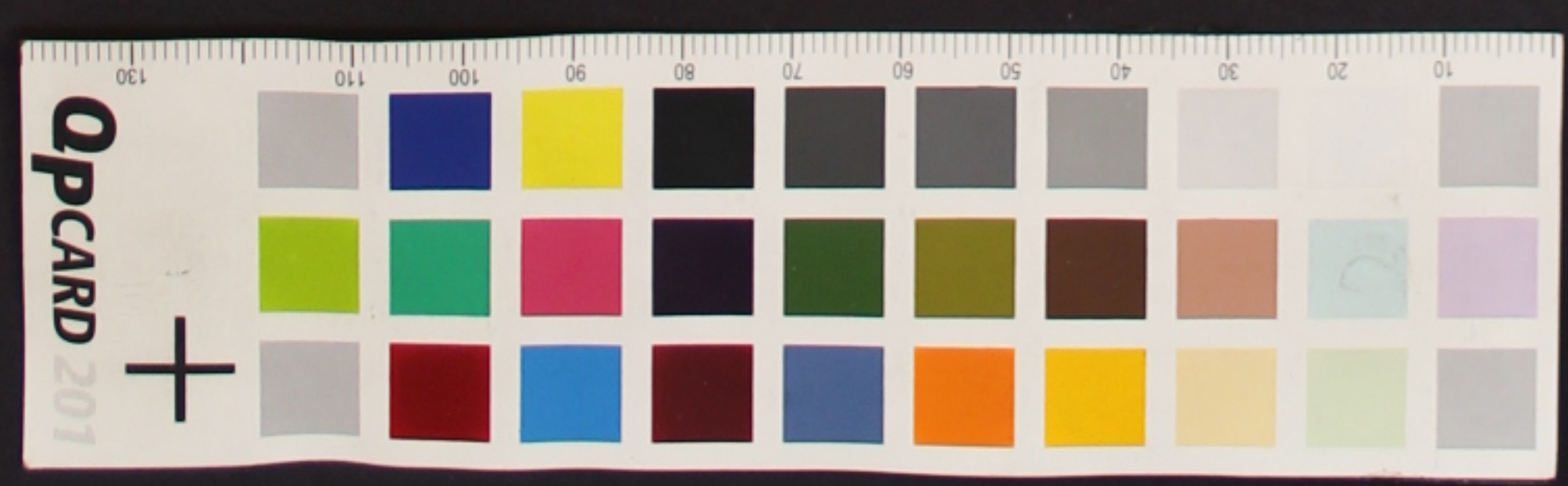
The aquanauts were forced to cut down on the amount of time outside the habitat due to the infection. Since the infection has cleared up, the men have increased the number of excursions outside the habitat.

The aquanauts are Richard Waller, crew chief; Conrad (See AQUANAUTS, Page 8)

Webster Okays Bid To Work With Tony Lee

LONDON (AP) — Acting President Ronald Webster and other rebel leaders of Anguilla have agreed to work with British Commissioner Anthony Lee in governing the tiny Caribbean island, the foreign office announced Monday night.

A foreign office spokesman said the agreement was worked out in meetings between Britain's (See WEBSTER, Page 8)



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NATIONAL HEADLINES

NIXON HOLDS TALKS WITH FOREIGN LEADERS

WASHINGTON — President Nixon devoted his entire schedule yesterday to meeting with foreign dignitaries. The foreign leaders are still in the capital following the funeral of former President Dwight Eisenhower Monday. South Vietnam's Vice President Ky was one of 12 leaders scheduled to talk with the President. The meetings were private except for the interpreters and the talks were expected to be largely ceremonial in nature. However, presidential News Secretary Ronald Ziegler declined to rule out the possibility of substantive discussions.

Sirhan Trial Resumes

LOS ANGELES — The trial of Sirhan Sirhan entered its 13th week in Los Angeles yesterday. The trial took an extra day of weekend recess in deference to the late President Eisenhower. The 25-year old Jordanian is charged with the first degree murder of Senator Robert Kennedy. The state hopes to counter defense claims that Sirhan was in a trance when he shot Senator Kennedy. Due back as a witness for the state was nationally known psychiatrist Dr. Seymour Pollack. Pollack began his testimony on Friday.

Ray May Get Trial

MEMPHIS — J. Edgar Hoover's fate may hinge on a letter he wrote to the late Judge Preston Battle. Judge Battle died of a heart attack in his chambers in Memphis Monday night. On March 10 the 60-year old judge accepted Ray's plea of guilty to the murder of Martin Luther King. Ray was sentenced to 99 years in prison. Later Battle disclosed that Ray had written him a letter advising that he wished to withdraw his plea and stand trial. What must now be determined is whether Ray's letter can be construed as a motion for a new trial. If it is, the state will have to grant him one.

GOP Seats At Stake

NEW YORK — Congressional seats previously held by Republicans were at stake in elections yesterday in Wisconsin and California. The Wisconsin race has drawn the interest of both Republican and Democratic national leaders. The California contest had 15 candidates including Barry Goldwater, Jr., — son of the 1964 GOP presidential nominee.

Racial Unrest In Ill.

CAIRO, Ill. — Gunfire has broken out in racially-troubled Cairo, Illinois. City and state police confirmed that shooting incidents occurred Monday night but they declined to give details. A Negro spokesman reported the shots were exchanged by white and Negro residents. No injuries were reported.

Bank Cashes Door

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. — A San Rafael bank has cashed the largest check in its history. The check was made out for the amount of \$7.84. But it was written on a full-sized 20-Ly-80 inch door. It seems a local businessman made it out to an associate of his after the associate reminded him of the length of a telephone bill he had run up on his phone.

Journey

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In Cincinnati, the train was shunted to an industrial area north of Union Station to change tracks. A score of surprised diners abandoned meals in a nearby restaurant to rush outside and stand silently in the drizzle as the baggage car was recoupled to the train, after being cleaned.

When the funeral train, with black crepe drawn over the windows, had passed through Charlottesville, Virginia, the words of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" rose from the crowd.

In Huntington, West Virginia, where the general had traveled through on a campaign train in

1952, the train stopped to change crews. In the 12-minute stop-over, the town held a brief memorial service.

A color guard from veterans' organizations stood silently as a brief invocation was read and a hymn sung. The crowd of more than 1,000 joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

At the resort community of White Sulphur Springs, some 1,500 persons watched quietly as the train pulled through. The former President had held one of his little summit meetings of North American leaders in White Sulphur Springs in 1956. The crowd included retired Army colonel in full dress uniform, Charles Wright Jr. "I just wanted to give the general his final salute," Wright said.



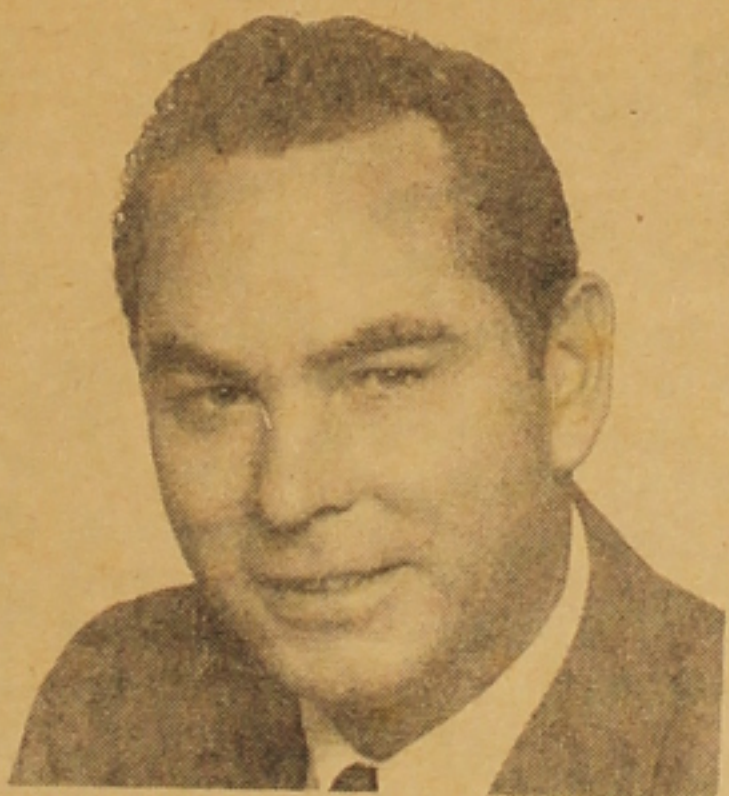
GOVERNOR RUSS PETERSON of Delaware visited St. John for the fifth time with his wife and daughter, staying at Caneel Bay Plantation. He was inaugurated in January after a campaign that he says was started in St. John two years ago. As a liberal Republican, he was elected with the help of many Democrats, and has already instituted election reforms and conservation plans.

(Daily News Photo)

London Times Sees Caradon As Saving Day

LONDON (AP) — The Times said yesterday in an editorial on the Anguilla situation that "Lord Caradon seems to be extricating the government from an entanglement which threatened to become a prolonged and serious embarrassment."

"It is a considerable relief," The Times added, "to learn that Mr. Webster is happy with the agreement which has been worked out." "So long as Mr. Bradshaw accepts this situation as a



strong lure to the Virgin Islands for J. L. Bancroft, recently appointed to the Instalment Loan department of the Virgin Islands National Bank. Bancroft, a bachelor living in Contant, received his B.S. degree in business administration from the University of Nevada in Reno, Nevada, in 1957. Prior to that, he served on a destroyer escort in the South Pacific for the U.S. Coast Guard. Born in Fort Worth, Texas, Bancroft began his banking career in 1954 in Reno, Nev. He returned to Texas in 1960 to join the American National Insurance Company in Dallas. Later he served with the National Bank S.E. California. Before moving to the Virgin Islands, he was self-employed in Fort Worth.

Sees Repitition Of Anguilla In Bahamas

LONDON (AP) — The situation in Anguilla could repeat itself in the Bahamas, the Financial Times said yesterday.

Writing in a special supplement on the Bahamas, Joe Rogally admitted it was extremely unlikely, "but there are factors common to both places," he said.

"Everyone would be absolutely amazed if the British government sought to interfere in any way with the activities of the government of the Bahamas as at present carried out," wrote Rogally.

"But the events in Anguilla will serve to rub home to the Bahamians that while they are a colony — however self-governing and however co-operative Whitehall proves to be — they are a colony and subject to Whitehall control."

Describing the government of Lynden Pindling as "careful, sensible and self-controlled," Rogally added:

"It would be a surprise and,

temporary expedient all should go well. His position in the past year has been embarrassed, and often as ridiculous, as the British government's.

"At any time, however, Mr. Bradshaw may demand changes. He would be ill-advised to press too far too soon. The Anguillians may feel differently when they have had a taste of development.

"However, in the breathing space which Lord Caradon's intervention has secured, all the governments involved — of Britain, of St. Kitts, and of the commonwealth Caribbean states who are divided on this issue among themselves — must work out a new status, and new safeguards for security, for Anguilla and islands like it."

most likely, the result of an unexpected event, if things in the Bahamas were suddenly to turn nasty, or if the new government were suddenly to lose its cool and start to behave in an erratic or arbitrary manner. It would be wrong to report any sense that this was about to happen.

"But it would be equally wrong to report any sense that such a turn of affairs is out of the question or impossible."

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