

Extracts from The Beacon (Anguilla)

Saturday Feb. 8th, 1969.

EDITORIAL: The people have gone to the polls and have cast their vote, and have showed that they are solidly behind Mr. Ronald Webster. The wording of the referendum, did not matter, it was in effect asking for a vote of confidence in Mr. Webster, and he got it.

While important issues were under discussion, the BEACON used its right as an Independent Newspaper to criticise the Government's policy. Now that the people have made their choice, the BEACON hopes to throw its whole weight behind the Government and support them on the course that they have taken, and continue to do so as long as it is in the best interest of the people.

We repeat that the referendum was in effect a vote of confidence in the Government. But wrapped up with this, were two other issues, the cutting of ties with Britain and the Commonwealth, and the adoption of a new constitution.

The Caribbean consists of Independent and dependent countries, some of the Independent ones like Jamaica, Trinidad, Barbados and Guyana, are still members of the British Commonwealth. The Dependent ones like Antigua, St. Lucia, St. Kitts and others, still depend on England to some degree. There are some dependent upon France, and some dependent on the United States. There are also Independent countries like Cuba, Haiti, and Santo Domingo. Given their free choice, there is no doubt that Anguilla would prefer to be aligned with the dependent countries, rather than keep company with the Independent ones.

We hope that when the break with St. Kitts has been recognized, that we will eventually ally ourselves with the British ones.

On the question of the

constitution, all will admit that much more time should have been given to it, and it is such an important document, that the people should have had some advice from lawyers, and to have followed the recommendations made by the Council, who spent so much time discussing it. There are many things about the constitution with which we do not agree. We hope that in its final form, certain sections will be revised or omitted, by the will of the people, when their full implications have been thoroughly understood.

At this point the Anguillans have adopted this constitution as the law of the land, and have also agreed to declare the island Independent of the Commonwealth. The people have spoken and all Anguillans are now committed to the step taken, whether they voted for or against. The choice given on the ballot was not much, for Anguillans would do anything rather than go back to the yoke of the growing Dictator in St. Kitts. Let us hope that England and the rest of the world, will now be satisfied that no matter what, Anguillans are determined to go it alone, before they return to the rule of Bradshaw.

The days ahead are critical for us. The reactions of other countries to our stand will be vital for us. We feel that we should give warning to the people of Anguilla, that the final solution may take many months, even perhaps years, and we urge the people of Anguilla to be patient and united in the difficult times ahead, and we hope that the BEACON will as in the past be a rallying point for those in Anguilla, and the interpreter of Anguilla's actions to the outside world.

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MR. TONY LEE VISITS

The former British Senior Official to Anguilla, Mr. Tony Lee returned to the island last Saturday Feb. 1 Mr.

Lee told us that he was no longer the B.S.O., but was now attached to the British Representative's Office in St. Lucia, and resides in Antigua. He said he was now first secretary to the British Representative and was assigned to St. Kitts and Anguilla to carry out H.M.G.'s responsibilities to these islands. Mr. Lee said that he hoped to be back next week and left on Wednesday via St. Maarten.

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CBC TELEVISION ON ANGUILLA:

Arriving on the island last Saturday Feb. 1 was a team from CBC T.V. of Canada. The team headed by Mr. Gordon Donaldson, came in prospect of doing a half hour documentary film of Anguilla. On getting permission from the Chief Executive Mr. Ronald Webster, he was informed of the referendum to be held on Feb. 6, and was delighted to be here for this occasion.

Mr. Donaldson told us that the half hour colour film is for the weekly programme, "Newsmagazine", and will be shown in Canada on Feb. 18 or 25. He said that the T.V. station is beamed and received as far away as Newfoundland. The biggest T.V. station in the world he added. The film will also be carried on other networks if they are interested. Other members of the team are Enian Murry, Wallace Donaldson and Ed. Chong.

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RESULTS OF THE REFERENDUM HELD ON FEB. 6.

Anguillans went to the polls once more, and unanimously

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Notice is hereby given that the Land and House Tax Commissioners for the Island of St. Kitts will meet at the Inland Revenue Department, Post Office & Customs Building, Basseterre on Thursday the 20th day of February, 1969, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of revising the Assessment List of Land and House Taxes.

All persons who are required to make a return of their property or with regard to whose property any notice for revaluation has been given are required to appear before the Commissioners at the place and at the time stated.

S. de C. WILLIAMS
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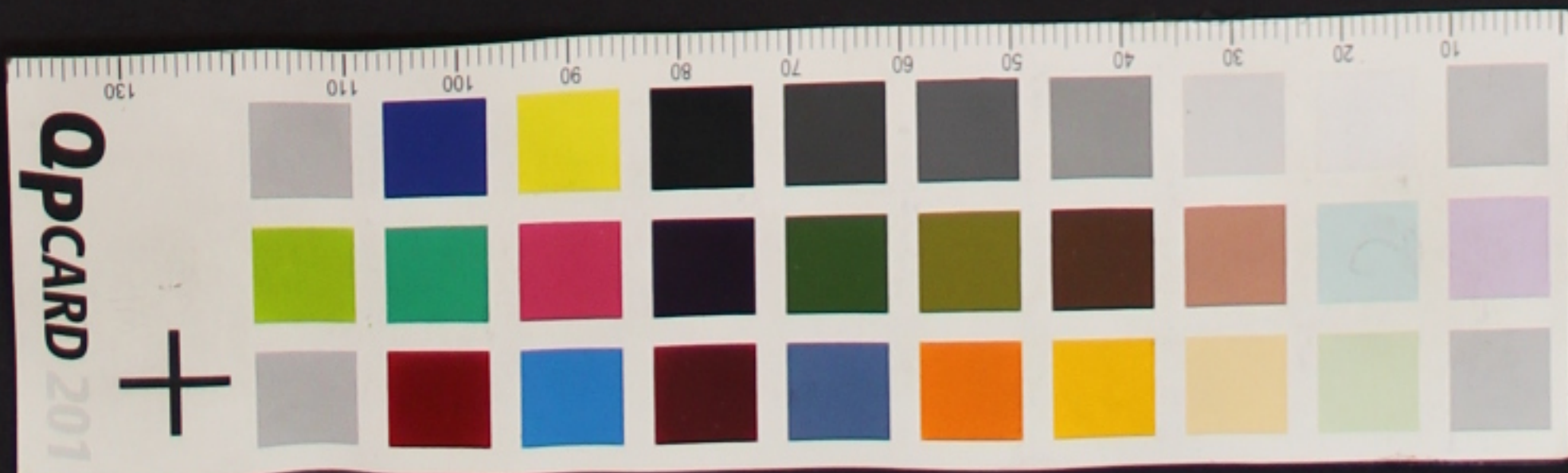
TAKE NOTICE that there will be sold by Public Auction at Craddock Road, Nevis on Thursday 27th February, 1969 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, all that property described in the schedule hereto:

SCHEDULE

Situation of Lands			Boundaries	
Island	Parish	Extent so far as can be ascertained	Name if any	Boundaries
Nevis	Saint Paul	One half-acre more or less	George Aron Meade	On the North by the Main Public Road 80 feet On the South by Lands of George Brown 60 feet On the East by Lands of George Brown 245 feet and on the West by lands of Edith Williams 225 feet.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1969

S. DANIEL
Provost Marhsall



Fees for Part 1 and 2 of Bar Exams. Raised

Extract from The Beacon

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The Council of Legal Education has decided that in view of rising expenses, it is necessary to raise examination fees charged by the Council for the Part 1 and Part 11 Bar Examinations. Accordingly with effect from the next Examinations to be held in May 1969, the fees will be as follows:

(a) The fees for examination in each Section of Part 1 will be raised from £1 to £2.

(b) The fees for the examination in each Section of Part 11 will be raised from £1.5. to £2.

(c) For students taking the examination at an overseas centre the fee for the examination for each Section of Part 1 or Part 11 will be raised from £2 to £3.

(Note: There will continue to be, as in the past, an overseas local centre fee paid di-

rect to the body making the local arrangements for supervising the examination. This fee varies according to the overseas centre concerned.)

(d) The exemption fee for University graduates will remain unchanged at £1 for each Section in Part 1 for which exemption is granted.

In view of this announcement it has also been decided that the date for entries for the Trinity Bar 1969 examinations to be received after that date.

Part 1 Examination

There appears to be some confusion in the minds of students sitting under the Old Syllabus relating to the Subjects of Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, History

of the Legal System and History of English Law.

Old Syllabus candidates may pursue one of the following courses:

(1) Sit Two half papers in Roman Law and a half paper in each of Constitutional Law and History of the Legal System.

OR (2) having passed Roman Law they may sit for the half papers in Constitutional Law and History of the Legal System.

Note: Candidates may therefore not offer Constitutional Law and History of the Legal System unless Roman Law has already been taken successfully or is being offered at the same examination.

OR (3) having passed Constitutional Law and the History of the Legal System they may sit Administrative Law and the History of English Law.

OR (4) May elect to take sections IV and V of the New Syllabus—i.e. IV Constitutional and Administrative Law.

V History of the Legal System and History of English Law.

Candidates may NOT offer the following combinations of half papers:

(a) Constitutional Law and History of English Law.

(b) Administrative Law and History of the Legal System

Any candidates submitting either combination (a) or (b) will not be marked but will be considered as having entered for the examination on that occasion.

Statehood Day Anniversary Celebrations

The Statehood Anniversary Celebrations Committee after several meetings arrived at the following programme to mark the Second Anniversary of Statehood.

(1) Wednesday 26 February 1969 Patriotic Programme in all schools.

(2) Calypso King Competition on the evening of Wednesday 26 February, 1969 at the Apollo Cinema.

All persons interested in participating are requested to contact Mr. Lee Moore or Mr. B. Henderson.

(3) Thursday 27 February 1969 "Statehood Day" Military Parade and Youth Display at Warner Park, commencing at 8.00 a.m.

(Press Release from Statehood Anniversary Celebrations Committee.)

voted to go Independent of Britain and has become the smallest Republic in the World, with 95.9% of the votes cast in favour of the constitution. A total of 1812 votes were cast; 1739 voted in favour of the Republic, against 4 voting for the return of Anguilla to St. Kitts. A total of 67 ballots were spoiled. Anguillians in St. Thomas were also able to cast their votes. A ballot box was taken to St. Thomas and flown back to Anguilla at 6.30 p. m. on Thursday.

Out of the 121 votes cast in St. Thomas, 118 voted in favour of the Constitution, none voted to return to St. Kitts, and 3 were spoilt. The referendum was supervised by Mr. Raphael Lake, Acting Magistrate of Anguilla. The Constitution which makes provisions for an 11 member Legislature in many ways resembles the Constitution of the United States of America. We hope to print it in sections in the coming issues of the Beacon.

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NEW PLANE FOR V.A.S.

Valley Air Service Air Taxi that operates between Anguilla, St. Thomas and St. Maarten, has purchased a new plane. The five seater Aztec Piper N 19273 replaces the four seater Aztec Piper. V.A.S. now operates two Aztecs Pipers which has a capacity of 10 "passenger" seats. The new plane was put into operation on Wednesday 5 Feb. 1969.

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Extract from The Conch Shell

The small South Pacific island of Nauru (8½ square miles; population: 6,000) has been accorded a "Special" status within the Commonwealth which may well be the forerunner of similar arrangements for other small territories.

Certainly it is an arrangement which would be ideal for Anguilla. The island was discovered by British mariners in 1798 but was never colonised as such and remained in the hands of its indigenous Polynesian population until Germany, anxious to acquire an Empire annexed it in the 1880's, along with several other small South Sea Islands. Following the First World War, during which the Germans were evicted by Australia, the island became a Trust Territory of the League of Nations. It was jointly administered by Britain, Australia and New Zealand. Nauru was captured by the Japanese during the Second World War and after it re-assumed its status of Trust Territory of the United Nations, successor to the League of Nations.

Nauru is rich in phosphates

and her people have enjoyed a relatively high standard of living in recent years because of the value of their island's sole natural asset which is exportable. She also issues her own postage stamps and has a very small tourist trade and a localized copra industry.

During 1967 the island was invited to become an Associated State with Australia, very much on the pattern of the Associated States of the Eastern Caribbean — including the State of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla and Britain. It would have meant full internal self-government for the island, with Defence and External Affairs looked after by Australia. (It is noteworthy that Nauru was invited to become an Associated State. Anguilla was given no such choice). The Nauruan Government, however, declined the invitation and declared their desire for Independence, announcing at the same time that they wished to have some links with the Commonwealth and did not wish to take a seat at the United Nations because they considered their island too small to bear the costs or responsibilities of such trappings of nationhood.

On 31st January, 1968, the Republic of Nauru came into being. Almost at once the Nauruan Government entered into treaties with Australia to look after defence and foreign affairs — as would have been the case had they accepted Associated Statehood — and submitted a plea through the Commonwealth Secretariat in London for some special links with the Commonwealth. A "Special" status was worked out by Britain, Australia and the Commonwealth Secretariat and was submitted to the other Commonwealth members for approval, which it readily gained.

The Republic of Nauru, in return for a modest contribution to the upkeep of the Commonwealth Secretariat — this is scaled to population and per capita income — will be able to enjoy the full facilities of the Secretariat and to send Ministers to all Commonwealth meetings and organisations except for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference. It will mean that the Nauruan Government will be able to take full advantage of Commonwealth endeavours in such fields as Education, Medical Co-operation, Law, Finance and such other functional and technical assistance.

Similar arrangements could no doubt be worked out for Anguilla once the St. Kitts-Nevis crisis is resolved and would no doubt find favour with the Island Council. The Friends of Anguilla believe that such an arrangement should be actively explored.

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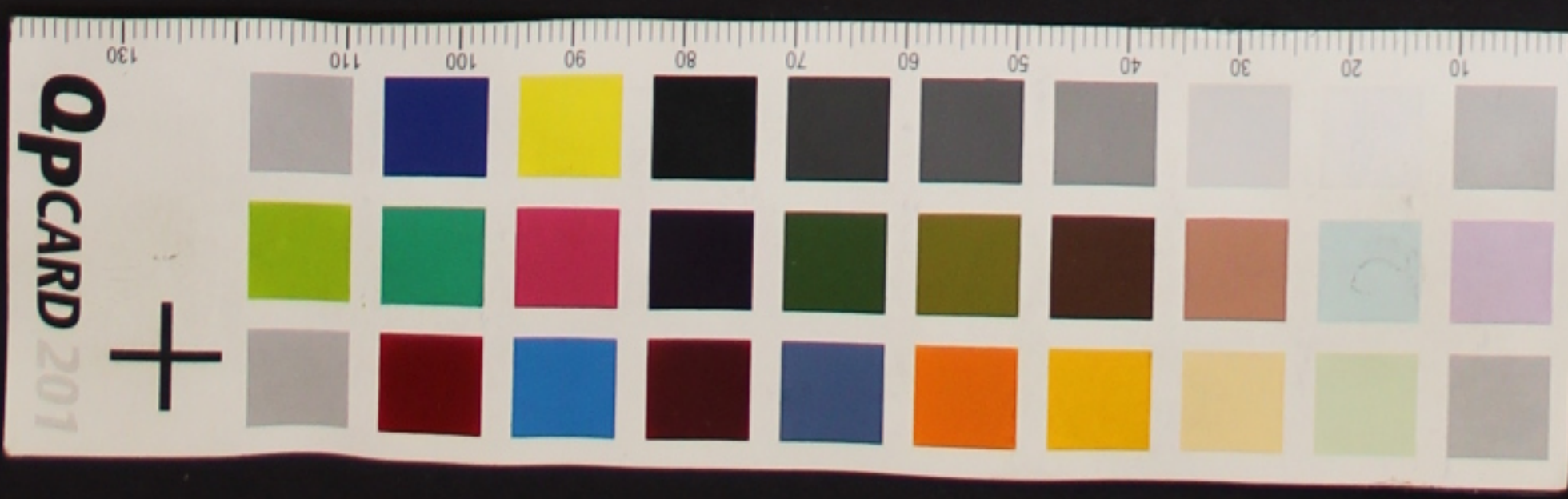
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2. That the Spokesman's cartoonist is running out of ideas?
3. That most people have declined when asked to assist with Statehood Celebrations?
4. That the Acting Chief Inspector of Schools has notified teachers of a deduction in salary for this month for the four days they were on strike?
5. That he is trying to imitate PAM's City by putting up plenty of lights around the White House?
6. That the other N.C.O.'s of the army are dissatisfied about the recent promotion of one their number?
7. That the father of one witness painted a horse, while the father of another painted the wrong car.
8. That a certain Minister of Religion firmly disciplines all other members of his church for misconduct, but has decided to leave the woman to the Almighty, because she is afraid she recommends his deportation?
9. That the largest "NO PARKING" sign seen anywhere in town, are those recently painted in front of the Attorney General's residence, near PAM's headquarters?
10. That the Mouse is so afraid of the Bull, that he readily carries out his orders?
11. That some parents have decided to give the \$4.00 from next term's school fees to the Teachers' Association?

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Govt: Anguilla's declaration of Independence is "of no effect"

Anguilla, the 35 square mile island lying 69 miles north-west of St. Kitts, held a referendum on Thursday, February 6 on the results of which the island was declared an Independent Republic (see "The Beacon" news on page 7)

On Saturday, February 8, the Government of St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla, issued a press release referring to the referendum as "illegal" and the constitution under which the people of Anguilla voted as "bogus".

The release said that the Government of St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla "regrets and condemns the aforementioned act as being illegal and of no cause or effect and declares once again that Anguilla is and continues to be an integral part of this State by virtue of the Constitution of St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla."

The release said that since the status of Anguilla as part of the As-

sociated State is laid down by Parliament in the West Indies Act 1967 and cannot be changed in this way, Her Majesty's Government do not regard the declaration of independence as having any effect.

Under the W. I. Act, Her Majesty's Government can only legislate to change the status of Anguilla at the request and with the consent of the State concerned, the release added.

The release goes on to state that Her Majesty's Government attach great importance to a settlement suitable to Anguillans and the State Government, and will continue where possible to assist in making such a settlement. And that it is desirable in the present circumstances that an arrangement be made whereby Anguilla could obtain as much autonomy as possible but remain part of the Associated State.

St. Kitts Circuit

Two New Appointments

The recent annual Synod of the Methodist Church held in Tortola, British Virgin Islands, has appointed two Ministers to serve in the St. Kitts Circuit later this year. They are the Rev. Michael Dash of Antigua and the Rev. Claude Knight of St. Martin.

These ministers will fill the posts of Rev. Edwin Vandeyar who is due to go on study leave, and Rev. Derek Poole who will be going on furlough.

Rev. Claude Knight was one of two ministers ordained during the Synod. The other was Rev. James Poore of Dominica.

The Synod has been described by the Rev. H.L. Crichton, Superin-

tendent of the St. Kitts Circuit, as most successful.

Rev. Crichton said that the Synod visited St. Thomas, on invitation, and were met by Mr. Cyril King, Government Secretary. A service was held that night at which Governor Ralph Paiewonski was present.

The five-man delegation who represented St. Kitts at the Synod returned here on Tuesday evening after spending two weeks in Tortola.

Representing the St. Kitts Circuit were the Rev. H.L. Crichton, Rev. Edwin Vandeyar, Rev. D. Poole, and Deaconess Sister Sheila Williams. Representing the laymen were: Mr. Frank Hen-ville, Mr. Oliver Spencer, Mr. Evadne Belle

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St. Kitts Jaycettes newly-formed

At a meeting on Tuesday evening convened under the chairmanship of the local President, the St. Kitts Jaycees saw the first stage of the founding of a local Jaycettes organisation.

The history of the St. Kitts Jaycees dates back 10

years, and we are all aware of the community projects which have been conducted by this international organisation some 380,000 strong. It is also very evident that the training that can be derived from the Jaycees plays a very important role in the everyday life of its members.

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This chapter has now seen it fit that this training should not be confined to the male sex alone, but should find its way among the female sex.

The objectives of the Jaycettes will be similar to those of the Jaycees, and as in few of the Caribbean islands where Jaycettes are already in existence, both parties will work in close co-operation.

At a meeting on Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected to form the steering committee which should be operated 6—8 weeks before the official swearing in ceremony:—

Chairman, Miss Barbara Weston; Vice Chairman, Miss Lorna Edwards; Secretary, Miss Amorelle Warner; Treasurer, Miss Doris Thomas; Counsellor, Miss Hilary Francis; Counsellor, Miss Rodina Herbert and Counsellor, Miss Phyllis Jacobs.

Immediately after, the new chairman assured the gathering which included the executive of the Jaycees, that she will do all in her power to provide this organisation with the leadership it deserves, and gave the assurance that with the complete co-operation of the members, the Jaycettes will make a very valuable contribution to our society. She went on to invite all young women between the ages of 18 and 40 years to join the ranks of the Jaycettes. — Com.

Following is the list of Stations for 1969:—

ANTIGUA—Revs. Donald Henry, Eric Vernon and Gordon James.

DOMINICA—Revs. Geoffrey Gordon and Harold Gill.

MONSERRAT—Revs. John Jones and Melbourne Bailey.

ST. KITTS—Revs. Leonard Crichton, Michael Dash, Claude Knight and Sister Sheila Williams.

NEVIS—Revs. — Reuben Telemaque and James Poore.

ST. EUSTATIUS—Rev. John R. Jennings.

ST. MARTIN—Revs. Jennings Martin and Lloyd Brisset.

ANGUILLA—Rev. Roy White.

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Mason and Reginald Willingham.

ST. THOMAS—Revs. Rahamat Khan and Wilfred Hodge.

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