

NEWS OF THE CARIBBEAN

# Webster Backs Move For Carib Settlement

BARBADOS, (AP) — Anguillan leader Ronald Webster plans to meet Barbados Prime Minister Errol W. Barrow as he tours the Caribbean pleading his cause.

Webster arrived in Barbados Wednesday from Trinidad where he conferred with Prime Minister Eric Williams.

He praised Williams and Jamaica's Prime Minister Hugh Shearer for their stand opposing Britain's invasion of Anguilla last March 19.

Webster said this stand prevented the situation from getting worse and acted as a restraint on the British Government. He reiterated his

position that Anguilla would never return to the St. Kitts-Nevis - Anguilla Associated State.

He said it did not matter whether St. Kitts Premier Robert Bradshaw or anyone else was head of the government, Anguilla would stay out.

Webster said he favors Britain's move to get Caribbean governments jointly to take over the Anguilla problem adding it is important that British troops leave Anguilla as soon as possible.

He alleged, in his own words, they are "lowering the moral standards", of the island. He said the troops have been, again to use his words, "badgering" Anguillan women and hundreds of "bastards" will result unless they leave soon.

## Antigua Road Deaths 4

ANTIGUA (UPI) — A 16-year-old laborer, Joseph James, became Antigua's

fourth traffic death of the year Wednesday night when a car in which he was riding collided with a bus.

Five other persons, including both drivers, were hospitalized with injuries as a result of the accident.

The accident occurred at Vernons, about five miles from St. John's.



RONALD WEBSTER

## Gov. for C&W Post

ST. KITTS (UPI) — Retiring Governor of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, Sir Fred Phillips, has been named special representative of Cable & Wireless (West Indies) Ltd., the company announced Wednesday.

Phillips will retire in July and will immediately take up his post as advisor to the communications company in the Caribbean area.

A native of the island of St. Vincent, Phillips, 50, has announced he will also resume his law practice after his retirement from government service.

## Whaling Season

ST. VINCENT (AP) — Native harpooners report the best whaling season in years in the waters off Bequia Island, south of St. Vincent in the Eastern Caribbean.

Six whales have been (Continued on page 14)

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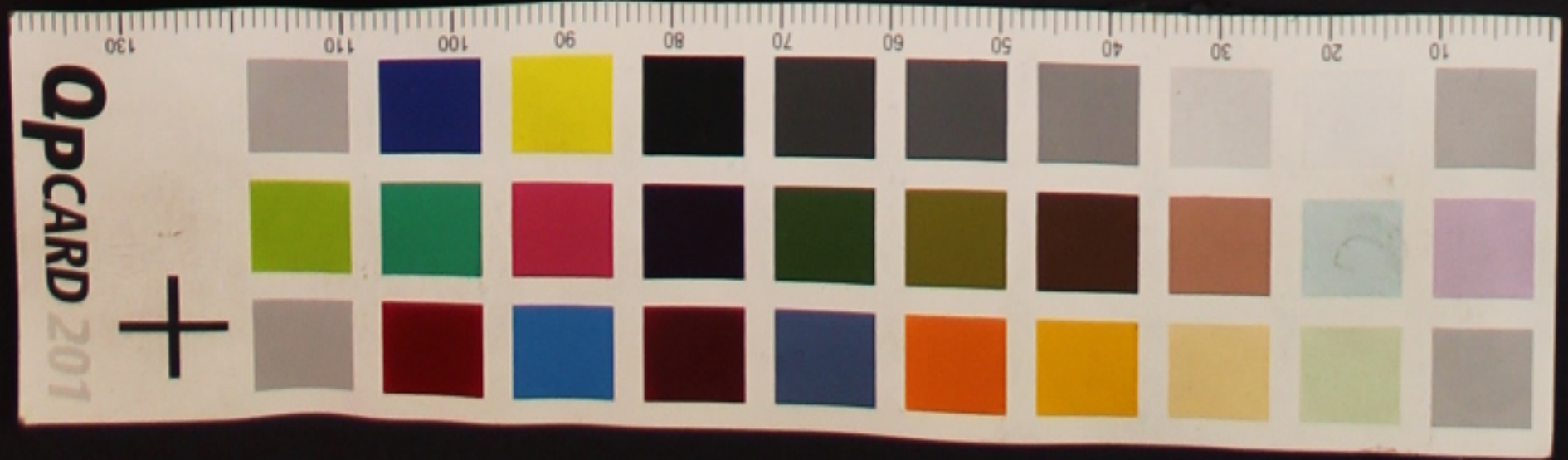
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# Bradshaw Prolongs UK Stay

LONDON (UPI) — St. Kitts Premier Robert L. Bradshaw has decided to prolong his stay in London after Britain failed to persuade him to release Anguilla from his associated state.

Bradshaw, however, did agree to continue the British administration of Anguilla.

The premier will meet again with Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary Michael Stewart.

He decided to prolong his visit until the middle of next week.

LONDON, May 8 (AP) — Robert Bradshaw, Prime Minister of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, conferred with

minister of overseas development Reginald Prentice on development plans for St. Kitts and Nevis.

Bradshaw, here at the invitation of Foreign Minister Michael Stewart to discuss the Anguilla situation, spent nearly two hours with Prentice.

Informants said Bradshaw discussed possible British government help for road development in Nevis, and extending the runways at Golden Rock airport on St. Kitts.

It was agreed that technical and financial details for British help should be worked out next week, sources said.

Bradshaw confers tomorrow with commonwealth secretary Arnold Smith, who leaves Saturday for a two-week tour to Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, Granada, Barbados, St. Lucia, Antigua and Jamaica.

Smith reportedly plans to poll West Indian leaders on the possibility of calling a Caribbean commonwealth conference to try solve the Anguilla problem.

Bradshaw also called on William Whitlock, Parliamentary secretary at the Foreign and Commonwealth office, and lunched as guest of the high commissioner for the east Caribbean, N. Taylor.

In a second meeting with Stewart today, Bradshaw and the Foreign Minister discussed development aid and ways of finding a long term solution of the Anguilla problem, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

## BOY, 17, DIES

(Continued from page 1) had made persistent efforts to abstain from the "stuff" and as a result was suffering from "withdrawal symptoms."

Hospital officials administered "methedone" which is used to ease the discomforts of withdrawal symptoms. They then released Williams and instructed him to report the following day for further treatment.

On Monday Williams returned to the hospital and reported that the methedone had failed to "hold" him and that he was being overcome by the symptoms.

He was then admitted to the hospital for more intense treatment and observation.

While on his sick bed, the youth was visited by many friends, some of whom were thought to be pushers and users of narcotics.

It was reported that some unidentified visitor injected a shot of heroin or some other drug into the youth's body. He then developed "serum hepatitis."

Thereafter, all attempts to save young Williams proved unsuccessful.

Following the boy's death, at least half a dozen other youngsters filed into the St. Croix hospital and asked for help in "getting off the hook."

Public Safety Commissioner Otis L. Felix said that he asked former Attorney General Francisco Corneiro to draft tough legislation with adequate teeth for submission to the Legislature.

He said that a major crackdown should be made on the narcotic pushers who are corrupting the youth of the islands.

The Commissioner said pushers should be charged with felonies instead of misdemeanors. "And the courts should follow through by handing out stiff 10-year sentences coupled with heavy fines."

He said such a "get-tough" approach would serve as a deterrent to the "bloodsuckers" who are trafficking in narcotics.

## GOV. SILENT

(Continued from page 1) nomination.

However, a "Citizens for King" group headed by ICM members has been taking full-page ads in a local newspaper asking for letters supporting King's candidacy.

When President Nixon nominated Peter A. Bove for the governorship, King did not offer his endorsement, a courtesy formality observed by previous V.I. governors at a change of administration. Bove's nomination has since been withdrawn by the president.

## LEGION

(Continued from page 1) given the award in Washington D.C.

The honor is being granted Fredericks for exceptionally meritorious performance during eight years of service with the Departments of State and Defense.

Prior to joining the College of the Virgin Islands, Fredericks was a colonel in the U.S. Army.

He was last on special assignment as State Department advisor in the near east-south Asian affairs.

Frederick's wife and son will accompany him to Washington for the ceremony.



Musical Arts Ensemble - Evelyn Greene, soprano; Doris Smith, cellist; Chester Smith, pianist.

## Choral Festival

The second annual Tri-Island Choral Festival is slated at the Charlotte Amalie High School Auditorium, Sunday.

In addition to choral organizations from St. Croix, St. John and St. Thomas, special guests, the Musical Arts Ensemble of the Rutgers University (Newark, N.J. branch) will perform.

The Ensemble is appearing at the St. Croix Festival of the Arts this week, and has consented to play and sing several selections for the Tri-Island Festival too.

Ensemble members are Evelyn Greene, soprano, Chester Smith, piano, and Doris Smith, cello.

Under the direction of Mark Williams, the Caribbean Chorale of St. Thomas will sing portions of "Frestiana" by Randall Thompson. These are musical settings of selected poems by the great American poet, Robert Frost.

The Benjamin Chorale of St. John, under Guy Benjamin's direction, has chosen a number of varied selections from their large repertoire. The Community Chorus of

St. Croix, under the direction of Charlotte Pansius, will sing "Mass in G" by Franz Schubert.

The St. Thomas and St. Croix choruses will combine to sing Mendelssohn's "He, Watching Over Israel" and Brahms' "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place" to round off the program.

## V.I., P.R. GET

(Continued from page 1) on Constitutional amendments last week.

Senator Quentin Burdick has asked the committee chairman to introduce an amendment that would give the residents of Puerto Rico and U.S. territories the right to vote.

Cordova Diaz has been seeking additional support, despite strong protests by all of the islands other political parties.

He today sent a plea to 90 Congressmen in both houses asking their support.

He has admitted the odds are against the measure being approved, but says he will wage a strong fight for the amendment.

WASHINGTON, May 8 (AP) — Representative Rogers C.B. Morton, one of the most powerful figures in the Republican party, today

## Citizen Meeting

The president of the Citizen Non-Citizen Association announces the regular monthly meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Sts. Peter & Paul Church-School on Monday May 12, 1969 at 8 p.m.

High on the agenda is a brief business session and the election of new officers.

Elmo Roebuck, Commissioner of Housing will be the guest speaker.

## Leona Again

(Continued from page 1) of the Lioness Club, Mrs. Karen Kline, from the program.

As an employee of the Department of Public Works, Mrs. Kline joined some two dozen of her co-workers last month in protesting the attempted transfer—and later dismissal—of her boss, William Farrington, by Acting Governor Cyril King.

It was reported that King acted with the advice and consent of Leona.

The Petticoat Governess told Mrs. Kline that she would gladly accept any other representative of the Lioness Club, a non-political civic group, on her TV program.

endorsed the principle of participation by American territories in presidential elections.

The endorsement by Morton, Republican national chairman and a long-time personal friend of Puerto Rican Gov. Luis Ferre, is expected to give a boost to the territories' prospects of taking part in future elections.

Cordova is being joined in his efforts for Congressional support by Ron deLugo, Virgin Islands Representative to Washington, D.C.

Both submitted statements last Friday urging the Senate Judiciary Committee to amend an electoral reform bill under consideration to include participation by the territories presidential elections.

## RIOT POLICE

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helmets and night sticks, met little resistance. But as they moved from building to building they were hit by rocks, cans and broken bricks thrown by persons hiding on building tops.

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