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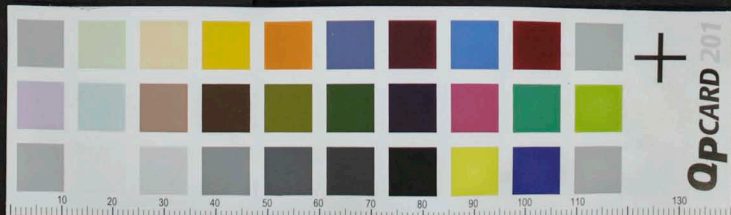
## EDITORIAL

Mr Bradshaw made an announcement recently in Jamaica, that there is an outside possibility of Anguilla rejoining St Kitts - Nevis. He also said that Britain is trying hard to get the reunion. This is interesting for two reasons. At the meeting of the House of Assembly on May 29th, he boasted that he would bring the Anguillan revolution to an end before the end of the year. He now only hopes for it as an outside possibility. It is true that a year ago Britain was also determined to bring Anguilla back to the fold, but much water has passed under the bridges since then, and we are sure that Britain is not so confident that this is possible, nor that it is a real solution of the problem.

We here in Anguilla know that the interim period was designed to try and reconcile both sides, but we will never let an outside power dictate to us where we all belong. This was tried at the Barbados Conference, and it failed. Britain may still want to see a reconciliation, but they never will order Anguilla back to the fold. Those days are long past. This time the Anguillans will decide where to go. We have already decided where we are not going. Britain, whether she likes it or not, is already involved in the situation, and she as a founder of Democracy, knows that the rights of the people should be respected, and should tell Mr Bradshaw so. If these talks with Britain should fail, Britain must intervene. By no means can she pull out and allow this confusion to continue. When France pulled out of Viet-Nam and allowed their problems to continue, things got worse, and soon the U.S.A. had to intervene. Now things are so hot there that they can not be handled without someone being burnt every day.

Bradshaw feels that his hopes lie with Britain. For different reason, perhaps, we do too. But our strongest hopes are based on our determination to be masters of our own destiny. We do not depend on anyone to help us to remain free. The people of Anguilla have spoken, and their council will obey. We have no longer any fear that Britain will tell us that we must return to St Kitts. If she takes that attitude she would be the latest papa doc.

Those of us who were fortunate to be present at the Wall Blake Airport, and saw Mr Webster saying good bye to his immediate family, and the members of the Government, and then to the general public, and then step into the Valley Air Service plane, and finally saw the plane disappearing to the south, will perhaps remember the famous words of Churchill. "If this is not the beginning of the end, it is at least the end of the beginning."



Copy of letter sent to London Times, for publication on Oct 14.

UNHOLY DEADLOCK IN THE CARIBBEAN

Dear Sir, The Premier of St Kitts and Mr Ronald Webster of Anguilla have been called to a meeting at the Commonwealth Office to attempt to resolve their dispute. Anguilla will in all probability demand, 1. A recognition of her secession from St Kitts, 2. The granting of a new constitution for her under Britain, 3. The immediate provision of a Judiciary, which includes the power to make valid contracts.

It is unlikely that Mr Bradshaw will agree to any of these demands. If a decision is not reached now, it can only be postponed for another three months.

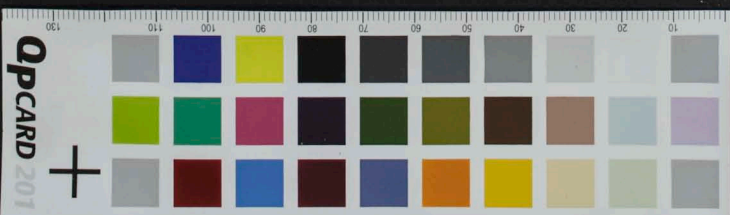
The Christian Church has always upheld the ideal of a life-long union between man and wife, deprecating divorce. But, as many marriages do break down, there are in the main four ways of dealing with the situation.

First, the rigorist view, that no divorce can be permitted, and that at the most separation from bed and board might be allowed. Second, there is the view based on the Matthean exception (Matt. 19.9) that divorce may be permitted on proof of adultery. Third, the argument of nullity may be used to prove that no true marriage ever existed, (usually on the ground of lack of consent). Fourth, there has been a recent attempt in Anglican circles to find a new approach, whereby, if it can be shown that a marriage has irretrievably broken down, for pastoral reasons, the union might be permitted to be dissolved.

The analogy of marriage can be applied to the relations between St Kitts and Anguilla. The marriage between them has broken down. St Kitts takes the rigorist view, as indeed did Britain a year ago, that the marriage can not be dissolved, and for better or for worse the two countries must remain together. Attempts have been made to prove that one or other of the parties has been unfaithful to the bond, and the Press has made the most of the infidelities of St Kitts. A better case could be made out for nullity, and we feel that this approach has been neglected. Anguilla was treated as a minor, and never gave her free consent to Statehood, not for that matter has she ever been consulted over previous re-arrangements in the past. There is a very strong case for declaring the marriage between St Kitts and Anguilla to be null and void. But the realistic approach should surely be that the union between St Kitts and Anguilla has irretrievably broken down. There is no love to hold them together, and this the interim period has proved. Therefore for the well-being of either party, the union should be admitted to have failed, and either party be free to go its own way.

Geography and geology can be brought in to reinforce the argument. "Those whom God hath put asunder, let not man join together." Yours faithfully, C.R.G. Carleton. Rector of Anguilla. October 4th 1968.

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## TRINIDAD LAWYER TO LONDON WITH MR WEBSTER

On Monday Oct: 7th, Mr Hutson Phillips, Barister at Law in Trinidad arrived in Anguilla. Mr Phillips is the lawyer retained by the Anguilla Council to accompany Mr Webster to the London Conference, due to begin on Monday Oct 14th. On arrival Mr Phillips was met by Mr Webster and other members of the Council. He then had informal talks with members of the council, and later attended a public meeting in the Park, so that he could get his impressions of the views of the people. Though this meeting was called at very short notice, word managed to get round, and there was a crowd of over 500 people to greet Mr Phillips.

He said that he was a politician and a lawyer in Trinidad, but had come to Anguilla in the latter capacity. He went on to say that he had come to get the views of the people, because, as they say in Trinidad, "The voice of the people is the voice of God", and promised to do whatever he was instructed to do to the best of his ability. There were a few more brief words from other members of the community, and the crowd showed what their voice was in no uncertain manner.

Mr Phillips is a member of the Government in Trinidad, and is one of the lawyers who defended Mr Todville Harrigan in the famous conspiracy trials last November in St Kitts. There Mr Harrigan, and six others including Dr Herbert, were acquitted. At that time Mr Phillips and Mr Bernard St John (a lawyer from Barbados) who also defended, visited Anguilla briefly, and met Mr Webster and other members of the Government. Mr Phillips preceded Mr Webster, and left Anguilla on Tuesday 8th, for London.

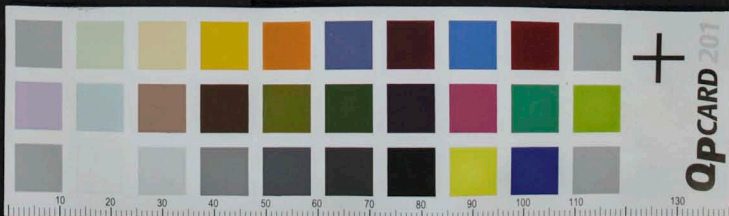
## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFF TO LONDON TALKS

On Wednesday afternoon October 9th, Mr Ronald Webster accompanied by Mr Tony Lee left Wallblake Airport on the first stage of their journey to England. He says that he will first visit Barbados on private matters, and then return to Antigua, and board the BOAC to London via Bermuda on Thursday afternoon. They were due to arrive in London on Friday morning.

In his speech in the park on Monday. Mr Webster appealed to all Anguillians to be quiet and orderly while he was away. He said that family quarrels are bound to arise, but asked them to hold hands in unity for the last long pull. Mr Webster had the complete backing of the Council for him to negotiate within his terms of reference. He asked the Council to choose three of their number to be in charge of the island until he returned. Messrs Kenneth Hazel, Emile Gumbs, and Atlin Harrigan, Editor and Publisher of the Beacon, were chosen.

Mr Webster also told the Council that Mr Tony Lee would be present at the London Talks.

It is asked that the week-end of Sat-Sun, October 12th/13th be observed as a day of prayer in the Churches and Chapels throughout Anguilla.



## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CANDIDLY SPEAKING, by George Vernon Fleming.

From St Kitts, Kittitians are fully aware of the seriousness of the Anguilla-St Kitts situation, and view the matter with no less dismay. The reading community will agree with me that there has been (and ever will be) an inseperable bond of love and friendship between the two peoples, and that the Government of this former state has rent those bonds asunder with a flaming dagger of bombasity and self-seeking power.

Will we ever be one again? This is the million dollar question in the minds of all decent thinking people here in St Kitts ( and I am sure, in Anguilla too). There is a possibility if only Bradshaw's Government is changed. If fate should decree otherwise, then Anguilla will be gone for ever from us, but their loving and friendly hearts will still be with their friends and families here in St Kitts.

Candidly speaking, should we, the people of St Kitts, allow the selfishness of one man to mar the ideals, hope, and love of thousands? Anguilla has said NO over a year ago, and we again say NO, and hope this NO will be emphatic in the future.

Dear Mr Editor. Please permit me to say congratulations to Anguilla for possessing such a leader as Mr Ronald Webster

In his letter to the people of Anguilla, he made this outstanding declaration, "In the name of the Lord, I go" etc This statement does not only make your little BEACON unique among the publications of other lands, but makes your Little Leader unique among leaders of other nations.

I smiled when I read him as saying, 'I am taking along a lawyer'. I was reminded of Moses' commission to go and deliver the children of Israel from their bondage. He also took along a spokesman, but having the Lord before him, the spokesman merely held the Rod. Anguilla can now have a good hope for deliverance, and quite possibly set a precedent for the rest of the world, for "The Lord has never yet failed those who trust Him' He said, "They that honour me, will I honour"

Dear Mr Webster, Go, and the Good Lord prosper your journey. Thank you, Mr Editor. "Stranger". Sandy Ground.

Dear Mr Editor. Much has been said about development in Anguilla, but there is one fact that all must accept, and this is that we are responsible for our own development. We must show our willingness to work together, not only for our own personal gain, but to make a better and happier community for our children. We need not pin all our hopes on outside investment, for "whoever sows the seed, will surely reap the harvest". There ought to be more concern and cooperation from our business-men here, for "to whom much is given, much is expected". Our community is small and undeveloped, if we can only combine our efforts, we can make Anguilla a show-case of unity. I hope that some of our business-men will get to-

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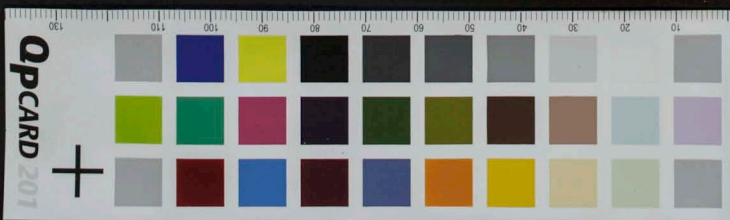
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gether, and make some large investment, so that some of the younger people can get employment, and help build the island's economy. "Concerned Anguillan!" *ST. THOMAS. V.I.*

For the sake of our loved ones who've gone before, can we not keep their graves made up for a few years longer, and for the safety of ourselves, can't we keep our running and tied animals out of the cemetery. The consumers of that very meat and milk are the ones to suffer from our neglect and wrong doing. Those whom it concerns please look into it, especially at Sandy Hill Cemetery. signed Lover of Dead and Living. *EAST END.*

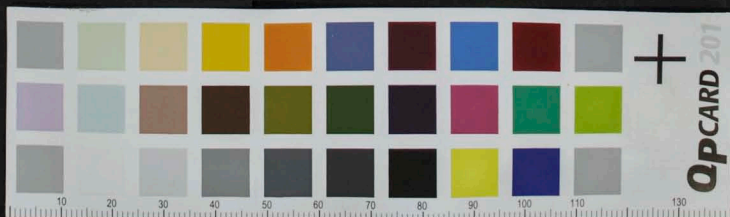
In last week's issue, we published a letter from "Careful John" complimenting the Government for being worried about possible accidents on the roads, but regretting that a cross-section of the community had not been consulted, and so the precautions taken were liable to increase the danger of accidents. The Editor of the Beacon feels that ducts on the roads can be useful, if they are properly constructed, and proper road-signs displayed. This is an urgent matter, and the two Ducts by the High School have been badly built, and insufficiently marked. Every motorist on the island will agree with this. The job was badly done, and the person responsible should do it again without delay. There is no need of a further meeting of the Council to discuss it. We agree that matters concerning the direct well being of the public should be debated with them before action is taken. Editor. THE BEACON.

Dear Editor, Perhaps the general public would like to know that a successful Annual Meeting of the Scouts Council was held on Sept:24th. The turn out was good. Reports of the leaders of the various troops with that of the Chief Commissioner were all encouraging. The total number of Scouts on the island is now 217. Signed. G. Harrigan Secretary

Will 'James Hodge' of the Valley who has promised to write us an article for this paper weekly, please contact the Editor at his earliest opportunity, so that arrangements can be made to print the first article. Editor

#### MAN ABOUT TOWN

Sea Green Airplane piloted by A.C Evans landed at Anguilla on the morning of Thursday 10th. Notice was immediately served on the pilot, and a letter sent to the management of the Air-Line forbidding entry of the air-line without written permission of the Government. It is alleged that this airline flew arms into St Kitts to be used against Anguilla, and had made observation flights over Anguilla. The pilot denied these charges to Atlin Harrigan, who served the notice.....Mr Dickenson, Our Auditor from Tortola, having worked overtime to get Anguilla accounts up to date, managed to hand them to Mr Webster as he was leaving.....Two cement boats, The Athenia from Grand Cayman, and the Mistral, arrived from Jamaica and off-loaded 10,000 bags of cement, for Albert Lake and Austin Rogers respectively.



About being a Leader. contributed by Christopher Romney.

The need for leadership in all walks of life is greater today than ever before. Every aspect of living demands guiding hands, government business, the professions, fine arts and mechanical arts.

Leadership does not mean domination. The world is always well supplied with people who want to be dictators. The leader is of a different sort. He seeks effective activity with beneficial purpose. A glance through history shows that the story of nations and of industries, is told in terms of individuals. In every significant event there has been a bold leader, an object or purpose, and an adversary. Durant makes one of his characters say in the "Mansions of Philosophy" 'The masses do not accomplish much...they follow the lead' of exceptional men' A healthy society is one in which opportunities are given for leaders to emerge from all ranks in the population. The Mechanic who has a helper assigned to him is a leader. The Office worker with a secretary is a leader. Within their spheres these leaders have the same responsibilities, the same opportunities for showing ability, and the same potential satisfactions as has the leader of a government.

No sluggard need aspire to leadership. There are passive persons who are content to go through life getting lifts from people, who wait till action is forced upon them, they are not of leadership material. What marks the leader is individual craftsmanship, sensibility, insight, initiative and energy.

Next Week Leaders have standards.

A BIBLE CAKE RECIPE. Beat to a cream,  $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Judges 5:25. and  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb Jeremiah. 6:20. Add two of Luke 11:12 lightly beaten; Stir in  $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Leviticus 2:1a; together with a pinch of Galatians 5:9. Then add a pinch of Leviticus 2:13, and one of Exodus 30:23 if desired. Stir in  $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of 1.Samuel 30:12. Add a little Isaiah 55:1 as needed to mix to right consistency.

Bake in a 6" cake tin, in moderate oven. The top may be decorated before baking with a few of the last words of Genesis.43:11. (Contributed by Housewife in Zambia)

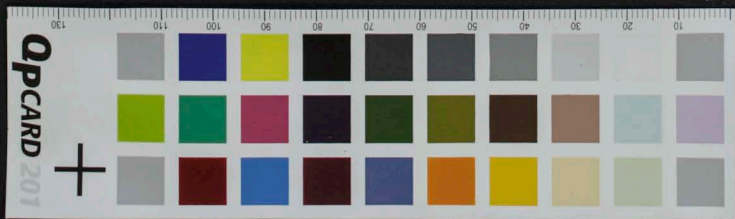
RAINFALL IN ANGUILLA

Since 1933 the worst years have been 1937. with 29.90in; and 1939. with 27.29.in. The best years were 1950 with 61.09; 1952. with 71.54; 1954. with 65.12; and 1955 with 64.75in. The average for the last ten years is 36.52 in.

Since 1963 figures for the Valley and West End & North Hill

1963.....	34.62.....	36.32.....	.....
1964.....	24.12.....	23.15.....	24.57.....
1965.....	24.50.....	27.79.....	22.00.....
1966.....	33.15.....	24.03.....	29.03.....
1967.....	21.47.....	25.03.....	28.62.....
1968 (to end of September)	10.44.....	6.40.....	15.58.....

The level of the wells is falling, and the situation has become very serious indeed. It is essential that every effort be made to collect and conserve water.



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NEW COSELY PREFABRICATED SCHOOL BUILDINGS. Building Contractors who are interested in constructing the School Buildings should contact G.L.Morling at the Public Works Department for details

ANGLICAN CHURCH  
Sunday October 13th 1968  
St Mary's Mattins 9.0 M Hodge  
St Augustine's 7.15am  
St Andrew's 9.0.am  
St Mary's Evensong 5.30pm.

WANTED TO BUY Jeep or Car, in good running order at fair price. Please contact E.J.H.Skarstrom c/o Mr J.B.Owen. North Hill.

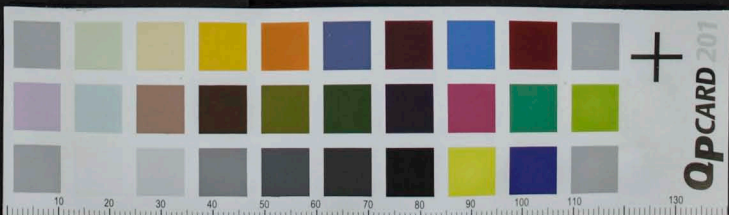
METHODIST CHURCH  
Missionary Services will be held in all 4 Societies. The Revd D Henry.B.D will be the deputation and preach at West End. 9.0am and Road. at 11.0am  
Meetings will be  
Sun:13th Blowing Point.6.30  
Mon:14th Road at 7.30pm  
Tues: 15th West End at 7.30  
Wed: 16th Valley at 7.30pm

WISHING to correspond and to exchange used Anguilla stamps for Australian stamps. All your letters will be answered. Mrs D Allard, 1556 McKay Place, Rapid Creek, Darwin. North Territory 5792. Australia.

Dr De Frietas the Eye Specialist will be in attendance at the Valley Administration Building on Saturday, October 19th.

WANTED TO BUY. Old articles, China; Cutlery; Glassware; Dolls etc... what have you? Please write description of what you have and send letter to EMILY C/O Post Office, Anguilla.

NEW ISSUE OF FOUR STAMPS  
To commemorate 35 Years of Guiding. On sale at Post Office on Mon: Oct: 14th. 1968.  
Values 10¢..15¢..25¢..40¢...



## YOU AND SPORTS

Cricket practice has resumed on the Park. It started on Mon. 30th, shortly after THE BEACON had introduced its sports column. Cosmo Cricket Club, and Little Rock Cricket Club, due to constant lack of members, are now functioning as one Club under the guidance of cricket veteran Ashley Carty. This club will accept challenges from any other club or clubs in any district in Anguilla. Saturday matches are soon to get on the way, provided that two teams can be found. Starting time 1.30.p.m. FOOTBALL No practice yet due to lack of ball. VOLLEY BALL. No news to date. TABLE TENNIS. The Valentinos Club sponsor a grand table tennis exhibition at the community centre on Wed: Oct: 9th. Local Talent.

Remember, a community without sportsmen is a sick one, and we are not sick. More from the world of sports next week. Ralph.V.C.Hodge.

## BIRTHS .....DEATHS.

Births To Mr & Mrs Albertis Davis, Blowing Point, Sep: 23. Son.  
To Mr & Mrs Reginald Proctor, Valley, on Sep: 26 a Son.

Deaths. Charles Fleming, South Hill, on Sep: 28. Aged 97.  
Basil Richardson, Pond Ground Oct: 9th aged 26.

The sudden death of Basil Richardson has come as a great shock to his family. About five years ago, Basil got some unidentified disease when working at St Thomas, and had been living at home since then, often in great pain. We extend our sympathy to his family.

In Memoriam. In loving memory of our beloved Reuben.L. Connor of South Hill, who passed from this life on Oct: 16th 1966. In loving memory of our dearly beloved Husband, Father, and Grandfather; "What heart can conceive of the rapture he knows, awakened to glories so bright.. Where radiant splendour unceasingly glows, where cometh no shadow of night.. His life work is ended and over the tide, redeemed in God's presence to stand, he knows his Redeemer for him crucified, by the print of the nails in his hands"

Ever to be remembered.

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Government Notice

Notice is served on Sea Green Air Lines and its management, that they are not allowed to fly over Anguilla and its dependencies as of 10th day of Oct: 1968, without written permission from Govt of Anguilla. Failure to obey will be dealt with by the laws of Anguilla. signed on authority of Council. Atlin Harrigan...  
Emil Gumbs.....  
Kenneth Hazel....  
Dated. 10th day OCT: 1968.

