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## EDITORIAL.

We have often drawn attention to the ever increasing cost of living in this island, other writers in this paper have done the same, and have suggested ways in which the Government could control prices.

We know that other governments in other countries have tried price-control and have failed, but the Government should set some limit for which some of the goods may be sold. For example, A certain brand of milk is sold at \$14.00 per case, while another leading brand is sold at \$16.00 per case. We find that as soon as the \$16.00 brand is sold out, the merchant raises the cost of the same shipment of milk that had been selling for \$14.00.

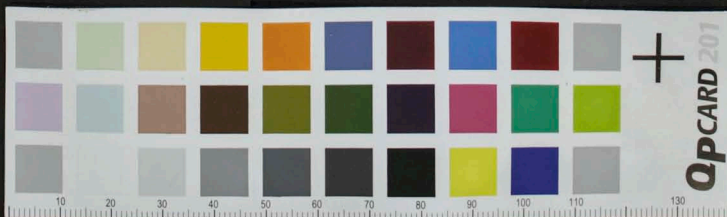
Because the poor consumer can get his milk from nowhere else, he is compelled to buy at the increased cost. The same thing is being done with many other commodities. What is a fair profit? If a case of butter is bought wholesale, it costs \$1.00 per tin. But one tin sold separately over the counter costs \$1.45. Forty Five percent profit at least seems to be very high indeed. Here is where the Government must step in immediately. They must fix a maximum above which goods may not be sold.

One must also remember that when the cost of living goes up, whether because of devaluation or whether because of the excessive prices charged by the merchants, the cost of labour must go up too.

The biggest employer of labour on the island is the Government. When Government has to pay higher wages, it has to increase tax to find the money, which in turn falls back on the consumer, which in turn brings up the cost of living, which puts us all back to square one--the increasing cost of living. If we can keep the cost of living down, the cheaper the labour will be.

The probable solution to all this is a CO-OPERATIVE, a non-profit organization of the people of Anguilla, which will buy the goods in bulk in the cheapest market, and sell goods to its members at a sufficient profit to cover costs. It is for prospective consumers to join together and demand such a cooperative, and they will have an interest in its success. A cooperative of this kind is needed now. The Government should do its best to establish such a cooperative. If it were done it would eliminate control price. The Co-operative would see to it that an adequate supply of goods is kept in stock, and being a non-profit organization, the price of goods would be kept low with a minimum profit.

There will always be a place for the small store, but they, in their turn would be able to reduce their prices.



## CANDIDLY SPEAKING By GEO. VERMON FLEMING St Kitts.

Power politics has made such an impact on the lives of the people of St Kitts Nevis and Anguilla, insomuch that everyone talks politics day and night. On the corners, in the streets, in the homes. Politics, Politics Politics. It is mixed up with your job. It is causing family contentions. In fact it is doing everything disgraceful. Some manage to play clean, but others introduce the most dirty and foul tactics that are in the books. I'll continuously say that the only plausible reasoning to all this is quite simple: The Government must bend to the opposition.

Prior to the inception of the Peoples Action Movement, our people were dormant and unconcerned as to their very existence. The upwakening has made such an impact that the fickle minded politicians who run the affairs of the state are so confused, that they are messing up everything they are trying to do. Could't we have things straightened out? Of course if only politics is left to the politician, then the rest would be easy. A talk around the table between Government and opposition- coexistence agreed upon- constructive suggestion accepted and worked vigorously upon, and the so much wanted breathing space is sure to come. Having got the breathing space, then I am convinced that investors will rush in, in their numbers. When a man is convinced that something can be done, he will die for his convictions.

I am convinced that Bradshaw's regime is too concerned about their own greed for power and purse, and unless the community cries out with a loud voice against this wanton waste of public funds, and press for the voice of the majority to be heard, then we will ever be doomed.

## MEETING PROBLEMS by Christopher Romney.

The capable leader does not flounder round in confusion when he meets with a problem, because he has learnt certain general procedures which enable him to face a crisis without panic. Simplicity marks this process as it does alleffective work in any field. Grapple the problem; whip it into shape at once; seek the information that is necessary for its solution; do what is necessary according to the size and complexity of the problem, to analyse the elements of it, and proceed to shape and test in your mind the various answers and plans. The leader has come to this position by one of several ways. Now he has to deal with the people. To tackle problems in a masterly way, the leader must see things as a whole, as well as in separate parts. Unwise accent in some section is one of the most ruinous practices in government or business leadership. The company that emphasises production, and neglects merchandising finds its stockpile high, and its sales profits low. The factory that concentrates on sales and neglects production finds itself losing friends because it can not give expected service. In both production and distribution, the leader must balance quality and cost.

No matter what point we start from in a discussion of leadership, we inevitably reach the conclusion that the art of being a leader is the art of developing people. At its highest peak leadership consists in getting people to work for you when they are under no obligation to do so.

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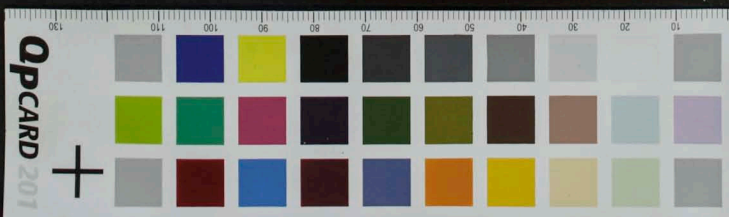
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those he leads. It is a maxim that whoever is under a man's power is under his protection. His people will cooperate with him in maintaining discipline for the good of the team. He will create in his group a sense of mutual effort, directed towards a specific goal.

#### A HISTORY OF ANGUILLA (By William Brisk.. continued)

The independent character of Anguillans is also evident in their homes.

Despite the relative poverty, construction standards in Anguilla are far superior to those of any other Caribbean island. The average family lives comfortably in large airy concrete structures, decently separated from its neighbours. One reason for such excellent housing is the proficiency of Anguilla's more than a hundred qualified carpenters, trained in family ship-building. Yet it is the earning capacity and ambition of the many Anguillans working off the island which pay for costly materials and tools which build these homes.

The island's principal source of wealth, indeed, is the accumulation of savings by Anguillans who work abroad. Two decades ago, Anguillans were regularly contracted to cut sugarcane at Santo Domingo and Puerto Rico. A decade later employment in the oil refineries of Aruba, Curacao, and Trinidad attracted and trained many others.

Presently Anguillans hold many of the better clerical and industrial jobs in St Thomas and St Croix and the American Virgin Islands.

Sizable Anguillan communities of mill and factory workers exist on the United States mainland, in Canada and in England. Most of their earnings are remitted home and invested in the construction of new and well furnished homes. As evidence of Anguillan thrift, of a resident population of less than 2,000, more than 1,200 have savings accounts on the island.

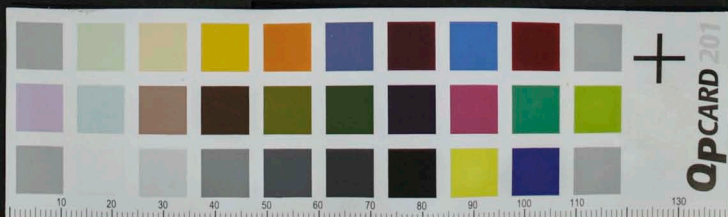
Aside from some small factories and several salt ponds, the island can count on limited tourism. Some five small hotels provide the amenities (such as plumbing, electricity and imported foods) most islanders go without. Yet none can accommodate more than twenty guests at one time, and even during the busy season, they are never filled to capacity.

Some day of course, tourists will come, to appreciate the under-exploited clear waters densely populated with marine life, beyond verbal description. But until then the islanders will always be dependent on their sons abroad.

#### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IN ANGUILLA

It is causing great concern to the Headteachers in the Primary Schools that the attendance of children has dropped off considerably in recent weeks. It is true that the school accommodation leaves much to be desired, but this is no new problem. It is true that there have been some colds going round the island, but this should not have kept so many children away. No doubt the recent drought has made water carrying an additional burden on the parents, but in spite of all these considerations PARENTS ARE NOT COOPERATING AND SEEING THAT THE CHILDREN GO TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

We ask all parents to give this message.



"The Government and the grown-ups are out to build a new Anguilla. You are still too young to help in what we are doing now, but in a few years time you will be the important people in Anguilla, and we want to have every child properly educated. Children, if you want to help Anguilla NOW see that you do not miss a day's school from now on!"

JOHN WEBSTER.

#### TEN MOST WANTED MEN

1. The man who tries to be the right example to every child, rather than talk about it.
2. The man who has a passion to help rather than be helped.
3. The man who is willing to say "I was wrong", "I am sorry"
4. The man who will look at temptation squarely, and say "No".
5. The man who puts God's business before any other.
6. The man who throws himself totally into a project, then gives the credit for its success to his helpers.
7. The man who has already smile and a pat on the back for others.
8. The man who brings his children to church rather than sending them.
9. The man who can see his own faults before he sees the faults of others.
10. The man who gives his money, time and talent without thought of return.

#### EPIGRAM ON ROUGH ROADS by Robert Burns

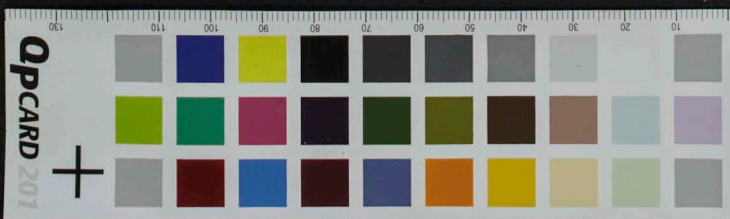
I'm now arrived- thanks to the gods-  
Thro' pathways rough and muddy,  
A certain sign that makin' roads  
Is no this nation's study.

And tho' I'm no with Scripture crammed  
I'm sure the Bible says,  
That heedless sinners shall be damned  
Unless they mend their ways.

#### CONFERENCE FOR TEACHERS IN ANGUILLA

A conference for teachers which begins on Friday November 15th at the Community Centre, will give day school teachers the opportunity to consider the life of teachers in Japan, Poland, Puerto Rico and Canada. This will be done by viewing a film "The Four Teachers" which depicts not only classroom situations, but also the home life and out of school activities of some of the pupils and teachers. Following the film, small group discussions will take place on the ways in which the values seen in the film can be applied to situations here in Anguilla. It is expected that other interesting films for use at the conference will be arriving by the Valley Air service on Friday.

Directing the conference is Miss Eleanor Rice, the consultant in Christian Education for the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Antigua. Local arrangements have been made by Mr John Webster and



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Miss Philippa Maxwell, in cooperation with the Education Board, which has granted the teachers leave from school in order to participate.

Not all the time will be spent in listening and talk, for a primary principle of education is that meaningful learning takes place through experiencing. So teachers will be carrying on creative activities such as, drama, singing, story-telling, and various art activities, which may later be used in their own classrooms.

In her talk "The Teacher as a Christian Steward"; Miss Rice hopes to stimulate teachers to think about the task which they have undertaken, of helping to prepare the children for life.

Much depends on the way in which the teachers recognise the latent abilities of each child, and help the children to use not only their memories in learning the facts, but their imaginations and the ability to think for themselves. Accordingly some time will be given during the conference to consideration of the general characteristics and psychological needs of children as they develop from infancy to maturity.

Consideration will also be given to the teachers own problems and development, during what is hoped will be a lively panel discussion entitled, "The Teacher should live for Tomorrow". A number of local people will be asked to sit on the panel.

Conferences of a similar nature have been held in Antigua, Dominica, Montserrat and Nevis, under the auspices of the Christian Education Committee for the Diocese of Antigua.

#### POPPY DAY IN ANGUILLA.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances arrangements for the distribution of the Poppies to the sellers, was not begun till 4.30 pm on Saturday Nov: 9th.

Mir John Webster rushed round the Island with the Poppies, and managed to get them in the hands of the sellers before the Sunday. Even with this very short time, the sum collected has now reached the total of \$141.03, which is more than was collected last year, which was even then a record. Congratulations to all who helped in any way.

#### PRINCE CHARLES' BIRTHDAY

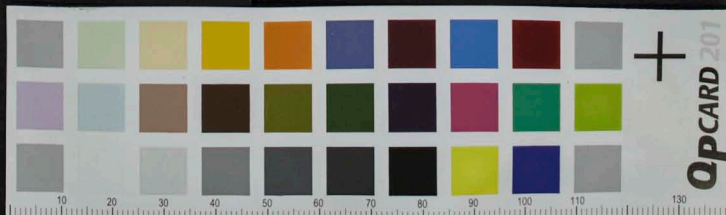
This was kept as a public holiday in Anguilla. There was a grand turnout of all the youth organizations at 9.0am and the day began with a short service in St Mary's Church conducted by the Rector, after which there was a parade and march through the streets.

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## ANGUILLA and MALAWI

We hear a lot about Rhodesia in the news to-day, but we may forget that less than ten years ago, there was a Federation of Southern Rhodesia and Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, which though infinitely vaster, has many similarities with St Kitts, Nevis and Anguilla. In 1953 these three large countries in Africa were formed into a Federation by the British Government. In this federation the most important territory, Southern Rhodesia would play the most important part. The two northern territories considered that they had never been consulted, and that the federation would prevent them from developing their own nationalism, and that they would always be in subjection to the European controlled Government in Southern Rhodesia, with its leader Sir Roy Welensky. Opposition to federation grew in the northern territories, led in Nyasaland by the National African Congress headed by Dr Hastings Banda. Eventually a state of emergency was declared, Dr Banda and his chief supporters were put into detention camps, but the spirit of the people could not be controlled, and eventually, Her Majesty's Government dissolved the federation, ended the state of emergency, liberated Dr Banda, and called for general elections. Within a few months Dr Banda became the head of Nyasaland, whose name was changed to Malawi. In the last six years, Malawi has forged ahead and is now one of the happiest and most prosperous countries in Africa.

The similarity between this and the set up in St Kitts Nevis and Anguilla is remarkable. Anguillians have many of the characteristics of the Malawians. Here is part of a speech given by Dr Banda at the second Annual Convention of the Malawi Congress Party in 1966. "Malawi is two years old as an independent state. I have never hidden it from you that our country is poor, not because it has not got resources, but because it has been neglected. . . . If our status as an independent state is to have any meaning at all, if our claim to independence is to have any meaning whatsoever, then every one of us must take seriously the question of the development in our country. If this country is to be developed every able bodied person, man or woman must work. No one must just sit or walk about in the village the whole day doing nothing. No one must just eat every day without working. Leaders must set an example. All of us must work very hard, there must be no jealousy amongst us. Leaders must remember that they are the salt and light of good personal behaviour, good personal conduct in the community. The majority of us here are Christians, though we may not go to church every Sunday. Always remember the words of the gospel, 'Ye are the salt of the earth, and if the salt has lost its savour, it is good for nothing but to be cast out and to be trodden under the foot of men' I am certain that those of us who are Moslems have something in the Koran that says the same thing. Therefore, whether we be Christians or Moslems, we Leaders, whether we are Ministers, Members of Parliament, Party Leaders, Women's League, Youth League, Young Pioneers, must always remember that we are the salt and the light of good behaviour and good conduct in our communities, or wherever we are. Whatever we do reflects on us either favourably or unfavourably. Because whatever we do can never be hidden."

*The Editor and Printer of the BEACON regret the many mistakes in the printing of this issue. We are using a new electric machine which has faults which we hope to have corrected, and we ourselves are only learners.*

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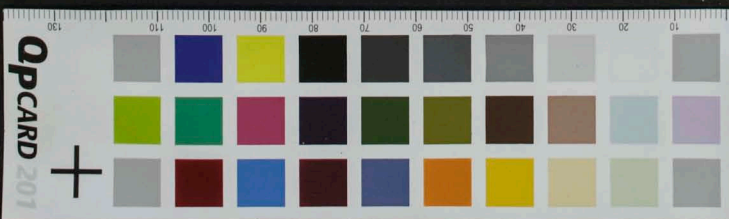
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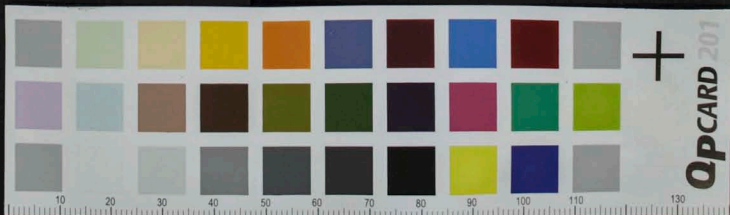
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CRICKET.

On Thursday 14th. November a match was played on the park between two local sides. Albertus captained one side and Carty the other. Final scores Albertus XI 86, defeated Carty's XI by 40 runs who were all out for 46 runs. Albertus XI batted first and despite fine performances by Lunsford who made 25 before being cleaned bowled by V. Bankd, Mc.Vey 20 and Ken Banks 11 the side was tumbled out for 86, Carty got 5 wickets for 28 runs in 9 overs and Marsy and V. Banks each claimed one wicket.

When Carty's XI went in to bat they were soon in trouble to bowling which seemed very erratic. Carty after a dogged innings was the only person to get in double figures making 11. Leslie Richardson was the most dangerous bowler and claimed 4 wickets for 6 runs in 3.5 overs. Lionel Gumbs got 2 wickets for 4 runs in 4 overs and Albertus 2 for 7 in 4 overs.

When the match finished Carty invited the opposing side to a return match on Saturday 16th. Nov. starting at 1.30 p.m.

OUR WEST INDIANS IN AUSTRALIA. After two disastrous innings, West Indies suffered yet another brutal loss. This time at the hands of South Australia. Final scores West Indies 206 and 229, S. Australia 390 and 46 without loss.

The match started with West Indies batting and after a fine start they collapsed. Nurse was brilliant for his 69 and received fine support from Carew who made 47 and Lloyd 28. The collapse started when Davis was run out for duck and soon after Sobers was also run out for 13. The last 6 wickets fell for 29 made in 20 minutes. By the end of the first day South Australia replied confidently with 90 for 1.

The second day started with wickets falling very quickly and soon South Australia was 163 for 7. At this time Chappel was 63 not out and everything appeared to be going West Indies way. Mc.Carthey joined Chappel and in a record 8th. wicket stand they added 171 in 20 mins. Mc.Carthey made 127 and Chappel 123 when South Australia's innings closed at 390. When the second day ended West Indies replied with 63 for 1, Kanhai 33 not out.

On the third day West Indies again collapsed and were all out for 229. Leg spinner Jenner finished with 5 for 71. Mallet, a promising young off spinner got 3 wickets. Set to make 46 South Australia did this without loss. For West Indies it was a very poor display.

Ralph V.C. Hodge.

NOTICE. The public meeting that was to be held at the Community Centre on Tuesday Nov. 12th. at 6.00 p.m. had to be postponed until Friday 22nd. Nov at 5.0 p.m. This meeting is held in order to form a Sports Association in the community. The general public are invited.

The family of Louisa Smith of Island Harbour would like through this medium to thank Dr. Spector and the staff of the Cottage Hospital for the kind treatment to her during her recent illness. (Euter-Smith.)

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

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