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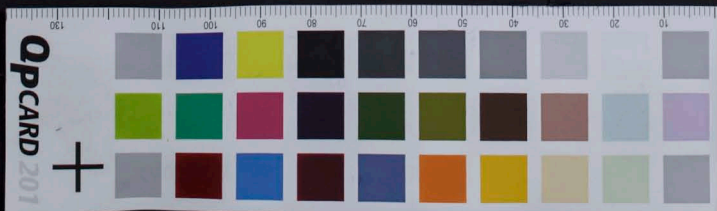
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EDITORIAL.

Mr Addie Ottley, Manager of W.S.T.A. Radio Station on St. Thomas. went to St. Kitts last week-end and interviewed Robert Bradshaw and Anguillans and Kittitians living on St. Kitts, about the Anguilla situation. Both recordings were broadcast over W.S.T.A. radio on Monday and Wednesday of this week.

As expected and interesting enough, the Anguillans interviewed were the ones who openly campaigned for Labour Gov't. in the last General Election, though they were Civil Servants. We can well remember Mr. Constantine Richardson going to the polling Station on election day, and telling the people to vote labour (who was disguised as Independent) and to remember if they didn't vote labour he would be coming back to teach their children". Mr. Richardson who said that he has not returned to Anguilla because there is no law and order, refused to say that only two months ago he was here, and was free to go where he wanted as any other Anguillan. When asked if other Anguillans in St. Kitts agreed with him, he could give no answer nor could he make comment on the suggestion that a meeting of Anguillans in St. Kitts be called to ascertain their views, as had been done in St. Thomas. Talking with another Anguillan, who refused to identify herself, said that she has four children, and was away from Anguilla for the past 18 years. We have no problem in placing this lady, who too has been here in 1966, campaigning for the Bradshaw Gov't. in the last general election. Since she doesn't want her name to be known, we will not mention it either. Let it be remembered that ^{her name} she is presently a member of the Anguilla Council, and is known as the first man to lead a demonstration for Anguilla to secede from St. Kitts in 1958. Asked whether other Anguillans in St. Kitts had the same views as herself, she said that some of the more intelligent ones did. She added that she would like Anguillans in St. Thomas and St. Kitts to get together and try to make Anguillans in Anguilla see sense. Perhaps she would also like to speak at such meetings. We hope she will, and then she would really see what Anguillans, who are not dependent on St. Kitts for their jobs, really think.

Bradshaw in his interview who always chats the same nonsense, that it is a so-called white minority from East End who rules Anguilla, went on to appeal to Anguillans in St. Thomas to talk to their families, who would in turn talk to the Council and Mr. Webster and put sense in their heads and return Anguilla to Constitutional rule. We kindly asked Mr. Bradshaw, since he is so sure of himself that we are the minority, to agree to accept the results of a referendum on the matter I am pretty sure that the Council would agree to abide by the results even if he himself would conduct the referendum. After saying all this we must conclude, that we are satisfied that Mr. Geo. Fleming was right (in his article of Oct. 19th. in this paper) when he said that the few Anguillans in St. Kitts were holding on to the Gov't. because of their salaries, he added that some of them were being squeezed, and laughed at. We know that they are told to do their best to have Anguilla return to St. Kitts or else they will be kicked out of their jobs. (Continued on page 2)



CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Sir,

I would be grateful if you could give me a little space in the Beacon to say good-bye to all the very kind people I have met in Anguilla. I would like to say thank-you to everyone for contributing towards what has been a very interesting and important year in my life. Many thanks for all that I have seen and learnt. The very best of luck to all the teachers, especially the young teachers who are just starting their careers—I have really enjoyed working with them. Thank you also to Mrs. Banks for her friendliness and thoughtfulness when I first arrived. I do hope that this will not be my last ^{visit} to Anguilla.

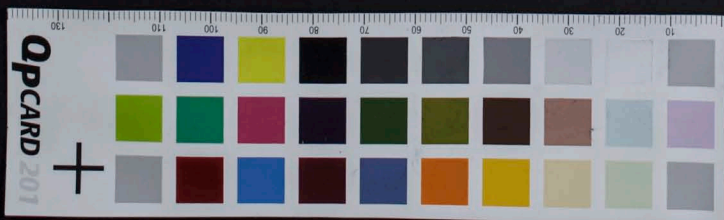
Yours sincerely,
Philippa Maxwell.

Comment.

Miss Philippa Maxwell probably first heard about Anguilla from reading a letter in the London Times, written by the Rector of Anguilla, appealing, amongst other things for Voluntary workers. She wrote to the Rector, offering her services to Anguilla, and the Council read her letter, and invited her to come. She was a free-lance, not sponsored by any organisation, and offered to pay her fare out to Anguilla. The fact that she had taken the initiative herself, told us that she was no ordinary person, and when she came she soon made it clear that she was full of the best and newest theories of education, and only asked for free scope to try them out in Anguilla. It was significant that she asked to be given a class of infants, rather than one of the older children, which showed that she regarded the teaching of infants as the most important thing she could do. She was given the Road School-class, and was aghast at the number of children that were drafted into her class. She managed to cope with all the difficulties and frustration in school, and also managed to give demonstrations lessons in other schools. She gave up her vacation to taking a special class for prospective and young teachers, and a farewell party given by the education department on Wednesday night November 13th. The speeches there showed that Anguillians were really grateful for the wonderful work she has done in so short a time.

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They have no choice now but to try, for they have forsaken their island in return for big jobs and fat salaries, and sometime they must return. We are satisfied to sympathise with them and welcome them back home any time. And maybe for once they can contribute something for the betterment of Anguilla, and not for themselves individually. We are happy to say that only two of the Civil Servants have left Anguilla, while all the others are supporting the cause of the island. Also interviewed was Dr. Lloyd working in St. Kitts for the past 8 years as an Optometrist. He considered that Anguilla was too small to stand apart and be independent, and what he wanted most was Federation or Confederation in the West Indies. He said that there was no true democracy in Anguilla, nor freedom of expression. Again he would not say whether the views he expressed were his own personal ones, or whether they were shared by other Anguillians in St. Kitts. He wanted to see Anguillians talking less of politics and having more jollification, that they should try to build up their own economy without relying on outside help. (Comment. Help from where, St. Kitts?)



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CANDIDLY SPEAKING by Geo. Vernon Fleming, St. Kitts.

"Peace on earth.....Good will to all men".

Headlines have already begun to herald the Nativity of Christ the lord. In days of yore, distant guns on battlefields ceased their firing, and foe and friend embraced and fill the air with rejoicing Alleluias. A bombing pause is in effect in Vietnam; Ian Smith is anxious for a settlement on the Rhodesian problem, but yet the St. Kitts Gov't is slighting the just and honourable fight for freedom for Anguilla. Let us hope that the hearts of those that hold the reigns can be moved towards a peaceful settlement of the stalemate issue between St. Kitts and Anguilla, before the coming of the New Year.

Yea! let the hearts of our people feel light and free, ease the tension of bitter hatred, which has been built up between the people of this fair land.

Lift the imaginary state of emergency on Anguilla as a gesture of good will and above all, call on the opposition to unite, offer and build a new St. Kitts-Like Anguillans have promised to do for Anguilla.

This season looks very promising for visitors to our shores. The American dollar is always welcomed by smart people, and rejected by the silly ones. Let us therefore give it a try. Make them happy when they come, and as one suggestion by a writer in one of our papers... "Give them something local!" Our hope is for a brighter future.

 THE TEACHER AS A STEWARD, by M. Vanterpool.

On the 15th and 18th inst. a short course was conducted by Miss Eleanor Rice, Consultant in Christian Education, at the Community Centre, Valley.

The two days being granted as holidays enabled the teachers of the island to attend.

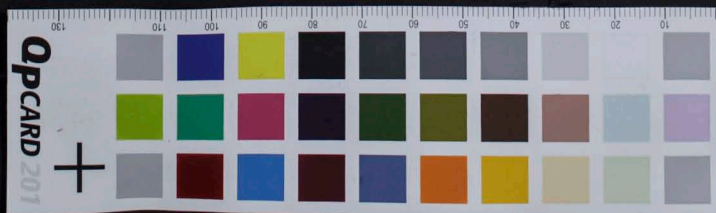
Miss Rice, in her theme talk emphasised the teacher as a steward and the entire course hinged on this. She appealed particularly to the young teachers to encourage the children to find out for themselves what they want to know. The stage should be set for learning, that is, there should be a friendly give and take between every member of the class and the teacher. She went on to say that if children are taught to think for themselves there is no limit to which they may go. The most important thing is to help children to grow fully and prepare themselves to take on responsibilities in life.

A film shown immediately after served to consolidate the many interesting points raised by Miss Rice, as the teachers present, were, through this medium, brought face to face with classrooms in other parts of the world, Japan, Poland, Puerto Rico, where teachers manifest themselves as stewards.

Panel discussions, activity methods and many useful suggestions also featured in the course. At the end the teachers felt the two days were very profitably spent and they could go back to their classrooms with some new ideas. They look forward to having Miss Rice again in the near future to conduct other courses of this nature.

GOV'T TO RETURN LANDS. All the people who had given their lands to Gov't in exchange for other sites, for extension of Wall Blake Airport, will be given land in Equivalent in value on a new sight at George Hill. The land is now being cleared by three Bulldozers and supervised by Mr. Wallace Rey, member of Council. The Airport lands were originally taken by the St. Kitts Gov't. and was always in dispute as to what lands would be returned to the people.

The Anguilla Gov't has decided to see that the people are satisfied with the exchange.



PRIORITIES IN EDUCATION

Elsewhere in this issue, there is an appreciation by an educationalist of the course for teachers recently held in Anguilla under the leadership of Miss Rice, from Antigua. I did not attend the course, but was her host during her stay in Anguilla, and also sat under her when she was occupying the pulpit in church. Certain points which she made there seem to me to be so important, that they deserve the maximum publicity that we can give them. Forty per cent of a child's potential of intelligence is developed before the age of four, and another twenty per cent before the age of eight. This means to say that the first years of a child's life, in the home, will decide whether the child is going to be bright and intelligent, and above the average. And the responsibility for this rests upon the parents. A good home, with both father and mother present, not only gives the child a sense of security, but can also train the child to think for itself.

A child born out of wedlock, or without one parent always away from the home will give the child a permanent disadvantage in life. A new baby arriving too soon after the last one, may deprive the first one of the necessary attention. (Here the Anglican Church is right, and the Pope is wrong about the rightness of family planning, and the means to be adopted). The common idea that nothing need to be done about the education of the child till it is handed over to a teacher when it starts school, is fatal for producing an intelligent child. Then when the child starts going to school what happens? Here in Anguilla, most of the schools are overcrowded, and the lowest class which needs the best trained teacher, the most space, and the elaborate equipment, often has to make do with no proper equipment, the youngest pupil teacher, and perhaps a bit of shade under a tree.

To the trained teacher, and especially the head teacher, the wrongness of all this is nothing new, and all praise to them for doing a good job under almost impossible conditions. Nor is it the job of the layman to dictate to them how to run their schools. But if it is true that nearly half the damage to a child can be done before it reaches school age, the greater responsibility rests upon the parents. We appeal to the young men and girls of Anguilla not to run the risk of 'making a baby' before they are mature enough to look after it properly, and to provide it with a proper home and security. The illegitimacy rate is very high in the Caribbean, though we are glad to say that in Anguilla it is not so high as in other islands. Bringing a baby into the world before marriage, is really selfishness on the part of the parents, and it will handicap the child from the very start, and will be doing a great deal of harm to our island. We have a new pre-fabricated school, just lying on the ground near Landsome. If this could be put up without delay, it would relieve the congestion in two of the most overcrowded schools, and give the teachers a new hope. What is the reason for the delay in building this school? Can not the Government get started on it at once?

Finally, cannot some more nursery schools be started for children of pre-school age who live near them? Already we know of one such school at Island Harbour and it is understood that it is a success and plans are on the way for its extension.

Mr. Campbell Fleming acknowledges with thanks, the receipt of a bundle of maps (of Anguilla) from Messrs Proc's Radio and Refrigeration Services, of St. Kitts. These maps have been turned over to the Education Department for use of the Schools.

C.R.G. Carleton.

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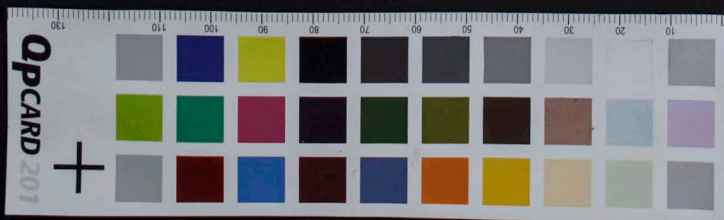
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CHANGE OF DATE

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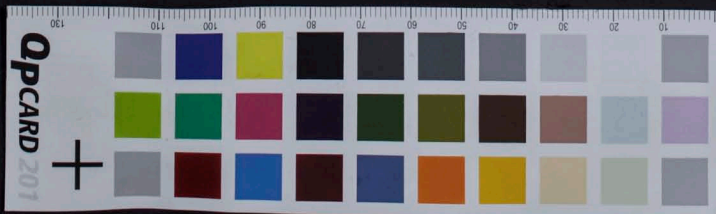
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MAN ABOUT TOWN.

I've been informed that some people don't appreciate some of what I write, but let me say that I do not make the news, I only report it. Meanwhile I had a look in the The Caribbean Traveler - "The Antillean Magazine" of Oct.-Nov. 1968. (Page 7) and note that it says that SOMBRERO is a possession of Great Britain. Let it be clear that Sombrero is a possession of Anguilla. The lighthouse on it is run by Great Britain and manned by Anguillians. Since Great Britain has disclaimed any responsibilities for Anguilla internal affairs, since 27th Feb. 1967. Anguilla should receive all the publicity and credit for Sombrero..... All well and good for Robert Bradshaw to say that it is a "Semi white minority group" of Anguillians from East End, that do not want his black Gov't. to rule them. One would think that since this is the case, he would really commit himself to a referendum on the matter.. He can also have the privilege of conducting the referendum, since he does not believe that the last election was in order, with the B.S.O. acting as supervisor. One would think that he would even pay a visit to the other part of the island where he has the "Semi Black majority!"

Since he disclaimed any responsibilities for the undeveloped Anguilla, which he ruled for 18 years, and further blamed it on U.K.'s past 300 years of Colonial rule, how in this world can St. Kitts take on to do what England with her vast resources failed to do in the past 300 years. When Southwell himself the finance minister spends most of his time out begging for loans to develop their Airport, Deep Water Harbour, and Frigate Bay. Since Dr. Herbert went to the V.I. College and had a speech, got a tremendous applause from the spectators, and had the protection of the F.B.I. while in St. Thomas after an alleged plot by a couple Bradshawites to assassinate him, we hear that Bryant wants to go down now and has already asked that he gets double protection that Dr. Herbert had. We've had a lot of publicity from Bradshaw, some good some bad, On his mention of the delicious Lobsters the price went up 5¢ per. lb. and though late for planting our strengthening pigeon peas the rain began to fall. Anguilla is beginning to look green again after a long drought. God is with us all for no one knows for sure what the 8th of Jan. will bring. Meanwhile the lights will be shining in the East End again at Wilson's Social Centre. We understand that it will be open in full swing for this Xmas season. Already the boys in St. Thomas are planning for the occasion and hope to stay on until they see what Jan. 8th. will bring.

EDUCATION A NECESSITY RATHER THAN A LUXURY

Education today is not a mere luxury or an accessory, but rather a grave necessity. In this age of automation, machines do the work that the uneducated used to do and at a much cheaper rate. So it is almost impossible now to find a good job without a reasonable education.

A good education also points to a bright and pleasure for one to look back over his school career and say I have done a good job. After that he can lead a real happy life practising his vocation and earning an honest living.

Education provides us with an adequate amount of knowledge we need to follow up the happenings around us and to analyze any situation and to react to it in the best suitable way.

Education affords good leadership and understanding with which we can be able to fit in with the different Social trends of the world. (continued)

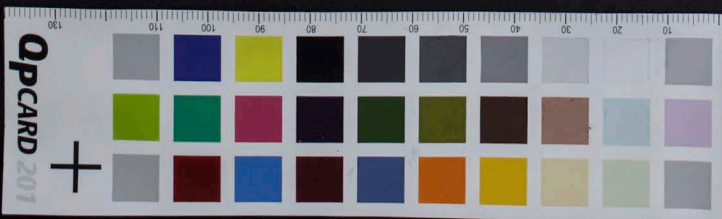
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NOTICE. With the kind permission of Mr. Addie Ottley, manager of W.S.T.A. radio we will play both recordings of his interviews with Bradshaw, Anguillians and Kittitians living in St. Kitts, on the park, on Sunday afternoon at 3.30p.m. All interested persons are asked to attend. Editor

STAMPS BRING IN \$122.00 TO FUND. The two overprinted Independent Anguilla Stamps, received from Mr. Richard Richardson of Anguilla, living in St. Thomas, and donated to the Garbage Truck Appeal Fund, has been sold to Mr. Risdon of St. Martin. Mr. Risdon has paid double for these two stamps, so that he too, can contribute to this fund. Mr. Richardson has since donated three more of the stamps to the fund, which has been sold for 8 U.S. Dollars each, which brings his contribution from these stamps to \$112.00 EC.

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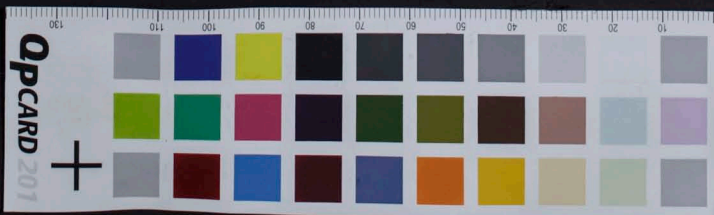
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You and Sports. On Saturday, 16th. Nov. Carty's XI crushed Albertus' XI to defeat in a match where the bowlers were on top form from the start. Carty XI was given a good start by V. Banks' 27 and A. Carty 27 but middle order batting collapsed disastrously almost all getting ducks. It was left to a 14 year old school boy M. Brooks 15 to see the score reach 84 when the innings closed. M. Hodge claimed 4 for 11 in 4 overs of which 2 were maidens. Albertus XI took the crease but disaster struck early and very severely, being tumbled out for 32. 16 year old Evan Hodge 10, was the only batsman to reach double figures. Cedric Carty claimed 3 for 18, Roland Hodge 2 for 7 in 5 overs, A. Carty 2 for 0 in 3 balls.

Score card reads.

(Ralph V.C, Hodge)

CARTY'S XI		ALBERTUS' XI	
A. Carty stumped wktp b. Marsi	27	A. R'son b. C. Carty	5
V. Banks run out	27	L. Rdson L.B.W. C. Carty	6
R. Hodge L.B.W. Marsi	0	M. Hodge b. C. Carty	0
R. Carty stumped wktp b. Marsi	0	N. Rdson b. R. Hodge	0
M. Moona b Marsi	0	E. Hodge b. A. Carty	10
M. Brooks Not Out	15	K. Banks Not Out	0
C. Carty Bowled Albertus	1	K. Brooks c b A. Carty	0
R. Rdson c. wktp. b Albertus	1	V. Banks b. R. Hodge	0
Extras	6	Extras	7
Total	84	Total	30.

BIRTHS: A boy was born to Mr. & Mrs. Churchill Smith of Island Harbour on Nov. 16th.

DEATHS: We regret to record the death of Mr. Charles Creighton of George Hill who died on Nov. 14th, at the age of 86 yrs. and Adolphus Richardson of Long Ground who died on Nov. 15th. at the age of 58 yrs. R.I.P.

ANGUILLAN DRAFTED IN U.S.A. ARMY.

Among the number of boys drafted in the U.S.A. army from V.I. was one Anguillan Hamlet Harrigan. Mr. Harrigan who expected the call anytime, after he had passed his medical examination a few months ago, spent threedays with his family in Anguilla, before leaving for the U.S.A. via Puerto Rico, last Monday. He is the brother to the Editor Beacon, Atlin Harrigan, and will add to the number of Anguillans already serving in the American forces.

It is reported that Miriam Hodge of West End, while planting her ground at West End, on 21st. Nov., stepped on a certain area, which fell in with her to the hip. She quickly threw herself over on her side, and luckily caught on to solid land and managed to get herself out. She then started to sound the the earth around the hole with her hoe, and for about five feet in diameter, the earth's crust fell in exposing a hole approximately 30 feet deep. Later on, a boy went down into this hole and reported that two tunnels, were leading off in different directions. We understood that the police are making investigations.

The article, on page 6, captioned, "Education. a Necessity rather than a Luxury" is written by Wishburne Hunte, and will be concluded next week (Ed).

NOTICE. The centre page of some of this issue of the Beacon is printed upside down, this is regretted. (EDITOR)

