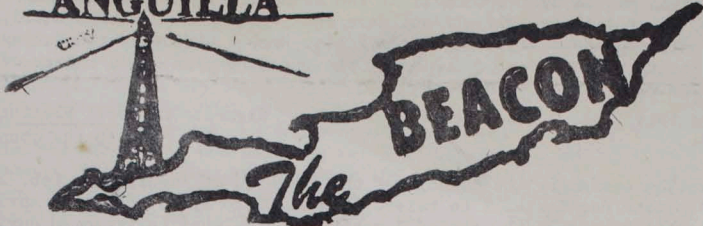


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Saturday March 8th. 1969.

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HUDSON PHILIPS & REV'D. CARTY VISIT

On Thursday morning 6th. March, arriving on a Valley Air Service flight from St. Maarten was Mr. Hudson Philips of Trinidad and Rev'd. Leonard Carty, Anguillan living in Br. Honduras. Mr. Philips a lawyer, was Anguilla's Legal advisor to the London Talks last October. Rev'd. Carty was also present at those talks, and is on his way from Br. Honduras to London on Church Business. At the airport on their arrival, was the President Elect Ronald Webster, who took Mr. Philips to Sandy Hill for lunch. Mr. Philips left for St. Maarten the same afternoon.

IF I WERE ALLOWED TO REPRESENT ANGUILLA AT H.M.G. TALKS. (By Alton R'dson).

I would make a forceful speech from the very start. There, I shall ask H.M.G. to discuss the Anguilla crisis as a storm in a tea cup. I would continue to say that ever since Britian's Immigration Act 1962 other West Indian Commonwealth countries and independent ones have followed suit to safeguard their people's interests; not forgetting that, that was one of the major reasons why larger West Indian islands pulled out of the West Indian Federation, 1961. In other words, each island is trying to secure optimum economy and efficiency which Premier Bradshaw for some reason or the other up to this moment seems quite incapable of giving St. Kitts, let alone Anguilla. Yet our over-riding grievance is the way the constitution has been devised, denying us any say in our own land. Local government as I know it in England and Nevis are too different things when you consider that the council in Nevis cannot even repair a water pump, let alone to make policy.

It is said that Anguilla because of its small population cannot give optimum economy and efficiency, but that is the fallacy of the argument. (Continued on page 5.)

APOLOGY: On page 6 of the Beacon of March 1st. Re-Births. Because of Typist error, the first line read "Sons were born to Mr. Calvin Hodge of the Quarter on Feb. 7th. To" It should have read "Sons were born to Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Hodge of the Quarter, on Feb. 7th. To..." We apologize to all these wonderful women, for this error that might have been misinterpreted. Ed.

OFF-ON-GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

On Thursday morning 6th. March, Mr. John Webster Director of Civil Service and Mr. Wallace Rey Member of the Council, left Anguilla by plane. Mr. Ronald Webster, President Elect, told the Beacon reporter that they were on Government business which would take them to Puerto Rico and Venezuela. They flew out by Anguilla Airways via St. Thomas.

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GOVERNMENT NOTICES:

On action passed by the Council of the Republic of Anguilla, on Feb. 20th 1969. As of January 1969 all builders must require a permit to build, from the building board, located at the Public Health Office at the Valley. Applicants must present 2 copies of the building plan and a charge of \$2. will be charged for each permit.

Dated this 21st. day of Feb. 1969.

Signed: Campbell Fleming
Sec. to the council.

On action passed by the council of the Republic of Anguilla on Feb. 20th. 1969. , the Dog Tax will be raised from \$1.00 to \$2.50 effective April 1st 1969. All Dogs from the age of 3 months upwards must be licenced during the month of April, a badge will be issued at the Treasury, that must be worn around the Dog's neck. Because of the large amount of small stock destroyed by dogs, all dogs must be tied from 6pm. to 6am. Any dogs found on the streets or questionable areas at night, will be shot by the police. Owners of violating dogs will be fined \$25.00 for each offense.

Dated this 21st. day of Feb. 1969.

Signed: Campbell Fleming
Sec. to the Council.

Letter to the Editor. GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS QUEEN. (By "ONLOOKER")

Kindly allow me a short space in your valuable informative paper to send this missive TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. Very many if not majority of the islanders here are of Anglican Faith, and "GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS QUEEN" is one of the hymns in our Hymn and Prayer book. Apart from that fact, we are all loyal citizens to the Crown, even though certain subtle questions made us turn into temporary traitors. Therefore people who put themselves in exalted posts had better do their work without touching the Lord's anointed and turning gratitude into ridicule. To the false Priest, I sympathise with you, for a man of your calibre had nothing associating yourself with such a group, who "Scorn the base degrees by which they did ascend" You have the full backing of your sheep, and accept your reward bravely, for their reward is yet to come. If we are not British subjects, on whose passports are we travelling all over the world? Didn't the President Elect say at a meeting in January that he is as honourable a British Subject as Premier Bradshaw, and that his British Passport is Valid? So called responsible men should act like men and not like big boys, picking up unnecessary news and commenting on them in such a purile manner in news that is world wide. Thanking you for space.

Name ~~with-held~~ at writer's request. Ed.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

My Father died and left cession property in Anguilla for his children. I understood I have a brother there (Lenny Richardson) who sold a piece of that land, and if anyone bought land from him, please seek your money and don't trespass on that property. (Robert Richardson, Aruba N.A.)

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. NOTICE.

1. Persons in arrears of water rates are asked to settle their accounts by March 31st. 1969.
2. All persons desiring the hire of the Government Caterpillars for private work must have the matter cleared at the P.W.D. Office before any work can be undertaken. R.Fahie, P.W.D.



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THE MOTH AND THE STAR.

A young and impressive moth once set his heart on a star. He told his mother about this and she counselled him to set his heart on the bridge lamp instead. "Stars aren't the thing to hang around" she said, "lamps are the thing to hang around". "You get somewhere that way" said the moth's father. "You don't get anywhere by chasing stars" But the moth would not heed the words of either parent. Every evening at dusk when the star came out, he would start flying towards it, and every morning at dawn he would crawl back home worn out with his vain endeavours. One day his father said to him "You haven't burned a wing in months boy, and it looks as if you are never going to. All your brothers have been badly burned flying around street lamps, and your sisters have been terribly singed flying round house lamps. Come now get out of here, and get yourself scorched. A big strapping moth like you with out a mark on him! The moth left his father's house, but he would not fly around house lamps. He went right on trying to reach the star, which was twenty five trillion miles away. The moth thought it was just caught in the top branches of the elm. He never did reach the star, but went right on trying, night after night, and when he was a very very old moth he began to think that he really had reached the star, and went around saying so. This gave him a deep and lasting pleasure, and he lived to a great old age. His parents and brothers and sisters had all been burned to death when they were quite young.

Moral. Who flies afar from our sphere of sorrow is here today and here tomorrow. James Thurber, "Fables for our time!"



CORRESPONDENCE: A GUIDE FOR IMPROVING SUPERVISORY COMMUNICATION. (By C. Romney).

Here's a pattern to follow... Can't we talk it over? 1. Find the Basic Issue. Question what he wants and what he is thinking. Determine whether you are dealing with a fact or an attitude. Test for understanding. 2. Clear the air. Provide the right atmosphere to get him to talk. Listen to him and respect his views. 3. Secure Real Interest. Talk about the problem in terms of "You" and "Yours". Point out benefits to him. Present the issue in terms of a challenge. 4. Get a Two-way Flow. Show willingness to reexamine your views. Give him a chance to justify his opinion. Get objections out where you can deal with them. 5. Settle on a Course of Action. Make it easy for him to accept. Get him to help shape the idea. Use reasons that seem valid to him.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT. NOTICE. GARBAGE COLLECTION.

The general Public is hereby informed that (until further notice) the following time table and trucks will be used for garbage collections.

Truck N01. Cyrenius Richardson (Weekly)

Mondays- (Hospital) Valley, North and south Valley, North Side, Quarter.

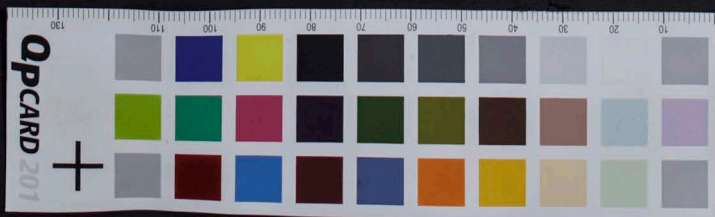
Tuesdays- (Hospital) George Hill, Forest, Stoney Ground, Little Dix.

Truck N02. Charles Fleming (Every 15 days)

Monday- Mount Fortune- Is. Harbour (starting Monday 17th. inst.)

Tuesday- Pond Side-Bad Cox. (starting Tuesday 18th. inst.)

(Con't on page 6.).



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EDITORIAL.

In a letter to the Editor of the Beacon in the Observer of March 6th, from Mr. Ronald Webster, insinuated that the editorial of the Beacon of March 1st was false, when it stated that Mr. Campbell Fleming was a Civil Servant. It also said that Mr. Fleming's resignation was tendered on Febr. 19th. We are not in the position to confirm that Mr. Fleming's resignation went in as stated, as letters can be easily back dated. It is reported from a reliable source, that the question was asked of the Director of Civil Service Mr. John Webster, if Mr. Fleming had resigned, His reply was "Not yet, but he will". This too can be easily denied. The main point we would like to make is the fact that Mr. Fleming drew his salary up to the 28th. Febr. 1969. The Chief Executive made no mention of this in his letter. Had his resignation been properly processed, this could not have happened. The fact that his name was still on the Government's payroll up to 28th, Febr. makes him a Civil Servant up to press time. Mr. Fleming is still in authority at the Cottage Hospital, as maintenance Officer. If Mr. Fleming had resigned as stated, then still another serious offence has been committed. We do not hope to quarrel with any one, but we feel it our duty to keep the people informed.

The payroll sheet for the Cottage Hospital is controlled by Mr. Fleming. He had resigned effective Febr. 19th, How then can he claim salary up to the end of the month? Is this not committing a felony? One cannot be wrong and strong. Neither can the wool be pulled over our eyes. If Mr. Fleming drew money under false pretenses, then I beg to refer the Chief Executive to Article 6 section 19, and article 7 section 5 of the Constitution of the Republic of Anguilla. Some of us put our whole heart in this movement, devotedly without pay. If money is the aim of some, may God help us all. We do not hope to throw stones, but we will not stand and be stoned. Every man sleeps with his own conscience. Let us practise what we preach.....it will do a world of good.

On page 1 we reported that Mr. John Webster and Mr. Wallace Rey left the Island on Government business. On the same afternoon, both of them accompanied by Mr. Jack Holcomb returned to Anguilla by Anguilla Airways.

Whitlock leaves West Indies.

It is reliably reported that Mr. William Witlock returned to London on Wednesday, at the end of his Caribbean tour. While in the West Indies, Mr. Whitlock held talks with the St. Kitts Government on the Anguilla situation. He also met with the British High Commissioners of the Independent Caribbean Countries in Barbados.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I the undersigned would like the general public to know that the late William B. Gumbs left a will. Each male child is given a full share of the property and the females a half share. The property can be divided at any time.

Albert Gumbs.

Today in History.

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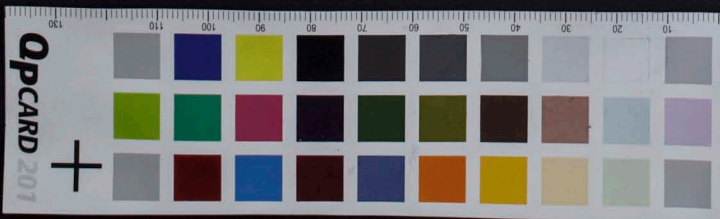
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(Con't from page 1.) If I was allowed to represent Anguilla.

In comparison with larger islands, Anguilla in relation to the population is underpopulated and given sufficient capital we can show increasing returns. The same Parliament which passed the West Indian Act 1967 has power to rescind any Act. Though in sympathy with H.M.G., yet in the light of trying to bring about political stability in each island the only thing to do is to take the electorate's wishes into deep consideration. The old colonial rulers used to work on a theory, that they know best, this has never and will never work. Today, I have come expecting no shilly-Shalling; not a complete victory; but at least a constitution devised whereby we can be free of any; and the electorate means any, political ties with St. Kitts. You know the great sacrifices we have made and one still making and only military power from Britian, can help Premier Bradshaw to fight a losing battle. But will military power solve it? Can it be called a constitutional move? Isn't true that where the constitution will not bend, it will break? Autonomy in relation to Statehood is out of question- it will not work. I submit that to cause no further embarrassment to H.M.G., St. Kitts or Anguilla than an independent constitution be provided and let the world envisage democracy at work.

A MESSAGE TO ALL ANGUILLANS. (From Reynold Hughes)

We have now taken the responsibilities of independence, and the success of this depends on the sincerity of every individual in this small community, to contribute of their time, talent, and by living exemplary lives before your children. We all must do our best to up-hold the standards of Christianity in our island, for if we claim the guidance of God, we must walk in his way. We are aware of our social and material needs, but there is the tendency to overlook our Spiritual needs, which is of vital importance to any Community. We all have an obligation to our country, whether you are a teacher, Minister, Legislator or Housewife, the manner in which you perform your duties, will well determine the future of Anguilla.

In closing I urge you to support our Government, pray for our leaders, and criticize them in a constructive manner, when it becomes necessary.

WANTED. One male or female chef. Must be of good deportment. Make applications to BLUE CARIBE RESTAURANT opposite Bank of America. For further information contact Benson Horsford at said restaurant.

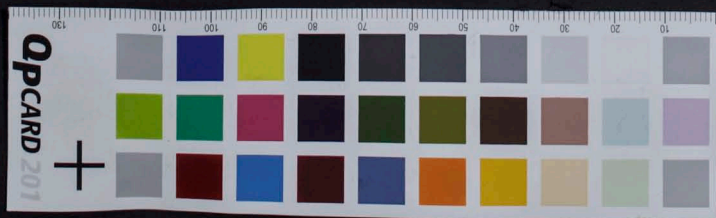
SMITH FINED \$25.00

Mr. Wilkin Smith, who overturned the Telephone jeep on Febr. 24th, was fined \$25.00 in the Magistrates Court on Thursday 6th. March for driving with out a license. Mr. Smith pleaded guilty to the charge.

TREASURER'S CAR DAMAGED.

Mr. Walter Hodge, Treasurer of Anguilla, reported to police that on the morning of March 6th. on his way to work, his car A 292 was struck in the rear by A 321, owned and driven by Clarence Petty of East End. Mr. Hodge stated that his car was at a stand still, when it was struck. Mr. Petty admitted to Mr. Hodge that his car had faulty brakes. Both cars were damaged, said Mr. Hodge. The incident took place on the Farrington Road.

For News and Views Read The Beacon Weekly



Leading article in LONDON TIMES. at beginning of Jan. 1969.
MORE ISLANDS IN TROUBLE.

The dispute between St. Kitts and Anguilla looks like something out of the Peloponnesian War. The 6000 inhabitants of Anguilla say they are going to declare themselves independent in January, and that if their rather larger neighbour, St. Kitts, tries to enforce its authority, they will prepare to repel the invaders. Britain has found the mutual antipathy of these two islands one of the many troubles in dismantling the remains of empire in the West Indies. To begin with, an attempt to heal the breach was made in concert with Jamaica and Trinidad, Britain being both to send in marines to force the Anguillians to submit to their legal government in St. Kitts.

When these two friends backed out, because they took as reserved a view of the conduct of Mr. Bradshaw, the St. Kitts Prime Minister, as does the Commonwealth and Foreign Office, a British official was sent to Anguilla for a year to mediate. He has proved a good manager, but has failed to mediate. His term ends on Jan. 31st. It is unlikely when he goes, that St. Kitts will reimpose its authority by force, for lack of ships and troops. Nor can it call in an outside power for help, because under the terms of the association Britain controls its external relations. This nominal control, unaccompanied by any power to influence the island's internal regime, is a combination that has proved unfortunate. The dangers are real in a sensitive strategic area. If Mr. Bradshaw would exercise St. Kitts residual right to, for full independence, Britain's remaining restraints would come off. On the other hand, if Britain took over Anguilla in trust, other Caribbean islands might be tempted to try similar breakaways, and Britain would be charged with neo-colonialism. Yet it is unpleasantly clear that normal checks to dictatorial personal power by local bigwigs do not apply in such tiny communities. Moreover, while their resources may be inadequate, their international rights and even their real estate may have a tempting price. The Anguillians, who have a puritanical strain, have refused offers from gambling syndicates, and suggestions for a flag of convenience. But they are very poor, and other even poorer islands, following their footsteps, might act differently. In such conditions the United Nations doctrine of independence is absurd-indeed a reductio ad absurdum. What is needed is a new plan, whereby such remote islands (there are hundreds still to be decolonised) can live under some combined regional protection, whether in the Caribbean, Indian or Pacific oceans-- neither grabbed nor subverted by those who adopt the Athenian attitude in Melian dialogue, "The strong do what they will; and the weak suffer what they must".

(Con't from Page 3.) Garbage.

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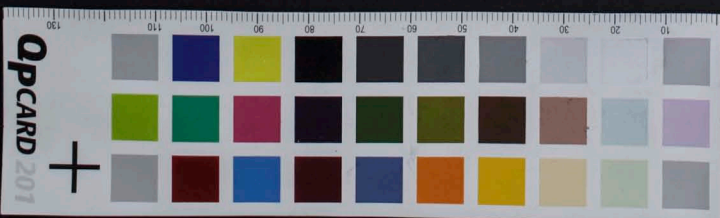
Tuesday- Blowing Point, North Hill. Friday- South Hill.

(A truck will go into West End and Long Bay on the 1st. or 2nd. of each month. Mr. Emile Gumbs has promised to take care of Sandy Ground.)

The department is very much concerned because of the ugly scenes caused by the cans etc. along the road, also the possible health hazards they can cause and is therefore seeking the co-operation of the general public by asking-

1. Every house-holder to get a dust bin.
 2. Keep your garbage at the back until the day before the truck is due.
 3. Keep the date the truck will be in your area in mind.
 4. Don't put out garbage after the truck has left your area (you might be charged for this).
 5. Use some kerosene oil to keep down the mosquitoes.
- "Lets keep Anguilla clean."

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Leave stamps on envelopes if possible. Contact S.M Risdon, Philipsburg, St. Maarten or Atlin Harrigan, The Beacon.

If you are travelling in or out of Anguilla-- then Fly VALLEY AIR SERVICE.

For those who like to travel now-no waiting-see V.A.S. We fly Daily (Except Holidays) between Anguilla, St. Thomas and St. Maarten. We also accept charter flights to any island in the Caribbean. St. Thomas Tel. 774-1576, St. Maarten 3202, at the Valley Anguilla.

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MATTRESS-FOR SALE.

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Dr. Defrietas will be in attendance at the Valley Administration Building on Sat. March 15th. 1969.

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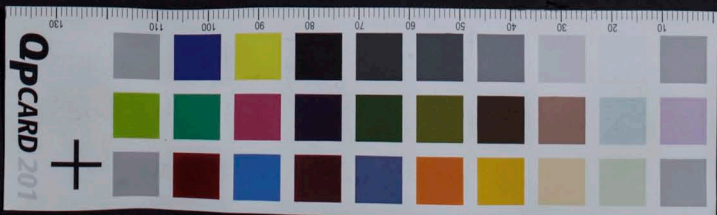
LOST!!

A British passport with the name RANDOLPH BABROW on it. Any one finding it, please return to Mr. Rapheal Lake, Quarter. Reward offered.

FOR SALE: One 15 foot plywood boat. For further information contact Mr. Floyd Lake, Blowing Point.

Exhibition will be held at East End School on March 21st. beginning at 1pm. All parents and friends are cordially invited.

Marie Barzey, Handicraft Teacher.



DR. WHORTON VISITS ANGUILLA.

Elbert B. Whorton, Ph. D. Professor of Biostatistics in the Dept. of Community Medicine at the Vermont College of Medicine in Burlington Vermont, has been visiting Anguilla for the past week. Dr. Whorton's trip was made so that he could closely observe the present status and health needs of the people of Anguilla. These observations will be used in preparing a report for a series of discussions to be held at the University, regarding their role in the development of the island's future health system.

He talked to many people throughout Anguilla, and studied medical, health, economic, agriculture, and sociological data available. He was impressed with the friendliness of the people and their concern for their own well-being and that of their neighbours. It is difficult to develop a successful health programme without the combined efforts of all the people, government officials and health officials. Since a lot of illness can be prevented and frequently eliminated, Anguilla should continually stress good sanitation, fly control, mosquito control, good nutrition, cleanliness, immunizations, and many other good public and private health practices. This would take a large step in reducing the cost of medical care on the island. Good health does not usually happen by chance; it frequently is a hard yet rewarding job, involving many people. Anguilla has much in her favour, but there is much to do.

The University of Vermont is very interested in working with the people of Anguilla, as an active partner in the development of effective medical and health programme at the lowest cost possible. After Dr. Whorton's report is studied, preliminary plans will be formulated. Then Dr. Edward Andrews, Dean of Vermont College, and Dr. Charles Hauston, Chairman of the Department of Community Medicine, will make a visit to Anguilla in late March, to discuss more formally their role with the government and medical officials. Dr. Whorton hopes that we will greet these people with the same spirit of co-operation and involvement that greeted him on his trip.

SOUND ADVICE. (Reprint from the Observer of March 6th. 1969.)

Mr. Homer of the New York Times paid a visit to Anguilla over the week end. He said he is very interested in conditions on the island at this time. He also said he wanted to meet as many persons as possible and to get their views. His stay at this time will be short, but hopes to return when our cabinet is all set up..

He leaves with us some sound advice. "Do not brand any-one" Do not denounce anyone. He commented on our beautiful beaches and said that we should be careful not to spoil them.

Editor's Note.

"Do not brand anyone " this is timely advice as many of our leading and qualified citizens will not come forward to help in setting up a government, for fear of being branded if they oppose anything which may not seem right in their view.

QUOTES.

As a former president said: "If you can't stand the heat, don't go in the kid-chen."

A public servant is one who serves the public. for his own good.

