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# AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICERS TO BE RECRUITED

Four Anguillans are to be recruited as Air Traffic Control Officers. The successful candidates will be trained at the I.C.A.O. School in Trinidad, and should have at least two O levels in G.C.E. Two of the four recruits will attend the school when it is opened in September of this year- the other two will go after. The British Overseas Development Division in Barbados is making arrangements for them to attend this school.

## FISHERMEN MOVE TO DEEPER WATER.

Six local fishermen from Island Harbour, began fishing for Lobsters off the coast of Sombrero Is. earlier this week. Travelling in two boats, powered by Out-board motors they arrived at Sombrero Is. at 4. P.M. last Monday afternoon. With them they took 13 fish traps. After locating what is believed to be a good lobstering ground, they set their traps and left for Anguilla- arriving at Island Harbour as scheduled; 4.P.M. on Wednesday. While at Sombrero the men, lead by Messrs. David Webster and Kenneth Harrigan, were guests of the team operating Sombrero's Light House. Sombrero is 40 miles North West of Anguilla.

# THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PARADE ANGUILLA - 14 JUNE 1969.

- 1. A parade will be held at Webster's Park on Saturday 14 June in honour of Her Majesty's Official Birthday.
- 2. The Ceremony will start at 0930 hrs. and HM's Acting Commissioner, Mr. John Cumber CMG MBE, will represent Her Majesty and will take the salute.
  3. Those taking part in the parade are detachments from the Royal Engineers, the Parachute Regiment, the Anguilla Police Unit and the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides of Anguilla. The parade is also to include the band and Corps of Drums of the 2nd Battalion the Parachute Regiment who have been specially flown out from England for the ceremony. (continued on page 5)



#### BRITAIN BLOWS HOT AND COLD, (By Anguillan)

The Official Report which sets out the terms of reference for the Caribbean Commission which will study the problems of Anguilla seems to be a case of Hot British approbation and reprobation- blowing hat and cold at the same time. Terms of reference NO.1.

"Recognising the fact that the Island of Anguilla is part of the unitary state of St. Kitts- Nevis-Anguilla in accordance with the constitution of that Associated State." How does Micheal Stewart make this statement square with his promise made to the Anguillans that they would never be forced to live under an administration which they do not want? Mr. Whitlock in person brought that promise from Her Majesty's Government. Mr. Stewart himself repeated if to the world at large, from New York, Washington and the House of Commons. How can he now agree with Mr. Bradshaw that recognition of the factual unity of the State of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla must be a first condition for the Commission, that is that both in fact and in law they are one. If that is so, how will the British Government be able to keep their promise made to the Anguillans. Anguillans are all united on the point of secession from St. Kitts. Britain recognised this and made the promise as a consequence. The attitude of the Anguillans to St. Kitts has not changed. What has caused the change in the Attitude of Her Majesty's Government? Is it the presence of Mr. Bradshaw in England? So long as this blowing hot and cold continues on the part of the British Government, how can they expect to find a "satisfactory and durable solution"?

The report includes the resolution by the Caribbean Commonwealth concerning Anguilla which deplores further fragmentatation in the Caribbean. The resolution is used as a part of the facts which make recommendations of the Commission necessary. This resolution, calling for the preservation of state unity, a unity long opposed by the majority of Anguillans seems somewhat hypocritical coming as it does from Caribbean Countries such as Jamaiva and Trinidad and Barbados. Didn't Jamaica "fragment" the West Indian Federation when the majority of Jamaicans opposed federation? Surely Dr. Eric Williams will go down in history for that beautiful expression which so aptly described the withdrawal of Trinidad from the remaining 10 units--- "one from (10) leaves nought", and that "nought" that vacuum which was created as a consequence helped to produce the Anguilla crisis to-day. Didn't Barbados abandon the"Little Eight" for the glory of going it alone? But perhaps, this was not strictly fragmentation. None the less the results are the same, whether the fragmentation is based on a severance of a legal union or a mere political association --- that is the multiplication of the problems of the Area. the Caribbean Governments would do well to stop paying lip-service to Governmental Systems and instead ensure that the Caribbean produces Governments which really work, really are effective in coping with Caribbean problems; (Continued on page 3)

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Stop talking about fragmentation when they sowed the seeds of fragmentation. Is it that their condemnation of fragmentation reveals a deep desire to revive the federalist concept, but that they are too ashamed and embarrassed to come out and say so? If this is their emotional condition, then perhaps we in Anguilla can relieve them of their distress. A Federalist system would relieve the area of the fears attendant on fragmentation but we would not want our seperate and distinct place in it, and not part of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla! Maybe, the British Government instead of putting itself in the embarrassing position of saying one thing to-day and something totally different tomorrow, could summon up the courage to turn the attention of Caribbean Governments to this distinct possibility. If by an act of faith they were to try to do today what they failed to accomplish in 1961 this time they could not succeed because the real problems have been brought home to them.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Editor, With reference to the two Court cases mentioned in the Beacon for 24th May, here is a pill which I recommend. It has helped others in the past. It will help you too reader. Be sure to take it.

Motto "Better safe than sorry". Yours truly, Leonard A. Gumbs.

Dear Sir, Please allow me space in your paper to express these few words. If Britain has made up her mind to give the St. Kitts Government the Island's name, Anguilla, she must find some place to put the people called Anguillans, or start digging graves to put them in. Bradshaw is now getting Anguillans mad, for he is saying that his Gov't and the British Gov't has agreed to this, that or the other they will select the men for setting up our long term future, by that it seems to us, that we are children going to school and the teachers are consulting as to which class we should be put. Every Anguillan feels just as important as any Bradshaw, Commonwealth citizen or British Minister. Bradshaw is putting up his defence, talking about legality and fragmentation, what do we have to do with that? We were always treated as fragments of St. Kitts. Let us now get back to legality if what we did was legal. It is because Mr. Adams signed in Britain to the preamble of a constitution that Anguillans knew nothing about. How in this world can one man agree to a constitution that effects 6000 people? (the supreme law of the land). Even a piece of land that is sold has more than one signature on it. So we would like every one to examine this case fully. (Continued on page 5)

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#### POOR DEMONSTRATIONS:

We are informed that Demonstrators marched from Mount Fortune to the home of Ronald Webster in Island Harbour to protest having Atlin Harigan and Russel Webster on the Council (it was told here that a majority of the people marching came from places other than what is represented by Harrigan). The same thing happened

at South Hill to Mr. Kenneth Hazel, when people from West End, joined some in Blowing Point to protest against him being on the Council. On both occasions, they drove to the home of Mr. Webster to protest, after which Webster gave a short speech.

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor, Thank you for continuing to publish the short lived Republic Constitution of Anguilla. Many of us did not realize what the document contained but voted on the advice of Mr. Webster, whose advice we thought was unquestionable. Now that we are able to understand it ourselves and see the danger that we could have found ourselves in, we can thank those that put up the fight against it. From here on we should realize that any document of such importance, should be studied carefully and make sure we employ the right advisors. It is a document that will be recorded in the cachevements of Anguilla. My Grand children will know to what extent I cast my vote in preference of returning Anguilla to the control of St. Kitts. Thank You for space. Signed: Voter.

## THE INDIVIDUAL

What effect can a single individual have in these cataclysmic times - one man or woman among hundreds of millions, seemingly helpless as a sparrow in the path of a tornado? The answer lies in that quality with which man only, of all earthly life, is gifted. In each man is a spark, able to kindle new fires of human progress, new light for the human spirit. This ember may lie dormant through centuries of darkness or it may be fanned to flames by the winds of a crisis, sweeping over the earth, bringing others to life with its light and warmth. When enough of these fires are burning they create, a new dawn of spiritual understanding: the flame of a great people is formed. -- Charles A. Lindberg- Of Flight and Life 1948)

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We are also warning the Commission whoever they maybe, to be careful with their decisions for Anguillans are not subjected to agree with a decisions reached by H.M.G. and Bradshaw. For it is only one thing we wish for, and that is legal separation from St. Kitts. It could be that everybody has forgotten the reason why Anguilla break away from St. Kitts. Everyone in this world knows that no matter how small a family is in a home, it is called the family of that home. So is Anguilla, an island with 6000 people. Anguilla is not a village in St. Kitts, or a street in Bassettre.

Thank you for space. Sincerely, Anguillan.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PARADE, (Continued from page 1)

Vehicles will also be on parade and an Andover aircraft of the Royal Air Force will fly past at low level. The parade will be Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Giles, the Commander British Forces in Anguilla. Spectators cars should be parked in the Valley School yard (by kind permission of Mr. Edison Hughes- Headmaster) and spectators should enter the park from the school and not by the main gate which is being left free for the marching parade.

BEATING RETREAT Friday 13 JUNE 1969.

The band and Corps of Drums will carry out the Ancient ceremony of "Beating Retreat" in Webster's Park at 6:15 pm. at which all will be most welcome. It is hoped that two Scottish Pipers from the Parachute Regiment will also be present to cheer the hearts of those with Scottish associations.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF  $\ \ \ \ \$  THE BAND AND DRUMS OF THE SECOND BATTALION THE PARACHUTE REGIMENT.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	FUNCTION
Wed 11 June	2pm-3.30Pm.	East End school	Regimental beat group.
	5.30-7pm	Island Harbour (beside the church)	Regimental Beat group.
Thurs, 12 June	2pm-3.30pm.	Road School	Regimental Beat group.
	5.30 -7pm.	West End school	Regimental Beat group.
Fri. 13 June	6:15pm.	The Park	Full Band-
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# IN QUEST OF INK (By Stan Durnin) Continued.

He was well acquainted with the BCPSG and its workings from Gale Raymond's visit with him in the previous year. Mr. Harrigan and his most helpful assistants, Mr. Eustace Brooks and Mr. Leonel Gumbs were extremely helpful in answering my many questions pertaining to postal matters, and in providing the innumerable stamps, cancellations, etc. that we required The names of several BCPSG members cropped up in our delightful conversations, so we are well known in that quarter. By the way, the post office and other Government al Offices are located in the section of the island known as the Valley. Messrs. Harrigan, Gumbs and Brooks were most patient and tolerant with us, for we learned that we had kept them past the regular closing hour of 3:30 P.M. Mr. Harrigan and I combed the entire Post Office looking for handstamps-old, new, current, obsolete, ANYTHING. Our searching was fruitful in that we located thirteen different handstamps. The present Post Office building was erected in 1961, just two years before Mr. Harrigan went to work for the P.O.D. According to his recollection, all Post Office records were probably destroyed in 1955 by a hurricane which blew off the roof of the Courthouse, cum Post Office cum Treasury Building, then located at Crocus Hill. The R oval is no longer being used. In about April or May, 1968, it was replaced by the R ANGUILLA rectangular stamp. The T is the standard TAX or POSTAGE DUE handstamp seen throughout the BWI, and has been carried over from many years past. It is very seldom used, but when it is the amount due is written in manuscript beneath a strike of the T. The Wide Lettered CDS was withdrawn from use on 2 SP 67. This CDS was reported to have been removed from the island back in the Summer of 1967. Either that is in error, or the canceller was later returned, for I myself handled the item during this visit. The narrow lettered CDS, was withdrawn on Saturday 25 NO 67. Its replacement, saw first use on Monday the 27th

The Statehood TRD was in use for just short of a month. It was received from the GPO at Basseterre on 27 February 1967 and put into service on March 1 1967. The last date of use was 28 March 1967. Rubber stamps were manufactured and made available for use in July 1967. However, it has been reported in the pages of BCPJ that the TRD was used only to favour on two or three occasions. The POSTAGE (paid) rectangle was used frequently during December 67 and January 68 when certain stamp denominations were out of stock. This was the period when the supply of INDEPENDENT ANGUILLA overprinted Stamps was running out and only a portion of the new definitive set had been issued. The large straight-lined ANGUILLA came into being during the "break away" period, but was not meant to be used as a canceller or franking, but merely as a standby or back-up all-purpose marking. It is presently used to indicate origin of mail bags from the island, being impressed on the routing card attached to each departing

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#### SPORTS NEWS.

#### FOOTBALL

St. Marten's Red Star football Club, managed by De Boras, arrived at the Porest on Sunday Morning, to play a match V/s. the Anguilla Police Unit. They were met by the police and then taken to the park. The match kicked off at 9.15 A.M. During the first half the touring team did most of the attacking but were well held by the Police defence, P.C. Morris got through the Red Star's defence and scored the first goal of the match. He soon scored again, but just before half the time St. Marten got it's first goal making the scores at half time 2-1. Police had more of the game in the second half. about 2 minutes before the close P.C. Morris scored once more for the police. The match score was, Police 3 Red Star 1.

It was a very exciting match in which St. Marten was out played in all aspects of the game. The touring side was then entertained at the police club in the Forest.

## CRICKET,

A Carty's eleven defeated the Royal Engineers by 72 runs at the Park on Sunday. The scores were Carty's x1 98, Engineers 26.

The Engineers bowlers did well to dismiss the local side for such a amall score. Stickles took 4 for 27, Meeks 3 for 4 and Dr. Cable 2 for 24. Only Stickles who made 13, offered any resistance when the Engineers batted. A. Carty took 5 for 12 V. Banks 4 for 12 and R. Hodge 1 for 2.

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DATE TIME

LOCATION

FUNCTION Beating the retreat (preceded by a football match) Full Band-

Sat. June 14 09.30am.

The Park

The Queen's Birthday Parade.

(If the Regimental Pipers are able to come to Anguilla, they will play at the same functions as the regimental Beat Group.)

# EDITOR'S NOTE.

The vegetable seeds that has been sent from Mr. Edward Dempsey of New Jersey- arrived here earlier this week. The seeds have been turned over to the Agricultural Officer for distribution throughout the island. Any person wanting to have some of the seeds should go to the Agricultural Station at the Valley.

