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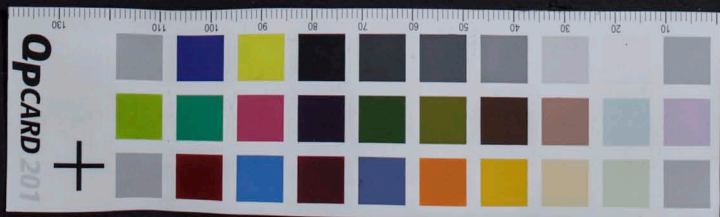
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#### QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

Once again Anguillans will be joining the rest of the British Commonwealth in celebrating the Queen's birthday. For the occasion, H.M. Acting Commissioner has arranged for a forty piece regimental band to come from London to join in the celebrations. The band arrived by the R.A.F. transport plane Hercules last Tuesday. The Regimental Beat Group has been playing pop songs in the villages around the island. The highlight of the activities is expected to take place on Webster's Park on Saturday June 14th, at the Queen's birthday parade, when H.M. Acting Commissioner Mr. John Cumber C.M.G., M.B.E T.D., will take the official salute on behalf of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II. Also taking part in this parade will be the Scouts and Guides of Anguilla as they did in the past. Other arrangements were the ceremony of Beating Retreat on Webster's Park yesterday at 6.30 pm where Government officials and other guests were invited, after which a Cocktail Party was held at the Officers Mess, at the Engineers' camp. A reception will also be held at the Court House by H.M. Acting Commissioner, in honour of the Queen's Birthday.

#### WEDDING BELLS.

The wedding of Father Emerson Cromwell Richardson and Miss Violet Richardson was solemnized at the St. John's Cathedral, Antigua, on Thursday morning at 8 o'clock by His Lordship the Bishop of Antigua. The register was witnessed by Mr. Clarence Richardson on behalf of the Bride, and Mr. Douglas Richardson on behalf of the Groom. After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Deanery of St. John's Antigua, and was attended by some two hundred guests. The Bride and Groom flew out from Coolidge Airport at 1.15 pm. by Caribair to St. Martin and then by Valley Air Service to Anguilla. Several relatives and friends were standing by to welcome them when they arrived at Wallblake Airport at 2.45 p.m. With a brief pause at the Rectory for the Bride to redress in her Bridal garment, ( continued on page 3 )



Letter to the Editor. LET JUSTICE BE DONE THOUGH THE HEAVENS FALL"

Now that normality is returning to Anguilla, more time can be devoted to the making of a true assessment of what was going on in the island during the approximate two years when Anguilla was run by its own native leaders. The most striking matter which has come to light so far has been in connection with the overprinted Independent Anguilla Stamps of which a case of forgery has been properly dealt with in the courts and the offender duly punished. We are in full agreement with the action taken by the Government in this matter and the other matters of a less serious nature which have also been dealt with so far. We expect that whatever offences which might have been committed will be dealt with in a similar manner when they come to light. The law has been instituted for the protection of all and for the punishment of evil doers. It will not do this island any good at all if it is discovered that only some people are brought to justice for offences they have committed, while the offences of others are patched up, as the colloquialism goes. This could bring a lack of confidence in those responsible for such actions by all intelligent people. Secondly, we are all taxpayers, and we are happy to continue to pay taxes provided they are properly used for the benefit of all Anguillans. The cost of living is high for everyone, and I think especially of the Civil Servants who are directly paid from public funds. We feel that all Civil Servants and other government employees no matter what post they fill, should be given fair treatment. There should be no carried favours. It has come to light however that some newly appointed Civil Servants are receiving high salaries which in some cases are the highest paid among the Civil Servants. It has also come to our notice that the duties of such officers do not merit their being paid these fat salaries which have to be met from taxpayers money. Further, some officers which have been in the service all their adult life, and who are filling important posts, in some cases do not even receive half the salary of those mentioned before. This is really ridiculous and can cause a lot of dissatisfaction in the Civil Service. Whether we like to admit or not, the Civil Servants have played a very important part in helping Anguilla, their homeland to survive. What ever differences there were between them and the leaders, these good people stuck to their posts, although someone in St. Kitts would have liked for them to go on strike. But no; they were loyal to their country, and I think its about time we stop criticizing them and compliment them for the noble stand they took in the cause of their country. We are all of one heart and mind in our determination to maintain our secession from St. Kitts. But we are also determined to see that fairplay and justice are carried out in the internal running of the affairs of our island. We believe that this is what the ANGUILLA CONSTRUCTIVE DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT has set out to do. We are full supporters of the A.C.D.M. We therefore call upon the leaders to be watchfull and be ready to challenge and see corrected, anything that warrants such action being taken. We want co-operation; we want unity; we want peace. These can only be achieved when it is seen that there is equality for all, and justice for all. Signed, Watchfull Anguillan.

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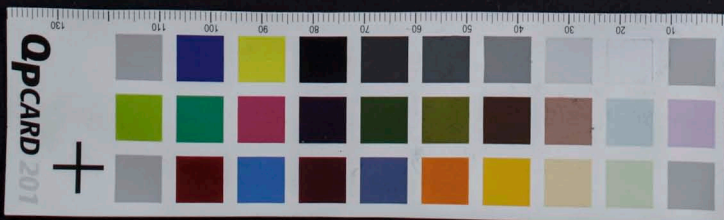
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### WEDDING BELLS (Continued from page 1)

The party moved to the Casino for the Anguillan reception which was attended by about one hundred and fifty guests. Fr. Richardson, the third Anguillan Anglican priest, was ordained at St. John's Cathedral, Antigua on Feb. 19th by the Rt. Rev'd. Donald Knowles, Bishop of Antigua. Until the end of last month, the Bride was a teacher at the West End primary school.

### CORRECTION.

On page 3 in last week's issue of the Beacon we made a mistake in print. In the article Britain Blows Hot and Cold, by Anguillan. In the seventh line it read ....but we would not want our separation and.... We now reprint the whole paragraph to show how it should be read. "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 <sup>the</sup> area of the fears attendant on fragmentation but we would want our separate and distinct place in it, and not part of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla."

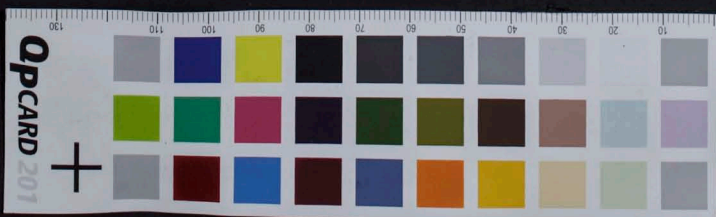
### EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified members of the teaching service in Anguilla for the post of Head Teacher of the new Valley Primary School. Applications which should be addressed to Mr. Edison Hughes, Secretary of the Education Committee, should be submitted by 30th June 1969.

### MEDICAL NEWS.

Dr. Williams dentist, arrived in Anguilla on Tuesday June 10th. While here he will be working at the Dental Clinic in the Valley. He comes from the Dental Society and is expected to remain on the island for two months. Dr. Williams is accompanied by his wife and four children.

Also arriving here last week was Dr. Linton of Charleston S.C. U.S.A. Dr. Linton, a general surgeon and gynecologist, whose trip was arranged by the Methodist Mission in South Carolina is a Presbyterian. He is a member of the International College of Surgeons and is a member of the D.A.B.S. He is also a Captain in the U.S. Navy Reserve Corp Rt.



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#### EDITORIAL. ANGUILLA: A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY

It happened in St. Kitts, Antigua, St. Vincent, and all the other British West Indian islands. The Labour Unions who took credit for getting better conditions for the sugar cane workers, and so they were elected to power crushing all means of opposition. Meanwhile their governments one party system got corrupted, but the electorate would return them to power every time.

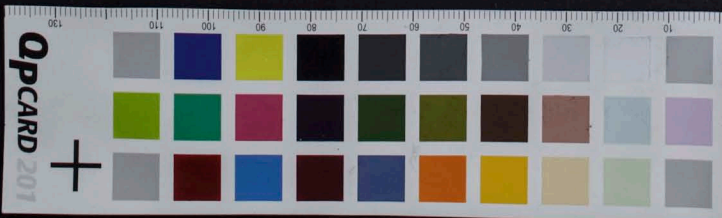
For all they could remember is the little goodies that was done for them. They could not see any further than they were told to look. Today the West Indies is going through a change. Better educational facilities are available and the young people understand world affairs. They have seen the progress made in other countries, and soon most opposition parties will emerge to power supported by the younger generation. In some cases it takes up to twenty years to outdo the powers of yesterday. Anguilla will be no exception. It is very evident that she will go through this period just as the other islands. The electorate is not politically matured to cast their vote on policy, instead it is cast depending on personal affiliations. It will be a long drawn out period for any opposition party, meanwhile the party in power under the conditions mentioned before will undoubtedly be corrupted. The only hope is for the opposition to keep a check and system. In Anguilla's case it is hoped that Anguillans abroad who have seen what has happened in the islands will return home and help in setting their island on a course of prosperity instead of making the same mistakes that the other islands made. Anguilla has a Golden Opportunity.

#### STATEMENT BY ATLIN HARRIGAN Continued From page 4.

I am aware that the number of my supporters can change, and I realize that this has been the case over the last few months. Also drawn to my notice is the handing of a letter to the Acting Commissioner from some persons calling for elections in my constituency. (The same was done for the South Hill constituency). Since I do not wish to remain on the council, against the wishes of my people, and elections will not be held in the near future, I could resign, but how do I know that that is the wishes of the majority of the voters? I would not like to resign without the people's consent. To know how you feel a referendum would have to be held or a petition filed. I therefore expect in a short while to send out a form to all the voters on the voters list in my constituency with a question, whether you would like me to resign or not. Meanwhile I would like to add a personal word to each and every Anguillian. In the two years and five months that I've been involved actively in the Anguilla Revolution, - (Continued on page 8)

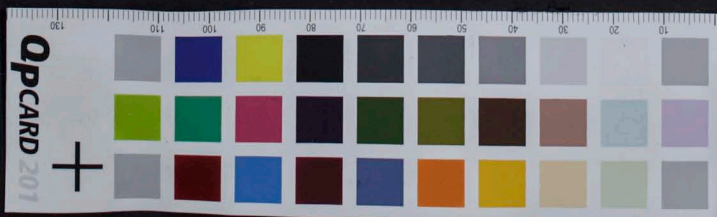
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IN QUEST OF INK. (By Stan Durnin) Continued from last week.

The VIA AIRMAIL Comes from the exact type of general office-use rotatable handstamp as was found at the Virgin Gorda Post Office. It is seldom, if ever, used from Anguilla. The CDS came into use with the advent of current definitives/stamps on 27 November 1967. This is the only CDS now being used for the cancelling of daily mails. The FIRST DAY ISSUE CDS was initially utilized on FDC's of the Bird's issue, 18 July 1968. Understandably, this handstamp changes dates only when a new stamp or series of stamps is issued. The last handstamp found in the post Office was Mr. Harrigan's official use tripee-oval, DEPARTMENT OF POSTS. This has been in the hands of the Postmaster since approximately 7 October 1968. It will be noted that this mark reads ANGUILLA W.I., an error also known on a Trinidad machine cancel CDS. The maker of the stamp undoubtedly thought that <sup>Anguilla</sup> was a section of London! There is daily airmail service from Anguilla to St. Thomas leaving at 0900 via Anguilla Airways. All mails for St. Martin, including air, goes by boat at 0800 on Tuesdays and Fridays to Marigot, St. Martin (the French end of the island). A copy of the "Rates of Postage" from Anguilla to many destinations was obtained through the kindness of Mr. Harrigan. While it is too lengthy for this article, a copy can be had by writing this author. There are four metal Post Boxes on the island, and each is cleared twice weekly. They are located at the Valley, East End, South Hill, and West End. The stamps available over the counter during our visit were the Girl Guide Commemoratives plus all the definitives except the 6¢ which was sold out. The impressed 5¢ and 15¢ sheet was "...meant solely for use to St. Kitts and Nevis if such were permissible!" In practice it can be surcharged with adhesives and used to any destination. Registration fee is 10¢ E.C. anywhere in the world. Loaded with a headfull of information and Elaine's written notes, we hurried at a full 15 mph back to the hotel to record what was still fresh in our minds. Our portable tape recorder proved invaluable in this respect. After dinner that evening, Elaine and I had the pleasure of calling on Mr. and Mrs. Atlin Harrigan and their family and a few friends. As Atlin has his own generator, we enjoyed the luxury of electricity as we helped to prepare that week's edition of the BEACON for dispatch. Atlin is to be highly commended for publishing this "Voice of Anguillians", for he is working with the barest of necessities. A recent gift of an offset, electrically run printing press has greatly improved the production. As alluded to above, electricity is an individual luxury on Anguilla. When we first arrived at our hotel we had been immediately informed that meals were at such and such hours and at no other times, that tardiness would not be tolerated, and that lights went out-the generator turned-off precisely at 9 p.m.! Since we were not too sure of our way back home from Atlin's in the dark, Elaine and I spent some anxious moments, for the only light as far as our eyes could see was that our own headlamps.



NEW STAMPS FOR ANGUILLA.

A series of four postage stamps of floral design were placed on sale at the Valley Post Office on June 10th. The set consists:-

10¢	Amaryllis
15¢	Bougainvillea
40¢	Hibiscus
50¢	Cattlea Orchid

Attractive printed First Day Covers will be available at \$1.25 each. A very large number of these sets will be sold by John Lister Limited in London and the Anguillan Treasury will receive a substantial remittance, which will be of considerable benefit to the island.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Two weeks ago, the first meeting of the Anguilla Businessmen was held in which a Chamber of Commerce was formed. Only about twenty merchants and business people attended this meeting. Some of the officers were elected so that the business of the board could be carried on without delay. The Chairman Mr. Clifford Rogers has announced plans for a meeting to be held on Monday afternoon. It is hoped that all businessmen have seen the need for this board and will participate in its operations. It will not help the merchants themselves, but should be able to show a marked difference in the way business is done on the island at this time. A Chamber of Commerce is a very important organization in any community. Without it we will have many irregularities in the way business is done, which results in the consumers either paying very high prices, and sometimes not getting the desired product when needed. Every businessman should take part in the organization and make it a point of duty in attending its next meeting.

STATEMENT BY ATLIN HARRIS.

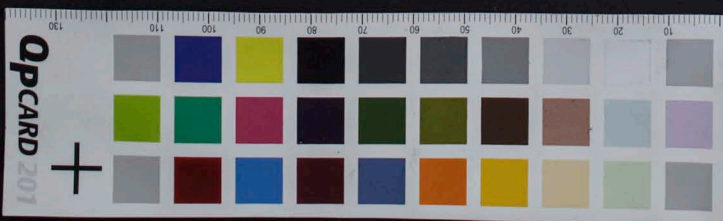
No politician should want to rule over a people without the consent of those same people. for this reason, where Democracy prevails, elections are held on a given date. When one is elected he is elected for a given period and can only be removed by voluntary resignation or in the next general elections. Meanwhile a public opinion census can be held unofficially. In most cases the results are correct, though in some they could be wrong. I believe that the test of public opinion can be best ascertained by a petition or a referendum. I have no wish to impose myself on a people against their wish. I was elected in July of last year just like any other member of the seven-man Council. (continued on page 4)

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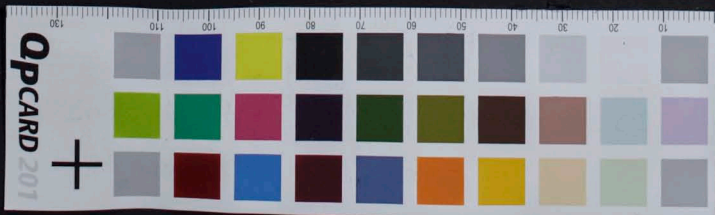
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*We have been asked by many people to open a question box column in*

*this paper. This we hope to do as of next week.*

*Contributions accepted. Ed.*

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## STATEMENT BY ATLIN HARRIGAN (continued from page 4)

and the times I was in and out of the council, I have served this Island at the best of my ability, without compensation. So has some of the other members. Any Government is divided in three branches, the Executive, The Judiciary and the Legislature. In my only capacity as a legislative member I've used my vote the way I thought fit. The records of our council meetings (if they were kept properly) should be there and show if my vote was cast wisely or not. The things I voted against should also be there on record. The Judiciary operated with strain at its best under trying circumstances. The Administration was carried out by the Executive and heads of Departments. A post of Director of Civil Service was created to assist in the Administration. If these three different branches of Government are justified in exciting their responsibilities, the records should be there to show. The Bad handling (if any) of any of these departments should not discredit the other. Nor any other Sub-department under Administration.

## IN QUEST OF INK (continued from page 5)

Apparently the friendly Anguillans (we have never met a more-genuinly from the heart-friendly people in all our travels) turn in with the sun, for we did not see a living soul anywhere after leaving Atlin's. If it hadn't been for that Mahogany Tree depicted on the 1¢ definitive, we never would have found our correct turn in the road. With faith undaunted, we eventually "bounced" into our hotel parking area. Two lights were visible, one from a passing ship way off on the horizon, and the other from a kerosene lamp that the manager of the Anguilla Branch of Bank of America was using to read by! If you want to get away from it all, I strongly recommend Anguilla.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF ANGUILLA (continued)

(b) The Legislature of the Republic of Anguilla, may enact Legislation prescribing the requirements for individuals to attain naturalized Citizenship, not otherwise provided herein. However, such persons shall not become Naturalized Citizens unless they have spent the major portion of the five years immediately prior to his application for Citizenship as a resident of the Republic of Anguilla, or are the minor children of those qualifying for Citizenship under this section.

## ARTICLE IV VOTING RIGHTS:

All persons who are Citizens of the National Territory of the Republic of Anguilla, over the age of eighteen (18) years, who shall have been domiciled in the Republic of Anguilla, although not necessarily in residence, for more than one year immediately preceding an election, (cont'd next week)

