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COUNCIL MEETING - DEADLOCK

The schedule meeting of the Anguilla Council with H.M. Commissioner ended in "meadlock" last Tuesday when Mr Ronald Webster read a statement in connection with the visit of the Resident Judge in St Kitts of the High Court and the visit of the Wooding Gommission. Mr. Webster claimed that the Lord Caradon agreement of March 30th 1969 was breached, and read a statement to the effect that Anguilla would not co-operate with the Wooding Commission or hold any council meetings with H.M. Commissioner until an understanding was reached. The Council Meeting was then adjourned when members felt that they needed time to study Mr. Webster's statement,

The Anguilla Council met on Thursday 12th and decided to seek legal advice on the matter. In a letter to H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Webster said that the Council would meet with H.M. Commissioner (See letter to H.M. Commissioner Page 3) on Tuesday 17th February when he honed that H.M. Commissioner would give a statement in recognition of Lord Caradon's Agreement.

A Legal Advisor is expected to arrive in Anguilla on February 19th.

TOURIST SHIP TO CALL

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THE DILEMMA OF A MINISTATE: ANGUILLA

This story is outlined in a book published by the "Institute of International Studies, University of South Carolina; the Author is William J. Brisk.

We have received a copy of the 93 page book and understand that the book should be now on distribution by the University of South Carolina Press.

Mr. Brisk lead a team of Students from the Interdifferican University San German, Puerto Rico, to Anguilla and St. Kitts in 1967-68 and did some research work, Miss Edith Pieters of Guyana did her research work on Historical and social factors Mr. Douglas Wheatley of Tortola compiled Economic data, Mr. Charles Sheldon of U.S.A. compiled his papers on Political Structure and attitudes, while Chee Peck Kiat of Malaya researched International issues connected with Anguilla's stabus.

All papers were presented at a conference held at the University in March 1968 which was attended by Messrs. Ronald Webster and Atlin Harrigan our Editor, both of Anguilla, Professor Roger Fisher, who was legal Advisor to the Anguilla Council, Mr. Frank McPonald who was Administrative assistant to the Anguilla Council, Prof. Leopold Kohr of the University of Puerto Rico, Department of Economics.

Mr. Brisk outlined Anguilla's (Continued on page 2)



NEWS-LETTER FROM ANGUILLA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, U K

The Anguilla Improvement Association has undertaken to release a monthly News-Letter for publication in The

The first News-Letter for January 1970 is published below. The News-Letter is presently Edited by the Chairman of the association, Mr. Kenneth Gumbs.

The Anguilla Improvement Association

s established in Slough, Bucks, England, in the year 1959, by Mr.Claude Prooks its first chairman.

The aims of the association are: To assist in the general improvement of Anguilla, and to promote social harmony among its members

Officers elected for 1970.

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Mr. Ansel Glasford Social Sec.
Mrs Evelyn Richardson Assist Soc.Sec.

Mr. Robert Connor)
Trustees.
This is the first of our monthly
News- Letters designed to give news
and views of Anguillans in Britain
actively concerned with the welfare

and development of their island home. To review the past year briefly; it had been one of our slow years as retards progress, the result being little accomplished apart from the success of the Tropical Evening on May 3ist, 1969 at the Slough Community Centre Hall.

The important event of the year was the publicity campaign, and action taken during the anxious days of the British military occupation of our island, during the political crisis. Public meetings and other functions of solidarity were well attended. As calm followed the confusion we noted the development taking place in the island, and despite the worries and anxieties of earlier months, the year

past will long be remembered.
Our first general meeting will be held on Sunday, January 25th, 1970 when an outline of our activities for the current year will be given by the chairman.

We are planning to undertake another project for the island community during this year, and would like to keep in touch with other social groups at home.

(Kenneth Gumbs - Chairman of the Anguilla Improvement Association.)

THE DILEMMA OF A MINISTATE (Continued from page 1)

History, the economy, Political Institutions and Opinions and possible solutions to the Anguilla proble

The Dilemma of A Ministate carries a foreword by Professor James G. Holland Jr. Associate Director, Institute of International Studies, Columbia, South Carolina

TOURIST SHIP TO CALL (Cont'd from page 1)

March 3rd

In a statement to the Beacon Mr.Ronald Webster said it is expected that about 70 passengers off the ship will spend 4 hours on the island. The ship is expected to sail from U.S.A. on a Caribbean Tour the added that the "Argonaut" will arrive at Road Sandy Ground Anguilla wa St.Maarten. It is expected that Mr.Webster will sail on the ship to Anguilla from St.Maarten.

The Captain of the ship Mr. Harold Anders de Lanze already visited the island making arrangements for the visit.

It will be the first time that such a mumber of visitors will be on the island at one time.

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LETTER TO H.M. COMMISSIONER

H.M. Commissioner, Anguilla.

Dear Sir.

At a private meeting of the Anguilla Council held yesterday Thursday 12th February, 1970, with majority of members present, it was decided after reading the statement made by me on 10th February, 1970, to write to you demanding a statement in recognition of Lord Caradon's Declaration of March 30th, 1969,

We, however, hope to have your answer soon so that we may meet to discuss island matters on Tuesday 17th Feb., 1970,

The first paragraph of the statement made hy me, will be kept in abeyance awaiting the advice of our Lawyer, who is due

around the 19th February,

Hoping that full consultation and co-operation will continue in full sense of constructive common knowledge,

Yours faithfully, (Ronald Webster.)

METHODIST CHURCH SYNOD Press Report

The Annual District Synod of the Methodist Church has been meeting in Plymouth Montserrat since 28th January 1970

Delegates from Antigua, St. Kitts, Nevis, Dominica, St. Martin, Anguilla, St. Eustatius, The British Virgin Islands, The U.S.Virgin Islands, Aruba, Curacao and Montserrat itself were involved in discussing the business of the District for the coming year.

Hospitality for over 60 visitors was provided by the Methodist people of Montserrat and numerous riends, and warm appreciation

pressed by the Synod for all

the kindness shown

The Rev, Donald C, Henry was re-elected Chairman of the District for the coming year, and Rev. H.
13th February, 1970. Leonard Crichton was re-appointed the Secretary of the Synod, When the five year term of office of the Chairman is completed in 1971 the Synod has nominated the Rev John A. Gumbs to follow him. All these appointments are subject to the approval of the Methodist Conference, which will meet in May in Jamaica,

> Rev. John A. Gumbs is a native of Anguilla, who is well known throughout the district. He is at present serving with the United Protestant Church in the Netherlands Antilles, on loan from the Methodist Church, and exercises his Ministry in Curacao.

> The Synod also decided various new stations for the Ministers, approved the buget for the coming year, scrutinized all building plans and schemes in the various islands, and planned the work of the various departments

The Synod recomended that Mr. Alberic Rohan from St. Martin, who is proficient in English, French and Dutch Languages, should be admitted to the United Theological College in Jamaica to train for the Ministry

At a crowded service in Bethel Methodist Church in Montserrat, the Rev. Melbourne Bailey was ordained into the Ministry

The Synod closed its sessions on Monday, 9th February, 1970. That evening a sacred concert was given by the choir of the Trinity Methodist Church, Plymouth and various Guest Artists including Montserrat singer Ivan Brown contributed items.

RADIO ANGUILLA'S NEW TRANSMITTER HAS ARRIVED

Several large wooden crates containing Radio Anguilla's new (Cont'd on Page7)



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"NOT GOOD ENOUGH"

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Anguilla being tied up with the State Constitution imposes dificul riss. With H.M. Commissioner carrying FOR RENT: out his responsibilities as practicable as can be; The Chief Justice the Associated States duty according to the law laid down in accordance with the State Constitution; the Anguilla Council or Mr Ronald Mehster, Leader of the people, carrying out their responsibilities by the wishes of the people, there is bound to be a conflict of interest some time, in carrying out the Administration of the island. It is sense of pride that the Anguillans do not want any direct administration f the St. Kitts laws imposed over hem, after having a period where the laws of the State was not effect e until the establishment of H.M Commissioner We say until, because it is with the consent of the St. Kitts government that H.M. Commissioner is here. We are reminded that the State Constitution still applies even though it is not applied to the letter How the island will move forward under these circumstances, we do not know, an example of what could happen was displayed when the Anguillans blocked the Court House preventing the Judge from entering last week

This kind of situation in Anguilla has arisen from the mishandling of the entire affair at the turn

of 1968 and the beginning of 1969 when this island declared a republic A foresight of the present was invisaged only by a few including this column, who warned against biting off more than we could chew

It is no good making the same kind of mistake again in haste, but rather to think hopefully and plan the course of Action that is best under the present circumstances

We have no suggestions at this time but hope that as time goes by we all may see the way more clearly The present position is not good enough. *********

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

IS EDUCATION IMPORTANT? By Moderate Anguillan.

This is a question I would like every Anguillan to think about very

Too often now-a-days, especially at political meetings, we hear a lo of sarcasms being past at those persons who for some reason or other are termed "THE EDUCATED ONES"

It is obvious too, that the term "THE EDUCATED ONES" is Associated with the teachers and Civil Servant: Now let us ask ourselves, what is education? The word education means to LEAD OUT, and surely all of us need to have our native resources tapped, so that our abilities and talents which are lying dormant may be aroused and brought into action

You see fellow Anguillans, all of us are born with certain gifts and talents which can be profitable to ourselves and our commun (Continued on page 5)

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the opportunity is afforded us, so that we can find expression for our innermost feelings.

When we are educated, it means that we are fitted with the equipment which helps us to lead out and express what we feel within. Surely you all will agree with me that there are times when we find it difficult to express ourselves. We may have the facts; we may have the brilliant points relative to a particular matter; but to produce them in a methodical way so that they can be properly understood and used, can be very probelmatic at times.

Let us ask ourselves this simple question. If education is not important then why do we send our children to School? Why not close down the schools and allow the children to face life just as they are? But you see, what would happen in such a case is that soon we will all be bottled up in little Anguilla being unprepared and unfit through our own ignorance, from competing with the rest of the World of which we are an integral part (and I use the word integral on purpose)

We are an integral part of the us. (I am not the whether I am que world because man has come to realize ing it in its or innal for or not) that everybody is important in this "You may fool some of the people some of the time;

If education is not important, why are there so many of our young people attending evening classes in an endeavour to further their education? It appears to me that those persons who are denouncing education the "EDUCATED ONES", are trying to inject a poison in the hearts of the masses against the teachers and the Civil servants.

But as far as I can see all that they are succeeding in doing is breaking up the unity which exists ng all Anguillans. My fellow

Anguillans, the teachers and the Civil servants are true and loyal Anguillans This has been proved over and over again They have no personal gain promoting them on They have rallied round the cause of Anguilla unfalteringly. They have shown us in no uncertain way that their loyalty lies with Anguilla their Native land When they were challenged with the decision of serv ing Anguilla or St. Kitts, they all decided to serve Anguilla So why ridicule them all the time? They ere being called the "EDUCATED ONES Ask yourself this question in all honesty and sincerity. What are they doing with their education?

The teachers and civil Servants do not look upon themselves as being special people just as a matter of boasting. They are all very humble neople as far as I can see. They are saying that they are thankful for the talent with which they may be endowed, and deem it a privilege to help their fellow-men in the same way that they have been helped by others

It is high time that we all tell the truth and be honest with our fellow-men

Let us remember this old quotation which could be a guide for all of us. (I am not sure whether I am quoting it in its original for or not) "You may fool some of the people

some of the time; But you cannot fool all of the people all the time."

Signed: Moderate Anguillan

H M S ARETHUSA VISITS ST MARTEN.

The British Frigate Arethusa is presently paying a visit to the Dutch part of St. Marten.

H.M.S. Arethusa visited Anguilla in the late half of last year when a number of school children were invited on board for a general tour of the ship.



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Applications are invited for the position of postman in the Anguilla Post Office

The salary for this post will be in the scale \$1200 x 60 - 1380 - four years, \$1440 x 60 - 1020 x 84 - 1788 6 years; \$1872 x 84 - 2208.
Further details of this post may be obtained from the Postmaster at the Administration Building

The terms on which the appointment will be offered to the successful applicant wi'l be subject to one month's notice on either side.

Applications should be addressed to the Chairman, Public Tervice Committee, (7c H.M.Commissioner, and should be englosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the title of the post for which the application is intended Original testimonials should not be enclosed and if it is the intention of the applicant to forward certificates, copies should

All applications must be received not later than Wednesday 25 February

RADIO ANGUILLA'S NEW TRANSMITTER HAS ARRIVED (Cont'd from Page 3)

from the R.A.F. Hercules on Wednesday The new unit comprises trans-

mitter, modulator and ancillary equip ment flown from London this week. In addition, Mr.W E. Evans, Chief Engintransmitter stand by were unloaded eer at Radio Anguilla has received transmitter stand by were unloaded eer at Radio Angultia has recommended from the R.A.F. Hercules on Wednesday The new unit comprises transday to assist with the installation.

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"THE VOICE OF ANGUILLA" - 7505 khz.

120 8 Mr. Nigel Fisher (Conservative) "Would the Honourable Confloran co d Vs Poval Engineers accent that many of us who know the When a courage us line up of Royal Engineer loforders bowed to Commission and feel that it will the supra act of a reverful Police attack on Monday of Poncon at Ronald tend to associate the whole of the Caribbean in this problem without "obstor's Park, the Rayal Engineers conceeded their first defeat to the its appearing that Britain is taking too maternalistic an attitude to-Metropolitan Police to p for this wards West Indian affairs and will year. Despite many fine saves by Frank Bryant of the belief attack he keep us in touch from time to time with the orogress of the tound the net on two occasions once to each half. The folice goal keeper was also in excellent form. Commission?" Mr. Foley renlied: - "Yes" In the Corners on Thursday January 22nd, Mr. Neil Marten (Banbury) In their usual weekly friendly eatch, the Royal Engineers scored and I nor 2 but 6 goals to crushing asked the Minister of Overseas Develonment what aid is proposed for Anguilla in 1970 Mrs. Judith Hart defeat the local football team referred him to a menty on this aree goals came in the first half subject on December 17 (to the M.P for Putherglen), Mr. Marten then and ever though the Engineers were outplayed in the early second half asked: Does the sum going for aid they came back to score 3 more. The and help to Anguilla during 1970 in-Royal Engineers' Captain Dave Jones clude enough money for the training Wie the Medic, Frank Bryant and the of Anguillans so that when the Cov't Honour their obligation not rept ever daring John Avey were among their most outstanding players not to hand over the island to St Kitts there will be enough trained QUESTIONS ON ANGUILLA IN COMMONS: neople to run the island on their London, February 3, 1970. In the Pouse of Commons yesterday, own? Mrs. Hart: We recently sent out February, questions were addressed to the Secretary of State for Fora regional Technical Assistante Legal Officer and we have a number sign and Commonwealth Affairs about of forms of Technical Assistance available and are ready to consider the situation in Anguilla. Mr. Maurice Foley, Parliamentary other requests covering the particular matter the Hon. Member suggests. Under-Secreatry of State, said in We are anxious to help with training reply: -"So far as the international if we receive requests situation in Anguilla is concerned, -0-0-0-0-0-0 I have nothing to add to the reply WHERE TO SEED MEHORANDA gave to the Honourable Member for Banbury on 13 October People of this region, in reduit-ting evidence to the Sir Fuch Mood-"As regards the future, the Commission under the chairmanship of ing Commission should a 'ross it to Sir Hugh Wooding which has been the Secretary, 'squille saission, appointed to study the inguilla problem is due to hold its first vate Pag, Chaguaramas, "rinidad comie outside of this region should sent theirs to:- C/- "he Cornor meetings today. It is not yet possible to say when I shall receive Secretariat, Malkam och Ykus Mall, London S.W. 1 - land