

ANGUILLA



BEACON

The

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1970.

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ANGUILLA JETTY USED BEFORE OFFICIAL OPENING ON MONDAY.

The new Anguilla Jetty at Sandy Ground was used for the first time Friday morning, when the 3,000 ton freighter "Rosa P." pulled alongside the wharf for the unloading of 20,000 bags of cement. Many Anguillians gathered at Sandy Ground, or viewed the unusual scene from vantage points at South Hill and North Hill as the first ship to use the new jetty was manoeuvred into her berth.

The S/S Rosa P. is a Venezuelan cargo ship, registered at La Guaría, with Captain Eleazar Escorihuela in command. The 20,000 bags of cement were brought to Anguilla from Santo Domingo and consigned to Mr. Mac Brooks, a well-known Anguillian businessman, who will act as Agent for the distribution of the cement.

The new Anguilla jetty was completed by the Royal Engineers last Friday, and will be officially opened at a ceremony on Monday, 23rd February at 12 noon. The Jetty will be declared open by Major-General R.L. Clutterbuck, O.B.E., Engineer-in-Chief, Ministry of Defence (Army) who will arrive in Anguilla on Sunday as guest of Col. John Waymark, Officer in Command of the Royal Engineers.

At the opening ceremony, the Major-General will inspect a Guard of Honour of the Royal Engineers who built the jetty.

Completed on schedule, the jetty extends out 252 ft. from the Bay, with a Tee head of 98ft. long by 24 ft. wide. A building to house a warehouse

Custom and Immigration Offices is to be built later this year. It is also expected that the road leading from the jetty to the Road Hill will be surfaced.

H.M.G. MAINTAIN RECOGNITION OF LORD CARADON'S AGREEMENT.

In a statement to members of the Anguilla Council last Tuesday, H.M. Commissioner maintain that the agreement signed by Lord Caradon and the Anguilla Council on March 30th, 1969 recognized by H.M. Government.

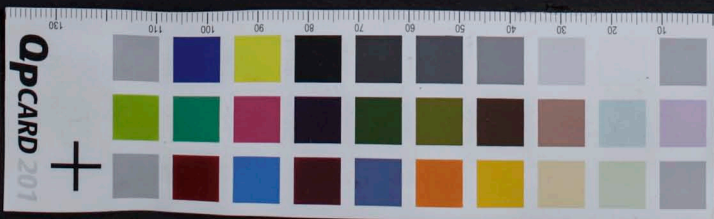
Last week at a meeting of the Council with H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Ronald Webster said in a statement that he read, that the Lord Caradon Agreement was breached, as a result of the visit of the resident Chief Justice in St. Kitts, and matters arising from the visit of the Wooding Commission.

In a letter to H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Webster wrote that the Anguilla Council demanded a statement in recognition of the Caradon Agreement. H.M. Commissioner replied in his statement (see Statement page 2) that Lord Caradon Agreement, is recognised "as a definitive and continuing expression of the position which exists here today".

The statement said that the agreement is modified in respect of clause 5 which deals with the withdrawal of Parachute Regiment last September.

COUNCIL MET- After the Commissioner made his statement, the Council Meeting was carried on in the usual way.

MR. Webster told THE BEACON that
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STATEMENT BY H.M.COMMISSIONER TO
THE ANGUILLA COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 17TH
FEBRUARY 1970.

The Declaration dated the 30th March, 1969, signed by the Rt. Hon. Lord Caradon and members of the Anguilla Council is recognised by Her Majesty's Government as a definitive and continuing expression of the position which exists here in Anguilla.

It is modified in only one respect which is that Clause 5 - which deals with the withdrawal of the Parachute Regiment - is now out of date, the hope expressed therein having been fully achieved with the departure of the Paratroopers in September, 1969.

The position of H.M. Government remains as one in which it is no part of the British Government's purpose to put Anguillans under an administration under which they do not want to live.

Nothing that has happened recently has altered, or can alter, this important and vital statement of policy.

H.M.G. (Continued from page 1)

the Council will seek legal advice before they decided if they will cooperate with the Wooding Commission. He said, by the terms of reference and the statement made by the Chairman of the Commission on his first visit here, he saw no hope that they will come up with a workable solution to the problem. He pointed out too, that although Bradshaw agreed to the Commission, - he told reporters in St. Thomas last week " He did not become head of his State to preside over its destruction", which indicates that even if the Commission recommended that Anguilla should secede, he would not agree.

ANGUILLA PEN - PAL WANTED

I am interested in Stamp Collecting and would like to correspond with persons of either sex, from about 16 yrs. upwards. Elton F. Beccles, Quinam Road, Siparia, Trinidad. Age 22.

H.M.CH INSPECTOR OF POLICE VISITS

Sir Eric St. Johnstone and Lady Johnstone paid a short visit to Anguilla last Thursday. Sir Johnstone is H.M. Chief Inspector of Constabulary, responsible to the Home Secretary for all Police Forces in the United Kingdom.

Sir Eric St. Johnstone and Lady St. Johnstone are on a Caribbean holiday and decided to visit Anguilla.

On their 5 hour visit, Sir St. Johnstone had talks with H.M. Commissioner and Mr. Ronald Paterson, Chief Superintendent of Anguilla Police Unit.

DENTIST FOR ANGUILLA

Dr. Arthur Pollard, Dentist is expected here at the end of this month on a six month assignment.

He comes from England and was formally head of the Dental Department in Zanzibar. Dr. Pollard, age 57, was recruited by the British Government for Overseas Technical Services in Anguilla.

Meanwhile Dr. Brod of the Christian Dental Society of Arizona, U.S.A. arrived on the island on Thursday with his family, and started working at the Valley Dental Clinic yesterday. This is Dr. Brod's second working holiday to the island, the first being last April.

ANGUILLA SPECIAL ISSUE OF STAMPS

The Department of Posts Anguilla will be putting on sale the first Special issue of stamps for 1970, on Monday 23rd, February.

The flora set of four, issue in values- 10, 15, 40 and 50 cents, depicts the flowers of Anguilla.

The 10¢ depicts the Morning Glory (Ipomoea) the 15¢ depicts the Blue Petrea (Petrea Volubilis) the 40¢ depicts the Hibiscus, and the 50¢ Flame Tree (Delonix regia).

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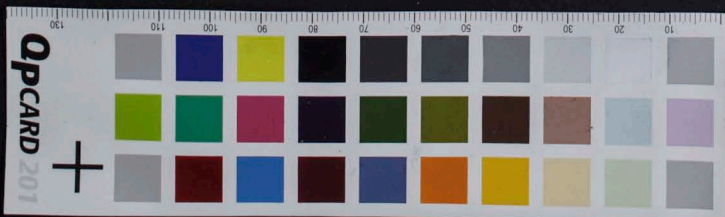
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coming from the Baptist Church,
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Signed: David Richardson.

"1970 - ANGUILLA"

Part One,By U.R.UN.NAMED.

"By the world's most beautiful and
best beaches,
We sat down there;
Yea! and when we remembered Anguilla
we wept.

Freedom was our longing, and develop-
ment our daily prayer,-

The pillows were disheartening,-

Our hearts were filled with sorrow
even when we slept.

We loved our little island and vigil
watch we kept,

Though we saw the rock going down-
wards,- backwards.

We saw a stretched out hand offer-
ing us sweet bread,
But another hand, against our wishes,
chased that hand away;

We saw that hand pitifully leave us,
it fled,

And we saw another place eating our
bread another day.

We hanged up our Musical Instru^{ments}
upon the willows,

In the midst thereof;

In the morning tears flooded our
pillows,-

To be slaves and behind time (tell
me) who doth love?

We watched our waters Blue kissing
our beaches white,

Making Love and Melody for our love's
delight;

We watched and we considered day
and night,

But, as things were going, prosperity
against us had taken flight,
Fortune had frowned.

Yea! That was all. Prosperity and
progress was no where in sight;
With failure and defeat we were un-
lambtely crowned.

We had a dream, like all other free
people,
But we were forbidden to let it come
true;

We were dogged down that we must fail
The hand against us was heavy,hard,
cruel and evil,

But God said it:Anguilla Must Prevail!

Yes,we had a dream, but were forbidde
not tolet it come true;

We were told against our wishes and
ability what and what not to do:

In our own place we were told what
comfort we must not enjoy;

Every thing dished out to us came
only to annoy,-

We were ordered to shut up and be
satisfied;

But we could not shut up so to God
we cried,

Ang God heard our cry and answered
our prayer.

Is this strange? Are we not in God's
tender care ?

But more than this. They required
of us a Song of Anguilla,

And they that mocked and enslaved us
and wasted us required of us mirth,

Saying:"Sing us one of your songs of
Anguilla, BOBO JOHNNY!"

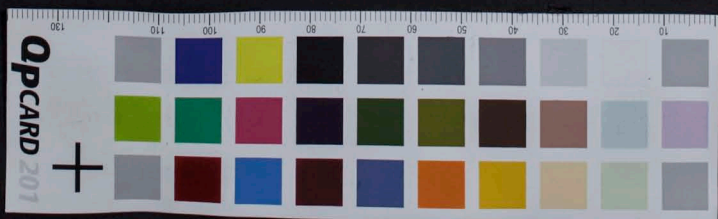
But how could we sing a song in such
a backward part of earth?

He who loved us not desired to rule
over us;

And yet GOD said it,- We must be free
He who did every thing to keep pros-
perity out, Wished to be our captain.

But how could we be headed by such
a man as this ?

All he ever did for us was to make
us miss, ALL the good for his own
good; And gave us filth to eat for
food (Contd on page 8)



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PROGRESS IN ANGUILLA

Never in history has Anguilla enjoyed any development, to match what has been done by the Royal Engineers since H.M.G. took over the Administration of the island last year.

Already more road has been surfaced in the last year, than what was done since creation.

We can now boast about our Jetty, having suffered from the lack of one by having to lift cargo four or five times before it is safely ashore.

A Jetty, having been promised to be built for Anguilla by the St.Kitts Government some years ago, was built in Sandy Point St.Kitts, where Anguilla boats used to call.

We can expect at the end of the financial year to hear Z.I.Z announce that so much development of the St.Kitts Government as was done in 1968, when the British Development Division financed the Airport extension, the Cold Store Plant and the Cosely School.

The Anguillian Rebellion came from the lack of development and neglect by the St.Kitts Government who in our case never did divide Grants and Aid from H.M.G. proportionately.

Now that Anguilla receives her aid direct, within the two years progress can be noted.

We still have a long way to go and we can expect much more improvements as long as the Royal Engineers remain to carry out the work.

Anguillans will now begin to enjoy some of the necessities, that our neighbours have been enjoying for years.

EDITORIAL

SHOULD ANGUILLA CO-OPERATE WITH COMMISSION ?

This is the question which most people are asking themselves.

In fact the Anguilla Council is seeking legal advice on the matter.

As this column said all along we see the work of the Commission as "playing for time" what time will do, no one can tell today. But one can imagine that it is hoped that either Anguilla will give up, or Bradshaw will soften his "Iron" heart and fade away, while his name still means something to the St.Kitts people, and a new Government in St.Kitts who will try to rescue what is left of St.Kitts - Nevis and wish Anguilla the best on her new venture, whether this will happen in the near future we still cannot tell.

One thing is very clear to us, that is, that NO POWER regardless of how big it is can govern a people against their wishes and be happy or have good government. And Anguillans, regardless of how long it may take, will always be united to secede from St.Kitts. Whether we should give evidence to the Commission is another matter, for if two can play a game, three can play it better.

We do not think it necessary for the Council as a body to submit evidence, but any individual who wants to submit evidence should do so.

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Dear Mr. Ed

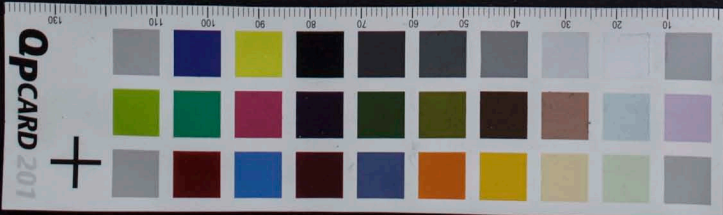
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PROGRAMME POPULARITY POLL

A ballot paper on which you are requested to mark, from 1 to 20, the Radio Anguilla programmes you like best is being circulated throughout the island.

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Letter to the Editor; Valley Feb. 2nd,

Dear Mr. Editor,

Being an onlooker at the past events over the past few days, I cannot but warn my fellow Anguillans to "watch out" for evil days lie ahead of us.

The Commissioner in a broadcast said that rumour circulating that the British is going to trick Anguilla is false, but what must we believe when he who is representing the British here had three unscrupulous tricks played.

1. The publication a night before of a news item regarding the Judge's visit, making it appear as if the Judge was Mr. Lewis, when he knew it was the resident Judge in St. Kitts.
2. The smuggling in and out of the Judge at the foot of the Airstrip.
3. The turning of the new school into a Court House, thus allowing the court to be opened in defiance

of the wishes of the people here.

Those were the wishes of Bradshaw, and he has succeeded in subtly carrying them out, so the confidence we had in the British through him has been shattered.

I would like to know if the Council was consulted, or if he is working now on his own to win favour with Bradshaw.

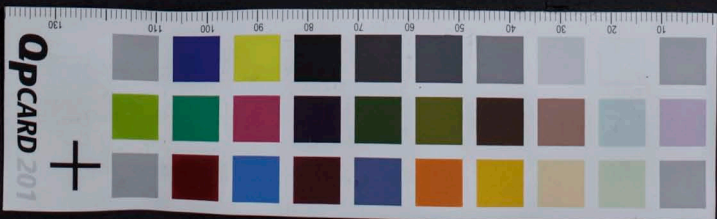
Watch out Anguillans, keep your heads on.

Thank you for the space,

(Signed- Onlooker.)

Name withheld at writers request. Ed.

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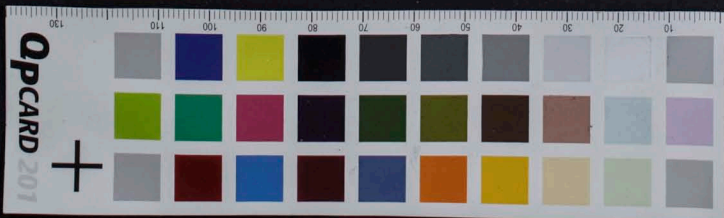
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NEW DEFINITIVE ISSUE OF STAMPS FOR
B.V.I. (Reprint from The Island Sun)

It was notified for general information by the Post Office Department that the current Definitive Issue of postage stamps will be withdrawn from sale at the Post Office counters of the Territory after the close of business on 15th, February, 1970. Scheduled for release on 16th, February is a new Definitive Issue of stamps which were designed by Printers Studio Artists and printed by John Waddington of Kirkstall Ltd., at Leeds, England. Arrangements for the design and printing and much of the valuable research work were done by the Crown Agents who are agents for the British Virgin Islands.

The stamps will be in the values of 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 25, & 50 Cents, \$1.00, 2.00, 3.00 & 5.00. The set will comprise seventeen stamps amounting to \$12.41½. They depict a series of ships, ancient and modern, most of which have a history connected with the West Indies and British Virgin Islands. Collectors should find this issue not only attractive but of much historical value.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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Letter to the Editor:

Dear Sir,

Please allow me a little space in the BEACON to express these few words.

We in Anguilla understand that Bradshaw said that as long as he is Premier that he will not give up Anguilla, and we are telling him that as long as he is Premier that he will not enter Anguilla. If calling the name Anguilla is enough for

him it is alright, for Anguilla was never owned by him. It could be that the name of his state is St. Kitts, Nevis Anguilla, but it is well known that his State is only two islands St. Kitts and Nevis, mark you, not the island named Anguilla. Not even the Holy Arch Angels that is in Heaven could put Anguillans back under that Government. A few days ago Dore said that he has not named the head voter in Anguilla as yet, we put this to him that it is easier for him to name his Mother or some Anguillan living in St. Kitts No Anguillan living on this Island would take that job, or they do not love their family.

That dirty Government will not broadcast any crime that would happen in that island, but as soon as any thing happens in another Country they are never tired broadcasting.

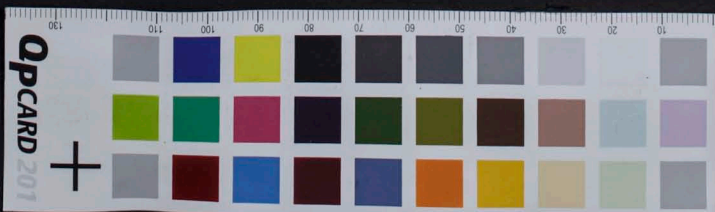
Some time ago Southwell said that Anguillans will fall on their own sand, today Anguillans can see him and his falling on their own guns.

Signed: Human Rights - Self Determination.

10 KILLOWATT RADIO STATION FOR
DOMINICA-

St. John's Antigua, Jan. 30th, Dominica is to have a 10 Killowatt Radio Station in the next three months, the Caribbean Island's Premier Edward Le Blanc has said here.

Mr. Le Blanc who is on his way to Nassau to attend the inaugural meeting of the Caribbean Development Bank tomorrow, said that Government would administer the Station which will be commercial. (REUTERS)



1970, - ANGUILLA (Cont'd. from Page 3)

We had to take action to be free,
 Was it not God of whom this desire
 Came forth? Who is it of whom this
 arise
 And say if I am telling lies.
 GOD was in Anguilla, GOD is in Anguilla.
 In Anguilla shall GOD forever be.
 Go back then and tell the world for me
 That all ANGUILLA wants,
 That all ANGUILLA claims,
 Is what is hers and nothing more,
 The rights and FREEDOM to live and to
 toil
 As she wishes UNMOLESTED, UNDICTATED
 for.
 When ANGUILLA was in distress
 GOD attended to her helplessness:
 Leave ANGUILLA alone!
 GOD who is GOD and KING is verily in
 this thing:
 Be it now to all made known.
 Let every one who will be but witness
 to ANGUILLA'S council
 Witness to what they will decide:
 This is the voice of the people - the
 VOICE of ANGUILLA,
 Is NOT this also the VOICE of GOD?
 Who will deride ?
 Who will defeat what GOD is for ?
 O LORD ! Don't punish ANGUILLA.
 Remember, O LORD, the people of
 ANGUILLA,
 Raise us up, raise us up, raise us up
 we pray.
 Give PEACE to the friends of the
 people of ANGUILLA;
 And make us to rejoice in ANGUILLA or
 about ANGUILLA some happy day."

Amen

SEA ISLAND COTTON

Bridgetown, Barbados, Feb. 11th. Agriculture Minister Kenmore Husbands said today Sea Island Cotton was the only crop which now offered a ray of hope for Caribbean territories.

Speaking at the opening of the 25th Annual General Meeting of the West Indian Sea Island Cotton Association in Bridgetown, Mr

Husbands said the Barbados Government was giving full support to the efforts to resuscitate and revitalise the Cotton Industry here and suggested that other Regional Governments do the same.

The Minister said the Sea Island Cotton, now grown exclusively in the Caribbean, produced the best cotton fibre in the world. In addition, it produced edible oil and could be used to produce livestock feed.

Sea Island Cotton is a unique crop which should command a premium price for its lint in most Countries, Mr. Husbands said.

He added; it would therefore seem only sensible and wise that our territories should seek to preserve and develop this crop with a view to providing the world market with a high quality product which is produced nowhere else.

Mr Husbands listed the development of the Sea Island Cotton Industry in Barbados from 1966 after a break in production for more than twenty years.

He said since attempts to resuscitate the industry began in 1964, small plots of land cultivated on an experimental basis, had now reached a point where cotton was being harvested mechanically for commercial purposes.

The Government has also made provisions in its 1969 - 72 Development Plan for the development of the Sea Island Cotton Industry, he said.

Mr Husbands said when low world prices for primary products made it difficult for primary agricultural products to provide the purchasing power needed to obtain manufactured goods and industrial machines, a crop such as Sea Island Cotton offered a ray of hope which was not to be found in many of the other crops traditionally grown in the Caribbean. (Continued)

