

### LAST SOLDIER LEAVES ANGUILLA AS ROYAL ENGINEERS DEPART ON WEDNESDAY AFTER TWO AND A HALF YEARS.

On Wednesday afternoon, two R.A.F. Hercules aircraft flew from Wallblake Airport carrying with it the 30 remaining members of the Royal Engineers contingent on Anguilla. The departing British Engineers were headed by Major L.J.Kennedy, R.E., whose 51 Field Squadron has been on the island since last mid-March.

His contingent was the last of the half yearly companies of the Royal Engineers who first landed in Anguilla on March 19th., 1969. The huge aircraft circled the island in salute to the people of Anguilla before turning to Antigua.

During their 30 months on the island their work had been peaceful and many improvements for Anguilla such as new services, buildings and roads are evidence of their sojourn on the island.

The departing Engineers were seen off at the airstrip by hundreds of Anguillians which included H.M. Commissioner and members of his staff, Mr.Ronald Webster, Leader of the Anguilla Council, members of the Anguilla Council and many others, all present to bid farewell to the soldiers who came in peace and remained as friends.

The Royal Engineers over nighted in Antigua before flying on to the United Kingdom.

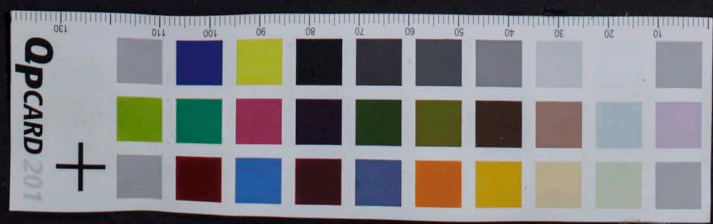
### NEW ISLAND HARBOUR PRIMARY SCHOOL FORMALLY OPENED BY H.M.COMMISSIONER

More than 300 Anguillians turned out at 9.0'clock on Wednesday morning to take part in the impressive ceremonies attending the formal opening of the Island School, which was officially turned over to the Anguilla Education Department on this occasion.

The school declared opened by H.M. Commissioner, Mr.Arthur Watson and the keys were handed over formally to the new Head Master, Mr.Vivien Vanterpool by Major L.J.Kennedy, R.E. Commander, Force Anguilla on behalf of all the Royal Engineers who had been concerned with the building of the new school.

Chairman for the opening ceremonies was Mr.Kenneth Hazell, Chairman of the Education Committee, of the Anguilla Council, who introduced H.M.Commissioner, Mr.Arthur Watson. The Commissioner referred to the three Royal Engineers contingents who had been engaged in the construction of the school and paid tribute to contributions made by the Public Works Department. He hoped that it might be possible to extend the school to six (cont'd on page 2 )

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ISLAND HARBOUR SCHOOL

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class rooms, possibly in 1972 and referred to the relief of over crowding in the East End school which will result from the operation of the New School. Mr. Watson thanked all those concerned with the new school on declaring it open and extended wishes for success to all teachers and students who would benefit from it.

Mr. Ronald Webster, Leader of the Anguilla Council expressed his official gratitude to all the Royal Engineers for their work on the island over the past thirty months. He stated that the Engineers had worked well with the people and declared that if any could come back for a visit they would be received with open arms. He extended his warmest good wishes to all concerned.

Major Kennedy mention the dual function of the Royal Engineers as both soldiers and constructive workmen. He handed over the keys to Head Master Mr. Vivien Vanterpool. He stated that all his men were leaving the island with regret of having found so much friendship on Anguilla.

The New Head Master spoke of the historic occasion, which had originally been mentioned, as far back as 1941. He hoped to organise an active Parent Teachers Association for the Island Harbour School and thanked all parents for their interest and help.

Mrs. Thelma Hunte, of Island Harbour, spoke on behalf of the parents and referred to the saving of time and effort which would effected by the Island Harbour School for students in the district.

The new school will accommodate 205 students to begin with. The impressive ceremonies ended with the singing of the Doxology and

"God Save The Queen", after which refreshments were served and the visitors were taken on a tour of the building. The opening ceremonies were also attended by members of the Anguilla Council and members of the Anguilla Education Committee.

BRITISH FRIGATE H.M.S. TARTAR SPENT DAY IN ANGUILLA.

The British Frigate H.M.S. Tartar arrived at Road Bay at about 8 o'clock on Thursday morning for a one day courtesy visit to Anguilla. The ship's officers were met on arrival by the Deputy Commissioner Mr. Kenneth Jones, who accompanied the Commanding Officer to visit H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Arthur Watson at his office at South Hill.

The Captain of H.M.S. Tartar is Commander Robert James Northard, R.N., who also paid a courtesy call on Mr. Ronald Webster, Leader of the Anguilla Council, and also met Chief Inspector, David Helm, Commander of the A.P.U.

Commander Northard, originally of Hull, Yorkshire, has served on a number of Royal Navy Ships including the aircraft carriers, HMS Arc Royal and H.M.S. Hermes. Prior to his present command Captain Northard commanded 764 Naval air squadrons at the Royal Navy Air Station Lossimouth, and was then designated as the Commanding Officer of the Royal Navy Squadron before being selected for promotion to Commander in June 1970. He took command of HMS Tattar in Singapore in December of last year. H.M.S. Tartar is a general purpose frigate of the Tribal Class. Its length is 360 feet with a beam of 42 feet and a replacement of 3000 tons. HMS Tartar is fitted with the latest radar equipment and defence weapons including two 4.5 inch guns and is equipped with a Wasp anti submarine helicopter which can fire homing torpedoes and depth charges.

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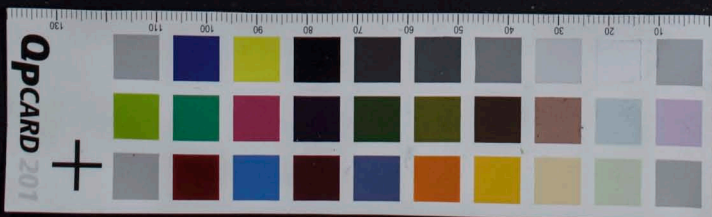
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BRITISH FRIGATE HMS TARTAR VISITS

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his call on H.M. Commissioner on Thursday morning, Commander Northard was taken on a motor tour of the island and met many Anguillans. He expressed himself as being delighted with Anguilla in general and the hospitality of the people in particular. At noon a small luncheon party was given by H.M. Commissioner and Mrs Watson which was attended by senior officers of HMS Tartar and Mr. Ronald Webster, Leader of the Anguilla Council. During the afternoon Officers and ratings of the visiting Warship were taken to swimming and beach parties and a cricket match played between of the Royal Navy and the A.P.U.

TALK ON RADIO ANGUILLA BY MAJOR L.J. KENNEDY RE, FORCE ANGUILLA.

After two and a half years the time has come for the Royal Engineers to leave Anguilla. You must have come so used to seeing us around that you might have thought we were here for ever. It is of course true that there is a great deal that we could still do here but I am sure you will realise that there are other places other countries where our work is required. So, 51 Squadron having completed its six months tour must go and we shall not be replaced.

In saying goodbye to you I must speak not only for my Squadron and myself but also for the Royal Engineers Squadrons and Force Commanders that have come and gone before us. These earlier Squadrons have played a major part in the recent development of the island and I am sure you will remember 33 Field Squadron, 48 Field

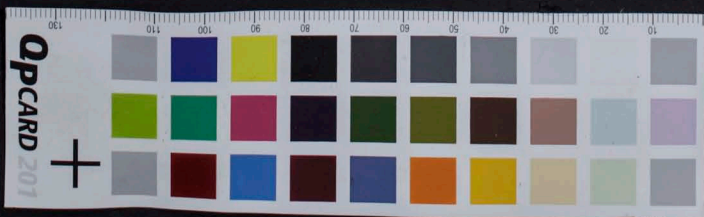
Squadron and our sister Squadron 52 Field Squadron, which left in

March. I don't wish to chronicle all they have done this evening. You can see their work with your own eyes - the roads, the schools, the library, the electrical works, the North Hill pipe line and many other works are visible to you as go about your daily business.

For our part we were a Force that was reduced in size and we concentrated our main efforts on training the Public Works Department to carry on when we have gone. This I hope we have done. There are now trained road gangs in the Department and their skills should allow the development work, so sorely needed, to continue. Our other main task has been the disposal of the vehicles, plant and equipment that had accumulated here during the previous two years. Some we transferred to PWD, some we sold to local buyers and some we sent back to Britain. I hope that the equipment that remains on the island will help those who bought it. It has been heartening to see so much of this equipment in use daily. I hope that the contribution our soldiers have made to the island is more than just a material one. I hope that by our participation in many island activities we have demonstrated our friendship. We like to think that our soldiers are good ambassadors for Britain and I hope this had been so in Anguilla. Certainly we have been shown great friendship by you and I would like you to know how much we appreciate it.

We have felt very welcome here and we have found on this beautiful little island people who are cheerful, honest and very friendly. The wonderful beaches and clear sea are easy to appreciate but when one lives in a place for six months and gets to know the people well there is so much more to like about Anguilla. There is a tranquility about this island that I have noticed when I have been away for a short while - long may this tranquility continue.

Well it is time to say goodbye. We are returning (cont'd on page 5)



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## EDITORIAL:

## PRICE CONTROL?

Shall the Government of Anguilla establish a "Price Control Board"? This is a gesture that many people are asking. And it seems to be many arguments for it. Though as is expected the merchants will be against it. Their reason, one can very well understand.

It is a fact though, that the cost of living on the island is tremendously high. Merchants receive in some cases as much as 50 % discount on certain whole sale goods, depending on the amount of the order.

We are aware of the shipping problems to the island and maybe this can account for some of the high prices, but then should not the merchants organise themselves so that they can warrant a ship calling at our ports? (The Atlantic Lines have discontinued calling here).

On the other hand, there are cases when some merchants charge too high a profit. The Customs Dept. have records of the cost of goods, the shipping and landing charges, for it is on this cost that the Custom Duties are paid. If the merchants would be satisfied with a reasonable profit, it would be a greater turn over in business and more commerce on the island. As it is, the people are forced to buy less. We think there is more arguments in favour of a price control, than against.

## ESTHER HODGE PASSES AWAY

Mrs Esther Hodge of Little Dix

## H.M.COMMISSIONER RETURNS FROM FIVE DAY VISIT TO BARBADOS

H.M.Commissioner, Mr. Arthur Watson, returned to the island on Saturday afternoon from Barbados where he had been attending a meeting of British Representatives in the Caribbean since Monday.

The Commissioner also visited the headquarters of the British Development Division in the Caribbean in Bridgetown where he discussed future plans for the continuation of development aid to Anguilla. The returning Commissioner was met at Wall-Blake airport by Mr. Kenneth Jones, who had been acting Commissioner during Mr. Watson's absence, and by other officers from H.M.Commissioner's Office.

## MEDICAL OFFICER RETURNS FROM HOLIDAY

Doctor David Bartlett, Anguilla Medical Officer and Mrs. Bartlett returned to the island last weekend following their three weeks holiday leave.

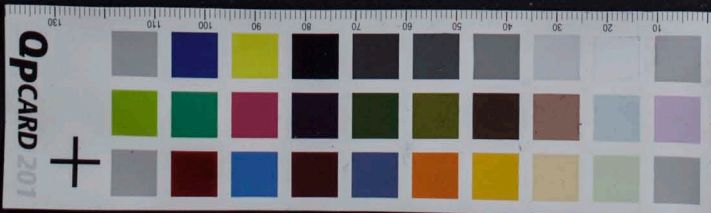
During his absence Dr. Bartlett's work was carried out by Dr.Cooper, who returned to the United Kingdom on Wednesday.

During their leave Dr.and Mrs. Bartlett visited Equador, Bolivia, Peru and some of the Caribbean islands and he has now resumed his practice on the island.

died at the Cottage Hospital on Thursday afternoon at the age of 65, after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her husband Hubert Hodge 6 sons Irad, Vernon, Stafford, Valentine, Menes and Roy, 3 daughters, Carmen, Joycelyn and Eluwise, 18 grandchildren and many other relations. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon at St.Mary's Church.

Among those attending the funeral were the Anguilla Scouts and members of the Mother's Union.

To the bereaved families we tender our deepest sympathy.



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TALK BY MAJOR L.J.KENNEDY (cont'd from page 3)

to our families and loved ones and of course we are very much looking forward to that but we shall be sorry to leave Anguilla. The island and its people will remain in our memories for many years to come. I hope you will remember us also.

We wish you happiness and prosperity in the future. Goodbye and God Bless you all.

MR. LESLIE WEBSTER, SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS FOR MALICIOUS WOUNDING

Leslie Webster of Mount Fortune was sentenced to three months in gaol with hard labour when he pleaded guilty to unlawfully and maliciously wounding Lotis Hodge of Tom Ground with a pair of domestic scissors on August 3rd.

The accused entered a plea of guilty before Anguilla Magistrate, Mr.W.R.Watkins at session of the Court on Monday morning Sept.13th. The accused had been remanded on bail of \$200.00 since the case first came before the Magistrate on August 27th. Inspector Peter Denham of the A.P.U. appeared for the prosecution and was assisted by Sgt. G.Liang.

According to the prosecution statement, Leslie Webster, had been drinking, went to the house of Lotis Hodge and during an argument the accused stabbed the woman four times in the left chest. She was taken to the Cattage Hospital and was on the "danger list" for five days. The attending doctor said that if medical attention, in the way of a three hour emergency operation had not been given at once, she would have died. A statement by the accused was read to the Court by Detective Sgt. Liang. The accused

admitted "sticking" the woman twice, and stated that she had attacked him also with another pair of scissors.

Magistrate Watkins stated that he was taking into account the fact that Webster had no previous convictions and that this community had been without regular sittings of the Court for more than four years. He said that a woman had been savagely viciously attacked and warned Webster that, had she died, he might well have appeared on a charge of murder.

Leslie is the first person to occupy the new prison that was opened this week.

MAN GUILTY OF THEFT - CAUTIONED BY MAGISTRATE.

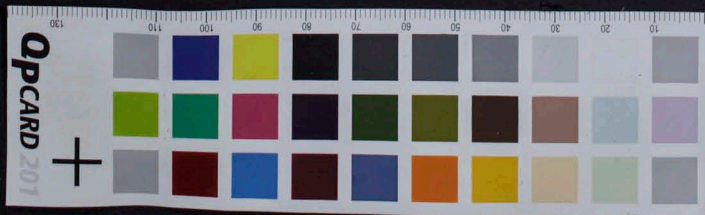
Adrian Gumbs, aged 20, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Watkins in the Anguilla Magistrate's Court on Monday morning to the theft of a car battery, valued at \$60.00 from Weldon Lake on 3rd September.

Sgt. Anthony Ryan appeared for the prosecution and related how Gumbs had taken the battery from a vehicle at Wallblake Road on Sept.3rd. It had later been found hidden in the bushes about 200 yards from the accused house. In view of it being a first offence, Magistrate Watkins stated that he was giving Gumbs a second chance, since the battery had been recovered, and Gumbs was allowed to go with a caution from the bench.

CUTHBERT GUMBS GIVEN FINAL WARNING

Cuthbert Gumbs of North Side, was given a final warning and cautioned by Magistrate Watkins on Wednesday morning in Anguilla Magistrate's Court.

He appeared before the Magistrate charged with conducting himself in a disorderly manner in such fashion as to disturb the neighbourhood, and pleaded guilty to the charge.



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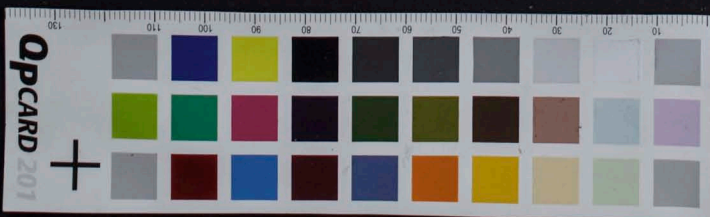
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 of Anguilla, now presently living  
 in England, would like to inform  
 the general public of Anguilla,  
 that I am no longer responsible  
 for my wife Mrs. Edmee A. Gumbs,  
 in Anguilla, nor her activities  
 there.

Thanking you in advance,  
 yours faithfully, Patrick P. Gumbs.

FIVE ANGUILLA STUDENTS AWARDED  
 TECHNICAL COURSE IN ST. LUCIA.

Five Anguilla Students who  
 have completed their work at the  
 Valley Secondary School have been

awarded scholarships courses by  
 the British Development Division  
 for the Caribbean as arranged  
 through H.M. Commissioner's  
 Office.

The five Students included  
 Calbert Williams who will be taking  
 a course in Woodwork, Miss Lucia  
 Richardson of East End, Miss Carmen  
 Fahie of the Forest and Miss Evalie  
 Hughes of South Hill will be taking  
 a course in Commerce and Mr Kenworth  
 Hazell of South Hill will be doing  
 work in mechanical engineering.

The five Anguilla students left  
 the island by air yesterday (Friday)  
 to attend the St. Lucia technical  
 College in Castries where their  
 course begins on Monday, 20th Sept.

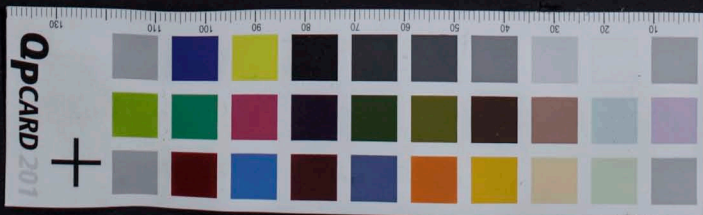
H.M. COMMISSIONER THROWS SWITCH  
 TO OPEN NEW WIRING SYSTEM AT HEALTH  
 CENTRE.

On Wednesday morning H.M. Commis-  
 sioner, Mr Arthur Watson formally  
 threw switch which lighted up the  
 Anguilla Health Centre in the  
 Valley, following the installation  
 of new wiring, both for lighting  
 and power for the entire Health  
 Centre Building.

The new wiring was completed  
 only this week by electricians of  
 the, Rotal Engineers assisted by  
 trade electricians of the Public  
 Works Department. The work was  
 supervised by the Electrical Clerk  
 of Works, Staff Sergeant A. Allan,  
 assisted by Lance Corporal Napier  
 and Sapper Colley of the Royal  
 Engineers.

At the brief ceremony were  
 Major L.J. Kennedy, R.E., Commander  
 Force Anguilla, Mr. Malcolm Morgan,  
 Supervisor of the Anguilla Public  
 Works Department and others.

SPORTS: (from page 8)  
 deliveries it was over for 21. Julius  
 Paul 6. Ashley Carty 5 and Hugh Lake 5  
 not out. Valentine Banks who kept the  
 wicket shared in 4 dismissals, taking  
 1 catch and 3 stumpings.



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X Sunday, 19 Sept.- "SYMPHONY HOUR" - 3 pm & 9pm X

X GERSHWIN: "Rhapsody in Blue" X

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X Monday, 20 Sept. "AFRICAN THEATRE" at 8.30 pm. X

X The Play: "Wind Versus Polygamy" X

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X Tuesday, 21 Sept. "HOBBIES CORNER" (Repeat) 8.30 pm X

X Interview with Mr. Winston Harrigan X

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X Wednesday, 22 Sept. "ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES" X

X The Play: "The Beryl Coronet" at 8.30 pm. X

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X Thursday, 23 Sept. "VISITORS ALBUM" at 8.30 pm X

X Interview with Mr. Leo Adams of Ontario X

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X Friday, 24 Sept. "MY WORLD" - The Family PanelGame X

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SPORTS NEWS: by Wycliffe Richardson

CRICKET:

The Veterans received their fourth defeat in as many matches in the 1971 Angsal Series when they lost to the Valentinos by 195 runs in their Angsal League match which ended at the Webster Park on Saturday last. The final scores were Valentinos 101 and 160, Veterans 46 and 21.

Valentinos started the second day 46 for 2, a lead 101 over the Veterans, with 8 second innings wickets standing. Albertus R'son was caught by Thomas Kelly at silly mid-on, without scoring with the very first ball of the day from Ashley Carty. A brisk 17 from Stanley Mussington and 29 from Valentine Banks who with Ralph Hodge added 67 for the 9th wicket gave the Valentinos a lead of 215. Ralph Hodge who opened the innings was undefeated with 74 when the innings ended at 160. Ashley Carty took 4 for 48, Liston R'dson 2 for 43 and George Hughes 1 for 18. Ralph Hodge 5 for 12 and Albertus R'dson 3 for 8, ripped the Veterans second innings assunder after being set 216 to win. In 61 (See ----)

