

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I write this letter to all Anguillians wherever they are in the world. In the last election we hoped we would have the Government formed by the P.A.M. We went to the polls and proved this by electing the P.A.M. member. We also showed that only 89 Anguillians would yield to Labour, as Mr. Lloyd who ran as an Independent member, preached Labour all the way. He would have done as Mr. Walwyn did if he had won. His votes came from his relatives, anyway. So on the whole I say that Anguilla is in opposition to the Labour Government.

I say this, if we don't vote Labour it's because we don't want Labour Government. We've put up with them for the last fifteen years against our will. The present Chief Minister said that he will turn Anguilla into a desert and he is now in the driver's seat. Sometime this year he will be premier, more power will be vested in him. It's nothing we Anguillians can do about it (except one thing which I will get to later on). The St. Kitts people (the illiterate

Congrats.

Dear Editor,

First let me congratulate Bradshaw and his Illiterate Professors on their foolish return back into their hotel, better known as Government Headquarters situated at Church Street. Congratulations also go to the Illiterate Electorate who supported them throughout their senseless and abusive campaigns, and also on election day.

For as far as I can see their political ideas differ from all thinking people anywhere else on this earth.

In my first letter to "The Democrat" I stated that the three Islands seem to belong to Bradshaw and his Illiterate Professors but it is they the Illiterate electorate who make them to believe so, by electing them back into office which they do not deserve.

P.A.M. really did a good job in getting some of the electorate, and even some of the younger ones who are not eligible to vote as yet, to understand the true meaning of politics. But the majority it seems, only understands Bradshaw's policies and his attacks on brave and learned men like Drs. Herbert and Simmonds etc.

However, it is left to all of us, thinking people to see if Mr. Bradshaw will act like a man, a politician, and last of all a leader, now that he is the new Chief Minister.

"DISGUSTED"

Let's stay Colonial

ones) who can't see any further than their noses and would rather be that way, are the ones who want them, so you can keep them, we don't, and I can't see how they can keep us.

Look at some of the many faults in the Labour Government. Nevis has two seats in the Council for the whole of Nevis, Anguilla has one. I don't know the exact population of the places, but it is very odd that Sandy Point has two seats, while the whole country of Nevis has the same, and Anguilla one, compared to Sandy Point two.

We don't have electricity, our roads are next to nothing, our hospital is inadequate, our schools are overcrowded, especially the East End school which was built for 200 children now has 600 plus.

We all are worried about hurricanes, but if a fire breaks out in our island with this drought we have, it would be more disastrous than a hurricane, we don't have any fire trucks. We didn't even have a police van until a few days before the election. Our airport is even getting worse, so it can only be served by small aircraft. We have the most boats in the Colony without a dock to tie up and unload cargo. The few battery telephones we had are now gone, the water situation is unbearable and with all those things in the way what can we say the Government has done for us? Have we eaten all the money that is due to Anguilla? If not where is it spent?

My fellow Anguillians, if you are satisfied with this kind

of government then have nothing to say, if not, let's hear your voice everywhere protesting this Government. We don't have the majority to change it, so let it stay for now. Let everyone sign a petition that will be drawn up and sent to the Secretary of State for the Colonies protesting self Government with St. Kitts. Let her have her Self Labour Government.

I draw your attention again to Tortola and Montserrat. Tortola was once under Antigua, she is now alone and her budget is higher than that in our Colony. Anguilla is bigger than Tortola, so why can't we be like them? Of course we will have a hard task, but it cannot be worse than it is now.

Let us choose to stay Colonial if England doesn't want us we have what to encourage the Canadians and Americans.

This is our only way out, so all Anguillians must do their part. We sit and take too much for too long.

We must make it clear to Mr. Adams, not to represent us in the final talks for Self Government for we don't want it. I say again let's stay Colonial and be a colony on our own and be better off. If the majority is not with this I ask the Chief Minister to put it to a vote.

When a child is grown up and to age, he leaves home if he is not satisfied.

We Anguillians are grown up and are not satisfied.

ATLIN HARRIGAN

St. Croix
U.S.V.I

Change your old \$ notes

Currency notes issued by the British Caribbean Currency Board will no longer be legal tender in the various East Caribbean islands (apart from Grenada) on and after 31 October 1966. The territories concerned are Antigua, Barbados, Dominica, Montserrat, St. Kitts, St. Lucia and St. Vincent.

A notice to this effect has been published in the Official Gazette by the East Caribbean Currency Authority whose notes have, since 6 October last year, been replacing those of the old Board in the islands concerned.

The old Board, whose

full title is the Board of Commissioners of Currency, British Caribbean Territories (Eastern Group), first issued notes in 1951. It also issues the coinage at present used in the area, the status of which is not affected by the new announcement.

The change in status of the Board's notes means that, from 31 October, they cannot legally be used for payments in the various islands, for example, for wages or for purchases in shops. Anyone still holding any of these old notes is asked to change them at a bank as soon as possible.

ONE PARTY STATE?

Dear Editor,

There are some people who can think of nothing else but evil. At nights when they go to sleep, a writing pad and pencil are always at their bedside and as an evil thought presents itself, it is jotted down, and put into effect by injecting it into responsible persons of our community.

It is said that this territory should be a one-party state, and that the only way to rule is by dictatorship, and that there also should be a concentration camp to punish honest, upright, and law-abiding citizens, who are far more qualified in every respect of every day life within this community, while those, who are tainted and corrupt — go unmolested. But oh! for a concentration camp of yester-year, I wonder if such person or persons would have been a live voice such a beast-like suggestion?

The elections are over, and Labour has again been victorious, but what say those of us when we examine our consciences? Those of us, who through some selfish gain whether by promotion or otherwise have acted as Judas did to Christ — having sold him for a mere thirty-pieces of silver. But alas! Judas possessed a conscience, which led him to see his wrongs, and as a result, he hanged himself. How many of our consciences are that much

Draft Education Policy

An invitation was issued in May 1966 by the Honourable Minister of Social Services (as then designated) to persons interested in Education to study and express their views on the Draft Education Policy which was broadcast over Radio ZIZ, publicised in the Press and circulated to several organisations and individuals in this Territory.

It is now notified for general information that any organisation or individual who still wishes to submit views on the Draft Policy should do so not later than Monday 8 August, 1966. After this date the Ministry of Education, Health and Welfare, will take necessary steps to submit the Draft Policy to Executive Council for Government's decision on the Education Policy of this Territory. — Press release

awakened to haunt us?

On 30 July, it was said at a public meeting held at Warner Park, that Labour had to fight hard and long to acquire the franchise of Adult Suffrage. Yes, for this we give the Labour leaders credit, but on the debit side, why are they fighting doubly hard to destroy the very thing for which they have fought so hard and long? The franchise is every individual's for him or her to do just as they please, hence because one has voted on the opposite side, does this mean that Labour should victimise him or her for what was their rightful privilege?

Of course, a corrupt people always support a corrupt government as there is always a tendency of one hiding behind the coat-tail of the other. Despite the fact, it is heartening to note that the Opposition party or parties polled far more votes than the Labour Party, which is an indication of very little confidence.

In no developed or progressive country in this world can we recall such behaviour coming from their leaders of government. Does this not manifest another aspect of the crab's instinct — the quality of primitive man? When will we grow into maturity? When will we prove ourselves to be a bag of coals without dust? This can only be done through the brightness of our hearts, so let us go forward rather than backwards — treating every one as we would have them treat us.

Thank you,

J. H. WILSON.

Central St.,
Basseterre,
St. Kitts.

Craft Exhibition

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to 6 p.m. at the Education Centre. Cash will also be paid them for articles sold.

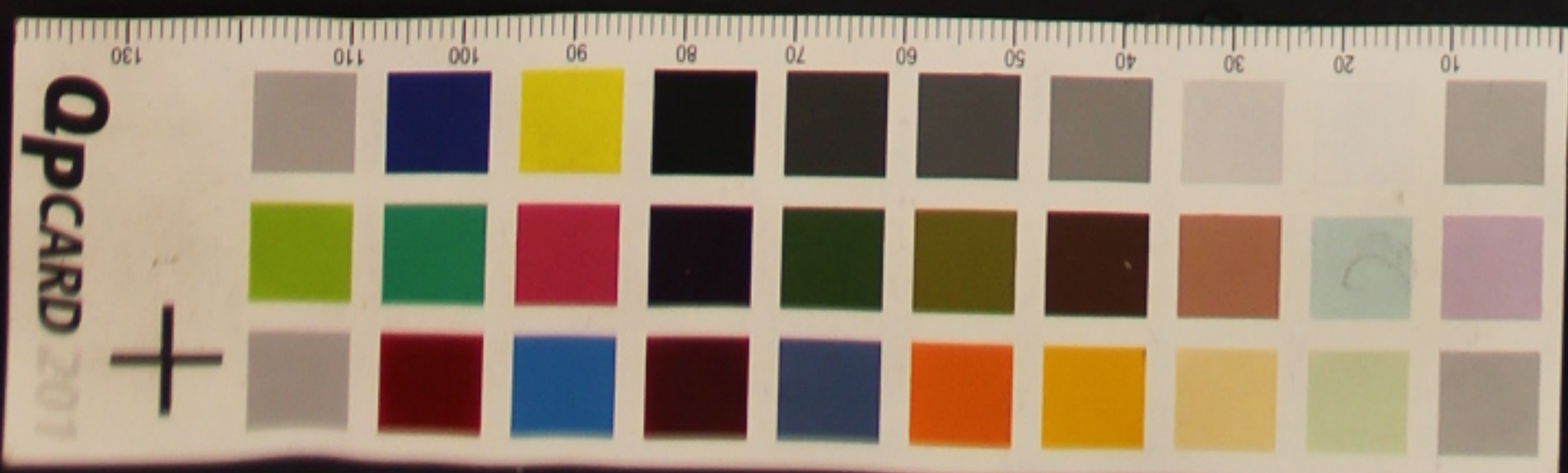
(f) The exhibition will last for three days and if warranted by public interest may be extended to four days.

(g) There will be an admission charge of 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

(h) Patrons are asked kindly to avoid handling the exhibits.

I. A. BURT

Chairman
Craft Sub. Com.



NEW YOUTH CENTRE FOR CHALLENGERS

Construction work on a new Youth Centre will start at Challengers Village on August 16, the Rev. John Jones of the Methodist Church said on Thursday.

The old wooden building will be broken down and a new one set up in concrete, he added. The size of the new building will be 40'x20' x 9'. It will include kitchen and toilet facilities.

Labour costs will be at a minimum, and much of the work will be done by full or part-

time voluntary workers (youngsters between the ages of 16-30) who will sleep on the site.

Mr. Joseph Buchanan will supervise the work.

During the evenings, while construction is going on, August 16-30, discussion groups will be held.

The building will be placed at the disposal of the Challengers Community Council. It will be used by the Methodist Church for specific purposes, as well.

FOURTH TEST

The Fourth Test Match being played between England and the West Indies at Le- got off to a good start for the West Indies yesterday (Friday) with the West Indies having declared at 500 for 9 about half an hour before stumps were drawn.

The match started on Thursday with the West Indies opening batsmen Conrad Hunte and Peter Lashley at the wicket, the West Indies having won the toss.

Thursday's game was somewhat dull, having been spoilt by rain.

But next day it brightened considerably. The West Indies scored 363 in just over 5 hours, and at 500 for 9 Captain Sobers declared.

Contributing considerably to this score was a magnificent partnership between Nurse and

Sobers who put on 265 in 240 minutes. Sobers was bowled at 174, and Nurse was caught at 137.

England, when stumps were drawn, had 4 for 0, Boycott having put on all 4 runs.

West Indies 1st Innings SCOREBOARD

Hunte l.b.w. Higgs	48
Lashley b. Higgs	9
Kanhai c Graveney	
b Underwood	45
Butcher c Parks b Snow	38
Nurse c Titmus b Snow	137
Sobers b Barber	174
Holford b Higgs	24
Griffith b Higgs	0
Hendricks not out	9
Hall b Snow	1
Gibbs not out	2
Extras (b.l lb. 12)	13
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.)	500

Snow 3 for 146; Higgs 4 for 94; D'Oliveira 0 for 52; Titmus 0 for 59; Underwood 1 for 81; Barber 1 for 55.

'Tiger' defeats 'Kid'

Sporting Tiger, welterweight champion of St. Kitts defeated Kid Alva, No. 1 contender in Barbados, in a boxing match staged at the Factory Social Centre on Saturday night last.

Kid Alva was knocked out in 2 minutes and 10 seconds of the second round.

The annual report and accounts for the year ended March 31 of Cable and Wireless (West Indies) Ltd. were published on August 5 and contain the following statement about the progress of the company's Eastern Caribbean project:—

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St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla schools

A total of 17,291 pupils attend the 40 primary, infant, senior, and secondary schools in this territory. And these pupils are taught by 416 teachers, of whom less than half are qualified.

These figures indicate that the average number of pupils housed in each school is 432, and the average number of teachers employed in each school is just over ten.

The figures were supplied by Government Headquarters, in a release dated August 3.

Here is the release:

The following information relates to schools in the Territory:

There are at present twenty (20) primary and senior schools in St. Kitts, ten (10) in Nevis and five (5) in Anguilla.

There are four Government secondary schools in the Territory — two in St. Kitts, one

in Nevis and one in Anguilla.

At present there is one Infant school in the Territory, which is at Gingerland, Nevis, with a roll of 211 pupils.

The number of pupils in the primary and senior schools in St. Kitts is 10,329, Nevis 3,720 and Anguilla 1,769. The number of pupils in the secondary schools in St. Kitts is 688, Nevis 300, and Anguilla 274.

The expenditure for running the primary and senior schools in 1965 was \$836,346; and for running the secondary schools in 1965, the

	St. Kitts	Nevis	Anguilla
Probationers	3	1	—
Uncertificated Teachers	155	54	18
Qualified Teachers	80	46	20
Head Teachers	23	11	5
Total	261	112	43

amount was \$176,831.

The revenue from secondary school fees (including course-fees) is as follows:—

St. Kitts	\$22,605.72	\$24,557.34
Nevis	5,654.00	6,628.50
Anguilla	4,966.00	5,197.00

The number of trained teachers in the Secondary schools in St. Kitts 11, Nevis 3 and Anguilla 3. The number of untrained teachers in Secondary Schools in St. Kitts 17, Nevis 9 and Anguilla 9.

The number of teachers for the primary and senior schools away on training is 26 and for the secondary schools, the number is 7.

The overall position of the teaching staff in the Territory is as follows:—

Nursing Educator comes for discussions

Miss Jean Mackay, Nursing Educator attached to the Regional Office of the World Health Organisation in Barbados arrived in the Territory on Monday, August 1.

She was met on arrival by Matron M. Stevens of the Cunningham Hospital.

The purpose of her visit, Miss Mackay told *The Democrat* on Friday,

is to become acquainted with the Hospital and to look at plans for the proposed new hospital in relation to staffing, as it is necessary to prepare the staff for the new situation.

During her visit Miss Mackay had discussions with Matron Stevens, Dr. J. O'Keefe, Chief Medical Officer and Matron Harney of the Alexandra Hospital,

Nevis.

She visited Nevis on Wednesday and the Pogson Hospital, Sandy Point, on Friday.

Miss Mackay recently attended a four month course in Ward Administration and Supervision held in Barbados. Miss Victoria Mary Walwyn of Nevis also attended the course.

She left this morning (Saturday) for Barbados.

Cable & Wireless 1965-66 Report

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year's report, continues and while certain sections of the trop spheric system were brought into operation during the current year, the connection via the coaxial cable, Tortola/Bermuda will not be operational until September 1966. Although revenue has increased as a result of those services brought into operation, the main benefit will not be received until the final

connection to Bermuda is completed".

The report also contains the following:—

Profit at £269,604 compared with £283,346 is a decrease of £13,742. Total telecommunications revenue was £2,744,253 compared with £2,498,263.

"Revenue has continued to rise this year, particularly in respect

of international telephony over coaxial Cables. Costs also show a substantial increase, largely due to additional staff required to meet the expansion of the company's operations".

Staff costs and working expenses at stations totalled £1,583,953 compared with £1,361,728. Cable system maintenance was £86,224 compared with £133,187.

