

ANGUILLIANS take Over

State of Emergency declared

THE people of the 35 square miles island of Anguilla, the smallest of the trinity of islands which constitute the State of St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla, have taken control of the island and as a result a State of Emergency has been declared throughout the three islands.

The Proclamation signed by the Governor Mr. F. A. Phillips, was announced over Radio ZIZ at about 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, after a number of policemen had been forced to return to St. Kitts from Anguilla.

Earlier that same day, according to a Government press release, a crowd of some 250 Anguillians surrounded the Police Station, ordered all the Policemen to leave Anguilla and seized all police arms and ammunition that were on the island.

Since then communications linking Anguilla to St. Kitts have been cut.

The policemen — ten of them — arrived in St. Kitts on Tuesday afternoon by plane; their officer-in-charge, Inspector Edgings returned to St. Kitts on Wednesday. Upon their arrival the policemen were placed under house arrest and the pilot was immediately arrested and later bailed.

Following the Proclamation, the Premier Mr. R. L. Bradshaw, said in a broadcast over ZIZ that his Government were actively organising outside assistance in an effort to re-establish law and order (See page 11).

The Government press release on the matter reads:

Earlier this year, on Saturday, 4 February, about 100 persons went to the Valley Secondary School in Anguilla where

fired at the Valley Police Station, including rifle fire.

On Tuesday, 18 April, again just before 10.00 p.m., about 15 shots, believed to be from rifles, were fired in the Stoney Ground area of Anguilla, one of which pierced the windscreen of a vehicle driven by a Minister of Religion.

On Thursday, 20 April, just after 9 p.m., about six shots were fired from a rifle at Lloyd's Hotel in the Valley, Anguilla.

On Saturday, 29 April at about 5.30 in the morning, about six rounds of ammunition were fired at the garage and vehicle of a teacher in the Farrington area of Anguilla.

At five minutes to ten on the night of Thursday, 11 May about 30 shots were fired at the Valley Police Station. When the Police returned fire, the shooting stopped.

On the night of Saturday, 27 May a prolonged attack lasting nearly one hour was made on Lloyd's Hotel in Anguilla where the Acting Warden was living since Government House was burnt down. Over 50 shots were fired into the Hotel, 12 of which were subsequently found in a room occupied by a Peace Corps Language Instructress.

When the occupants of four houses near to Lloyd's Hotel raised an alarm at the shooting, the attackers opened fire on them.

On Sunday night, 28 May, shots were fired into two homes at Stoney Ground and in the George Hill area. On

a Preliminary Queen Show was about to be held. They made loud noises and threats and, in spite of Police efforts to stop them, they threw stones and conch shells, discharged firearms and cut the wire carrying electric current into the school. The Police were forced to use tear gas to disperse the mob and to protect the persons attending the show.

When the Police made attempts to arrest some of the men in the Island Harbour district who were identified as having been involved in the disturbance, they were fired upon several times and the Chief of Police and the Superintendent of Police were injured.

On the night of Tuesday, 7 March, Government House in Anguilla was burnt flat to the ground and the Warden just barely escaped with his life.

On Monday, 20 March, just before 10 o'clock at night, about 40 shots were fired at Police Headquarters, in the Valley, Anguilla. When the Police returned the fire, the shooting stopped.

At about the same time on Saturday, 25 March and Tuesday, 11 April shots were again

Notice to Importers

There has been within recent years increased importation by sea from the U.S. Virgin Islands, of packages of merchandise and personal belongings. These packages are generally of used cardboard containers or some other fragile material and the contents are sometimes forced into them.

On arrival at the several ports of the State, these packages disintegrate very easily thereby causing losses to the consignees.

It would be of great benefit to Importers of these goods if their friends and relatives can be requested to ensure that the goods are properly and securely packed and even insured against all risks when necessary.

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Controller of Customs.

Monday night, 29 May the Customs Office at the Forest was broken into and riddled with bullets, as also was the business premises of Mr. Albert Lake in the Valley.

On Monday, 29 May, a group of persons marched on the Police Headquarters and demanded that all the Police should leave the Island of Anguilla by 10 o'clock on Tuesday, 30 May.

In an effort to prevent normal communication by aircraft, the airstrip in Anguilla has been blocked by the attackers.

The Government has shown remarkable restraint and patience in the face of a series of violent acts which are designed to create disorder and to terrorise the majority of law-abiding and peace-loving citizens in Anguilla. The

Government has consistently declared its intentions to stand by its pledge to improve the facilities and standard of life of the people of Anguilla and that it would listen to any representations made on behalf of the islanders. Up to now no such representations have been made.

Work has been progressing on the extension of the Airstrip and funds have been approved for surfacing a further 2 miles of road in Anguilla.

The Government is taking all necessary measures to restore law and order to Anguilla and to establish its authority. To this end a Proclamation has been issued declaring a State of Emergency so as to enable the Government more effectively to deal with the situation in the Island of Anguilla.

Government Notice

The Air Navigation (Licensing Of Air Services) REGULATIONS, 1949

Publication by Licensing Authority of Particulars of Application to operate scheduled Air Service

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 8 of the Air Navigation (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations, the Licensing Authority hereby publish the prescribed particulars of the undermentioned application to operate a scheduled air service in, to and from the State.

Any representations regarding, or objections thereto, in accordance with regulation 9, must be received by the Licensing Authority within 14 days after the date of the first publication of this Notice; and any Notice, requiring the holding of a public enquiry must be received within 14 days after the date of the first publication of this Notice in the prescribed Form C.

Particulars of Application to operate scheduled Air Service.

1. Applicant : Seagreen Air Transport Ltd.
2. Date of first publication of application : 1st June 1967.
3. Route applied for : Antigua/Nevis/Antigua.
4. Purpose of services : Transport of passengers, freight and mails.
5. Point of departure : Antigua.
6. Final destination : Antigua.
7. Intermediate point of call : Nevis.
8. Frequency of flights : Twice weekly on days best suited to traffic demands after study (Wednesday and Sunday).
9. Provisional Time Table : Leave Antigua 8.00 a.m.
: Arrive Nevis 8.25 a.m.
: Leave Nevis 8.35 a.m.
: Arrive Antigua 9.00 a.m.
10. Type of Aircraft : New Twin engine Piper : AZTEC — 5 passenger seats.

Dated this 30th day of May, 1967.

J. BYRON COX,
Chairman, Licensing Authority
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Government Headquarters,
Basseterre,
St. Kitts,
West Indies.

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