

Saturday, Sept. 27, 1969

## Extracts from the Beacon (Anguilla)

Guyanese gains 1st place, Kittitian 2nd

### Wife of Commissioner Posnett arrives

Mrs. Richard Posnett, wife of H.M. Acting Commissioner for Anguilla arrived on the island from New York on Tuesday to join her husband for the remainder of his term here. Next week on the assumption of office of H.M. Commissioner T. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Posnett will return to New York where he is First Secretary to Lord Caradon as Britain's representative to the United Nations.

Mrs. Charles Fletcher, wife of H.M. Commissioner's Office, Information Officer, is expected in Anguilla today. She is joining her husband and they will reside in Mr. Ronald Webster's house at Blowing Point.

### Governor - St. Maarten visits

A courtesy call on

H.M. Commissioner Mr. Posnett was a delegation from St. Maarten headed by the Governor of St. Maarten Mr. Van Delden and his wife. The delegation arrived at Wall Blake Airport 10.30 a.m. yesterday and was met on arrival by Mr. Posnett and Officers of H.M. Commissioner.

Accompanying Mr. Van Delden was Mr. and Mrs. Kooistra, Brigade Commander and other Officials. The visit was a result of a courtesy call on the Governor of St. Maarten by Mr. Posnett and Mr. Ray Anning, Superintendent of Anguilla Police Unit, last week Thursday.

The Delegation lunched with Officers of H.M. Commissioner and went on a tour of the island, visiting Radio Anguilla, the new School, the Salt Works and the site for the jetty in Road, Sandy Ground. The delegation left the island late yesterday afternoon on their

return 5 minute flight to St. Maarten.

### Jetty - Sandy Ground

Work on the Jetty at Road, Sandy Ground started on Monday 22nd; the Royal Engineers under the command of Colonel John Waymark started laying the concrete bed in the surf of the sea and is expected to begin driving piles at about the middle of next month when all the lumber should be here.

### James Gaskell - Visits Here

Mr. James Gaskell, owner of the "Montpelier" hotel in Nevis, visited Anguilla twice in the last week. Mr. Gaskell was flown in by R.A.F. from Antigua. He then travelled on to St. Thomas and returned here with his brother Tom Gaskell who had been to Nevis recently. While here the Gaskells stayed at Col. Howard's home at Sandy Hill, where the Acting Com-

missioner Mr. Posnett is also staying. Mr. Gaskell was banned from the three islands of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla by Mr. Robert Bradshaw in 1967 after Anguilla seceded from St. Kitts. He had never returned to St. Kitts or Nevis since then.

### Member of Swedish Mission: Visits

Mr. Billner, Minister in the Swedish Mission to the United Nations in New York, is expected to arrive here today. Mr. Billner is a friend of H.M. Acting Commissioner Mr. Posnett who is first Secretary to the British Mission in the United Nations.

Mr. Billner will arrive on R. A. F Andover from Antigua.

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A beauty contest was held at the Caribbean Centre which ended with the crowning of Miss Commonwealth Caribbean Centre '69.

There were a bevy of beautiful girls from all parts of the Caribbean but the honour went to Miss Margaret Thomas of Guyana who now lives in Croydon, Surrey. Miss Thomas is a typist and her hobbies are Dancing and Modelling.

Second was Miss Maria D'Abreu who hails from St. Kitts and third was Miss Lorra:ne Webster from Jamaica.

There is great suspense at the Caribbean Centre as members await the announcement of the date for the presentation of prizes.

The judges were :-

Miss June Anderson—Public Relations Officer, Trinidad.

Mrs. Anne Austin—Catering (British).

Mr. Andy Allen — Boxing Promoter and Film Actor, Trinidad.

Mr. Harry Lowe —Agent and Impresario (British).

Mr. Marcus Herbe — Accountant (Nigeria).

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