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## WEBSTER'S SALARY REVOTED.

Mr. Ronald Webster, former Chief Executive of Anguilla, will continue to receive his salary of \$600.00 per month retroactive to when it stopped in March of this year.

The Council voted in favour of Webster's salary being paid when it was brought up by him in last Tuesday's meeting of the Council.

Mr. Webster will also receive an Inland travel allowance of \$50. per month. It is not clear as to what Mr Webster's actual duties will be as he is no longer Chief Executive. But it is right in saying that he commands a majority in the Council.

The week before, the Council voted that all members of the Council receive an allowance of \$15.00 a day for each meeting they attend.

## PROTEST LETTERS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL.

Mr. Ronald Webster protesting against old friend of H.M. Commissioner in Atlin Harrigan, Russel Webster and Anguilla Mr. John Cumber. They both Kenneth Hazel being on the Council . Webster said that the letters were given to him by Mr. Lazarus Richardson of Blowing Point and Mr. Clive trator of Sr. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, Smith of Island Harbour.

Richardson's letter said in part that "the people of Blowing Point approach ed him and asked that he write in their behalf expressing disapproval of their representative Mr. Kenneth Hazel and asked that he invite H.M. Acting Commissioner to visit them and hear their cases.

Smith's letter, dated May 30th 1909 was accompanied by a list of some 300 written names and read as follows: Dear Mr. Webster, I am informed by the majority of the people in East End in the constituency of Mr. Atlin Harrigan and Russel Webster, No. 4, that they have decided to have a rapid change, and therefore would like to have elections in this area as quick as possible. (Cont'd on page 6)

# ACTING ADMINISTRATOR B.V.I. VISITS.

The Acting Administrator of the B.V.I. Mr. W.H. Thompson and his wife paid a short visit to Anguilla on Thursday last. Mr. Thompson who is acting as Two letters were read in the Coun-Administrator of the B.V.I. for Mr. cil meeting on Tuesday 15th July, by Ian Thompson who is on holiday, is an had lunch together at the Rendezvous Hotel. Mr. Cumber, Mr. Thompson and Col. Henry Howard, a retired Adminis-(Cont'd on page 7)



LETTER FROM DR. CLAUS TO MR. JOHN WEB-STER. (Continued from last week).

Mrs. Melanie Strauss told us she had arranged with you to rent your car after we left. She took us to the Airport and took possession of the car at that time. So there will be no misunderstanding about our grandson. We paid his expenses. The enclosed expense account is for my wife and myself and since she is a Deutal assistant I think it right. I presume you went this accounting so you can pay me the deficit, is that right? As

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an officer of the Christian Dental Society I am joining Dr. Tom Nicholson in planning a continuous and permanent dental program for the people of Anguilla. We do want to come back again and help professionally because we realize the great need of your people for dental care. If we are to do this we must have your good will and cooperation. We are asked to give talks about Anguilla and we want to give people the right image of your people. We learned to love them and want to come again and again to give them the benefit of our professional skill and knowledge. I hope this letter will clear up any misunderstanding or wrong impressions any one may have had about our mission. What we do, we do in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ and our love for our fellow man, since we are all brothers in Christ. (See page 5)

BARCLAYS BANK (Anguilla) NEWS. Anguillans Savings in St. Kitts.

Barclays Bank in Anguilla has received a number of withdrawal forms from the St.Kitts Government Saving Bank. Anguillans who want to withdraw their savings should call at Barclays Bank in the Valley to fill out a withdrawal form. You are requested to take along your Bank Book.

Anguillans have over \$400,000,held in the Government Savings Bank in St.Kitts. This money is being released as part of the Administrative Agreements reached by H.M.G. and Bradshaw.

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ANGUILLA; THE SHIPWRECKED 6000. By V.S.Naipaul. (Cont'd from last week)

There was talk of a repeat raid on St. Kitts; there was even a hint of fighter being called in. St.Kitts was still claiming Anguilla and still an Anguillan delegation to the OAS advertising it in its tourist brochures("Island of charm...for the holiday-seeker who wants to get away from it all"). But the Anguillans were secure. They knew that St.Kitts had its own political dissensions, that the 120-man St. Kitts army had enough to do at home. The Anguillans didn't talk much about Bradshaw and St. Kitts. They talked more of their own dissentions, their own politics.

Shipwrecked and isolated, the community had held together. With the quick semi-sophistication that had come with independence, the feeling that the island was quaint, famous, andtourist-precious, the old rules and reverences had begun to go. A few months before, on the quaint air strip, the engine of a Piper Aztec had been smashed up at night with a hammer. Family rivalry was said to be the cause.

There is only one hotel with electricity in Anguilla, the Rendezvous. It is like a rough motel; and the lights go off at nine. It is owned by Jeremiah Gumbs, half-brother of Judge Gumbs, the prophet, and is run by Jeremiah's sister, who has spent many years in the United States and speaks with an American accent; the atmosphere of Negro America is strong.

I knew about Jeremiah Gumbs. He had been described to me as "the smart Anguillan," the only one who had made good in the United States and who was a considerable local benefactor. He was Anguilla's link-man with the bigger world. He had given a number of interviews to American newpapers, had presented Anguilla's case at the United Nations, and had led building (they found it closed).

He was there, assessing and formidable (I had been told in St. Kitts never to laugh at Anguillans), while his sister showed me around.

"And here young man, you can plug in your shaver. Which is more than you did this morning."

She was very large; she was called Lady B. I recognized her as a "charracter." Characters lie on my spirit like lead; and I resolved never to shave while I was at the Rendezvous.

At lunch Jeremiah, sucking fish, began to boom across the dining room at first as though to himself.

"They call it a rebellion." His accent too was American. "Most peace-ful rebellion in the world. Rebellion Its a rebellion against years of neg-lect, thats all. Whats wrong with being small? Why shouldn't a small country have dignity? Why shouldn't a small country have pride? Why should-

I tried to break into his harangue. "Gumbs. It's an old island name."

"One man," he said. "One man gave this island a library. One man set up the X-ray unit in the hospital. One man did all this. What did Bradshaw do? Police, plastic bombs, tear gas, things we never saw before. Now he says I am the big villain, the leader of the rebels."

I had heard no such thing. "One man. Joe Louis. Marian Anderson. You get no more than one in a generation. It's because I care. I remember when I was a child we had four successive droughts in this is-(Cont'd on page 6)



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POWER SET OFFICE SEEKERS:
Opertunists is what some people call m, and that applies to fellows Like Lazarus Richardson and Clive Smith. In the days of heat they were nowhere around, today they are like nowhere around, today they are like them knows anything of what they bugs in your colar. "The Power set off.speak and they repeat what is said Seakers," of course it will be. The Council members now receive an allowance per meeting and money was more important to many who stayed at their jobs while others gave theirs up to denote time to Anguilla without cost.

I said I would resign from the Coun-Observer contrary to what he was cil if the people wanted me to, and promised to carry out a survey. But the Opertunist could not wait, he has associated himself with a list of peoples names "writen and not signed", ain. names of people who are not on the Island, names of those who are under age and names of people who denied agreeing to their names appearing on the list. Who wrote those names? Surely it must be apparent that fraud is part of the scheme. If he had only waited and let me do my own survey would have abided by the wishes of the people, but since it appears that Smith would forge other people's names to have me removed for his own whims and fancies, I think it my duty to exercise my right as a duly Elected member, and serve my term of office. I'd rather serve my term no matter

how difficult, than to allow a man who has already shown his intentions to commit fraud, represent an innocent people. If he hasn't the common sense to know its a big offence to sign another man's name to a document without his consent, then he is not fit to represent anyone. If he acted on the advice of someone else, then I ask that no one prosecute him; not even my brother whose name was put

on the list and crossed out.

Mr. Smith's history is a short one he was hand-picked, just like Bradshaw picked Lee Moore to assist him in regaining his image. Neither of them. Smith was the resurrection of the Anguilla Observer as its Associate Editor, but when one knows nothing about what he prints, he alway ends up in trouble; and that is what happened to him when he wrote the told. Instead of the paper going sale, it was destroyed. He soon sucumbed and he stopped publication. Now the Bug is back in my colar 大大大大大大大大大大大

The Mission Doctors that have been visiting Anguilla and catering for the people should be gracefully thanked for the kind services they provided in times of need.

These dectors paid their own erpences in traveling to Anguilla. We offered in return to pay their expences incurred in Anguilla, from the attendance fees. This arrangement is not good enough. One cannot predict that fees collected will always defray the expences and these doctors should not be allowed to de fray any cost on Anguilla. A better arrangement should be made at once.

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Purchase dental supplies for Anguilla	50.00
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## WARNING TO HUNTERS.

Last week a number of signs were erected on Prickly Pear Cay warning

tresspassers that they will be prosecuted if found tresspassing without permission. The warning also stated that the island is privately owned and anyone wanting to go there must first call in at Anguilla and get permission from the owners of the cay.

The signs were erected by a team from the Anguilla Police Unit under the command of Commissioner Remnant. The islands are uninhabited, but animals are kept on them by their owners, It is known that some foreign boats call at the cays to do game hunting,

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and it has been brought to the notice of the Police that in some cases the animals are shot and taken away.

"The police will also erect warning signs on Dog Island and Scrub Island, and will be paying regular visits to all the islands" a police spokesman said.

## MORE VEGETABLES SEEDS.

Another 1000 packages of vegetable seeds arrived at the Beacon's office this week. They were sent by Mr. Edward Dempsey of New Jersey, who is now vacationing in St. Thomas with his wife.

The seeds are for the people of Anguilla and were deliveded to the ' Agricultural Office for free distribution, All interested persons can call in there and get some. This is so that they may be distributed fairly. Mr. Dempsey who first visited (Cont'd on page 6)



land of Anguilla. I know what poverty is. I remember days in New York in the depression when I didn't have the subway fare and had to walk 100 blocks to school. Days when I didn't even the school bays when I didn't even as a sple!"

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It hadn't marked him. He was an enormous man. Fifty-five, sharp-nosed, with a moustache and thin greying hair, he was like somebody out of those Negro Westerns of thirty years ago. Two-Gun Man from Harlem, Harlem on the Prairie. It was the way he walked and talked; It was the rock and the dust outside. He was the man opening up a territory.

"You come to write something, huh?"
I said , with acute shame, that I

had.

"You go ahead and write. They come all the time. They sit on the beach and write all day long." His voice began to sing in the American way: "Just like Nature intended."

I resolved never to set foot on his beach.

We met that afternoon on the dusty road, he in his high jeep, a territ tory-opener, I in the low exposed mini-jeep I had rented from him.

"You making out all right?"

I was choking with dust and had already been lost twice (those Anguillan compass directions), but didn't tell him; he had sold me a map.

"You write and tell them. You tell them about this bunch of rebellious savages." (Cont'd next week.) \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## NOTICE.

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MORE VEGETABLE SEEDS (Cont'd from page 5)

Anguilla last November, has made many friends here and has given many gifts to Government institutions in Anguilla. He will arrive in Anguilla on Monday on a one-day visit in connection with hospital equipment he has in New Jersey for Anguilla, and also to see his many friends here.

PROTEST LETTERS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL (Cont'd from front page)

We intend to demonstrate until we have elections or a change of representatives.

I am hoping that you will put this matter to the Council Members and H.M. Acting Commissioner Mr. J. Cumber. If you need me to explain to you in detail, I am willing to come and present myself and do so.

With best regards to you Mr. Webster, Mr Cumber and Council Members.

Yours Truly, (signed) Clive Smith... It was apparent that the entire list of names had been written by about three persons, instead of being signed, (See Letters page 7) THE BEACO

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and names of persons appeared more than once. Also, names of persons not of age and who were not on the island at the time the letter was written were . on the list.

For this reason, the Council decided to elect a committee to investigate both letters and the manner in which the names were collected by Smith. The Elect Committee will be comprised of Messrs John Hodge of

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West End, Camile Connor of South all members of the Council. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## ADMINISTRATOR.

re all old friends who joined the Colonial Service Together. All three were stationed in Kenya, in 1947. Later Col. Howard was sent to the British Virgin Islands as Administra- 723-6565 tor, Mr. Thompson to the Faulkland Is TRANS-CONTINENTAL TOURS, Inc. and Mr. Cumber to the Cayman Is. Col. AIRLINE & STEAMSHIP TICKETS Howard has since built his home in Anguilla and will be returning for a visit next Weekend, from St. Thomas. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Mr. Cumber has completed his interviews with four candidates for the Air-Traffic-Control course to be held in Trinidad in September. Two of the successful candidates will attend this course.

DR. FENWICK Will be arriving on July 24th. He will be Anguilla's permanent Doctor ...

MIKE JOYCE. V.S.O. Teacher leaves today, after being with us for over a year. His work here has been very fruitful and his stay should have been a great experience for him. He was forced to leave us on two occasions, first he was asked to leave by H.M.G. at the close of the Interim Period, and then by Mr. Webster when he asked all Britishers to leave so that Britain would have no excuse to send in force.

MISS MICHELL, The Commissioner's private Secretary left yesterday for London. She will be getting married and like Mr. Joyce, promised to return again. We wish them both a safe journey home.

MAIL SERVICE is again back in order. All International Mail will be Hill and Emile Gumbs of Sandy Ground, directed to Anguilla. Mail from Britair. comes in three days a week by the R.A.F. (temporary) meanwhile the G.P.O. in London is negotiating a route system. St. Kitts's Gov't has sent down all the mail they had tied up, Via St. Maarten \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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## YOU AND SPORTS. By Ralph V.C. Hodge.

A Carty's xi defeated a mixed Police and Engineer side by four wickets: at the Park on Saturday afternoon. The scores were, Combined Services 54 Carty's xi 56 for 6. Top scorer for the Combined Side was Extras and Barnard both scoring 10.

For the Local Side V. Banks took 4 wickets for 9 runs and F. Gumbs 3 wickets for 5 runs.

Carty's opening pair added 19 before A. Carty was leg-before to Smith for 12. Without any addition to the total Vincent Richardson was bowled by Smith for a duck. Next to go was V. Banks with the score on 33, his personal contribution being 6. With the score on 47 disaster struck. Leslie Richardson was bowled by Stickles for 10, Albertus Richardson on-Ly received one delivery being out to the same bowler for a duck and Stickles achieved the Hat-Trick by getting Robin Richardson leg-before for a duck. At the close Wendell Proctor was 12 not out and Valdama Brooks not out. Stickles took 3 wickets for 5 runs and Smith 2 wickets for 4 runs in 5 overs.

The Anguilla Police Unit defeated a local side at the Park on Sunday afternoon 3 goals to 1. The first half ended 2-0 in favour of the Police but each side got 1 in the sec- also be available in a short while and. The Local Side though very inexperienced stood up well to a very strong onslaught by their heavier opponents. Both sides had many anxious moments but the crowd enjoyed the match very much.

## RAIN

Once again the showers of rain have started falling. The farmers are now getting their teeth in the roast corn and planning to catch a second crop.

#### TELEPHONES,

We are informed from H.M. Commissioner's office that word had been received from London that Cable & Wireless is in the process of revising their telephone plans for Angui

The report dated a week ago, ed that the revised will be worked ? out in about three weeks and a repre sentative from Cable & Wireless will be visiting Anguilla shortly after.

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## PEN-PAL WANTED.

I am a Guyanese, twenty years of age and am interested in Caribbean affairs.

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