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# CO-OPERATIVES EXPERT FROM U.S.A. FOR ONE WEEK'S VISIT TO ANGUILLA

Dr. and Mrs. Vance Austin of the U.S.A. arrived on the island on Sunday afternoon 3rd. October for about a week's stay.

Dr. Austin, who is an expert on co-operatives, is now on loan to C.A.D.E.C. - "Christian Action For Development In The Eastern Caribbean". While on the island, he held consultations with the newly formed Christian Social Council of the Church for Anguilla.

He also had talks with H.M. Commissioner, the leader ofthe Anguilla Council Mr. Ronald Webster, and various people from all sections of the island, on the possibility of forming Rural Co-operatives.

Dr. Austin explained the working and advantages of Cooperatives at a meeting held for this purpose at the High School om Thursday night.

The meeting was well attended by business men and other interested parties, who agreed to meet again on Monday 18th. October.

# NORTH HILL YOUTH CLUB PLANNING ISLAND-WIDE CAROL SERVICE AND XYNS TREE OI! 17 DECEMBER.

Members of the North Hill Youth Club have announced plans for an

# JOHN THOMAS OF ROACHES HILL REWIDED IN CUSTODY AFTER NOTGUILTY PLFA ON INDECENT ASSAULT CHARGE.

John Thomas, 30, of Roaches Hill was remanded in custody without bail for one week, when he was charged with indecently assaulting a girl under 16 years of age. Thomas pleaded not guilty before Magistrate W.R. Watkins in the Anguilla Court House on Wednesday afternoon.

Thomas was charged with commiting an indecent assault on a female juvenile on 6th. October at Roaches Hill, contrary to Section 47, Offences against the Person, Chapter 56 of the Laws. Inspector Peter Denman of the A.P.U. appeared for the prosecution, and objected to the granting of bail on the grounds that the accused, he felt, might be safer in custody because of the serious nature of the charge.

It is understood that Mr. Thomas is obtaining the assistance of a lawyer.

island-wide Christmas Carol Concert which they hope can be staged in the Ronald Webster's Park on the evening of Friday 17th. December. They are hoping to have choirs from all parts of the island to join in a full evening's (con't page2)



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NORTH HILL YOUTH CLUB (Cont'd from page 1)

programme of carols for Christmas The Youth Club has applied to the Anguilla Council for permission to use the Webster Park for this gathering, and has also suggested that a large Christmas tree be erected and illuminated with lights for the festive occasion, and for which they require community cooperation

# MR. ROY DUNLOP, DIRECTOR RADIO AIGUILLA VISITING GRAND TURK TO ADVISE O'I RADIO.

Mr. Roy Dunlop, Director of Radio Anguilla, left the island on Thursday morning for about a week's visit to Grand Turk in the Turks and Caicos Islands, where he has been called by the Administrator to advise the government there on proposals for a radio and television station to serve the islands. Mr. Dunlop was accompanied by his wife and will return to Anguilla next week.

In May of this year Mr. Dunlop spent two weeks in the Cayman Islands advising the government in Grand Cayman on their plans for the establishment of a government commercial radio station, which has resulted in definite plans for Radio Caymans.

# H.M.S. "LOWESTOFT" LEAVES AIGUILLA AFTER ROUTINE 2-DAY VISIT TO THE ISLAND.

After two days routine visit to the island H.M.S. "LOWESTOFT" concluded its informal visit and sailed from Road Bay about 6.00 pm on Tuesday. The British warship arrived on Monday morning and the

captain, Cdr. D.H. Morse, R.N., paid courtesy calls an H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Arthur Watson and also met Mr. Ronald Webster, leader of the Anguilla Council and Chief Supt. David Helm of the Anguilla

During the ship's visit, officers and men were entertained at a number of beach and swimming parties arranged by the A.P.U. and also took part in football and cricket matches. Ratings were entertained at the Police Club on Monday evening.

All day Monday and Tuesday a group of marine divers from H.M.S. 'Lowestoft" were engaged in endeavouring to raise the sunken schooner the "Frances W. Smith" at Road Bay, by surrounding the base of the schooner with empty oil drums into which air was pumped at high pressure, with no success.

Officers and men of H.M.S. "Lowestoft" have expressed their gratitude to the people of Anguilla for the great hospitality shown them during their present visit. It is expected that H.M.S. "Lowestoft" will pay its next visit to the island on 18th. October ..

# IMPRESSIVE CERETOLY ATTENDS FOR INL OPENING OF ANGUILLA POLICE FORCE TRAINING COURSE.

The four-months trainig course for the new Anguilla Police Force was formally opened with an impressive ceremony at the Police Club, Forest Bay, on Monday morning by H.M. Commissioner, Mr. Arthur Watson.

The opening ceremony was attended by Mr. Ronald Webster, Leader of the Anguilla Coucil, accompanied by most members of the Council.

Speaking to the assembled thirteen Anguilla (con't page3)

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Police Force recruits, Chief Superintendent DavidHelm, as chairman, referred to the meeting as a historic occasion. H.M. Commissioner in formally opening the course referred to the fact that the trainees were there to learn how to be policemen; they must work hard as individuals and as a team, they must show credit as police officers both on duty and off duty, they must be fair and impartial, and endeavour, in the excercise of their authority, to keep in mind their duty as a courtesy in the sevice of the public. He thanked the Metropolitan Police Force for providing Sgt. Frank Wernham, and Sgt. Peter Tabor of Hendon Police College to train the Anguilla Police Force under the direction of Inspector James Bailey and Mr.W.A.Crennell, Police Adviser at H.M. Commissioner's Office, Mr. Watson emphasized the importance of good relations with the public in all forms of police work and suggested that members of the Anguilla Police Force must earn and merit the trust and respect of each member of the public.

Mr Ronald Webster emphasized the need on the part of (cont'd on page6)



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#### EDITORIAL.

On Thursday night a group of Anguillans were fortunate to have Drift. Vance Austin, Advisor to Christian Action for Development in the Eastern Caribbean, address them on the Subject of Co-operatives.

Co-operatives is not a new word to Anguillans. The "Credit Union" which started here many years ago is a co-operative, but confined only to membership with savings and loans. It is the only kind of co-operative that presently exists.

Some of us will recall that the Anguilla Revolution came about because of a group of young men who lived in St. Thomas who saw the need for Anguillans themselves to get together and do something about the conditions that existed on the island.

A number of meetings were held in St. Thomas and in Anguilla on; this subject and plans were going well until we saw the need for political reformation. The political reformation took priority over the co-operative and the results we can see today and the road to better living in Anguilla opened. Our aim then as far as the group was concerned was to establish a means where by our people could buy goods at reasonable prices and share in the profits instead of having to buy at such high prices, as we still do today.

we should commend the newly formed Christian Social Council, for making possible Dr. Vance's visit here to advise us on the many other kinds of co-operatives that

we ourselves can benefit from, and more so Dr. Vance himself who we are sure would like to see a success of his visit. Already he has promised to send a special advisor on the setting un of an electrical co-op. We should now take the initiative in the setting up of the Electrical Co-on. a: utility that is so urgently needed and costs more than our Tovernment can afford. What better can be done than for Anguillans themselves to get together and do it. We not only get the benefits but also the profits when the time comes.

Both the Anguilla Government and the Critish Covernment would have to be involved in some way or the other when it comes to such big financing, but as Dr.Vance explained, it has various Covernment Agencies around the world that help financially with such ventures, but we start ourselves - build the organisation and help will come. We hope that the "Christian Social Council" will persevere in setting up this organization and that all Anguillans will participate.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Sir,

I through your Beacon extend belated congratulations to Mr. Ronald Webster, leader of the Anguilla Council, and all the other Council members for their tireless efforts to bring Anguilla to

its present status of semi-independence. I am happy to hear about the educational opportunities that are now given to the qualified young people. I hope the children will see the necessity to maintain a high average in all subjects.

I am extremely happy to hear about the thirteen new policemen. I do hope that on the completion of their course, they will patrol the districts and rid the community of the noisy drunks.

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the Anguilla Police Force trainees to think of the public and not themselves. He asked the trainees to keep in mind the traits of co-operation, impartiality, obedience trust and respect, and the men to execute their duties so well as to prove to the world the honourable and moral status of the citizens of Anguilla.

Chief Superintendent Helm in a closing word, recalled his twenty six years of service with the Metropolitan Police and first day of training. He suggested that if the men would do their best they need have no apprehension. He stated that he would be leaving the island, after ten months service here, next Monday, and he wished the Anguilla Police Force the best of luck in their training and their future work, 22.

future work.

The new recruits include: Donald Connor, Conneth Bradley Jeremy Gumbs, Hewlette Gumbs, Renyx Webster, Vanden Brooks, John Connor, Christopher Glasgow, Stanley Carter, Clarence Gumbs, Harold Vanterpool, Weldon Lake and Joseph Lake. With the addition of these thirteen men after training, the Anguilla Police Force will number 17.

# IRS. JAIE EVERSLEY, SECRETARY OTHER'S UNION ORGANISATION IN TALKS ON RADIO ANGUILLA.

Mrs Jane Eversley of Nevis, organising secretary of the Mother's Union for the Anglican Diocese of Antigua of which Anguilla is part has recorded ten short inspirational talks which have been scheduled over Radio Anguilla, commencing next week

Mrs Eversley's subjects will

include (1) God's Gifts; (2) Fossessions; (3) God's Care;

- (4) Courage; (5) Patience; (6) Criticism;
- (7) Consideration; (8) Worship;

(9) Cheerfulness; and (10) Ambassadors.
These talks will be broadcast over
Radio Anguilla on Thursdays at 6.00 pm.
commencung 14 October, and continuing
to 16 December.

In addition, at 12.30 noon on Sunday 10 October, Mrs. Eversley will be heard in a special talk on the subject "Christian Action for Development in the East Caribbean", over Radio Anguilla. The talks were recorded during her visit to the island last week.

SCOUTS AND GUIDES ATTEND FUNERAL
OF 19-YEAR-OLD RANGER-GUIDE

Some 200 Scouts and Guides in full uniform were among the congregation of about 500 who turned out Thursday afternoon to pay their last respects at the funeral of Ranger-Guide the late Miss Magda Rogers of Stoney Ground. The funeral service which took place at St Mary's Church in the Valley was conducted by Canon Turner with Freriera in attendance.

Miss Rogers passed away suddenly at her home in Stoney Ground at 12 40 a.m. Thursday, 7th October.

She was 19 years old. To the bereaved families we express deepest condolence.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Sir, Allow me space in this medium to bring to the attention of Anguillans a few points of pressing urgency.

In October of 1967 elections were held island with in Anguilla and again in June of 1968 preparations were being made for elections to the Anguilla Council to be held in March of the following year Law (cont'd on page 8)

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much liquor as he can afford. But, it is not the constitutional right of anyone to disturb the neighbours with loud drunken chatter morning, noon, and night yes. I do hope the policemen will let the selves be seen patrolim the neighbourhoods. Geeil Gumbs



SPORTS NEWS: (by Wycliffe R'dson)

#### CRICKET:

Friday October 1st.
The East End Primary School
defeated the North Hill Youth Club
by an innings and 3 runs in their
final match of the 1971 Junior
League. The scores were: N.H. Youth
Club 58 and 21, East End 82 for 7
declared.

Batting first Vanburn Lake 22 and Wilbert Connor 21 were the only batsmen to reach double figures in North Hill's first if mgs total of 58. Kelsick Brown took 4 for 13 and Cephus Webster 3 for 10. East End's reply was 82 for 7 declared a lead of 24 runs Kelsick Brown scored 47, Aldric Smith 14 and Julian Hodge 10 while Frank Richardson took 3 for 11 and Vanburn Lake 2 for 25.

North Hill in their innings were returned for 21 Cephus Webster did the damage taking 6 wickets for 4 runs and Clinton Bryan 3 for

Sunday October 3rd.

The 1970 Angsal Cricket Champious of Anguilla, The Valentinos tasted what defeat was like when they lost by 103 runs to the Valley Secondary School. The scores were: V.S.S. 66 and 131, The Valentinos 54 and 40. In the Schools second innings total of 131, Wendell Proctor scored 46, Charlie Horsford 17, Alkins Rogers 16, Kenneth Proctorlo and extras totalled 24. Albertus Richardson fook 3 for 27, Freeman Gumbs 2 for 7, Stanley Mussington 2 for 15 and Valentine Bapks 2 for 19.

Set 144 to win, the Valentinos fell short by 103 runs, Freeman Gumbs the only batsman to reach double figures scoring 13. Orris Proceet took 7 for 15 to give im match figures of 13 for 29 and Alkins Rogers 3 for 18.

This Saturday East End versus the Veterans. The 1971 knock out championship will begin on Sunday.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

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order and a great measure of orderly Government has been prevalent in the island for some time but there seems to be a certain amount of reluctance on the part of a group of council members to have or to allow Anguillans to express their legitimate wishes at the polls once again, regarding those people whom they want to represent them. Why this reluctance is any body's guess.

It seems to me that this.
Council suits the British purpose where they can use both of their speeds - one being the "dead slow" and the other one that of the "full stop".

What we need in Anguilla is a Souncil made up of far seeing and colicated men truly concerned about the walfare and progress of an Anguilla for all its people: It is time that the masses elect such a body of men and get rid of some of the present unwieldy and dead weight Council members.

The 1971 Anguilla Administration Order makes provision for my point of concern raised above. Important decisions are being taken that directly effect us in one way or another. No longer can we afford to be carefree and unconcerned. Let us have elections before the end of this year.

So I am appealing to Anguillans to wake up and press forward. Our struggle for prosperity and a better future for all our people

is not yet over .

Thank you for space provided.

Yours for a better Anguilla.

John R. Rogers.

#### FOOTBALL:

A football team from H.M. S."Lowestoft" defeated the local side 5 goal to 1. Scoring for the home side was the Captain Valentine

