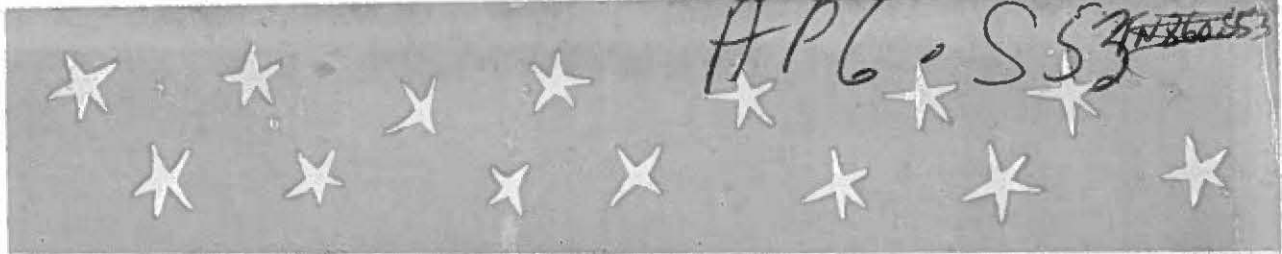
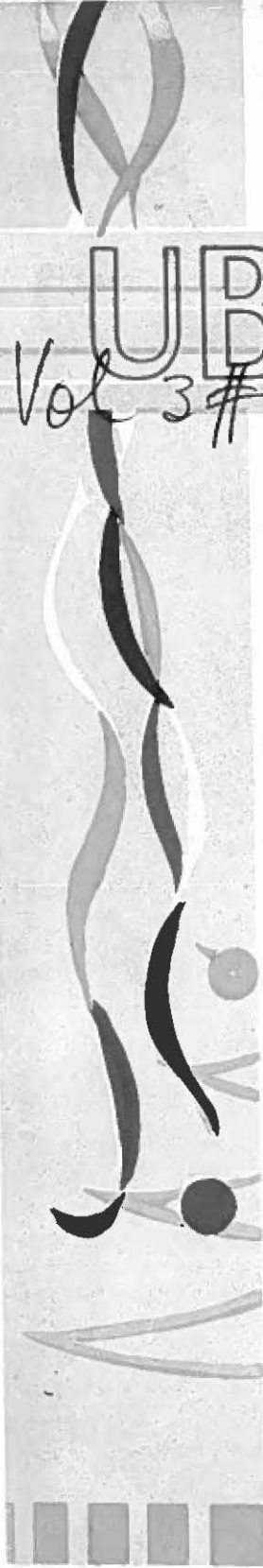


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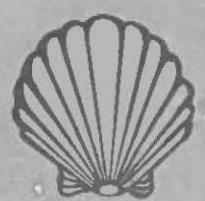


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I welcome this opportunity of extending to all members of U.B.O.I. and their families Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year from my wife and myself.

The past year has been one of considerable effort and achievement, the coming year promises to be no less interesting and progressive.

So far in our experience in U.B.O.I. my wife and I have found the most satisfying and constructive factor to be the general sense of comradeship and common purpose in the organisation. We wish to express our appreciation of this and our hope that it may continue to develop and extend on an even wider basis.

G. L. Reid



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Visit of His Excellency The Governor

On November 20th, 21st and 22nd, South Trinidad had the honour of a visit from His Excellency the Governor, Sir Hubert Rance, G.C.M.G., G.B.E., and Lady Rance. On Friday, November 20th, the Governor's party was met at the Ortoire Ferry by Mr. G. L. Reid, General Manager, and other Company officials, and an inspection visit was made to the Company's operations in the Ortoire Area. Sir Hubert was able to see at first hand the extent of the oilfield development work which the Company is doing in this area and was able to appreciate some of the difficulties encountered in operations of this nature. In the next issue of UBOTIMES we hope to be able to publish a detailed account of the Company's work in the Ortoire Area, extending over the last 20 years and involving the expenditure of \$12 million to date, which has now culminated in the decision to lay a pipeline to Penal.

After their visit to the Ortoire Area, the Governor's



party were overnight guests of Mr. R. P. Brown, Field Superintendent of the Penal Division, and on Saturday, after opening the new Power Plant erected at Penal by the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission, His Excellency and Lady Rance proceeded to Point Fortin where they were the overnight guests of the General Manager and Mrs. Reid. The members of the Clifton Hill (United British) Club had the honour of Sir Hubert and Lady Rance's presence at the Annual Dance held in the Clubhouse on Saturday evening, and on Sunday afternoon the party returned to Port-of-Spain.

We were very glad to have the opportunity of welcoming Sir Hubert and Lady Rance on this visit, and to have given them the opportunity of seeing at first hand a very important aspect of the Trinidad Oil Industry.

Point Fortin Silver Jubilee

On Sunday 11th October, 1953, thousands of Point Fortin residents in gay and sportive mood gathered at the Coronation Park in order to celebrate and watch the sporting events organised by the Point Fortin Sports Committee, the chief members of which are Councillor D. I. Lynch, and Mr. Nathaniel Roberts.

The occasion was as much a civic get-together as a Sports Meeting, and the Police Band was in attendance. Mr. G. L. Reid, General Manager, U.B.O.I., under whose patronage the Silver Jubilee Celebrations were held, delivered the feature address the full text of which was as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It gives me the greatest pleasure to have this opportunity of addressing the inhabitants of Point Fortin on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the San Fernando to Point Fortin Walking Race, which I presume also in effect

represents the silver jubilee of Point Fortin as a recognised community. As you know, I have not lived in Point Fortin very long, but in this short time I have come to feel a keen interest in its activities and aspirations.

In regard to the past, the Point Fortin Sports Committee has prepared a booklet in which some account is given of life here in the old days, and from what I have read of the description, it certainly sounds rather grim. In the circumstances I find it difficult to understand why anyone at that time should have thought it expedient to organise a competition to get from San Fernando to Point Fortin in the shortest time. I should have thought it would have been the other way round—leaving here and hastening to San Fernando.

Things are of course different today and I should like to say a few words to you as regards the present and future. I have on previous occasions given some explanation of U.B.O.I.'s current policies as regards Point Fortin as a whole. Nevertheless, in order to avoid any possibility of

misunderstanding, I should like to re-state them briefly now.

The Company is fully cognisant of the desire of the people of Point Fortin, in common with the rest of the inhabitants of Trinidad, to take a greater share in the government of their country and to exercise to a greater degree their rights and responsibilities as citizens. We in U.B.O.T. are fully in accord with these legitimate aspirations and are prepared to play our full part towards the fulfilment of that desire. I have previously tried to summarise this by saying that U.B.O.T. will do anything reasonably within its power to assist Point Fortin to continue to develop as a progressive, responsible and self-reliant community. Putting it another way again, U.B.O.T., both as a Company and as represented by its individual members, wishes to play its full part as a normal good citizen of Trinidad, both here and in the other regions in which it operates. In return the Company hopes to receive normal consideration and assistance from others, whether in an official, commercial or individual capacity.

It does not really need to be emphasised that Point Fortin is no longer a primitive little settlement carved out of the jungle, as it was 25 years ago. It is now a thriving, bustling community, justifying a description of Town rather than Village with a population (including the surrounding villages) estimated at 15,000 persons, having a monetary turn-over of the order of \$100,000 per week and containing, or very shortly to contain, about 200 different business enterprises of one sort or another, two banks, two cinemas, three large schools and something of the order of four thousand established places of residence. There are also about ten places of worship.

It is perhaps by now well known that U.B.O.T. has made an offer of a one hundred acre parcel of land for the expansion of Point Fortin. Its future physical extension will, I hope, thus be adequately taken care of, provided the various Government Departments concerned play their part. The intensity of the building development which is taking place on the limited available space adjacent to the existing built-up area is, I think, adequate indication of the need for increased room for expansion. Moreover, I think it is true to say that the potential owners and occupiers of the houses to be built here, most of whom have a good sense of practical initiative, are liable to make better than average use of any ground space made available to them.

In this connection, however, I must point out that in spite of its already considerable size, Point Fortin still relies exclusively on U.B.O.T. for the provision of electricity and household water. As regards the former, thanks to the co-operation of the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission, arrangements have already been made to transfer the task of retail distribution of electricity in the village to that body and the change-over will be made about the end of this year. This, for the time being, concerns only the amount of surplus electricity available from U.B.O.T.'s Power Plant and it will, I understand, still be a few years yet before T. & T.E.C.'s proper distribution grid connected to their Penal Power Plant comes to Point Fortin. However, a start has now been made in putting things on the right lines.

In the case of water, U.B.O.T. now provides an average of over 1½ million gallons monthly to the general public which represents nearly 20% of our available supply and places great strain on our treating plant and auxiliary facilities. At the same time our own requirements are progressively increasing and it is quite out of the question

for us to add to our installations to the extent which would be required to continue to meet the growing outside requirements. It is in fact doubtful whether we can continue to supply these demands at even the present rate, in view of our own increasing needs. I do not think it reasonable, and I do not believe that anyone could think it reasonable, that this Company, which has its own progressively increasing operative difficulties and expenses, should be expected nowadays to continue to provide these facilities indefinitely. We, therefore, look to the appropriate Government authorities to relieve us of this burden within the reasonably near future so that we can devote ourselves to our own business, namely, the production and processing of oil, on which the prosperity of this community has been built. From initial contacts with those concerned, I am satisfied that they see the matter in broad principle just as we do. There is, however, the danger that these arrangements may be delayed on their side for one reason or another and while I hope that this will not occur, I must appeal to the local community not to blame U.B.O.T. if it does.

So much for the tangible side of things. I should now like to dwell for a moment on the intangible, which, after all, are in the long run by far the more important.

The general and concerted efforts towards self-development in various shapes and forms which are being made by the West Indies in general and in Trinidad so far as concerns us in particular, can be, and in fact are being, repeated on a small scale here in Point Fortin. Naturally, however, progress and results along these lines cannot be achieved just by wishing that things should be organised differently or by asking or even clamouring that it should be so. Such evolutionary changes, no matter where or when they have occurred, have only been brought about by hard work inspired by a single-hearted and sincere objective, organised and co-ordinated in an efficient manner and sustained over a long period of time. From this point of view, we welcome the formation of the Point Fortin District Welfare Committee—a body which has recently come into being spontaneously and which I understand is representative of most or all worthy sections of the local community. This is an exceedingly healthy sign. Working as it is in the closest collaboration with the St. Patrick County Council, the body which carries the overall responsibility for the administration of Point Fortin, I believe that the Point Fortin Committee is capable of promoting a great many local improvements of various kinds and it is my earnest hope that by due democratic processes it will ultimately develop into a fully established Town Council.

Another indication of healthy community growth is the evidence of sturdy individualism shown by a number of people in Point Fortin who have recently been writing to the newspapers on various matters. Some of these correspondents are no doubt employees of U.B.O.T. and I am all in favour of people writing to the papers on general subjects of this nature when they have constructive suggestions to make. Progress will only be made by a combination of well-directed co-operative effort with individual thought and initiative.

I conclude by extending to Point Fortin and its inhabitants, together with all the surrounding villages and settlements which go to make up this community, sincere thanks on my own behalf and on that of the Company which I represent, for their past co-operation, and wish them for the future continued and cumulative success in their endeavours to build for themselves a larger and better Point Fortin and to develop their own civic consciousness and collective efforts into a worthy counterpart.

Around the Departments

AFTER twenty-seven years of meritorious service with Shell, fifteen of which he spent in Trinidad as Chief Draughtsman of U.B.O.T., Mr. M. J. Glerum retired from the Company's service in October. At a function held in the Drawing Office on the 20th October, 1953, Mr. Glerum was presented by the Staff of the Draughting Department with a Waterman's Pen and Pencil set and a shaving set of chrome in a leather case. Chairman of the function was Mr. I. F. Harnanan, who after welcoming Mr. Müller, successor to Mr. Glerum, read an address and presented it to Mr. Glerum on behalf of the Staff.

In the address Mr. Glerum's outstanding ability as an organiser and his administration in establishing an efficient Draughting Department were highly praised. He was lauded as a co-operative and understanding gentleman.

Mr. Müller thanked the Chairman for the warm welcome and pledged himself to serve the Staff in the best manner possible

and to endeavour to gain a reputation similar to that gained by his predecessor. He further said that from what he had just heard he knew that he could not replace Mr. Glerum very easily in the hearts of the Draughting Office Staff.

Other speakers were Messrs. Morris, Corbie, Harding, Bartholomew and Andrews, who all praised Mr. Glerum as the pivot to the efficiency and organisation of the Draughting Department.

Mr. Glerum thanked those present heartily for the gift and said that he and his family would cherish it as a reminder of his service with the Drawing Office Staff and their stay in Point Fortin.

After 15 years of faithful service Mr. Dudley Barrow retired from the Company on 31st October last. The many valedictory functions which were held in his honour bear eloquent testimony of the high regard in which Mr. Barrow was held both among Company's employees and residents of the Village.

At a function held in his honour at the Materials Department, Mr. Barrow was presented with a China Din-

This issue's cover has been designed and executed by the new Chief Draughtsman, Mr. H. Müller to whom we offer our congratulations. With the Art Editor's chair being occupied by him, we are confident that our cover designs will continue to uphold their past good reputation.

ner Set and a Fountain Pen together with an illuminated address, and at a Junior Staff Club function he was the recipient of a Reading Lamp.

As our readers are well aware Mr. Barrow had for several years conducted a Commercial School at his home in Mahaica and the hundreds of students who passed through his hands paid fitting tribute to his sterling qualities as a Teacher when they organised a function in his honour and presented him with a beautiful Chiming Clock and other gifts together with several bouquets of anthurium lilies.

UBOTIMES understands that Mr. Barrow intends to go in for Horticulture and Poultry Farming at his home in Champs Fleurs and we take this opportunity of wishing him and Mrs. Barrow success in these ventures and many more years of happy and useful life.



Mr. D. C. L. Barrow receiving a chiming clock, presented to him by his friends prior to his departure from Point Fortin.

Mr. A. P. Christie, I.R. & P. Supervisor of Penal Division who has left for the United Kingdom on long leave, has been replaced by Mr. F. Dutton of Point Fortin. Before leaving Penal, Mr. Christie was given a send-off at the U.B.A.A. Penal Club by Mr. B. M. Singh, clerk of the I.R. Office, and other members of the Penal Division Office. Mrs. Christie and her daughter had preceded Mr. Christie and we wish them all a pleasant holiday.

At an informal ceremony held in the Central Engineering Office on 30th October last, co-workers and well wishers of Messrs. A. Dor-

set and N. O. Julien bade farewell to them.

As a mark of the esteem in which they were held, Mr. Dorset was presented with a large Silver Dish and Mr. Julien with a Silver Tea Set. In making the presentation the Chief Engineer, Mr. K. G. Tait, spoke of their long and faithful service to the Company and wished them a long and happy retirement. Replying, Mr. Dorset spoke of his long service and pleasant association with the Company. Mr. Julien also spoke of his pleasant association and happy days with the Company, made possible by the co-operation he received from his colleagues in all ranks.

Mr. N. O. Julien was also guest of honour at several other functions. At a function held at the U.B.A.A. Club, the Company's Contractors presented Mr. Julien with a beautiful Chiming Clock. The Mahaica Junior Staff Club also held a function in his honour when he was the recipient of a reading lamp. Several private



The Chief Engineer, Mr. K. G. Tait, presents Mr. Arthur Dorset with a farewell gift on the occasion of his retirement from the Company.

individuals also arranged functions at their homes in his honour.

UBOTIMES joins with their many friends and well wishers in extending best wishes for a long, happy and active retirement.



Mrs. Vivian Morrison presenting Mr. N. O. Julien with a farewell gift at the Junior Staff Club, on the occasion of his recent retirement.

U.B.O.T. Exhibitions to Secondary Schools went this year to Master Haydn Morris, Master William Gibbings, jnr., and Miss Priscilla Bynoe.

Haydn Morris is the son of Mr. Wesley Morris, of our Port-of-Spain Office and won his exhibition from the Belmont Intermediate School. William Gibbings, jnr., the son of Mr. William Gibbings, of our Accounts Department (Payroll Section) is a pupil of the Point Fortin E.C. School, while Miss Priscilla Bynoe, the daughter of Mr. C. Bynoe, of the Refinery Department, is a pupil of the Point Fortin Intermediate School. This is the first time that a girl has been awarded one of these exhibitions. As from this year the Company has revised the conditions to include the daughters of employees in the event that there are not a sufficient number of boys to take up the three exhibitions.



Master William Gibbings.



Master Haydn Morris.

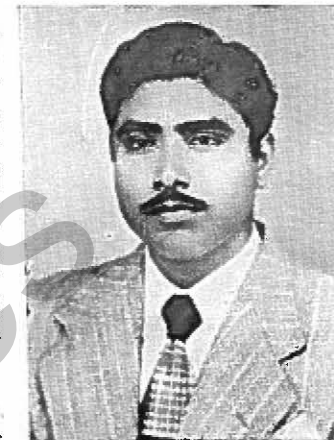
Haydn Morris has elected to go to St. Mary's College. William Gibbings, jnr., has chosen Queen's Royal College, and Priscilla Bynoe will attend St. Joseph Convent. They will begin their first term at their respective Colleges in January 1954, and UBOTIMES extends best wishes to them for a successful College career.

We have received letters from Messrs. G. M. Richards and Basharat Ali, two of our Regional Scholarship Trainees who are in the United Kingdom pursuing Degree Courses in Engineering. Richards is doing very well. Thirty-five Chemical Engineers of his University sat the last Sessional Examinations. Of these thirteen were successful and Richards had the distinction of being the only one to gain a Second. In addition, he is very busy with extra-curricula

activities—he is the Chairman of the Christian Union as well as Assistant Secretary of the Chemical Society.

Basharat Ali who left here in September to enter Manchester University, is temporarily staying at the same home as Max Richards and he writes to say that he has found the latter very pleasant and sociable and very helpful. Ali's University Sessions started on October 1st, and so far he says that he has found it easy going because most of the work that is being done is not new to him. The only completely new subject he has had to tackle is German but he informs us that he has not encountered any real difficulty so far.

UBOTIMES wishes to extend hearty congratulations to Arnold Harnanan, the son of Mr. I. H. Harnanan of our Drawing Office, on his recent success in the Arts Examination, when he obtained his B.A. Honours in History. As many of our readers will doubtless recall, Arnold Harnanan attended the Point Fortin E.C. School and was one of the winners of the Frederick Godber Cup.



Mr. Arnold Harnanan, B.A. Hons. (Lond.)

Messrs. J. Fong Chong and C. P. Kerr, of our Port-of-Spain Office recently tendered their resignation. Mr. Fong Chong is proceeding to Canada to pursue a Course in Engineering and Mr. Kerr has secured admission to Gray's Inn in order to qualify as a Barrister.

UBOTIMES offer best wishes to these gentlemen for success in their new fields of endeavours.



Mr. David Law, who recently obtained his M.A. Degree with 1st Class Honours.

We are very happy to announce that Mr. David Law, eldest son of Mr. D. S. Law, Manager of our Port-of-Spain Office, has passed his Master of Arts examination with First Class Honours, having the distinction of topping his class. In our issue of December, 1952, we congratulated David on his success at the Bachelor of Arts examination and we are particularly pleased that in the space of one year he has achieved his M.A. with such brilliance. Once again we extend heartiest congratulations to him and to his proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Law.

Congratulations to Mr. R. Hughes of the Shipping Department, Point Fortin, who is on a temporary assignment in Port-of-Spain, for his prowess in Tennis. Mr. Hughes was a member of the St. James Tennis Club ("A" Team) which won the 1953 Frisian Girl Competition, defeating Kosmos, 1952 Champions by 3 points to 2.

We have received news that Mr. Harold Peter Koylass, the eldest son of Mr. Gilbert Koylass of our Penal Division, recently passed his legal examination in England with distinction. It is worthy of note that

three members of the Koylass family are employees of U.B.O.T. at Penal. Mr. Gilbert Koylass is one of our chief Engine Attendants at Penal Main Storage and has worked for the Company for 15 years. His younger son, Hendren Koylass, is at present Trainee in Penal Office as Production Clerk whilst his daughter, Molly Koylass, recently assumed the position of Nurse at Penal Dispensary.

Harold Peter Koylass attended the Penal C.M. School and from there entered Naparima College, San Fernando. He gained a First Grade Certificate, making five distinctions, which exempted him from Matriculation. Leaving College, he taught for a short while at the Canadian Mission School, Penal, before joining the Civil Service as Clerk to Mr. Long, the Ballistics Expert in the Licensing Office, San Fernando. Later he was transferred to the Magistracy, Siparia, as Clerk to Mr. W. Ferguson, the Magistrate. Later he was transferred still further to the Warden's Office, Siparia, working under Mr. Knowles as Clerk and Cashier. In 1951 Harold started to study Law and in the same year sat and passed the Roman Law Exam. The following year he sat and passed the examination for Constitutional Law and Legal History. In the spring of this year he sat and passed the Contract and Torts Examination and on the 9th of August left for the United Kingdom to carry out further studies. Four weeks later, with 365 other candidates, he sat the Criminal Law Examination and was one of approximately 100 who passed the Exam successfully. He is now expecting to be attached to Mr. Dudley Collard, Barrister-at-Law, where his legal studies will continue.

It is worth remarking that most of Harold Peter Koylass' studies were carried out at his parents' home in Penal. Studying by himself, he bought his own text books and equipment to cover various subjects, and he is to be congratulated that such a splendid individual effort has met with such a deserving success.

We wish to extend congratulations to Mr. Claude Hollis Murray, Trainee-Driller at our Penal Field, on his success in winning a Scholarship in Forestry offered by the Trinidad Government. Mr. Murray is a past student of St. Mary's College where he obtained both the School Certificate, Grade I, and the Higher School Certificate. He joined the Company in August, 1951, as a Mud Assistant in the Exploitation Department at Point Fortin and was soon afterwards transferred to our Penal Field from where he was recently promoted as a Trainee-Driller.

UBOTIMES takes this opportunity of wishing Mr. Murray a very successful future in his new career.

On Friday, 25th September, the members of the Central Engineering Office gave a send-off party at the Mahaica Junior Staff Club in honour of Mr. C. K. Khabay who has been transferred from the Engineering Office at Point Fortin to the Engineering Section of the Ortoire Area. "C. B.", as he is familiarly known to his colleagues, will be greatly missed in Point Fortin not only for his pleasant disposition but also for his energetic and active service to several sporting and recreation clubs.

Estate Constable Nathaniel King and Felix Forde recently tendered their resignation from our Estate Police Force in order to proceed to the United Kingdom to further their studies. We wish them success in their new sphere of activities.

Congratulations to Estate Constable J. Thomas, representative of U.B.O.T. Rifle Club, who gained honours in securing the Centenary Cup in the Trinidad Rifle Club Annual Competition held at Maraval, Port-of-Spain, on 10th October last. We wish to extend congratulations also to the Acting Superintendent, J. C. Archer, Estate Corporal Baksh, and Estate Constable Manswell, who also did well in the Rifle Shooting Competition.

We extend congratulations to Estate Constable Stephen Scott who recently obtained a Diploma in Radio Engineering from a British Institute.

On Thursday, 5th November, members of the Literary Section of the Apprentices' Technical School, together with five drilling student apprentices, visited the works of the Trinidad Lake Asphalt Company. Members were taken to the Pitch Lake, the Stills, the Barrelling and Drumming Sheds and Drum-making Plant. They also saw the various tests carried out in the Laboratory. A thorough explanation was given as to the works done in each section.

Mr. Donald Peters of the Production Department has received a Diploma from the Bennett College, England, for Proficiency in the following subjects—English, Motor Engineering, Workshop Practice, Elementary Draughtsmanship and General Arithmetic. We extend heartiest congratulations to him on his success.



Mr. Donald Peters.

On the 10th November last Mr. R. M. Harcourt, Head of the I.R. and P. Department, presented Life Saving Badges to students of the U.B.O.T. Apprentices' Technical School. Apprentices receiving Badges were W. Chung, T. Lloyd, A. Rawlins, E. Panchorie, S. Jeffers, S. Moore, M. Golah, E. Tywang, R. Wiltshire, A. Mulloon, L. Broomes, H. Mohammed, N. Ali, E. Abdul, F. Ramchand, A. Saunders, A. Louison, R. Bachoo, and H. Raghunanan.

Witnessing the presentation were Mr. B. Sanders, Principal of the School, and Messrs. I. H. Steels, A. H. Davis, and S. J. Riley.

An Inter-departmental Table Tennis Competition is now in progress at the Penal U.B.A.A. Club for a cup donated by Mr. R. Chankasingh of the Payroll Section of Penal. Keen interest is being shown by all players and a thrilling finish is expected.

Mr. Carlton C. Black, Chief Clerk of the Penal Production, has donated a Cup for Table Tennis between T.L.L. Barrackpore No. 2 Club and U.B.A.A. (Penal) Club, the side winning two out of three games to receive the prize.

Results of the 1953 City and Guilds of London Institute Examinations have been announced and we wish to congratulate the following Apprentices on their successes:—

Electric Arc Welding:

Auby Legall—2nd Class.



Mr. R. M. Harcourt presents apprentice Anthony Rawlins, with a Royal Life Saving Society's Medal, for passing an examination in Artificial Respiration.

Electrical Engineering Practice—Preliminary—Section 2:

Victor Chin Kit (Shop Apprentice)—Passed.
Errol Eccles (Shop Apprentice)—Passed.

Machine Shop Engineering—Intermediate:

Egbert Bernard and Anthony Rawlins—Second Class.

Motor Vehicle Mechanics' Work:

Lloyd Broomes, Arthur Howe and Fitzroy James—Second Class.

Motor Vehicle Technicians' Work:

Neville Dolison and Arnold Neckles (ex-Apprentices)—Second Class.

Electrical Installation—Course B.

N. Ali, S. Jeffers, E. Panchorie, H. Raghunanan—1st Class.

E. Abdul, R. Bachoo, M. Golah, T. Lloyd and H. Mohamed—2nd Class.

Results of the Terminal Examinations of the Apprentices' Technical School for this term are as follows:—

1949 Intake — M. Golah — 1st A. Legall — 2nd

1950 Intake — L. Broomes — 1st N. Ali — 2nd

1952 Intake — R. Mangaroo — 1st S. Ramphal — 2nd

1953 Intake — C. Ramsey — 1st P. Shield — 2nd

We extend congratulations to these students and also wish to congratulate Apprentice N. Ali on his promotion to Student Apprentice.

On Friday, 27th November, the following visited the Apprentices' Technical School—Messrs. J. A. Bain, Acting Controller of Imports & Exports; Harold Leacock, Assistant Secretary to the Minister of Labour, Industry and Commerce; and O. N. Papineau, Economic Adviser.

The Company's attention was recently drawn to the very fine record created by employees in the Penal Carpenter Shop who had had 10 years' continuous service without a lost-time accident being recorded against them. The Management Safety First Committee considered that some



Mr. R. P. Brown, Field Superintendent of the Penal Division, presenting employees of the Carpenter Shop with a special Certificate of Merit in connection with their 10-year accident free record.

recognition should be given on account of this record and a suitable Certificate of Merit was presented to them by the Field Superintendent of Penal during last month.

On Tuesday, 24th November, members of the Literary Section of the A.T.S., together with Electrical and Student Apprentices, visited the Power Station of the T. & T.E.C. at Penal. They were taken through the Power Station by the Superintendent, Mr. C. King, who explained the operation of the whole system. The boys also had the opportunity of seeing an exhibition sponsored by leading Electrical Firms.

A Physical Culture Group has recently been organised by the Apprentices, and Mr. H. Singh of the Fire & Safety Section, has kindly taken on the duties of instructor. Weight-lifting instruction is given on Mondays and Fridays of each week.

Mr. P. Cornwallis of the Materials Department, Point Fortin, has been transferred to the Customs Materials Section in Port-of-Spain on a temporary assignment.

Mr. W. H. Berry has been transferred to Point Fortin from the Penal Division in order to co-ordinate engineering activities in the Ortoire district. Succeeding him as Resident Engineer of Penal is Mr. A. Melrose, who returned from the U.K. recently after a vacation.

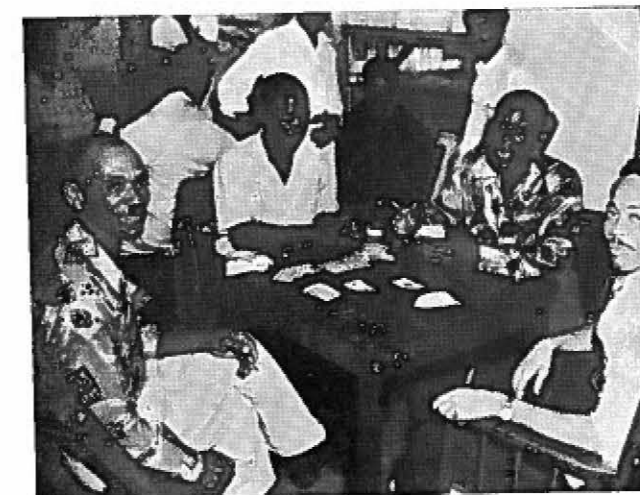
We extend a hearty welcome to Mr. P. Phillip who has joined the Company as Dispenser at Mayaro, and wish him many years of pleasant association with U.B.O.T.

Mr. Stephen Joseph of the Geological Department was married on 5th December to Miss Eileen Sampath of Fanny Village. We extend our good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph for the future.

A party of Civil Servants including the Warden of San Fernando, Mr. Ray D'Abadie, recently paid a visit to our Penal Field in order to see some of the operations connected with drilling and the production of oil. They spent a most enjoyable afternoon and witnessed the first landing of the new U.B.O.T. aeroplane, with the General Manager and Assistant General Manager as passengers.

The Annual Indoor Games Tournament between U.B.A.A. Penal and U.B.A.A. Point Fortin, took place on Sunday, 29th November, at the U.B.A.A. Club, Point Fortin. The games were very keenly contested and resulted in the following:—

ALL-FOURS: Point Fortin—50 points: Penal—37 points.
TABLE TENNIS: Point Fortin—2 games: Penal—3 games.
BILLIARDS: Point Fortin—4 games: Penal—3 games.



U.B.A.A. Penal wins the first game of All Fours from U.B.A.A. Point Fortin at the Annual Indoor Games Tournament between the two Sections.

It should be remarked that there was quite a big attendance, representing both Sections, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent.



Eric Argoonlal and R. Pierre win a game of All Fours by kicking a Jack during the Indoor Games Tournament between U.B.A.A. Point Fortin and U.B.A.A. Penal.

Engineering Department:

L. Nagaur—Stores Attendant "A"—Machine Shop—transferred from Hourly to Weekly Payroll as Clerk Grade II on the 23rd August, 1953.

R. Eccles—Labourer—M. & O. Shop—transferred from Hourly to Weekly Payroll as Clerk Grade II on the 1st November, 1953.

Accounts Department:

V. N. Jordan promoted from Office Boy to Clerk Grade II on the 1st November, 1953.

Penal Field:

H. Jagroop—Labourer—Ortoire Mud Plant Section—transferred from Hourly to the Weekly Payroll as Laboratory Assistant Grade II on the 15th November, 1953.

Port-of-Spain Office:

A. Apparicio promoted from Office Boy to Clerk Grade II on the 27th September, 1953.



We extend a welcome to:

Messrs. H. B. Phillips, F. Blackburn and A. Booth (Refinery); Messrs. J. van Kesteren and J. Brown (EXD); Messrs. G. R. Patterson, C. A. L. MacLean, G. L. Hubberd, J. G. Smits, D. A. Williams, R. A. Kevan, T. F. Boxall (T.N.A.); and E. A. Pullinger (Engineering); Mr. W. L. Buning (Geological); Dr. D. D. Muir, and Miss C. I. Fearon (Medical); Mr. L. J. Peters (Drilling); Messrs. G. M. Muselle and J. D. Watts (Accounts); Mr. S. J. Ireson (I.R. & P.); and Mr. F. Clarke (Materials).

Mr. M. G. Sirks (Geological); Mr. R. St. J. Birch (Transport); Mr. M. J. Glerum (Draughting); Mr. J. Verdonk (Drilling); and Mr. G. Wakeman (Materials).



We extend congratulations to the following:—

Mr. Jules M. Cowie of the Materials Department, and Mrs. Cowie, on the birth of a daughter, Margaret Theresa, on 1st October.

Mr. B. Mathurasingh of the Penal I.R. Office, and Mrs.



Mathurasingh, on the birth of a daughter, on the 13th November.

Mr. James McMillan of the I.R. & P. Labour Section, and Mrs. McMillan, on the birth of twin daughters, Judy and Judith, on the 22nd November.

Mr. Martin Perelion of the Engineering Office, and Mrs. Perelion, on the birth of a son, John, on 23rd October.

Mr. Fitzroy Hackett of the Engineering Office, and Mrs. Hackett, on the birth of a daughter.

Estate Constable C. Charles of the Estate Police Force, and Mrs. Charles, on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. L. Blackman of the Production Department, and Mrs. Blackman, on the birth of a daughter, Linda Arlene, on the 18th October.

Mr. L. B. Thompson of the Transport Department, and Mrs. Thompson, on the birth of a son, Ernest, on the 23rd October.

Mr. J. Sinanan of the Refinery Laboratory, and Mrs. Sinanan, on the birth of a daughter, Ann Marie, on the 9th October.

Mr. A. Grenade of the Production Department, and Mrs. Grenade, on the birth of a daughter, Yvonne.

Mr. K. Quashie of the Production Department, and Mrs. Quashie, on the birth of a daughter, Lynette.

Mr. L. Andrews of the Production Department, and Mrs. Andrews, on the birth of a son, Carlton.

Mr. I. H. Wheldon of the Port-of-Spain Office, and Mrs. Wheldon, on the birth of a daughter, Danielle Elsa.

Mr. Woosley Baptiste of the Transport Department, and Mrs. Baptiste, on the birth of a daughter, Lynis.

Mr. H. Collins of the Transport Department, and Mrs. Collins, on the birth of a daughter, Stephanie.

Mr. A. Noel of the Transport Department, and Mrs. Noel, on the birth of a son, Joseph John, on the 2nd October.

Obituary

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the following deaths and offer our sincerest condolences to the families concerned:

Donald Lewis, Motor Mechanic of Ortoire Area Engineering, which occurred under tragic circumstances immediately following a game of football at Mayaro.

Ernest Adams, Machinist "A", of the Machine Shop, which occurred on Saturday, 21st November, after a protracted illness.

Nathaniel Nurse, of the Payroll Section, Accounts Department, which occurred suddenly at his home on the morning of the 22nd October.

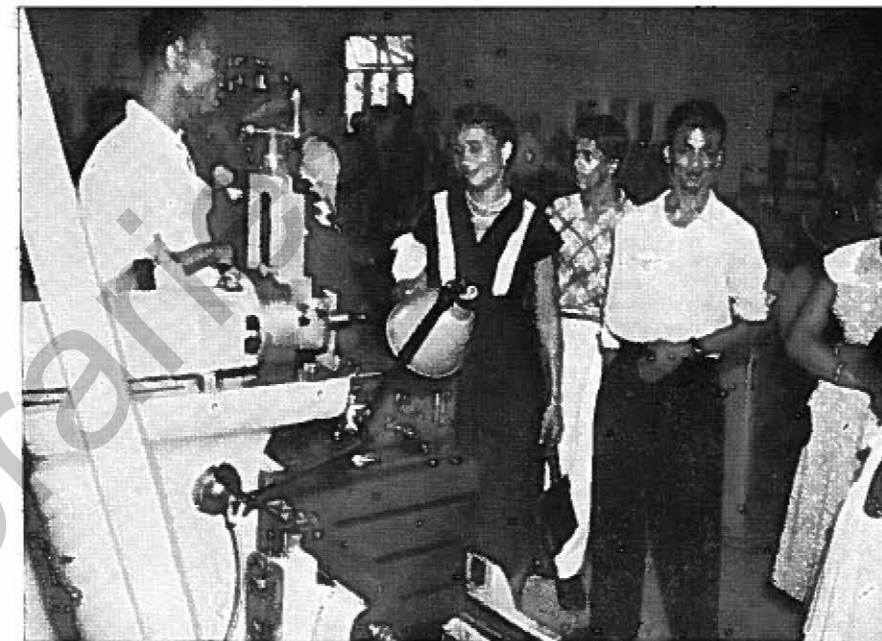
Apprentices Technical School Parents Day

OVER 190 parents, guardians and other relatives of apprentices journeyed from all parts of the island to U.B.O.T's Apprentices' Technical School in Point Fortin for the annual Parents' Day on Sunday, 15th November, 1953.

After tea at the Apprentices' Hostel, the General Manager, Mr. G. L. Reid, was introduced to the assembly and in a short speech said that the Technical School and Training Scheme was in its 5th year of operation and for the first time had its full complement of 60 boys. The first group would be graduating in June, 1954, and because of this he felt that the School and the Apprentices concerned had reached a very vital and interesting stage of their career.

During the year the Company completed construction of a laboratory which forms part of the School and this brought the capital cost of the School and Hostel to over \$100,000. Annual running costs would of course be appreciably increased and were also expected to be in the region of \$100,000 for 1953.

The General Manager further stated that apart from these tangible aspects, the staff has gone to a great deal of trouble to provide a very high standard of training not only in craftsmanship but also in citizenship and sportsmanship, and that here could be seen the most obvious and direct manifestation of what the Company is doing to train boys to fit themselves to take up positions of skill and responsibility. Almost needless to say



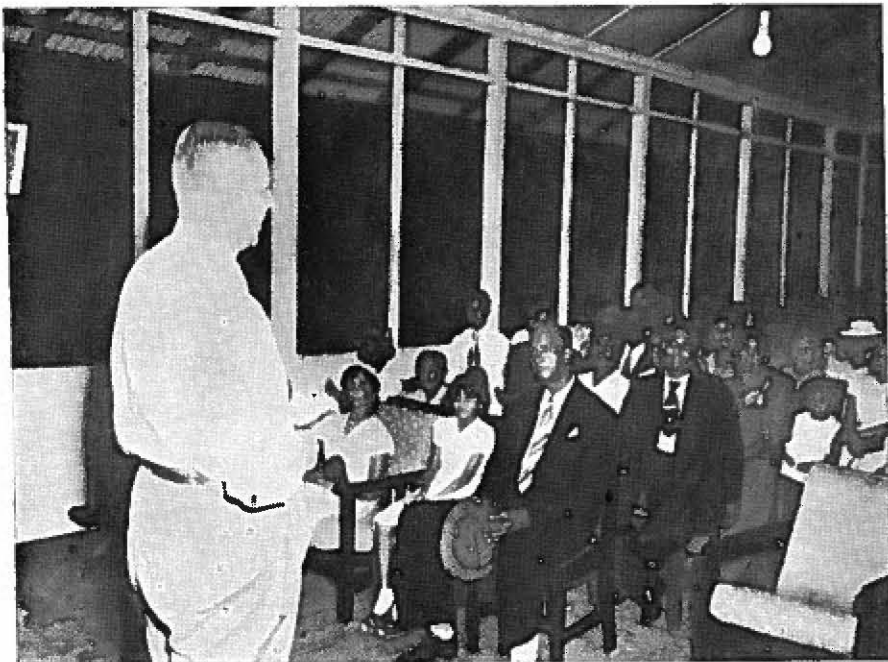
Apprentices Selwyn Jeffers, and Raymond Ramsaran, demonstrating the Shaping Machine.

The boys met their parents at the School, introduced them to the Principal, Mr. B. Sanders, and his assistant, Mr. I. H. Steels, and then showed them round the lecture rooms, laboratory and workshops, demonstrating the machines, engines and other equipment to their relatives. A great deal of interest was shown in the exhibition of work which was laid out in one of the rooms. The basic carpentry, fitting, machining, welding and blacksmiths exercises were shown alongside model engines, aeroplanes and complicated dies for producing die castings made by the senior apprentices. Afterwards the boys took their guests to the Apprentices' Hostel and showed them their Sleeping Quarters and the Dining and Recreation Rooms.

At 4.00 p.m. the parents were taken on a brief tour of the Refinery, the Workshop Area and the Techier and Mahaica Villages. Many of the parents, who had not been to Point Fortin before, expressed surprise at the extent of U.B.O.T's operations in the area.



Apprentice Bachoo explaining the workings of a model engine.



The General Manager, Mr. G. L. Reid, addressing the parents at the conclusion of their visit.

this Scheme could not fully succeed unless the boys themselves thoroughly appreciate what was being done for them and cooperate wholeheartedly. This in turn depended to a considerable extent on the parents of apprentices impressing on their sons what a golden opportunity they were now enjoying and that it was up to them to help us to help them.

This particularly applied to the senior apprentices whose duty it was to set an example of the proper attitude to the younger boys and do all possible to assist the staff in improving the already high standards.

Speaking of the Technical School's academic record, Mr. Reid said the Company's school staff and apprentices had every reason to be proud of the 52 City and Guilds successes. Of the U.B.O.T. apprentices who sat the Exams, no less than 76% passed. This was an outstanding result compared with an overall average of 62% obtained by the candidates entered from all centres throughout the world and with less than 50% successes from all Trinidad and Tobago candidates including those from the U.B.O.T. Apprentices' Technical School.

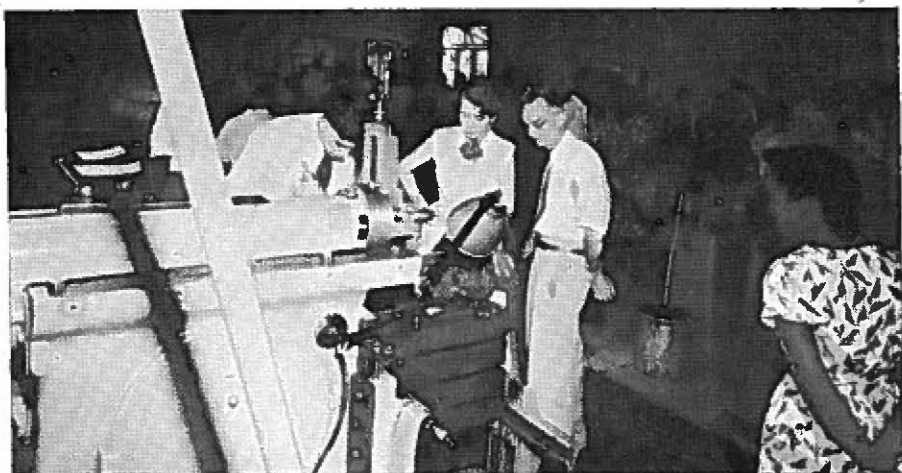
Mr. Reid then mentioned that seven of the outstanding boys had recently been promoted to Student Apprentices and were in training for more responsible positions. These promotions had been awarded for merit

in work and attitude during the boys' three or four years' career in the School.

In sport too, he said, the apprentices were obviously doing their part as last year the School won the Rowdy Cup for Inter-Oilfield Apprentices Football and had so far done well this year in the same competition.

From the records, he continued, parents would realise that the Company is not only concerned with academic work and the making of good tradesmen; character building and the spirit of true citizenship were qualities to which particular attention is given. It was the hope of the Company, he concluded, that parents would always give their full co-operation.

The evening's entertainment concluded with a concert organised by members of the Literary Section of the School's Club.



Two of the parents being shown the operation of a machine by apprentice Peter Shields.

Apprentice Alvin Dorset showing some of his relatives the Blacksmith Shop.



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The Industrial Relations and Personnel Department

By C. B. MATHISON,
(Staff Supervisor)

Part Three — STAFF SECTION

THE Staff Office was formed in April 1950 when the Industrial Relations and Personnel Department was established. Previous to that date its work was carried out by a section of the Accounts Department. Its function, among others, is to maintain records of staff and to look after their various requirements when they are off the job. Housing, passages, arranging transport and assisting in the engagement and transfer of staff are other aspects of the Section's work.

Mr. C. B. Mathison is the Staff Supervisor and is responsible for the Section. He has worked for the Company since 1921, first in the Accounts Department and later was transferred to his present position when the Section was formed. New staff see him first of all and he arranges for their interviews with the Department to which they are assigned, fixes accommodation, arranges medical examinations and, from his long experience, is able to answer the many questions which are put by the newcomer as he starts in his new job.

It is not always realised that much of the Section's work exists because of the comparatively isolated position in which the Point Fortin Refinery and Fields are situated. In a town residents will find their own accommodation, join a club in the district where they live, and if they are ill make use of the medical services provided by Government or private enterprise. In Point Fortin the Company has often had to take the place of the organisations which provide these amenities elsewhere and it devolves on the Staff Supervisor and those who work for him to make sure that members of the staff know what facilities are available and how they can make use of them.

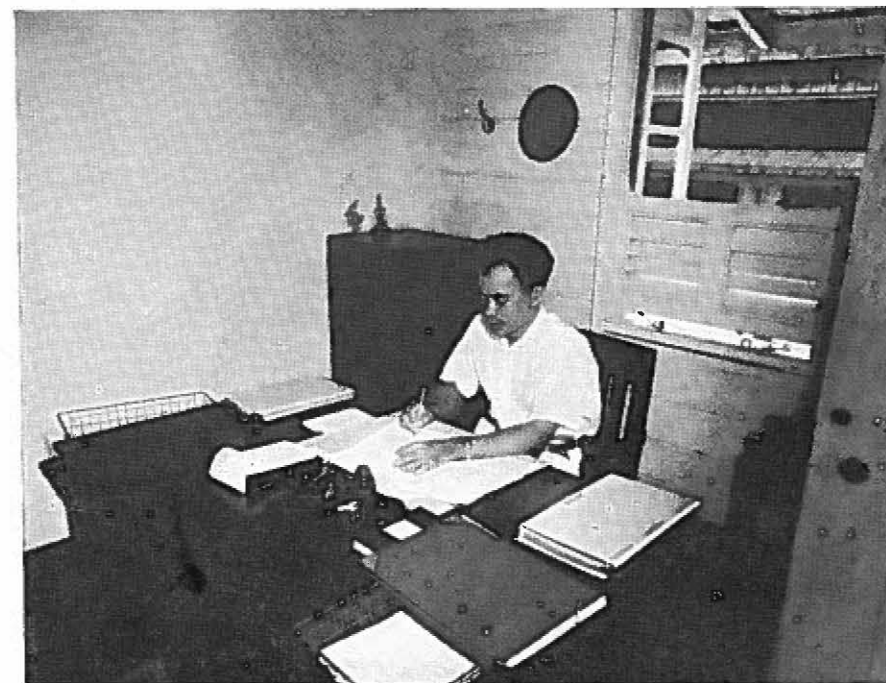
In recent years increasing attention has been given to the training of staff. Towards the end of the year we inform the secondary schools of Trinidad and Tobago that we are looking out for boys who have passed their Certificates of Education at advanced level in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics and wish to follow a career in Engineering. Selected pupils are brought down to Point Fortin for interviews and a tour round the Fields and Refinery, and

the best are chosen to work for the Company for 18 months before entering a University in the U.K. In the last three years five Scholarships have been awarded and the holders are now at Universities in the United Kingdom. When the University of the West Indies provides engineering graduates, we hope to select our graduates from that source. Until then the Staff Office will be on the look out for likely candidates.

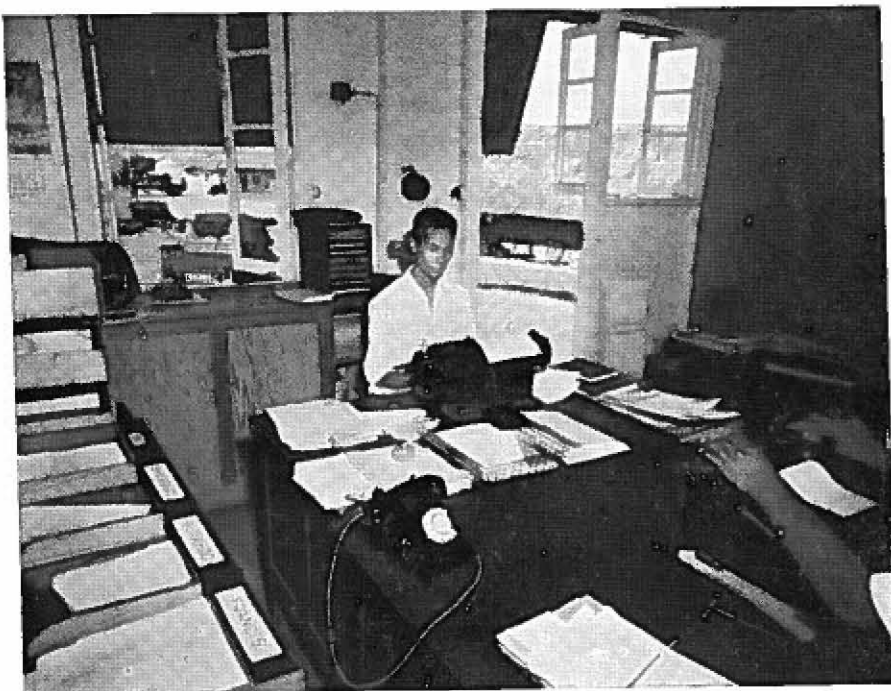
The Chief Clerk in the Section is Mr. H. V. Allum. He is responsible for supervising the work of the other staff in the office and it is his particular

job to look after the records of Senior Staff. Those members of the staff who have entered Trinidad from other West Indian Islands or from other areas overseas have to obtain permission from the Immigration Authorities to stay in Trinidad, and he has to make sure that this permission is obtained so that there is no difficulty with the Authorities on the arrival of staff. He prepares letters of engagements for staff and when there are vacancies he prepares requisitions to enable new staff to be engaged.

The Confidential Stenographer in the office is Mr. J. D. Gurahoo, who is also responsible for maintaining various statistics. We frequently receive visitors from business firms



The Chief Clerk, Mr. H. V. Allum, at work.



Mr. E. Francis typing at his desk.

and from other areas of the Shell Group, and Mr. Gurahoo keeps records of those who are due to arrive and sees that the necessary transport is provided for them.

All correspondence about the 350 members of the Junior Staff is typed

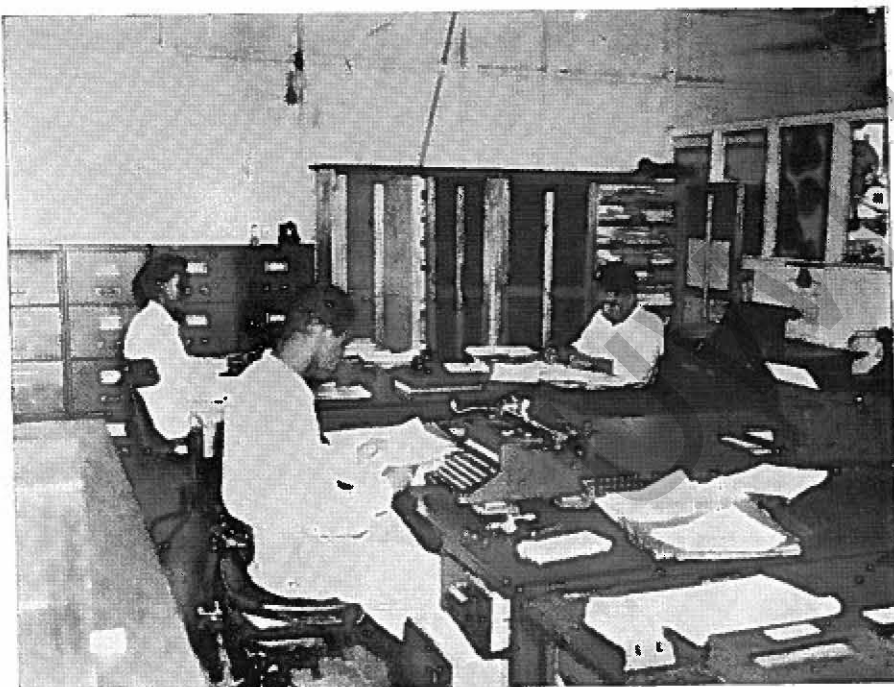
by Mr. E. Francis. He also maintains statistics of their housing and keeps their personal records up-to-date. With the constant movement of staff,

he is kept fully occupied on these tasks.

Mr. M. J. Masson joined the Section recently. He obtained his Higher School Certificate at the Presentation College, San Fernando. Mr. Masson assisted in bringing up-to-date all records of the Junior Staff and maintains statistics which have to be checked regularly. In his free time at home he is working for his Higher Certificate in Physics and Mathematics.

Mr. L. Sheppard is now the Clerk/Typist in this office after transfer from the I.R. Office, where he worked in a similar position. All correspondence which comes to the Head of the Department in connection with labour is his responsibility and he also does the filing of general correspondence.

The Office Boy is Mr. M. Jadoo, who has been with the Company since 1950.



L. to R. Messrs. J. D. Gurahoo, L. Sheppard, and M. J. Masson at their respective desks in the Staff Office.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This article will conclude the series of articles on the Industrial Relations and Personnel Department which have been appearing in UBOTIMES. It is hoped that their publication has given employees a fuller understanding of the complexities of Industrial Relations and the efforts which the Company is making to maintain good relationships between all those who are working towards our common interest, i.e., the production and refining of oil. Later on it is hoped to publish a new series which will give employees a more detailed insight into other aspects of the Company's operations and which will enable them to appreciate the day to day problems and difficulties which are constantly being met and overcome in order to keep Trinidad's oil production in a position to compete economically with other more-favoured areas of the world.

With the Trinidad Football Team in England

By "JOEY" GONSALVES

AS Captain of the Trinidad F.A. Team which visited England from 23rd August to 13th October last, I think I am expressing the sentiments of all the members of the party when I say that the tour will be an unforgettable experience. It is no exaggeration to say that the seven weeks of our stay were packed with as much action and excitement as a movie thriller or an adventure story. Let my readers think me facetious, let me support what I have said by telling them that apart from playing the football matches on our Schedule which was our main business in England, we played two cricket

cricket. Also there to greet us was our Trainer-Coach, Harold Hobbs, former England International player, from whose wealth of experience we were able to draw and to whom we are greatly indebted for useful hints, help and guidance in the development of our technique.

Three days after our arrival in England we played our first match and tasted our first defeat—the most crushing of the tour. The match was against Dorset County F.A. and we lost by the wide margin of 7—3. It would be easy to make excuses for our defeat and many reasons have been put forward by others for our comparatively poor showing.

Some claim that we were not yet accustomed to the climate, that we were unprepared for the strain of a 90-minute match, that we were completely unsettled by the English Third Back System. There is some merit in all of these views, but it is my opinion that just three days after our arrival in England, Dorset County, with six professionals in their team, was too strong a combination to be pitted against us. In comparison with the other teams we met later, Dorset County ranks very high.



Sir Hubert Rance, Governor of Trinidad, being presented to the Trinidad Team at a Farewell match shortly before their departure.

to the beautiful seaside resorts, to places of historic interest such as the Cheddar Caves and Tintern Abbey, to several movie shows, to an Ice Show and a Bathing Beauty Contest.

Our party consisted of twenty-two members—Mr. W. Vincent Brown, as Manager, Mr. Eric James, the Hon. Secretary of our Football Association, and twenty players. As is well known, three of the players, Delbert Charleau, Doyle Griffith and I are employees of U.B.O.T. I feel sure that Charleau and Griffith would wish me to use this opportunity of publicly expressing our thanks to the Management of U.B.O.T. for granting us leave of absence, and other facilities in connection with the tour. While in England we had the honour of being visited by two officials of Shell Mex & B.P. Ltd, Mr. J. M. Brown, the Branch Manager, and Mr. T. E. Downes. The visits of these gentlemen gave us a sense of pride in our Company and did make us feel that we in U.B.O.T. were really part of a big world-wide organisation.

We left Trinidad on 6th August, 1953, by the S.S. "Golfito". Five days later we arrived in Jamaica where on the 11th and 12th, we played two Colony matches against Jamaican football teams. The first of these, we lost 3—2, but evened up by winning the second 1—0.

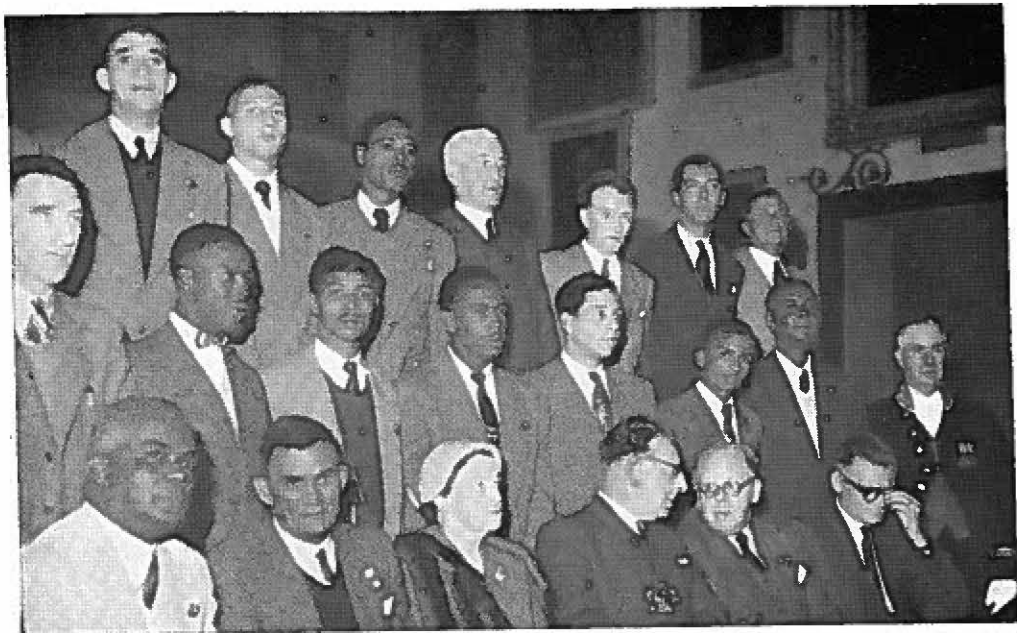
Leaving Jamaica on the 14th August, we sailed straight for Southampton where we arrived on Sunday, 23rd August. Here, we were met by the Secretary of the Football Association, Sir Stanley Rouse, and Lieut.-Colonel C. F. Linnitt, who was attached to us as Liaison Officer by the Football Association.

English Third Back System. To me, it is a great advantage over our system. True enough, our roving centre-half is very attractive to watch, but it leaves our system of defence too open to attack. If we adopted the English three-back style, what we lose in attractiveness, we would gain in solidity of defence.

Although we were badly beaten by Dorset County, this did not prevent us from making a favourable impression on the 7,000 English football fans who witnessed the match. Let me quote from the report in "The Dorset Daily Echo", one of the County's leading newspapers—"The match was by no means one-sided. What beat the tourists was their failure to adjust themselves to, and overcome, the English three-back style of defence.... These visitors from the West Indies play a style of football reminiscent of some Continental teams. It has a graceful quality, wielding the rapier rather than the bludgeon, moving the ball in the air more often than on the ground. Rangy and speedy, the Trinidadians employ their methods like masters".

In our second match against Somerset County we gave a good account of ourselves by winning 1—0, but we bowed to defeat again in our third match against Bristol Rovers. While making no apologies for our defeat, I think it fair to relate that a remarkable feature of this match was the number of injuries suffered by members of our team in the second half. At half-time, the score was one-all. In the second half, however, five players sustained injuries, in this order—myself, Atwell, Garcia, Charleau, Griffith—and

Incidentally, I must say that I am extremely impressed with the



Members of the Trinidad Football Team with the Mayor and Mayoress of Barnstaple. Note the three U.B.O.T. representatives in the centre of the middle row.

although we all held on, there is no doubt that we had to play under severe physical handicap. You are probably wondering why, since we had a total of 20 players we did not ask the injured members of the team to retire and send substitutes to take their place. I must remind you that this game, like all the others, was played under International Rules. The rules permit a side to change a player any time up to 2 minutes before half-time, but after this the only player who can be changed is the goalkeeper. It was therefore very unfortunate for us that all our casualties in this match occurred in the second half.

In the remaining eleven matches the fortunes of the game varied. We had by now become acclimatised, and had adjusted ourselves to the English system of defence. Of these eleven matches we won four, lost four and three were drawn. Concerning these matches a few things will stand out in memory. One is when we played Exeter City on Wednesday, 16th September. In this match our boys had the amazing and unique experience of seeing Exeter City score a goal immediately after the match began without any of our players even touching the ball. Our defence was completely flabbergasted. This was enough to demoralise any team, but luckily our victory in the previous match had given us sufficient confidence to overcome this initial reverse. We will also long remember the match against Plymouth Argyle F.C., which we lost 3-0. This team was a 2nd Division Professional Team and we found them the strongest opposition of the tour. I have to confess that we were no match for them and it was obvious that they completely outclassed us. We will remember, too, how at St. Austell we gave



Joey steps out to save a goal.

England a taste of their own medicine and made up for the humiliating experience in our first match by a resounding victory over Cornwall County F.A. of 6-3. Memorable also is our first game played in London under floodlights against the Corinthian League. This was a new and stimulating experience to us which we will never forget.

After the first two matches we got accustomed to the English climate and the 90-minute period did not worry us. The climate is so cool and bracing that one can stand a match of this length without fatigue. At the end of a match our players were still cool and even Doyle Griffith, who exudes buckets of perspiration in our climate, used to emerge after a match with only a dampened forehead.

There is no doubt at all that we did have a lot to learn from this football tour. One thing is certain and that is the English take their football seriously, and we gained many valuable lessons from their players. All of us are agreed that we learnt new techniques whether we were on the actual field of play or sitting as observers watching the English players in action. Our football experience has undoubtedly been enriched by the English methods of trapping, heading and passing a ball. We have learnt, too, how to make the best use of the open spaces on the field. The day before we left we were privileged to be among the 65,000 spectators who witnessed the match between Blackpool and Arsenal. To us this will always be a memorable day—we saw Stanley Matthews, perhaps the world's greatest footballer to-day, in person, in action. Looking at top English football we realised that there is no room for the one-position player. Every member of the team had to be versatile. He could switch to any position on the field and play there with ease, and he could use his head and both feet with equal facility.

I think we can flatter ourselves that although we had so much to learn from English football the tour was not entirely one-sided; we had something to contribute as well. Particularly did we impress with our speed and shooting—but let the English speak for themselves. Cornish sports-



Joey and his wife take time off to feed the pigeons in Trafalgar Square, London. A popular pastime for all visitors.

writers had this to say of us: "Trinidad not only play football—they teach it. When Cornwall started their three-game rubber with them they were a stolid stand-still team, kicking, not running. After losing their first two games, however, they gave the Penzance crowd as lively a display as their tall (Trinidadian) opponents." ... "From the first whistle the Trinadians outclassed, out-manoeuvred and outplayed Cornwall. Speedy and tricky, they mesmerised the Cornish team by the way they twisted and feinted, and made their seemingly India-rubber legs send the ball in all directions, very rarely failing to find their man." ... "A crowd of 3,000 spectators saw the tourists put up a display which will long be remembered, and their speed, agility and resolute tackling often left their opponents floundering."

The following excerpts from other newspaper commentaries after some of our matches, also speak for themselves: "Their forwards were fast and often displayed excellent ball-control." ... "The speed and brilliance with which the Trinidad team covered the ground left the crowd gaping." ... "The Trinidad visitors delighted the crowd with their tremendous speed and kicking power." ... "Speed, intelligence, ball craft and the will to work—the touring side had all these qualities."

It was very noticeable how very football-conscious the English people are, both men and women. Football is a familiar topic of conversation in all circles, in 'buses, on trains, on and off the field. We were impressed, too, by the orderliness of the English football fans. To see a crowd of 65,000 people take their places on a football ground without pushing or shoving, reach a fever of excitement during the game, and then immediately after it to disperse as orderly as they entered the arena is a sight we shall never forget.

Outside of football there were other aspects of English life and systems which impressed us greatly. We were surprised to find the shops and stores so full. There is an abundance of food and one can obtain a good meal at a restaurant at prices which compare favourably with those in Trinidad. We witnessed ourselves what has now become a proverbial English trait—orderly queues wherever crowds assemble—whether it be cinemas, railway stations, shops, or sports meetings. Then too, the native honesty of the English people could not fail to impress us. It was an unusual experience for us to see pedestrians go to a newspaper

or book stand, take a newspaper or magazine, and deposit the money for it, even though there was no attendant.

The road traffic also greatly impressed us. Two, and sometimes three, lanes of traffic moving continuously and unceasingly without swerving from their lanes is really something to watch. We were amazed also by the simplicity and efficiency of the underground tube railways. These run with unfailing regularity on a schedule which permits of a train every two minutes during rush periods.

Of the lighter side of the tour we will especially remember the Bathing Beauty Contest at Weymouth when bathing belles paraded before a panel of judges which included two of our footballers, and on which occasion I had the honour of presenting the prizes. We will also remember the revelry and gaiety, friendliness, and fun at the historic Barnstaple Fair for which we had privileged seats.

Above all, however, what impressed us most was the unaffected hospitality of the English people. Wherever we went we were royally entertained and the reception at every place was excellent. Municipalities and Managements at every town received us with open arms and literally overwhelmed us with kindness and hospitality. Speaking at a reception in our honour at Torquay after the match against Torquay United, our Manager, Mr. Vincent Brown, remarked, "Ever since we stepped off the train we have been conducted like Cinderella through a wonderland", and this sentence goes for the whole tour as well.

Speaking on behalf of the English people, Lieut-Colonel C. F. Linnitt, the F.A. Representative, had this to say: "We have learnt a lot from the Trinidad visitors. We have discovered that their hearts beat just like ours and that they also enjoy a good game of football in the same spirit that we do. If they carry back to their native country the same wonderful impressions of us as we have gathered from them, then international understanding will be much closer as a result of their visit".

We can assure Lieut-Colonel Linnitt and the English people that we have brought back wonderful impressions of their hospitality and their way of life, and each of us will be an ambassador of goodwill and understanding between our two countries. I am sure my colleagues will wish me to express our sincerest thanks to all those concerned who helped to make our tour so interesting and spectacular and of which we will cherish lasting memories of friendship and hospitality.



The lighter side of the Tour. Joey Gonsalves seen presenting a prize to one of the winners of a Bathing Beauty Contest.



FOOTBALL



By the time this article is published, the Football Season will have already come to a close and everybody will be looking forward to welcome the M.C.C. to the West Indies. At the time of going to Press, we are not in the position to tell our readers the winners of *all* the different trophies contested for in the Southern Amateur Football League. We should like to take this opportunity to congratulate our two wing halves, Delbert Charleau and Doyle Griffith, on their successes with the Trinidad team in the U.K., and at the same time express our appreciation of the fine performances given by their substitutes, Leon Gloudon, "Fedo" Lloyd and Joseph Phillip, during their absence.

MARK MOODY STUART SHIELD

As the winners of this Shield are the champions of the Southern Amateur Football League, we are proud to report that after an absence of two seasons, this trophy has once again found its way back to Point Fortin. Our readers will recall that in our last issue, it was anticipated that a most interesting series of matches was in store for everyone and in this respect there were no disappointments. At that time, the end of the first round was in sight and three teams—Trinidad Leaseholds, Forest Reserve and ourselves—were tying for first place. Spitfire, popularly known as the "Red Army", although not mentioned before, were becoming a force to be reckoned with as the season progressed, and it was no surprise that as they improved their play with every game, UBOTS' last Shield game which was played with them as opponents was a virtual final, which we won by 4 goals to 2. For the benefit of statisticians, the following results are noted hereunder, with UBOTS' goals first:

1st Round

Our Goalscorers:

vs. Forest Reserve	— Lost	1—2	G. Worrell.
vs. Apex	— Won	3—1	F. Hackett (2), G. Worrell (1).
vs. T.L.L.	— Drawn	1—1	G. Worrell.
vs. T.P.D.	— Won	2—0	G. Worrell (1), F. Hackett (1).
vs. Spitfire	— Drawn	2—2	L. Brewster (1), G. Worrell (1).

2nd Round

Our Goalscorers:

vs. Forest Reserve	— Won	5—1	F. Hackett (2), G. Worrell, F. Lloyd and R. Halls (1 each).
vs. Apex	— Won	4—1	F. Hackett (2), G. Worrell (2).
vs. T.L.L.	— Drawn	0—0	
vs. T.P.D.	— Won	3—0	F. Hackett, G. Worrell and C. Drayton (1 each).
vs. Spitfire	— Won	4—2	D. Charleau (2), C. Drayton and G. Worrell (1 each).

CORONATION CUP

UBOTS 1st XI had the distinction of registering the first lien on the beautiful "Coronation Cup" recently donated by Mr. L. A. Bushe, General Manager of the Apex Oilfields, for annual competition among clubs of the Southern Amateur Football League. This knockout series came to an end on the 12th September when UBOTS opposed Forest Reserve. It was a thrilling game and at the end of the hour's play neither side had scored. In the ensuing 20 minutes' extra time, however, Fitzroy Hackett, our skipper, made it certain for us with a fine shot. Our games were:

Our Goalscorers:

vs. Apex	— Won	3—1	R. Halls, F. Hackett and L. Brewster (1 each).
vs. T.P.D.	— Won	7—1	L. Brewster (3), C. Drayton (2), R. Halls and G. Worrell (1 each).
vs. Forest Reserve	— Won	1—0	F. Hackett.

OILWELL SUPPLY CUP

UBOTS were fortunate to have a bye for the first round of this knockout series but came up against stiff opposition when they met Forest Reserve in the second round. L. Brewster and C. Drayton, each scored a goal without reply from our opponents to give us victory and the right to meet T.L.L. in the final game. At the time of going to Press this match has not yet been played.

DUCKHAM CUP

Our boys have a stranglehold on this trophy and at the time of writing it seems as if this will be maintained. There were two hurdles to jump to reach the final which has not yet been played:

Our Goalscorers:

vs. Apex	— Won	3—1	G. Worrell (2), F. Hackett (1).
vs. T.P.D.	— Won	3—0	F. Hackett, L. Steele and C. Drayton (1 each).

STEPHENS CHARITY CUP

As mentioned before, Spitfire had been playing grand football and when they knocked us out of the running for this Cup, no one was surprised. It was a 2—1 defeat.

F.A. TROPHY

What is considered to be the most prized award in Trinidad football, the "F.A. Trophy", of which UBOTS were the 1952 joint winners, has evaded our grasp this year. Spitfire F.C. being our conquerors by the odd goal in 5. Previous to this game, we had beaten T.P.D. F.C. by 6 goals to 1.

DANBOLINE AND GOODEN CHISHOLM CUPS

By virtue of winning the "Mark Moody-Stuart" Shield, UBOTS have qualified to meet the champions of the Southern Amateur Football Association of San Fernando for the Danboline Cup, and Maple F.C., who won the Port-of-Spain Football League Championship, for the Gooden Chisholm Cup.

2ND CLASS—JOHNSTONE SHIELD

U.B.A.A. have again entered two teams to contest honours in the 2nd Division of the Southern Amateur Football League for the Johnstone Shield. When this was suggested for the first time last year, it was the consensus of opinion that such an experiment, if employed, would tend to impair the full force of U.B.A.A.'s second string and consequently weaken the chances of retaining this Shield. Happily, contrary to expectations last year, and again this year, we have been champions.

The "A" team was captained by Clayton Lynch, its centre-half. His team having played 8 matches, won 6, lost 1 and drawn the other, were qualified to meet the winners of the other Zone for the Shield. T.L.L. F.C., of Pointe-a-Pierre, were again our opponents, and I think it is safe to acclaim that our victory has established a proud record as we have now won championship honours for seven consecutive seasons. It is not fair, when speaking of a team's successes to single out one player for all the praise, but I am sure that everyone would not hesitate to congratulate Henry Bridgeman on his outstanding displays as left-back for this team.

The "B" team, led by "Charley" Tom, comprise of quite a few youngsters, many of whom are apprentices with our Technical School. Their displays have given us the confidence that the standard of U.B.A.A.'s football as the years go by will remain at the top grade.

CHRISTIAN CUP

This Cup was donated by Mr. J. B. Christian, General Manager of Trinidad Leaseholds Ltd., Pointe-a-Pierre, for the first time in 1952. This knockout competition brought new life into these ranks, as for the past seven years it was UBOTS winning the only trophy played for by the 2nd Class teams in this League. Forest Reserve F.C. had the honour of registering the first lien on this Cup when they beat our "B" team in the final game. This year, the competition has even been more interesting, as for example, during the first round, our "B" team and T.P.D. F.C. had to play each other five times to come to a winning decision, eventually a victory for UBOTS. At the time of writing, both the "A" and "B" teams are in the running. We wish them success.

U.B.A.A. FOOTBALL VISIT TO TOBAGO

History was made on the night of November 21st, when 30 members of the U.B.A.A. embarked on a tour to Tobago. It was the first time that U.B.A.A. as a team were leaving these shores to play abroad, a venture which it is hoped will be a forerunner of regular tours to other neighbouring islands. Our two-day stay in Tobago will long be remem-



Mr. A. B. ("Freddie") Moore receiving the Madden Cup for tennis from Mrs. J. D. Hall, on behalf of the U.B. (Clifton Hill), Club who were the winners this year.

bered for its pleasant incidents and for this we are grateful to the people of that island. The Tobago Football League arranged two matches. The first game against an "All-Tobago XI" was witnessed by a large crowd which saw the homesters lead by 2 goals to nil at half-time. The Tobago team played at a very fast pace during this half and it seemed to take a heavy toll on their players who in the second half were outplayed by a penetrative U.B.A.A. front line which chalked up 3 goals to finish as victors. On the following day, the second and final match was featured by clever defence work by both sides. A. Howe, our goalkeeper, was outstanding and two goals by L. Henry and C. Drayton secured victory for us—a fitting climax to a short but most memorable trip.

ROWDY CUP

Under the captaincy of Alvin Dorset, our Apprentices' Technical School Football team have again, this year, won the "Rowdy Cup", emblematic of soccer supremacy amongst Oilfields apprentices. Four teams took part in the competition and in the first round we defeated Forest Reserve apprentices by 3 goals to nil, T.P.D., by 4 goals to 1, and Pointe-a-Pierre, by 1 goal to nil. In the second round, we drew with Forest Reserve, but the victory against T.P.D. made the trophy secure for the second year in succession. We wish to congratulate the apprentices on their splendid achievements.

NETBALL

Our readers will recall that the U.B.A.A. Netball team finished in second position in the 1953 competition run by the St. Patrick's Netball League. The season came to an official close during the month of August, but this enthusiastic bunch of ladies realised that to maintain their high standard of play they must continue to practice, if not as often, but as systematic as during the season. A few friendly games were played, one against the "Trinidad Guardian" Sports Club, in Port-of-Spain, which we won by 9 goals to 1, and another against a Nurses' team from the San Fernando Colonial Hospital, this game ending in a 6—1 victory for us.



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