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Cabinet has directed that the PM's Tobago Relief Fund is to be spent on the following rehabilitation measures proposed by the Tobago Development Team. The fund now stands at \$691,410.88.

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- Grants to fishermen for the repair or replacement of boats damaged or destroyed by the hurricane.

- Grants for the repairs of cocoa fermentaries and driers.

Labour Replies to Rojas

This week, the National Trades Union Congress and its 20 affiliated unions representing "the free labour movement of the country" passed the following resolution:

to denounce jointly to the world and emphatically repudiate the slanderous, libellous and wicked statement of Mr. Rojas, of the alleged capturing of the trade union movement in the country by Communists; and

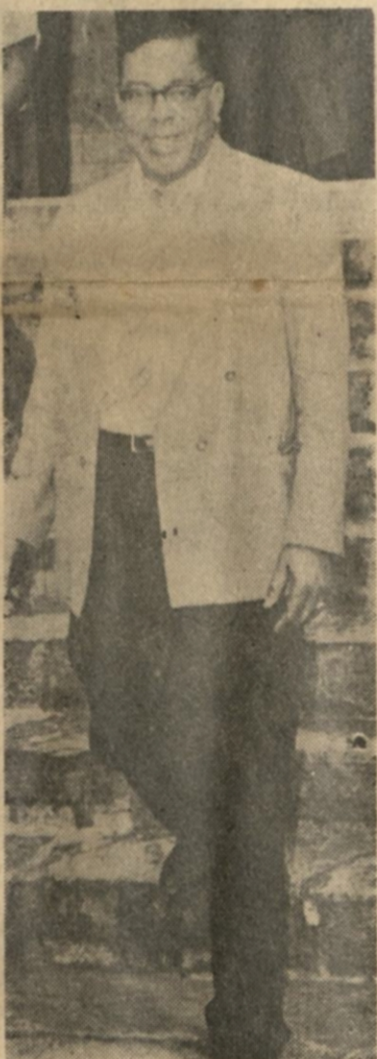
in particular Mr. Rojas's reversion to colonialism and the introduction of McCarthyism in our society of Trinidad and Tobago; and further

to denounce the support given Mr. Rojas by the International Federation of Petroleum and Chemical Workers, which for reasons of expediency (for Mr. Rojas represents no one but himself) have granted him the financial aid which has enabled him to carry through his campaign of slander against the elected representatives of the trade union movement.

(See Editorial)

OWTU to 'consider' Rojas

The Secretary of the Oilfield Workers' Trade Union, Mr. Cyril Gonzales, told us this week, that the Executive of its union will meet very shortly to consider the question of Senator Rojas's behaviour as a member of the union.



Senator Rojas

It is considered in trade union circles, he went on, that the Senator's behaviour is inimical to the well-being of the labour movement and the economy of the country. It is felt that the Senator's statements must be seriously considered in the light of the fact that he represents an international trade union body to which certain unions in this country are affiliated.



Mrs. Lucille Baptiste

TV at Balisier House

At Balisier House yesterday afternoon, the Assistant Secretary of the PNM, Mrs. Lucille Baptiste, received from Miss Ivy Chin on behalf of the Manager, Mr. Comer Murray, and directors of Rediffusion Television Ltd., a 23-inch Philips Television set, its the latest thing in TV we are told.

On hand to witness the ceremony was Miss Muriel Donawa, and members of PNM's staff.

Treasury Bills

The twenty-third issue of Treasury Bills resulted in \$27,223,000 allocated of \$27,223,000 applied for, the average rate of discount of was 4.5% per annum and was 4.58 per cent per annum and the amount of Bills outstanding is \$23,737,000.

The NATION ON
SATURDAY MORNINGS
Beginning with the issue of
the first week in December
The NATION will be published
on Saturday mornings.

Minister murdered

A News report from a usually reliable source, indicates that Ghana's Minister of Trade, Mr. Michael Darko-Sarkwa was murdered on November 15, at Arwadia. It is understood that he had gone to the area to open a diamond marketing office.

In The House Today . . .

When the House of Representatives deals with the business of Private Members today, a motion by the MHR for Pointe-a-Pierre, Mr. Farquhar, urging that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operations of the Industrial Development Corporation, with particular reference to the administration of aid to the Pioneer Industries Ordinance, Chapter 33, No. 3 will be discussed.

Later on, the same member will move that negotiations between Government and the Civil Service Association regarding the Classification and Compensation of Civil Servants be concluded before the commencement of the Second Five-Year Development Programme.

The MHR for Princes Town, Mr. Stephen Maharaj will ask the House to protest the action of the British Government in delaying B.G.'s independence, and to condemn its decision to change that country's electoral system.

The MHR for Caroni, Mr. Balgobin Ramdeen, will ask the House to approve the grant of radio time to the Opposition.

ROJAS SEES RED

HARD ON THE HEELS OF THE INQUIRY into the probability and existence of subversive activities in this country, appears an article in the magazine "Petro", revealing some rather startling allegations as to communist infiltration locally.

Coming from one such as Senator Rojas, whose wide experience and knowledge of local activities is unquestioned, his words of warning and his accusations should not be taken lightly and unnoticed.

He does not simply generalise, but is deliberate and courageous enough to do some name-calling; and the inference drawn from some of his accusing words is that a too easy policy of trusting too implicitly can result, however remote, in the dislocation of the machinery of Government and in the disturbance of the peace which we enjoy.

Everyone in this country should, by now, have some idea of the manner in which Communism seeks to spread its doctrine and its way of thought and action, so as to gain a foothold in the most unsuspected places and in places where its interests are most likely to be best served and have a most damaging effect.

Already, there are practical examples of communist contamination in the Caribbean. Cuba is the outstanding case, for incidents there have clearly shown which way the wind is blowing and the extent to which a country, whether we like it or not, may jeopardise the freedom and independence of its citizens in an effort to set up and sustain a government based on the principles of communism, which enunciates the doctrine of *programme before person*.

Consequently, events there and elsewhere make it imperative that some concern be given to Rojas's accusing words, in which he alleges that the poison of Communist ideology has succeeded in infiltrating into the ranks of responsible people of this country.

Himself a trade unionist, he warns that the trade union movement is likely to disintegrate and fall apart, if something is not done to check the inflow of communism. Already, he asserts, it has infiltrated into some of the key positions of the movement and in his name-calling includes the Civil Service.

This is a bold and far-reaching accusation to make, well knowing that the composition of certain organisations makes them a vulnerable spot in which to establish a bridgehead for the indoctrination of members into such teachings that can undermine public morality, and make it unsafe for the democratic way of life, which places *person before programme*.

True enough, we must await the report of the Commission on Subversive Activities. But Rojas's disclosures, be they true or false, seem to give greater urgency to the need to have the Commission report as early as possible and to have it published without delay.

In the meantime, must Rojas's words go unheeded? He evidently behaves like one who feels he is entitled to form an opinion on this matter as he must think he has good grounds for so doing. Indeed, no one would expect him or anyone else to make such serious charges in an idle and irresponsible mood.

Nor should he be accused of scare-mongering or witch-hunting. That seems besides the point. What is certainly more relevant is that immediate and efficient means should be taken to have Rojas support his allegations or let his disclosures stand thereby false and not proven.

Let's be done with it NOW.

conference of delegates

On Saturday and Sunday, the Oilfield workers' Trade Union will hold its Annual Conference of delegates, at the Palms Club, in San Fernando. Some 250 delegates hailing from the various branches of the union are expected to attend.

The feature address is to be delivered by the President General, Mr. George Weeks. The Union's economic adviser, Mr. Bernard Primus will also address the gathering.

A report from the General Council outlining the union's activities over the past 12 months will be presented.

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COMMENT—By Scribbler

Subversion

The Commission set up to inquire into the probability of subversive activities has concluded its task, all to the preparation and submission of its report.

The only reason for reference to it at this stage, is that it would not have been polite nor wise to have said anything during the sittings, that would have embarrassed the Commission or prejudiced their work as a section of the Press repeatedly tried to do.

Newspapers, like other institutions are expected to measure up to a certain standard of behaviour, especially where the protection and welfare of a people are concerned. The constant repetitions of the Press trying to make out that the enquiry was not necessary was mis-timed and must have irked the members of the Commission.

To a substantial section of the community the inquiry was necessary, if only to set at rest certain fears and suspicions that were taking root.

This unbecoming behaviour prompts the question "who was trying to subvert who?"

TV in schools

Earlier this month (Monday 11) a new system of teaching was introduced in schools. A gift of 55 television sets from the Trinidad and Tobago Television Service made this possible.

The School Broadcasting Division is responsible for a six-week exploratory pilot scheme which includes 60 lessons divided into short morning and afternoon sessions. 46 Secondary and Intermediate Schools are enjoying this treat. These lessons are varied with a view to giving instructions in as many important subjects as possible.

Such subjects as history, civics, world affairs, geography, music science are included in the programme.

Further afield are descriptions in cartoons of the structure of the Commonwealth, a film showing the 1962 meeting of the Commonwealth Ministers and some aspects of life in Venezuela and British Guiana.

It is hoped that this pilot scheme will be so successful as to make its initiation of a permanent nature.

The Ministry of Education and Culture is to be commended.

Beet Sugar

In reply to a question in the House of Commons, Mr. Christopher Soames, Minister of Education, in a written reply said that Britain intends to produce

more beet sugar next year. More than 20,000 acres will be put under cultivation to meet this increase.

He was not sure whether the increased acreage would be continued in subsequent years. This would depend upon the sugar situation. Mr. Soames admitted that "as a result of home consumption, and arrangements with the Commonwealth, there was no shortage of sugar available in Britain."

The painful reaction of beet sugar production in West Indian production in first half of this century is still fresh in mind. It is to be wondered to what extent Britain's intention to increase production of this commodity will affect World conditions in the near future.

A Compliment

Mr Colin Max Inniss, a journalist, speaking at a meeting in London had this to say: "The coloured peoples had given us whites more than we had given them." Mr. Max Inniss went on to remark that it would not be in the best interest if the coloured people were made to return from England.

In support of this statement be observed that very many of London's nurses are West Indians, and that without them the hospitals would be understaffed. . . . these West Indians are just as skilled, and just as charming as white nurses.

These observations should go a long way in dispelling the doubt that some people are inferior, and that they are unable to measure up to the standards set in any field of activity regardless of race or colour.

On the foreign front

British Guiana continues to make front-page news with Dr. Jagan in the leading role. His latest attempt to indoctrinate the youth does not show well against the background of suspicion that ties him up with an extremely leftist tendency.

To have told the youths of his country that he supports the Cuban revolution and that his Progressive Youth Organisation must fight imperialism as Cuba's

ST. GEORGE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Public is hereby notified that until further notice, the section of La Horquette Branch Road, Point Cumana, Ward of Diego Martin, 200 feet from its junction with La Horquette Road, is closed to traffic for the rebuilding of a bridge, due to damage to the road by flood.

Sgd. F. F. JOSEPH,
ag. Chief Executive Officer
St. George County Council.

Castro did, was not a very becoming statement, even making allowances for his disappointment and frustration.

It is difficult to reconcile what he says with what he sometimes does. He has written the Prime Minister warning that "failure to arrive at a solution of British Guiana's problem might lead to anarchy and result in further difficulties and differences."

The question might well be asked which is more likely to lead to anarchy, the statements and decision of the Prime Minister or Jagan's incitement to his people to follow the lead set by Castro?

Moscow Acts

The release of Yale University Professor Frederick C. Barghoorn by Moscow on charges of "spying" settles any fear, for the time being at least, of the "cold war getting colder."

Professor Barghoorn, an expert on Soviet affairs, was released, it was stated because of the "personal concern" of President Kennedy. The Professor's release came 16 days after his arrest.

He said in London that he is a free agent, and decides what he wants to do. But "Tass" the Soviet news agency maintains, despite his release that there was sufficient grounds to try him as an American spy. Knowing the Soviet's policy for magnifying incidents, it can only be said that this is a happy ending to what might have assumed great proportions and "All's well, that ends well!"

A reader replies to 'The Scribbler'

The Editor, The NATION.

Sir:—Your correspondent "Scribbler", whose letter you published in your issue of November 15, is rather naive to accuse me of class prejudice because I wrote that "traditionally, because of the class complex of our social system, the Senate—like the House of Lords at London—takes precedence over the elected House of Representatives in ceremonial but not financial matters."

By what tradition—if it is not one involving class considerations—does the purely-nominated Senate take precedence over the wholly-elected House of Representatives on ceremonial occasions? Is this not due to the fact that the Senate is considered as roughly corresponding to the House of Lords, that absurd anachronism, in Britain where peers rank before the members of the House of Commons on account of the class complex of the British social system? To persons

of "Scribbler's" mentality, of course, that is democratic because the English do it.

If either of us is guilty of anything, your correspondent "Scribbler" is guilty of harbouring snobbery and class prejudice, because all that I did was to report what is a fact.

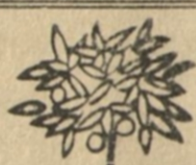
I discount the rest of his letter as a diatribe, because there are very few political positions in Jamaica that I would not have held had I been willing to compromise my conscience on important national issues or my political convictions.

I suppose "Scribbler" believes that Trinidad is a "class-less" society. He would be right if he were thinking exclusively of what goes on after dark or in secret.

I am,

Yours faithfully,
KEN HILL.

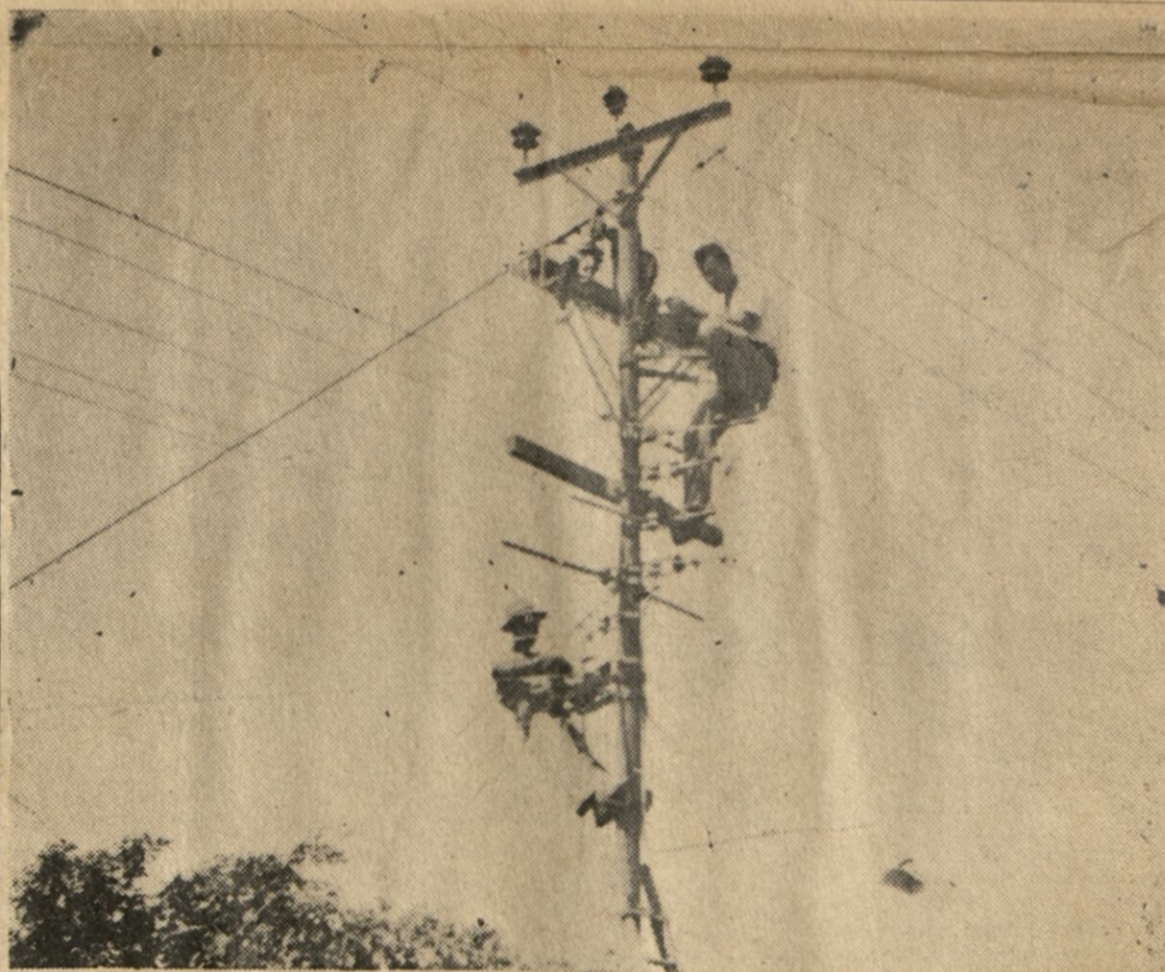
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trade unions and

Doubtlessly, the trade union movement has exerted its influence on the progress of the country and has been of immense value to workers. Recent events, however, prompt the question whether it continues to perform its functions in that sure and methodical manner which should mark its usefulness, or whether, in its zeal it is not over-reaching itself?

Some trade unions, however well intentioned, do not seem able to relate their functions to our newly established independence. In their enthusiasm they are not as aware as they should be of the implications of nationhood, and the important part they are expected to play. No one will advocate a minimising of the functions or power of labour organisations, but they should appreciate the new responsibility of workers in their relationship with the policies of a new nation.

no vision

It is feared their present conduct, in many instances, betrays a lack of vision or sense of obligation to those whom they represent. This does not reflect creditably on the leadership, as the circumstances which underline some labour disputes do not appear to be the result of any careful thought.

These criticisms do not apply to all leaders, but the mistakes and the misdirections are so apparent as to give an unfavourable impression of the movement as a whole.

political liberty

We live under a political system that, in its broadest conception does not deny or curtail certain privileges. We enjoy political liberty, as enshrined in our constitution; ours is a heritage of freedom of thought and expression, and freedom of action. These have become so commonplace, and so much a part of our every day life that

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By Scrutator

they are taken for granted and are likely to be sometimes abused.

It is only in comparison with some countries that like ourselves, have recently achieved independence, the significance of these our blessings are noted. Here, Government recognises that it owes its life to the people's will, and does not exercise its powers arbitrarily.

It must not be forgotten however, that Government has the power to make laws where they do not exist, or to invoke those by which it is guided to suppress these very cherished freedoms, which we liberally enjoy, when expressions or actions are calculated not to be in best interest of the nation, or when there is evidence that certain attitudes can incite to disaffection or create disorder.

governments are human

While Governments are slow to adopt such measures, they are human, and there is a limit to their tolerance and patience. No Government can continue to sit supinely for long and allow any organisation, labour or otherwise, to threaten to disrupt harmony or interfere with its planned economy. In these times, especially, leaders have to be on the alert that a conflict of ideologies do not spur them to acting contrary to well-established principles.

Labour organisations, in particular, should always be on guard, so as not to give the slightest suspicion that they are incapable of trust. At present, however, there are signs that all is not well on the labour front. It might be that any defection from their purpose is unintentional, but that is more the reason why the present trend is causing alarm.

not in defiance

It is not pleasant to have to refer, in this context, to what is considered the "light-heartedness" of some trade union leaders. It cannot be denied they have their rights, and are obligated to safeguard and further the interests of those whom they serve; but their duty to the state often transcends their duties to members.

Trade union organisations, like all other organisations,

have their part to play in the emergence of any people. They are not expected to act in defiance of this; or by an exalted opinion of their functions, do anything to impair the resourcefulness of industry or Government's plans to fashion an economy suited to the exigencies of the times. In so doing they destroy the efforts of the state and work hardships on their direct membership.

their functions

A paradox of trade unionism is that they should be united in purpose, and not divided in outlook, but the picture today is not very reassuring. There is, in the main, an absence of appreciation of responsibility which imposes the exercise of caution; their behaviour at times can be interpreted as being inimical to the national cause. The multiplicity of strikes, and the manner in which they are called and conducted lead to the belief that leaders are motivated by a selfish desire for power rather than to render sincere service. The infringement on each other's preserves to the confusion of workers, is becoming a pastime with no concern of the consequences.

public sympathy

Too often public sympathy is forfeit, if only because their demands have no relationship to the capacity of industry to bear such added burdens. Yet not for a moment is it being suggested that the worker is not entitled to a just reward for his services, but trade unionism is not intended to exploit for exploitation's sake. It might be that too much zeal at times beclouds the real issues and not seldom, so too does a blind hostility on both sides between management and labour.

The excuse cannot be given that as yet union leaders have not acquired the necessary experience. A failure, often remarked, is that without a careful scrutiny of all the relevant factors strikes are undertaken, much to the discomfort of all concerned, and it appears that the general policy is to strike first and negotiate after.

a duty

Unionists, by their conduct, have the power to change the economic and social complexion of the country. In these days of improved thought, leaders are expected to educate workers in an appreciation of their obligations. The slogan "a fair day's work for a fair day's wage" still has merit. When they let up on the job they let down their

efforts in all directions in helping to build a strong economic structure.

Time was when capital and labour were antagonistic to each other. This era is past. Experience has taught that both are necessary arms in the production of wealth, and both must share in this wealth.

gain, but as contributors to a country's welfare.

There is no room in trade unionism for personal vendettas, as popularly ascribed to some of the more recent labour disturbances. Each case has to be decided on the merits of fact, and it is always hazardous to go beyond the scope of the elemental demands expected of a union. Where the question of principle is involved, this could be resolved around a bargaining table instead of causing a stoppage of work.

Strikes have always been resorted to when other means of an amicable settlement fail. The present pattern bears a close resemblance to the reverse. The present idea appears to be to incite members even before negotiations begin. Some of the interviews given the press during a labour deadlock are even threatening in language, which does much to prejudice the issues involved and delay settlements.

The more thinking of trade union members complain that important decisions are taken by a cloistered few, and no matter how distasteful their decisions are, they are irrevocable, despite an almost unanimous appeal against the harm done. Such an attitude creates an atmosphere of suspicion that considerations other than the members' interests motivate these decisions.

Trade unionism is a common heritage; it is the liveliest expression of good relations in industry, and it should be expected to work not only towards the security of the workers, but also to see to it that its efforts are directed towards assisting a nation in overcoming the problems of its economic growth and development.

outlook

Trade unionism is grown in stature. Leaders are expected to look over their own frontiers to the broader vision outside and adjust their sights to helping to build a viable economy from which they will be entitled to extract benefits.

A wanton disregard of the very principles on which trade unionism is built is short-sighted and does not show a realistic approach to those problems which, by virtue of their operations, they should assist in solving.

new attitude needed

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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

PNM's ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

At this month's regular meeting of General Council members took a decision which may go a long way towards the fostering of fraternal relationship between members of the Party.

General Council has decided to hold an Annual Christmas Dinner for members of General Council and Party members in general. As a result the Entertainment Committee is to meet today at 7.30 p.m. at Balisier House to consider the holding of a Christmas Dinner in December.

A move like this emanating from the top indicates the realisation by some members of the necessity for social intercourse in the P.N.M. family.

NAPARIMA GOES FORWARD :

Recently the General Secretary and the Assistant General Secretary went to Naparima in an effort to assist that Constituency to re-double its efforts in the formation of new Party Groups and awakening sleeping groups into action.

As a direct result, the Constituency Supervisor, Mr. C. A. Duncan, reported the holding of elections of officers in Party Groups 1 and 7 of Naparima on the 17th Uovember, 1963.

Party Group 1. (Tarouba Settlement): Chairman, Mr. Askaran Jaglal; vice-chairman, Mr. Clarence Bachan; secretary, Mr. Jerry Ishmile Salim; ass't sec., Mr. Be-

harry Lal; treasurer, Mr. Seedath Ramlogan; public relations secretary, Mr. Samlal Badree; elections officer, Mr. Dookie Bunsie; education secretary, Mr. Jagroop Ragoonanan; youth officer, Mr. Dyer Samaroo.

Committee members are: Mr. Seunarine Battoo, and Mr. Nandy Ram.

Representatives on Constituency Group: Mr. Askaran Jaglal, Mr. Beharrylal, Mr. Jerry Ishmile Salim.

Constituency Conference Delegate: Mr. Jagroop Ragoonanan, Mr. Dookie Bunsie, Mr. Dyer Samaroo.

Delegate to Annual Convention: Mr. Askaran Jaglal.

Party Group 7. (Diamond Village)

Chairman, Mr. Randolph Webb; vice-chairman, Mr. Leo Farmer; secretary, Miss Sheila Wright; assistant secretary, Miss Agnes Dickson; treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Webb; public relations secretary, Mr. Cyril Wright, elections officer, Mr. Seunarine Dubay; education secretary, Mr. Enos Lambert; youth officer, Mr. Kenneth Sylvester.

Committee Members: Mr. Gorie Sankar; Mr. Wilfred Roberts.

Representatives on Constituency Group: Mr. Randolph Webb, Mr. Lee Farmer; Mr. Cyril Wright Constituency Conference Delegates, Mrs. Alma Fray, Mr. Gorie Sankar, Mrs. Agnes Dickson. Delegate to Annual Convention: Mr. Leo Farmer.

We wish these Executive Offi-

cers every success in their term of office, and we hope this will serve as an inspiration to other groups in the area which have not yet held their elections.

MARAVAL CONSTITUENCY PG 12

The officers of Party Group 12, Maraval, for the 1963/64 term were installed by the vice chairman of the Maraval Constituency, Councillor C. A. Dolly, on November 11. The ceremony was performed at a meeting held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. Piggott in Cascade.

After the installation ceremony, a very interesting discussion initiated by two members who recently returned from studies in the UK and the UCWI respectively.

The officers installed were:— E. Piggott, chairman; Collin Newsum, vice-chairman; Miss Rose Williams, secretary; W. Pierre, ass't secretary; S. Paul, treasurer; K. Foncette, public re-

lations officer; R. Duprey, elections officer; K. Tuach, education officer; A. McFarlane, youth officer. Committee members are Dr. J. A. Waterman and Mrs. D. Piggott.

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PG No. 9—Chaguanas		26.00
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PG No. No. 15—San Fernando East		66.00
PG No. 15—Princes Town		10.00
PG No. 11 P.O.S. North		35.00
PG No. 14—La Brea		6.00
Total		\$2,560.02

Parcels Evening

A grand parcel evening sponsored by the D'Abadie Village Council, will be held at the Rose of Sharon Hall, D'Abadie, on Saturday, November 30, from 7.00 p.m. to midnight. A gent will pay 50 cents for admission while a lady must carry along a parcel. Sweet music will be supplied

Yours faithfully,
Nicholas Swinerton

The National Village Handicraft Exhibition

From December 6 to 8, Government will sponsor a National Handicraft Exhibition for the Prime Minister's trophy, at the National Museum and Art Gallery. Participants will be the nine villages that emerge winners in the County Exhibition/Competition to be held between November 23 and 27.

Tomorrow, the County Exhibitions will open in Victoria, at the Princes Town Community Centre; in Nariva, at the Rio Claro County Council Hall; in Mayaro, at the Mayaro Community Centre.

On Sunday, competitions will be held in Caroni, at the Couva Community Centre; and in St. Patrick at the Siparia County Council Hall.

On Monday, it will be St. Davids turn and the competition will be held at the Toco Community Centre. The same day the St. Andrew's competition will be held at the Sangre Grande Civic Centre.

In St. George East, the competition will be held at the Tunapuna County Council Hall on November 26, and the same day at the St. Ann's Community Education Workshop the competition for St. George West will be held. The duration of each competition will be two days.

As explained earlier, the nine winning villages will compete from December 6 to 8 in the National Exhibition Competition. Not more than 250 items may be entered by any one village.

The entire project is related to a proposal that this Christmas be designated — a "Buy Local—Give Local" Christmas, and it is suggested that craftsmen, village groups and the general public should actively participate in the programme.

TENDERS

EXTENSION OF CLOSING DATE

Mobile X-Ray Unit for Ministry of Health

With reference to the notice dated 17th October, 1963, inviting tenders for the supply of a Mobile X-Ray Unit for the Thoracic Division of the Ministry of Health and Housing, prospective tenderers are hereby notified that the closing date for the submission of tenders has been extended to 4.00 p.m. on Friday, 7th January, 1964.

K. KELSHALL,
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Thank you, THE EDITOR.

a distortion

The Editor, The Nation,

Sir,—I was bemused on reading the profiles of Dr. Williams, appearing in another newspaper. The extravagant language in which they are couched, gives the impression that according to their range of vision, men are apt to put any picture, however faithful in reproduction, out of focus and view it only as distorted and unbalanced.

I have been trying to understand these profiles, but from the manner of their descriptions have been unable to establish any definite connections between them and the subject whose character they are supposed to sketch. It is not that flatter or compliment should consume the writer, but at least accuracy should not have been beclouded by alleged peevishness.

So little is written in so much that motive seems hidden in a forest of words, and the veiled insinuations which parade these profiles do not make lively reading.

The elements of peevishness stand out so boldly that they cannot be easily overlooked; the reason for which is obscure until one reads these profiles in conjunction with an article by the same author, entitled "Once Upon a Time" appearing in the October issue of a local news magazine.

CONSTANT READER,

Curepe.

Touting in Lower Courts

13 November, 1963

The Editor, The Nation,

Dear Sir,
I read with interest the speech made by the Chief Justice on the opening of the new session of the Supreme Court. Like you (your editorial) I am sure that it is an article which should not only be read but studied by all Trinidadians since it raises many questions of social standards and reform which seem to be very necessary in our present society not the

least of which is the fact that some Barristers are guilty of employing touts.

I agree entirely with your suggestion that the education authorities should try to ensure that only the best persons will "sift" through to practice the profession but there is a danger here that the profession may be made a "closed" one rather than one which encourages people from all walks of life. In that vein there is a tendency to regard the present system by which Barristers are educated in England (by those who don't know) as unsatisfactory. This is quite wrong and there are various reasons which one cannot go into in a letter of this length.

In my opinion the fact that Barristers employ touts and get away with it should be blamed almost squarely on the shoulders of the Bar Council. One may well ask why is there not a similar situation arising in the Solicitor's branch of the profession. We must resist the urge to answer this question by means of technical details which are not generally known to the public or that Barristers are better advocates than Solicitors.

The fact is that touting is prominent only in the lower Courts and here Solicitors are known just as Barristers as being household words in advocacy.

The Law Society has shown that it will not tolerate standards incompatible with its profession by suspending and even expelling members of its body. When has one heard of similar measures being taken or recommended by the Bar Council? If they took courage in their hands and suspended the few indulge openly in this ludicrous practice then it would soon be stopped. One has only to go to the Court house on a morning before 9 a.m. and in a few days would have enough evidence to recommend disbandment for the guilty parties. Believe me if 2 or 3 such recommendations were made and carried out, there would be an unbelievable change. Let the Bar Council try it and see.

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No work is done, and we the residents have to wade through the grass as best we could (and we have snakes around here), to get in out of our homes.

Most of the sidewalks in St. James are paved now, so I don't see why the cutlassing gangs can't concentrate around these areas and make it a bit safer for us to walk.

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The Editor, The Nation,

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Hast'ning on with joyous feet;
They shall bear the Cross of our Nation,
And shall find salvation sweet.

Lift him up in all his glory,
A son of the soil most high;
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How victorious we are through our guide;
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two-year crash programme

In the House of Representatives last Friday, the Deputy Prime Minister, Dr. Solomon, laid on the table the Report of the Tobago Planning Team.

When the Acting Minister of Agriculture, Mr. A. A. Thompson moved that Government acquire a parcel of land on Sellier Street to provide for the extension of the St. Augustine Telephone Exchange, Mr. Seukeran seized the opportunity to attack Government's land acquisition policy.

The Telephone Service, he said, was the worst of the Public Utilities and has not gone to pieces solely because of the amicability and competence of the General Manager, Mr. Aleong. He had been informed by reliable people that no less than \$10M. would be required to produce an efficient system. He hoped that Government

in telephones

would compensate the owners of the acquired land adequately and punctually as their record in the past was quite bad. In the case of acquisition in the Oropouche Lagoon for drainage and irrigation, up to today, 3 years after the acquisition, compensation had not been paid to the farmers. This was a hardship on them as their 30,000 acres had been acquired, to make the rice bowl of Trinidad, and the farmers were not given alternative sites, no compensation had been paid, and the scheme was still incomplete. Oropouche was now a barren

desert and government had merely succeeded in making good lands into bad.

Stage two of the programme was urgently required to be put into effect and the Opposition would willingly pass the \$½M. required to complete the irrigation works to save the \$1M. spent on drainage.

Mr. Thompson replying felt sure that Mr. Seukeran knew that he could bring a resolution on the Oropouche scheme. The resolution being debated merely called for the acquisition of lands to extend the St. Augustine Exchange as part of the general expansion programme in Telephone. A contract had already been signed with a US concern, and shortly a crash programme in Telephones would be launched to extend over the next two years.

Expenditure On Embassies

On Tuesday last at 1.30 p.m., the Senate had its second sitting of the session. The business of the day included the appointment of sessional committees, the passing of two Bills and a resolution for the acquisition of lands by Government.

The President, Senator Maurice announced the following appointments:

- (a) Standing Orders Committee: Senators Sabga Aboud, Verna Crichtlow, Bleasdel and Walke.
- (b) House Committee: Senators Donald Pierre, Beckles, Stollmeyer and Lucky-Samaroo.
- (c) Committee of Privileges: Senators W. J. Alexander, Sinanan, Lange and Julien.
- (d) Regulatory Committee: Senators George Richards, Simonette, Wright and Rojas.

The President sits as Chairman on all the above Committees.

On the Public Accounts Committee, which is a joint Committee of both Houses, the Senate approved the appointment of Senators Hobson and Williams.

The Bill to provide for the supplementary appropriation of over eight million dollars for the service of Trinidad and Tobago gave to the Opposition and a couple independent members the chance to criticise Government on what they considered a slipshod way in which it sometimes did its business.

Senator Bleasdel, speaking first for the Opposition, criticised the expenditure on the Embassies and considered their establishment in British Guiana, Jamaica and Venezuela an unnecessary expense. It was an era of the misuse of funds and the DLP were not going to support the Bill.

Criticised

the recession and thought the economy of the country, though sound basically, needed a shot in the arm. He expressed agreement with Government's broad policy, but there was lack of efficiency in the implementation.

Senator Sinanan said he thought that Government itself was guilty of indiscriminate spending at a time when it was asking the nation to save and husband its resources and to stop frivolous spending. That the failure to get a loan in the United States was evidence of the poor credit the country enjoyed abroad.



The President, Mr. Maurice

Senator Wright was very severe in her criticism of the injustice done to other areas in the way in which Government decided to carry through its special works programme, in order to achieve some unemployment relief for Christmas. And Senator Lange urged on Government to change the existing formula arranged with the Bus Concessionaires so as to reduce the subsidy now being paid on public transport, even if it becomes necessary to increase passenger fares. Senator Julien also joined in the debate.

a great improvement

Senator Richards (the Attorney General) and Senator Pierre (Minister of Education and Culture) who had introduced the Bill explained the present system of dealing with supplementary appropriations of bringing them as early as possible before Parliament for approval, which was a great improvement on the system of previous governments when supplementary appropriations came up for approval two or three years late.

charges repelled

They dealt in detail with the several complaints or accusations and repelled the charge, that

Government was at any time slipshod or reckless. It was not possible to budget in advance for much of the additional expenditure which was unavoidable. They did not agree that, whatever recession there was, it was as great as was mentioned and it was untrue to say that the credit of the country was in poor shape. On the contrary, the country's credit stood as high as that of any country of its size and resources in any part of the world.

It was wrong to think that because British Guiana was merely a colony, the appointment of the Commissioner there was unnecessary and to justify this point of view, the case was mentioned of the appointment of the Indian Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago, though still then a mere colony.

As to the bus formula, a committee of Cabinet was engaged reviewing the matter.



Senator Hobson

a good record

On the whole, the request for a supplementary appropriation of 4 per cent of the total budget in order to meet the expenditure on items which could not have been provided for in the original budget, was as good a governmental record as any.

The Bill was passed by a majority.



THE DOCTOR SAYS

treaties to be re-originated

.....Now that the hurricane of September 30 has hit Tobago, the basic problem emerges in a more acute form. It would be unthinkable, for example, that the Government should permit private investment which would involve the wholesale alienation to non-nationals of the land of Tobago, simply because, the rights of the people of Tobago are insufficiently protected by the Aliens Landholdings Ordinance, partly because of treaty responsibilities of Britain in the colonial period which we inherited with Independence, with reservations that we specifically stated. We have already decided, therefore, in the context of our lawful rights under the Independence Agreement with Britain, to notify the Governments concerned that we propose to re-negotiate the treaties they had with the former metropolitan power in respect of the rights of their nationals to own land in Tobago . . .

Let me give you another example of the problem posed by Tobago. In 1956 there were just under 4,000 farms in Tobago with a total acreage of 40,000 acres. A mere 14 of these farms aggregated 15,000 acres; in other words, nearly 40 per cent of the land was embraced in less than half of one per cent of the farms. Farms of 100 acres and over in size represented less than one per cent of all farms, but constituted 50 per cent of the acreage in farms.

At the other extreme nine out of ten farms were less than 10 acres in size, and these comprised more than one quarter of the total acreage in farms; the average size of these 3,300 farms was less than four acres

—From the PM's fourth report on Tobago, October 1963.

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Senator Richards

economy sound — but

Senator Lucky-Samaroo also criticised the expenditure on the Embassies, but considered the savings on St. Ann's Hospital unjustified. She also criticised Government for not taking part in the New York World's Fair and that savings on some unnecessary items would be well spent in taking part in the Fair to improve the tourist trade.

Senator Hobson complained of

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a slight novel

THE GAMES WERE COMING

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A new West Indian novel has appeared. A pretty slight one this time.

A certain modesty, aesthetic as well as sexual, is the chief characteristic of Michael Anthony's novel his first. Perhaps the two are connected. The book's ambition is small, its probing tentative... To say even this is to overstate the case.

The sexual modesty is not so much a refusal to refer more than allusively to matters that have been examined and are profoundly understood by the author. As Hemingway has pointed out, what is thoroughly known can be left out and will be felt in the writing. This novel is more concerned with plot than with character, and so motivation, particularly sexual motivation, is not deeply felt and carefully probed, because the author wants to get on with the story and allows himself little time for what does not seem to interest him much.

win by a tyre's edge

The plot takes only a few lines' retelling. The Southern Games are coming and so is Carnival, Leon, who has recently discovered his ability as a cyclist is training for the Fifteen Mile Blue Riband, under the devoted supervision of his father. He has to prove that his victory over Spence at Siparia some months before was not a fluke. For the time being he gives up his virginal girl friend Sylvia, who, unable to repress her instincts, and therapeutically relaxed by the approach of Carnival, slides into an affair with Mr. Mohansingh, the owner of the store in Marabella where she works. Sylvia, of course, gets

pregnant. Leon does not discover this; but she makes him promise to marry her if he wins the Blue Riband. And he wins it by a tyre's edge. So close does Sylvia come to failing to save herself from permanent disgrace in her own eyes.

by data and incident

Mr. Anthony's method of treating character, insofar as he treats it at all, is by data and incident. Given: Leon is a serious cyclist. So he trains seriously and races hard. Given: Sylvia is a pure-minded girl. So she is annoyed when Mr. Mohansingh merely rests his hand on her shoulder. But also given: Sylvia has instincts. So she finally responds to Mr. Mohansingh's advances. The method hardly satisfies. The two important psychological conflicts in the book, that between Leon's interest in cycling and in Sylvia, and that between Sylvia's chaste principles and her instincts, are postulated without being deeply explored.

The plot is conceived from the top of the head, in terms of what shall be made to happen next; and an attempt is made to generate an excitement that is not really there by the device of repeating the magic formula "The games were coming" as frequently as possible without being positively tedious. The



The author, Mr. Michael Anthony, is a Trinidadian, from Mayaro. He now lives in London and works as a clerk in the British Railways. "The Games Were Coming" his first work, was published on November 18 by Andre Deutsch.

subject-verb-object simplicity of the language does not result from a subtlety of wit that works by implying as in Nappaul, or from desire to order and clarify what is complex and difficult; it seems to come from a chosen superficiality of attitude towards the material.

real tension

The only real tension is in the account of the Blue Riband race which closes the book. And even this is done the easy way, the almost purely narrative way, used before by thousands of films with racing sequences, and likely to be used again by thousands more. But the race is not merely a race. Leon's opinion of himself, his father's paternal pride, and Sylvia's future as the respectable lady she wants to be are at stake. Yet we get only fleeting impressions of the race from their point of view. Here the story challenges the author to get inside his characters and project their involvement in Leon's performance. But one has to be satisfied with little more than knowing who is first, second, etc., at particular points.

Mr. Anthony has chosen to dodge all the conflicts that he sets up. One wonders why.

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The books are "A History of the People of Trinidad and Tobago" and "Capitalism and Slavery."

Mr. Deutsch arranged to publish them after he met Dr. Williams in Trinidad earlier this year. Both will be brought out in hard cover and paper back form.

It will be the first time that these historical studies have been published in Britain. Dr. Williams's History was published in Trinidad in 1962, while his book on slavery was originally published in the United States in 1944.

"Capitalism and Slavery" is widely regarded as a classic in its field. Professor Sir Denis Brogan, Professor of Political Science at the University of Cambridge, has written a new introduction for the British edition. Professor Brogan has described Dr. Williams as "the most brilliant student I have ever had."

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4. The contractor will be required to supply materials on spot during normal working hours and not later than the date specified on the Invoice Orders. Measurements will be taken on the spot to which materials are consigned.

5. Any person desirous of submitting a tender will be required to deposit the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars with the Chief Officer in respect of each tender before any tender is made and this fact must be recorded in the tender quoting the receipt number, and the date of deposit.

6. The Council may forfeit any sum so deposited if:—

- (a) Any person making the deposit fails to submit a tender;
- (b) Any person whose tender is accepted fails or refuses to enter into a formal contract within fourteen days after date of notification in writing and signed by the Clerk of the Tenders Board.

7. After a contract is awarded the Council shall refund all deposits made by the tenderers, save as provided for at Clause 6.

8. The successful tenderer will be required to enter into a formal contract with the Chief Executive Officer and also to furnish security in the sum of One Thousand Dollars for the due performance of the contract.

9. Tenders which do not conform with the requirements of the advertisement will not be considered. Tenders received with alterations or erasures not initialled by the tenderer will be rejected.

10. Prior to the execution of the contract the successful tenderer will be required to furnish proof of the ownership of the vehicle or vehicles registered and licensed in his name.

11. Further particulars of the terms and conditions of contract, etc., may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Princes Town, during normal working hours.

12. Tenders must be accompanied by a Certificate from the Commissioner of Inland Revenue to the effect that the person or persons tendering have complied with the provision of, and have fulfilled their obligations under the Income Tax Ordinance to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Inland Revenue for the three (3) years immediately preceding the year for which the tender is being made. The Board will not consider any tender which is not accompanied by such a Certificate.

13. Tenders must be addressed to the Chairman, Tenders Board, Victoria County Council, and marked "Tender for the Supply on spot of (type of material) for the Ward of", and deposited in the Tenders Box at the County Hall, Princes Town.

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The Negro says, 'Now'

At the Memorial Day ceremony at Gettysburg, Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice-President of the United States, made the following very impressive speech, which is taken from the "Negro as an American", published by the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions (a non-profit educational enterprise).

On this hallowed ground, heroic deeds were performed and eloquent words were spoken a century ago. We, the living, have not forgotten — and the world will never forget — the deeds or the words of Gettysburg. We honour them now as we join on this Memorial Day of 1963 in a prayer for permanent peace of the world and fulfillment of our hopes for universal freedom and justice.

We are called to honour our own words of reverent prayer with resolution in the deeds we

must perform to preserve peace and the hope of freedom.

We keep a vigil of peace around the world. Until the world knows no aggressors, until the arms of tyranny have been laid down, until freedom has risen up in every land, we shall maintain our vigil to make sure our sons who died on foreign fields shall not have died in vain.

As we maintain the vigil of peace, we must remember that justice is a vigil, too — a vigil we must keep in our own streets and schools and among the lives

of all our people, so that those who died here on their native soil shall not have died in vain.

One hundred years ago, the slave was freed.

One hundred years later, the Negro remains in bondage to the colour of his skin.

The Negro today asks justice.

We do not answer him — we do not answer those who lie beneath this soil — when we reply to the Negro by asking, "Patience."

It is empty to plead that the solution to the dilemmas of the present rests on the hands of the clock. The solution is in our hands. Unless we are willing to yield up our destiny of greatness among the civilisations of history, Americans — white and Negro together — must be about the business of resolving the

challenge which confronts us now.

Our nation found its soul in honour on these fields of Gettysburg one hundred years ago. We must not lose that soul in dishonour now on the fields of hate.

To ask for patience from the Negro is to ask him to give more of what he has already given enough. But to fail to ask of him — and of all Americans — perseverance within the processes of a free and responsible society would be to fail to ask what the national interest requires of all its citizens.

The law cannot save those who deny it but neither can the law serve any who do not use it. The history of injustice and inequality is a history of disuse of the law. Law has not failed — and is not failing. We as a nation have failed ourselves by not trusting the law and by not using the law to gain sooner the end of justice which law alone serves.

If the white overestimates what he has done for the Negro without the law, the Negro may under-estimate what he is doing and can do for himself with the law.

If it is empty to ask Negro or white for patience, it is not empty — it is merely honest — to ask perseverance. Men may build barricades — and others may hurl themselves against those barricades—but what would happen at the barricades would yield no answers. The answers will only be wrought by our

perseverance together. It is deceit to promise more as it would be cowardice to demand less.

In this hour, it is not our respective races which are at stake — it is our nation. Let those who care for their country come forward, North and South, white and Negro, to lead the way through this moment of challenge and decision. The Negro says, "Now." Others say, "Never." The voice of responsible Americans — the voice of those who died here and the great man who spoke here — their voices say, "Together." There is no other way.

Until justice is blind to colour, until education is unaware of race, until opportunity is unconcerned with the colour of men's skins, emancipation will be a proclamation but not a fact. To the extent that the proclamation of emancipation is not fulfilled in fact, to that extent we shall have fallen short of assuring freedom to the free.

ST. GEORGE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Public is hereby notified that until further notice, the section of Hibiscus Drive, Petit Valley, Ward of Diego Martin, 300 feet from its junction with the Petit Valley Road to its end, is closed to traffic due to damages by flood.

Sgd. F. F. JOSEPH,
ag. Chief Executive Officer,
St. George County Council.

VICTORIA COUNTY COUNCIL

TENDERS

FOR TRANSPORT OF PITCH FROM LA BREA

Sealed tenders will be received up to 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 26th November, 1963, for the digging and transportation of Pitch from the Pitch Lake, La Brea, for use on Crown Traces, Local Roads, Cemeteries and Recreation Grounds in each of the following Wards for the year ending 31st December, 1964:—

Pointe-a-Pierre	Savana Grande	Moruga
Naparima	Ortoire	

- A separate tender must be submitted for each Ward and the rates quoted for transportation must be on the loaded cubic yard mile basis. The digging of the Pitch will be paid for separately by the Council at the recognised rates paid to diggers at the Lake.
- The contractor will be required to deliver on spot during normal working hours and not later than the dates specified on the Invoice Orders. Measurements will be taken on spot to which the pitch is consigned.
- Any person desirous of submitting a tender will be required to deposit the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars with the Chief Executive Officer in respect of each Ward before any tender is made and this fact must be recorded in the tender quoting the receipt number and the date of deposit.
- The Council may forfeit any sum so deposited if:—
 - Any person making the deposit fails to submit a tender;
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- Tenders must be addressed to the Chairman, Tenders Board, Victoria County Council, and marked "Tender for the Transportation of Pitch from La Brea, for the Ward of", and deposited in the Tenders Box at the County Hall, Princes Town.
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Simple Simon and Royal Magician

By Lucky Lou



Mr. John O'Halloran will certainly have a strong hand in the Rich Gold Cup on Boxing Day, when Simple Simon and Royal Magician will be carrying his colours.

Simple Simon, who won the feature event at Arima when he beat the South Caribbean sprint champion, Bounty, is in fine fettle and he is sure to face the starter as odds-on favourite for this event.

Partnered by Edward De Freitas in all his winning starts, it is expected that 'Eddie' will again be astride, although he is still nursing his leg, fractured while exercising his leg, FAUBOURG 11 colt a few weeks ago. He is recovering pretty rapidly and hope to be in the saddle next week.

Frank Quested is the likely jockey for Royal Magician and on looks alone, this grey should be followed.

Bred on fashionable lines by Royal Hamlet out of a Montrose mare—Magic Harp, a four year old colt, is a nice mover. Yester-

for Gold Cup

day morning, he looked comfortable in at three quarter pace with stable companion E.J. He is one to take note of.

This pair is being handled by 'Arima Lad' Williams and with E.J., which is also owned by Mr. O'Halloran, and the recently promoted Gone Away, could be a fine money-spinning team.

E.J. is a powerful looking chestnut two year old by Dionisio out of Starryland (Luminary). He appears to relish any type of going and is classified C1. It is a long time since I have seen a two year old as well muscled up as this one.

Gone Away has made rapid improvement this year and he proved that his Tobago victory was no fluke by winning the final event of that meeting over six furlongs. No doubt about it, this mare can sprint and stay.

Maple in FA zone final

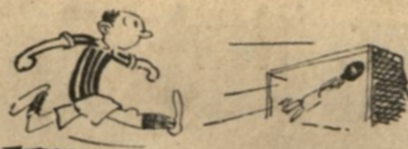
Although the Sunday jinks had been following Shamrock around, it was felt that the "Cafe Boys" would have increased their chances in the POSFL championship race when they met Dynamos in last Sunday's double-header.

But this was not to be, and the Dynamos outfit played, in my opinion, its best game for the season. This team has been promising so much but offering precious little as its football fluctuates like tropic weather. I think that the problem with that outfit, is that they attempt to play too fast. If they would only settle and employ their many skills...

So Regiment has reached the BDV finals at the expense of Malvern and with a Lambkin goal at that. It was not at all surprised to find that that same evening, Malvern supporters had

she is now classified C1 and although the competition in this class will be tougher, she is sure to perform creditably at this Xmas meeting.

So far, trainers have been concentrating on long pace work; but on Sunday, several stables are expected to do let down gallops, and in the coming weeks, rail birds will be following the preparations closely.



started to plan the annihilation of the Regiment later that week; they had even planned a dance. However, fate did not play them too kindly, for though the dance did come off, it was the Regiment who danced to a 5-1 beat.

Ror the first time, Malvern got a bitter taste of the cha-cha. The remaining matches for the "former" glamour team will merely be for the records.

Maple, whose 4-2-4 formation has paid large dividends this season, has now qualified to meet Luton Town, B in the zone FA final.

This they did by coasting to an elegant 3-nil win over Shamrock on Wednesday, with two goals from Ken Furlonge and one from Alvin Corneal.

Maple is the best knit combination in the League and their chances of winning the League, FA Trophy and the Godden Chisholm Cup are more than even.

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Boxing - a dying art

There was a time, not so very long ago, when professional boxing in Trinidad, drew large crowds to places like the Mucurapo and Woodbrook Stadiums. Those were the days when we were privileged to see such personalities as Bert Lytell, Kid Tonero, Rafael Lastra and Jota Jota Fernandez do battle with our own Gentle Daniel and Easy Boy Francis.

The visit of the then world heavyweight champion of the world, Joe Louis nearly caused a riot at the Queen's Park Oval, so large was the crowd; and a couple of years ago, we saw the greatest pound for pound fighter the world has ever known, Sugar Ray Robinson.

More recently, the British Empire champion, B. Grant, came but all interest was lost when his opponent, our own Johnny De Peiza suffered a last minute injury and had to withdraw.

Today, Mucurapo and Woodbrook Stadiums are mere memories of the past and we are still hoping against hope that one day, a national stadium will become a reality.

Professional boxing in Trinidad is now a farce since the bouts put on are scarcely more than ordinary, with the result that there is little public support.

Whatever interest is still aroused in this manly sport, is due in no uncertain manner to the efforts of those two livewires of boxing, H. A. Clarke and Lawrence 'Sudro' Assam. Theirs is the unenviable task of lifting boxing out of the doldrums and restoring it to its rightful place as one of the major events on our sporting calendar.

Telstar on wings

The Belmont Racing-Pigeon Club held its third race for the season, from San Fernando to Port-of-Spain, on Sunday, November 17. The race was won by Mr. Mike Morris' "Telstar" in 42 minutes 13 seconds.

The first three places were won by Telstar, Trade Wind, and Whistling Wind, in that order, all owned by Mr. Morris. Next came Mr. K. Yuk-See's Calypso; Mr. S. Tom Pack's Beltoe; Mr. M. Morris' Spartacus; Mr. J. Ward's Pinochio; and Mr. C. Gibbons' White Sand.

The club's next race will be held on Sunday, November 24, from San Fernando. Entries will be received up to 5.30 p.m. on Saturday, November 23, at 7 Boissiere Lane, Belmont. Phone 42619.

34 cricketers

for 'trials'



Beneath are the names of 34 cricketers from whom the Trinidad team to play Barbados here in late February will be chosen.

Brian Davis, Faizudeen Haniff, Joe Carew, Ramdath Joseph, Bobby Sookram, Alvin Corneal, Bruce Eligan, Selyn Caesar, H. Ramoutar, Andrew Clarke, Prince Bartholomew, Lincoln Phillips, Subash Gupta, Pascal Roberts, Gerry Haddad, Jamil Ali, A. Harewood, Jack Noreiga, Ollie Corbie.

Willie de Freitas, Deryck Murray, Arthur Paul, Carlyle Chang, Willie Rodriguez, David Holford, Charlie Davis, Andy Aleong, Gary Dore, Richard de Souza, Ken Furlonge and Narine Ragoo. SPECIAL CALL TO THE NETS — Ancil McLean (Bonanza), W. Inniss (Paragon) and B. Lynch (South Trinidad).

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Operation Tobago.. Agriculture Tops List

Devastation of Tobago by hurricane Flora, has caused a remodeling of the Draft of the Second Five Year Plan to meet the requirements of the stricken island.

The plan for Tobago is very comprehensive, and touches in detail almost all of the most important features of rehabilitation. The implementation of some of the proposals calls for the application of both short-term and long-term measures so that the immediate need of relieving present distress and discomfiture will not conflict with plans designed for the future overall rehabilitation of the island.

The objectives of the Plan, as revealed in Chapter 7, are to rehabilitate and develop the economy of Tobago. With this in mind.....

"it is recognised that development is a long-term process requiring and resulting from the interaction and revolution of several ingredients which have their origin both in the private and public sectors."

For this reason "it was probably more correct to delimit the second of the two objectives to the modest propositions of the introduction of certain essential steps which must be undertaken within the period specified in the Plan, in order to accelerate the short-term and long-term rate of economic growth in Tobago."

Agriculture and Tourism

The economic assets of Tobago, the report points out, lie in its people, its agricultural resources including fishing and forestry, which are the main economic support, and its natural endowments which makes it an attractive tourist centre.

The ravages of the hurricane and the attendant need to rebuild Tobago make it clear that construction will play an important part in the short run. The Plan emphasises, however, that agriculture and tourism will be the two most important primary guarantees of employment and output in Tobago in the private sector.

Speaking further on this aspect of development, the Plan mentions that its objectives in the economic sphere, narrowly defined are, inter alia, to take such steps as will ensure the most rapid short-term and long-term growth in all economic spheres with special emphasis

being given to agriculture and tourism.

The Plan also observes that 'the development of agriculture has been approached through an examination of present land uses and present land ownership against a land capability map, thus enabling the planners to detect major areas of distortion and to plan for the elimination of obstacle to growth.'

As a result of this it was seen that to put agriculture on a proper footing would involve resettlement of some of the peasant population so that major and minor areas will be designated for popular resettlement,

Manufacturers

Consideration is given to the possibility of developing Tobago's manufacturing potential. This is conceived both in the production of final goods for local consumption and for export, or intermediate goods for further manufacture.

In illustration of this the Report feels that this kind of development is very likely to arise in the field of small-scale processing of agricultural products, and in other minor manufacturing processes allied to some other principal activity, e.g., construction, transport and industry.

It is estimated that the total cost for the rehabilitation and development Plan will amount to \$43,375,500, distributed as follows: \$28,575,500 towards direct expenditure; \$2,466,500 for subsidies and \$12,353,300 for loans. Of this sum, \$7,954,000 is earmarked for agriculture and

\$11,650,000 for the housing programme, which include the repair of 2,500 damaged houses, repairs of 2,500 damaged houses, and the construction of homes for the aged in the main population centres.

The success of the Plan rests firmly on the cooperation between the private and public sectors for its implementation. Provision is made for the expansion

of governmental agencies and Services, whose expert advice and assistance will always be at hand to assist in the operation of every necessary enterprise. But, in the long run, it is the people of Tobago on whom so much depends who in order to achieve, must be willing to help each other and show that high sense of duty and honesty the occasion demands.

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National Village Handicraft Competition 1963

Following is the schedule for judging of the National Village Handicraft Competition 1963 for the award of the Prime Minister's Best Village Trophy:

County	Venue	Time	Date
Mayaro	Mayaro Community Centre	10.30 a.m.	24.11.63
Nariva	Rio Claro County Council Hall or School	1.30 p.m.	24.11.63
Victoria	Princes Town Community Centre	3.30 p.m.	24.11.63
St. Patrick	Siparia County Council Hall	10.00 a.m.	25.11.63
Caroni	Chaguanas Parish Hall	2.00 p.m.	25.11.63
St. David	Toco Community Centre	10.00 a.m.	26.11.63
St. Andrew	Sangre Grande Civic Centre	2.00 p.m.	26.11.63
St. George East	Tunapuna County Council Hall	9.00 a.m.	27.11.63
St. George West	St. Ann's Community Education Workshop	11.00 a.m.	27.11.63

Final judging of the competition will be held at the National Museum and Art Gallery on Friday, 6th December, 1963, beginning at 8.30 a.m.

St. George County Council

SEALED TENDERS will be received up to 2.00 p.m. on 29th November, 1963, at the office of the St. George County Council, Centenary Street, Tunapuna, for work on certain Roads and Recreation Grounds in the County of St. George, particulars of which are given hereunder:—

- BLANCHISSEUSE RECREATION GROUND:**
Bulldozing, grading and levelling 2 Acres x 1' 3" approximately 4033 cub. yds.
 - LA FILLETTE RECREATION GROUND:**
Bulldozing, grading and levelling 2 Acres x 1' 6" approximately 4840 cub. yds.
 - LALAJA ROAD, ARIMA:**
Drilling and blasting 200' x 10' x 12' approximately 889 cub. yds.
 - LALAJA PARIJA EXTENSION ROAD:**
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 - RINCON TRACE, BLANCHISSEUSE:**
Bulldozing, grading and levelling 2000' x 12' x 3' eq. to 2667 cub. yds. approximately.
 - RYAN ROAD, DIEGO MARTIN:**
Bulldozing, grading and levelling 3300' x 9' x 5' eq. to 5500 cub. yds. approximately.
 - URBANEJA STREET, ST. JOSEPH:**
Constructing wooden bridge of Local Timber 28' x 8'. A total of 480 cub. yds.
 - BOURG MULATRESSE RECREATION GROUND, SANTA CRUZ:**
Supplying on spot 3000 cub. yds. top soil.
 - BOURG MULATRESSE RECREATION GROUND, SANTA CRUZ:**
Bulldozing, grading levelling 2 acres x 1' approximately 3227 cub. yds.
2. Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the St. George County Council at Centenary Street Tunapuna, during the normal working hours.
3. Tenders must be accompanied by a certificate from the Commissioner of Inland Revenue to the effect that the person or persons tendering have complied with the provisions of, and have fulfilled their obligations under the Income Tax Ordinance to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Inland Revenue for the three (3) years immediately preceding the year for which the tender is being made. The Commissioner of Inland Revenue is prepared to supply on request as many copies of this Certificate as are required. The Tenders Board will not consider any tender which is not accompanied by such a certificate.
4. Envelopes containing tenders must be addressed to the Chairman, Tenders Board, St. George County Council, County Hall, Tunapuna, and marked on the envelope "Tender—Works on Roads and Recreation Grounds". There is a Tender Box at the County Council Office in which Tenders must be deposited.
5. The Tenders Board does not bind itself to accept any tender.

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Rojas 'taken to task' by communists in TUC?

We publish beneath the full text of an article by Senator John Rojas, appearing in the October issue of "PETRO" the organ of the International Federation of Petroleum and Chemical Workers. "PETRO" is read in some 70 countries.

On August 31, 1963, Trinidad and Tobago celebrated their first anniversary of independence from British Colonial rule. Like our sister territory, Jamaica, we have been travelling for the past twelve months with our destiny in our hands.

Whatever may be said about the British, it is a statement of fact that since the Second World War some 600 million people in widely-scattered territories have taken their places as free and independent nations choosing to remain within the Commonwealth. This development continues, Britain, once a great imperial power, has transformed itself consciously into a free family of nations, conceding freedom and independence to countries ranging from the vast subcontinent of India to petite Trinidad and Tobago.

Whether this transformation has come about willingly or otherwise is not a subject for discussion in this article; but surely the British by their enlightened policy have prepared millions for self-determination and freedom and, in so doing, handed down the Common Law, Parliament, freedom of speech, assembly, press and religion. This is the proud legacy of the British people; a heritage and freedom which we, the English-speaking people in the Caribbean, in alliance with other free nations in this hemisphere, must fight to preserve and defend against new totalitarian designs of Soviet imperialism.

There is no future in independence for the inhabitants of the newly emergent nations of Trinidad, Tobago and Jamaica, nor would there be any future for the other independent territories of the Caribbean if the encroachment and threats of communism in this area are overlooked.

The Cuban revolution has made Cuba the beach-head of Soviet imperialism and has established the basis for a Latin American brand of communism. The free trade unions in Cuba have been destroyed.

A revolution is taking place

in British Guiana and the climate is being prepared to have British Guiana slip gradually down the dangerous precipice of pro-Soviet totalitarianism. The free trade unions in British Guiana have been seriously threatened during the past few months with suppression; but the trade union leaders their members and the vast majority of the people of British Guiana, with a longing and desire for freedom from colonial rule, and seeing freedom within their grasp — as there is every indication that Britain is willing to give freedom and independence to British Guiana — are fighting back valiantly against the new encroachment of Soviet imperialism threatening to further subjugate them.

In Venezuela...

Venezuela remains the centre of communist destructive action. The constant attack of the agents of Moscow in Venezuela has been neutralized by the democratic leadership of President Romulo Betancourt and the eternal vigilance of his government and while it is a great set-up for the agents of the Kremlin and a great victory for democracy, yet the encroachment of communism in Venezuela remains a serious threat to the trade union movement in this area.

Nearby Trinidad and Tobago is having its own share of communist penetration. The trade union movement, always a fertile spot for communist infiltrations, is today facing a very trying and critical time. After a very successful effort to bring all the trade unions within the folds of the Trinidad and Tobago National Trades Union Congress, the communist elements are endeavouring by various machinations to split the National Trades Union Congress wider than it has ever been. Thus, the unity of the trade union movement in Trinidad and Tobago is once again being threatened. The communist elements would wish to have

the Trinidad and Tobago National Trades Union Congress split into many fragments. They have infiltrated into the Civil Service and taken over key positions; they have infiltrated into the Oilfield Workers Trade Union and captured key positions; they have split the All Trinidad Sugar Estates and Factories Workers' Trade Union wide open; have invaded the Seamen and Waterfront Workers' Union and are in key positions in the National Union of Government Employees.

The Trade union movement in Trinidad and Tobago is likely to disintegrate unless the communists are checked now. However, ardent defenders of freedom and

democracy are coming out in open attack against them.

I took the opportunity in the Senate some time in August of 1962 to publicize and alert the nation to the communist threat in Trinidad and Tobago. This resulted in my being taken to task

by the communist elements of the Trade Union Congress at a subsequent meeting; but I made no apology. The fight continues. We shall not retreat while the threat of communism in the Caribbean remains a problem to be reckoned with.

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The Art of Cooking

The Culinary Art Society, formed a little over two years ago, will celebrate its Anniversary on Wednesday, November 17. The main feature of the celebration will be the awarding of trophies and certificates to the winners of the 'Chef of the Year' contest. The function will be held at the Cecil Llanos Auditorium of the Electricity Commission Building.

The Society includes not only those who actually prepare foods but also members with discriminating taste; and Chef of the Year contest was part of the aim of the Society to raise standards in the preparation of foods and to give to it a certain professional standing.

This year was the first time the contest was held and it is intended that it should be held annually with the hope that in the not too distant future this country like the best of others will enjoy a world-wide reputation for its foods and professional chefs.

At this year's contest, which lasted for six weeks ending on the 24th. October, 21 chefs from most of the hotels and food establishments together with 3 students from the I.D.C. Hotel and Catering School took per week their techniques in part in demonstrating twice the preparation of some of the finest dishes.

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ORDINANCE 1961 REGISTRATION RULE 5 (3)

the Arima Area, which is located at the Borough Town Hall, Arima.

E. G. WARNER

Locum Tenens Supervisor of Elections

The Public is hereby notified that registration of persons resident in the Borough of Arima, and the Wards of Arima and San Rafael and matters relating thereto, which were formerly undertaken at 9, El Carmen Road, Arima, will from Friday, 22nd November, 1963, be attended to at the registration Office of

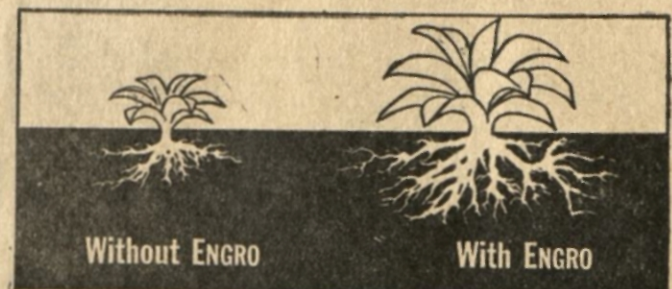
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The Statute of Westminster, legally defining the position of full members of the Commonwealth, was passed in 1931, and Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, along with Eire (now the Republic of Ireland) and the Union of South Africa, both of which have since left the Commonwealth, were members at that time.

Following is the table of dates:—

Country	Date of Independence	Area (sq. miles)	Population	Capital
India	15.8.1947	1,174,000	437,000,000	N. Delhi
Pakistan	15.8.1947	365,504	93,812,000	Ra'pindi
Ceylon	4.2.1948	25,332	10,000,000	Colombo
Ghana	6.3.1957	91,843	6,690,741	Accra
Federation of Malaysia	31.8.1957	128,555	10,687,559	K. Lumpur
Federation of Nigeria	1.10.1960	356,669	40,000,000	Lagos
Republic of Cyprus	16.8.1960	3,752	577,615	Nicosia
Sierra Leone	27.4.1961	27,925	2,750,000	Freetown
		362,688	9,237,600	Dar-es-Salaam
Tanganyika	9.12.1961			
Jamaica	6.8.1962	4,400	1,639,395	Kingston
Trinidad & Tobago	31.8.1962	1,980	828,957	P.O.S.
Uganda	9.10.1962	93,980	6,517,000	Kampala

Territory	Date of Independence	Population	Area (sq. miles)
Zanzibar	10.12.1963	316,000	1,020
Kenya	12.12.1963	8,676,000 (2) (3)	224,960 (1)
Malta	before 31.5.1964	328,989	122
Nyasaland	6.7.1964	2,950,000	45,747 (1)

- (1) Includes the following areas of inland water, in sq. miles: Kenya, 5,171; Northern Rhodesia, 3,000; Nyasaland Protectorate, 9,266.
 (2) At date of census.
 (3) Provisional.

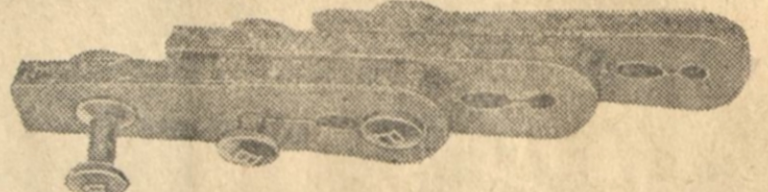


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