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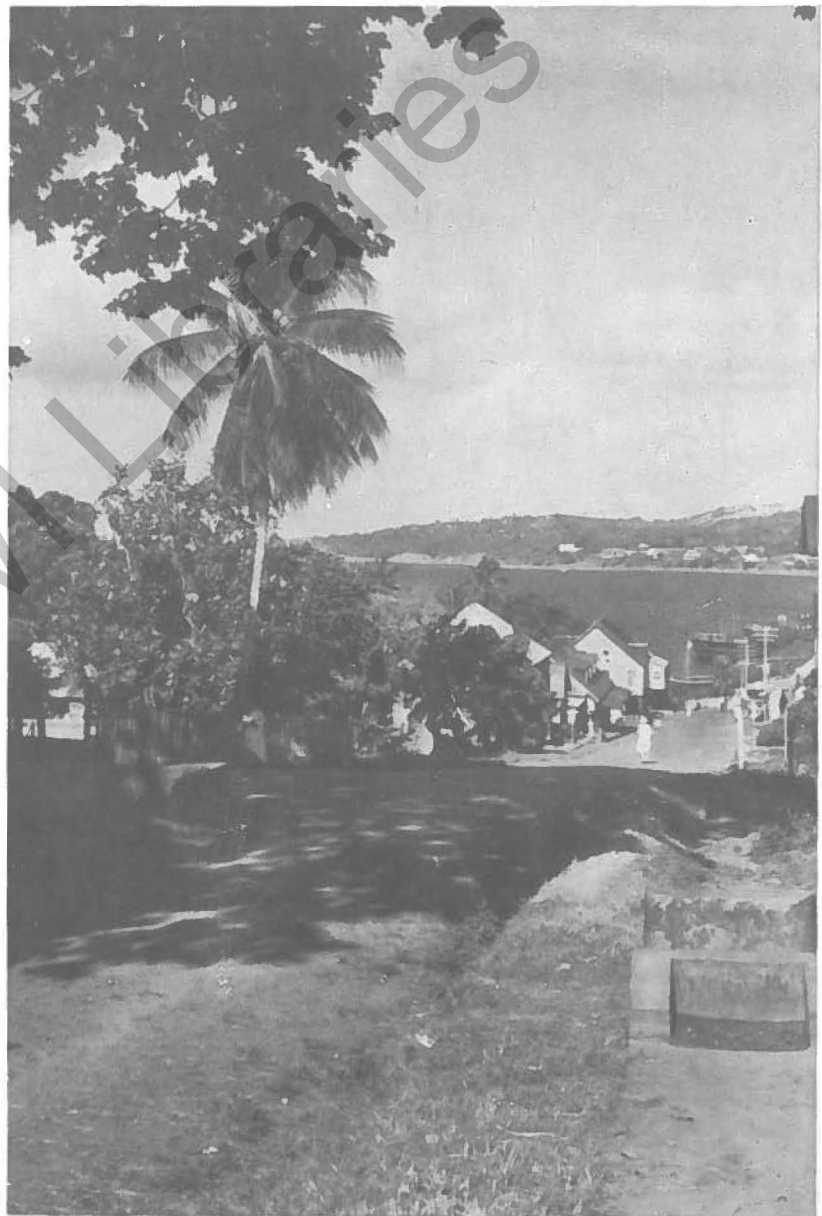


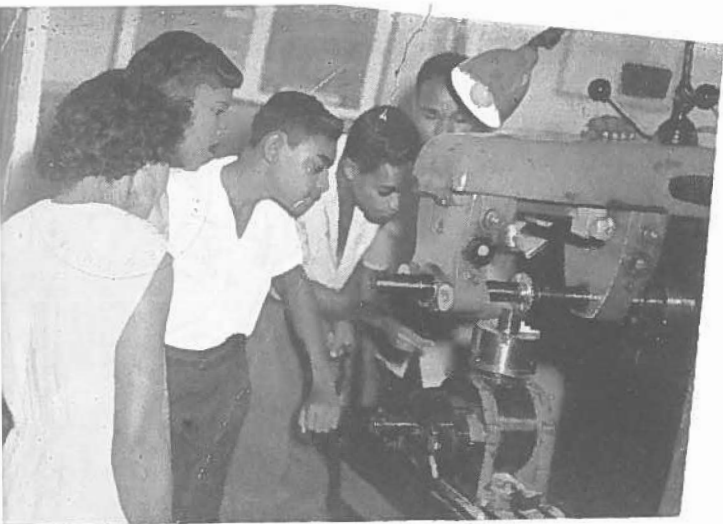
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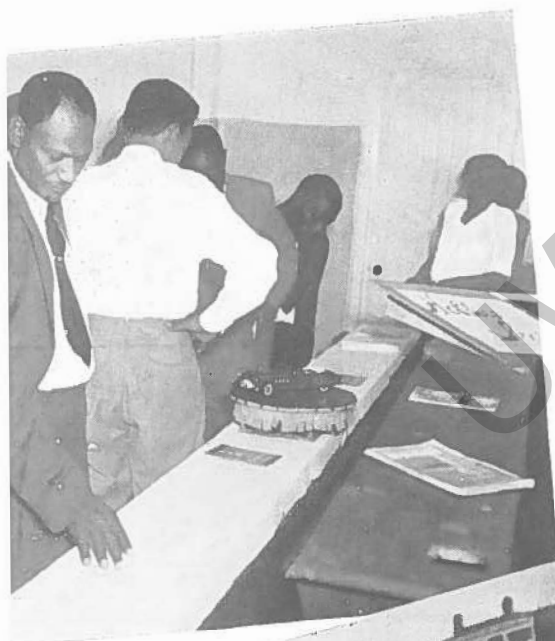
Right Hand Top: C. L. Ramsey explains a model water separator.

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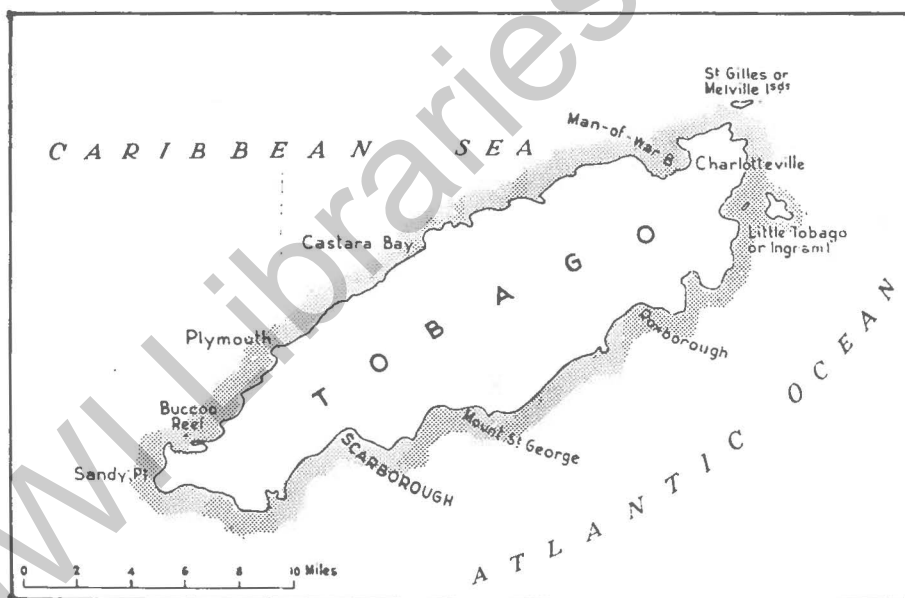
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A Brief History of Tobago



T O B A G O was discovered by Columbus in 1498, at which time it was occupied by Caribs. It was visited in 1596 by Captain Keymis in the "Darling" and found to be uninhabited. In 1628 a grant of the island was made by Charles I to the Earl of Pembroke. The island remained unoccupied until 1632 when 300 Zeelanders were sent out by a Company of Dutch merchants who styled it New Walcheren. After a residence of about two years these settlers were all destroyed or expelled by the Indians and Spaniards from Trinidad. In 1641 James, Duke of Courland, obtained a grant of the island from Charles I and in 1642 two vessels arrived with a number of Courlanders, who settled on the North side. These were followed by a second Dutch Company in 1654, who, having effected a compromise with the Courlanders, established themselves on the southern coast; but in 1658 the Courlanders were overpowered by the Dutch, who remained in possession of the whole island until 1662, when the

Dutch Company resigned their right to it. In this year Cornelius Lampsons procured Letters Patent from Louis XIV creating him Baron of Tobago and proprietor of the island under the Crown of France.

In 1664 the grant of Tobago to the Duke of Courland was renewed by Charles II. The Dutch refused to recognise the Duke's title, but in 1667 they themselves were compelled by the French Admiral Estras to evacuate the island. The Dutch Admiral Binks was defeated in Scarborough Bay, whereupon Louis XIV restored the island to the Duke of Courland who, in 1681, made over his title to a company of London merchants. In 1748, by the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, Tobago was declared neutral; the subjects of all European Powers were at liberty to form settlements or carry on commerce but not to place garrisons on it. At the peace of 1763, by the Treaty of Paris, Tobago was ceded by France to England in perpetuity.

In 1781 Tobago was captured by the French under the Duke of Bouillé after a most gallant defence by the colonists. In 1783 it was surrendered by treaty to the French Crown. On 15th April, 1793, it was captured by a British Force under Admiral Lefrey and General Cuyler. It was once more restored to the French by the Treaty of Amiens in 1802, and again reconquered in 1803 by Commander Hood and General Greenfield. In 1814 it was finally ceded in perpetuity to the British Crown.

Tobago continued to keep its old institutions, its House of Assembly, its Legislative Council, its Privy Council and its numerous Law Courts until 1874 when the House of Assembly was abolished and a one-Chamber Legislative Council formed. The abolition of slavery, the great storm of 1847 when most of the sugar works were damaged, the introduction of beet sugar in Europe, the lack of capital and many other factors had by this time resulted in a very depressed state of trade. Tobago finally became a Crown Colony in 1877 at the request of the Legis-



Scarborough, Tobago.

lative Council following the disastrous Belmanna riots at Roxborough which cost the Colony a great deal of money. The Government was then administered by a resident Administrator, subordinate to the Governor-in-Chief of the Windward Islands at Grenada, and a Legislative Council was established by an Order in Council on the 7th February, 1877, to consist of not less than three persons designated by Her Majesty.

The fall in the price of sugar and the failure of the Metayer system of cane farming gave the final blow to Tobago's status as a separate Colonial unit and by an Order in Council of 17th November, 1888, Tobago was amalgamated with Trinidad, the name of the new Colony being Trinidad and Tobago. The latter island was administered by a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the United Colony, who was *ex officio* a member of the Legislative Council. One unofficial member of Council represented Tobago. The Commissioner was assisted by a financial board of five members, two nominated by the Governor, and three elected. The revenue, expendi-



Roxborough, Tobago.

ture and debt of the islands remained distinct, but there was freedom of commercial intercourse between them and the laws of Trinidad were, with some specified exceptions, the laws of both.

By an Order in Council of the 20th October, 1898, the Order in Council of November, 1888, was almost entirely revoked, and it was provided that the Island of Tobago should become a Ward of the United Colony of Trinidad and Tobago; that the revenue, expenditure and debt of Tobago should be merged with those of the United Colony; that the debt due from Tobago to Trinidad should be cancelled; that (with some specified exceptions) the laws of Trinidad should operate in Tobago, and those of Tobago cease to operate so far as they conflicted with the laws of Trinidad; that all future Ordinances of the Legislature of the Colony should extend to Tobago with the proviso that the Legislature should be able to enact special and local Ordinances and Regulations applicable to Tobago as distinguished from the rest of the Colony. This Order in Council was brought into effect on the 1st January, 1899, by a Proclamation of the Governor. The post of Commissioner then ceased to exist, and the post of Warden was created.



Hope Bay, Tobago.

Wages and Working Conditions

ON August 5th 1955 an Agreement was signed between the United British Oilfields of Trinidad Limited and the Oilfields Workers' Trade Union, covering revised wage rates and working conditions for the hourly and weekly-paid workers of this Company. By the time this magazine is printed we hope that all those who are affected by the Agreement will have copies of it in their hands.

This new Agreement is a direct one between the Company which employs you and the Union which represents your interests. In past years wages and conditions of employment have been governed by agreements between the Oilfields Employers' Association of Trinidad and the Union, but at the Companies' suggestion, accepted by the Union, it has now been arranged that each Company, whether a member of the Oilfields Employers' Association or not, will enter into its own separate Agreement. U.B.O.T. was one of the Companies which promoted this change, which is felt to make for closer relationship and better understanding between the Company, its employees and their Union.

When such an Agreement comes up for renewal, a great deal of consideration is given, both by the Company and by the Union, to all the details of rates of pay and other conditions which are involved. At the beginning of negotiations differences of opinion are almost bound to exist as to what constitutes an equitable solution to some of the problems raised. It may even be that, as happened on this occasion,

so large a difference exists that some form of outside help has to be sought in bringing the two points of view closer together. In general, however, these problems are usually capable of solution provided that a willingness to understand the other point of view and to compromise where necessary is shown by both sides. On this last occasion, representatives of your Union and your Company sat around the table for seven full days debating the claims made and deciding which of them could be met in whole or in part. For roughly 5½ days these discussions covered points of common interest to all the Member Companies of O.E.A.T. and for about 1½ days they were devoted to problems which only affected this Company.

When the Agreement was signed at the Union's offices in Lower Hillside Street, San Fernando, each side acknowledged the goodwill shown by the other in the concluding phases of their bargaining.

This Agreement, which confers substantial benefits on all those whom it affects, has been drawn up by the Company and the Union in a spirit of mutual confidence and goodwill. The contracting parties have expressed their intentions to carry it out in the letter and in the spirit. It is up to those who benefit from the results of the Agreement to show their appreciation, by giving of their best in their daily work for their Company and by maintaining their loyalty to the Union which has struck a good bargain on their behalf.

Mr. J. F. F. Rojas, President of the O.W.T.U. and Mr. J. D. Hall, Assistant General Manager of U.B.O.T. Ltd., sign the Agreement.



World Oil Production

A REVIEW OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE DEMANDS AND SUPPLY

By D. G. BOWTELL

THE world's thirst for petroleum increases every year. With the increase of industrial development demanding more and more power, and the great strides at present being made in the petroleum-based chemical industry furnishing us with plastics, detergents, fertilizers and other commodities, this is only to be expected.

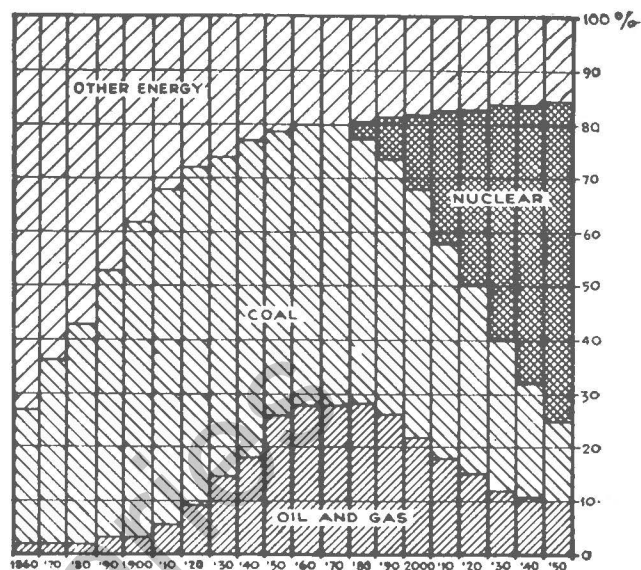
Over the past four years the demand for crude oil increased by over 26 per cent equivalent to some 3 million barrels every day. The increase brings the daily consumption at the present time to 15 million barrels per day — a tremendous quantity. Putting this in terms of our own island, the entire production from Trinidad since the oil industry started here would supply the world's needs for about one month.

It is estimated that by 1970 over 20 million barrels will be required daily and looking far ahead beyond our time to the year 2050 the demand will be 120 million barrels every day!

These figures are not ignoring the coming of nuclear (or atomic) power which will be of ever increasing importance from about the year 1970. Already nuclear test power plants are in use in the USA and Great Britain and development will be rapid in the future. It is estimated that nuclear power will supply the bulk of the world's requirements from about the year 2040 but it is also thought that the power requirements of the world by that time will be so vast that the figure previously mentioned of 120 million barrels of crude oil every day will still be essential to the world.

Having estimated the world's oil needs the next problem is the supply of petroleum. Can this output of 120 million barrels every day ever be achieved?

Well, the known oil reserves of the world at the end of 1953 were estimated at 188 billion barrels (that is 188 thousand million). These reserves would theoretically be exhausted by the year 1980 but geological experts are confident that other large accumulations of oil will be discovered in the future. Exactly where these additional reserves will be found is, of course, uncertain but there are abundant indications that large areas of the Middle East countries such as Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Iran are underlain by vast quantities of oil. Already the known reserves of these countries are close to 100 billion barrels and the full extent of their oilfields is



% CONTRIBUTION OF MAJOR POWER SOURCES TO THE WORLD'S DEMAND

not yet known. Other countries which are proving large reserves are Venezuela, Columbia and Peru in South America. Canada and the East Indies are also increasing their reserves by exploratory drilling while, recently, important discoveries in France and Italy (including Sicily) have pointed to new fields in those countries.

Of one thing we can be certain — that the days of the Americas as the main producers of crude oil are numbered. They have held the top position ever since the oil industry was born in 1859 but the emphasis will in the future switch to the Middle East as world demand increases. Already 60 per cent of known oil reserves of the world are located in the Middle East — and this figure is likely to increase considerably in the coming years. An interesting fact which illustrates the ease with which these vast quantities were discovered is that it was achieved by the drilling of less than 200 wildcat tests. In contrast, over 400 such tests are drilled in the USA *each week* without any comparable measure of success.

Before leaving the subject of reserves mention should be made of Trinidad's status. Unfortunately we can take little heart over the position for, compared to the known world reserves, only about 1 barrel in every 1,000 lies under Trinidad's soil. At the present offtake rate of 23 million barrels per year the reserves would be exhausted in a comparatively

short time. Undue alarm should not be taken over this, however, for past estimates have shown a similar situation for a number of years and always the drilling of any one year has been able to maintain the reserves figure with new finds or extensions of known fields. Just how long this state of affairs can continue nobody can predict but obviously it cannot go on forever. Exploration has been carried on throughout the island by various companies, not least our own, but commercial wells have been few and far between and additional proved reserves have not been large. There are few areas remaining now in the island that the bit has not penetrated in its search for new deposits.

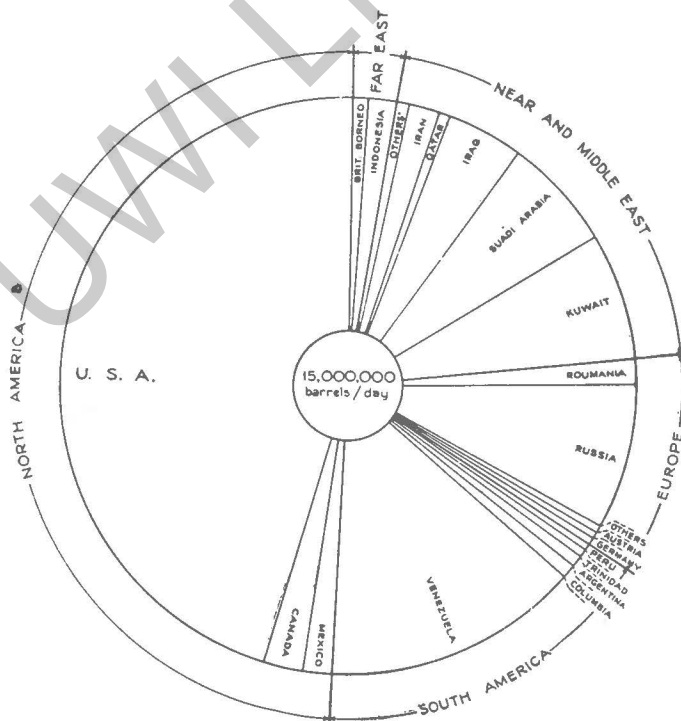
Of the 15 million barrels of oil which are produced every day at the present time the United States is the largest single contributor with a production of $4\frac{1}{4}$ million barrels representing 46 per cent of the whole. A comparatively poor second is Venezuela which yields 2 million barrels per day, or 14%, followed by Russia (8%), Kuwait (7%), Saudi Arabia (6%), Iraq (4%).

Forty-five countries in four continents contribute to the world's production, the only continent where commercial production has not yet been obtained being Australia and New Zealand in spite of the intensive exploration programme now in progress which has so far found only one small oil pool.

Trinidad, at present, lies sixteenth in the "league" of forty-five with a production of 65 thousand barrels per day which represents less than one barrel in every two hundred produced in the world. It is interesting to note, however, that with the exceptions of the "big guns" of Russia and Roumania, Trinidad produces more than any country in Europe. It is not likely that this will be the case for long, however, for Germany and Austria are producing quantities only slightly below that of Trinidad and they have both shown substantial increases over the last year and are likely to continue to increase in the future. France and Italy are also likely to become fair-sized European producers from their newly discovered fields — both almost doubled their outputs in the last year.

The future of the world oil industry has never been brighter. In spite of the rapid approach of nuclear energy as the major source of world power the demand for petroleum is foreseen to increase for the next hundred years, and geological evidence points to the ability of the industry to satisfy any demands made upon it for a long time ahead.

As for the supplies of future requirements, countries will rise with their new-found fields and others must fall as their reserves become exhausted. It appears unfortunately inevitable that Trinidad must fall in the latter class eventually. With sound exploration and exploitation policies Trinidad oil men are working to defer that day as long as possible.



HOW THE OIL "CAKE" IS SLICED TODAY

The Camp Services Section—Point Fortin

IN the last fifteen years there has been a steady expansion in the construction of Company-owned housing accommodation for employees. The Point Fortin Camp, which in the early pioneering days consisted of a collection of temporary dwellings, is today a well developed and permanent settlement, comprising three housing areas, namely, Clifton Hill, Mahaica and Techier with approximately 700 family dwellings and 200 bachelor quarters. There are also three Clubs, a Hospital, and a Community Centre. This large housing estate must be kept in a proper state of repair, and the organisation now set up to carry out the necessary maintenance work and to deal with requests and complaints emanating from tenants is designated the "Camp Services Section", which is an off-shoot of the Engineering Department under the Field Superintendent's administration.

With the required complement of foremen, artisans, labourers and clerical staff, the headquarters of the section is established in a new building on Furlonge Street. This central location is more convenient to serve the three housing areas than the former Camp Workshop at Clifton Hill beach and its subsidiary at Techier. The new Camp Workshop is well appointed, as it is provided with an administrative office and has separate divisions for carpenters, plumbers, storeroom, and facilities for furniture lacquering. Also, the enclosed and spacious yard allows unrestricted movement of vehicles on all sides of the building and permits the storage of sundry equipment and odd materials in the compound.

The day to day functioning of the section is vested in the hands of Mr. E. Donaldson, who, in view of his considerable experience in camp administration gained in other areas of the Shell Group, was transferred from Refinery Engineering when this new section came into being in the latter part of last year. As Head Supervisor, he is responsible for the efficient and economic operation of the section, and consequently organises programmes for servicing vacant houses after determining the extent of work to be carried out. This normally includes repairs, repainting, and cleaning of the surroundings. Mr. Donaldson also scrutinises the various complaints and requests for service received from tenants, and approves relative work requisitions as prepared by the Senior Clerk.

The Head Supervisor is assisted by a Camp Services Supervisor. This post is filled by Mr. I. F. Wilson, who was formerly Chief Clerk of the Engineering Department. He is specially delegated to pay attention to the needs of the Mahaica and Techier areas, to associate himself with the discipline of the section, and supervise the office routine.

The furnishing of staff houses, storage and shipping of personal effects of expatriate staff, control

of office and household furniture and refrigerators, are the responsibilities of Mr. C. Boodoo, assisted by Mr. E. Reyes, Removal Foreman, Mr. C. Mark, Records Clerk and Messrs. W. Daly and J. Sookram, Clerk/Checkers. Until recently these members were part of the personnel of the Movables Section of the Materials Department, but they are now incorporated in the Camp Services Section so as to afford the closest liaison between house servicing and furnishing.

It will be appreciated that, in addition to numerous requests for small services that are essential to the well-being of the occupants of houses, the section is responsible for the cleanliness of the camp and maintenance of houses in an adequate state of repair. Mr. H. Jacobs, General Foreman, assisted by chargehands of allied trades, supervises house repairs in the Clifton Hill and Mahaica area. Mr. W. Courtney, who was transferred to the section from I.R. & P., exercises vigilance over the sanitation of Techier Village and collects requests for maintenance and complaints from tenants, and forwards these to the office for attention of the Camp Services Supervisor.

Mr. C. Wells attends to the maintenance of playing fields, grass cutting in certain areas by mechanical equipment, hedge trimming, and lawns.

Leaking taps, stoves, sinks, wash-hand basins, lavatory flushing systems, blown fuses, faulty electric irons, etc. present a daily problem.

A certain amount of clerical work is inevitably involved, such as the processing of work requisitions, cost control, timekeeping, and the annotation of records. These duties are performed by a small clerical staff headed by Mr. C. Andrews, who receives and records all requests for work to be done, Mr. J. Ragoonanan, Clerk Typist, Mr. N. Geetan, Cost Clerk, and Mr. E. Nimblett, Timekeeper/Cost Clerk.

The main line of telephone communication with the section is 412, which is perhaps the most widely known telephone number in the camp. Extensions connect with the Head Supervisor, Camp Services Supervisor, Senior Clerk, and Night Electrician. Other telephones are 518 serving the Workshop and Head Supervisor, and 449 to contact Mr. Boodoo, with an extension to Mr. Mark, the Furniture Records Clerk.

As a final remark, it should be mentioned that consistent with Company regulations governing the provision of services to householders, the new organisation aims at improving the general standard of services in all areas of the camp, but looks forward to the co-operation of tenants in fulfilling their tenancy obligations to keep their premises tidy, so that both those who work and live in the camp may be equally proud of its cleanliness.



Mr. E. Donaldson, Section Head.



The Carpenters' Shop.



Mr. C. Boodoo, Furnishing Supervisor.

Mr. N. Mohammed, Tool-room Despatcher.

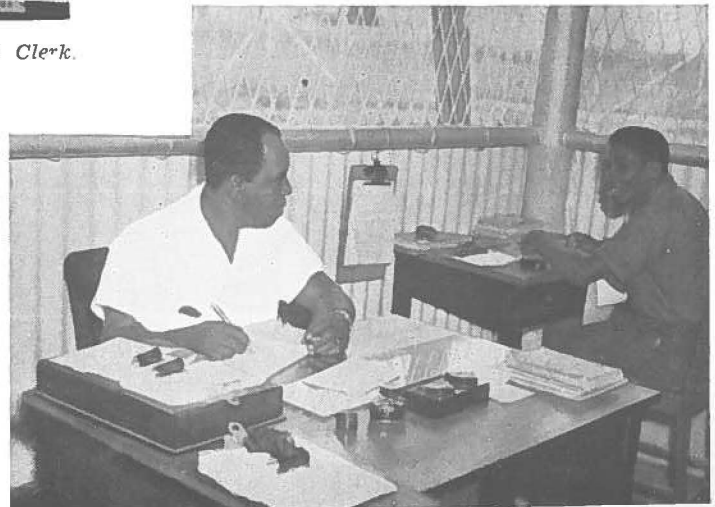


Mr. C. Andrews, Chief Clerk.



Mr. I. F. Wilson, Camp Services Supervisor and Mr. W. P. Courtney, Techier Village Foreman.

Messrs. P. Archibald and L. Moore discuss the day's work.



Road Safety

OUR Transport Department have been conducting a vigorous campaign to reduce the number of traffic accidents with Company vehicles. A Committee has been formed of the Field Superintendent, Transport Superintendent, Fire & Safety Officer, an I.R. Representative and this Committee sits both in Point Fortin and Penal so as to be able to deal with the cases in all areas.

All traffic accidents are fully investigated and the driver responsible questioned and the Committee try to point out how the accident was caused and how it could have been prevented and what care should be taken in the future to avoid further accidents. In very serious cases of negligence etc., the Committee recommends disciplinary action by the Department concerned. The immediate results are most encouraging and a good reduction is already obvious.

During the month of July an island-wide Road Safety Week was held and in this our Company played quite an important part. Various members of the staff also assisted on Committees to arrange for Safety Cinema shows, demonstrations, etc.

The highlight of the Road Safety Week was the St. Christopher Rally held in Siparia.

The Church of St. Christopher, the Patron Saint of Travellers, is the only one dedicated to that Saint in the whole of the West Indies and each year a Car Rally is held on the Church grounds with many Safety First demonstrations and stalls of all kinds showing how to apply Safety.

The Lord Bishop of Trinidad opened the Rally with a short speech and introduced the Hon. Ajodhasingh, the Minister of Works and Communications, who congratulated everybody on the results of their very hard work and careful planning. Then the Lord Bishop introduced Mr. F. E. Grandpierre of our Transport Department, who gave a lecture on Road Safety in Trinidad and impressed on everybody present the many ways the driver of a vehicle can promote road safety, and gave his audience a few facts of the appalling accident and death rate in Trinidad and implored them to try and make 1955

the most successful year ever in the cause of Road Safety.

Then Rev. Frank Cooper, the priest of St. Christopher and organiser of the Rally, explained all the prizes which had been donated and asked the Lord Bishop to present them.

The main award for Fleet owners 1954 Safety Record was won by Hub Taxi Service which was a great credit to them and showed that not all taxi drivers are as bad as they are made out to be and it is to be hoped they would all follow the good example set by Hub Taxis.

The second prize was won by the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission.

During the course of the Rally a vehicle parking competition was held by the Courtesy Car Club which attracted a large number of entries. U.B.O.T.

drivers were not represented in large numbers although our Transport Superintendent, Mr. J. S. Phillips, won a prize as did Mr. N. Frederick, and Mr. S. Lavine gave a very creditable display.

It was very gratifying to see these U.B.O.T. drivers taking as much interest in Road Safety and the St. Christopher Rally, and it is to be hoped next year many

more will find their way to Siparia and join in the campaign of Road Safety and maybe win a prize.

At the close of the Rally after the Lord Bishop had blessed many of the cars, a short service was held within the Church itself and the Rev. Cooper appealed for funds to complete this very fine Church which will eventually be adorned internally with the house flags of all the "Travellers" in the West Indies including our own "Shell" flag representing the tanker fleet. There will also be many wall plaques of the various motoring associations of the world including the Trinidad Automobile Association who, incidentally, had their two new mobile Road Patrols on duty.

Road Safety is of interest to all of us whether drivers or not, as the lives of our families depend on it, so do take an active part whenever possible and help reduce the number of accidents in the Colony.



Mr. Ashton Charles, U.B.O.T. chauffeur in a reversing test at the St. Christopher Rally.

Around the Departments

Apprentices Technical School

THE Management of U.B.O.T. Ltd. was at home to parents and guardians of the apprentices of the U.B.O.T. Apprentices Technical School when the third Parents' Day was held on August 27th. In order that the parents should get a good idea of the types of work done by the apprentices, the boys put on a display of work and other activities of the school. The number of parents attending this year's show was somewhat smaller than last year but the type of work and the number of models displayed maintained the high standard set on the two previous occasions. Two additional features were brought in; the Sea Scouts displayed a complete Scout camp, while the Literary Section exhibited a reading room and library, and distributed literature explaining its activities.

At 4 p.m. the apprentices escorted their parents to the Hostel for tea and a tour of the buildings. At 5 p.m. all the guests of the Parents' Day function as well as several other relatives and friends gathered at the Mahaica U.B. Club where the School's second Graduation Ceremony was held. Here they were met by Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Hall and other officials of the Company.

We extend sincere congratulations and best wishes to the following boys who very successfully completed their five years of apprenticeship: E. Abdul, R. Bachoo, A. Howe, A. Saunders, N. Ali, L. Broomes, A. Layne, H. Smith.

Mr. J. D. Hall, who made the opening address, stated that apart from the excellent instruction which the boys received in the school and in the workshops, an essential part of their training was life in the hostel. He stated that plans were on foot for the erection of a new hostel building. He thanked the staff for the work they were doing and exhorted the boys to continue to work hard.

After the opening address, Mr. D. Lund, Acting Training Supervisor, gave the audience a clear picture of the running of the school and the hostel. He said that 71 per cent passes were secured by the apprentices in the 1954 Examination of the City and Guilds of London Institute. No results of the 1955 Examination have yet reached him.

Mr. L. Broomes addressed the audience on behalf of the graduating apprentices. He expressed their grateful thanks to Messrs. U.B.O.T. Ltd.

Mr. J. D. Hall presented prizes and Certificates to the following:

COMPLETION AWARD:

Best Apprenticeship — 1950-1955.

(Gold Medal and Prize to the value of \$20).

—Lloyd Broomes.

AWARDS FOR 1954-55 SESSION:

Best Apprentice of the year:

(Silver Cup and Books/Tools to the value of \$20).

—Dharanjit Singh.

Second Best Apprentice of the year:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$15). —Lloyd Broomes.

Third Best Apprentice of the year:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$10). —Carlton Ramsey.

GROUP PRIZES:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$7.50).

1950 Intake: Hugh Smith

1952 Intake: Ramsahai Mangaroo

1953 Intake: Alan Brigmohansingh

1954 Intake: Charles Rampersad.

Mr. R. M. Harcourt's Prize for Engineering Drawing:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$10).

—John King.

General Manager's Prize for Engineering Science:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$10).

—Hugh Smith.

Mr. S. J. Ireson's Memorial Prize for Personal Qualities — Probationers:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$10).

—Leroy Nicholson.

Mr. A. H. Davis' Prize for English:

(Books/Tools to the value of \$10).

—Carlton Ramsey.

After the presentation ceremony there was a short concert programme. Four humorous plays, two songs and two harmonica pieces were presented; this was followed by a film show; then from 8.30 to midnight there was dancing to the music of Al Smith's Orchestra.

Fire and Safety and Red Cross News

Owing to an oversight, details of the 8th Annual Artificial Respiration Competition which was held on Sunday, 27th March, 1955, were not published in the June issue of UBOTIMES.

Forty-two teams from various parts of South Trinidad competed for the "Haidar Ali" Shield, the "Harvey" Cup, Badges and Certificates from the Royal Life Saving Society and numerous other prizes.

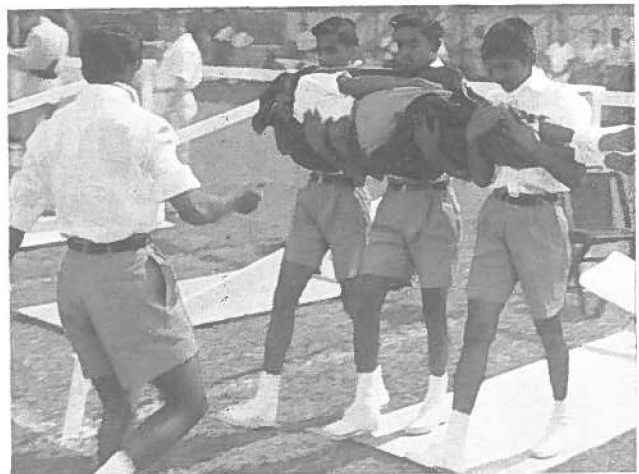
As in previous years each team had to demonstrate its prowess in four different incidents which, on this occasion, were:—

No. 1 — Victim overcome by fumes in an oil tank;

No. 2 — Victim trapped in burning building;

No. 3 — Victim electrocuted;

No. 4 — Non-swimmer slips and falls in dam.



The Apprentices Technical School team in the Artificial Respiration Contest.

Competition was keen and the end of the day saw a Refinery Laboratory team under the leadership of C. Hamilton emerge winners of the "Haidar Ali" Shield with 345 points followed by an Apprentice Training School team led by A. Harrington with 334 points, and Estate Police, Ortoire, with M. B. Singh at the helm in third place with 332 points. The "Harvey" Cup was won by the Refinery with an average of 326 points and the hundred and thirty individual competitors qualified for the Badges and Certificates of the Royal Life Saving Society.

At the conclusion of the Competition members of the Davis Barbell Club gave a display of weight-lifting after which Mr. J. D. Hall, Assistant General Manager, presented the trophies and prizes.

Prize-winning teams in the 8th Annual Artificial Respiration Competition held on Sunday, 27th March, 1955, at 3.00 p.m. at the Mahaica Savannah, Point Fortin were :—

Place	Team Leader	Department/Section	Total Points
1st	C. Hamilton	Refinery Laboratory	345
2nd	A. Harrington	A. T. School, I.R. & P.	334
3rd	M. B. Singh	Estate Police, Ortoire	332
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Presentation of J. Grant Safety Shield :

On Wednesday 3rd August last the J. Grant Safety Shield was presented to Mr. E. Thomson of the Production Department by Mr. M. W. Godfrey, Production Manager. The presentation took place at the U.B.A.A. Penal Club and there was a good attendance of production personnel and other officials of the Company. The Shield was awarded to Penal Production for the best actual improvement in lost time due to accidents for the period January to June 1955, as compared with the previous six months.

Mr. Godfrey in his address stressed the importance of safe working practices in all aspects of oilfield work particularly in such a hazardous occupation as production and drilling.

Mr. J. Logan, Fire & Safety Officer, in congratulating Penal Production, emphasised the need for "Safety consciousness" amongst employees. To assist in this a Fire



Mr. E. Thomson receives the J. GRANT Safety Shield from Mr. M. W. Godfrey, Production Manager.

& Safety Regulation booklet had been published. He asked that the booklet be studied by every one, so that eventually each individual would accept responsibility in accident prevention.

The ceremony ended with the serving of refreshments.

Life Saving Society :

The Royal Life Saving Society, London, made the following awards in Artificial Respiration to members of the Section :

Instructors : Messrs. A. Arnasalam and S. Joseph ;

Examination Certificates : Messrs. Arnasalam, Joseph, Thornhill, Antoine, and Peters ;

Respiration Operators Badges : Messrs. Alfred Kidney, Lewis, Francis, and Taily.

Mr. R. M. Harcourt, Head of the I.R. & P. Department presented the awards to the recipients.

Red Cross :

Messrs. M. Rojas and W. Kitson have been appointed Quarter Master and Assistant Quarter Master respectively of Detachment 25-M. Both appointments have been confirmed by Warrants.

Nine members of the Detachment received awards in artificial respiration from the Royal Life Saving Society. They are :— Misses J. Hurdle, L. Neptune, W. Redhead, P. Headley and J. Charles (Respiration Operators Badges) ; Misses H. Bowen, M. Francis, L. Roberts and J. Thomas (Examination Certificates).

Mr. C. Spencer, Section Leader of the Detachment resigned his position prior to leaving Trinidad to take up residence and employment in Nigeria. Members presented him with a Thermos Carrier.

The residents of Point Fortin must be thanked sincerely for their generous contribution towards the "Soufriere Fire Victims". Through the local Detachment of the Red Cross, Point Fortin was able to send more than five tons of clothing, foodstuff, footwear, etc.

Mrs. J. S. Philipps, Welfare Officer, has extended her activities to Cedros where according to her latest report there is quite a lot of work to be done.

Red Cross Cadets :

Mr. Hanif Mohammed, Divisional Field Officer of the British Red Cross Society, is conducting a course of lectures in First Aid for the children of the residents in Techier Village at the Techier Community Centre. It is proposed to have an examination in December following which successful candidates will be able to wear their official cadets' uniform.

Life Saving Course :

Mr. Graham Rose is conducting a course of lectures in Life Saving at the Clifton Hill beach on Sunday mornings. Members of the Local Detachment of the Red Cross are attending. At the conclusion, an examination will be held and successful candidates will receive awards from Royal Life Saving Society, London. Mr. Hanif Mohammed who is responsible for the formation of the class proposes to organise similar courses in future for the benefit of the residents of Point Fortin. The basic object of these courses is to organise a Life Saving Club with many qualified life savers. The club will be affiliated to the parent body in London.

Volunteer Fire Brigade — Penal Division :

The recently formed Volunteer Fire Brigade of the Penal Division which boasts 12 members, is to be congratulated on the splendid improvement being made in fire practice under the able trainers, A. Peters and R. Morgan. The first practice was held on Tuesday 5th July last at the practice ground, and all members were so keen and enthusiastic in their jobs that it is believed a challenge will be made to the Point Fortin Fire Brigade in the near future. Management have congratulated the service for valuable assistance given at the recent fire at Well P-169.

Education and Training

Training

On 12th August last Mr. L. E. Connell, attached to the Employees Training Section of the I.R. & P. Department, left Trinidad for the United Kingdom by the s.s. "Golfito". While in the United Kingdom Mr. Connell will attend various training courses including training techniques, basics of supervision, etc. Prior to his departure Mr. Connell was guest of honour at many valedictory functions and he was the recipient of gifts presented to him by the Literary Section of the United British (Mahaica) Club of which he is a member, and of the Dramatic Section of the same club of which he is President. Mr. Connell is also intimately associated with the Literary Section of the Apprentices Technical School and in appreciation of the work he has done among them the apprentices presented him with a 'Parker 51' propelling pencil.



Mr. L. E. Connell receiving a gift from Mrs. W. F. Morrison.

On 30th August last Messrs. N. J. Masson and R. A. Martin, U.B.O.T. Regional Trainees left by the s.s. "Antilles" for the United Kingdom to pursue courses in mechanical and electrical engineering respectively.

Also leaving by the s.s. Antilles were Nurses M. C. Brown and L. M. Babb of the Medical Department, whom the Company were sending on nursing courses in the United Kingdom. It is expected that these nurses will be away for at least six months. Prior to their departure, various valedictory functions were held in their honour. On Friday 12th August a cocktail party was given by Dr. & Mrs. Muir and Miss M. Hutton, Matron, and on Friday 26th August Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Mathison also gave a cocktail party at their home to which a number of guests was invited.

We wish the above named employees every success in their studies.

Mr. W. B. La Borde of the Materials Department was selected by the Company to attend a course of training sponsored by the Extra-Mural Department of the University College of the West Indies and the British Council. Venue of the course was the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, St. Augustine. The course which was residential lasted for two weeks, from 7th to 21st August, and included lectures in administrative, political and economic subjects. There were also visits to places of interest designed to illustrate the practical side of the course.



Farewell Party for Nurses M. C. Brown and L. M. Babb.

Mr. F. Guerra, of the Port-of-Spain Marine Section recently received news that his son Herman had passed his finals in medicine at Dublin University. UBOTIMES extends sincere congratulations to Mr. Guerra and family.

We extend congratulations to Mr. H. E. Waldron, Dispenser/Dresser of the Medical Department who has been successful in his final examination and is now a fully qualified licensed druggist.

We also extend congratulations to Mr. G. M. Richards, U.B.O.T. Regional Trainee in the United Kingdom who recently graduated from the University of Manchester in the faculty of Chemical Engineering with B.Sc. Honours. Mr. Richards is now in Trinidad on a short holiday and will be returning to Manchester to do further work in the field of research.

Education

On 29th July last the Imperial Sports and Cultural Club of Point Fortin conducted their second annual Inter-school Recitation Contest at the Point Fortin E.C. School. Judges were Mrs. J. C. Archer, Mr. W. D. Best, and Mr. H. M. Telemaque. The following are the results:—

- 1st — Brighton E.C. School
- 2nd — Point Fortin E.C. School
- 2nd — Egypt Government School
- 3rd — Point Fortin Intermediate R.C. School.

University College of the West Indies

Princess Alice Appeal Fund:

The following letter has been received from the Principal of the University College of the West Indies:

"I write on behalf of the University College to thank your Board of Directors for the most generous contribution of £6,000. — to the Princess Alice Appeal Fund. The College is indeed grateful for this evidence of your Company's interest in its affairs and I shall be glad if you will convey sincere thanks to all Board Members at your earliest convenience."

The grant to which the above message refers is for the establishment of a scholarship to the University College of the West Indies, the final details of which will be announced shortly.

In addition to the aforementioned donation by the Company a number of employees contributed a sum of \$711.37 to the Fund, while several others also made contributions under covenants.

Retirements and Valedictory Functions



Mr. R. D. Leather receives farewell gifts from Mr. J. S. Philipps, Transport Superintendent.

On 14th July last a valedictory function was held in the Garage when employees of the Section together with a number of Company officials gathered to say goodbye to Mr. R. D. Leather, Garage Supervisor, who was leaving U.B.O.T. on transfer to Borneo. On behalf of the Staff and employees, Mr. J. S. Philipps, Transport Superintendent presented Mr. Leather with a lovely tea trolley and glassware.

Mr. C. A. Dimitriu, Head of the Exploitation Engineering Department has recently left on long leave prior to transfer. Before his departure he was the guest of honour at two "on-the-job" presentations. On Thursday 11th August Mr. Dimitriu was presented with a cigarette case and a table model lighter subscribed to by the clerks of the Department. The second presentation took place on Friday 26th August when his successor, Mr. E. G. Everett, on behalf of his many friends and associates at Point Fortin, presented him with a briefcase and a cocktail set. Mr. J. D. Hall, Assistant General Manager, on behalf of the Company thanked Mr. Dimitriu for the excellent job he had done during his tour of duty here and wished him every success in his new appointment.

On 25th August last the Refinery Main Office was the scene of a double valedictory function when two members of the Senior Staff were given send-offs.

Mr. E. G. Everett making the presentation to Mr. C. A. Dimitriu.



Mr. C. R. Carter who has been transferred to Australia, was presented with a pen and pencil set by Mr. O. Ormrod on behalf of the Section. Mr. A. N. Holmes, Refinery Manager, also made a presentation of a silver cigarette box on behalf of his other friends and colleagues in the Company.

Mr. P. A. Gomez who has resigned from the Company's service and intends to go to Canada was presented with a briefcase by Mr. C. R. Carter on behalf of his colleagues in the Refinery.



Mr. P. A. Gomez (left) receiving a briefcase from Mr. C. R. Carter.

An "on the job" presentation was made to Mr. J. A. Blair, former Chief Accountant on the eve of his departure for the United Kingdom on long leave. Mr. Blair, who had been in Point Fortin since 1947 will not be returning to Trinidad as he has been assigned to Concessionaria de Petroleo Shell-Condor, Bogota, Colombia. UBOTIMES wishes him every success in his new appointment.

Items of Local Interest

Lecture on Constitutional Reform :

On 23rd July last Dr. Eric Williams delivered an open air lecture at Frisco Junction on Constitutional Reform in Trinidad and Tobago, to one of the biggest crowds ever assembled in these parts. The lecture was held under the auspices of the Point Fortin District Welfare Council and was one of the first of a series of lectures by prominent personalities which the Council intends to arrange for Point Fortin.

Election of Officers Point Fortin District Welfare Council :

On 13th July last the Point Fortin District Welfare Council held its annual election and the following officers were elected for the 1955/56 term :-

President	—	Mr. George Mills
Vice-President	—	St. H. St. Hillaire (re-elected)
Secretary	—	W. D. Best
Treasurer	—	M. John
Trustees	—	C. K. Johnson (re-elected)
		and N. Ross
Auditors	—	County Councillor D. I. Lynch, and Mr. Theophilus Jean.

Discovery Day Celebrations :

A Committee headed by Mr. N. Roberts and Mr. Fitzroy Watts, organised the Discovery Day celebrations in Point Fortin this year. Features of the celebrations were a parade by school children, scouts and guides in the morning, and a carnival and discovery display in the afternoon. Highlighting the celebrations were the Fair and Dance at the Point Fortin E.C. School at which there was the selection of the "Discovery Day Queen". Mr. W. D. Best, Industrial Relations Supervisor of U.B.O.T. Ltd., delivered an address on Discovery Day during the morning session.

Police Band Concert :

On Thursday 1st September the Police Band under Major Dennison, rendered a variety programme at the Mahaica Oval, Point Fortin, between 8.15 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. The programme included a medley of waltzes and popular tunes which were well received by a large audience. After the concert the members of the band were entertained to supper by the Point Fortin District Welfare Council.

Point Fortin Library :

With the object of stimulating interest in the activities of the Point Fortin Library, Mrs. Daphne Mejias, the Custodian, recently inaugurated a visitors' week which culminated on 25th July last with a programme consisting of a lecture on the value of books by Mr. Jack Kelshall, a Film Show and Story Hour for the children, and a display of new books. Opportunity was taken during the function for the Custodian to present a report of the activities of the Central Library Branch, Point Fortin, which traced the growth and development of the Library from its inception in 1947 to the present day. The Custodian reports amongst other things that although there is a very healthy and vigorous juvenile section, the adult circulation left very much to be desired. She made an appeal to the adult population of Point Fortin to make more regular use of the facilities offered by the Branch Library.

New R.C. Church at Point Fortin :

Erection of a new R.C. Church at Point Fortin at a cost of approximately \$75,000 is now in progress near the 100-acre block village development scheme, and the laying of the foundation-stone by His Grace, the Archbishop, Count Finbar Ryan on Sunday 27th August was witnessed by a large congregation. As a matter of interest, we reproduce part of the address delivered by His Grace on that occasion, as follows :

"I cannot, therefore, delay the moment longer to congratulate Canon McNamara upon the persistence with which he pursued the great project of building this church. In this undertaking he had many ups and downs, and with any less tenacity of purpose he might easily have been daunted and given up; but instead he was able to infuse in the hearts of the people of Point Fortin and district a spirit of generosity and helpfulness, which I am most happy to acknowledge. I wish to thank all those who have helped him by their encouragement, by their labour, and by their material gifts of money and the things that money represent. I think it is only proper at this stage that I should thank the Management of the U.B.O.T. for their sympathy with our project, which has been so tangibly shown in the placing of the site at our disposal and the notable contribution of \$6,000 and more."

Those words of thanks, added His Grace, would be incomplete if he did not mention Mr. L. T. Harris (the building contractor) and his workers, without whose zealous labour and devotedness they could not have got so far and so quickly with the elevation of that temple.

His Grace, concluding his discourse, said that in a short time he hoped to have the joy of completing the work which he had begun by coming down to Point Fortin to consecrate and dedicate the church.

Scouting :

On 30th July last a function was held at the Techier Community Centre to bid god-speed to Master Courtney Coombs of the 1st Techier Scout Troop who was going to Canada to the 8th World Jamboree. Master Coombs was presented with gifts from the Red Cross, from his own Scout Troop, and from the U.B.O.T. Company. Speakers of the function included Mr. C. B. Mathison, Chairman of the Local Scout Association, Mr. W. D. Best, District Commissioner of Scouts, and Mr. Arthur Maul, Assistant District Commissioner.

"Miss Techier 1955"

At a pretty little function held recently Miss Shirley Marcelle, "Miss Techier 1955" was presented with a Silver Cup given to her by the Techier Village Dramatic and Arts Group. Miss Rosemary Registe, "Miss Techier 1954" made the presentation. The function was enlivened by the music of the Shell Star Steelband, a newly formed group of young men from Techier Village who formed themselves into a Steelband and have made marvellous progress in the short time since they began to practice.



His Grace the Archbishop of Trinidad places the Corner Stone of the new Roman Catholic Church.

The United British Staff Credit Union (Co-op) Society

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the U.B. Staff Credit Union was held on the 21st July, 1955, when the usual reports on the activities were presented and officers for the year 1955/56 were elected.

The Officers elected were : President, Mr. G. H. Edwards; Vice-President, Mr. I. F. Wilson; Treasurer, Mr. L. C. Busby; Assistant Treasurer, Mr. R. E. Valentine; Secretary, Mr. John Handel Asst. Secretary, Mr. A. Osborne, and Clerk of the Credit Committee, Mr. C. L. Couse.

Mr. C. B. Mathison, the Union's first President, did not stand for re-election due to his impending departure. The Union wishes to further express its sincere thanks and appreciation for his invaluable guidance during his term of office.

The total receipts for the year 1954 amounted to \$33,398 while payments amounted to \$29,095, of which loans were responsible for \$24,972.

Due to the successful year which the Union has had it was able to declare a dividend of 4% on shares.

With a membership of only 120 and a Share Capital of \$17,619, the Union through this medium sincerely invites all members of the Staff to join its ranks.

Bachelor's Party :

The Penal Electrical Workshop was the venue of a Bachelor's Party held on Wednesday 27th August in honour of Mr. P. V. Lewes, Electrical Engineer of the Penal Division. Mr. J. Sutherland officiated as Chairman, and Mr. B. Seepaul presented the guest of honour with a lovely Cut Glass Liqueur Decanter on behalf of the employees of the Engineering Department. Later in the evening friends and well-wishers of Mr. Lewes ("Tiny") held a Bachelor's Night in his honour at the Tai Tung Restaurant, San Fernando, when best wishes were extended to him on the eve of his marriage. A Chinese dinner was served and after toasts were drunk, the guest of honour was presented with a Picnic Set by Dr. F. E. V. Cant.

U.B.A.A. Penal Club :

The U.B.A.A. Penal Club has been recently renovated and a Ladies dressing room added. The colour scheme used in repainting is very attractive and in general, the club can now boast a "new look".

Sale of Lots to Tenants :

In keeping with the policy of U.B.O.T. Ltd. to aid the normal development of the township of Point Fortin, and to encourage the natural desire of tenants eventually to own the freehold surface of the holdings on which they have erected dwelling houses and other buildings, the Company recently declared that they would be prepared, in individual cases, to sell to their tenants the freehold surface of their holdings and we have been informed that many of the tenants have already taken advantage of this offer.

Warden's Office :

We are pleased to announce that a Branch of the Warden's Office was opened at Point Fortin on 6th September. The office is temporarily housed in the building formerly occupied by Barclays Bank D.C. & O. on the Techier Main Road and will be open to the public for business on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.30 a.m. to 12 noon. UBOTIMES welcomes this additional public service agency to Point Fortin and feels sure that its readers will take full advantage of this facility.

Estate Police Dance :

On Saturday 6th August, the Point Fortin Estate Police held their First Annual Barn Dance at the U.B.A.A. Mahaica Club. A large crowd was in attendance, and we are informed that the dance was a success.



Teachers from Martinique visit the Apprentices Technical School.



Another picture of the Martinique teachers at the Technical School.

Visitors :

Recent visitors to Point Fortin included Professor Bartley, of the University College of the West Indies; Mr. Lockheed, Social Welfare Adviser of the Colonial Office; Miss Stephanie Laforest, Superintendent of Examinations; Miss Claire de Gannes, Secretary of the Junior Red Cross Society; a group of Teachers from the Training College in Martinique; Mr. E. F. Shurland, M.B.E.; and many University students.

Transfers :

Mr. P. Cornwallis who has been employed in the Materials Department, Point Fortin for the past 17 years, has been transferred to the Port-of-Spain Office, Materials Section.

Mr. E. M. Arneaud of Port-of-Spain Office Stocks & Shipping Section, has been transferred to the Sales Department.

UBOTIMES wishes the above the best of luck in their new environment.

Promotion :

On the 11th August, nine Watchmen of the Estate Police Force who sat and passed a Recruits' Training Course at Fyzabad Police Station, were sworn in as Estate Constables at the new Siparia Police Station, by Acting Superintendent Bernard of the South Western Division.

Tour :

On July 19th last, the young electricians of the Apprentices Technical School had the opportunity of visiting Radio Trinidad under the supervision of Mr. D. Lund, Assistant Training Supervisor. UBOTIMES extends grateful thanks to those people who made their visit both interesting and instructive.

Barclays Bank :

We are pleased to report that the Point Fortin Branch of Barclays Bank D.C. & O. recently moved into their new premises on the Techier Main Road.

Photographic Competition

As last year UBOTIMES is holding another photographic contest open to all employees for which 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes of \$10., \$6., and \$4. respectively will be awarded. Photographs submitted must be of a typical Trinidad scene and should be sent to the Editor in a sealed envelope not later than October 31st. Each entry should be accompanied by a slip giving a brief description of the scene together with the contestant's name and address, and a nom-de-plume if he does not wish his name to be published. These details should not be written on the back of the photograph. The names of the prize-winners and the winning photograph will be published in the Christmas edition of UBOTIMES.

Appointments and Promotions

News has just been received in Trinidad that the Board of Directors of Shell Refining and Marketing Company Ltd., has been reconstituted as follows:—

Chairman of the Board, Mr. J. W. Platt; Managing Director, Mr. E. Leo. Herbert; Directors, Mr. J. A. Berri-man, Mr. J. Grant, Mr. F. Mackley, Mr. C. R. Middleton, Mr. F. J. Stephens, Mr. R. W. J. Smith, Mr. W. S. Thompson.

Messrs. C. R. Middleton and J. Grant are well known to Trinidad staff as both gentlemen served as Refinery Managers and subsequently as members of Local Management during their period of service with U.B.O.T. Ltd.

UBOTIMES congratulates the following on their promotion to Senior Staff status:—

Mr. C. C. Black (Penal Division); Mr. R. P. Jameson (Production); Mr. M. C. Nimblett (Accounts); Mr. J. A. Gonsalves (Port-of-Spain Office); Mr. J. J. Warner (Medical).

The following have been promoted to Junior Staff status:—

Mr. K. Seow (Port-of-Spain Office), Mr. F. Richards (Accounts), Messrs. S. Lutchman and A. Edwards (Materials), Mr. N. Nimblett and Mr. N. Ali (Exploitation).

The following other promotions have been made:—

Mr. K. Russell (Penal) from M. V. Driver to Transport Foreman; Mr. H. Baboolal (Penal) from Trainee to Stores Attendant "B"; Mr. V. Wright (Refinery) from Charge-hand Turner to Foreman Engine Fitter; Mr. J. Edmund (Engineering) from Survey Headman to Foreman Survey Headman; Mr. R. Cameron (Port-of-Spain Office) from Office Boy to Clerk Grade II; Mr. F. R. Nobbie (Materials) from Office Boy to Clerk Grade II; Mr. S. Jatwah (Materials) from Despatcher "B" to Clerk Grade II; Messrs. E. Abdul, R. Bachoo, L. Broomes, A. Layne, H. O. Smith, A. Howe, and A. Saunders (Apprentices Technical School) from Apprentices to Tradesmen "B"; Mr. R. Deodath (Production) from Gathering Station Gauger "A" to Clerk Grade II; Messrs. J. Frank and F. Balaro (T.N.A.) from Pierman/Dockhand and Labourer respectively, to Sailors; Messrs. E. Baptiste, M/Mechanic "A", W. Clarke, Engine Attndt, "A", C. Marciano, M/Mechanic "A", and N. A. Wilson, M/Mechanic "B" (T.N.A.) to Launch Engineers; Mr. F. De Matas (T.N.A.) from Sailor to Launch Engineer.

We extend a cordial welcome to the following who have joined the Staff of U.B.O.T. Ltd:—

Mr. G. C. L. Sung (Exploitation Dept.); Mr. N. H. Mathews (Materials Dept.); Messrs. A. M. R. Sloodweg and J. Jansen (Refinery Dept.); and a welcome back to the following who have

recently returned from long leave:—

Messrs. A. H. Davis and R. M. Harcourt (I.R. & P. Dept.); Messrs. W. G. Alston and J. Grimme (Drilling

Dept.); Messrs. K. G. Tait, H. H. Pogson, A. Melrose, and D. J. Sedgley (Engineering Dept.); Mr. S. T. Waite (Geological Dept.); and Mr. D. R. Elder (Accounts Dept.).

We bid adieu to the following who have left on transfer or pre-retirement leave:—

Mr. D. P. B. Stewart (Drilling Dept.); Mr. R. D. Leather (Transport Dept.); Mr. F. R. Callender (I.R. & P. Dept.); Messrs. C. A. Dimitriu and A. C. Hall (Exploitation Dept.); Mr. C. R. Carter (Refinery Dept.); Mr. J. A. Blair (Accounts Dept.); and Happy Holiday to the following who have left on long leave:—

Messrs. J. H. Huggins, C. L. Byrne, C. W. Weetink and J. L. Krekelaar (Drilling Dept.); Dr. N. W. Ahin (Medical Dept.); Mr. R. P. Brown (Field Administration); Mr. J. Findlay (Aviation); Mr. C. R. Bascom (Accounts Dept.); Messrs. F. A. Lewis, L. C. Allcock and D. A. Williams (Engineering Dept.); and Mr. A. D. Mitchell (Exploitation Dept.).

We extend our congratulations to the following:—

Mr. Clarence Cross of the Geological Laboratory, and Mrs. Cross, on the birth of a son, Selwyn.

Mr. E. J. de Verteuil of the Penal Division, and Mrs. de Verteuil, on the birth of a son.

Mr. I. C. H. Moody of the I.R. & P. Department, and Mrs. Moody, on the birth of a son.

Mr. J. Hackshaw of the Refinery Electrical, and Mrs. Hackshaw, on the birth of a son.

Mr. R. A. Browne of the Engineering Department, and Mrs. Browne, on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. Cosmos Andrews of the Refinery Power Plant, and Mrs. Andrews, on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. Eddy Hutchinson of the Distillation Section, and Mrs. Hutchinson, on the birth of a son.

Mr. J. D. Watts of the Accounts Department, and Mrs. Watts, on the birth of a son.

Mr. E. McColman of the Refinery Laboratory, and Mrs. McColman, on the birth of a son.

Mr. J. M. E. Decle of the Drilling Department, and Mrs. Decle, on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. Ivor Frederick of the Refinery Laboratory, and Mrs. Frederick, on the birth of a son.

Mr. S. T. Lyall of the Refinery Engineering, and Mrs. Lyall, on the birth of a son.



Mr. Cuthbert Hamilton of the Refinery Laboratory, and Mrs. Hamilton, on the birth of a son.

Mr. J. A. Kong of the Materials Department, and Mrs. Kong, on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. L. Henry of the Estate Police Force, and Mrs. Henry, on the birth of a son.

Mr. Boodoosingh of the Penal Materials, and Mrs. Boodoosingh, on the birth of a son.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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Miss S. Yew Woon of the Port-of-Spain Office was married on 5th June last to Mr. George Baldwin Hosang, at the St. Francis Church, Belmont, Port-of-Spain.

Dr. W. G. H. Maxwell of the Geological Department joined the ranks of the Benedicts when he married Miss A. Swanepoel of Cape Town, South Africa, on 11th August last at the St. Ann's Church of Scotland, Port-of-Spain.

Mr. P. V. Lewes of the Penal Division was married to Mrs. Mary Galt on Saturday, 30th July, in Tobago.



Obituary

It is with deep regret that we record the following deaths and offer our sincere condolences to the families concerned :—

Mr. William Hendy, Watchman of the Penal Administration, who died on the 6th August.

Mrs. Rosabell Mootoo, wife of Mr. Montcalm Mootoo of the Field Engineering Section, and mother of Mr. Lloyd Mootoo of the M. & O. Shops, who died on the 1st September at the San Fernando Colonial Hospital. The late Mrs. Mootoo was an old resident of Point Fortin and will be sadly missed by her relatives and friends. The interment took place at the Point Fortin Cemetery and was attended by hundreds of followers.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Belgrove of the Penal Materials, which occurred on 26th August.

The father of Mr. Rooplal Jagassar of the Penal Materials, which occurred on the 23rd August. The late Mr. Jagassar was 72 years old.

The mother of Miss Audrey Mapp, Charwoman of the Penal Office, who died on the 26th August.

Mr. Roderick Edwards, Clerk of the Drilling Office, which occurred on the 28th July. The late Roderick will be sadly missed by his many friends as he was quite a popular sportsman in the district. The interment took place at the Point Fortin Cemetery and it has been recorded to be one of the largest funerals seen in this district.

Mr. Arnold Sobrian, father of Mr. Jules Sobrian, Regional Trainee, who died under tragic circumstances at Salibia Bay, Toco, on the 4th September.

Mr. Frederick T. Harding, Draughtsman of the Geological Department, which occurred on the 4th September at Point Fortin. The late "Sam" as he was familiarly known, joined the services of U.B.O.T. in 1931 and was well known and liked by all those who came in contact with him. He will be sadly missed by friends and colleagues. The interment took place at the Woodbrook Cemetery, Port-of-Spain.

Miss Essy Trim, sister of Mr. S. A. Trim of the Drilling Department, who died at Canaan, Tobago, on the 18th August.

It is with great regret that we have to announce the death in Edinburgh, Scotland, on 5th September, 1955, of Mr. J. G. Ogilvie. Mr. Ogilvie, a former Production Su-

perintendent, left Point Fortin on retirement in June 1953 after having spent more than 20 years of service in Trinidad.

UBOTIMES extends deepest sympathy to his widow and her daughters.



Mr. J. S. Gaynor.

It is with deepest regret that we have to record the death in London of Mr. J. S. Gaynor. Many of our readers will remember with affection Mr. Gaynor who served as Assistant General Manager of U.B.O.T. Ltd., from April 1945, to August 1946, when he left Trinidad to take up an appointment in Egypt. He was subsequently transferred to the Staff Department in London and his duties in that Department twice brought him back to Trinidad on short visits.

The news of his passing came as a great shock to all his many friends in the Island and UBOTIMES extends its heartfelt sympathy to his widow and her daughters.

Spotlight on Sport

by Clyde Mc Clean

PENAL FIELD ACTIVITIES

On Sunday 26th June, members of the U.B.A.A. were entertained by the Police Sports Club of San Fernando in a return fixture of Indoor Games. On this occasion, the Southern "bobbies" turned the tables on us by winning the Billiards by 6 games to none; table tennis 3 — 2; draughts 8 — and All-fours 40 — 39; thus avenging the overwhelming defeat they suffered at our hands early this year. Despite our defeats our boys enjoyed the day immensely.

VOLLEY BALL

A Volley Ball Section of the Club was formally opened by the Field Superintendent, Mr. F. H. A. Anderson, on Wednesday 27th July. The Court was named "The U.B.A.A. Kevan's Court", in honour of Mr. R. A. Kevan, of the Engineering Department, Point Fortin, who was the founder and first Chairman of the Section. The opening game was played between the U.B.A.A. (Penal) Club and the Oxford Volleyball Club of San Fernando. The section started off on the right foot by defeating their opponents by 2 points to none.

FOOTBALL



The "Third Back System" has come to stay. It has been injected most successfully into the veins of U.B.A.A. football and the many enthusiasts who, at the commencement of the season did not favour the introduction of this type of play, were soon heard speaking of it in glowing terms. They now understand the system and appreciate its worth.

This year, six teams are taking part in the Southern Amateur Football League competitions and the season was opened with the playing of the Hinds Memorial game between North and South Trinidad at Apex. U.B.A.A. players gained four places on the South team in the persons of R. "Cax" Baptiste, D. Charleau, D. Griffith and F. Hackett, and they all acquitted themselves well in the game which resulted in a 1 — 1 draw.

U.B.A.A. officially opened its season with a match against Sporting Club F.C., the 1954 Port-of-Spain League Champions. Mr. J. D. Hall, our Assistant General Manager, kicked off the ball to start proceedings, and with both sides playing this new system football of an extremely high standard was witnessed. After a drawn game, the visitors were entertained at the U.B.A.A. Clubhouse.



Mr. J. D. Hall meets the U.B.O.T. 1st XI.

Mark Moody-Stuart Shield :

So far, U.B.A.A. have played six games in the Shield Competition, and have won 3, lost 1 and drawn 2. Our first game against Apex at the Mahaica Oval was easily won by the wide margin of 6 goals to none. L.A.S.C., one of our toughest rivals, were at home to us for our second engagement. U.B.A.A. suffered their first setback, as has always been the case over the last three years whenever the game is played at Pointe-a-Pierre. L.A.S.C. scored after two minutes of play, but G. Worrell equalised for us a few minutes later. Before half-time, however, our opponents again went into the lead and despite our constant pressure on their defence we failed to bring the scores level. U.B.A.A. opposed Forest Reserve for their third Shield game. A mammoth crowd was on hand to see these teams vie for supremacy; Forest playing the accustomed "Roving centre-half" game, and we the new "third back" game. It was soon evident that victory would come our way and goals by L. Steele (2), G. Worrell and F. Lewis (1 each), sealed the Foresters' fate. T.P.D. F.C., our next opponents, have been playing a much improved game this season and it was no surprise that we only scored a one-goal to nil victory over them. The first round of games came to an end when we met Spitfire F.C. at Apex. This team had one of their most successful seasons during 1954 and fielding just a couple of new players this year and employing the third back system fought us to an exciting one-all draw. Meanwhile, the Forest Reserve team which had been carrying

everything before them apart from their defeat at our hands, finished at the top of the table at this stage, leading us by one point. The Second Round games have just started and U.B.A.A. have dropped another point against L.A.S.C. this time at Mahaica. If, however, U.B.A.A. win their remaining games, that is, getting full points against Spitfire, Forest Reserve and T.P.D., championship honours will again be ours.

Coronation Cup :

During Coronation year, 1953, Mr. L. A. Bushe, former General Manager of the Apex (Trinidad) Oilfields, donated the "Coronation Cup" for competition amongst S.A.F.L. teams. U.B.A.A. have won the trophy on both occasions the tournament has been held and this year we entered the final again with victories over Apex and L.A.S.C. At the time of writing, the final game against Spitfire F.C. has not been played but the team is quite confident of chalking up a hat-trick of wins.

Oilwell Supply Cup :

U.B.A.A. survived the first round with a win over Apex F.C. and will try to make this trophy another of the many they hope to carry off this year.

Last year, it will be recalled, U.B.A.A. sported two 1st Class teams and one 2nd Class. This is not so this year, and it was decided to re-introduce two 2nd Class teams. The "A" team, captained by A. Carty, includes many of the players who had played for the Junior 1st Class team in 1954 and is a very powerful one. They have so far played 4 matches, winning three and drawing one. It is interesting to note that these teams are also playing the third-back game and making a good job of it. The "B" team, led by C. Tom, have lost one game, won 2 and drawn one.

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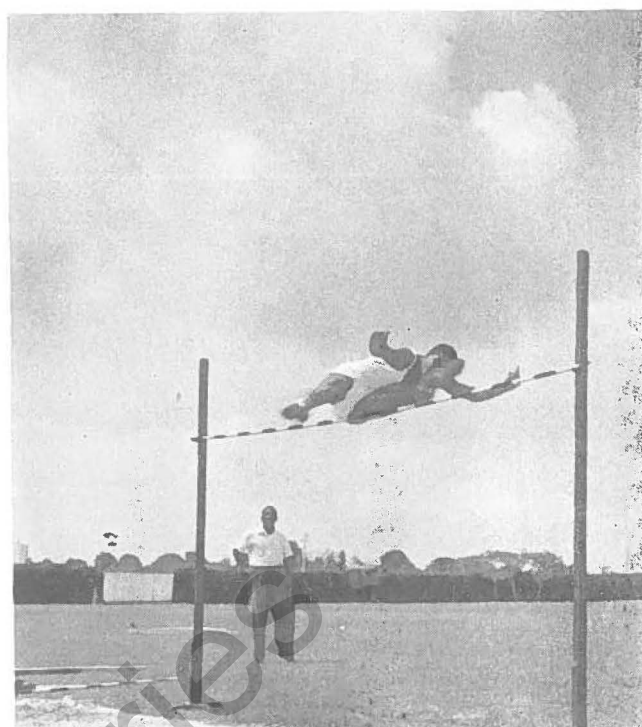


In the last issue of UBOTIMES, it was reported that the U.B.A.A. 1st XI was in an excellent position to win the St. Patrick Cup Championship, but, that it had to do well in the outstanding games. We are now proud and happy to be able to report that the team recaptured the trophy from Ste. Marie C.C., of Cedros, to whom they lost it in 1954. The presentation of this Cup will take place at the commencement of the 1956 Season.

Our 2nd Eleven, the "B" or Colts team, were defeated in a divisional final by the Antilles C.C. who eventually triumphed over Apex C.C. to win the 2nd Class Cup. To these successful teams, UBOTIMES extends its sincerest congratulations.

BILLIARDS

After a lapse of almost 2 years, the Billiards Section of the U.B.A.A. came to life and on their recently re-conditioned table, conducted a tournament open to all members. Some very interesting games were witnessed in the four classes and the winners are to be congratulated on their success. A presentation function was held at which the following were presented with prizes by Mr. F. R. Callender, the then I.R. & P. Department Head:-- "A" 1. Class : H. Gordon, "A" 2. Class : W. "Bobby" Mills, "B" Class : Ashton Charles. "C" Class : Reynold Thomas.



L. Williams (P.O.S. Office) clears the bar in the High Jump event during the 1955 U.B.A.A. Open Sports Meeting.

ATHLETICS AND CYCLING

U.B.A.A. Open Sports Meeting :

In brilliant sunshine and before a fairly large crowd, the U.B.A.A. Open Cycle and Athletics Sports Meeting was held on Sunday 3rd July at the Mahaica Oval. Athletes from all parts of the Island took part in the proceedings and exhibitions of keen rivalry were in evidence throughout the afternoon. There were no fewer than 27 items run off and although cycle events were in the minority they were the outstanding features of the day. Responsible for this were the clashes between Harry Bailey, of U.B.A.A., and Hilton Mitchell, of L.A.S.C., both of whom have represented Trinidad recently in Games in Trinidad and overseas. Bailey won the 2 and 3 miles events whilst Mitchell carried off the other 2 miles event and captured the 5 mile race. In the flat races, the spotlight fell on the "A" Class 100 and 220 yards events which were both won by C. Williams of T.P.D. McD. Philbert, the Island's up and coming middle distance runner carried off both the 440 and 880 yards events in style. E. Cadogan (L.A.S.C.) won the 1-mile whilst J. Roberts (U.B.A.A.) the Island's best 3 miler carried off this his pet distance. Hereunder are the results:—

100 Yards Flat (Juniors):

V. James (U.B.A.A.); D. Noel (Rangers Pioneers); E. Comma (Ranger Pioneers).

1 Mile Cycle Race (C & Ct):

E. Thornhill (L.A.S.C.); O. Allen (U.B.A.A.); C. Celestine (U.B.A.A.).

100 Yards Flat ("B" Class):

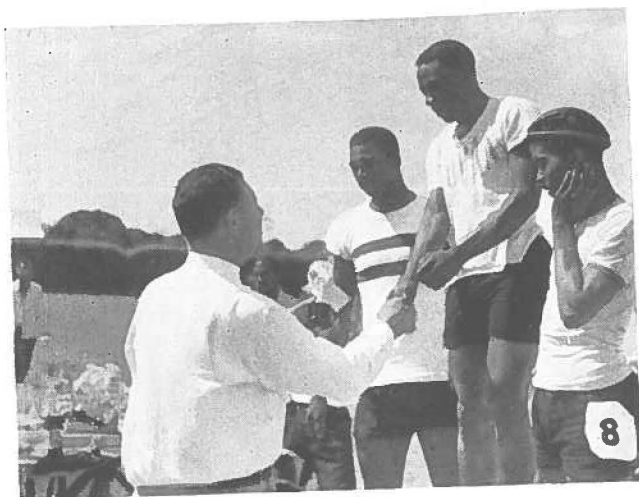
W. Jackson (L.A.S.C.); C. Greaves (Ranger Pioneers); V. James (U.B.A.A.).

High Jump:

L. Scipio (L.A.S.C.); L. Williams (Ranger Pioneers); C. Griffith (L.A.S.C.).

100 Yards Flat Race (Ladies):

S. Allen; A. Ramsey.



Mr. F. R. Callender presents Cup to H. Bailey (U.B.A.A.) after his victory over H. Mitchell (L.A.S.C.) on his right and C. Celestine (U.B.A.A.) the other in the 2-mile event "Open Sports Meeting".

2 Mile Cycle Race (Open):
H. Bailey (U.B.A.A.); H. Mitchell (L.A.S.C.); C. Celestine (U.B.A.A.).

100 Yards Flat Race ("A" Class):
C. Williams (T.P.D.); H. Harewood (L.A.S.C.); E. Sealy (Tranton).

Putting the Shot:
L. Scipio (L.A.S.C.); A. Edwards (Olympiads); H. Alexander.

220 Yards Flat (Juniors):
E. Comma (Ranger Pioneers); D. Noel (Ranger Pioneers); A. Harrington (U.B.A.A.).

880 Yards Flat Race (Open):
McD. Philbert (T.P.D.); E. Cadogan (L.A.S.C.); E. Puckerin (Tranton).

Long Jump:
L. Scipio (L.A.S.C.); H. Regis (L.A.S.C.); H. Solomon.

220 Yards Flat Race ("B" Class):
W. Jackson (L.A.S.C.); L. Edwards; C. Benjamin.

3 Mile Cycle Race (Open):
H. Bailey (U.B.A.A.); H. Mitchell (L.A.S.C.); O. Allen (U.B.A.A.).

220 Yards Flat Race (Ladies):
S. Allen; A. Ramsey.

1 Mile Cycle Race (Open):
O. Allen (U.B.A.A.); P. Morris; C. Celestine (U.B.A.A.).

440 Yards Flat Race ("B" Class):
C. James (L.A.S.C.); E. Forde (Tranton); O. Cross (L.A.S.C.).

220 Yards Flat Race ("A" Class):
C. Williams (T.P.D.); H. Harewood (L.A.S.C.); E. Sealy (Tranton).

1 Mile Flat Race:
E. Cadogan (L.A.S.C.); T. Sosa (Ranger Pioneers); J. Roberts (U.B.A.A.).

Throwing the Discus:
L. Williams (Ranger Pioneers); T. Baden-Semper (Ranger Pioneers); L. Scipio (L.A.S.C.).

1 Mile Cycle Race (Juniors):
P. Morris; R. Celestine; R. Saney.

440 Yards Flat Race (Juniors):
H. Hart; J. Anderson (Brooklyn); K. Thomas (L.A.S.C.).

2 Mile Walking Race:
S. Lawrence; C. Cornwall.

2 Mile Cycle Race (Open):
H. Mitchell (L.A.S.C.); H. Bailey (U.B.A.A.).

440 Yards Flat Race ("A" Class):
McD. Philbert (T.P.D.); E. Sealy (Tranton); E. Puckerin (Tranton).

3 Mile Flat Race:
J. Roberts (U.B.A.A.); E. Thomas (Dookie School); O. Ogis (U.B.A.A.).

4 x 110 Yards Relay Race (Juniors):
Rangers; St. Mary's College; Point Fortin Intermediate R.C. School.

4 x 110 Yards Relay Race (Open):
Rangers; L.A.S.C. "A"; L.A.S.C. "B".

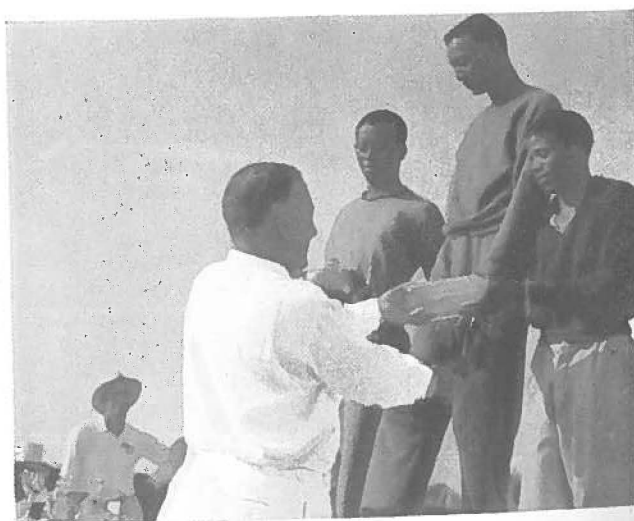
5 Mile Cycle Race (Open):
H. Mitchell (L.A.S.C.); H. Bailey (U.B.A.A.); O. Allen (U.B.A.A.); Lap Prize: N. Calliste (U.B.A.A.).

Coronation Cup Sports Meeting:

As was reported in the last issue of UBOTIMES this meeting was postponed owing to inclement weather. It was eventually held at the end of June and although conditions left a great deal to be desired they did not detract from the usual keen rivalry between the competing Departments. The Coronation Cup was won by the Refinery and Victor James of that Department demonstrated his superiority over the other competitors by carrying off the Victor Ludorum Cup.

NETBALL

Hats off to the girls of the U.B.A.A. Netball Section! This section was formed in 1953 but did not take part in the St. Patrick Netball Competition, until the following year. This year the section won the Campbell Shield, emblematic of netball supremacy in the St. Patrick County. As County champions, they met the winners of the San Fernando league, whom they defeated to become champions of South Trinidad. Their next opponents were Nelsonians, the Port-of-Spain League winners, whom they played for the George Lewis Cup and although they gave a good account of themselves they were defeated by the City team. UBOTIMES extends its heartiest congratulations to the St. Patrick Netball Champions, and wish them continued success.



Mr. J. D. Hall presents 3rd prize to A. Harrington (U.B.A.A.) for the 220 Yds. Flat Race (Juniors) in the 1955 U.B.A.A. Open Sports Meeting.

Items of Interest from Elsewhere

Shell Magazine Wins "House Journal" Award

The Shell Magazine, published by the Shell Petroleum Company, has won the highest award in its class in the National House Journal Competition organised by the British Association of Industrial Editors.

It has also carried off the Industrial Editors' Trophy for the "best house journal of the year" (in any class) awarded by the Monotype Corporation Ltd.

UBOTIMES takes this opportunity of congratulating the Editor and the staff of "Shell Magazine" on their outstanding achievement.

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A Philatelist's "Collector's Piece"

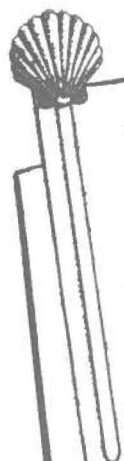
Every year the Netherlands Post Office issues a special series of stamps surcharged to aid charitable institutions.

This year modern Netherland architecture is featured. On the 25¢ stamps, with an eight cents surcharge, appears a reproduction of a photograph of the office building of Shell Nederland N.V., Wassenaarsweg 80, The Hague. This building is the headquarters of the marketing organisation of Shell products in Holland.

In connection with this issue, a philatelist's "collector's piece" has been received in London. This "collector's piece", known as a "maximum card", shows that the stamp on the front of this card contains the same picture as the card itself. The card is completed by the cancellation of the postage stamp at the place connected with the picture.



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Family album

THEOPHILUS MAUL was born 59 years ago in the island of St. Vincent, but when only two years old, his parents came to Trinidad and made their home in St. Joseph where Theophilus attended the elementary school and served his apprenticeship in a carpenter's shop. His first, brief association with the Company dates from as far back as 1916 when, as Foreman's assistant, he worked on the construction of the first jetty at Point Fortin from the beginning to its completion in 1918. Then Theophilus struck out on his own again and for twelve years he worked as a contractor in nearly every part of the island. He returned to U.B.O.T. in 1930 and was employed in the Camp Maintenance Section where he worked until 1950 when he was transferred to the Carpenters' Shop where he is now responsible for furniture repairs.

Theophilus met his wife, Beatrice, in Grande Riviere and there they were married in 1921. They have a daughter and a son, Arthur, who works in the Accounts Dept. and they are very proud of their nine grandchildren. Beatrice Maul is not only a competent housewife and a devoted mother, she is also a keen church-worker and shares her husband's enthusiasm for the work of the Friendly Societies. Although his work as an officer of a number of Friendly Societies absorbs most of his spare time, Theophilus still finds time for his favourite game of "All Fours" and for watching the U.B.A.A. cricket and football teams.

Theophilus is most impressed by the progress which has been made in Point Fortin since he first knew it in 1916. "When I came back here in 1930," he said, "I could not believe my eyes. The only building that I could remember was the Estate Police Barracks and, since then, things have been moving faster every day. I wish that I could be born again to benefit from the great opportunities that the Company offers to the young men of today."

Theophilus Maul is a quiet, efficient and conscientious man who has served the Company loyally for many years and, with his devoted wife, Beatrice, has earned his place of honour in our Family Album.

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