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YEAR II

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AN ECHO OF MARKES vs. U. N. I. A.

The Hon. J. A. G. Smith K. C., has taken up the arbitrary decision of the Chief Justice of Jamaica in the above case, by asking a series of questions of the Colonial Secretary in the Legislative Council.

1st. Has the government regarded it as a matter of duty to this Colony to investigate any of the circumstances of the litigation in re, Markes vs. the Universal Negro Improvement Association, Inc. (an American Corporation) and of the several orders made by Sir Fienness Barrett-Lennard (then discharging the office of Chief Justice) which have been reversed on appeal by the Appellate Court of Jamaica?

The Colonial Secretary replied in the Negative.

2. Has the government considered the bearing and implications of the judgments of the Jamaica Appeal Court on the said reversed orders and on the circumstances under which they were made?

Is the government aware that on the 2nd. day of September 1929, application was made to said Sir Fienness Barrett Lennard on behalf of certain Jamaicans registered at the office of Titles as the owners of real Estate No. 76 King St. Kingston, to stay the operation of his order for the sale of this property pending the hearing of their appeal from his said order for sale?

Is the government aware that the convening of the Appeal Court at any time to hear or expedite the hearing of an appeal is one of the powers of a Chief Justice; and that in any event there was to be a regular sitting of the Appeal Court on the 18th. Nov., two and a half months from the date.

That, The Chief Justice refused to stay the operation of his order for sale of the property pending the hearing of the appeal, and permitted the sale thereof notwithstanding the appeal?

That, the parties claiming to be beneficially interested in the said Real Estate, there after on the 24th. October 1929, entered a caveat against any Transfer of title to a third party, on the part of the purchaser at the court sale, or any displacement of the then registered proprietor of the said land?

That an application was

then made by the purchaser to the Chief Justice for an order to discharge such caveat.

That on the hearing of this application on the 7th. day of November, the Counsel for the caveators pointed out to the Chief Justice, that the Appeal Court would meet on the 18th. of November (only eleven days hence) and pressed on him, that if the caveat were removed before the hearing of the appeal, the title to the transferee from the purchaser at the court sale would be registered and the purchase money would be sent out of the Island, and out of the reach of the Appeal court, and its recovery would be rendered impossible, in the event of the order for sale then under appeal being reversed on appeal?

That in spite of the foregoing submissions the said Chief Justice made an order removing the said caveat?

That the purchase money was thereafter sent out of Jamaica and was thereby rendered irrevocable in any event of the then pending appeal?

That the appeal from the said order for sale was subsequently allowed and the said order for the sale by the Chief Justice was set aside by the Appeal Court of Jamaica. That the order also by the said Chief Justice for the delivery of immediate possession of the said premises to the purchaser at the court sale, was also declared by the said Appellate court not to be warranted in law, and not proper to have been made under the provisions of the Civil Procedure Code?

That the Appeal Court ordered an investigation to be made, as to whether this American Corporation had, at the time of the Chief Justice's order for sale, any pecuniary interest whatever in the Real Estate ordered to be sold, and which these Jamaicans were claiming by appeal to be their property and that, upon such enquiry being held, the Supreme Court found and declared that at the time of the order of the Chief Justice, directing their sale by the Bailiff, the said American Corporation, had no ownership or interest in the said chattels?

The Colonial Secretary replied that it would not be proper for him to answer these questions under the cir-

cumstances, considering that proceedings relating to the matter are now pending to a considerable extent in the Supreme Court and the matter is Sub Judice.

Several other questions relative to this matter were also negatived by the government; and also expressed itself as not having any intention of holding any public enquiry or investigation into the circumstances surrounding this litigation; and that no report had been made to the Secretary of States for the Colonies in connection with the matters involved in the foregoing questions.

The question at issue deals with the arbitrary and vindictive decisions of the Chief Justice for the sale of property (which was proven to be belonging to certain Jamaicans

who formed an anonymous sympathetic Branch of the American Organization) to satisfy the mismanagement of the "American Parent Body" of which Markes himself was a Director.

Now that the sale by order of the Chief Justice Sir Fiend Barrett Lennard has been declared illegal and the property restored to its former owners, the amount arising from such sale, (which has been sent out of the Island to the U. S. A. and without the reach of the Courts of Jamaica) must be returned to the misguided purchaser. The question now arises and which the colonial Secretary does not wish honestly to face, but which Mr. Smith wishes to press, is: who will refund this money, the Chief Justice or the Tax-payers of Jamaica through the

government.

There is already a suit for damages against Mr. C. E. Mellish, Registrar of Titles, for not satisfying himself of the legality of the Transferring of this Title as was his duty before it was done; which suit beyond the shadow of a doubt must succeed against a public officer, in the execution of his duty; who then must pay the Cost and verdict of such a suit but the government, while the Chief Justice who is away on leave of absence, and in our opinion will not be advised to return to Jamaica, will be enjoying his pension undisturbed in England to be supplied him by the very people he has victimized; we are feeling that this is what the Hon. Mr. Smith is leading up to avoid, with a view of placing re-

sponsibility at the door of whom it belongs.

We spoke of this miscarriage of Justice by this gentleman sometime ago in the Garvey case at which time we were severely criticised by some of our friends and readers, and here again is the same thing over, simply because it affects an organization in which Marcus Garvey (who criticised the honour of British Jurisprudence as entrusted in his hands) is concerned, no thought of British fairplay, nor the honour of the Justice and equity of our British laws must be entertained, but rather the exhibition of the lower nature, spite, hatred, resulting in depreciation of the highest aims of the standardized Justice not only of our Empire but the civilized world.

The outlook for our Bananas

It is very gratifying to observe that our farmers on the Atlantic Zone are a bit more satisfied than they have been for the past year. Rejections have been most distressing in recent months; and the recent declaration by the Compañia Bananera (alias U. F. Co.) that Contracts would not be renewed on old farms made the outlook so much more dark; but in consequence of recent occurrences of a hostile nature in other banana producing countries, the vision is changed and the apparent disaster which seemed inevitable for our planters is averted, consequently our fruit is being taken with a much greater acceptance than they had been, with little or no rejections, all farmers are agreed on one point with respect to this, that is when a stem of fruit is not accepted you can readily see that there is good reason for its being rejected.

This gives rise to an impetus on the part of our farmers to try to produce better fruit so as to please and satisfy the requirements of the Company.

In a speech delivered by

Mr. Cutter some time ago, he said that the idea of the Coy. "is to grow and ship the best fruit, thus commanding the best market prices and at the same time eliminating the possibilities of over production". It therefore behoves our planters especially those whose lands are limited to fork, drain and mulch the small areas at their disposal, so that instead of producing six and seven hands we shall produce none but firsts to satisfy the aims of the Company. Lime is not so very expensive in this country, and as it is one of the chief elements used to subjugate the ravages of Banana disease it would be well should our small farmers invest in a few sacks of this article, and apply some after the supplies have been well forked, then afterwards the mulch which would have the result of purely first class fruit, and giving an appearance of freshness only obtained in new plantations.

It is the intention of the Company to bring back this Country to its former status of exportation, hence a little care and expense in producing

the best fruit possible will amply reward those who endeavour to deliver the best goods to the buyer; these efforts will also give satisfaction for the decision of the Company of reconsidering our merits as a banana country. The redistribution of the English boats on this run is already decided on, and we on our part should do everything to justify such decision. Cooperation on the part of the planters will naturally gratify the officials of the Company for the steps taken of redeeming the prowess of Costa Rica in this direction. As a producing country, we had fallen to insignificance, and as God helps those who try to help themselves, it is only right and just that we should make an effort to satisfy those who are now thinking kindly of us.

It might not be generally known that for 1929 we shipped only 6,112,170 stems; in 1930 5,834,045 stems, while for the first quarter of this year we have only gone 1,031,610 as against 1,332,144 stems for the corresponding period of 1930. Of this 1,031,610 stems the

Atlantic division has only given 995,910 stems, Puntarenas 35,700, Colorado or San Carlos territory nil, thus being 300,354 less than last year's 1st. quarter showing, if we continue as we started, we shall only be able to export 4,126,440 stems in 1931, certainly not worthy to be classified as a Banana country nor meriting the apportionment of the best Boats as was formerly the case.

If our production is to be improved, in keeping with the desires of the Company, hearty cooperation by ourselves on the lines set out above is the only means by which we can achieve a successful issue; Bananas lands are plentiful in Costa Rica but inaccessible for want of roads, railroads and waterways hence can only be obtained by those who are wealthy enough to provide such means of Communications and transport, which does not need a day, week or month to accomplish. It will therefore be seen that the only feasibility to improve our farms is by replacing the necessary products of the soil which have been already

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El Lic. don Ricardo Jiménez O. Ecos y Notas de Limón

Cuando nació Jesús de Nazareth en Belén, este acontecimiento fué conocido por todos los hombres de aquella época. Unos decían que era el hijo de Dios y otros pensaban lo contrario, que era hijo de un hombre!

Los Reyes Magos que eran todo poder y grandeza, no creyeron en el Mesías sino en Dios y salieron de sus palacios los tres, no para admirar al niño sino por curiosidad a su persona.

Perdidos en su camino hacia el lugar del nacimiento, Dios en la bóveda azul del cielo, púsoles una estrella que los guiara, estrella de oriente, que les señaló la ruta hacia Belén, y éstos en adoración postrados de hinojo ante Jesús exclamaron: ¡Este es el verdadero hijo de Dios!

Luego, José y María, con el niño Jesús escaparon de Belén hacia Egipto huyendo de la persecución de los sicarios del Rey Herodes que procedieron a la degollación de todos los niños de la ciudad!

Ahora bien, después de tantas idas y venidas, tantas vueltas y revueltas en nuestra vida política. Ahora en estos momentos de asfixia económica para Costa Rica, no tenemos más estrella que nos guíe, sino Ricardo Jiménez O., cual la de oriente que señaló la ruta a los Reyes Magos. No contamos con más faro que el del cerebro de Ricardo Jiménez O., que en noche oscura y borrasca nos alumbró el camino del bien nacional. Porque, después de todo y como si estuviéramos en presencia de la tragedia del Gólgota, debemos gritar al unísono: ¡abajo los Judas, abajo los poncio pilatos, abajo los caíes, abajo los herodes.

A los que atacaron al Lic. Ricardo Jiménez O. como a los que atacaban a Jesús, por sus sabias y justas doctrinas debemos decirles: Vade Retro!

Los que defendemos a Ricardo Jiménez O., como los apóstoles a su maestro, debemos también decirle a los incrédulos ¡Exce Homo!

Se comenta la llegada al país del histórico Republicano, nuestro Ministro en Washington Lic. Manuel Castro Quesada. Nosotros los republicanos nacionalistas no le tememos a su llegada y que sea bienvenido por que tenemos la seguridad, que no vendrá como los sicarios de Herodes en persecución del

niño Jesús en Belén, sino a manera de los reyes Magos trayendo incienso y mirra, para apoyar la candidatura del Lic. Jiménez Oreamuno!

Y al paso de don Manuel Castro Q. una vez que ponga pié en suelo tico, debemos gritar:

¡Viva Ricardo Jiménez O., futuro Presidente de la República!

¡Viva el eximio varón Lic. Cleto González Víquez de

quien debemos esperar la más franca libertad eleccionaria!

¡Viva el Partido Republicano nacional!

¡Qué vivan todos los que han coadyuvado en este movimiento salvador, que nos hará fuertes como un solo hombre y libres como nos dejó la espada de Simón Bolívar!

Carlos Orozco Amador

Limón, Junio de 1931.

Foreign News

Stock Exchange

New York June 1st. Quotations of the stock exchange fell today lower than they have been for this year. Railroad shares fell 4.12 points, which constitute the most serious loss since June 1929. The greater portion of Industrial stock fell 3.77 points and several as low as 15 points depreciation not met with since 1925. The United States Steel Corporation fell to 85.15 which records the greatest depreciation since 1923. The total of stock negotiated today amounted to \$3,100,000.

President's wedding

Paris, June 1st. The wedding of President Doumergue to Mrs. J. Graves a rich widow, caused great surprise here today.

The ceremony took place in the Palace Eliseo, where the couple will reside until the end of the president's term on the 13th. inst. The wedding was of a civil nature and the only persons present were the Secretary General of the Presidency Mons. Jules Michel, and Mons. Henri Lourain an old friend of the President.

Ex-Crown Prince Candidature.

Berlin, June 1st. As a consequence of the activities displayed by the Ex-Crown Prince in the review held yesterday at Breslau, his candidacy for the presidency in the elections next year is being considered.

Pope's birthday

City of The Vatican June 1st. The 74th Birthday of His Holiness Pope Pius XI, was celebrated here with all pomp by a Review of the Swiss guards in dress uniform. Messages of congratulations were received by him from all parts of the world. The Pope is in splendid health.

Royal engagement

The engagement of the Archduke Otto of the Hapsburg family and pretender to the Hungarian throne, to Princess Maria, youngest daughter of the King and Queen of Italy is announced.

Issue of Bonds

Washington, June 1st. The issue of Treasury Bonds for \$800,000,000 has been entirely subscribed for but another issue will be made towards the end of the year, according to official information.

Coffee destroyed

Rio de Janeiro, June 1st. As a means of guarding against overproduction, 40,000 sacks of coffee acquired by the government in accordance with recent dispositions will be burnt or thrown into the sea.

A great order

As an outcome of the visit of the Prince of Wales and his brother to South America, the Argentine Republic has ordered 35 aeroplanes from Great Britain valued at a hundred thousand pounds.

Our Politics

In spite of the protests set out by the Executive Council and the refusal of his leave of absence by the President of the Republic, Don Manuel Castro Quesada our Minister before the Washington government is due to arrive here today.

His object his friends say is to start out on his political campaign at once, presumably in conjunction with the candidature of Don Ricardo Jiménez; if this is so, it is expected that he will resign his position, and it

is Learnt that the present Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Octavio Beeche will be sent to Washington and his office merged with one of the other Secretariats for the time being.

To a Correspondent

If the writer of the letter entitled *A Public Question* will send us his name (for our information) we shall be pleased to publish it in our next issue.

De nuevo entre nosotros, está al frente de la Fiscalía, nuestro buen amigo, Procurador Judicial, don Víctor M. Rojas después de varios meses de descanso, para lo cual había dejado en su lugar a su hijo, el culto e ilustrado y gentil caballero, Pasante don Ramón Rojas Corrales, una esperanza para el Foro y para el País. Para don Víctor nuestro cordial saludo y para su hijo, nuestra sincera y leal despedida.

Dos o tres días estuvo entre nosotros nuestro buen amigo, Lic. Carlos Silva procedente de la capital.

Trata de hacer un viaje de estudio y de recreo a Honduras, nuestro viejo y buen amigo Doctor L. Wilson W.

Pasa una temporada en San José junto con su bella hija Cabita, la estimable matrona doña M. Valenzuela de Mora, esposa de nuestro viejo amigo, don Juan Rafael Mora Escalante.

Siguieron hacia la capital los Licdos. Antonio Segura C. y M. Acosta M.

El estimable comerciante de Estrada, Ching Gon estuvo entre nosotros. Lo mismo don Jaime Romero Ching.

El honrado agricultor de Estrada Mister John Pierre Alex también visitó esta ciudad en negocios.

Está próximo a contraer matrimonio Civil, el propietario don Otoniel Roldán Maroto.

Regresó de Cartago, don F. Granados, después de haber estado varios días al lado de su familia.

Doña Luisa de Sobalbarro está de nuevo entre nosotros al lado de su esposo; el muy competente artesano don Alonso Sobalbarro.

Don F. Gólcher Q., estuvo en la capital.

Don E. Laprade

Importante hombre de negocios de esta zona y propietario de la valiosa finca "Saborío" ha establecido en nuestro mercado una muy higienica carnicería, bajo la dirección técnica de don José Vivó D. Le auguramos feliz éxito.

Dos reportajes importantes

Pero ambos contradictorios. Uno de don Juanito nuestro Gobernador y el otro de don Fila, nuestro diputado suplente, ambos publicados en "La Tribuna". Aquí si que cabe el dicho. Ni mucho que que me al Santo, ni poco que

no le alumbra! Ambos reportajes son exagerados.

Don Edgar Young

Comerciante chino de aquí ha reabierto el Café España que perteneció a Antonio Tandino, español.

Don Aniceto Sandí G.

Propietario de la casa de Compra y Ventas que tiene establecida frente al mercado, hará pronto un remate de muebles y prendas. Así pues que hay que reunir pesetas para aprovechar la gran oportunidad.

El camino a Portete

Que está bajo la dirección de una Junta Progresista encabezada por don C. Kirkpatrick, don A. de

la Peña y otros. Va muy adelantado.

Cónsul de la República Española

Se dice en corrillos que será nombrado aquí Cónsul de la República de la Madre Patria, don Antonio Gallardo, propietario de la Pensión Moderna. Mucho lo celebraríamos!

El Ateneo

Así con este nombre se ha bautizado el corrillo que de día y en las noches forman varios profesionales en los corredores de la Pensión Moderna, donde concurren Jueces, Alcaldes, Abogados y hombres de negocios. Muy bien!

CRONISTA FISGÓN

Another Sedition Case

The Jamaica Native Defenders Committee seem to be getting famous for propagating Sedition; not many weeks ago Mr. Waison was sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment and the doctors supervision as to his sanity for uttering remarks which were considered inconvenient to the maintenance of public safety, now we find another member of that Club or Committee, Mr. Benjamin B. Wilson, is charged for similarly publicly making utterances considered likely to cause unrest among the inhabitants and for which he has been committed to take his trial at the ensuing Session of the Supreme Court. The

words for which he has been charged are:—«We are putting very strenuous effort to remedy the wrongs that are being created every where: There is not one man among the Executive that has any sense; and so the people will think about cutting throats, burning down shops and do all sorts of things. I may have the intention of going up to anyone of you and cut your throat but I will not tell you.»

«I myself can't understand why I agitate, as I have no business place. We are out to agitate for something, and that is to bid chinese goodbye. There is nothing in the vvide vworld vwill stop people from killing and eating one another, except conditions is changed. I vvould not vvork for a chinaman, because I vvould kill him everyday. I am glad there are not very many people in this Island like me, because vve vvould vvant things turn over too quick. The Government are arch-criminals, and they only crush people. I am not a Bolshevik, but I can be any moment I vvant to be. Bolshevik say the only vvay a country can reform is to cut throat, and I believe in it. You must remember chinamen are armed and vvill shoot you dovv. One shoot after a vvoman the other day.»

Erratum

In our issue of May 30, under the caption, «In Defence of Undenominational School at Siquirres», page 3, there appeared in paragraph 3, this sentence: "indeed there wass one" which changed the intention of the sentence entirely this should have been: "indeed there vvas none. We regret the error and hasten to make this correction.

Sweepstake efforts in England

Sir William Davidson, having failed to obtain the permission of the House of Commons to introduce a Bill authorising the raising of money by levies for the support of British hospitals, is said to be giving his attention to a Bill for the legislation of Sweepstakes for State and charitable purposes. He is supposed to have already secured the co-operation of nearly 100 members and it is expected that the support of many more will be obtained when it is introduced. Sir William has also been receiving numerous letters from the public expressing their congratulations and pleasure that an attempt is at last to be made to have the whole question of the legality of sweepstakes brought to an issue.

In this respect it is significant that a London Magistrate in refusing to convict a seller of sweepstake tickets as being a *rogue and a vagabond* said the reason for the lottery prohibition was not the moral turpitude, but the liability of competition with State lotteries.

We are wondering, if it should happen that this Bill receives the approval of a majority in Parliament whether the opposers to State Lotteries will attribute such sanction to the fact that the *Mother Country* has ceased to belong to the first class nations of the world, or that her moral status had depreciated, to the level claimed for those countries whose governments permit such lotteries.

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LOCAL NOTES

With reference to our previous article respecting the desire of the Municipality of Siquirres to establish an agricultural Colony in the Moravia Valley we are now informed that members of that Board along with other residents of the township have visited the locality so as to obtain personal knowledge of conditions on the spot.

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It is reported that as a result of the report of their technical advisers, the Government has decided to convert the coal-burning engines of the Pacific Railway into oil-burners. The cost is estimated at ₡ 2,000 for each engine.

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During the past fortnight the Minister of Education, don Justo Facio, has been visiting Limón and Siquirres in the interest of the educational work being carried on in those centres. At the latter place, he had a conference with the members of the School Board and other interested parties regarding the question of erecting a proper school building.

Don Justo has also submitted for approval by the Minister of State, a circular addressed to all Teachers in the public schools prohibiting them from taking any active part in the present electioneering campaign.

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A quantity of zinc, which is said to bear the mark of the government, was recently sold to Dr. Fuentes of Heredia. The Minister of Public Works on being informed, has given instructions to the Detective department to make immediate investigation as it is believed the zinc was fraudulently obtained before being sold to the Doctor.

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Another case of shooting has occurred recently on the *Linea Vieja*, but without fatal results.

On account of Florindo Miranda, a policeman stationed at Guapiles having arrested a relative of José Aguirre, of the hygiene department there, a row ensued between the two and resulted in Aguirre firing a shot at Miranda which fortunately only slightly wounded him in the right hand. The matter is under investigation by the Alcalde.

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During the earlier part of last week the residents in the vicinity of Theatre Moderno S. José, experienced bad odours around a building occupied by doña Mercedes Bejarano viuda de Sanchez, a very old lady, who lived alone, and reported the matter to the authorities. On the building being entered it was discovered that the lady had died some days previously as the body was badly decomposed. As there were no wounds or signs of any violence on

the body it is presumed the lady's death was due to natural causes.

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A Bill has been presented to Congress by which permission will be given the following to practice Medicine, Law, Dentistry and Pharmacy: Medicine, Rafael Calderón Muñoz and C. M. Echandi. Law, Francisco Ross. Dentistry, Virgilio Chaverria and Marcial Rodríguez. Pharmacy, Rogelio Sotela.

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On the receipt of certain information the fiscal guards stationed in Limón made a search in the hills situate to the West of Westphalia and discovered a well equipped factory for the illicit distilling of alcohol. Proceedings are being taken against the owner of the lands in conformity with the law, who denies having any knowledge of the matter.

Royal Court Season

In anticipation of Empire Day 24th Ultmo. Their Majesties the King and Queen opened their first Court for the season on the 20th. at which there

were present over 800 guests of all Nations in all sorts of gorgeous apparels in the magnificent ballroom of Buckingham palace.

His Majesty King George and His Queen mounted the Throne dressed, he in a Scarlet uniform of The Scots Guards, and she, in peach coloured chiffon with pearls and diamonds, and a train of shimmering satin embroidered with pearls.

W. I. Control Board

The annual general meeting of the West Indies Board of Cricket Control took place in Trinidad between the 6th and 8th. ultimo. It was unanimously decided to send a team to England in 1933. It was also agreed that Jamaica should be invited to send a number of players to take part in the Intercolonial tournament to be played early next year, and that later on in this year a series of Test trials be played in Jamaica in which players from all the colonies would be included

The Calabar College again

In consequence of the differences between The Baptist Union of Jamaica, and the Revd. Ernest E. Price Principal of the Calabar Theological College, since February; a resolution was put by the Revd. J. T. Dillon seconded by the Revd. A. V. Petgrave and carried by a majority vote at a meeting on the 20th.

ultimo. of The Calabar General Committee, at which there were over three scores of Ministers of the Jamaica Baptist Union present, that the Baptist Missionary Society of London be asked to recall the Revd. E. E. Price B. A.; B. D., Principal of Calabar.

The difficulty arose over some complaint in the Administration of the College, as a result of which the Principal did not act very courteously to the members of the Union. The Revd. Mr Price has done very able work for over twenty years in training Ministers for the Baptist Society in Jamaica and has been considered a first class man for such a position, but recently he does not seem to have estimated the importance of The Union, with regard to the management of the College as he ought to have done, hence the trouble.

Pan Pomona

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P. Booth

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South Africa, a Republic or Dominion?

From Capetown South African Union, we find that a Republican manifesto has been launched by a new group headed by a member of the House Assembly the Rev. C. Dutoit and supported by many members of the House.

This move is to influence South Africans until Republicanism becomes a national movement in that country, as it is said that many South Africans are not satisfied with the Dominion Status of equality with Great Britain, but desire separation from the British Empire.

This is the moment for the Establishment of a huge coloured Colony in Africa by Britain to frustrate any disloyal movement on the part of the Boer element which is well known not to be very loyal to the British. With so much

nonemployment in the West Indies and even in the British Isles, it might be well for the colonial office to consider the advisability of drafting all who would be willing to make new settlements in her vast un-

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New Liberian President

The Election for President of the Liberian Republic was set for May 5th. and there is news current tho' unconfirmed that the acting President Mr. Edwin Barclay has been elected to the Presidency to succeed President King whom it will be remembered was turned down, due to the

investigations by the League of Nations as to his encouraging «slave trading and forced labour» in the Black Republic.

President Barclay is reported to be making overtures for the immigration of American settlers in the Gola territory, formerly discontenanced by Mr King.

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Rounders at Madre de Dios

The Alpha Omega Club

A very interesting game of modern Rounders was witnessed at Madre de Dios on Monday last by a large number of rounders enthusiasts, when the Waldeck Literary and Athletic Club defeated the Blue Star Club in a return match.

Mrs. Reid, the skipper of the Literary team, called the coin correctly and followed her "toss". O. Porter opened the game and scored 5 runs before he was put out. He was followed by L. Morris who contributed 7. At the close of the innings the Literary Club made a total of 27 runs.

The Blue Star took their turn but were quickly dispatched for the small

amount of 10 runs.

Below are the scores:
Waldeck Literary Club:
O. Porter, 8 runs; L. Morris 12 runs; Capt. Reid, 3 runs; E. Allen, 1 run; J. Porter, 4; J. Cameron, 1 run; C. Cameron, 1 run; T. Irving,

3 runs; E. Brown, 3 runs; C. Dunkley, 8 runs; A. Alterio, 0; Extras, 11. Total, 55 runs.

Blue Star Club: Blue Body, 3 runs; Simple, 2 runs; Surprise, 13 runs; Chiquitin, 1 run; Red Wood

5 runs; Sweet Rose, 0; Ostridge, 2 runs; Behaviour, 3 runs; Serious, 2 runs, Comaguey, 16 runs; Mighty, 0; Extras, 2. Total, 49 runs.

Vivine Reid
Club Reporter

Young Women observe second anniversary

Mr. Editor.

Their modesty would prevent them from submitting to you an accurate account of their anniversary, so I have begged the privilege to sing their praise publicly, so that those people scattered over Costa Rica may feel that Li-

mon has intelligent Negro girls.

As is my wont to attend any entertainment that tends to my intellectual upliftment, I was thrilled to attend this august function. And this is what happened. On Wednesday, May 20th. at 7.30 p. m.

Miss Lydia Hines in well chosen words, addressed the gathering, which numbered the whole club room full. She explained the aims and object of the Standard Club, and by her delivery the club is really doing something. Mr. Pitt was appointed chairman, to which position, he fitted in nicely. Mr. Whiteman, Representative of the Motive Power Club, and Mr. Geo. Frazer, representative of the Alpha Omega Club, in their addresses to the Young Women, exhorted the young women in the continuance of their good work, to aim for lofty ideas, to live clean lives,

to think noble thoughts, and ultimately, they will become creditable mothers, of an ambitious generation.

Misses Inez and Vera Gillings both sang touching songs, for the occasion. Misses Rubina Davis, Renita Facey, Ena Dugins, Iris Bruce, delivered alluring elocutionary selections. Miss Inez Nevvie and Miss Patterson Officiated at the musical instrument.

Miss Leonie Aiking delivered the closing address thus: Without any attempt at vainglorification, we the young women feel proud that we have passed our second milestone, in spite of the ferocious animals that stalk our path. We feel proud to present to the public, a group of girls, without any elderly leader, that are fighting our own salvation. We can certainly assure you, that our struggles are not at all light. We have had to face every possible odds, to continue in the spirit that we are toiling, and with hardly any elderly encouragements; for our elders have not faith in us. We are trying to probe the mysteries of the Literary, Social, and Financial world. We have written on our standard in glaring letters, Determination, and through that determination, we aim to disappoint the general belief of "There is nothing good in young people, and that NOTHING LASTS FOR LONG IN LIMON".

We heartily thank you for your presence here tonight, etc.

Miss Aiking's few well chosen words will show what one has to contend with in meeting young women of her

Please give me space to speak of my club. We have arrived at a name, "The Alpha Omega Literary Club", from the two greek letters, the "a" and the long "O" or the beginning and the end. It is our desire to interest every young man in the Community as to the necessity of becoming affiliated with a club that will serve as an educational center also. Our boys need training in social affairs, we need to determine our national status. We need a center of affair, we need to learn self-reliance. We have long leaned on foreigners to fight our battles for us. We have given them all the exalted positions, and have stayed aside, looking on, whilst they make havoc to our societies, and when they are through, they shake their

heads and say, "These boys in Limon are no good. They are illiterate, they are not like the boys at home". But they are right, because these boys surely place too much trust in them, and hardly any in themselves. Now young men, let us not place any more trust in outsiders, whose interest is not to seek the interest of Limon, but to carry exalted titles around. We can bear all the titles we need too.

Let us accept that privilege our being natives of the soil afford us, and fight our own destiny. Consider these words well, and meet us at anytime, and hear more from us.

George Frazer
Organizer,

Dolores Joseph
Reporter

Bishop Shedden resigns

His Lordship, Bishop Shedden of Nassau, with jurisdiction extending to the Turks and Caicos Islands has we are informed, resigned the Bishopric and will

be leaving for England within a few days.

The Bishop recently had a narrow escape from drowning, when the mission Yacht on which he and his sister were returning from Turks Island was wrecked at Plana Cay near Acklins. The Master of the vessel was unfortunately drowned, but His Lordship and his sister along with the crew succeeded in reaching the Cay where they had to remain for three days till a rescue party found them and took them back to Nassau. They suffered from exposure and want of food.

Bishop Shedden is well known as a very forceful preacher as also for his activities in connection with the Anglo Catholic party of the Anglican Denomination.

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Bible Monopoly dispute settled

If the following correctly represents the case, then we would suggest to many whom we know, that they be careful how they make free use of biblical quotations, as they might be infringing vested rights. We learn that, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswood, Ltd., the King's printers recently threatened to prosecute Messrs. John Shaw

and Co. Ltd., of London, if they did not cease to print and sell a specially illustrated Bible, known as the "Shaw Bible" and used largely in schools, withdraw all copies already printed and issued for sale, and also destroy their sheets and plates; the solicitors to Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswood claiming that the rights of

their clients under the letters patent being seriously infringed thereby. Messrs. Shaw and Co's solicitors after carefully considering the whole matter advised them that the terms of the letters patent were so wide that it was impossible to contest any action. Messrs. Shaw and Co. had no other alternative than to give an undertaking not to print and issue any further copies of their Bible, but they were allowed to dispose of their existing stocks.

It is further stated that under the grant, the Cambridge University Press, the Oxford University Press and Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswood are the only three printers who have the right to issue the Authorized Version of the Bible, and the right granted them is so comprehensive that some authorities contend it would be illegal for a newspaper or magazine to reprint a text or an extract from the authorized Version and that even the ten Commandments cannot be reprinted at all.

We have been quite accustomed to hear of monopolies in gasoline, matches and other commodities, but had no idea that it went as far as the Bible.

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Ex-Kaiser makes claim

The "Times" of Breslau states that the ex-Kaiser has laid a claim for damages against the presiding Judge of the Court of Reichenbach in Silesia. The Judge, it appears, requested the ex-Kaiser to furnish a declaration in connection with certain of his real estate transactions, this the ex-Kaiser did but signed the declaration "William I. R." the initials representing the words "Imperator Rex". The Judge on receiving the declaration, so signed, made certain marks and observations, in blue pencil, against the initials, and returned it with the request that it be properly signed in conformity with the law. The ex-Kaiser, this time signed it—William Prince of Prussia and immediately filed a claim against the Judge on the ground that the blue pencil marks were prejudicial to his rights.

In Memoriam James Cristina

In never fading memory of my dear wife Cristina, who left me for her Father's home just one year ago June 4th.

One year has passed but still I think of you,
My heart still feels the pain your parting left.
No one knows the silent heartaches,
But those who have lost a dear one;
Nor of the grief that's mine in silence
For my darling Cristina

Randall James

From Estrada Cricket and Lodge Functions

While the «Grim Reaper» claimed one for his own, and left a «Rachael» weeping for her children and cannot be comforted, there was, on the other hand, a chivalrous spirit that urged «on with the dance, let joy be unconfined.»

The Estrada C. C. had concluded an engagement to meet the Motive Power C. C. on Sunday 31st and could not withdraw in spite of a strong protest by the more conscientious rustics. Judge therefore their opinion when the home team succumbed to the mighty prowess of the Motive Power!

Then there were the

Dharanians, who had previously planned a grand initiation for Saturday night, 30th.

The day throughout was rainy, everything looked gloomy until at about 7 p.m. when there came a decided change. The lights shone brightly from the Lodge rooms, «All roads lead to Menelik Lodge,» and an enjoyable time they spent. Twelve candidates were introduced to the mysteries of the Benevolent Ancient Order of Dharana and we understand that many more are to be initiated on or about the 17th inst.

L. BROWN

Death of Mr. W. H. Scott

We exceedingly regret having to report the sudden loss of our dear friend Walter Holt Scott, a liver here for nearly twenty years. Mr. Scott was apparently well up to about eight o'clock on Friday night the 29th. ultimo, when he parted from some friends for his home. At about midnight, it is said, some of the close neighbours heard a call for assistance and rushed to his aid, but before anything could be done for the unfortunate sufferer, he breathed his last, without uttering a word.

His remains were interred on Sunday morning the 31st, surrounded by some three to

four hundred sympathizers from far and near.

The pall-bearers were six members of the «Britannic» C. C. of which Club the deceased was a Patron. The service was conducted by Mr. J. C. Duncan, Catechist of the Anglican Church. The greatest sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved widow, daughters and others of the family.

P. N. Dyce
Reporter

The «Searchlight» begs to join in expressing its sincere condolence to the sorrowing widow and family.

NOTICE

Information is required concerning the address of Mr. Charles (Carlos) Sterling, brother of Mr. Alva Sterling. He sometime ago resided in the Banana River District. If still in this country, will he kindly communicate with Rev. E. A. Pitt, P. O. Box 165, Limon.

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The Central American Stars and Combination Co.

We unfortunately had to hold over the following from our last week's issue for lack of space. And although, we understand, the company has for the present ceased functioning on account of certain internal difficulties, we take pleasure in recording its success in the hope that it will soon be re-organised.

In accordance with the scheduled programme this Co. under command of Prof. S. A. Thomas Wellington as Director and Mr. J. J. Samuel as Stage Manager brought off their immense Programme No. 2 on Monday night 25th May gaining great acclamation from the enormous audience to whom they performed.

The actors were all at their best in the several parts in which they were engaged; but special mention must be made of the charming manner the Prima Dona Miss Bogle captivated her hearers, and the entrancing grace with which Miss Neilia Charles brought the house down meriting as she did several encores demanded by the cheering crowd. Miss Price (Little bit) acted her neck balance piece in bold style.

The Acrobatic Stunts by Messrs Williams and Dailey and Salmon were as good as anything that could be seen anywhere and as these gentlemen seem to have already learned the science of converting their huesos into whale-bone strips, it is to be hoped that they will continue their trainings so as to lead them on to greater successes before the larger and more influential houses in the Capital.

The Comical acts of the Comedians, Billie, Mr. Symes and his Pal Mike (Mr. Chambers) kept the house in a continual roar of laughter by their funny expressions, especially was this so when in opposition to Mike's detest for Married life, Billie insinuated to all wives and lovers that the only way to touch the tender spot of the Bachelors would be always to make themselves as sweet as «Salt».

The Rumbos Dances were done to over perfection in muscular gyrations, that we heard one gentleman express that his emotions were worked up to such a pitch that he could not trust himself among the audience and left enveloped with Cupid's mantel, it is well to calm down such tendencies.

Finally the Hot six Orchestra which had been under rigid practice for several weeks rendered their accompaniments in perfect Harmony and time with the voices and movements of the artistes, only a little loud in the Songs, a little modulation will speak much for the musical adaptabilities of Mr. Sydney Crowther as young a music master as he is; as it is, this is by far the best orchestra in Limon and if he will continue in touch

with Mr. R. McCreath, he will be hard to beat. Especially if he will differentiate between Dance and concert music. It is very gratifying to say the house was crowded, because this troupe has been under strenuous training for several months now and the promoters have spent a considerable amount of time and money to bring this very up-to-date programme before the Limon Public.

This dramatic Co. seem

really to be a great Combination, from the fact that our genial Doctor in Optics (according to G. H. Q. one of those dual men in our Community) «Dr. J. E. Dazevedo tried to prove himself a tripod by opening the show as a prestidigitator; but the Doctor got confused as to whether he was dealing with an «optic nerve» or a leger de main trick, and not only spoiled his prowess in the theatrical world but nearly also the show.

One thing at a time Doc. and that will do.

The coloured element certainly turned out in hundreds to appreciate the efforts of their own.

The only disappointment was that certain uncultured gentlemen in the gallery proved themselves so incapable of thinking that their vulgar remarks and gesticulations, prevent thinking people from hearing and appreciating the Songs and forces rendered.

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Government vs. Golfo Dulce Lands Co.

Some time ago the Government brought a suit against the Golfo Dulce Lands Co. to establish its rights to certain lands which had been erroneously included in the title deed of the Company inscribed

in the Public Registry, but the Court decided in favour of the Company. The Minister of State, it has been stated, intends filing another action against the Company in which he is specifically laying claim, on behalf

of the government to all that portion of the lands situate along the sea coast and river banks and measuring 2,000 yards in width, they being, he contends, the inalienable property of the government. And he asks that the Court will, in consequence, declare the denunciation made by the Company thereto null and void. The contemplated action, it is said to be creating a deal of interest in legal circles.

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Anglican Bishop appointed

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The Searchlight Cricket Competition

We have decided, in deference to the wish of many of our readers, to hold a Competition in connection with the matches now being played for the ORANE CUP. THREE PRIZES are offered under the conditions stated below, to the Competitors who forecast:

- 1st. Prize, The correct (or nearest to) total runs scored by all the Clubs in all matches.
- 2nd. Prize, The highest (or nearest to) number of runs scored by a Club in a single match.
- 3rd. Prize, The highest (or nearest to) number of runs scored by an individual player in all the matches.

RULES

1. Each forecast must be sent in on the attached Coupon.
2. Each forecast to be accompanied by a fee of twenty-five cents (¢ 0.25).
3. A competitor may send in as many forecasts as he or

she wishes, but each must be accompanied by twenty-five cents.

4. The decision of the Judges to be accepted as final and from which there will be no appeal.

5. The number of runs on which the decisions will be made will be those on record with the Board of Control.

6. All forecasts to be sent in a sealed envelope to Mr. JACK ORANE, Limon, and marked «The Searchlight Cricket Competition».

7. The Prize values will be apportioned as follows: 1st. prize 60 per cent; 2nd. prize 25 per cent; 3rd. prize 15 per cent of the total amount of entrants.

8. Should there be a tie between two competitors for any prize, the amount will be divided between them.

9. The competition closes on the 18th. day of July 1931.

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Highest number of runs scored by an individual player in ALL matches.

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