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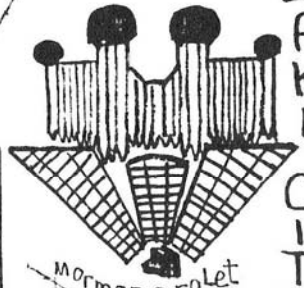
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First Step In Fort Restoration Begins

FREDERIKSTED

Commissioner of Conservation and Cultural Affairs Hortense M. Rowe announced today that historic Fort Frederik, Federiksted, has been vacated by all government agencies in the first step towards its eventual restoration.

Plans for restoration are being prepared by the Fort Frederik Commission, as a contribution to the Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs master plan for the fort and the surrounding area. A program of retrieval of 17th and 18th century records and furnishings remaining in the Fort is under the direction of the Bureau of Libraries and Museums.

Archival records will be carefully boxed and stored, awaiting the institution of a government archives program slated for Fiscal Year 1975. Old furnishings in rooms unopened for many years will be inventoried by the museum staff; restorations will take place under the direction of experts antique furniture. A security system for the vacant building is in effect, Rave said. New lights have been installed, and the Department of Public Safety is keeping Fort Frederik under regular surveillance.

The restoration of the Fort is scheduled for completion by July 4, 1976, in celebration of the bicentennial of the American Revolution. The Virgin Islands, then the Danish West Indies, played a significant economic role in the Revolutionary War.

The restoration of Fort Frederik is one of the first steps in the implementation of a Master Plan for museums in the Virgin Islands. Commissioner Rowe stated that the ultimate goal of the plan is to have a restored fort, town house, plantation house, and natural history display on each island.

Educational programs for the schools and communities will be a hallmark of the museum chain. Under the direction of the Bureau of Libraries and Museums, a program of systematic excavation of all significant archaeological sites will also take place. Assistance for all of these programs is available from the Federal Government," the Commissioner added.

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HISTORY CORNER

By ISIDOR PAIEWONSKY

Throughout the 18th Century, with wars raging all around her, Denmark maintained a perilous neutrality. Historians tell us that this avoidance of open conflict was due mainly to the efforts, personality and diplomacy of one man, the Honorable A.P. Bernstorff, chief adviser to the King on matters of State. Regardless of the provocations, and there were many, particularly the savage attacks of British privateers on Danish shipping, Bernstorff skillfully avoided confrontation. He urged caution.

A.P. Bernstorff died in 1797. His son, Count Christian Bernstorff became Denmark's Secretary of State. He did not possess his father's patience and skill. He advocated a strategy of toughness with more military protection for Danish shipping. This strategy meant head-long collision with Britain.

Christian Bernstorff, younger and impetuous, accepted the challenge. The collision came! On July 25, 1800, the Danish ship-of-war, "Freya", leading a convoy home from the Mediterranean, came into open conflict with British naval vessels in the English channel. The "Freya" was no match for the British. She had to give up. The British demanded that the Danes surrender all rights to convoy protection. The Danes capitulated. All convoying under the protection of the Danish flag was stopped. Things quieted.

Then Paul I, Czar of Russia, entered the picture. The son of Peter III and Catherine the Great, he was a mixture of tyrant and madman. Later, during a fit of madness, he was strangled to death by members of his own Court. Before his violent end,

Czar Paul I, showed uncontrollable hostility to the British. Working with Sweden and Prussia through envoys, he formed the Northern Maritime League, December 16, 1800. His envoys urged Christian Bernstorff to join them. Bernstorff did. Formation of this League meant a new start to the dangerous convoy system.

England learned about the formation of the League on Dec. 27, 1800, and from then on things started happening. On January 14, 1801, the British clamped an embargo on all Danish ships in British ports, stopped them from leaving. British warships were ordered to take all Danish ships at sea.

According to historians, the war of 1801, between England and Denmark started in the West Indies. From February 14, 1801, two or more British ships-of-war were cruising close to St. Thomas.

Governor General Lindemann of the Danish islands, at St. Croix, did not learn about the embargo or the state of affairs with England until the beginning of March. He immediately ordered all Danish ships in port at St. Croix to go to St. Thomas. The movement was observed by 2 British warships which followed the Danish vessels. One of the British ships opened fire on the Danish armed vessel, the "Lougen." Another ship, the Danish "Den Aarvagne" returned to Christiansted.

The "Lougen" kept up the fight for 45 minutes against the much larger, heavier armed British ship. A second British warship entered the fray. Finally the ships disengaged, and the "Lougen" continued on to St. Thomas after

having given an unusually good account of herself. One man was dead and 2 wounded aboard the "Lougen." The British ships had 8 dead and 10 wounded. The next day the islands started fixing up their fortifications.

The situation was hopeless from the start. Governor General Lindemann, who had succeeded von Malleville in 1799, realized it. With little more than 300 regular soldiers, reinforced with volunteers, Burgher Corps, Cavalry and Jaeger Corps, crews of Danish ships in port and the Free negro companies, his was a most ineffective force to face thousands of regular British troops reported en route.

According to records in the Danish archives, the British attacked the island of St. Thomas first. On March 27, 1801, twenty five British ships appeared. On the 28th, they passed the harbour and anchored southwest of the island.

The Commandant of St. Thomas, Casimir von Sholten, father of Peter van Sholten was invited by the British to view the thousands of troops aboard the fleet. The Commandant did not go himself but sent his envoys who came back and reported that the rumors were a fact. There were several thousands British troops on board poised for attack. Even before the envoys returned from their mission, Commandant Casimir von Sholten, realizing the hopelessness of the situation, signed the capitulation papers.

On the morning of March 29, 1801, the Danish flag was lowered to the sound of the Fort's cannon. The Danish authorities agreed to carry on their work under a British governor. The citizens were promised safety if they signed a declaration of loyalty to the British King.

The regular Danish soldiers were disarmed and made prisoners of war. They were taken to England, Casimir von Sholten

among them. Later these prisoners of war were released by the British. They returned to Denmark sometime around August 1801.

Governor General Lindemann had gone back to running his plantation which he had left after the death of von Malleville to assume the job as Governor General. At the time, he made it clear, that he would take the position on a temporary basis until a suitable replacement could be named. The British had insisted that the Customs Inspector and the military magazine supervisor be made to resign, which they did. These key positions were filled by British officials.

In a letter dated July 11th., 1801, Lindemann complained to the Danish State Department in Copenhagen over the complete lack of support. He hadn't even received an order on what to do in the event of a British attack. Evidently the Danish State Department had written some orders but they did not reach the islands until long after the fact. Even then, they were vague, something to this effect: "One ought not to fight if not absolutely necessary. In case of a British attack, His Majesty expects you to do the Royal forces honor and to defend his possessions....."

In his letter, Lindemann expressed the feeling that he had been deserted. Had it been a regular attack, he would have used every last grain of gunpowder, but what was he to do when the overpowering British, in a decent manner, urged his government to give up. Lindemann suggested that in the future the military be separated from the Governor General's duties. As it was during the crisis, he Lindemann, knowing little about military conduct, or soldiering had turned the defense

of the islands over to Major General B. F. Muhlenfels. In his diary, dated 1801, Nissen described what he saw during this period:

"Our little island was surrendered to the British by capitulation after they had blockaded the port for several months so that very seldom a vessel could come in or go out. They arrived here from Barbados with 2 ships-of-the-line, some frigates and many other vessels having more than 3,000 troops aboard. All the property of the inhabitants was respected, but what belonged to the King and to the Government they took possession of. All the vessels navigating under the Danish flag that were lying in the harbour were captured with all they had aboard. The sea battle with the "Lougen" took place in view of the town and it was a glorious sight...."

Note: For years after this naval engagement, the people of St. Thomas and St. Croix were very proud of the way in which the little Danish ship "Lougen", outmanned and outgunned, stood up to the superior British force and traded volley for volley. A print of the ship "Lougen" fighting 2 British warships became a favorite piece of decoration in many Danish West Indian homes.

Nissen continued:

"It is impossible for me to describe the mournful impression it made on the inhabitants when the Danish flag was lowered at the Fort and the British colours hoisted. It was indeed a sad scene to see our few Danish soldiers marching out of the Fort and the British taking possession of it, so that even the Englishmen who lived here were sorry for it. And why? Because they knew they had earned a good deal of money and lived contentedly under the Danish flag, and no one knew what would be in the future....."

UNGDOMSKLUBBEN

Ungdomsklubben under Dansk Vestindisk Selskab er åben for alle 15-20 årige, som er interesseret i Vestindians kultur og historie, og som eventuelt kunne tænke sig at knytte venskabelige kontakter med unge på the Virgin Islands. Klubbens medlemmer kan være tilsluttet klubben til det fyldte 25. år. I et par år har klubben desværre ikke fungeret, men det

er ungdomsudvalgets hensigt at starte den igen til efteråret. Tid, sted og program for det første møde vil blive annonceret i medlemsbladet i det første nummer efter sommerferien.

Også i St. Croix Friends of Denmark Society, med Eva Lawaetz som initiativtager, udfoldes der for øjeblikket bestræbelser for at etablere en ungdomsafdeling.

West Indies Arts And Crafts Featured In Lewisohn Book



WALTER LEWISOHN, Florence Lewisohn and Alfredo Figueredo discuss the Arts and Crafts of the West Indies.

THE LIVING ARTS &
CRAFTS OF THE WEST INDIES
by WALTER AND
FLORENCE LEWISOHN

Published by the V.I. Council
on the Arts, 56 pp. \$2.50

By DORIS JADAN

The Living Arts & Crafts of the West Indies is a lively, lovely gift to the people and culture of the Virgin Islands from Walter and Florence Lewisohn. The handsome booklet is also the right gift for every Virgin Islander who believes we have not only a culture worth preserving and showing, but a culture capable today of producing new arts and crafts. There are several hundred compelling proofs to back up that belief, all illustrated with exactitude and verve by Barbara Meadows of St. Croix.

Walter and Florence Lewisohn visited 25 West Indian Islands over a two-year period inspecting and collecting arts and crafts objects of all kinds. St. Johnians

can look forward soon to seeing some of the Lewisohn Collection on temporary loan to the newly formed St. John Museum to be housed in four cells of the historic Battery in Cruz Bay.

"Many people," Florence Lewisohn told us, "felt there really wasn't much in the way of West Indian arts and crafts to talk about other than Haiti." The Lewisohn booklet is an eloquent answer to those doubts.

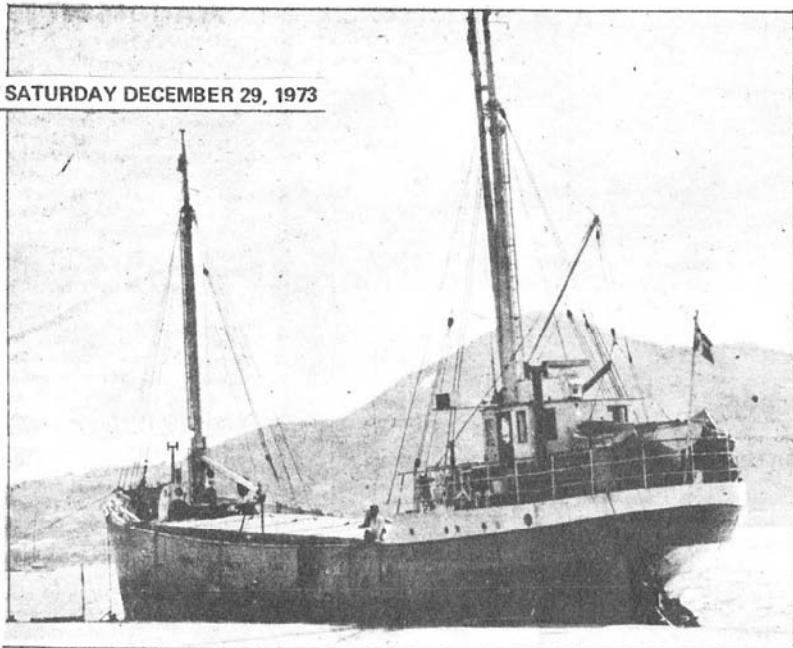
What seems to encourage arts and crafts in other West Indian communities? The Lewisohns feel that government subsidies for training and display have been very productive in Martinique. The government has five workshops for training craftsmen and attractive display areas are provided. The artist gets 60 per cent of the selling price of his work. Locally Virgin Islands craftsmen do not enjoy such encouragement although the interest and skills are increasingly evident.

The Lewisohns hope that their

booklet will serve as an introduction into the realities and potentialities of West Indian art. Recent conferences conducted by the Caribbean Research Institute on all three Islands have shown a keen interest and awareness of the active and creative qualities in the West Indian culture of the Virgin Islands.

Who are the West Indians? "Being a born West Indian today is a matter of ambience, of temperament, no longer of race or origin or status. It is being born to a special insularity of place and time and mind." The temptation is to quote almost every sculpted word in the brief Lewisohn text. We won't. Own and re-read instead a small book crafted with much of the warmth and imagination found in the living arts and crafts of the West Indies the Lewisohns describe.

The V.I. Council on the Arts is to be commended for sponsoring work of this quality and importance to the cultural life of this community.



THE 125-FOOT LISA at the Waterfront bulkhead following 25-day trip from Denmark.
(Daily News Photo-Nieberg)

New Inter-Island Cargo Vessel Here

A new interisland trading vessel arrived in Charlotte Amalie Harbor on Christmas morning after a 25 day voyage from Denmark.

The steel-hulled Lisa, just refitted with a new Mercedes Benz engine for owner Thomas Webster, will go into service shortly after the first of the year. Webster said she will carry cargo between Puerto Rico, St. Maarten, the Virgin Islands and other West Indian ports.

The ship was delivered by Capt. Dieter Kluckow, of Copenhagen Ship Sales Bureau which has sold five ships for West Indies service in the past year. Capable of carrying 350 tons of cargo, and with cargo gears capable of lifting three tons at a time, she is 125 feet long with a 27-foot beam, and 12-foot draught.

The Lisa made her landfall off Virgin Gorda early Christmas morning after a foggy and rough crossing, according to Kluckow, who said there were two feet of ice and snow on the ship's deck when it left Copenhagen.



A NEW INTERISLAND trading vessel, Lisa, arrived in St. Thomas Christmas morning. Ship was brought over from Denmark by Capt. Dieter Kluckow (second from right) seen here with his daughter and crew member. With them is a representative of Thomas Webster, owner of the boat.

(Daily News Photo-Nieberg)



ALFREDO FIGUEROA CURATOR OF MUSEUMS (right), Carlito Kean, Assistant Curator, and Sen. Noble Samuel recently met to discuss plans for a museum to be located in the historic Battery at Cruz Bay. E.S.P., Inc. will host a Christmas party Dec. 18 at the Battery for Friends of the St. John Museum. Museum activities are cosponsored by E.S.P., Inc., the V.I. Conservation Society, and the St. John Council on the Arts in cooperation with the Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs.



THE NATIONAL TRUST for Historic Preservation group were recently hosted to a cocktail party by the St. Croix Landmark Society at Whim Great House. Shown are James Biddle, president of the National Trust (left) Mr. Fred Gjessing, National Park Service and Advisor to the National Trust (right) Fay Lindqvist, Department of Commerce, Mr. Euan McFarlane, St. Croix Landmark Society, Mrs. K. Ward, National Trust, Mrs. Magadline Abraham, Virgin Islands Bicentennial and Mr. Russel Keeae, Director of National Trust.

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St. George Village Botanical Garden er navnet på en botanisk have, som sidst i 1973 blev indviet på St. Croix i overværelse af et par hundrede mennesker. Den er beliggende i den vestlige del af øen og består af godt 13 acres (11 tønder land). Haven, der har fået status som en selvejende institution, er usædvanlig, idet den indrettes i en tidligere landsby fra sukkerproduktionens tid. Træer og buske bliver plantet imellem de historiske bygninger og ruiner, som tidligere husede smede, sadelmagere, bødkere og sukkerarbejdere. Også en sukkerfabrik, et bageri og en kirkegård er beliggende på området.

Virgin Islands Rum Industries på St. Croix har planer om en udvidelse af fabriktionsanlægget for en million dollars. I de senere år er salget af øens rom i U. S. A. steget betydeligt. Afgifter, som opkræves af den amerikanske regering i forbindelse med salget på kontinentet, afleveres til den lokale regering på the Virgin Islands og beløb sig til omkring 20 millioner dollars i 1973. Disse afgifter udgør en vigtig indtægtskilde for øerne.

St. John's første supermarked, Centerline Supermarket Inc., er åbnet i Cruz Bay. En kreds af St. Johnians og St. Thomians står bag projektet.

Lockhart's Bakery på Nye Gade i Charlotte Amalie, et af St. Thomas' få tilbageværende bagerier, er efter 95 års virke ophørt på grund af stærkt stigende omkostninger, således er melpriserne fordoblet i løbet af sidste halvdel af 1973. Bageriet havde 15 ansatte. Det blev startet i 1878 under

navnet J. Font's Bakery. Mange St. Thomians vil savne Nye Gades duft af friskbagte "French bread", "Creole bread" og "Danish rye bread".

Frenchman's Reef Hotel ved indsejlingen til bugten ud for Charlotte Amalie er blevet officielt indviet i overværelse af et stort antal indbudte honoratiories med guvernørparret i spidsen. Hotellet med sine 325 værelser er det hidtil største på the Virgin Islands. Af tilhørende faciliteter kan nævnes tennisbaner, swimming-pool og en stor mødesal med 700 siddepladser. Der er adgang til beach.

Water Island ved St. Thomas er den fjerde største af de amerikanske Virgin Islands. Den har hidtil været ejet af den amerikanske forbundsregering, som siden 1952 har haft den udlejet til private. I december tilkendegav det amerikanske indenrigsministerium, at man i 1974 i Kongressen vil fremsætte lovforslag om overdragelse af Water Island til den lokale regering på the Virgin Islands. Dette skridt er der en udbredt tilfredshed med på øerne, da Water Island's hidtidige status har været en kilde til utilfredshed fra flere sider. Øens beboere betaler ikke ejendomsskat til den lokale regering, og denne yder til gengæld kun få bidrag til øens fælles faciliteter.

Et spændende forskningsprojekt er i gang på nordkysten af St. Croix på den tidligere sukkerplantage Rust-Op-Twist. En gruppe på fem videnskabsmænd og to teknikere undersøger mulighederne for at udnytte det særligt næringsrige havvand, som findes på de store dybder, til opformering af alger i damme med henblik på avl af skaldyr. Algerne udgør den vigtigste føde for skaldyr som østers, muslinger og konkylier, men udvikles ikke i de lysfattige havdybder. Hummer, som ikke lever af alger men af skaldyr, er taget med i forsøgene. Der er lagt pipelines så langt ned som 800 meter under havoverfladen, og gennem disse pumpes det næringsrige havvand op til de dertil konstruerede tanke og damme. Laboratorier og et kontor er blevet indrettet i en bygning, der tidligere fungerede som plantagens hospital og fængsel.

MRS. LLOYD (GLORIA) CANEGATA: A native Cruzan and is District Superintendent of Education for St. Croix. She has spent fifteen years in the Department of Education --- 1958-1963 as a Secondary school teacher, 1963-1970 as Supervisor of Mathematics and has been District Superintendent since August, 1970.

JOSE BERMUDEZ HEYLIGER: Born in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico and is a graduate of the College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts. He came to St. Croix in 1952; presently owns a nursery and landscaping business and is now running for second term as a Trustee.

MRS. ERIC (JENNIE) LAWAEZ: A native of St. Croix and was a member of the Landmark Society Board for three years (1968-70). She has been active in the tourist business with her husband, who is owner-operator of the hotel, St. Croix By The Sea. She is a Charter Member of the Friends of Denmark and member of the St. Croix Orchid Society.

CLAYTON SHOEMAKER: Owner of Estate Little Princess since 1954, he has been a permanent resident of St. Croix since 1959, after retiring as President of Dow Chemical International, Ltd. He has been very active in restoration and conservation work and has served twice as Chairman of the Landmark Society. He has also served two terms as Chairman of the Red Cross on St. Croix and has been actively interested in the Moravian Church.

MRS. PETER (HELEN) SKOV: Born on St. Croix and lives at Teague Bay (East End). She was educated in schools on St. Croix, Puerto Rico and United States and is presently teaching in the Lutheran Church Kindergarten. She is active with the Girl Scouts as leader of a Cadet Scouts group.

E. I. WILLIAMS: First came to St. Croix twenty years ago. He is a member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and has recently been appointed to their Board of Advisors. A member of the Historic Preservation Society of Georgetown; an associate member of the Smithsonian Museum; head of the 1970 Census Count of the Virgin Islands and is presently serving as a member of the Landmarks Society Board.

GAVER TIL SELSKABET

Fra fru E. Svenstrup, Herman Triers Plads 4, Kbh. V., har selskabet modtaget et meget smukt Virgin Islands flag - nylon dug 65 x 96 cm.

Løge Erik Bertram, som - sammen med ungdomsudvalget - arrangerede indkvarteringen af VI-steelbandet under 1973-festivalen, har optaget orkestrets musik på bånd under en friluftskoncert i Nørum. Båndet er overdraget DVS som gave og vil - i passende anledning - blive spillet en medlemsaften.

Hjertelig tak for gaverne.

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Einar Kirk

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ENEZ HARVEY, PRESIDENT of the Virgin Islands Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, accepts an award for her contribution to BPW's \$167,560 Equal Rights Amendment Ratification Fund from Jean L. McCarrey, national president recently at Washington, D.C.'s Shoreham Hotel.

VIRGIN ISLANDS AGRICULTURE Department agronomist Roy Rodgers, (left), and Commissioner Rudolph Shuiterbrandt inspect the first St. Croix sorghum crop in the Department's ongoing program to produce local feed grain in volume.



FRIENDS OF THE St. John Museum shown above gathered recently at the historic Battery to celebrate the beginning of a St. John Museum. Administrator George Simmons, second from left, authorized curator Alfredo Figueredo to use two cells in the old jail to begin the museum. Artifacts found by children on St. John will be displayed in the Robert Stevens Collection to honor the memory of the E.S.P. senior consultant. His widow, Alice Stevens, (hat) was special guest at the holiday party.

(Daily News Photo--Jadan)

And finally, with the thought of saving the best until last --- "The Whim Family". The resignation of Robert Brown and his departure to the States came as a shock and it was with sincere regret that we saw him go. However, the decision of Lee Platt to make his knowledge and capabilities available to the Society shed sunlight on what might otherwise have been gloom. We consider ourselves fortunate to have his help. To Peggy Wall and her loyal assistants go sincere thanks and appreciation for another year of hard work and devotion to Whim, the Society and all its efforts.

With every good wish for the Holiday Season !

Respectively submitted,

Euan P. McFarlane
Chairman

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

held on Sunday, January 21, 1973, at Whim Great House.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Euan McFarlane, at 3.45 P.M. About six members were present. The Chairman appointed three Tellers as the first order of business - Messrs. Byron Case, Theodore Fletcher and William Gibbs. A motion to approve last year's minutes of the Annual Meeting, as mailed to the members, was asked for and approved. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees, which had been mailed to the members, was accepted.

Mr. Leroy Werking, Treasurer, reported that an outside audit of the Society's books had been made by the Christiansted office of Alexander Grant & Co. The audit was available to any interested member, as were the detailed figures on the financial condition of the Society. Reminding the members that financial data for the period ending September 30, 1972 were available only, Mr. Werking presented the following figures:

Assets:

Current	\$	93,828
Fixed	\$	154,891
Total	\$	248,719
Liabilities:	\$	2,878
Net	\$	245,841

Operating Profit for the 9 Months	\$	8,610
Capital Expenditures	\$	7,624
Depreciation	\$	10,335

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Mr. McFarlane urged members to donate books and pamphlets relating to the Caribbean to the Whim Library which has been organized and moved to the Whim Cottage. Mrs. Erika Wulff had compiled a bibliography covering the West Indian material in the Whim book collection and it was available for distribution.

It was announced that the folder for the 1973 Open House Tours was ready. There will be six tours starting February 14.

Members were reminded of the great need for volunteers at Whim Great House. Mrs. Peggy Wall mailed a letter to members trying to interest them and their friends in such a volunteer program to supplement the regular staff.

Mr. Louis Lorillard had approached the Society about the possible purchase of a painting of Frederiksted Harbor about 1849 by the Danish artist, I.I.Locher. It is now the property of the Danish Ambassador to Switzerland, Mr. Melchior, and is available for purchase for \$ 3,500. After discussing the pros and cons of this offer, the motion was made and carried to leave the final decision about the acquisition of the painting to the Board of Trustees.

Mr. McFarlane introduced the speaker, Dr. Edward L. Towle, President of the Caribbean Conservation Association and President of Island Resources Foundation. Dr. Towle, who is probably the chief conservationist in the Caribbean, told about the various projects of the two organizations which he represented. Among the research projects, he mentioned tourism, marine pollution, reef ecology and island ecosystems. He emphasized the technical assistance programs available to small islands in the fields of water resources management, pollution control, wildlife preserves, national park development, historic site restoration and museum development.

Since the speaker had to catch a plane, the discussion period was cut short. Mr. McFarlane asked Mr. Alfred Hayes to chair the meeting while he drove the speaker to the airport.

Mr. Byron Case reported for the Tellers that Messrs. Euan McFarlane, Axel Frederiksen, H. Lee Platt, and Reynold G. Rockwell had been elected for a three year term and Mr. Jose Bermudez Heyliger for a one year term. The other members of the Board of Trustees who were not up for election are: Mrs. June Bove, Mr. Byron Case, Mr. Alfred Hayes, Mr. Harry Neumann, Mr. Leroy Werking, Mr. E.I. Williams and Mrs. Erika Wulff.

The meeting was adjourned for refreshments and a tour of Whim at about 5.00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika H. Wulff

NOMINEES FOR 1974 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ST. CROIX LANDMARKS SOCIETY, INC.

MRS. DOUGLAS (PEARL) BURNS: Native of Minnesota; married, three children and island resident for over six years. She and husband own Prestige Press and The Island Shopper.

RADIODRENGEKORETS KONCERT OG FOREDRAG

den 7. februar 1974 blev en dejlig oplevelse for de mange medlemmer, som var mødt op.

Lysbilledforedraget var tilrettelagt således, at lektor Henning Elbirk - efter en kort indledning - afløstes af drengene, som skiftevis kommenterede de udmærkede V.I.-farvebilleder. Tit med bemærkninger, som vakte jubel i salen.

At koncerten blev en succes, markeredes af mange klapsalver. Måske er ordet koncert ikke helt dækkende, idet drengene iblandt opførte små skuespil for at illustrere de viser, de sang.

Ikke blot synger drengene godt, men de har en dejlig fri og kammeratlig optræden. Ingen dreng var stjerne, men alle skiftedes til at have en rolle eller særlig funktion under forestillingen. Et pædagogisk træk, som forhindrer primadonnanyakker hos enkelte.

Tilrettelægningen var meget gennemtænkt og vel indarbejdet. Der sporedes ingen usikkerhed på noget tidspunkt. Det var en fornøjelse at opleve de charmerende drenge, som selv så ud til at nyde at optræde.

Under tournéen i U.S.A. og Virgin Islands havde drengene ført dagbog, og en lille udstilling af dagbøgerne præsenteredes efter koncerten for medlemmerne, som meget beundrede den fantasi, drengene havde lagt for dagen.

Aftenen sluttede med et hyggeligt samvær på traditionel vis.

E.K.

TODAY IN HISTORY IN THE VIRGIN ISLANDS *(Compiled by the Bureau of Libraries and Museums)*

JANUARY 15.

On this date in 1916, the Moran family of St. Thomas sold the Bluebeards Castle to Mrs. Jane Dow Nies for \$6,400.

In 1734, St. Croix purchased from Louis XV of France was officially transferred.

In 1792, marked the dedication of the present Lutheran Church building at Frederiksted, St. Croix.

In 1827, Adrian Benjamin Benzon, a Governor General of the Danish West Indies, died on his plantation at Judith's Fancy.

In 1911, Canon Edward Hutson (1873-1936) a native St. Thomian was consecrated Bishop of the Anglican See of Antigua.

FRA ST. CROIX AVIS

Dec. 8. 1973

H. C. Rasmussen Dead

Hans C. Rasmussen, well-known St. Croix resident, died at Charles Harwood Hospital yesterday at the age of 86. Born in Denmark, he came to St. Croix in 1912 as a member of the Danish military. He is survived by his wife Johanna. The couple resided in Christiansted for the past 27 years. His funeral service will be held this Sunday at four o'clock at the Lutheran Church in Christiansted, with burial in Christiansted Cemetery.

ST. CROIX LANDMARKS SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 14, 1973

Dear Members and Friends:

The mid-year newsletter describing the various physical improvements which had been made up to that point was mailed to all members, therefore, this report will deal primarily with the operational side of the Society.

During the months of January to April this year, the French cruise ship "De Grasse" with a passenger capacity of 500 made weekly visits to St. Croix. The passengers were largely French speaking and for these visits notices, explanatory plaques, etc. at Whim were translated into French and a French speaking hostess was on hand. These tours added greatly to the visitor volume and made the revenues for the early part of the year far ahead of these last months. The Treasurer's Report reflects this sad situation.

The visit of the wives of the Lt. Governors during their conference on St. Croix was another high point of the year with the quadrille dancing of the children from the Fifth Grade of Concordia School, under the direction of Mrs. Unita Garvey, claiming the spotlight. The precision and aplomb with which these youngsters performed was a delight to all who saw them.

On the subject of schools and school children, the program whereby the Fourth Grade of each school is brought to Whim is continuing and meeting with the same enthusiasm from both teachers and students as it did last year.

Continuing efforts to promote an awareness of the past, a total of approximately 200 copies of "The Danish West Indies in Pictures" is being donated to all schools and public libraries on the islands. This book is a reproduction in miniature of large prints donated to the Society by the Danish West Indian Society in 1967.

Experience seems to indicate that any major project undertaken takes three years. Within this time frame, we wish to report the present status of the Hu Hilder Memorial. Consultation with the experts indicated that it would be foolish to proceed with planting until an adequate water supply for irrigation purposes was assured. Therefore, plans were developed for a cistern of approximately 40,000 gallons capacity. The contract was let and the cistern has been built. As soon as sufficient water is in the cistern, the garden will be planted.

On the afternoon of January 14, 1974, the Society will play host to approximately 120 participants in the caribbean tour of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. This is a large and prestigious group and we are honored to be included in their itinerary. We should also note that through the efforts of Board Member, E.I. Williams, who is one of the two official Virgin Islands Advisors to the National Trust, it is hoped to have Whim declared an historic site and listed in the National Register. Also looking to next year, the Board has decided, as a demonstrable act of faith in the community, the House Tours will be held. Please be ready to help if asked.

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KALLALOO
Serves 6



1 meaty bone from baked ham
½ pound pig tails, if available
½ pound salt pork
4 cups water
1 pound haddock or cod fillets
1½ cans (15 ounces each) leaf spinach, drained and chopped

1½ pounds okra, cut
1 large onion, chopped
1 hot pepper, fresh or canned, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
½ teaspoon thyme
Crab meat or shrimp (optional)

Soak salted meats for a few hours and wash. Combine ham bone, pig tails, salt pork and water in a large kettle. Heat to boiling, low-

er heat, cover and simmer 1½ hours, or until meat falls off the bones.

Remove meat from broth and cool. Strip meat from bones, dice and return to kettle.

Add fish, spinach, okra, onion, hot pepper, garlic and thyme to soup and simmer one to two hours. During last half-hour, add shrimp or crabmeat.

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