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Christiansted, St. Croix, V.I., July 23,
1924.

ERIK R. STAKEMANN.

OBITUARY.

Miss MARY R. JACKSON, aged 35,
youngest daughter of the late Mr. Fred-
erick C. Jackson Sr. died yesterday af-
ternoon at 3.30 o'clock at her residence
in Company Street. The funeral to which
all friends and acquaintances are invit-
ed takes place this afternoon at 4.30
o'clock. She leaves behind to mourn her
loss, Bandmaster Fred. C. Jackson and
sister, to whom we tender our sincere
condolence.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE
COLONIAL COUNCIL
FOR ST. CROIX.

(Continued from yesterday's Avis.)

1st member for Frederiksted Town
(Jackson) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I
don't think it will be necessary to in-
crease the subsidies to the Bands; all
that is necessary is to put the Bands un-
der the Education Department and call
them two special teachers. The Bands
are educational institutions and very use-
ful to this community; if we haven't the
bands the depression will be so much
felt that, instead of waiting until their
parents who are away send for them, the
young people of this island will go away
in bateaus and boats, anything they can
get.

3rd Member for Christiansted Town
(Alexander) remarked: Mr. Chairman.
I just want to endorse the amendment
introduced and the remarks made by the
Honorable 2nd Member for Christiansted
Town. The Bands are furnishing a
great deal of recreation to this commu-
nity; they are the only means of amuse-
ment we have. I don't say to increase

the subsidies, but let them have what
they were getting before.

4th Member for Frederiksted Country
District [Andersen] remarked: Mr. Chair-
man. I am in sympathy with the Bands,
but I don't agree to take the amount
from the Reserve Fund as this is not a
case of emergency. I would like to ask
the Honorable 2nd Member for Chris-
tiansted Town to state, if he knows, how
many persons living in the two towns
that are subscribing towards the main-
tenance of the Bands? If a number of
persons subscribe \$10 each towards the
support of the Bands that would be a
very good idea. If I were living in town
I would subscribe \$10 out of my pocket
towards the support of the Band.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town
(Jackson): Mr. Chairman. I want to
inform the Honorable 4th Member for
Frederiksted Country District that when
the Band in Frederiksted was organized
although I was not living in Frederiksted
I had several persons endorse a note on
the Bank for me to pay for instruments
for the Band, which they have already
paid back. It is quite easy to switch the
Bands under the Education Department
as educational institutions and call them
special teachers.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town
[Canegata] remarked: Mr. Chairman.
With regard to the remarks of the Hon-
orable 4th Member for Frederiksted
Country District I wish to state that I
am perfectly in accord that the Reserve
Fund is not to be used except in the case
of an emergency; but it is not the Re-
serve Fund we will be using, it is the in-
terest. I know of many public spirited
persons who have subscribed towards the
support of the Bands and I am sure pri-
vate contributions would still be accept-
ed.

4th Member for Frederiksted Country
District (Andersen) remarked: Mr. Chair-
man. As regards traveling expenses for
Engineers for testing boilers, I have not
seen that under Miscellaneous; it seems
as if that has been forgotten. The Des-
patching Secretary has found out that a
number of boilers will necessarily have to
be tested this year, and as this is a matter
that has been created by law the amount
will have to be budgetted.

Government Secretary (Zane) remark-
ed: Mr. Chairman. Of course, these
amounts were left out in a very weak ef-
fort towards economy. If it is felt that
music is essential to the economic good
of the island to the extent of doubling the
amount of subsidy now provided, all I
can state is that Government has no ob-
jection; it simply means that we must
deal with that in addition to the many
other items which we may not see our
way towards financing in the future and
Government would not object to includ-
ing these amounts if the Colonial Council
thinks it necessary. However, I do not
like the matter myself of applying the in-
terest from the Reserve Fund to this ad-

ditional subsidy, and I would like to ask
one question in that connection. I un-
derstand that money may not be utilized
from the Reserve Fund except by ordin-
ance. With regard to interest from the
Reserve Fund, does it mean that an or-
dinance is necessary, or what is the pro-
cedure for covering this money into the
Colonial Treasury?

2nd Member for Christiansted Town
(Canegata) in replying to the last speak-
er said:—Mr. Chairman. When the Re-
serve Fund was established the principle
was that the capital could not be touched
except by ordinance, but the interest
may appear on the budget.

Government Secretary (Zane): Mr.
Chairman. I don't believe that this sit-
uation should be complicated with the
Reserve Fund. If we think that this ad-
ditional expenditure is necessary—and
honestly I cannot see, in the light of our
meager finances how it can be thought
so—let us go ahead and bring it in as an
amendment and include it under our ex-
penditures.

Discussion closed. Miscellaneous was
tacitly adopted.

PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES:

No Remarks.

GENERAL CONTINGENT:

No remarks.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town
(Jackson) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I
am not going to vote for the budget if
the general provisions written thereon
are allowed to remain on it. The speak-
er read the General provisions and said.
—It is not fair for us to come here and
vote for salaries and when we think we
have satisfied an incumbent in office the
next morning he is informed that his sal-
ary is reduced by 50%. We must pro-
tect the employees because they are not
on the budget by name. When we vote
a salary for an employee we expect that
that employee is going to receive the sal-
ary voted for him and not left to the
whims of the department in which he is
employed.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town
(Canegata) Mr. Chairman. I am in ac-
cord with the Honorable 1st Member for
Frederiksted Town [Jackson]. I did not
understand that General Provisions was
ever intended to be part of the budget
because when the budget is adopted the
remarks are not binding and form no
part of it.

(To be continued.)

LOCAL

The U. S. S. "Grèbe" sailed for St.
Thomas at 2.15 yesterday afternoon car-
rying a mail and the following passen-
gers: Lieut. E. A. Foote, U.S.N., Lieut.
C. R. Johnson, (CEC), U.S.N., Lieut.
Allen Hoar (CEC), U.S.N., Lieut. Colo-
nel T. H. Brown, U.S.M.C., Mrs. G. C.
Mattison, Judge Nolan.