

ST. CROIX AVIS

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MAIL FOR THE WEEK ENDED JUNE 2, 1923.

Mrs. Henrietta Charles,
Mr. Charles Fredericks; Water Gut,
Mr. Andrew James,
Mr. John Johnson; Water Gut,
Mrs. Ella Jordon,
Mr. Cecilias Thomas,
Esther Nords.

Post Office, Christiansted, Virgin Islands, June 4, 1923.

B. R. LARSEN, *Postmaster*.

LOCAL

The Colonial Council meeting of yesterday was attended by all the members, except Mr. G. B. Fleming, resigned, and the Despatching Secretary Rappolee and his successor Lieut R. E. Barrett. Mr. R. L. Merwin was elected Chairman, R. W. Skeoch Esq., Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Douglas Armstrong, Secretary. Dr. Canegata and Mr. Folmer Andersen were respectively elected Secretary but declined the honor. The Dr. has been elected again Chairman of the Municipal Committee with Mr. W. S. Abramson as Vice-Chairman. The supplementary item on the order of the day re taxes was not taken up.

St. Mary's Hall patrons will note that the fine programme advertised is to be shown tomorrow (Wednesday) evening not tonight.

An enjoyable evening was spent at the Christiansted Theatre last night where the beautiful drama entitled "His Wife's Money" was screened, while the comic entitled "Late Hours" kept the audience in roars of laughter throughout its duration.

The boxing entertainment in the theatre on Saturday night last, was attended by a full house. Of the preliminaries consisting of three bouts, of three rounds each, two were decided draws; the third was won by a man of this town whose name has not been obtained. The main bout of the evening between Knockout Brown (Chr. Elliot) of this town and Will O'Brien of Frederiksted was decided in favor of the latter on points, at the close of the 6th round.

The U. S. S. Grebe arrived here at noon yesterday and will sail again for St. Thomas this afternoon. She brought some mail and the following passengers:—Pay Clerk C. A. Voss, U. S. M. C., Q. M. Sgt. W. R. Fisher, U. S. M. C., Marie Wilson, Pay Clerk L. J. Barta, U. S. N., and wife, Mr. Arthur Lindborg, Marie A. Petrus, Miss Caya Cramer, Lieut. C. R. Johnson, (C. E. C.), U. S. N., Commander W. Seaman (M. C.) U. S. N., 1 Radioman, third class, U. S. N., 1 Corporal, U. S. M. C.

PASSENGERS LIST.

June 2nd—per s. s. "Romanita" from Porto Rico—Miss Lina De Chabert, Rev. Gustave K. Huff, Mr. Manuel A. Roman. From St. Thomas—Sue Beale, Mr. Hubert Jacobs, Mr. Cyril Garvey, Mr. Ricardo Miller, Mr. Ralph Blackwood.

June 3rd—per s. s. "Romanita" for St. Thomas—Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Brustmeyer. For Porto Rico—Miss Linnet Hall, Mr. Hans Boje.

St. Thomas News

According to a statement from the White House, President Harding and Mrs. Harding expect to make a tour which will take in Porto Rico. We hope that the President and Mrs. Harding will be urged to include these islands.—*St. Thomas Times, June 2nd.*

On Memorial Day the usual ceremonies were performed by naval contingents. A company of marines and sailors, headed by the Naval Band, marched from the Marine Barracks to the head of the pier where an excellent address and prayer was delivered by Lieutenant W. L. Steiner, Captain, U. S. N., which was then followed by taps and the firing of volleys. Squads of enlisted men were then sent with flowers and wreaths to decorate the graves of service men buried here. Among the dead was one from the Naval Band, Carlos Font, whose grave bore a wreath sent by Director of Police and Mrs. Nolan.—*Ibid.*

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND TO BE ERECTED BY JUNIOR RED CROSS

The Junior Red Cross has in view the establishment of a playground for children to be situated at the eastern border of the "Ball Field" on that portion of land which the former St. Thomas poorhouse occupied. Funds have been appropriated for its construction and the Colonial Council generously donated the land to the Red Cross for this object. A plan has been drafted and the grounds are to be fitted out with swings, rings for gymnastics, sand boxes, slides, etc. This amusement park will be mainly for children and will be an appreciable asset to nurses and governesses who find great difficulty in introducing sports for the kiddies in the public parks of the municipality. By this means there will develop incidentally a generation of vigorous, active, youthful boys and girls, interested and educated in a line of sports that will afford healthful recreation and an opportunity for the development of brain and brawn.

This playground will be around the major portion to serve as protection against missiles. Iron stays with wire netting will be placed at the top marginal edge along the entire fencing. The fence-

ing will be completed next week and some of the boys in the advanced grades of the public schools will work under the supervision of Mr. Valls, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Vanterpool, in setting up the apparatus.

St. Croix has also in view a similar plan and doubtless after a couple of months will be a reality.

The response in the Virgin Islands has been certainly gratifying but the work of this great institution is never failing and needs continuous, ardent support.—*Ibid.*

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Paris, May 31st.—The Foreign Office announced tonight that it had received no advices tending to support published reports of a concentration of German Reichswehr troops near Munster, north-east of the occupied Ruhr district.

Tsao-Chwang, May 31st.—Negotiations for the release of the twelve remaining foreign captives, held by the Shangtung bandits on Paotzuku mountain, are entering their final stage and it is expected that all will be free within a week.

London, May 31st.—Sir Samuel Horne, head of the Air Ministry, told the House of Commons, in answer to questions today that the Ministry had a helicopter which would leave the ground. He offered no details.

Berlin, May 31st.—That the Ruhr banks are now operating in a state of readiness to guard against French seizure of their funds is revealed in a statement issued by Vice President Von Glasenaph of the Reichsbank. He explains the precautionary measures which were in effect at the Essen branch of the Reichsbank where ninety-two billion marks were seized recently. Learning that a seizure might be attempted, the bank had installed a sort of burglar alarm running from the main entrance during banking hours with a watchman to set the alarm in action the moment he detected anything suspicious outside. It was arranged that when the alarm was sounded, all the vaults were to be locked and the keys hidden. On the day of the recent seizure, according to Von Glasenaph, the watchman was on guard as usual, but the moment the bank opened in the morning two French detectives in civilian clothes sprang through the doorway and overpowered the guard before he could give the alarm. By this time a number of persons had entered the bank among them five Frenchmen, who held up the bank employees at the point of revolvers. They then proceeded to complete the seizure. Herr Von Glasenaph's statement reveals that the Ruhr pay rolls for a period of ten days now amounts 102,000,000,000 marks, those for Essen alone being 50,000,000,000.

Berlin, May 31st.—The price of coal throughout Germany will be increased 52 percent, beginning tomorrow, in con-