

District (*Andersen*) inquired whether it was an amendment or a resolution.

The *Chairman* in reply said: It is called an amendment and will be put to the vote as such. If it is adopted it will take the place of the resolution which is now before the House, if it is not adopted it will die a natural death.

The *Chairman* put the amendment to the vote.

3 members voted for the amendment; 27 against.

2nd Appointed Member for St. Croix (*Noll*), Speaker of the Committee appointed to receive and report on the resolution report as follows: Mr. Chairman. The Committee appointed by this joint Council to receive and report on the resolution met during the recess. There were some slight changes offered by the St. Thomas Council, but after due consideration the Committee recommends that the resolution be adopted without any change.

2nd Member for Christiansted Country District (*Berg*) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I just want it understood by the members of this Council that in the caucus meeting I voted for this resolution and requested then that I be allowed to make a few remarks, in fact my vote on the resolution was conditional that I be allowed to express my position on this matter in this meeting. It is not my intention that the doors be closed against civil government; I stand for a new organic act for this island. Perhaps the present Senate Bill may be too weak a structure to work upon. When I pointed out a while ago that in the Denby memorial that we went on record for a change of government a member said that was merely an opinion. I am not voting for this resolution as a matter of opinion, I am voting for it with a view that a new organic act will be introducing providing for civil government for this island.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (*Canegata*): Mr. Chairman. May I offer consolation to the Honorable Member that his views are identical with mine.

3rd Appointed Member for St. Thomas (*Nolte*) remarked Mr. Chairman. I think it necessary to make this allusion. The Honorable 1st Member for Frederiksted Town said in his remarks that there are some people here who are trying to withhold citizenship from the people of these islands. In the petition which we sent to Washington we recommend citizenship for these islands. Quite a number of years elapsed before the people of Porto Rico were granted citizenship. It is true they had a platform, but they waited a number of years before citizenship was granted to them, I think eighteen years. I think it would be asking too much to ask the United States by a stroke of the pen to grant citizenship to the people of these islands. As to civil government I wish some of the eloquent speakers would enlighten me as to the meaning of civil government.

I do not wish to interfere in the affairs of St. Croix, but as the question came up I thought it best to make a remark on it.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town (*Jackson*) remarked: Mr. Chairman. One point in the last speaker's remark I wish to reply to. He wants to know what we mean by civil form of government. A civil form of government is a government by which the people give consent to the manner in which they shall be governed.

The discussion closed, the Secretary read the resolution and the *Chairman* put same to the vote.

27 members voted for; 2 against and one not voting.

The *Chairman* remarked: The resolution is adopted.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town (*Jackson*) asked that his amendment be attached to the resolution.

The *Chairman* in reply said the amendment cannot be attached to the resolution but will be made a part of the record.

There being no further business before the House the *Chairman* declared the meeting closed at 5.35 p. m.

The Editor St. Croix Avis,

Dear Mr. Editor,

As a citizen interested in the peace of the community and orderly Government, I was present at the sittings of the General Court Martial held in the Marine Barracks yesterday (Thursday) and the preliminary hearing in the case of the marine who stabbed a native lad. The charges were upon two counts (separate offenses) and the accused was acquitted of the first count charging him with being in a state of intoxication and unfit for duty. He was convicted on the second count, that of assault. Of course the sentence in this is only recorded by the Court, and the whole proceedings will be reviewed by Commandant (the Governor) who will next forward same to the Navy Department in Washington for review. When they have reviewed the record, the accused will know his sentence. Capt. Smith, legal aid to the Governor was Judge Advocate and he conducted the prosecution in an able and satisfactory manner. Dr. Goodbody, Lieut. U. S. M. C. was appointed Counsel for the defence and made a splendid showing. This is the first time that I have been privileged to witness a General Court Martial, which is the highest military court. It was a wonderful experience.

From the whole proceedings I gathered that there is on the part of the high officers, a determined purpose to stop these outbursts between the military forces and the civilians, and on behalf of the natives I want to express my full satisfaction with the proceedings.

Yours very truly
D. HAMILTON JACKSON.

Bekendtgørelse.

DEN ordinære Generalforsamling i den dansk-vestindiske Nationalbank afholdes Fredag den 13. Juni 1924 Kl. 11 Formiddag i Ministerialbygningen, Slotsholmsgade Nr. 6 her i Staden.

Forhandlingsgenstandene er:

- 1) Forelæggelse af Bankraadets Beretning om Bankens Virksomhed i Aaret 1923.
- 3) Forelæggelse af det reviderede Regnskab for nysnævnte Aar med Forslag til Anvendelse af Aarsoverskuddet.
- 3) Indstilling om Decharge for det aflagte Regnskab.
- 4) Valg af et Medlem til Bankraadet.
- 5) Valg af en Revisor.

Köbenhavn, den 18 Marts 1924.

FR NORDLIEN. J. WINTHER

REPORT

OF
DEPOSITS & WITHDRAWALS
AT

THE NEW ST. CROIX SAVINGS BANK

On Saturday the 5th April 1924.

RECEIVERS:

In Christiansted

A. E. STAKEMANN Trustee.

In Frederiksted

Trustee.

Balance of deposits to 29th March 1924
\$ 61,387.72

36 Deposits, of which	
26 in Christiansted	\$ 292.96
(4 new)	
10 in Frederiksted	\$ 56.40
(- new)	
	\$ 349.36
	\$ 61,737.08

12 withdrawals of which	
9 in Christiansted	\$ 185.83
3 in Frederiksted	\$ 235.00
	\$ 420.00

Balance of deposits to date \$ 61,317.08
Receivers for Saturday the 12th April 1924

In Christiansted

A. E. STAKEMANN Trustee.

In Frederiksted

Trustee.

A. E. STAKEMANN.
President