

October 23, 1919.

Executive Order No. 8.

PURSUANT to authority vested in me by Section 2 of an Ordinance "Creating a Commission to Regulate and Control the Prices of Foodstuffs in the Municipality of St. Croix and for other Purposes, approved October 27, 1919, the following residents of St. Croix are hereby appointed, respectively, as Chairman and Members of the Food Commission of St. Croix" therein created:

HON. D. NOLL, *Chairman*.
 MR. P. ADAMSEN,
 MR. L. HENDERSON,
 MR. M. A. PRETTO,
 MR. R. DE CHABERT,
 MR. F. COULTER,
 MRS. R. D. HAGEMANN,
 MR. T. RAMSAY, and
 MR. S. JORGENSEN, *Members*.

J. W. OMAN,
Governor.

NOTICE

To Consumers Of Electricity in Christiansted.

CHARGES for Electricity consumed will in the future be based on United States Currency, which means an amount corresponding to the rate of exchange ruling on the first of every month will be added.

According to the present rate of exchange of 27½% there will be added 22.4.

Respectfully

D. W. I. ELECTRIC CO.,
 EINAR SVENDSEN,
Manager.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

A. Sebastian Forbes in charge of the Christiansted Naval Band requests to mention that the band, under his charge, will render its usual Friday evening Concert on Thursday evening October 30, the change affects this week only.

**PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
 COLONIAL COUNCIL
 FOR ST. CROIX.**

[Continued from yesterday's Avis.]

The Chairman placed before the Council a Provisional Ordinance forwarded by Government and remarked: This matter has been received since the Order of the Day has been printed, however it has

BAND CONCERT.

U. S. NAVAL BAND.

Christiansted, Virgin Islands.

This Evening October 30th. 1919.

First Class Musician A. Sebastian Forbes.
 Conductor.

PROGRAM:**Part I.**

March. Boston Commandery....T. M. Carter.
 Grand Selection from Rigeletto....Verdi.
 Walzes. Consolation....J. C. Heed.
 Fox Trot. Chong (He Come From Hong Kong)....Harold Weeks.

Part II.

March. Over the Top....Geoffery O'Hara.
 Overture Poet and Peasant....Von Suppe.
 Novelty. Berceuse from Jocelyn....R. Godaard.
 One Step. Good Bye France....Irvin Berlin.

NATIONAL ANTHEM.

been printed and copies are before you.
 The Provisional Ordinance reads:

Colonial Council Bill No. 15.

2nd Session 1919-1920.

By the Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States.

PROVISIONAL ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, Under and by virtue of Section 4 of the Colonial Law (No. 124) published at Amalienborg, April 6, 1906, it is provided among other things as follows:

"In extraordinary circumstances the Governor has authority to issue Provisional Laws or Ordinances."

AND, WHEREAS, by Section 2 of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide a temporary Government for the West Indian Islands acquired by the United States from Denmark", etc., approved by the President on the 3rd day of March, 1917, it is further provided in said Act as follows:

"That, until Congress shall otherwise provide, in so far as compatible with the changed sovereignty and not in conflict with the provisions of this Act, the laws regulating elections and the electoral franchise as set forth in the code of laws published at Amalienborg the 6th of April, 1906, and the other local laws in force and effect in said Islands on the 17th day of January, 1917, shall remain in force and effect in said Islands"

AND, WHEREAS, the rate of exchange for an American dollar into francs of the currency of the said Islands has, on October 15, 1919, suddenly advanced from \$1.04 to \$1.27-1/2.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. W. Oman,

Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States, formerly known as the Danish West Indian Islands, under and by virtue of the aforesaid laws, considering extraordinary circumstances as now existing, in view of the increase in prices of necessities of life, incident to the aforementioned advance in the rate of exchange, hereby determine and by this proclamation do announce that it is essential, in order to provide sufficient means whereby the employees of the Government of the said Virgin Islands of the United States may obtain sufficient necessities of life under the salaries now paid to such employees in the currency of the said Islands, and in order that the public good will be promoted thereby, to add to the salaries of said employees, do hereby authorize and direct, effective immediately and until otherwise provided, that there shall be added to the salary of each employee of this Government such further amounts, in local currency, in addition to such salaries as will equal the difference between the normal rate of exchange (\$1.04) and the rate of exchange existing when such salaries are due and payable. The budgets for the Municipality of St. Thomas and St. John and for the Municipality of St. Croix, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, are hereby increased in the amounts necessary to provide for the aforesaid payments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States to be affixed.

Issued in St. Thomas, this 17th day of October, 1919, A. D.

(SEAL)

J. W. OMAN.

By The Governor

C. C. TIMMONS
Government Secretary.

Despatching Secretary (O'Hagan) in introducing the Ordinance said,—Mr. Chairman. In the Provisional Ordinance which you have seen published the employees of the Government have been provided for. Due to this abnormal exchange the Governor deemed it advisable in the interest of efficiency to set the minds of the employees at rest, and therefore has caused the difference between the normal rate of exchange to be added to the salary of each employee.

The Provisional Ordinance seems to be needed under the circumstances, and the Governor has enacted it; it is done as an example to show others how the conditions existing today can be coped with.

No one requested the word further, 1st Discussion closed.

With Government and the Council's consent 2nd Discussion opened

No one requesting the word the Chairman closed 2nd Discussion and the Secretary (Canegato) read the bill and the