

CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE

8.15. MONDAY EVENING 8.15

W. M. S. Hart in "Shark Monroe"

6 REELS.

The water front Saloon Seattle, with a goldmade army surging across the threshold of (96) toward the frost-crested Yukon.

One of the mob Webster Hilton whose too-frequent journeyings over the alcoholic Trail have utterly unfitted him for any other....., it is a very interesting picture come and see for yourself.

Show starts with 1 reel travelling pictures.

ADMISSION

Reserved Seats.....30 and 40c
General Entrance.....20c.
Children 20 and 10c.

Thursday the 22 December No Show

Commencing December the 26

Eddie Polo in "The Vanishing Dagger"

ST. CROIX

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REPORT No. 17.

Week Ending December 2, 1921.

Municipality of St. Croix.

SCHOOL	CLASS	PERCENTAGE
Peter's Rest	Rural	100.00
La Vallee	Rural	100.00
Annaly	Rural	100.00
Frederiksted Public	Urban	99.87
Frederiksted Junior		
High	Urban	99.65
La Princesse	Rural	98.94
Christiansted Public	Urban	98.43
Diamond	Rural	98.07
Christiansted Junior		
High	Urban	97.64
Friedensfeld	Rural	93.83

Municipality of St. Thomas and St. John

SCHOOL	CLASS	PERCENTAGE
Senior High	Urban	100.00
Sixth Grades	Urban	100.00
U. S. Grant	Urban	99.55
Town	Urban	99.09
Jefferson	Urban	99.03
Nisky	Rural	98.66
Lincoln	Urban	98.32
Washington	Urban	98.23
Junior High	Urban	96.70
St. John	Rural	94.85
Madison	Rural	94.09
Monroe	Rural	91.05

LOCAL.

We have been asked to mention that there will be no concert on the Wharf by the Native Brass Band to-morrow evening, but on Sunday evening December 25th the same Band will give a concert

A Christmas Entertainment

consisting of Songs, Dialogues, Recitations, Fancy Drills and other attractions, with the use of a New Organ, will be held on

Tuesday Evening, 8 p. m. December 20th inst

AT THE

Christiansted Graded Grammar School.

Tickets will be sold at Miss Quin's Store, and also at the school on the said evening.

Price.....25c.

Come and enjoy a pleasurable time.

on the Wharf with all Christmas Selections.

The Mystery arrived at Frederiksted this morning and mails will be looked for later.

Correspondence

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

Christiansted, Virgin Islands.

December 15, 1921.

The Editor of The Herald,

Christiansted, St. Croix, V. I.

My dear Mr. Editor:—

In today's issue of your valued paper, you reprint from The Pathfinder an article indicating that thousands of letters are undelivered because they were not emptied out of mail bags put aside for

repairs, and that Postal Inspectors declare that an average of 70 letters a day are shaken out of supposedly empty bags sent to Washington to be mended.

As readers are liable to conclude that this discovery has reference to all post offices everywhere, and that in all probability there is not an office at which the condition referred to does not exist, I fear that the release of such information through the medium of the newspaper may be instrumental of undesirable impressions in a small community like this where the people can hardly be expected to appreciate the situation correctly. I do not believe that I am far wrong in estimating that there are probably not nineteen persons in twenty in this island who are aware that there are some sixty thousand post offices in the United States and possessions, or who are in the position to form anything like a rational idea of the number of letters which pass through these offices daily; and if I am right in this assumption, no further effort is needed to show that the conception of the responsibility shared by the average office in the case in question must be relatively inaccurate, and, unfortunately, exposed to over estimation. I think you will agree with me that to establish confidence is of great importance in attaining success in most undertakings, so that while doing everything practicable to eliminate defects and increase efficiency to the maximum, we should be careful not to fertilise the ground for misgivings which may be unwarranted.

As a matter of thought I may quote that statistics indicate that growing carelessness in addressing letter mail resulted in 13,000,000 letters being found undeliverable in one year; that a study of 4,219 reports received at headquarters of the various Railway Mail Service Divisions during a thirty-day investigation, held to discover the amount of damage in handling parcel post mail and the causes of such damage, disclosed that in 52.31 per cent of the cases damage was caused by improper preparation of the parcels by senders. These are but two instances furnishing a broad field for public co-operation in reducing complaints about the postal service, and I would be very glad to give you my assistance toward directing the necessary corrective attention along these lines, which must result in much mutual benefit to patrons and the service.

Very sincerely yours

B. R. LARSEN,
Postmaster.

Copy to Editor St. Croix Avis

Football.

A football match will take place to-morrow afternoon on the Holger Danske Ground, between the Dreadnought No. 2