

# Letters to the Editor

(Not the responsibility of the Ed)

Dear Editor;

We must hereby thank the editor and staff of the W.I's Opinion for the prompt manner in which your paper notified the public in general of the death of our beloved mother SARAH ARRINDELL.

Thanking you again, I remain,  
Egbert Arrindell & family.

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## PERSONAL INTEREST COMES FIRST SAYS THE POWERS THAT BE

Not less than a month ago the schooner "Blue Peter" left our sunny shores for Curacao, thus ending a remarkable history here in the Windward Islands.

This schooner was owned by the government and has rendered to the people of these Islands service which will always be remembered.

The Blue Peter is replaced by a small steamer named: "Hertha". This steamer is the property of the Watheys and company. According to reports the government has loaned the owners of the above mentioned steamer quite an amount of money for the sake of purchasing said steamer.

This of course is somewhat surprising; because in the past many people have asked the government for loans - These people had to undergo quite an enormous amount of "red tape" and finally were brushed off with a few discouraging words, which were: "The government have no money."

How strange friends? The government have no money, but there's enough money to lavishly spend on a steamer - There is money to hike (increase) the pay of Deputies 100 % with three years back pay, and to think that these deputies do little; other than keep bar-stools warm.

These wrongs do not only exist

in the abovementioned circumstances, but also in the line of business. For instance should someone apply for permission to open a certain business which may be profitable, they are rejected; like in the case of the service station.

It is high time that you the people of St. Maarten observe that the interest of those who call themselves political leaders comes first.

They are not only trying to monopolize loans, business etc., but also your thinking.

Bernard A. Fleming.

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Dear Editor:

I have understood, however I don't know if this is true or not, that there is a law which states that any antillian who has obtained a medical degree from a foreign university, must first be screened, to see if his qualifications are equal to those of a Medical College in Holland, if so and only then can he practice his profession in the Netherlands Antilles. As I said before I do not know if this law really exists, but if it does, was Saba included? (Ed. note: It does, and Saba is included, because (even though it is treated different) Saba is still a part of the Netherlands Antilles)

Mr. Bloodsucker why do you take your family to St. Kitts when they require medical attention, have you no confidence in our medical department here in Saba?

You should set the example, as you once said it was your hospital. So when you're feeling ill again spend a few days in your hospital and let the howling of the wind through those aluminum louvres rattle the brass in your dentures.

Why do you harbour such a fanatical hatred for Mr. Every, is it because you cannot put your brubby fingers on Government funds anymore?

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