

are present. This island seems to be well populated with birds, reptiles, amphibians and mammals of the introduced kind. From talking to several people gained the following impressions:

Mr. Frank Schaelebrandt of St. Thomas and owns business and dependable informant: A creation of a National Park is not in the best interest of the United States Government as the Park will deprive the government of considerable revenue from taxes. The natives of St. John feel that with increase of tourist trade and supervision of the area by the U.S. officials, there will become a greater gap in the relationships between the whites and native negroes. Segregation under these conditions is feared by the natives - although they want to become American citizens. Natives who were on the island are allowed to remain on original homestead until death whereupon the land is converted to National Park property. Grazing is controlled and cutting of trees or vegetation is prohibited. There is no compensation for these limiting restrictions and to which the natives are objecting. There are no native villages on St. John, but the people are dispersed and living as family units. A certain vine, which was used to make fish nets and traps, is now prohibited to be cut and as a result the natives cannot effectively pursue their fishing profession. The support of certain governmental agencies, who are not productive, by money derived from taxes, is not accepted by the natives. The governor should be elected by the people and not appointed because too many of the appointees do not have an understanding of the problems of the Virgin Islands. The Rockefeller interests on the St. John Island have been only to their advantage - Rockefeller will someday become the Governor or lord of the Island. Relief should be stopped and people should work for living and develop pride in their respective professions. U.S. influence has helped considerably in health, sanitation and training of medical doctors.

Mr. Katzman, pharmacist and owner of drug store and formerly from Michigan, now in St. Thomas and has been for last 5 years. People in Puerto Rico do not want to become American citizens because of a fear of segregation of negroes and Americans (white) as exists in the United States. People of St. Thomas do desire to become American citizens. Rainy