

(Jackie Rafter & Ken Jones)

RCI files - in Guinep, 1977

"As long as Shipper and I are alive we will never desert the people in the Union."

1962

"I believe the strength of the party depends chiefly on the Union, because the Union was built with blood, sweat and tears."

Annual Party Conference, December 1969

"All of you must continue to support the Union and the party. If one dies, the other will die too."

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#### BUSTAMANTE, LADY

"I can never forget that whilst I was in Detention Camp, a great patriot in the form of a woman, and one who has proven to be incapable of betraying her countrymen, was on the list to be sent to the Detention Camp . . . and the woman whose name was on the list was Gladys Longbridge. If she had been placed in the Detention Camp I would not have been here; I would have taken the law into my own hands."

1961

"Whether I go to a common rum shop or the best place - she goes with me. And when I am in jail she carries on until I get out."

1963

"I owe all my success to her."

1963

"Many days we had saltfish and crackers for breakfast. Saltfish and crackers for lunch and dinner too. And we ate plenty dust on those unpaved roads. We carried our own water with us because the water supply wasn't good in those days . . . And Lady B. . . she was Miss Longbridge then . . . never complained. A slender little girl she was then."

1967



Miss Gladys Longbridge (later Lady Bustamante) found a photograph taken for her pass to the Detention Camp where Bustamante was being held. 1940

On 'Bellencita' - the house to which he and Lady Bustamante retired in Irish Town.

"It's Spanish . . . for a nice little person."

*Reminiscing: 1967*

"She stood by me . . . Never said a word or showed fear. Just stayed there. I could never have made it without Lady B."

*Reminiscing: 1967*

"She never leaves my side. She is always with me. She is the best thing that ever happened to me. And she will never want. I have seen to that, unless someone should try to take away what is hers. And they wouldn't dare."

1947

## CHARACTER

"However much wisdom you have, unless you have strength of character you cannot govern."

1946

## CHARITY

"I think we should be merciful to those who recognise their errors."

1938

"I think we need a little more of that spirit of give and take in this island."

1938

## CHILDREN

"I never had any children. Not even one. But then, I may have had a son and he turned out a damned rascal."

1967

On abandoned children:

"They say they're God's blessing. Why bring God into it after they've been

abandoned? He didn't mean them to be abandoned."

*Interview with Barbara Glendon for the Daily Gleaner: May 1967*

## CITIZENSHIP

"Everyone who is a citizen, whether by birth or naturalization, has the perfect right to open his mouth and let his voice be heard just as loud as any other taxpayer."

1935: *(before the introduction of adult suffrage)*

"I object, detest and resent the name 'subject'. I am a citizen in my country."

1946

"One has not got to be in the Government or in the Opposition Party in order to formulate plans and recommend them, one has only got to be a citizen."

*Addressing House of Representatives: 1952*

## CIVIL SERVANTS

"My relationship with the Civil Service has always been congenial. I have found them very helpful and co-operative, and as to my personal staff they are to be classed with gems."

*On his retirement: 1967*

## CIVILISATION

"These are the days of great civilisation when man should think of harmony and not force."

1947

"It is through lack of civilisation that we persecute each other."

1954