

NONSTOP jet flights between Miami and the Virgin Islands will be inaugurated by Pan American World Airways Sept. 7.

Norman P. Blake, senior vice-president of traffic and sales, announced the new service. The four weekly round-trip flights will mark the first through-plane jet service between Miami and St. Thomas, Blake noted, and will also serve St. Croix in both directions.

On Aug. 7, the Civil Aeronautics Board granted Pan Am exemption authority to operate the new turnaround service until a final decision is reached in the U.S.-Caribbean-South America route case, or for a two-year period, whichever occurs first.

THE NEW FLIGHTS will be operated as follows: every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday a Pan Am jet will leave Miami at 8:45 a.m., arrive in St. Croix at 11:20 a.m. and in St. Thomas at 12:15 p.m.

Return flights will leave St. Thomas at 4 p.m. and St. Croix at 5 p.m. each Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, and arrive in Miami at 7:35 p.m. Pan Am will offer daily nonstop service between

Miami and the Virgin Islands by the year-end holiday season.

The CAB decision lets the requirement that Pan Am's Miami-Virgin Islands flights continue to points beyond the islands. Pan Am currently operates four weekly round-trip flights between Miami and St. Croix, via San Juan. This service extends beyond St. Croix to Antigua.

Pan Am also operates non-stop service between New York and the Virgin Islands which has been praised as "excellent" by the Virgin Islands government. The same government strongly supported Pan Am's bid for the new Miami-Virgin Islands service.

The 17-day economy round-trip excursion fare over the new route will be \$115.

the settlement was almost deserted, for many of its people had left to seek employment elsewhere. The island looked too barren to support a goat. Yet Jost Van Dyke once had been noted for its cattle, and the ruins of a windmill were evidence that this land had produced at least some sugar cane.

We returned to *Finisterre* to swim and to toast with champagne both ship and crew, for our cruise of the beautiful Caribbees was nearing an end.

After a lunch to match the occasion, we got under way smartly, carrying mainsail and small jib. Now the wind was on the beam, even fresher. In a smother of spray we drove for the gap between Congo Cay and Johnson Reef, off the corner of St. John. Suddenly, from the wheel, I became worried to see Henry Davis and Win Parks standing on the bow, scanning the water ahead. Fearful that I had made a mistake in plotting the course, I yelled, "What's wrong? What are you looking for?"

With a laugh Henry called back, "We're watching for the black line that shows on the chart, where we cross from British to U. S. waters."

The sea smoothed as we entered Pillsbury

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