

BAHAMIAN EDUCATORS



PRESTON H. ALBURY

A native of Governors Harbour, Eleuthera, **Preston H. Albury** was born on May 23, 1924.

He received his formal education at Eleuthera and in 1944 studied diesel and auto engineering at the Central Mediterranean Training Centre in Benevento, Italy. He was later transferred to the Royal Engineers in Egypt where he was responsible for the transportation of supplies.

From 1948 to 1953, he was Ground Engineer at Oakes Field for the British South American Airways. He later managed Consolidation Construction Company until 1960.

When industrialist Huntington Hartford bought Paradise Island, Mr. Albury became chief personnel and security officer for the island. In 1964 he went to Freeport where he helped construct the Bahamas Cement Plant. While there, he was instrumental in organising the Grand

Bahama Bus and Taxi Company. In 1966, he became service and credit manager for Tropical Motors.

Mr. Albury joined the Progressive Liberal Party (PLP) in the latter 1950s and in November 1962, was one of the two candidates who took the party's banner to Eleuthera in an unsuccessful try in the General Election. He was elected to Parliament for the first time on January 10, 1967 - the day the Progressive Liberal Party wrested power from the "Old Guard" the United Bahamian Party in an upset victory.

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ALFRED FRANCIS ADDERLEY

Alfred Francis Adderley was born in Nassau on November 16, 1891 the son of Mr. Wilfred Parliament and Letitia Eliza McMinn Adderley. He attended Boys' Central School and the Nassau Grammar School until 1908 when he entered Denstone College, Staffordshire, England. He worked in New York City for a year to help finance his education and in 1912 he entered St. Catherine's College, Cambridge from which he received the B. A. and LL B. degrees with honours. From 1915 to 1919 he worked in the War Factory Service as Assistant Pay Master at White City, London. A member of the Middle Temple, he was called to the English Bar in 1919. He then returned to The Bahamas to practice law and was called to the Bahamas Bar in August 1919.

In 1923 he was elected to the House of Assembly for Eleuthera and in 1928 he was returned for the Western District. He served for several years as Legal Advisor to The House under Speaker Malcolm. He was appointed to a seat on the Legislative Council in 1938 and to the Executive Council in

1946. At the time of his death he was a senior member of that body.

In the King's Birthday Honours in 1951 he was appointed a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. He also presided as Acting Chief Justice that same year at the October Sessions of the Supreme Court.

He married Ethel Millicent Louise Lunn on April 29, 1925 and fathered two sons: Dr. Francis E. Adderley, M.D. and the Honourable Paul L. Adderley, former Minister of Finance and Minister of External Affairs, Education and Culture and Attorney General. Mr. A. F. Adderley also held the Chairmanship of the Electrical Board and the Airport's Board and was a member of the Civil Service Committee. He was chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Nassau, a member of the Vestry of St. Mary's Church and a member of the Board of Governors of St. John's College.