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Regis M. Quirin and Leon Poplawski  
photographs of Carib peoples in Dominica, 1955

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Regis M. Quirin and Leon Poplawski photographs of Carib peoples in Dominica
<b>Date:</b>	1955
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.PhotoLot.94-7
<b>Creator:</b>	Quirin, Regis M. (photographer, coauthor, and collector)
<b>Extent:</b>	1 Map 15 Pages (Report :) 29 Negatives (acetate) 55 Color slides
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

Donated by Regis M. Quirin, 1993.

### Location of Other Archival Materials

An additional photograph of Carib in Salybia held in the National Anthropological Archives in MS 7294.

### Other Finding Aids

Inventory available in repository.

### Available Formats

Copy slides, copy negatives, and reference prints for negatives available.

### Preferred Citation

Photo Lot 94-7, Regis M. Quirin and Leon Paplawski photographs of Carib peoples in Dominica, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

### Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

### Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

## Biographical Note

Regis M. Quirin is an industrial photographer and photo journalist. After serving in the United States Army in Japan and Formosa (1953-1955), he traveled with Leon Poplawski, a radar repairman with the US Army (1953-1955), to Dominica, a British island in the West Indies (June-July 1955). The pair visited Roesau, the capital of Dominica, as well as Salybia, a small village on the island's Carib reserve.

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## Scope and Contents

Photographs made by Regis M. Quirin and Leon Poplawski in Dominica that depict the island's natural and urban scenery as well as Carib peoples. There are images of Carib Indians and their activities and villages as well as cities and scenery in Dominica, including Roseau and Portsmouth. Among the photographs of Carib peoples are images of basket making, clothes washing and drying, the making of a dugout canoe, and banana agriculture, including cutting bunches and loading bananas onto ships. The collection also includes a map of the West Indies and Regis M. Quirin and Leon Poplawski's report, "The Carib Expedition."

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## Local Call Number(s)

NAA Photo Lot 94-7

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

### Subjects:

- Bananas
- Canoes and canoeing
- Carib Indians
- Villages

### Cultures:

- Carib Indians

### Types of Materials:

- Photographs

### Names:

- Poplawski, Leon (photographer and coauthor)

### Places:

- Dominica