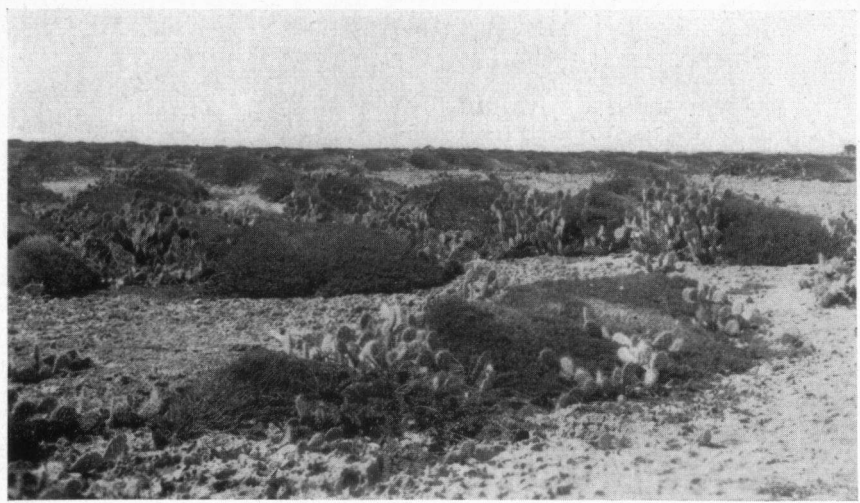


Ia. Looking northward from Seroe Canashito towards the Hooiberg (164 m), A r u b a.
The foreground is planted with *Sorghum*. (p. 36)



Ib. The region between Prins and Andicuri, A r u b a, as seen from the air. The fields are mostly surrounded by stone walls, and partly covered with heaps of exfoliated diorite blocks. (p. 35)

PLATE II



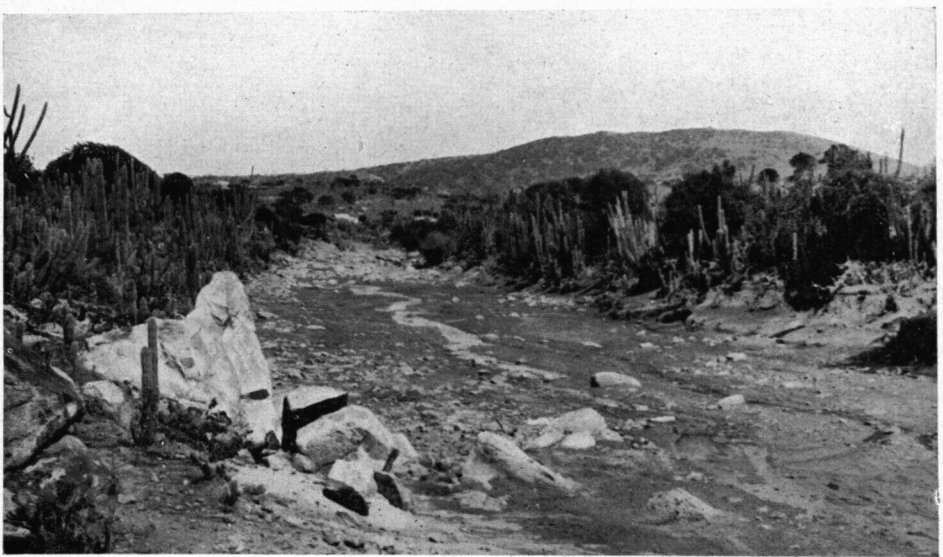
Ia. *Antirrhoea* facies of the Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket on the limestone terrace near Boca Grandi, A r u b a. The *Antirrhoea acutata* shrubs are deformed by the eastern tradewind and intermixed with *Opuntia wentiana*. (p. 65)



Iib. Sea Grape Grove: scattered trees of *Coccoloba uvifera* which may be considered as a remnant of littoral woodland, near Boca Grandi, A r u b a. (p. 34, 65)



IIIa. *Tournefortia* facies of the strand scrub community on the dunes near Boca Prins, Aruba. (p. 31, 71)

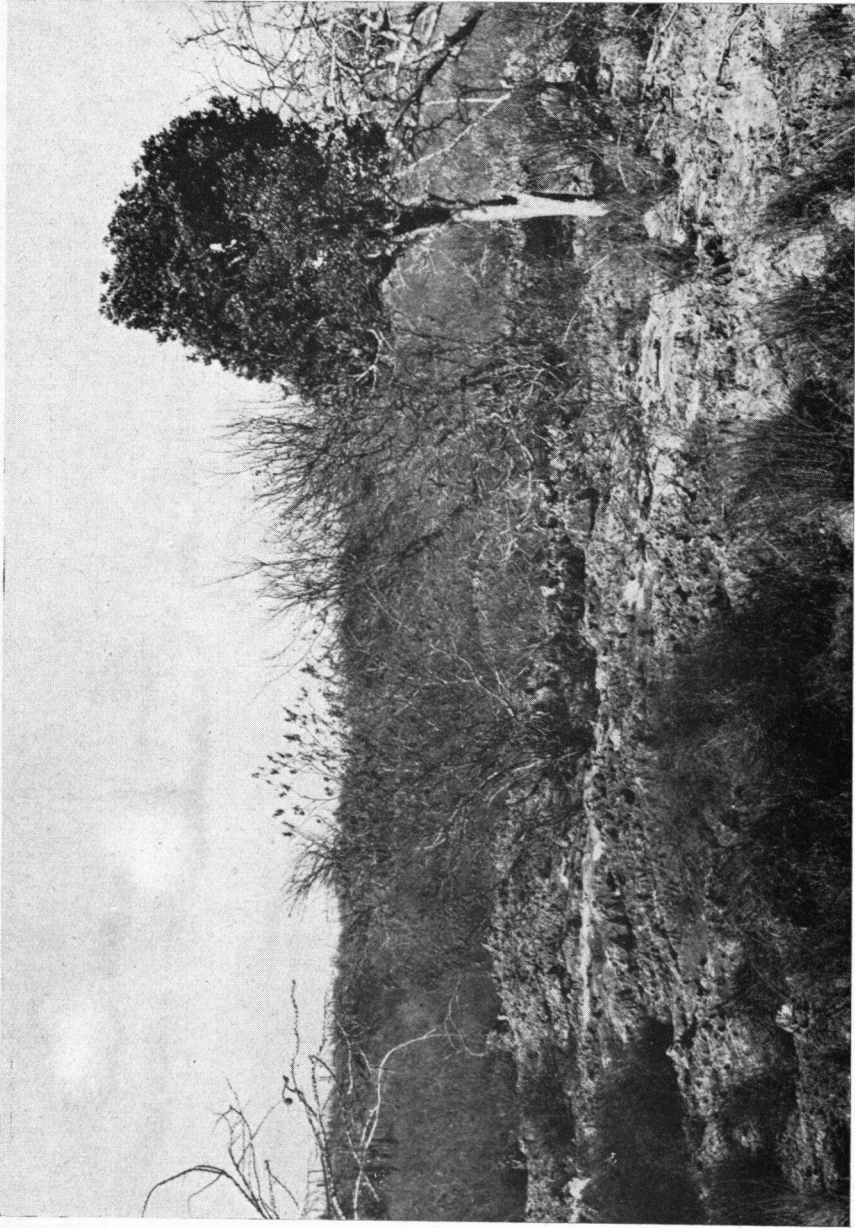


IIIb. Rooi Bringamosa, a river bed in the diorite landscape of central Aruba, bordered by thorny woodland in which *Prosopis*, *Caesalpinia*, and cactuses predominate. (p. 60)

PLATE IV

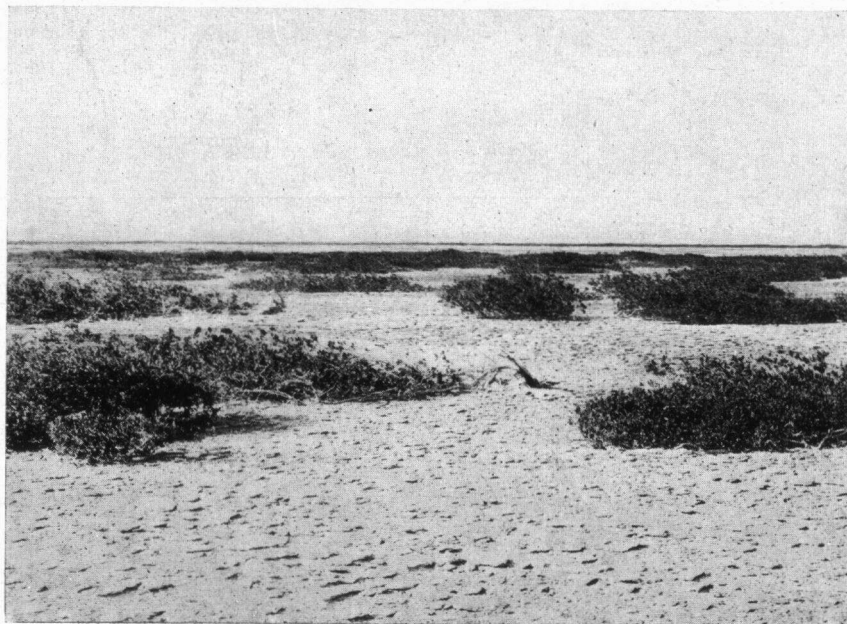


IV. Looking eastward towards the Jamanota and Arikok region, A r u b a. The foreground showing an open cactus scrub of *Opuntia* and candle-cacti with scattered *Caesalpinia coriaria*. (p. 37)



V. Dry evergreen bushland on the limestone plateau of Lima Plantation, Bonaire. Some tufts of *Cyperus planifolius* on the foreground; a small tree of *Jacquinia barbasco* at the right. (p. 41, 64)

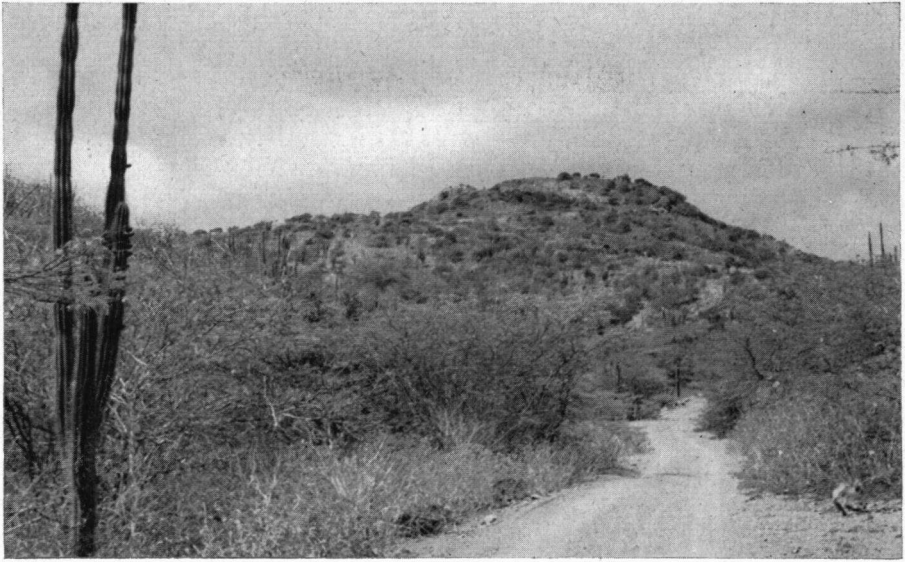
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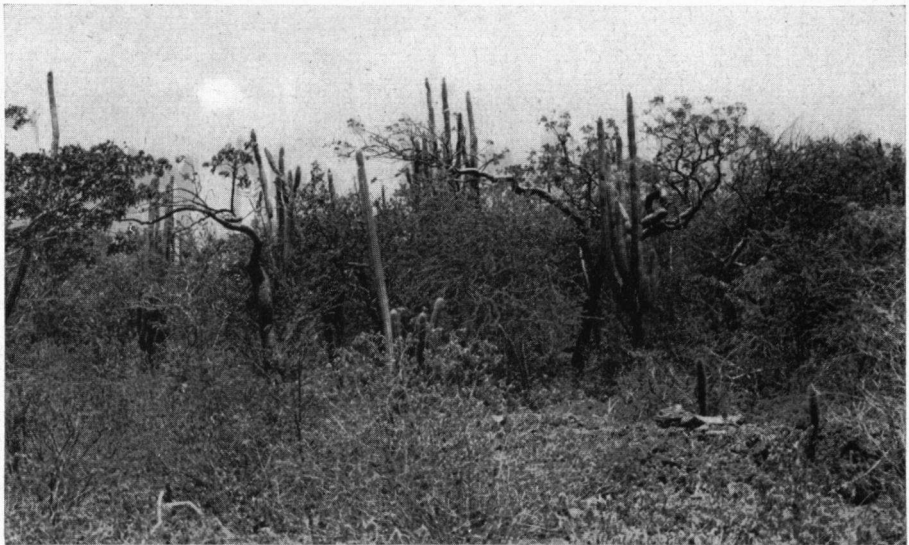
Via. Open *Conocarpus* community on tuffoid limestone in southern Bonaire north of Lansberg Putten. (p. 38, 66)



Vib. *Prosopis* facies of thorny woodland west of Put Bronswinkel, Bonaire. *Prosopis juliflora* is intermixed with an occasional specimen of *Cereus repandus* and *Acacia tortuosa*. Among the lower shrubs *Croton flavens* and *Lantana camara* may be noticed. (p. 47, 61)



VIIa. Cactus-thorn scrub in Washington Plantation, Bonaire. The higher shrubs, mainly *Prosopis juliflora*, are overtopped by *Cereus repandus*. In the lower shrub layer many *Lantana*, *Croton*, *Opuntia*, and *Melochia* occur. Herbs are practically absent. (p. 47, 61)

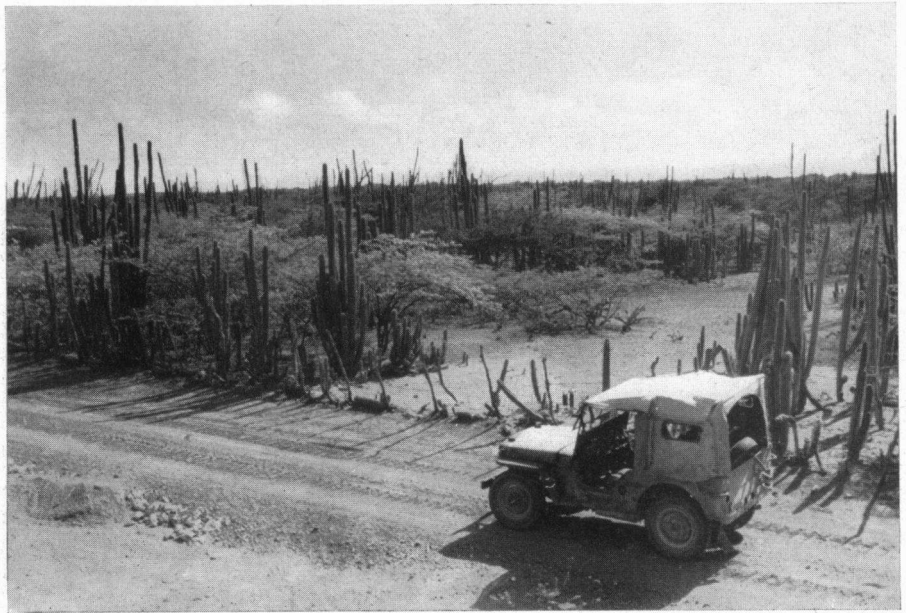


VIIb. Dry evergreen woodland in Columbia Plantation, Bonaire, with *Bursera*, *Lemaireocereus*, *Cereus*, and *Randia*. Undergrowth consisting of *Cordia*, *Croton*, and *Melochia*. (p. 44, 62)

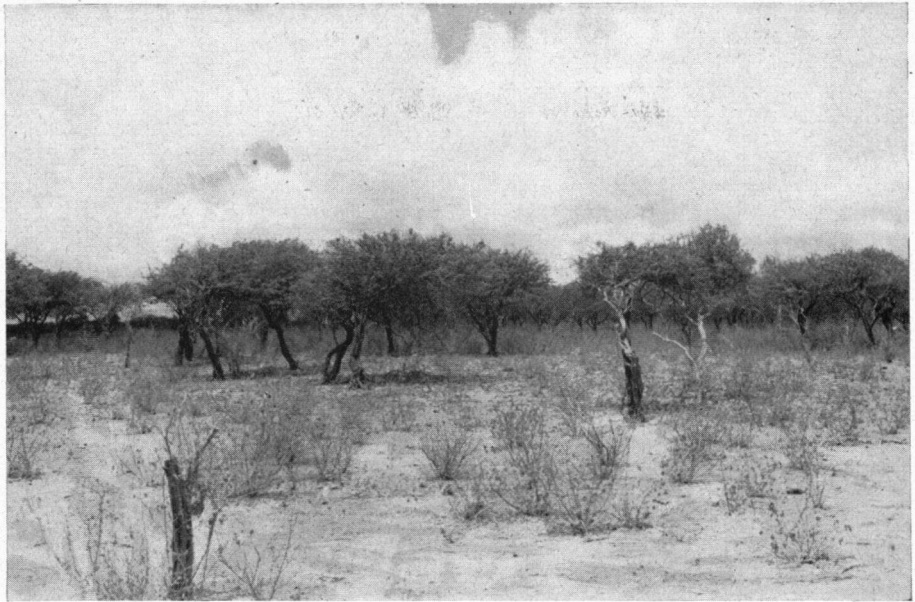
PLATE VIII



VIIIa. Cactus-thorn scrub in Washington Plantation, Bonaire. *Cereus* is very conspicuous; the trees are mainly *Acacia* and *Prosopis*. (p. 47, 61)



VIIIb. Cactus-thorn scrub in an abandoned plantation near Bacuna, Bonaire. *Prosopis* and *Acacia* are the dominating species, besides the numerous candle-cacti. (p. 61)



IXa. *Haematoxylon* facies of thorny woodland in Bolivia Plantation, Bonaire. The undergrowth consists of *Croton*, *Opuntia*, *Lantana*, and *Cordia*. (p. 44, 63)



IXb. Semi-abandoned aloe field in Labra Plantation, Bonaire. Among the small trees *Capparis*, *Acacia*, *Caesalpinia*, and *Haematoxylon* may be noticed. (p. 46)

PLATE X



X. The "Hofje" of Fonteijn, Bonaire, situated at the foot of the escarpment of the highest limestone terrace: A small irrigated area planted with fruit-trees (to the left); the dryer parts with aloes. (p. 21)

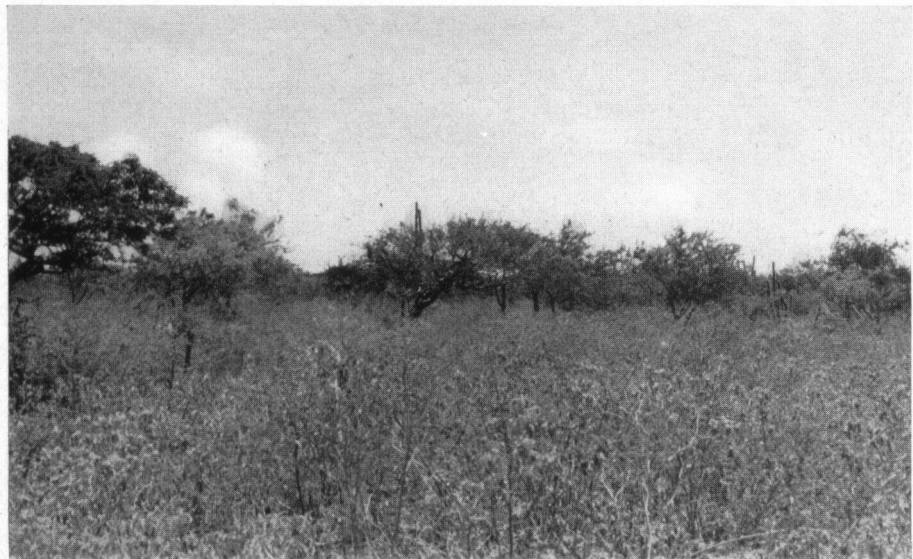


XI. Eastern part of Lagoen, Bonaire: A narrow bay bordered by an interrupted fringe of *Rhizophora*, and by mud flats which are overgrown by *Batis maritima*. The vegetation of the higher parts represents the "desert" type. (p. 62, 67)

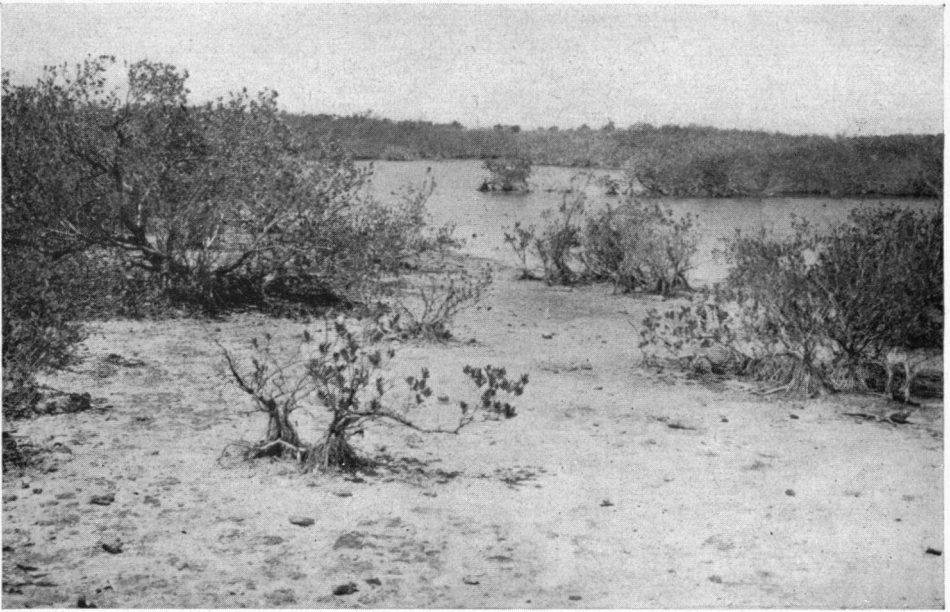
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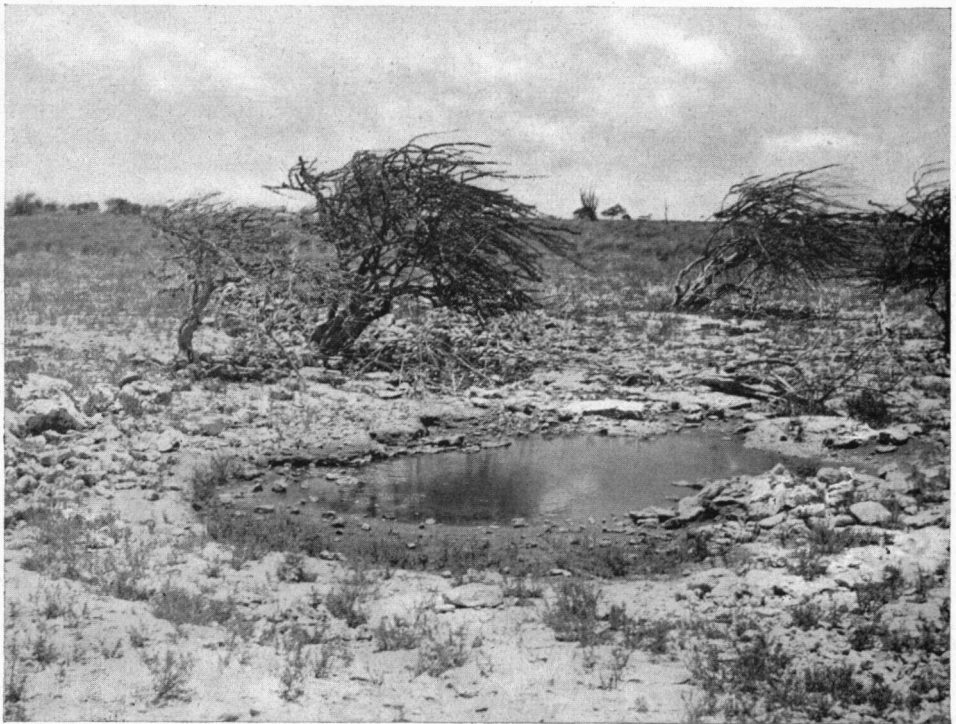
XIIa. Desolated region near Bacuna Plantation, north of Lac, Bonaire.
(p. 42)



XIIb. Croton facies of Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket at Labra Plantation, Bonaire.
(p. 46, 62)

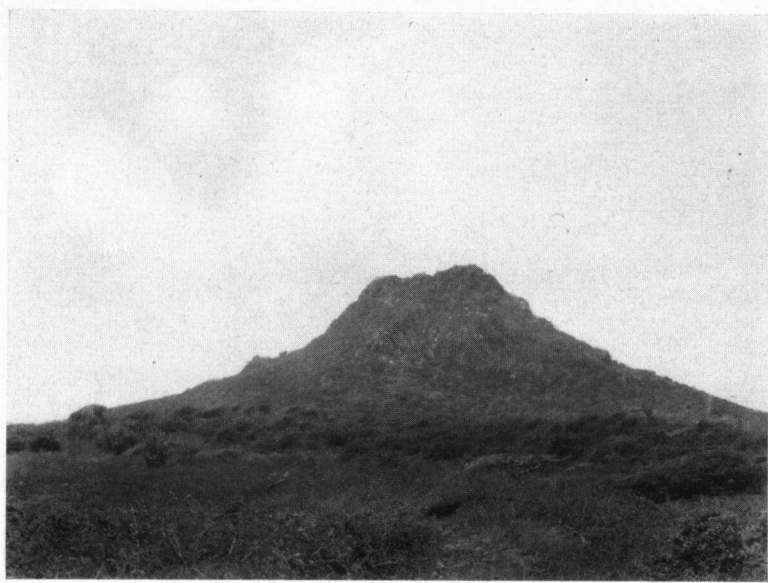


XIIIa. *Conocarpus* community on the low limestone plateau near Punt Vierkant, Bonaire. The area is flooded after rains. (p. 38, 66)

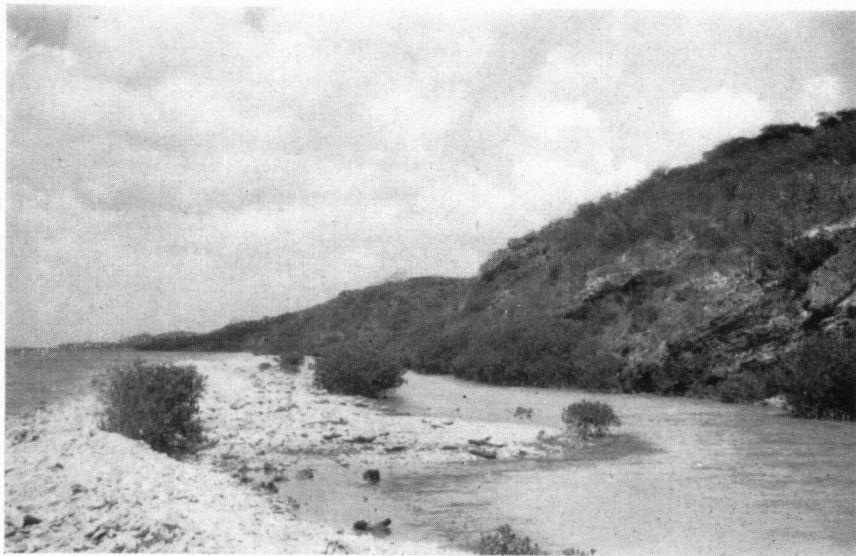


XIIIb. Tanki Calbas, after rains a large brackish pond, in the dry season a small oversalted pool (as figured), bordered by some *Crescentia* trees, and *Stemodia*, in a depression of the low limestone plateau of Klein Bonaire. (p. 47, 73)

PLATE XIV



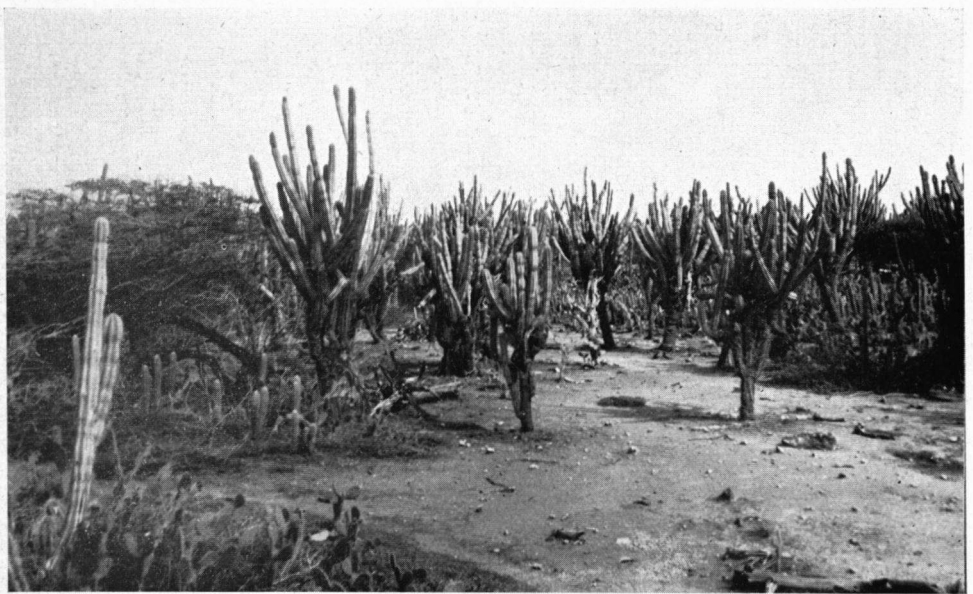
XIVa. Christoffelberg (372 m), as seen from the north-east; C u r a ç a o.
(p. 54)



XIVb. Reef vegetation, mainly consisting of small specimens of *Rhizophora*, on a wall of coral shingle at the lagoon of St. Jan, C u r a ç a o. (p. 48, 67)



XVa. Hippomane woodland near Westpunt, Curaçao. (p. 48, 72)



XVb. Cactus scrub, chiefly consisting of *Cereus*, *Acacia*, and *Opuntia*, between Hato and San Pedro, Curaçao. The area is partly flooded after rains. (p. 61)

PLATE XVI



XVIa. Dry evergreen woodland on top of Tafelberg Santa Barbara, Curaçao. Among the trees *Ruprechtia coriacea* (at the left) may be noticed; the smaller shrubs are mainly *Antirrhoea acutata*. (p. 53, 62)



XVIb. *Opuntia* wilderness in Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket on top of Tafelberg Santa Barbara, Curaçao. (p. 53, 64)



XVIIa. Deciduous seasonal forest on the slope of Seroe Largo, Santa Martha, Curaçao, with a conspicuous growth of *Bromelia lasiantha*. (p. 54, 59)

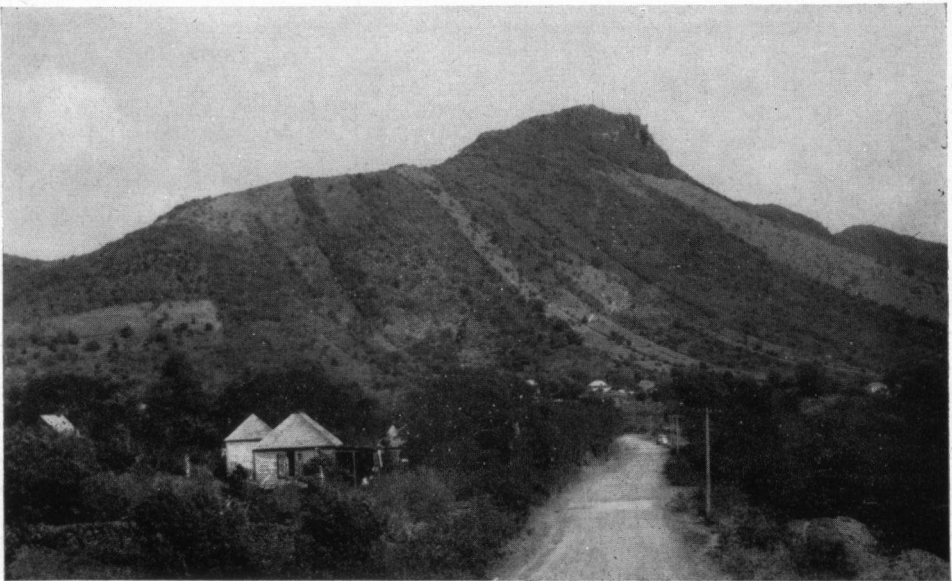


XVIIb. Deciduous seasonal forest on the south-western slope of Christoffelberg, Curaçao, with scattered *Bromelia lasiantha*. In the trees *Schomburgkia tibicinus*. (p. 55, 59)

PLATE XVIII



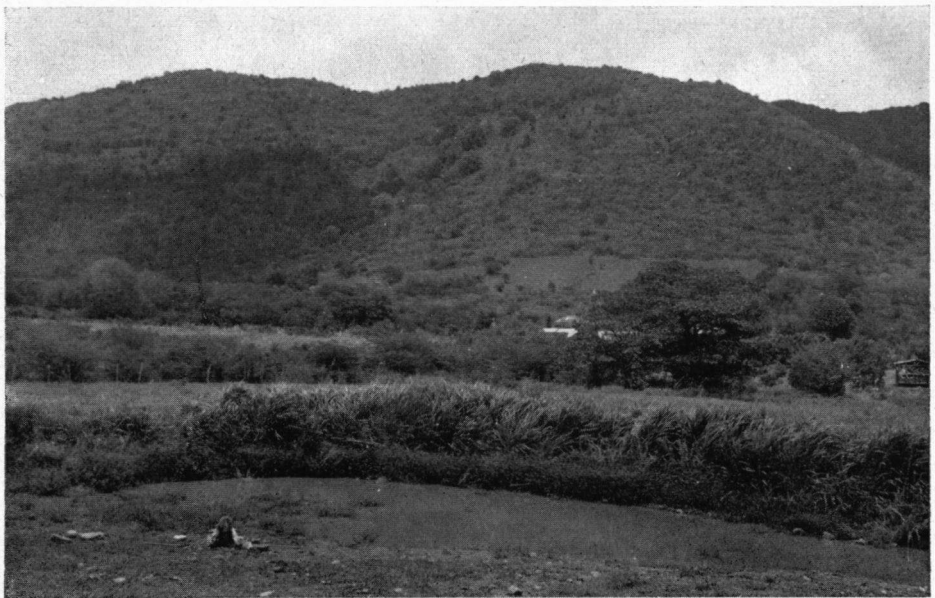
XVIIIa. Panorama, as seen from Cole Bay Hill, S t. M a a r t e n, looking towards Cole Bay lagoon, Lay Bay Hill, and Corner Hill. Semi-cultivated area of Cole Bay district in the foreground. (p. 96)



XVIIIb. Sentry Hill (340 m), S t. M a a r t e n, from the south-east; its windward slope has been cleared as high as the top of the ridge. (p. 131)



XIXa. Panorama, as seen from Cole Bay Hill, S t. M a a r t e n, looking across Simson Bay Lagoon, towards the Low Lands; the limestone area of Lay Bay Hill and Corner Hill to the left (see Plate XVIIIa). (p. 99, 100)



XIXb. Cul de Sac valley, S t. M a a r t e n, seen from the west. The artificial slob in the foreground forms part of the Experimental Garden. The hills in the background are covered by woodland, derived from seasonal forest. (p. 132)

PLATE XX



XXa. Dry evergreen bushland in the Low Lands of St. Maarten
The tree is *Plumiera alba*. (p. 99, 135)



XXb. *Melocactus* in Croton thicket near Pointe Blanche Bay, St. Maarten.
(p. 101, 133)



XXIa. Great Saltpond, St. Maarten, seen towards Williams Hill and Sentry Hill (to the left). The foreground with large patches of *Batis maritima*. (p. 93, 118)



XXIb. Partly cleared field for cultivating subsistence crops in the dry evergreen bushland of the Low Lands, St. Maarten. (p. 99, 135)

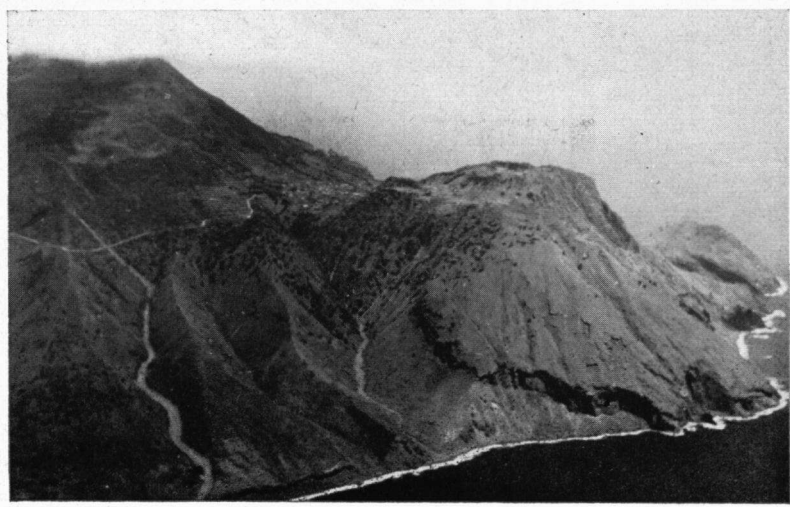
PLATE XXII



XXIIa. South-western part of S a b a; the road leads from Fort Bay to The Bottom. The steep slopes of Great Hill (abt. 400 m) and Parish are covered by low thickets, mainly consisting of *Croton*. (p. 104, 105)



XXIIb. Clearance in secondary rain forest at Little Rendez Vous, S a b a. In the background, from left to right, Thais Hill, Parish and Great Hill. (p. 105)

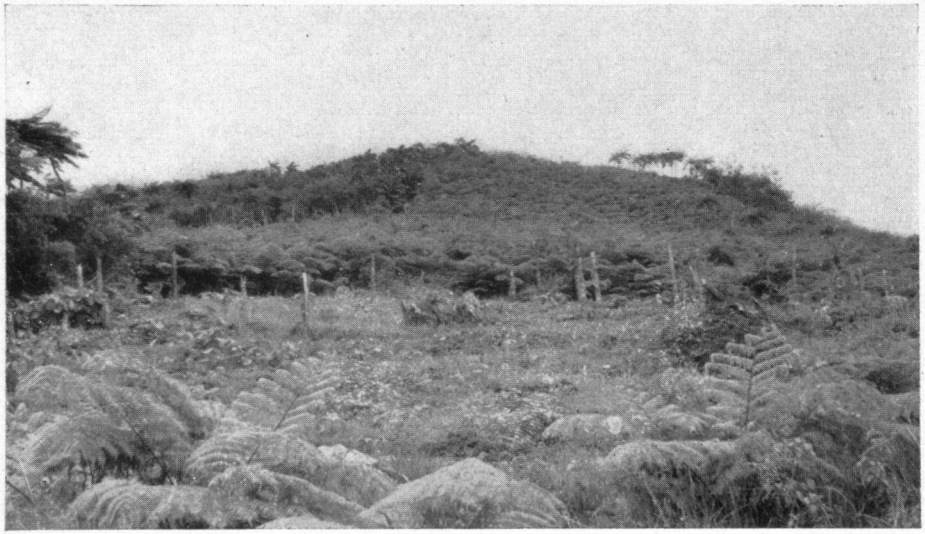


XXIIIa. Southeastern part of S a b a; the road, crossing Tom's Gut and Swanna Gut, leads to Windwardside (abt. 500 m). The steep slopes of guts and hills are covered by a scanty vegetation of *Croton*, with scattered small trees of *Pisonia subcordata* and *Tabebuia pallida*. The cloud-topped part of The Mountain is covered by elfin woodland, palm brake and tree-fern brake. (p. 104, 132, 136)



XXIIIb. Vegetation of stone wall in Windwardside, S a b a, with dominating *Polypodium*. (p. 103)

PLATE XXIV



XXIVa. Tree-fern brake above Hell's Gate, near Santa Cruz, S a b a. (p. 102, 122)



XXIVb. Secondary rain forest intermixed with *Euterpe* and *Cyathea*, near Santa Cruz, S a b a. (p. 103, 121)

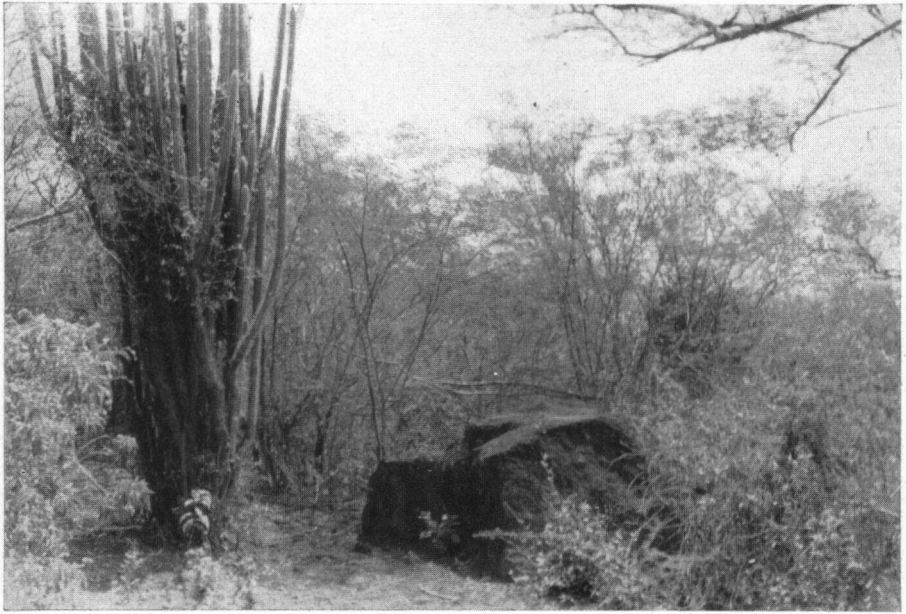


XXVa. Tree-fern brake, consisting of *Cyathea arborea* and *C. antillana*, on the slope of The Mountain at the Rendez Vous side, S a b a, approximately 680 m high. (p. 102, 122)

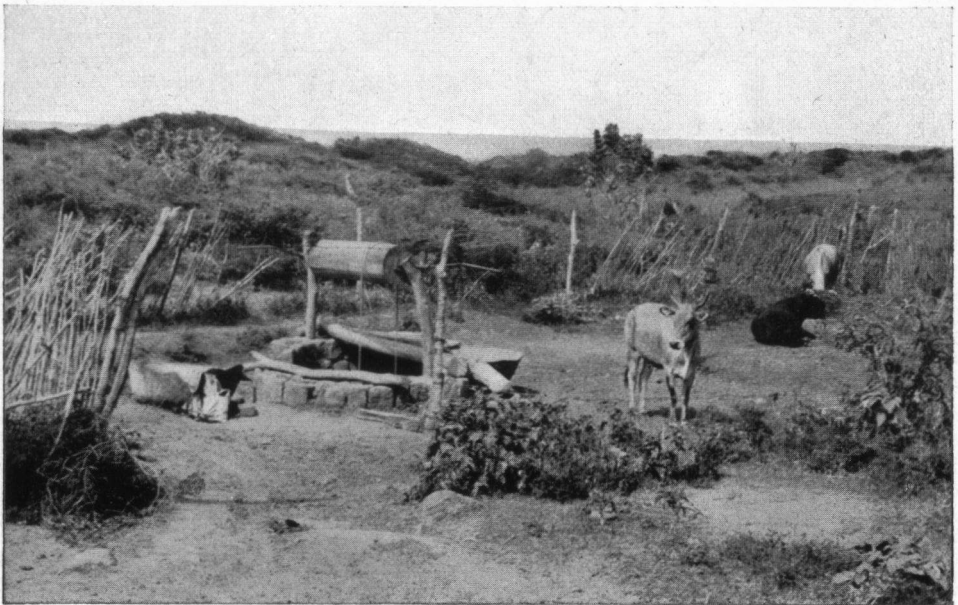


XXVb. Mixed type of secondary vegetation with *Euterpe*, *Cyathea*, and Araceae, on the northern mountain slope near Santa Cruz, S a b a. (p. 103, 121, 122)

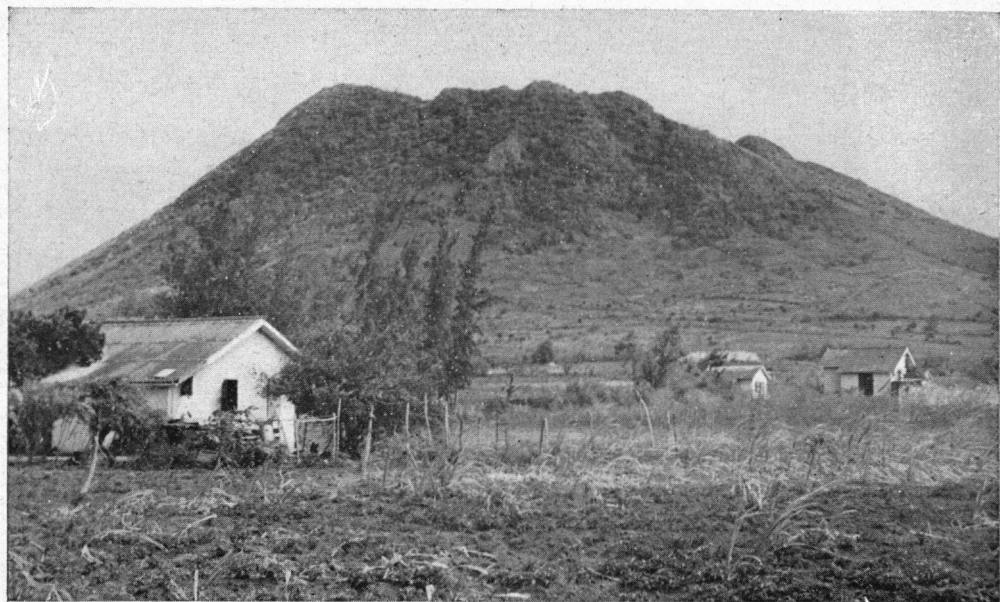
PLATE XXVI



XXVIa. Thorny woodland north of Schotsenhoek, St. E u s t a t i u s, mainly consisting of thorny Mimosaceae and *Cephalocereus*. *Croton* is abundant in the lower shrub layer. (p. 132)



XXVIb. Degraded dry vegetation near Zeelandia Estate, St. E u s t a t i u s. (p. 110)



XXVIIa. The extinct volcano of The Quill (600 m), St. Eustatius, looking towards the east, with a part of the settlement of Concordia in the foreground. (p. 112)



XXVIIb. Evergreen seasonal forest on the inner walls of the crater of The Quill, St. Eustatius. (p. 114, 128)

PLATE XXVIII

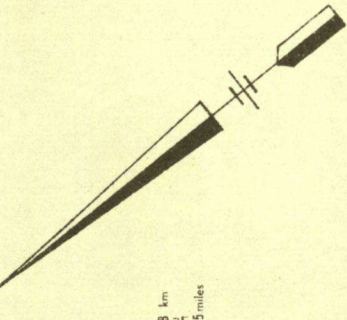
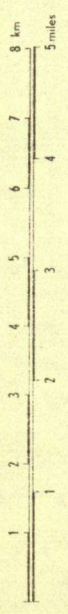












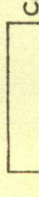
XXVIIIb. Evergreen seasonal forest in the north-eastern part of the crater of The Quill, S t. E u s t a t i u s, with the constrictor *Ficus urbaniana* at the right. (p. 114, 128)

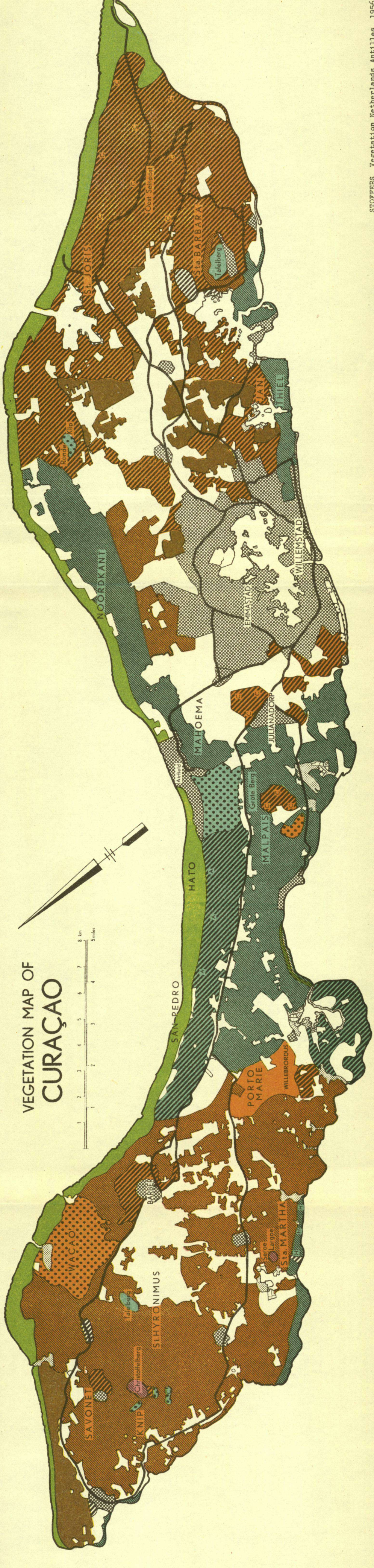


XXVIIIa. *Heliconia bihai*, a pioneer species of forest gaps in the crater of The Quill, S t. E u s t a t i u s. (p. 115, 123)

VEGETATION MAP OF CURAÇAO



- LEGEND**
-  Deciduous seasonal forest
 -  Vegetation derived from seasonal formations
 -  Vegetation derived from dry evergreen formations
 -  Littoral woodland
 -  Vegetation of the rock pavement
 -  Mangrove woodland
 -  Strand vegetation
 -  Vegetation of salt flats and salinas
 -  Hippomane woodland
 -  Settlements and urban areas
 -  Cultivated and semi-cultivated areas



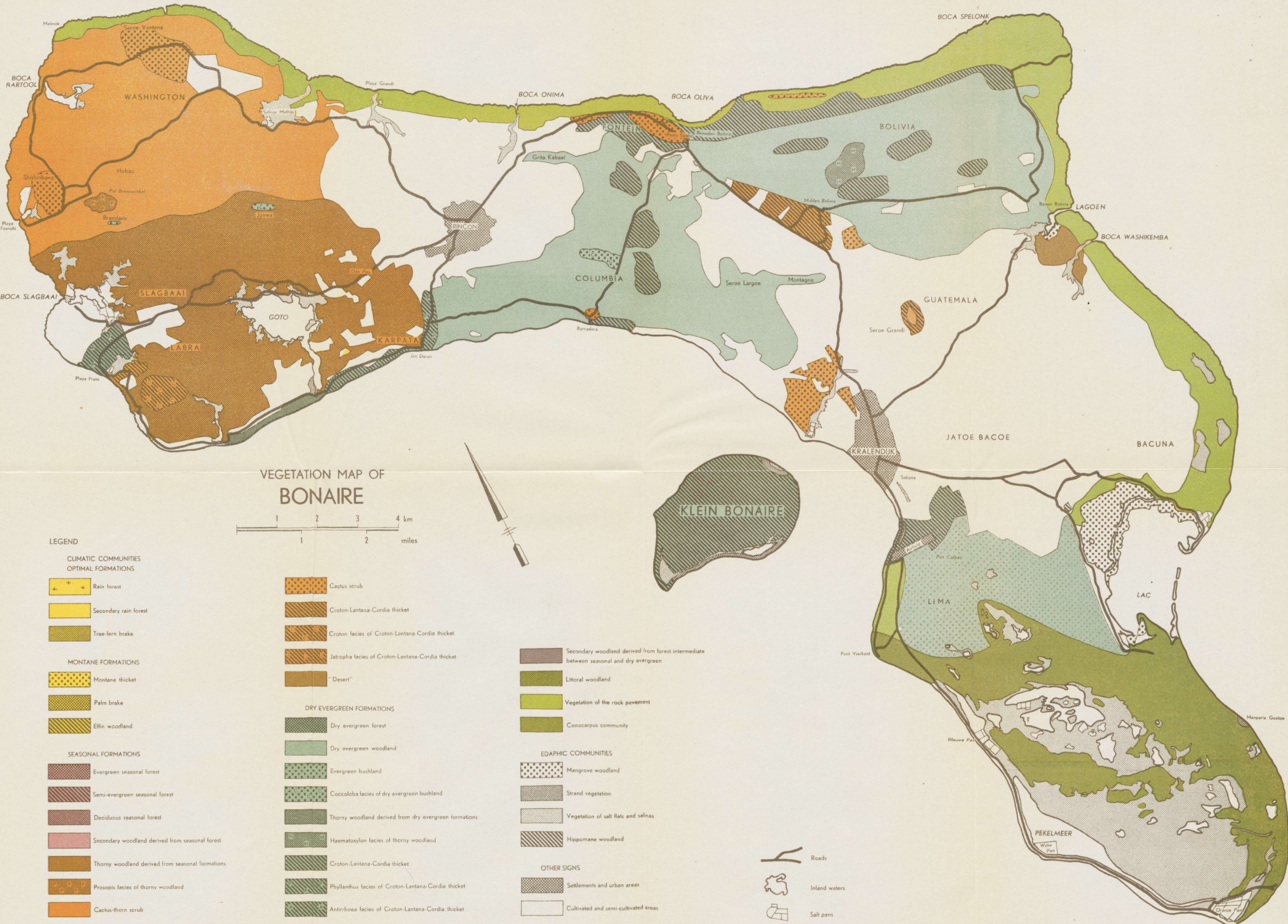
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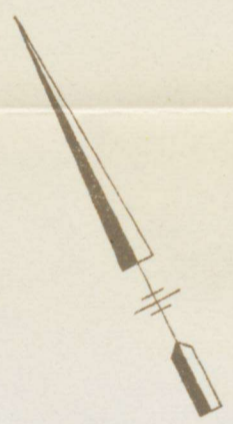
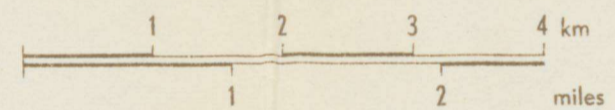
VEGETATION MAP OF
SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS AND ST. MAARTEN

- LEGEND**
- Rain forest and Montane formations
 - Seasonal formations
 - Vegetation derived from seasonal formations
 - Evergreen formations
 - Secondary woodland derived from forest intermediate between seasonal and dry evergreen
 - Littoral woodland
 - Vegetation of the rock pavement
 - Mangrove woodland
 - Strand vegetation
 - Vegetation of salt flats and salinas
 - Hippomane woodland
 - Settlements and urban areas
 - Cultivated and semi-cultivated areas

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VEGETATION MAP OF
BONAIRE



LEGEND

CLIMATIC COMMUNITIES
OPTIMAL FORMATIONS

- Rain forest
- Secondary rain forest
- Tree-fern brake

MONTANE FORMATIONS

- Montane thicket
- Palm brake
- Elfin woodland

SEASONAL FORMATIONS

- Evergreen seasonal forest
- Semi-evergreen seasonal forest
- Deciduous seasonal forest
- Secondary woodland derived from seasonal forest
- Thorny woodland derived from seasonal formations
- Prosopis facies of thorny woodland
- Cactus-thorn scrub

- Cactus scrub
- Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
- Croton facies of Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
- Jatropha facies of Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
- "Desert"

DRY EVERGREEN FORMATIONS

- Dry evergreen forest
- Dry evergreen woodland
- Evergreen bushland
- Coccoloba facies of dry evergreen bushland
- Thorny woodland derived from dry evergreen formations
- Haematoxylon facies of thorny woodland
- Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
- Phyllanthus facies of Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
- Antirrhoea facies of Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket

- Secondary woodland derived from forest intermediate between seasonal and dry evergreen
- Littoral woodland
- Vegetation of the rock pavement
- Conocarpus community

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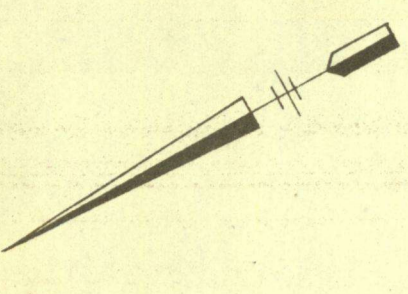
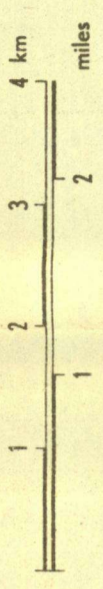
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- Strand vegetation
- Vegetation of salt flats and salinas
- Hippomane woodland

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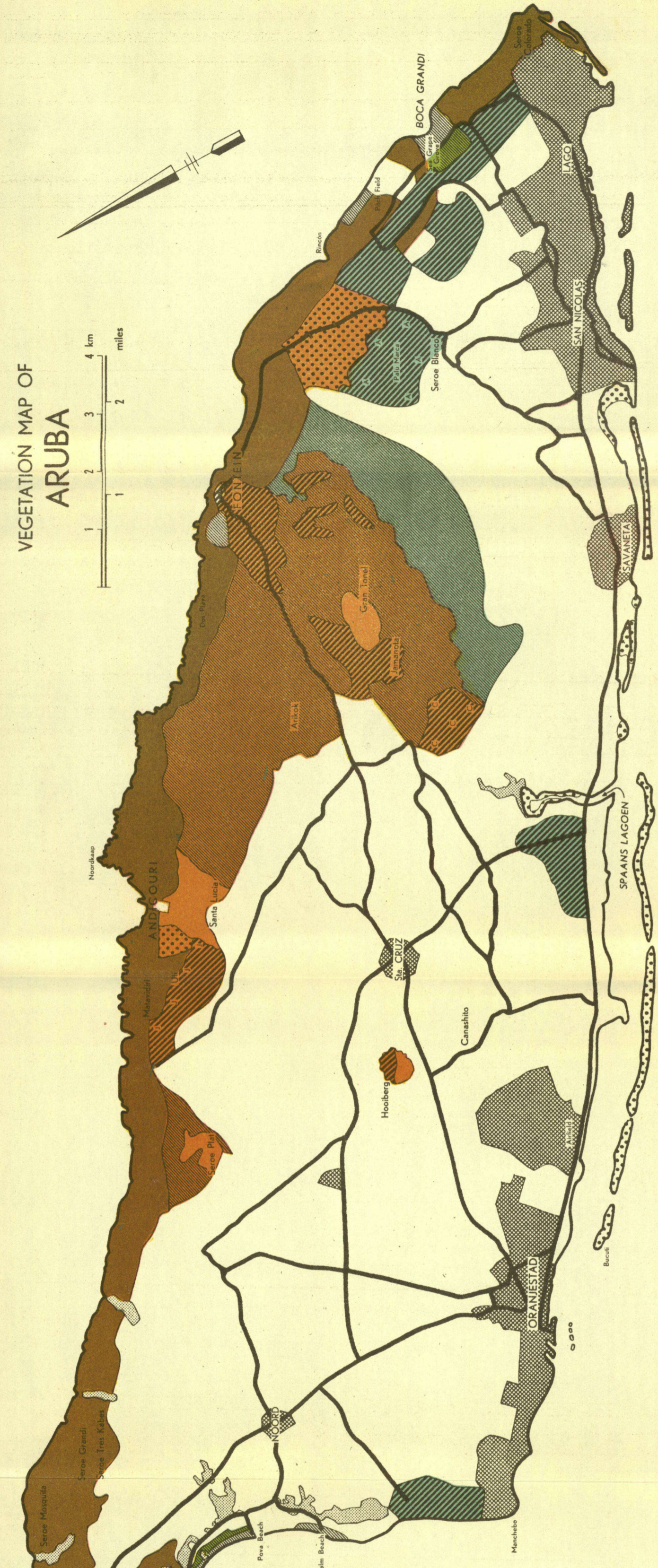
- Settlements and urban areas
- Cultivated and semi-cultivated areas

- Roads
- Inland waters
- Salt pans

VEGETATION MAP OF ARUBA



- LEGEND**
- Thorny woodland derived from seasonal formations
 - Cactus-thorn scrub
 - Cactus scrub
 - Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
 - "Desert"
 - Thorny woodland derived from dry evergreen formations
 - Croton-Lantana-Cordia thicket
 - Littoral woodland
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