FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SECOND SESSION

1962 - 1963

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 9th Sitting of the Legislative Assembly of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution) Order in Council, 1961, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

MONDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 1963.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. R.B. Gajraj.

(a) Members of the Government

People's Progressive Party

(i) Ministers

Dr. the Honourable C.B. Jagan, Premier and Minister of Development and Planning.

The Honourable B.H. Benn, Minister of Agriculture, Forests and Lands.

The Honourable Ram Karran,
Minister of Works and Hydraulics.

Dr. the Honourable Charles Jacob, Jr., Minister of Finance.

Dr. the Honourable F.H.W. Ramsahoye, Attorney-General.

The Honourable E.M.G. Wilson, Minister of Communications.

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

Mr. G. Bowman, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forests and Lands.

Mr. L.E.M.Mann, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. S.M. Saffee, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works and Hydraulics.

(iii) Other Members

Mr. G.L. Robertson

Mr. M. Bhagwan Mr. V. Downer Mr. M. Hamid

Mr. D.C. Jagan

Mr.H. Iall

Mr. M. Shakoor

(b) Members Constituting the Minority

(i) People's National Congress

Mr. L.F.S. Burnham, Q.C. Mr. W.O.R. Kendall, Deputy Speaker.

Mr. J. Carter, Q.C.

Mr. E.F. Correia

Mr. N.J. Bissember

Mr. W.A. Blair

Mr. R.S.S. Hugh

Mr. J.G. Joaquin

Mr. R.J. Jordan Mr. C.A. Merriman

Mr. H.M.S. Wharton

(ii) United Force

Mr. P.S. d'Aguiar Mr. S. Campbell Mr. R.E. Cheeks

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. I. Crum Ewing. Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. F.A. Narain (Ag.)

Absent:

The Honourable R. Chandisingh,

Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - on leave.

Mr. J.B. Caldeira.

Mr. E.E. Melville - on leave.

Mr. B.S. Rai.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read prayers.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILL - Second Reading.

Item 1 - APPROPRIATION BILL, 1962 - Bill No. 30/1962 (L.A.)

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the second reading of the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUPPLIES GRANTED IN THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Merriman was speaking to the motion when the tea interval was reached.

Suspension of Sitting

At 4.00 p.m. the sitting was suspended for tea.

Resumption of Sitting

At 4.35 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Mr. Merriman concluded his speech.

Mr. D. Jagan spoke to the motion.

Mr. Hugh was speaking when the hour agreed for the adjournment was reached.

HOURS OF SITTINGS

Before the adjournment His Honour the Speaker announced that it was agreed that from the following day, and during the debate on the second reading of the Appropriation Bill, 1962, the hours of the sittings ould be as follows:

1.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. 4.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.32 p.m. the Assembly was adjourned to 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 8th of January, 1963.

Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, Georgetown. 8th January, 1963.