

BRITISH GUIANA

SECOND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THIRD SESSION

1959 - 1960

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions) Orders in Council, 1953 and 1956, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

on

FRIDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1960.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Sir Donald Jackson.

Ex-Officio Members

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Major I.O. Smith, O.B.E.(Ag.)
The Honourable the Attorney-General, Mr. A.M.I. Austin, Q.C.
The Honourable the Financial Secretary, Mr. W.P. D'Andrade.

Ministers

The Honourable Dr. C.B. Jagan,
Minister of Trade and Industry.
The Honourable B.H. Benn,
Minister of Natural Resources.
The Honourable Janet Jagan,
Minister of Labour, Health and Housing.
The Honourable Ram Karran,
Minister of Communications and Works.
The Honourable B.S. Rai,
Minister of Community Development and Education.

Other Elected Members

Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
Mr. S. Campbell
Mr. Jai Narine Singh
Mr. F. Bowman

Nominated Members

Mr. R.B. Gajraj
Mr. R.C. Tello
Mr. R.E. Davis
Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. I. Crum Ewing.
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. E.V. Viapree.

Absent:

Mr. S.M. Saffee.
Mr. Ajodha Singh.
Mr. W.O.R. Kendall - on leave.
Mr. A.L. Jackson - on leave.
Mr. E.B. Beharry.
Mr. A.M. Fredericks.
Mr. A.G. Tasker, O.B.E. - on leave.

The Clerk read prayers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday, the 28th of October, 1960, as printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

ANNOUNCEMENTSLeave

The Speaker announced that Mr. A.L. Jackson was indisposed and was therefore unable to attend that sitting.

ORAL ASKING AND ANSWERING OF QUESTIONSQuestion No. 30

Mr. Tello asked the Minister of Labour, Health and Housing the following question:

QUESTION: When will the recommendations contained in the Watchmen's Ad Hoc Advisory Committee's Report, which was tabled in the Legislative Council since March, 1959, be implemented?

The Minister of Labour, Health and Housing gave the following reply:

ANSWER: The full and immediate implementation of the recommendations of the Watchmen's Ad Hoc Advisory Committee presented such practical difficulties that the Government had to re-examine the matter. That re-examination is nearly completed.

Supplementary Questions were asked by Mr. Tello.

PUBLIC BUSINESSORDER OF THE DAY

BILL - Second and Third Readings.

Item 1 - PHARMACY AND POISONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1960 -
Bill No. 16/1960.

On a motion by the Minister of Labour, Health and Housing seconded by the Minister of Communications and Works the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PHARMACY AND POISONS ORDINANCE, 1956, was read the second time.

Council then resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

In Committee

Clause 1 - Short Title - was passed as printed.

Clause 2 - Mr. Burnham moved that Council do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The question was put and negatived.

Thereafter, Clause 2 was passed as printed.

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Clauses 3 to 16 - were passed as printed.

SCHEDULE - was passed as printed.

Council resumed.

Thereafter, on a motion by the Minister of Labour, Health and Housing the Bill was read the third time and passed as printed.

BILL - Second Reading.

Item 2 LOCAL AUTHORITIES (CONSTITUTION, ELECTION PROCEDURE AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) BILL, 1960 - Bill No. 17/1960.

The Minister of Community Development and Education moved and the Minister of Communications and Works seconded that the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTITUTION, ELECTION PROCEDURE AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND FOR PURPOSES CONNECTED THEREWITH be read a second time.

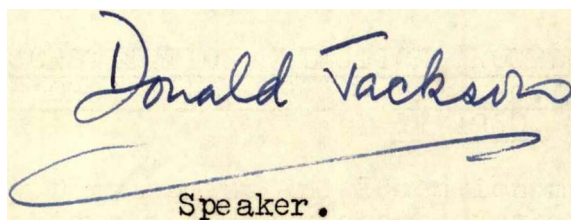
Mr. Burnham spoke to the motion.

Mr. Gajraj was speaking to the motion when the hour of adjournment was reached.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.00 p.m. the Speaker adjourned the Council to 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 2nd of November, 1960.

Confirmed,



Donald Jackson
Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
Georgetown.

2nd November, 1960.