

ANNUAL REPORT GUYANA PRISON SERVICE

1978

GUYANA PRISON SERVICE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1978 GENERAL REVIEW

Despite the many adverse conditions under which the Guyana Prison Service operated during 1978, it was nevertheless able to function in keeping with National policies and objectives, in the process, strengthening its programmes for the equiping of prison officers with the correct skills and attitudes, and for the promotion of the philosophy of self reliance within the Service.

The sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) was provided for Capital Expenditure towards the improvement, efficiency and effective performance of the Service. This amount compared favourably with the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00) which was provided in 1977.

The sum allocated was spent on:-

- (a) the purchase of a Power Chain Saw to enable selfsufficiency of the service in fuel supply;
- (b) the purchase of a Portable Water Pump to service the various farms;
- (c) the construction of eight (8) large sluice boxes at the Lusignan farm to improve the drainage/irrigation facilities:
- (d) the purchase of two (2) Mitsubishi Canter Trucks for general transportation;
- (e) the rehabilitation of the engine for the Launch which was used for transportation between the Mazaruni Prison Compound and Bartica, and
- (f) the construction of the new (prisoners) reception office at the New Amsterdam Prison.

STAFF TRA INING:

Training, educating and motivating workers continued to hold high priority

in the programme of the Service.

During the year, officers of both junior and senior rank received training locally and overseas as follows:

OVERSUAS TRAINING:

(a) Comrade Joseph Quamina, Prison Farm Supervisor continued his four (4) year Degree Course in Poultry and Animal Science at the Tuskegee Institute, United States of America.

- (b) Comrade Philip Alexander, Prison Officer continued studies in the field of Fish Plant Operation in Cube.
- (c) Comrade Edwin Pratt, Chief Prison Officer continued his Lew Studies at the University of The West Indies (Cave Hill).
- (d) Comrade Morris Layne, Prison Officer, commenced a one (1) year course leading to the Bachelor of Science Degree (Social Work) at the University of the West Indies (Mona).
- (e) Comrade Durga Singh, Farm Supervisor, completed a three (3) month course of training in Veterinary Medicine and Animal Breeding in the German Democratic Republic.

LO CAL TRAINING:

- (a) Cde. Sydney Walcott, Chief Prison Officer, attended the third Junior Officers Course at the Police Training School, Eve Leary.
- (b) Cde. Ulric Williams completed his training in Nursing at the Public Hospital, Georgetown.
- Cdes, Gourrick Kistoo end Nandram Seepaul, Principal
 Officers/ completed the Certificate Course in /successfully
 Agriculture at the Guyana School of Agriculture.
- Successfully/(d) Cde. Philip Alexander, Storekeeper/ completed the Diploma
 Course in Industrial Relations and Social Studies at the
 Critchlow Labour College.
 - (e) Cdes. Daniel Griffith end Elston Lewis, Principal
 Officers, and Prison Officers Satinand Rambarran and
 Morris Layne/completed the two (2) year Diploma Course
 in Social Work at the University of Guyana.
 - (f) Cde. Nabbi Bacchus continued studies for the Diploma in Social Work at the University of Guyana.
 - (g) Cde. Stanley Cooke Tutor Organiser (ag.) completed the seven (7) month course in the Basic Principles of Marxism at the Cuffy Ideological Institute.
 - (h) Cde. Kantashwar Dahari, Clerk III, continued studies for the Degree in Management at the University of Guyana.
 - (i) Cde. Jennifer Sealey Clerk II, continued studies for the Degree in Economics at the University of Guyana.
- a one (1) year course in Industrial Relations and Social
 Studies at the Critchlow Labour College.

- (k) Cdc. Livingstone Paul Principal Officer, completed a seven (7) month course for supervising teachers at the Cuffy Ideological Institute.
- Cdes. Wilfred Trotman Principal Officer and Jeffrey Wills - Trade Instructor attended the Guyana Developers! Course.
- (m) Cde. Stanley Cooko Tutor Organiser (ag.) and Cde. Sydney Walcott Assistant Superintendent of Prisons (ag.) commenced the 1 two (2) year Diploma Course in Social Work at the University of Guyana. Also three (3) Basic Training Courses for Recruits were mounted during the year.

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CD~OPERATIVES:

A majority of the staff of the Service were involved in the various Co-operative Organisations i.e. the Credit Union, Consumer Co-operatives, Scholarship Fund and Sports and Games Fund.

CREDIT UNION:

The Credit Union continued to progress and to facilitate its members by way of increased loans. During the year, four hundred and six (406) loans totalling One Hundred and Sixty-three Thousand, One Hundred and Twenty-nine Dollars and Nine Cents (\$163,129.09\$) were granted to members.

Also Share Capital of Thirty-one Thousand, Nine Hundred and Forty-Nine Dollars and Forty Cents (\$31,949.40g) was subscribed by two hundred and Fifty-Eight (258) members.

Additional investments stood at fifteen thousand, seven hundred and seventy-four dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$15,774.58£) at the end of the year.

Each member's share and loan were covered by insurance in the sum of Four and Ten Thousand Dollars, respectively.

The Credit Union continued to gear itself to cope with the varying demands of its members and as such training in this field was emphasised.

CONSUMERS CO-OPERATIVES:

Puring the year the Mazaruni Branch of the Consumers Co-operative improved its swice and the management earned much praise from the patrons for its performance.

Regrettably the service provided at the Georgetown branch deteriorated to the extent that the grocery section was closed on the advice of the Co-operative Department.

The Snackette however continued to be in operation and offered satisfactory service. At year end, efforts were continuing to have the Georgetown branch fully operative again.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

During the year bursaries totalling five thousand, two hundred and sixty-five dollars (\$5,265.00) were awarded to members' children.

SPORTS AND GAMES FUND:

This Fund continued to provide for the needs of officers in terms of sports and games. It financed sporting activities which involved officers of all ranks at the various prisons.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:

During 1978 no significant changes were made to the physical facilities for recreational purposes at any of the prisons, nevertheless recreational activities by officers and inmates continued with great enthusiasm.

Officers and inmates took part both jointly and severally in competitions at the Inter-Prison, Inter-Service and National levels. Many of the events were entertaining and educative. Inter Club competitions were also played. Sports and Games activities included Cricket, Football, Athletics, Boxing, Table Tennis, Bominoes, Art and Culture.

CRICKET =

Great interest was shown in the development of cricket within the Gervice during the year. Substantial sums of money were expended on the provision of gears and other requirements necessary to the game's development.

Officers were also granted time off whenever possible for practice sessions. These facilities resulted in many outstanding individual and Team performances in the Inter-Club, Inter-Prison, and Inter-Service matches that were played.

The Inter-Prison Tournament for the Director's Trophy was won by the Mazaruni Prison.

FOOTBALL:

Football was played at all the prisons with both officers and inmates playing together as a Team sometimes, and at other times competing against each other. This involvement was helpful to the Prisons Rehabilitation from the prisons as it promoted an easier relationship between officers and their charges.

ATHLETICS:

Great effort and finance were expended in the promotion of athletic sports. The year saw the emergence of Prison Officer Rudolph Callender as a promising National athlete.

The Inter—Prison Athletic Sports meeting was won by the Mazaruni Prison.

BOXING:

Boxing continued to be the most popular sport in the prisons. The Republican Gym under the guidance of Winston Roberts - Prison Officer - recorded significant victories in National competitions during the year. Prison Officer Michael Reid maintained his unbeaten professional record during the year.

ARIS AND CULTURE:

The administration of the Guyana Prison Service continued to attach great importance to the total development of its charges, and as such programmes were initiated to expose each inmate to learning experience with a view to bringing about such development. In this regard, Arts and Culture served a wonderful purpose. It allowed for participants to develop an appreciation for the finer qualities of human relationship.

During the year, cultural workshops continued at the various prisons and many entertaining cultural presentations were staged. Also the Prison Officers' Drema Group, under the leadership of Principal Officer W.H. Trotman, gave a variety of cultural presentations during the year.

POTITICAL EDUCATION:

Political or National Policy Education was part of the curriculum of the Service's formal education programme. This aspect of the programme was significant to the entire process of rehabilitation and it was on-going at all the prisons throughout the year.

ENMATES EDUCATIONAL CLASSES:

Literacy and vocational classes continued at each prison during the year. Prison School Teachers conducted the literacy classes while Vocational Training was supervised by Prison Trade Instructors and Farm Supervisors. These programmes enabled both illiterate and semi-illiterate inmates to pursue training in basic Reading, Writing and Arithmetic.

PRISONERS! YELFARE:

Prisoners' Wolfare continued to be taken care of during the year. However, the after-care of discharged prisoners remained a problem and a well designed and effective after-care and parole system is considered most desirable.

SPIRITUAL CARE:

Various denominations continued to conduct religious services regularly, Chaplains also continued to have interviews with inmates on various religious matters.

LIBRARIES

Full use was made of the Libraries. During the year reputable magazines and news—lotters were obtained and distributed among many inmates.

EARNING AND INCENTIVE SCHEME:

The Earning and Incentive Scheme was continued with the objective of aiding in the promotion of industry, desirable conduct and proper work habits among inmates. It served also to help those persons on the Scheme to develop the spirit of thrift. During the year, six hundred and ninety-four (694) inmates were on the Scheme and they saved a total of One Thousand, Three Hundred and forty-rine Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$1,349.75£).

BUILDINGS:

The condition of the Prison building was generally poor. Repeated requests were made of the Ministry of Works and Communication during the year for repairs to be effected. These requests were not successful, however.

GEORGETOWN PRISON:

The Georgetown Prison Buildings were in urgent need of repairs; especially the main cellular blocks, that is, the Wood and Brick Prisons. The age of these buildings is over one hundred years. The roofs were leaking badly; also the beams, uprights, doors, floor boards and external walls, especially of the Wood Block were in need of urgent attention.

In addition, the North Dormitory and the Remands II Division were in need of urgent repairs. The external walls, floor boards and beams of these buildings had become rotten and needed replacing. The state of these buildings had become rotten and needed replacing. The state of these buildings had a matter of great concern. The administrative building also was in need of urgent rehabilitation.

NEW AMSTERDAM PRISON:

The buildings at this prison were in a fair condition for the male cellular block where urgent rehabilitation was necessary.

MAZARUNI PRISON:

The general condition of the Prison buildings at this prison was fair, except for the wooden cellular block, part of which had to be withdrawn from use pending necessary repairs.

Officers' quarters were also badly in necd of repairs and painting.

TIMEHRI PRISON:

The state of the buildings of this prison, as a minimum security prison, was fair.

AGRICULTURE:

Agriculture production remained the main economic activity of the department and as a relevant and valuable means of training for both staff and inmates. Its importance could not be over emphasised.

Liring the year, the department continued its effort towards self-sufficiency in milk, pork and agricultural products generally.

LAND AND WATER TRANSPORT:

Land and Water Transport remained at a fair level during the year. Land transport was improved with the acquisition of two (three ton) Canter Trucks.

The Personnel of the Department on December 31, 1978 were as follows:-

RANK	ESTADLISHMENT	STRENGTH	VACANCIES
Dicactor of Prisons	1	1	ı
Deputy Director of Prisons	1	1	
Sammer Superintendent of Prisons	4	4	
Sworintendent of Prisons	4	4	
Assistant Superintendent of Prisons	4	4	
Steward	1	1	
Chief Prison Officer	13	13	
Principal Officer	28	27	1
Prison Tutor Organiser	1		1
Prison School Teacher	4		4
Prison Farm Supervisor	3	3	
Master Paker	1	1	
haunch Coxswain	1	1	
Driver Mechanic	1	1	I
Store-Keeper	3	2	1
Mygon Trade Instructor	26	26	
Prison Officer	236	228	8
Clerk Ill General	1	2	
Clerk II General	1	3	
Stemographer	1		1
Typist/Clark	1	2	
Stores Assistant	1		1
OfficeAssistant	2	2	
Meas Cook	1	ı	
War dress	1	1	
Assistant Prison Officer	78	70	8
TOTAL	419		25

- *1 Clerk III on Study Leave
- 1 Clerk III on Sick Leave
- 1 Clerk II on Study Leave

RECRUITMENT:

Every effort was made by the administration to recruit personnel into the Service with the correct type of educational background and aptitude to become proficient prison officers.

APPOINTMENIS:

The following recruitment was made during the year:

- (a) Forty-two Assistant Prison Officers
- (b) One Mardress
- (c) One Driver/Mechanic
- (d) One Mess-Cook

PROMOTIONS:

(1) To Steward

Cde. Charles Sam - Storekeeper III

(2) To Chief Prison Officer:

Principal Officers:- Victor Hecker, Vernon Johnson, Edgar Stephenson, and Mulford Charles.

(3) To Storekeeper:

Principal Officer Philip Alexander

(4) To Principal Officer

Prison Officers Noel Jones, Lloyd James, Henry Greene, Nandram Seepaul, Livingstone Paul, Colin Hinckson, Ivan Williams, Joseph Rampersaud and Clifton James.

(5) To Prison Officer

Asst. Prison Officers Arnim Alexander, Romnel Basdeo and David Payne.

(f) To Asst. Prison Officer

Wardress Daphne Phillips

RETIREMENTS:

- (a) Cde. Roy Carmichael, Chief Prison Officer
- (b) Cde. Prince Michael, Principal Officer
- (c) Cde. Sanichar, Prison Officer, Retired Medically Unfit.
- (d) Cde. Evelyn Bovell, Prison Officer, Retired Medically Unfit.

RESIGNATIONS:

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(1)		Balgobin		do	,61	
(2)		Ivan Williams			Д53 8	
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		David Parker		do	#634	
(5)	Cde.	Gordon Morrison-		do	#643	
(6)	Cde.	Edward McCollin-		do	#650	
(7)	Cde.	Kenneth James		do	#658	
(8)	Cde.	Kenneth Alexander		do	#6 7 9	
(9)	Cde.	James Hunte		do	#683	
(10)	Cde.	^I ngrid Garnett Wom	an Priso	o Offic	er # 13	
(11)	Cde.	Tessa Edwards		do	# 14	
(12)	Cde.	Simon Lewis As	st. Pris	on Offi	cer #409	
(13)	Cde.	Lennox Fanfeir		do	#489	
(14)	Cde.	Charrandeo Rambarr	an:	do	#492	
(15)	Cde.	Terrence Gardiner		do	#498	
(16)	Cde.	Gordon Garnett		do	#507	
(17)	Cde.	Vernon Inniss		do	#513	
(18)	Cde	Robert Pearce		do	#522	
(19)	Cde	Herbert Caesar		do	#523	
(20)	Cde	, Lloyd Ramnauth		do	#527	
(21)	Cde	. Chalton Sampson		do	#52 8	
SERVICES	TERM	INATED:				
(a)	Cde	. Kenneth Sewnarine	Pris	on Off	icer; #403	
(ь)	Cde	. Compten Junor		do	#55 8	
(c)	Cde	. Rudolph Phillips		dо	#6 92	
(a)	Cde	. Wennard Crandon	Ass	t. Pris	on Officer	#344
(e)	Cde	. Harte Darry		do		# 425
(f)	€de	. Leroy Griffith		do		# 448
(g)	Cde	. Kenneth ^M cKenzie		do		#462
(h)	Cde	. Charles Campbell		do		#471
(i)	Cde	. Gopaul Boodram		do		#487
(j)	Cde	. Sydney Vigilance		do		#488
(k)	Cde	. Ashton ^A lleyne		do		#498
(1)	Cde	. Winston February		do		# 504

TRANSFER:

(1) Cde. Don Talbot, Prison Officer was transferred to the Guyana Agricultural Development Bank.

SECONDMENT:

Cde. Colin $^{\rm H}$ inckson, Principal Officer, was seconded to the Ministry of Home Affairs as a Stock Verifer.

HONDURS AND AWARDS:

Cde. Edwin France, Director of Prisons was awarded the D.S.M. II for outstanding and dedicated service.

OBITUARY:

Cde. Colin Jones, A.F.O. #496

DISCIPLINE:

A Comparative Analysis of Offences committed for the past five (5) years.

OFFENCES COMMITTED BY OFFICERS	1974	1975 1	1976	1977	Ţ ₁₉₇₈
Absent from duty Insubordination	144	115 :	182	504 03	273
Late for Duty	83	93	63	100	50
Neglect of Duty	6	7 ;		6	6
Prejudicial Conduct	27	18	16	29	27
Asleep on Duty	18	19	15	5	6
Wilful Damage to Property		- 1		-	
Loss by Neglect	01				
Abusive Language	01				
Use of Personal Violence & Abuse	,				
Dirty or Untidy Appearance					
Use of Undue Force					
Disobedience Of Orders	06	26	9	17	10
Breach of Rules & Orders	64	45	49	38	42
TOTAL	353	232	228	705	416

PENALTIES:

A comparative analysis of penalties for the past five years.

PENALTIES IMPOSED	1974	1975	1976	1977 '	1978	
Forfeiture of Pay	180	104	246 =	515	318	
Extra Duty	73	83	32 1	87	44	
g Severe Reprimand	27	20	28	30	8	
Case Dismissed	1	1 '	7	5	7	
Reprimand	56	28	15	59	11	
Value of Property Paid	1		- 1			
Warning	14	7	10	8	17	
Dismissal Recommended	1			- 1		
Extra Duty And Fined				1	11	
TOTAL	353	243	338	705	416	

INSPECTION AND VISITS:

Weekly visits and inspections of the Georgetown Prison, and monthly visits and inspections of the Mazaruni, New Amsterdam and Timehri Prisons were made by the Director or Deputy Director of Prisons.

Occasional Visits to these establishments were also made by the Steward.

The following is a list of official visitors to the Prisons during the year- GEORGEIDWN PRISONS:

ide. Vibert Mingo - Hon. Minister of Home Affairs.

fda. N.F. Skeete - Permanent Secretary, M.H.A.

WEW AMSTERDAM PRISON:

- (1) Ede. E. France, Director of Prisons
- (2) do A. Morrison, Deputy Director of Prisons
- (3) do N.F. Skeete, Permanent Secretary, M.H.A.
- (4) do E. Cumberbatch, Member of the Visiting Committee
- (5) do Nowden do
- (b) do Mohamed Haniff do
- (7) do Hilton Beharry do
- (%) ao M. Williams
- (4) do A. Knights: Personnel Guyana Fire Service
- (O) de Christie do Ministry of Works
- (11). do George do do
- (12) do Thornton do do
- (13) do M. Irvine Social Worker
- (14) do C. Hinckson Stock Verifier Ministry of Home Affairs.

MAZARUNI PRISON

(a)	Cde. E. France	Director of Prisons
(b)	Cde. K. Bancroft	Regional Minister Bartica/Potaro
(c)	Cde. I. Leal	Regional Development Officer.
(4)	Cde. E. Gravesande	Asst. Commissioner of Police
(e)	Cde. Stewart	Supt. of Works
(f)	Cde. N. Semple	President - Public Service Union
(g)	Cde. C. Mercurius	Permanent Secretary, Regional Ministry
(h)	Cde. C. Ramsaroop	Chairman - People's National Congress
(i)	Cde. S.P. Narine	Ministry of Works & Communication
(j)	Cde. W. Griffith	Manager, Transport & Harbours Department
(k)	Cde. V. Adams	Traffic Manager, Transport & Harbours Dept.
(1)	Cde. F. Dorway	General Manager, Upper Mazaruni Development Authority.
(m)	Cde. O. Clarke	Regional Minister, East Berbice
(n)	Cde. Stewart	Co-operative Officer
101	Cde. L. Paul	Second Lieutenant, Guyana Defence Force
		and a party of Guyana Defence Force Soldiers.

- (p) Eighty (80) National Service Cadets and Teachers.
- (q) Twenty-five (25) Scouts and thirty (30) Teachers from the Cyril Potter College of Education.

TIMEHRI PRICONS

(1) Cde. E. France

Director of Prisons

(2) Cde. N.F. Skeete

Permanent Secretary, Min. of Home Affairs

Cde. A.H. Morrison

Deputy Director of Prisons

(4) Cde. C. Padmore

Deputy Director of Prisons (ag.)

Steward

CLASSIFICATION OF PRISONERS:-

- (1) UNCONVICTED PRISONERS:
- (6) Persons sent to Prison to await deportation or extradition
- (b) Persons sent to Prison Remanded to Await Trial and Appellants.
- (CONVICTED PRISONERS:
 - (a) YOUNG OFFENDERS: Prisoners under 18 years of age
 - (b) STARS:— Adults who have not yet been previously imprisoned or convicted and whose record or character the officer-in-charge considers not likely to have an unfavourable influence on others, or adult prisoners who have previously been convicted but//hom the officer-in-charge is satisfied, (aving regard to the nature of the previous offences, the length of time served and the prisoners' general conduct, that they) are not likely to be a bad influence on others.

(c) ORDINARIES:- These are adults with a record of previous convictions. Those in classes (a) & (b) serving sentences of six (6) months or over are kept at Sibley Hall Prison; those in category (c) serving sentences of six (6) months and over are kept at Mazaruni Prison. Those in classes (a) & (b) serving less than six (6) months are kept at New Amsterdam Prison which also has a special section for female prisoners. Georgetown Prison houses all classes of male prisoners before they are transferred.

PRISON POPULATION AND STATISTICS

The population of the prisons at 31.12.78 was 1095.

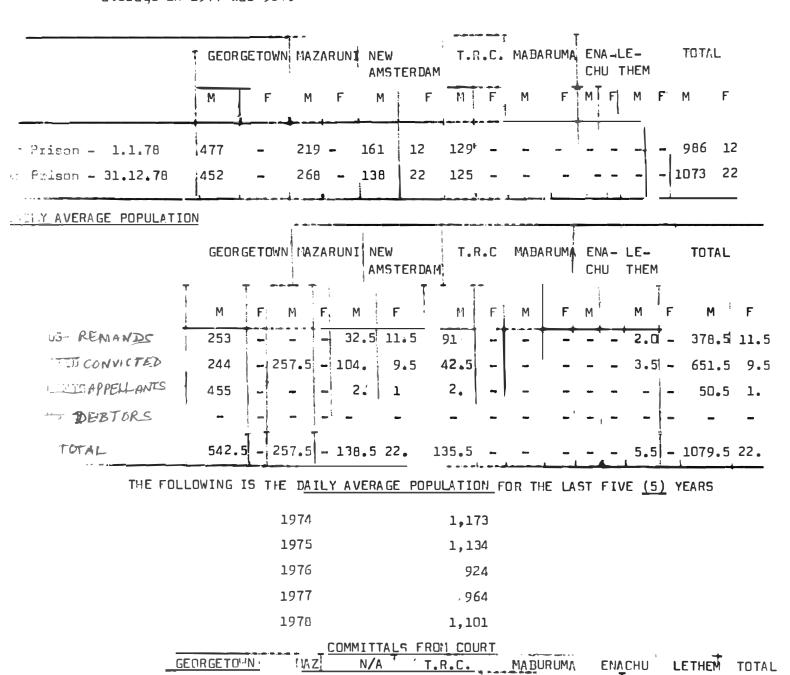
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APPELLANTS 1386

TOTALL

The daily average population was 1101.5 In comparison, the daily average in 1977 was 964.



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from Lethem to Georgetown Prison	1 1
From Georgetown to Timehri Prison	- 36 12 65
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ROM. CATHOLICS	130	_	_	-	24	3	41	_	- 1	-	-	-	9	-	204	3
MUSLIMS	139	-	_	_	62	-	14	-	-	-	-,,	_	-	-	215	-
HIMDUS	215	-	-	-	248	16	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	498	16
NON BELIEVERS	57	_	-	-	38	1	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	143	1
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UNDER (1) MTH.	16, -		9 - 5 -		- -	· } - }	- 30 -			
'11 MTH-(6) Mths	581 -		363 20 110, -			- 11	- 1065 20			
OMEH (6) Mths. 2 Yrs.	179 -	1-1-1	113 5 76 -		- -	- ! -	- 368 5			
OVER (2) Yrs.	50: -	1-1-	495 25 1 -		- -	- -	- 61 -			
TOTAL	826: -	1	495 25 192 -	1 1		11	- 1524 25			

RECIDIVISM:	GEOR	GETOWN	ı M	AZ	N/	/A	T.R	•C•	MAI	ARUMA	EN	ACHU	! LE	THEM	TOT	A L
	M	F	M	F			M.		М	F	M	F	M	F	М	F
FIRST OFFENDERS	363	-	-	_	173	19	139	-	-	-	i _	-	11	-	686	19
ONE PHEVIOUS	127	-	-	_	105	1	20	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	252	1
TWO PIEVIOUS	52		-	-	40	-	17	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	109	-
RECIDIVIST - DIST	284	-	-	-	177	5	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	477	5
TOTAL	826	-	1-	-	495	25	192	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	1524	25

		1974	1975	5	19	76	19	77	1978		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	1 %	No.	1 %	No.	%	
FIRST OFFENDERS	795	40.75	720	42.	701	43.55	670	43.6	705	46.	
ONE PREVIOUS CONVICTION	411	31.07	284	16.5	293	18.19	297	19.6	253	16.	
TWO PREVIOUS	151	7.74	1.12	6.5	146.	9.07	115	7.6	109	7.	
RECIDIVISTS	594.	30.44	602.	35.	470.	29.49	443.	29.2	482.	31.	
TOTAL	1951.	100.	1718	100.	1610	100.	1525	100.	1549	100.	

WOMAN PRISONERS:

Puring 1978, eighty-five (85) prisoners were admitted to custody. This was an increase of twelve (12) compared with 1977. Sixty (60) of these prisoners were sent to prison for safe keeping, while the remaining twenty-five (25) were convicted.

Of the convicted prisoners, twenty (20) received sentences in the category of six (6) menths to two (2) years. 76% of the convicted prisoners were first offenders, 4% had one (1) previous conviction and 20% were recidivists.

THE DAILY AVERAGE NUMBER OF WOMEN PRISONERS IN PRISON FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS WAS AS FOLLOWS:

1974	-	13
1975	kan da d	15
1976	-	16
1977	end-no.	14
1978	-	21

young OFFENDERS:

Of the total of 1,556 convicted prisoners admitted to Prison during the year, 50 or 3% were young offenders, i.e. less than 18 years of age. These young offenders were generally put to do Pig Farming, Animal Husbandry, general agriculture, tailoring and shoe-making. REMANDS

- OS AWAITING TRIAL AND APPELLANTS

	REMANDS AWAITING TRIAL AND APPELLANTS				
IN	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
CUSTOD BY UN 1.1.78	363	7	44	-	
DURING 1978	2297	60	43	1	
CASES TOTAL	2660	67	87	1	
DISPOSED OF DURING 1978	2240	55	39	_	
CUSTODY ON 31.12.78	420	12	48	1	
A AVERAGE IN CUSTODY	378.5	11.5	50.5	1.	

APPEALS WERE DISPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS:

UPHELD OR ACQUITTED	1,50	-	1	
DISMISSED		-	-	
WITHDRAWN		r Hone	2	
RETRIAL		-	- ·	
REFUSED		<u> </u>	-	
DUTSTANDING		-	56	
TOTAL	B. L. M. B.	on and the second second	59	***

ESCAPES :-

Twenty (20) prisoners escaped during the year and fourteen (14) were recaptured. Four (4) prisoners who had escaped during previous years were also recaptured during the year.

EXECUTIONS:

There were no executions during the year. Two (2) prisoners who were under sentence of death were freed after successful appeal to the Appeal Court. Also a retrial was ordered for a third prisoner under sentence of death.

REMISSION OF SENTENCE:

Every convicted prisoner serving a sentence of over one (1) month imprisonment was given one third of his sentence as remission for good conduct and industry provided that his sentence was not reduced to less than thirty-one (31) days after remission was deducted.

CODE	DILLET CHAPTAIN	
LUTPIRAL	PUNISHMENT:	

	AD	ULTS	YOUNG OF	ENDERS		
	CAT -O-NINE TAILS	TAMARIND SWITCH	CAT -O-NINE TAILS	TAMARIND SWITCH		
Against the Person with Violence	-	17	-	-		
Agginst the Person without Violen	ce -	1	-	_		
Against Property with Violence	-	-	-	-		
Against Property Without Violence		-	-	-		
OTHER OFFENCES	- 1000	-	-			
GRAND TOTAL	-	18	- 1.00	-		

COM PARATIVE FIGURE	S OF AWARDS FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.	
YEAR	SENTENCE AT COURT	PRISON OFFENCE
1974	32	1
1975	32	Howard and the
1976	31	
1977	16	The second of th
1978	18	

HEALTH AND DIET

The general health of inmates and sanitation of prisons were at a high standard throughout the year.

THE FOLLOWING FIGURES SHOW THE INCIDENCE OF ILLNESS ETC. AMONG PRISONERS:-

In hospital on January 1, 1978	5
In Prison Infirmaries on January 1, 1978	8
Total Number of Cases reporting ill	132,356
Admitted to Prison Infirmaries during 1978	582
Admitted to Public Hospital during 1978	66
Admitted to Bost Hospital during 1978	
Admitted to Montal Hospital during 1978	3
Daily Average in Hospitals during 1978	5
In Hospital on December 31, 1978	6
Total Number who roceived Dental treatment	684
Total Number who received treatment at Public Hospitals & Clinics.	1,807

MENTAL ILLNESS:

Deaths

During the year three (3) mentally ill prisoners were transferred to the Mental Hospital. The period spent in the Hospital counted towards their sentences.

DISCIPLINE:- COMPARATIVE TABLE OF PUNISHMENT FO	R OFFI	ENCES	A GA I	NST 1	DIS	CIPLI	NE F	OR TH	E P	RST FI	IVE YEArts
	T	974		1975		1	6	19			L9 B
NATURE OF PUNISHMENT		, E	M		F	M	F	M	F	М	F
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT	1	-									
P.D.I.	227	1	248		ı	199	2	217	3	227	3
P.D.II.	***				-	-	_	: ,	_	_	ę
P.D.I. & Loss of Remission	86		101		1	32	1	44	1	52	2
P.D.I. & II.	1				-	24	-	2	_	3	
Loss of Remission Only	526	8	430		ı	283	-	272	_	313	4
P.D.I. & II & Loss of Remission	1	<u> </u>	1			40	-	2	_		
Forfeiture of Privileges	, 2	٠ 🛥	9			3	-	1	-	•	i -
Non Association	5	;1	2		1	1	4	5	-		1
Case Dismissed	3	i-]	17			18	-	10	-	11	
₩arned	347	3	190	,	5	149	2	197	4	181	
€evere Reprimend	-	_	16		-	6	1	-	1		
Logs of Remission and Forfeiture of Privileges.	İ	i -	1	1	_ 1	1	1	1	_		
•		! .		1	*******						
<pre>P.D.I. & II. And Loss of Remission & Privileges.</pre>			_		-	*	-	-	-		
P.J.I. & Non Association	 -	:_	1	-	-		5 -	-	-	ı	2
P.D.I. & Forfeiture of Privileges.	-		4	-	-	5	-	5	-	7	
Reprimend	-		12		I i		-	-	-		
TOTAL	1202	13	1032	1	.0	761	11	756	9	7 95	11

APPENDIX "A"

GEORGETOWN PRISON 12 Camp Street, 9th January, 1980

The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health Brickdam, Georgetown.

Comrade,

I have the honour to submit the annual report on the Medical Services of the Georgetown Prison for the year ended 31st December, 1978.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{Dr}}_{\bullet}$$ L.H. Wharton performed the duties of Prison Surgeon throughout the year.

Dr. Long visited and did extractions when it was necessary. Dr. Goel (Eye Specialist) visited when it was necessary. Dispenser V. Ritchie (Senior Government Dispenser) attached to the Georgetown Priso s, worked throughout the year, and was at all times on twenty-four (24) hours duty call.

The Hospital Officers, three (3) in number, who usually assist the dispenser in administering treatment, have all performed their duties well. In addition to their duties, they at all times maintained discipline.

For the year 1978 no Psychiatrist visited the Georgetown Prison. However prisoners were referred to the Georgetown Hospital to Dr. Bose where they received the necessary treatment.

The General health of the prisoners were good. The majority of prisoners were treated for colds, coughs, influenza, and general pains. Other ailments treated were disorder of the elimentary tract, dhobie itch, degmatitis, ring worm, finger infection, back ache, Arthritis, Eye, Ear, Nose and throat disorders, Chronic Ulcers, minor injuries i.e. wounds, abrasions, burns sprains, etc. There was no out-break of any infection or epidemic.

PRISON INFIRMARY:

Remaining in the Infirmary on 31.12.78	5
Admitted to the ^I nfirmary during 1978	115
Discharged from the Infirmary during 1978	117
Remaining in the Infirmary on 1.1.77	3

The following cases were treated at the Georgetown Prison Dispensary during the year under review.

Acute Gastritis	117
Accidental Injury	212
Allergy	3
Abscess	91
Asthma	4
Common Cold	1529
Ch. Ulcers	14
Diabetes	11
Diarrhoea (Dysentery)	17
Epitit i ś	19
Fracture	6
Filariasis	5
Haemorrhoids	15
Jaundice	21
Hypertension	23
Influenza	74
Heurasis Psychiatric	82
Otrexua	64
Tonsilitis	72
Mental Observation	27
Rhaumatoid Arthritis	21
Measles	7
Chicken Pox	17
of sames transferred to Georgetoen Hospital	were

The number of cases transferred to Georgetoen Hospital were

Average number of prisoners tracted were

57

Average number of prisoners on sick parade daily

Number of out patients treated at Infirmary for emergency

371

Number of out patients treated during 1978

97,476

Prisoners referred to Georgetown Hospital for Specialist treatment and examination were as follows:-

SUCIAL DISEASE CLINIC:

(a) Acute Gonorrhoea	335
(b) Ulcer of the penis	152
(c) Wart	7
X_Ray Department	58
Dermatology	19
Orthopaedic	51
Medical Out Patients	49
Surgical Clinic	177
Psychiatric Clinic	61
Physiotherapy Department	43
Casualty Department	64
Central Medical Laboratory	152
E.N.T. Clinic	279
Dental Clinic	97
Polio Rehab	3
Eye Clinic	68

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT admitted as ordered by the court are as follows:

FLOGGING NIL WHIPPING 7

Number of prisoners requested extraction 481

Number of teeth extracted for 1978 384

Filling NIL

Repairs to Dentures

Upper Dentures

Lower Dentures

NIL

Partial Upper Dentures

NIL

Partial Lower Dentures

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SPECTACLES:

Number of prisone rs received spectacles

NIL

SANITATION:

The sanitary condition of the Buildings and compound etc was at all times satisfactory.

Cell and dormitories were thoroughly cleaned, cots and mattresses were treated at regular intervals with insecticides. Clothing and bedding were boiled and washed daily.

DIETARY:

The food served to inmates of the prison was at all times of a reasonable standard, well prepared and of sufficient quantity. There were no complaints from inmates about insufficient quantity or improperly cooked food. Fresh fruits, greens and vegetables were served to inmates whenever available in sufficient quantity.

Prescriptions dispensed to Officers and their families were - 1,562

To Officers 1872

To Officers' Families 426

I have the honour to be Cde,

Yours Co-operatively,

Sgd. L.H. Wharton
PRISON SURGEON

G.c. Chief Med. Offr. Min. of Health Govt. Pharmacist Dir. of Prisons 5.5.P. G/town Prison Dr. L.H. Wharton

APPENDIX "B" "WAR ON WASTE"

New Amsterdam Prison, Penitentiary Walk, Berbice.

23rd January, 1979

ANNUAL MEDICAL REPORT - FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1978:-

1. Medical examinations by the Medical Officer.
All prisomers were examined by the Resident Dispenser and by the Medical
Officer on admission, on transfer and on discharge.

2.	(a)	Treatment in the Infirmary during 1978	Males -	68
	(b)	Remaining under treatment on 31.12.78	Males -	6
	(c)	Died under treatment while in prison	Males -	NIL
			Females -	NIL
			MA LES:	FEMALES:
3.	Trea	ted at Mental Hospital Clinics	14	2
	Died	at Mental Hospital as impatients		
4.	PUBL	IC HOSPITAL BERBICE:	MALES:	FEMALES:
	(1)	Attended Surgical Clinic	14	
	(2)	Attended Skin Clinic		
	(3)	Attended Fracture Clinic	n	
	(4)	Attended Chest Clinic		
	(5)	Attended Medical Clinic		
	(6)	Attended Eye Clinic	.16	5
	(7)	Attended Gynaecological Clinic		6
	(8)	Attended Pre-Natal Clinic		4
	(3)	Attended Anti-Natal Clinic		2
	(10)	Attended Dental Clinic	80	24
	(11)	Nudical X-Rays	10	4
	(12)	Medical Labortary Investigations	20	6
Rafe	rred -	to Out Patients Department	41	10
Admi	tted t	to wards	6	4
Died	in H	cspital		
ולות א	er of	times prisoners reported ill	27061	654
Numb	er of	times Medical Officer examined prisoners	615	284

Sgd: John Erskine
J. Erskine
Government Dispenser, N.A. Prison.

APPENDIX "C"

Mazaruni Prison Compound, Essequibo River.

22nd January, 1979.

Principal Medical Officer Ministry of Health

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The following is the list submitted for Mazaruni and Sibley Hall Prisons Medical Services for the year ending December, 1978.

MEDICAL SERVICES

MAZARUNI AND SIBLEY HALL PRISONS	MAZARUNI	SIBLEY HALL	TOTAL	
In Sick Cell or Hospital Cell room on 1.1.79		2	2	
Admitted during the year 1978	103	145	248	
Discharged during the year 1978	104	143	247	
Discharged - No Abnormality Detected				
Admitted at Public Hospital, Bartica.	4	1	5	
Prisoners seen by Eye Specialist on visit				
Prisoners referred to Eye Clinic Public Hospital, Georgetown.	5	1	6	
Prisoners referred to X—Ray — Public .				
Hospital, Georgetown.	1	3	4	
Prisoners referred to Fracture Clinic	3		3	
$ ho_{ extsf{r}}$ isoners referred to Psychiatric Clinic		1	1	
<pre></pre>				
Prisoners seen by Psychiatrist				
Prisoners referred to Social Disease	1		1	
Prisoners referred to Dermatologist, Clinic Hospital, Georgetown.				
Priscres referred to Surgical Outpatient Department, Public Hospital, Georgetown.	5	2	7	
Prischers referred to Prison Surgeon,				
Georgetown Prison.	34	4	38	
Prischers treated for minor ailments	14,856	13,275	28,131	
Average daily treatment	40	36	76	
Ave Ruge Weekly numbers in Hospital Cell	2	3	5	
WORK DONE BY DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY				
PUBLIC HOSPITAL, BARTICA.				
Extractions - officers and residents	35		35	
Extractions - prisoners	65	91	156	

MAZARUNI & SIBLEY HALL PRISON

MAZARUNI

SIBLEY HALL

TOTAL

Extractions done by G.M.O.

Repairs to partial dentures

Extractions done by Dispenser

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	<u> 1978</u> .		_	
NUMBER OF DISEASES	MAZARUNI	S/HALL	RESIDENTS	5 TOTAL
L. Chicken Pox		1		1
2. Measels	,	1		1
3. Hypertension	14	3	9	26
4. Bronchial Asthma	7	2	6	15
5. Mental Observation		1		1
6. Haemorrhoids	10	6	12	28
7. Dyspepsia	52	32	23	107
8, Allergy	1	3	8	12
9. Headache	85	70	50	205
O. Sprains	16	22	5	43
l. Abrasions	08	10	7	25
2. Filariasis				
3. Debility	77	42	103	222
4. Tonsillitis	3		7	10
5. Insomnia	47	20	21	88
6. Adenitis of the Groin	3		I	4
Lacerated wounds	16	14	9	39
Conjunctivitis	40 2 3	32 17	37	109
%, Abscesses D.R.T.I.	12	22	89	123
2/- Back Pain	81	61	41	183
22 Epidimo-Orchitis				
23- Plantis-Warts				
2Ψ Fungus Injection	45	40	27	112
25 Oditis Media				
26. Biarrhoea	49	71	78	198
27 · Removal M.F.B.		2	1	3
28 Epilepsy	2	2	9	13
29. Diabetes			24	24
30, Jaundice			24	24
3) Bronchial Pneumonia				
🐍 Mumps SC	DCIAL DISEASES		AMOUNT	Yaura 5
l. Urethritis			7	Yours Co-op., Sgd: Crawford
2. Urethral Disch	narge		31	Govt. Dispense: Mazaruni Priso
3. Penile Ulcers 4. U.J.R.L. Test			17 3 2	

A PPENDIX "D"

REMAND CENTRE,
Timehri,
E.B. Demerara
16th January, 1979.

The Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health, Brickdam.

Dear Comrade,

I have the honour to submit to you the iledical Report of the Remand Centre for the year ending 31st December, 1978.

Prison Officers and Prisoners were seen by the Resident Dispenser and necessary treatment given.

Dental Surgeon Dr. Tan and his assista to visited and did extractions where necessary.

There were no visits by any Government Medical Officer.

The Hospital Officer attached to the dispensary assisted in administering treatment and maintaining discipline on the sick parade.

PRISON INFIRMARY:

No prisoners were admitted in the Infirmary for security reasons. However 41 inmates were lodged in 'C' dormitory during 1978.

The following cases were treated in the Dispensary during 1978:-

l.	Abscess	6B.	17.	Glossitis	30
2.	Accidental Injury	43	18.	Filariasis	
3.	Acute Gastritis	58	19.	Haemorrhoids	3
4.	Allergy	40	20.	Head Lice	30
5.	Amaemia	7 4	21.	Hypertension (officers)2	
6.	Arthritis	6	22.	Influenza like illne	ss 4 0
7.	Asthma	3	23.	Jaundice	2
8,	Chicken Pox	Nil	24.	Observation	
pr 10	Chronic ^U lcers	5	25.	Orchitis	30
10.	Common Cold	410	26.	Other U.R.T.I.	68
31.	Constipation	90	27.	P.T.B.	Nil
12.	Diabetes	Nil	28.	Pubic Line	10
13	Diarrhoea	30	29.	Pyrexim of unknown origin	25
14	Epilepsy	2	30.	Ringworm	84
15.	Epistaxis	3	31.	Scabies like rashes	65
16.	Fractures	2	32.	Tonsillitis	4

The number of prisoners sent to Georgetown Hospital for admission

Prisoners referred for 'pecialist Examination and treatment:

6

1.	Social Disease Clinic	
	(a) Gonorrhoea	80
	(b) Ulcer on penis	16
	(c) Warts on penis	6
2.	X-Ray Department	4
3.	Orthopaedic Clinic	4
4.	Surgical Out Patients	2
5.	Medical Out Patients	3
G.	Physiotherapy	Nil
7.	Casualty	Nil
8.	E.N.T.	3
9.	Dermathology	12
10.	Psychiatric Clinic	2
11.	Eye Clinic	14
No, of carious teeth extracted during 1978		69
No. of Prisoners requesting extraction during 1978		
Dental appliances supplied to prisoners		

Prescriptions dispensed to Prison Officers and their

SANITATION:

families

The Sanitary condition of the buildings and compound has been of fair standard. Spraying with malathion was done regularly.

DIFTARY:

The food served to the immates was at all times of a reasonable standard, well prepared and of a sufficient quantity. The prison farm produced abundantly thereby enabling the immates to receive a large amount of greens and vegetables throughout the year. Fruits were also served when available.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The dispensary is in the bottom flat of the building and ocvers: times water and dust fell from the floor above. This was reported to the local administration several times and also to the Director of Prisons. Up to the time of reporting no positive action has been taken.

I therefore recommend that either the floor above the dispensary be properly sealed to prevent any leakage or the Dispensary be removed to a more suitable area.

- 2. The dispensary is in need of a Hot plate.
- 3. A telephone extension is needed in the dispensary.
- 4. An electric fan is needed as the dispensary is in the bottom flat of the building in an enclosed area.

I have the honour to be,
Yours Co-operatively,

Sgd: Fitzgerald Nurse FITZGERALD NURSE Government Dispenser

c.c. P.S., Min. of Health
 Snr. Govt. Pharmacist
 Director of Prisons
 S.S.P. Timehri Remand Centre