

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 10th 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 1.30 P.M.

on

TUESDAY, 8TH 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. J.B. Caldeira  
Mr. V. Downer  
Mr. M. Hamid  
Mr. D.C. Jagan  
Mr. H. Lall  
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

(iii) Independent

Mr. B.S. Rai

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. E.E. Melville - on leave.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read prayers.

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

Inaccurate Press Report

Mr. Hugh drew attention to an inaccurate report which appeared in that day's issue of the "Guiana Graphic" on his remarks at the previous sitting.

His Honour the Speaker said that he hoped that a correction would be made in the next issue of the newspaper.

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. Hugh concluded his speech.

Mr. Hamid and Mr. Jordan spoke to the motion.

Mr. Cheeks was speaking when the tea interval was reached.

Suspension of Sitting

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

Resumption of Sitting

At 4.31 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Mr. Cheeks concluded his speech.

Mr. Downer, Mr. Correia and Mr. Lall spoke to the motion.

Mr. Carter was speaking when the hour for the adjournment was reached.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7.30 p.m. the Assembly was adjourned to 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 9th of January, 1963.