

# Guyanese newspaper runs full text of Shearer's speech

GEORGETOWN, Guyana, Oct. 20. (Reuters):

The Guyana Sunday Graphic today frontpaged the full text of the speech in the Jamaican Parliament by Prime Minister Hugh Shearer in which he dubbed the banned Guyanese Historian Dr. Walter Rodney "a grave security risk" and detailed charges against him.

The Rodney Affair, which has been causing student unrest throughout the Caribbean, began after the Jamaican Government prevented Dr. Rodney from re-entering the island on Tuesday on his return from a Black Writers' Conference in Montreal.

It led to widespread disturbances in the island in which three persons were killed and 4,800,000 (G) dollars damage done to property.

The academic staff and the Student Society of the University of Guyana also joined the protest and refused to attend classes.

## Night demonstration

The students also led a night demonstration through the city on Thursday and went to the home of Prime Minister Forbes Burnham, who came out to address them.

The local radio also aired a programme on which a panel of students answered questions from the public to justify their protest against the Rodney ban.

Yesterday the General Secretary of the Opposition People's Progressive Party, Mrs. Janet Jagan, alleged that the Government of Guyana had shown "a deplorable attitude" on the issue of Dr. Rodney's ban by Jamaica.

The Government's refusal to take a firm stand "condemns Guyana to the shame and scorn of all those who cherish freedom and seek an end to neo-colonialist exploitation and who really believe in Caribbean unity," she said.

Mrs. Jagan went on: "The Government has been deliberately ambiguous. We are told 'a spokesman' from the Prime Minister's office attaches the greatest importance to the principle of freedom of movement in the West Indies and that it hopes that such restraints as now exist will be used only in exceptional cases; And the Attorney Gen-

eral has assured us that such issues as the banning of individuals is a question for the Government of a sovereign territory."

## 'Crisis of unrest ...

# Y's Men's Club suggests talks to seek solution

The Jamaica District of the International Association of Y's Men's Clubs meeting in conference at the YMCA headquarters, 21 Hope Road, St. Andrew, on Sunday, against the background of the theme — "Strength Through Understanding," passed the following resolution:

"Whereas the conference recognizes the crisis of unrest and misunderstanding now existing in our island of Jamaica as a result of the recent demonstration by university students from Mona and the events which followed;

"Be it resolved that this conference records its deep concern for the wellbeing of the Government and people of Jamaica and of all bodies which are making useful contribution to the welfare of this country;

"And whereas it is felt that strength, progress and unity can only be achieved at all levels when there is understanding among all parties or groups;

"And whereas we feel that without communication, there can be no understanding;

"Be it further resolved that this conference humbly requests the Prime Minister of Jamaica, the teaching, administrative and student bodies of the University of the West Indies at Mona to

the Bankruptcy Law.

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## Civil Service week to begin Nov. 2

KINGSTOWN, St. Vincent, Oct. 21. (Reuters):

Civil Service Week will begin on Sunday, November 3 with a church service, it was officially announced here today.

The following day, Extra-Mural tutor, H. Harvey Williams, will deliver a feature address at a meeting chaired by St. Vincent's Administrator, Mr. Hywel George.

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