



DR. JAGAN ARRESTED IN BRITISH GUIANA. Left: The deposed Prime Minister of British Guiana (partly hidden), Mr. M. Carter (wearing glasses) and Mr. R. Westmaas, leaders of the People's Progressive Party, arriving at the court in Georgetown to face charges of holding illegal processions on Monday. They were remanded in custody in Georgetown Prison.

Right: Dr. Jagan, with his wife, and other delendants waving from a window in the court while waiting for their case to come before the magistrate. The man on the left is holding up three

D-Telegraph

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(Trinidad Guardian)

BAIL OPPOSED FOR DR. JAGAN
D. K. Joseph April 11, 54
PARTY LEADERS HELD
GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, Tuesday.
Dr. Jagan, deposed Prime Minister of British Guiana, Mr. Martin Carter Mr. Rory Westmaas, and three other leading members of the People's Progressive party, to-day pleaded not guilty to holding an illegal procession.
The arrest of Dr. Jagan took place yesterday a few hours after he had been released on bail on a charge of defying an order restricting his movements to the capital.
Bail was opposed by the police to-day on the grounds that there was every likelihood the offence would be repeated. The men were remanded to Georgetown prison.
Seven people who pleaded not guilty to a similar charge, were released on £30 bail. Earlier 19 people pleaded not guilty to charges of disorderly behaviour and assaulting and obstructing the police. Hearings were set for next Thursday and Friday.—Reuter.

70 GUIANA ARRESTS
D. W. April 10, 54
Daily Worker Special Correspondent
GEORGETOWN, Friday.
ARRRESTS here now total well over 70 since last Saturday. Police brutality is creating a bitter feeling.
Dr. Rhanovan Singh, a People's Progressive Party Member of the House of Assembly, has cabled to Mr. Attlee calling for immediate action from the British Labour movement to prevent bloodshed here by the police and British troops.
The Scottish T.U.C. at Aberdeen yesterday passed a resolution strongly condemning the Tory Government's suspension of the British Guiana constitution.

GEORGETOWN DECLARED A "PROCLAIMED AREA"
L. Turner April 12, 54
FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT
GEORGETOWN, APRIL 11
Georgetown and its environs were on Friday night declared a "proclaimed area," in which not more than four persons may assemble. Anyone attempting to break into buildings, do malicious damage, throw stones, assault anyone, carry weapons, including sticks, without authority, use abusive language or tear down proclamations, or incite anyone to commit these offences, does so under penalty of arrest and summary conviction; and anyone who refuses to help a peace officer when called on is liable to a fine.
Dr. Jagan and 10 of his associates appeared in court yesterday. The hearing was adjourned until Monday. All was quiet here to-day.

De West April 14, 54
Ongehoorzaamheids actie breidt zich uit
Georgetown — Dr. Jagan is Dinsdag met vijf leden van zijn PPP veroordeeld tot een boete van 100 dollar of 2 maanden hechtenis wegens het onwettig houden van een optocht. Allen behalve Jagan tekenden hoger beroep aan.
De actie van burgerlijke ongehoorzaamheid, die begon met de arrestatie van Jagan op 3 April schijnt zich uit te breiden, nadat Jagan Maandag tot 6 maanden gevangenisstraf werd veroordeeld. Dit zou zowel in Georgetown geconstateerd zijn als in de geboorteplaats van Jagan, waar bij een relletje een officier van politie en drie beambten werden gewond. Rondom de suikerfabriek aldaar, die een waarde van 4.000.000 gulden heet te vertegenwoordigen, zijn troepen geplaatst.
Jagan zal zijn gevangenisstraf uitzitten, zowel de 6 maanden als de 2 maanden subsidiair die hij Dinsdag kreeg. Aldus werd van de advocaten van zijn partij vernomen.

Maand April 14, '54
Demonstraties tegen veroordeling van Jagan

GEORGETOWN, 14 April. — Op de suikerplantages van Brits Guyana zijn vele grote demonstraties gehouden tegen de veroordeling van de voormalige premier en leider van de Progressieve Volkspartij, Dr. Cheddi Jagan. In het gehele land wordt een krachtige actie voor burgerlijke ongehoorzaamheid door de bevolking gevoerd, die de Britse koloniale autoriteiten veel hoofdbrekens kost.

My Times April 14, '54
JAGAN CONVICTED ANEW
Guiana Ex-Premier Sentenced for Illegal Procession

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, April 13 (Reuters).—Dr. Cheddi Jagan, deposed Premier of this British colony, today drew his second court sentence in two days when he and five members of his left-wing People's Progressive party were convicted of holding an illegal procession.

At the same time, redoubled protests against Dr. Jagan's imprisonment forced the police to use tear gas against demonstrating mobs for the second time in twenty-four hours.

Dr. Jagan and his followers were given the choice of each paying a \$45 fine or serving a two-month jail term for holding the procession in violation of the emergency regulations.

A demonstration by 300 persons at a sugar plantation outside Port Mourant today continued mass protests against the six-month sentence imposed on Dr. Jagan yesterday for violating an official order that restricted his movements to Georgetown.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

The SPEAKER took the Chair at half past two o'clock.

Times April 15, '54
ARREST OF DR. JAGAN
GOVERNOR'S ACTION UPHOLD

MR. HOPKINSON, Minister of State, Colonial Office (Taunton, C.), replying to a number of questions about the arrest and restriction on the movement of Dr. Jagan and other members of the People's Progressive Party in British Guiana, said that the repeal of the orders imposing the restrictions on movement was a matter for the Governor. The Secretary of State fully supported the action which the Governor had taken. (Ministerial cheers.)

So far as he was aware, no charge had been made against any member of the P.P.P. in connexion with the reports that P.P.P. agents had been instructed to open sluice gates at high tide in Georgetown. The situation in the colony generally was now quiet.

MISS JENNIE LEE (Cannock, Lab.) said that unless the orders about movement were repealed, and normal constitutional methods were available for the People's Progressive Party to express its point of view, there would be more and more civil disobedience and trouble in British Guiana.

MR. HOPKINSON said that as long as Dr. Jagan and his friends behaved as they were doing it would be impossible to repeal those orders. (Ministerial cheers.)

MR. JAMES GRIFFITHS said that to make charges and not substantiate them would not help good government in British Guiana. (Opposition cheers.) He asked if it would not be better to make the period of interim government as short as possible. When did the Secretary of State expect to receive the report of the commission he had sent to the colony?

MR. HOPKINSON said that the commission were now back in England and were working on their report, but it would be some months before it could be made public. (Opposition cries of "Months?") The question of the new constitution was highly complicated, and it was necessary that the commission should take their time. He did not want to encourage the House to believe that the report would be published soon.

SIR LESLIE PLUMMER (Deptford, Lab.) asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether he was satisfied that Dr. Jagan and other members of the P.P.P. who had been

arrested were financially able to provide for their adequate defence; and if he would make arrangements to provide them with legal advice and aid.

MR. HOPKINSON.—To judge from previous experience there seems to be little doubt that the persons concerned are quite capable of looking after themselves in this respect. (Ministerial laughter.)

SIR LESLIE PLUMMER said that Dr. Jagan and Mr. Burnham had only been able to come to England because of the generosity of people here, and Mr. King and other defendants recently acquitted were able to be defended only by the generosity of English people. Justice should not be denied to people in British Guiana because they had not the means, any more than it was denied to people in similar circumstances in Britain.

MR. HOPKINSON said that Dr. Jagan and Mr. Burnham had been able to make a six months' tour of the Commonwealth somehow or another—(Ministerial cheers and laughter)—and able to brief Mr. Pritt to defend two members of the P.P.P. in British Guiana recently. In the summary of complaints against Dr. Jagan and seven others for holding an illegal procession only a day or so ago the defendants were represented by five counsels. (Ministerial laughter.)

MILITAIR DEFILÉ EN ZWARTE COCARDES

De West April 22, '54

Georgetown — Bij de 28e verjaardag van Koningin Elizabeth werd Woensdag in Georgetown, een militair defilé gehouden, dat werd bijgewoond door circa 10.000 personen. Uit revanche „vierde“ een belangrijk deel van de bevolking deze verjaardag door het dragen van zwarte cocardes als teken van rouw over de gevangenhouding van ex-premier Dr. Cheddi Jagan van de PPP. Voorts betoogden enige groepen in Port Mourant, Jagan's geboorteplaats. Deze werden verspreid door de politie, er vielen geen incidenten voor.

BRITISH GUIANA MINISTERS

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, April 25.—The British Guiana Government has announced the appointment of two new Ministers, bringing the number appointed under the interim constitution to four. Mr. W. O. R. Kendall is to be Minister of Communications and Works, and Mr. G. A. C. Farnum will be Minister of Local Government, Social Welfare, and Co-operative Development.—*Reuter.*

B. GUIANA ACQUITTALS

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, April 21.—Eight members of the People's Progressive Party have been cleared of a charge of breaking emergency regulations by holding an illegal meeting. Mr. Forbes Burnham, the P.P.P. chairman, who defended them, submitted that there was no case to answer. The magistrate, Mr. R. G. Sharples, agreed that a mere meeting did not in itself constitute an unlawful gathering. There must be a common purpose in a gathering before it could be termed an unlawful meeting.—*Reuter.*

L. Times April 28, '54

TEN ARRESTS IN BRITISH GUIANA

DR. JAGAN AND WIFE

GEORGETOWN, Sunday.

Mrs Janet Jagan, wife of the deposed Prime Minister of British Guiana, was arrested to-day. Her husband, Dr. Jagan, has been under close arrest since yesterday.

Eight other people were arrested with Mrs. Jagan and charged with holding an illegal procession. All will appear before a magistrate to-morrow.

Dr. Jagan is also appearing in court to-morrow accused of violating an order of the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage, forbidding him to leave Georgetown without permission.

He was arrested at Mahalony, a coastal village 40 miles from the capital. He will be defended in court by Mr. Linden Burnham, chairman of the People's Progressive Party.—*A.P.*

P.U.P. DRIVE FOR LOCAL ELECTION BELIZE CAMPAIGN

File people may 4/54
 From Our Special Correspondent BELIZE, British Honduras, Monday.

Encouraged by their success in obtaining eight out of nine seats in the national elections last week, the extremist anti-Colonial leaders of the People's United party to-day began their campaign for the municipal elections in November. They are urging people to register as voters immediately.

Unlike the national elections, the municipal ones are still run on a restricted franchise. Voters must be over 21, be able to read and write, and be earning over £1 10s 6d a week or be paying rent of over £2 a month or own property valued at £15 a year.

In 1950 the P.U.P. had five members out of nine in the Belize City Council, but the council was dissolved when they refused to agree to the King's picture being hung in the council chamber. In the present council they have three representatives out of nine.

Opinion in Belize generally is that unless their opponents, the National party, reorganise, or some other more vigorous anti-P.U.P. movement is begun, the extremists will make a clean sweep of the council in November.

DR. JAGAN ARRESTED AGAIN

RAID ON PARTY OFFICES

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, April 5.—A crowd of about 300, controlled by mounted and foot police, cheered to-day when Dr. Jagan, deposed Chief Minister of British Guiana, and his wife arrived at the chief magistrate's court in Georgetown. Jagan, who is accused of violating an order restricting his movements to Georgetown, was not required to plead. He was released on bail of \$250 (British West Indian) (about £50). A preliminary inquiry was fixed for April 12. Janet Jagan, Rory Westmaas, Martin Carter, and six other members of the People's Progressive Party also appeared before the chief magistrate. They pleaded Not Guilty to a charge of holding an illegal procession and were released on bail of \$50 each. The hearing was fixed for April 24. They were arrested after a protest demonstration against Dr. Jagan's arrest on Saturday for defying an order by the Governor restricting his movements to Georgetown.

Mr. L. F. Burnham, chairman of the party, who appeared for Dr. Jagan, said that police conduct had been despicable in opposing bail and holding Dr. Jagan in custody over the weekend.

Later Dr. Jagan and five other members of the party were arrested when police raided the party headquarters.—*Reuter*.

Nieuws uit Brits-Guyana

De Week July 1, 1954

PPP-ers VEROORDEELD

De ex-politie beambte Cecil Sampson en Richard Verbeke, twee leden van de PPP, zullen drie maanden gevangenisstraf uitzitten wegens verstoring van een rooms-katholieke godsdienst oefening. Ze verkozen de gevangenisstraf boven een hun opgelegde boete van 50 dollar ieder. Uit het getuigenverhoor bleek, dat ze een exemplaar van het orgaan „Thunder” van de partij op het altaar gelegd hadden. Verbeke is daarenboven nog veroordeeld tot een boete van 50 dollar wegens orde verstoring op het politie bureau na zijn arrestatie. Ook in dit geval geeft hij echter de voorkeur aan twee maanden „zitten.”

In Georgetown zal mevrouw Janet Jagan terecht staan wegens het illegaal in bezit hebben van een officieel politie rapport. Vijf getuigen, employe's van de Daily Argosy Publishing Company, verklaarden, dat slechts 150 genummerde exemplaren gedrukt zijn, speciaal voor de politie, en 15 ongenummerde, die in het bezit gebleven waren van de drukkerij. De mogelijkheid bestaat, dat Janet door tussenkomst van een der drukkers een exemplaar ontving.

Intussen is Richard Westmaas aangehouden wegens het niet

JAGAN AND 5 AIDES LOSE BAIL APPEALS

My Times 4/7/54
But British Guiana Court Will Hear Them Today—Others Get Freedom on Bond

By SAM POPE BREWER
Special to The New York Times

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, April 6—Former Prime Minister Cheddi B. Jagan and five other arrested leaders of the left-wing People's Progressive party failed today in an effort to get freedom on bail. A magistrate agreed to hear the application tomorrow, along with police objections to granting it.

The six prisoners were charged with holding a procession in defiance of emergency regulations here, which require a police permit for any assembly or procession of more than five persons. They were arrested yesterday within two hours of their release on bail under other charges involving emergency regulations.

It has become increasingly clear in the last two days that Dr. Jagan's party is trying to force the hand of the police by constant activity that is a breach of law but not of a nature to produce public sympathy with any severe punishment. It leaves the authorities in the position of either looking foolish because their orders are ignored or of making a political martyr of Dr. Jagan and so increasing his popularity with the mass of poor and ignorant workers he claims to represent.

Twenty-nine lesser figures held on charges of disorderly conduct that grew out of the same disturbances around the police court and party headquarters yesterday were released on bail in cases where they could produce it.

Dr. Jagan's wife Janet, who was arraigned yesterday for participation in an illegal procession and then freed on bail, was in court again today—this time at the working press table as a correspondent of The London Daily Worker, organ of the British Communist party.

She asserted in conversation that it was the policy of the authorities to harass the People's Progressive party and never to allow elections because they knew that that party would win. Asked why the party had not presented its case to the British commission that returned to London recently after having investigated the situation here, she said: "We boycotted them because we knew their minds were made up. They would not have listened to us."

The Government's show of strength in mustering riot squads and having troops ready after yesterday's minor riots seemed to have had its effect today. Though Dr. Jagan protested in court about the quarters in which he and his followers were being held, there was no sign of a demonstration.

The real riddle now is just what the party policy is to be. Deliberate efforts by party leaders to get themselves jailed made no sense unless the party planned to capitalize on the arrests in some other way.

The authorities have relaxed none of their recent emergency precautions and the Government is waiting to see what happens.

P.P.P. VRAAGT OM HULP

West Aug. 10/54
Oud-minister van de PPP Jai Narine Singh is op zijn Zuidamerikaanse roodreis aangekomen in Bolivia teneinde cok daar om hulp te vragen voor zijn partij.

Hij vertelde aan de Pers, dat hij de steun van de Zuidamerikaanse regeringen wenst, om de zaak van Brits-Guyana tegen Engeland te brengen voor de United Nations.

Verscheidene gouvernementen hebben deze aangelegenheid in studie genomen. Singh bezocht reeds Venezuela, Panama, Ecuador en Peru en zal doorreizen naar Chili en Argentinië. Hij zei, dat de rooms katholieke jeugd en vooral de rooms katholieke jeugdbeweging hem in al de bezochte landen bijzonder behulpzaam is geweest. De heer Singh zei, dat hij liberaal is en met klem verwierp hij de Brits beschuldiging als zou de Jagan regering van het vorig jaar pro-communistisch geweest zijn.

(Trinidad Guardian)

MRS. JAGAN'S APPEAL DISMISSED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Sept. 1, 54
GEORGETOWN, AUG. 31

Mrs. Janet Jagan's appeal against the \$250 fine imposed on her for holding a prohibited meeting last April has been dismissed with costs, the appeal Judges holding that a prohibited meeting was held under the guise of a religious service. A stay of execution was refused.

A Bill has been introduced to tighten up the law on banned literature to include all issues of prohibited journals and any issued in continuation or substitution.

CAT-MOUSE RELEASE OF Dr JAGAN

Dr. J. Sept. 13, 54

THE release on Saturday from the prison of Dr. Cheddi Jagan, the elected Prime Minister of British Guiana, was put off at the last moment as the result of a new punishment.

Dr. Jagan was deprived of one day's remission, with a result that he will not be released till today, as there are no prison releases in British Guiana on Sunday.

A large crowd gathered outside the prison at Georgetown on Saturday awaiting his release. Last week his wife, Mrs. Janet Jagan was taken to prison to serve a three months sentence.

Nine members of the People's Progressive Party imprisoned at New Amsterdam won the right last week to cook their own meals as a result of a hunger strike against the bad meals supplied by the prison authorities.

Handelblad Sept. 18, 54
In Brits-Guyana is mevrouw Jagan veroordeeld tot drie maanden gevangenisstraf, omdat zij in het bezit was van het Russische tijdschrift Sowjet-nieuws.

Jagan's Wife to Go to Jail
GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, Sept. 4 (Reuters)—Janet Jagan, wife of the deposed Prime Minister, Cheddi Jagan, will go to prison for three months in preference to paying a fine of \$145 for flouting emergency regulations in force in this British colony. The Leftist People's Progressive party announced today that payment of the fine would be against the party's policy. Mrs. Jagan is general secretary of the party.