

# ANOTHER P.P.P. LEADER SENT TO JAIL

## Ramkarran to Serve Four Months For Flouting Restriction

Ramkarran, a former Assemblyman and an official of the People's Progressive Party who flouted the restriction orders placed upon him by His Excellency, the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage on July 8 and 10 last was found guilty on both charges by Magistrate Harry Bolders at the City Police Court yesterday, and sentenced to four months' imprisonment on both charges, the sentences to run concurrently.



Ramkarran

Before imposing the sentence on Ramkarran the magistrate told him that he had a small cut on his toe on which he could have easily placed a piece of plaster, and could have gone and reported himself to the Station. He could have even obtained a medical certificate which he could have shown to the Officer-in-charge of the Station.

Counsel for defence, Mr. Rudy Luck made two no-case submissions which were over-ruled by the Magistrate.

An other charge of failing to report himself at the Kitty Police Station on July 11 last, was withdrawn.

### ORDER SERVED

Sub-Inspector of Police Eustace Bowling of the Ruimveld Police Station the first witness called stated that he knew the defendant and had served an order which was signed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage on him on January 13 last, between the hours of 11 o'clock and midnight. That order was served on the defendant while he was at his home at Bel Air, East Coast, Demerara. That order restricted the defendant's movements to the district, and after he had read the order to

the defendant, he (witness) gave it to him. The order was made under the Emergency Orders 1953.

L/Cpl. 3832 Greene, N.C.O. of the Kitty Police Station said that he also knew the defendant, and on April 21 last, he served an order made by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage on him. He had met the defendant on the Public Road and had read the order there to him. The defendant appeared to understand what was being read, and said nothing in reply. After he had finished reading the order he gave it to him (the defendant).

### FAILED TO REPORT

On Thursday, July 8 last, the defendant failed to report to him at the Police Station between the hours of 8 and 10 a.m. He did not report at the Station at all on that day. On the following day at about 9.30 a.m., he saw the defendant at the Kitty Police Station, and he reported to him as required by the order. He asked the defendant why he did not report to him the day before and he replied that he had a septic toe. At the same time the defendant requested that something should be sent to convey him from his house to the station in order that he should report, but witness said that that was a matter for him.

### FETCHING WOOD

The following day the defendant did not report at the station, and as a result he reported the matter to Asst. Supt. Sampson. About 5.20 p.m. the same day he, in company with Asst. Supt. Sampson went to the defendant's home, and there they saw him fetching wood from the Public Road to his yard. The defendant was bare-footed, and did not walk with a limp.

Supt. Sampson then asked the defendant why he did not report to the Station on July 8 and 10, and he replied that the Corporal (witness) knew why. Mr. Sampson reminded the defend-

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## Mrs. Jagan 'to appear in Court Today 27.7.54

### TO ANSWER SUBVERSIVE LITERATURE CHARGES

Mrs. Janet Jagan, Secretary of the People's Progressive Party will appear today before Magistrate H. B. S. Bolders at the City Police Court on two charges of being found in possession of subversive literature.

Other leaders of the party including two former Ministers, Mr. Ashton Chase and Dr. J. P. Lachmiansingh, Mrs. Jane Phillips Gay, former Member of the House of Assembly, and her brother, Pat Phillips, and Vernon Thomas and Caroline Azore of 43 Broad Street, will also appear before Magistrate Akbar Khan on similar charges.

Mrs. Jagan, who had pleaded not guilty when the cases were called on June 15 last, is accused of having in her possession on April 6 last, copies of (a) "For a Lasting Peace for a People's Democracy" (b) "Soviet

News" and (c) "World Trade Union Movement."

According to the charges all the publications found in the possession of the defendants were prohibited by the Governor in Council and published in the Official Gazette.

On June 18 last when the cases were first heard in Court, Mr. L. F. S. Burnham, Counsel for Pat Phillips G.I.W.U. inquired from the Court whether the summons for His Excellency the Governor as a witness was issued. The Magistrate, Mr. Akbar Khan had fixed July 19 last to hear evidence in Chambers why the Governor should be summoned.

However, after considering the matter Mr. Burnham did not proceed with the application.

It is also understood that Mr. Ashton Chase, who had made a similar application, has abandoned his

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