

1960's. Independence from Britain was on the horizon and Canada wanted to forge closer ties with the newly emerging South American country.

To this end, Canada posted a Commissioner to then British Guiana, on March 11, 1964. This represented the first diplomatic presence in Guyana. The then Prime Minister, Mr. William Lyon Mackenzie King appointed the Hon. Milton F. Gregg, V.C. as first Commissioner. Members of his staff were: Mr. S. Wayne Hubble, 2<sup>nd</sup> Secretary; Ms. Olive E. Hobbs, administrative officer; Ms. Shirley J. Boles, secretary, and Mr. Donald J. Larkin, accountant.

At first, the Commissioner and other Canadian officials had to move from one temporary office at the Park Hotel on Main Street to another on 91 Middle

BELOW: DORMITORY building viewed from High & Young Sts., Kingston.



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**THE** new Chancery Canadian High Commission, a unique Guyanese structure, was opened yesterday at the corner of High and Young streets, Georgetown.

The building, beautifully proportioned, was designed "to draw the lightest winds through its jalousies." Canadian High Commissioner John Graham attended the ceremony yesterday.

The official opening ceremony yesterday was attended by Foreign Affairs Minister, Rasleigh Jackman, Canadians in Guyana, members of the Diplomatic Corps, and other special invited guests.

Mr. Graham, who told the history of the building, said that it was over a century old and was constructed by M.P. Camacho, grandfather of George Camacho.

According to him, the Canadian High Commission was through Mr. Allan Ramsay, former High Commissioner.