

labour force. He said that there was great land hunger in his country, but that large sums of money would be needed to clear and develop the jungle hinterland and control the annual flooding of the narrow coastal plain. He asked that developed countries such as Canada assist British Guiana by providing large sums of money, possibly up to \$300 million or \$325 million over a period of ten years, at low interest rates and on easy repayment terms and with no strings attached, so that British Guiana could develop and diversify its economy, and resettle much of its population outside the narrow coastal fringe.

### **Employment of Canadian Loan**

In conversation with officials of the External Aid Office, Dr. Jagan discussed possible uses of the unexpended portion of the \$50,000 Canadian fund available for assistance to British Guiana under the Special Commonwealth Technical Assistance Programme. He also described in some detail the projects included in British Guiana's economic development programme, in order that Canada might be aware of the type of project that was given priority in this programme.

After leaving Ottawa on October 20, Dr. Jagan and his party visited Toronto, where the Premier officiated at the opening of a British Guiana exhibit at the Royal Ontario Museum.