



WEEKES ... held



NUNEZ ... held

STATE

OF

EMERGENCY

What it means

THE Commissioner of Police has been given powers to order the detention of anyone under the Emergency Regulations published this morning.

He also has the power to place anyone under house arrest or to order him to notify the police of his movements. The Commissioner can also order any person not to visit certain places and areas.

All public marches, which means any march or procession in a public place, except military marches or funeral processions, must have the permission of the Commissioner. And so too must all public meetings.

Horse racing and sports meetings are exempted under written permission of the Commissioner.

The Regulations also provide for the Commissioner of Police to declare certain places 'protected places'. No

one should visit these places, unless authorised to do so.

The Regulations make wide rules governing the use and possession of firearms and ammunition. Any one found in the company of another possessing unlawfully such firearm and ammunition will also be guilty of an offence. The penalty for the contravention of this section of the regulations "may be sentenced to whipping or flogging in lieu of or in addition to imprisonment."

However, it provides for persons in unlawful possession of firearms and ammunition to surrender them without prosecution.

Under "Statement prejudicial to public order," the Regulations ban the use of loud speakers and make it an offence for anyone to "endeavour whether orally or otherwise, to influence public opinion in a manner likely to

be prejudicial to public safety or order."

The Police are given the powers to search premises without warrants, and use force, if necessary, to enforce such a search. They can also arrest without warrants.

They also have the power to stop and search anyone or any vehicle.

Among the powers of the Governor-General under the Regulations is the right to censor and control all publications in the country.

He can also order the search of any premises or person and appropriate and take possession of any property or undertaking provided compensation is made.

The Regulations require any service in the country making provision for their compensation.

Infringement of any of these orders carry a penalty of \$5,000 or two years'



GRANGER ... missing



SUITE ... held.



DAVIS ... held.



LENNARD ... held.

TOP BLACK POWER MEN HELD: MORE HUNTED

ALMOST immediately after Government announced a State of Emergency existed in the country, police detained 14 top leaders of the Black Power Movement under the emergency regulations and were at noon searching for more.

Among those detained were George Weekes, President-General of the Oilfield Workers' Trade Union; Clive Nunez, Public Relations Officer of the National Joint Action Committee and Dave Darbreau, an undergraduate of the University of the West Indies.

At noon there was no indication from the police as to where the detained persons would be kept.

From dawn today the police and all members of the protective services were on restrictive leave, and increased foot and vehicular patrols were deployed throughout the country.

Some two hours after the announcement a police detachment moved into Woodford Square, recently

renamed "The People's Parliament" by the Black Power Movement, and held two of the detained.

A large crowd which was then in the square dispersed immediately. Meanwhile a police party destroyed a Black Power notice board which had been giving news of the Movement's activities for several weeks.

Where is he?

Just before noon mystery still surrounded the whereabouts of Mr. Geddes Granger, the established leader of the Joint Action Committee. The Regulations which were published along with the proclamation, declaring the emergency, has clamped down on all public meetings and marches, and have given the police wide powers of arrest and search without warrants.

The proclamation, issued by acting Governor-General, Sir Arthur McShine, came a few hours before a planned massive demonstration by sugar workers, bus workers and some workers from WASA with Black Power advocates, was due to take place in Port-of-Spain.

Early this morning Central policemen under Supt. Gordon Mark broke up a demonstration of 500 sugar workers at Phoenix Park, California.

The workers who are on a work stoppage in the sugar belt, set off from Brechin Castle roundabout and were demonstrating throughout the area on their way to the factory.

At Phoenix Park a party of about 50 armed policemen ordered the demonstrators to disperse. Up to noon many of them were converging in and near ramshops discussing the situation.

Those detained this morning were: George Weekes,

Clive Nunez, Winston Smart, Errol Balfour, David Murray, Winston Lennard, Winston Suite, Wayne Davis, Turkey Williams, Dave Darbreau, Urban Mason, Carl Douglas, Patrick Knight and Lester Williams.

Mr. Weekes, Lennard, Suite and Wayne Davis, were held at San Fernando

shortly after eight o'clock this morning. As they were being taken to the San Fernando police station they shouted: "Power, Power to the people."

Police vehicles were moving through Port-of-Spain and other built-up areas this morning advising people not to assemble in public places.

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