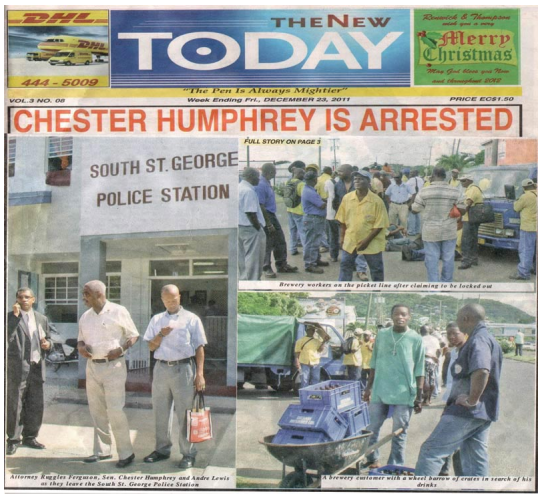

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Attorney Ruggles Ferguson, Sen. Chester Humphrey and Andre Lewis as they leave the South St. George Police Station

A brewery customer with a wheel barrow of crates in search of his drinks

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A show of militancy in a relaxing mood in front of one of the company's trucks

Workers listening keenly to an address by TAWU's President Sen. Chester Humphrey

The arbitrarily detained of just over one hundred workers of the Grenada Breweries Limited along the Mmassicot Bishop Highway over the arrest and charge of President General of the Textile, Industrial and Technical and Allied Workers' Union (TAWU)Senator Chester Humphrey could result in an escalation of the industrial action at the island's sole brewer of beers.

Sen. Humphrey was arrested early Tuesday morning by police officers attached to the South St. George Police Station on the grounds of obstruction.

He was brought to the police station where a charge of obstruction and refusing to comply with a police order was upgraded to false imprisonment.

The veteran trade unionist is accused of preventing the free passage of a motor vehicle TS881 and others from leaving the company's compound.

Sen. Humphrey was joined at the police station by his attorney, Ruggles Ferguson, as well as TAWU's 1st Vice-president Andre Lewis, and some leading members of other trade unions as Makhona Harford of the Public Workers Union and Barbara Fraser of the Commercial & Industrial Workers Union.

He was placed on $3,000.00 bail and is due to appear in court on January 31, 2012.

Sen. Humphrey told reporters after he was released from custody that he had pulled up in front of one of the 10 trucks on the G.B. delivery trucks that was filled with drinks in the face of a lockout of the members of his union by the company.

"This would make it 25 years since I came out from prison, and I have to go back before the court, but all is in the name of the workers," he said.

This is clear reference of the failed attempt by the State in the immediate aftermath of the collapse of the 1979-83 Grenada Revolution to extradite him back to the US to face gunrunning charges.

Sen. Humphrey along with another Grenadian, Jim Wardally had fled the United States for their homeland while on bail on charges of shipping arms and ammunition to Grenada to allegedly help the leftist New Jewel Movement (NJM) stage the March 13, 1979 coup d'etat against the elected Eric Gairy government.

The Breweries workers found themselves locked out of the company after acceding to a request from Minister of Labour, Claris Roberts to return to work pending further dialogue with their superiors in Port-of-Spain.

Sen. Humphrey said the Port-of-Spain bosses of the Brewerie had promised that once the workers go back to work that negotiations over a collective agreement would resume.

Well-placed sources told THE NEW TODAY newspaper that company officials were adamant that the strike action by the workers were illegal and violated the island's industrial relations act.

The workers under their bargaining agents, TAWU resorted to strike action last week Tuesday after talks broke down over a new wage agreement.

The union is seeking to have a six percent increase in wages for the workers, but the company has stuck to two and a half percent.

Sen. Humphrey said when the Monday night shift workers reported to work they were prevented from going onto the plant.

"They were told to leave their names and telephone numbers at the booth, but they were not allowed to come on to the plant," he told reporters.

According to the TAW boss, when he got to the company compound on Monday, he found on Tuesday in his personal vehicle, he found the company's trucks standing outside the fenced area and claimed that they were locked out.

He said that a convoy of trucks loaded with drinks was about to leave the plant.

"Now that the strike has ended the company has now locked us out. So if the company lock out the workers using replacement workers to do their job, then I'm sorry, no drinks (are not) leaving the company compound," he added.

A number of Police Constables on duty outside the Breweries sought to get the workers to remove themselves from the entrance of the compound in an effort to allow persons to go in and out.

In addition the workers were told to come to work, (but) the trucks (are) blocking us from going in."

TAWU has since issued as call for non-essential workers from the essential services that are members of the union to come out to the breweries compound in solidarity with the workers.

IN THE MATTER OF AN INDENTURE OF MORTGAGE BETWEEN ALISTER JAMES AND THE GRENADA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE CONVEYANCING LAW OF PROPERTY ACT

There will be offered for sale by auction at the Chambers of Lewis & Renwick, No. 11 Young Street, St. George's on the 19th day of January, 2012 at 12 noon. The sale is by the mortgagee under its Power of Sale. The details of the sale are as follows:

Location of Property:	Westerhall in the parish of Saint David
Area of Property:	The lot contains 24,827 square feet and is bounded as described in an indenture made the 22nd day of October, 2003 between Donald A. St. Bernard of the one part and Alister James of the other part and recorded in the Grenada Deeds and Land Registry in Liber 31-2003 at Page 316
Use:	Residential with a building measuring 4,500 square Feet the building is split -level design with a storeroom at basement level
Access:	Off the Westerhall road from the Calivigny direction the first left turn after the Shelter Solution facility
Topography:	Gently sloping
Services and Amenities:	Water, electricity, telephone and cable
Reserve Price:	($1,223,918.10) One Million, Two Hundred and Twenty Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen and ten cents
Conditions of sale:	The sale will be subject to conditions to be read at the auction which include the payment by the successful bidder on the day of the sale of (20%) twenty percent of the sale price

Dated the 19th day of December, 2011
Lewis & Renwick
Attorneys-at-Law for the
Grenada Co-operative Bank Limited

Fri 23	Sat 24	Sun 25	Mon 26	Tue 27	Wed 28	Thur 29
Isolated showers	Isolated showers	Variably cloudy	Variably cloudy	Variably cloudy	Variably cloudy	Generally fair

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