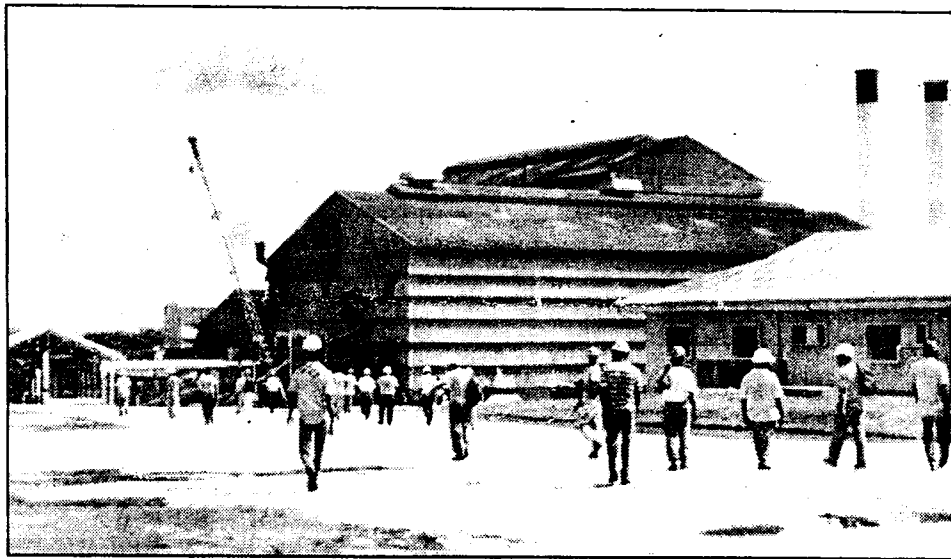


## BELCOGEN to produce electricity from bagasse



*BSI workers return to work at Tower Hill after Easter shutdown. Cogeneration will secure their jobs and the future of the industry.*

Belize Cogeneration Energy Limited will undertake a US\$32 million project to build a 25 Megawatt plant to produce electricity from bagasse, Belize Sugar Industries managing director Jose Montalvo announced on Wednesday.

Mr. Montalvo hailed Cogeneration as "the future of the Sugar industry" at a special presentation on cogeneration hosted by B.S.I. Ltd. in the conference room at Tower Hill Factory in the Orange Walk District. He explained how the bagasse from the

sugar factory's mills will be used to produce high pressure steam, which will turn turbo-generators to produce 60 cycle electricity to be com-



*Sugar industry minister Valdemar Castillo delivered opening remarks.*

patible with the BEL national grid.

Present to hear these new developments were the chairman and directors of the Sugar Industry Control Board, the directors of the Belize Cane Farmers' Association, senior officials of the Ministry of Sugar Industry and other people who have a vested interest in the success of the sugar industry.

Minister of the Sugar Industry, Labour, & Local Government Hon. Valdemar Castillo delivered the opening remarks at the presentation.