

Move to sell our talent to the world

MR. Fenwick De Four, president of the Association of Professional Engineers of Trinidad and Tobago, sees the need for establishment of a calypso development corporation and a steelband development corporation.

Addressing the association's annual banquet at the Trinidad Hilton on Friday night, Mr. De Four said the object of these two enterprises would be to train calypsonians and steelbandsmen into what he called "money earning professionals", to export music, instruments, records and talent to all parts of the world so that Trinidad and Tobago's calypso and steelband would become as well known as soul music.

Sir Hugh Wooding, Chancellor of the University of the West Indies, welcomed Mr. De Four's proposals as a great challenge.

The association's president called on members to make a greater contribution in their fields of employment.

In addition, Mr. De Four suggested that they should relate their professional practice to the specific needs of the community and they must not be content to leave the destiny of Trinidad and Tobago in the hands of businessmen, lawyers and adventurers.

The engineer, he felt, now had a greater responsibility than ever, because of the present technological need, to the challenge of the country's leadership.