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CONVERSATIONS REACH IMPORTANT STAGE

Western Envoys May Meet Again With Stalin For Final Decision

Obstruction Charge Brings \$50 Fine
Edward Turcotte pleaded guilty to a charge of obstructing a police officer in the course of his duties when he appeared before Magistrate W. D. Vance in police court Monday. He was fined \$50 and costs. He was charged with obstructing a constable executing a search warrant.

Russians Said Arming Border

MOSCOW (CP)—Observers are as much in the dark as ever today about the results of the latest talks between western power envoys and Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov although in informed western quarters it was said that Molotov had delivered an "extremely important" communication to Premier Joseph Stalin and that another meeting was to be held with Stalin for a "final" decision on matters in dispute. Western envoys had another meeting among themselves today.

REMAINED ON THEFT CHARGE

Gilbert Robinson, a native, appeared in police court Monday on a charge of theft. He is alleged to have taken \$900 from the room of another native, Alex Stephens, in a downtown hotel. Robinson was remanded without plea until Wednesday.

Churchill Busy Port

General Cargo Moving in and Wheat Moving Out
CHURCHILL—Two ocean boats are in the harbor here—the Empire Beatrice and the Essex Trader. The latter came over in ballast but the Empire Beatrice brought a cargo of glass made in Belgium for Regina, and Prince Albert, also a cargo of toys, art, silk, rubber, cards and elastic, carpets and brashware for Regina, Saskatoon and North Battleford. The boats started loading grain this morning and expect to leave Friday morning. The North Anglia sailed Monday afternoon with a cargo of wheat for the Old Country.

ALBERTA IN VOTE TODAY

Tamest Campaign in Province's History Comes to Close
EDMONTON—Alberta's general election today holds the answer to the Social Credit government's bid for a fourth term in office. The voters total 450,000. There are 173 candidates for fifty-seven seats. Social Credit has candidates in every constituency, the C.C.F. in fifty-one, Liberals in 49 and Independents in nine. A sprinkling of independent Social Crediters, Labor-Progressive and others complete the bill. If Social Credit gets the nod it will be the first Alberta political machine to obtain a fourth term. Voting was preceded by the "tamest" campaign in history.

SPY DRAMA SUSPENDED

Un-American Activities Committee Rises—Administration Charged
WASHINGTON D. C.—The United States spy drama went into a three-week intermission today as the un-American activities committee admitted failure in its hunt to find perjured witnesses. Meanwhile Senator Homer Ferguson, Republican-Michigan, struck out anew at the government's loyalty program, saying that several persons suspected of spy activities stayed in "sensitive" jobs "either through influence or neglect." Thomas charged President Truman with failing to reveal a spy ring in which arrests should have been made long ago.

Gov't To Get Test

Anti-Inflation Program in Embarrassing Position
LONDON—The government's plan to counter inflation by freezing wages and profits will meet a severe test in the next few weeks when wage increase claims amounting to \$120,000,000 will be considered. In spite of government appeals to labor for patience, claims on behalf of 4,500,000 workers, more than one quarter of the working population, have been put forward by their unions.

GREAT NORTHERN TRAIN DERAILED

RUGBY, North Dakota—Some thirty-six persons were injured when ten cars of a Great Northern Railroad's westbound Oriental Limited left the tracks last night near here. Only two were critically hurt.

BATTLE IN PALESTINE

Jews and Arabs Are Hard at It Again
ANNAM, TransJordan—Palestine Jews and Arabs today fought a big five-hour artillery duel. Official Annam sources charged that the Jews had used tanks and artillery to seize a government house last night in the Red Cross security zone south of Jerusalem. It was also said that Jews, disguised in United Nations uniforms, had attacked nearby irregular positions. Jewish forces heavily attacked Arab Legion positions at Deir Abu Tor in southern Jerusalem today and were thrown back "with several hundred killed," an official statement said. Reports said that the Jewish attack was supported by tanks, armored cars and automatic weapons.

Babe Ruth Succumbs

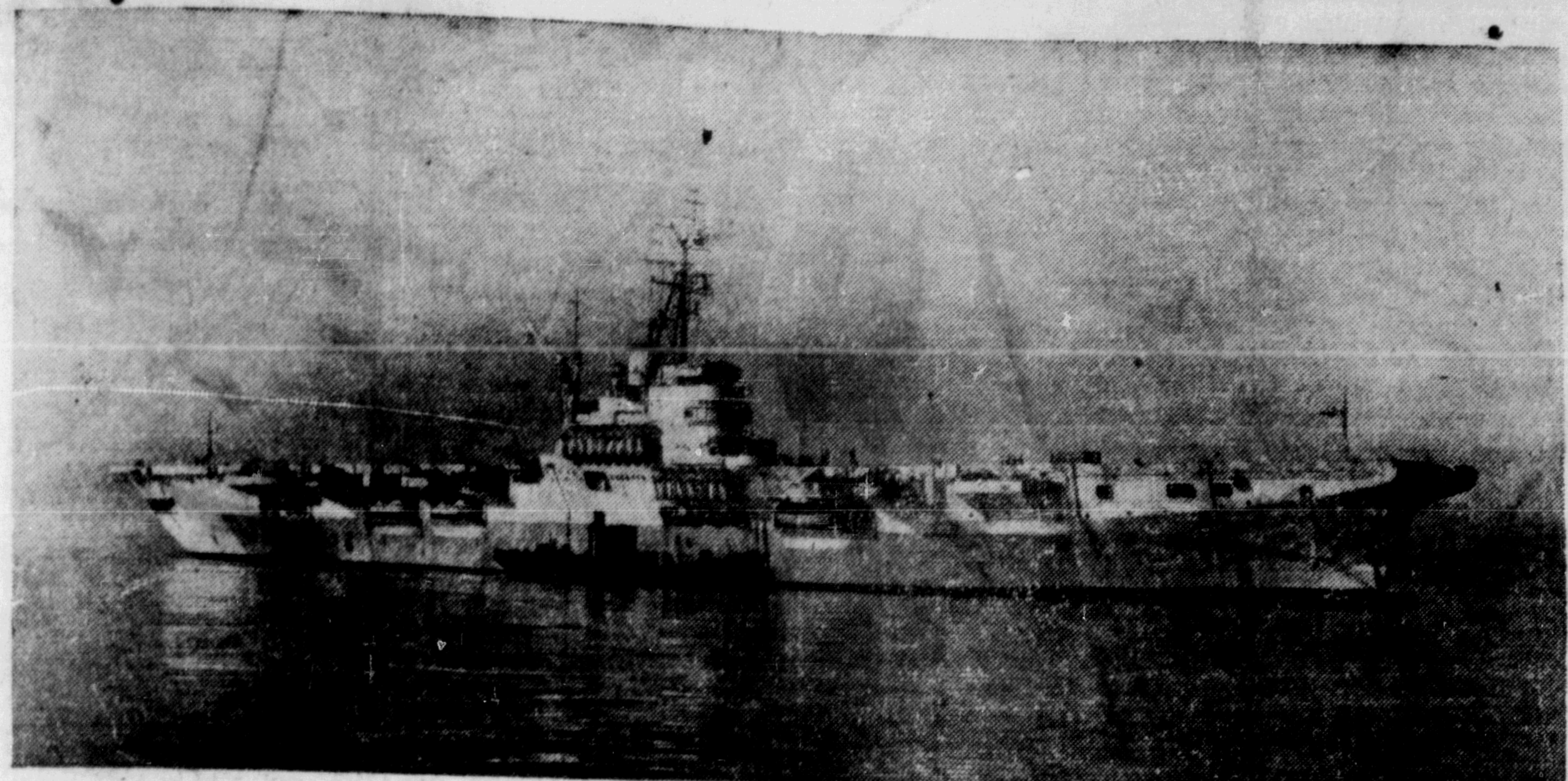
Greatest Baseball Player Dies of Cancer
NEW YORK—Babe Ruth, one of baseball's immortals, died last night. The once mighty Yankee slugger's death, his physician said, had been caused by cancer. The long-time Home Run King died less than two hours after the Memorial Hospital, centre for cancer and allied diseases, reported him "sinking rapidly." Last rites of the Roman Catholic Church were administered thirty minutes before his death. The priest, who administered the rites, said Ruth had been prepared for death since July 21. The great baseball player, whose full name was George Herman Ruth, had been ill for nearly two years. He was placed on the hospital's critical list last Wednesday when pulmonary complications, arising from a cold, set in. A left-hander, Ruth started his 22-year Major League career with the Boston Red Sox in 1914 as a pitcher and was one of the best of his day. Sold to the New York Yankees in 1920, Ruth was transferred to the outfield and became the greatest slugger the game ever knew. His record of sixty home runs for the Yankees in the 1927 season was never equalled. Released by the Yankees, Ruth wound up his playing career following a year in a brief two-month stint with the Boston Braves.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis
Clouds are drifting northward over southwestern British Columbia from a storm centre off the Oregon coast and conditions are expected to remain dull over the southern coast and Okanagan through Wednesday. Overcast skies will persist over the northern coast while clear, warm weather is expected over the rest of the interior.

Forecast
Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Northern Section: Overcast today and Wednesday. Occasional light rain Wednesday morning. Southern Section: Clear today and Wednesday. Winds light. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Wednesday—Port Hardy 50 and 63, Massett 53 and 60, Prince Rupert 50 and 62.

● **BASEBALL** ●
Sudden-Death Game
SAVOY vs. MERCHANTS
TONIGHT, 7 P.M.
for the
League Championship
If rained out game will be played Thursday night.



H.M.C.S. MAGNIFICENT—Canada's new aircraft carrier which is to make trip to Hudson Bay with destroyers Nootka and Haida.

ARSON CHARGE IS LAID AT OKALLA

VANCOUVER—A man in Okalla Prison Farm was today charged with arson in the \$40,000 fire which took two lives and injured thirteen persons at the British Columbia Forest Products bunkhouse at Youbou, Vancouver Island, on May 8. The man was not named. Police are also investigating a possible connection with two recent Vancouver Island fires which caused damage of \$3,000,000.

Baseball Scores

National
Brooklyn 6, Boston 2.
Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 2.
St. Louis 9, Chicago 7.
American
No games scheduled.
Western International
Spokane 4, Yakima 1
San Diego 6, Tacoma 5 (ten innings, exhibition)
Wenatchee 8, Sacramento 4 (exhibition)
Salem 6, Portland 4 (exhibition)
Only games.

Bulletins

NO POLIO IN CITY
"There is no polio in Prince Rupert," it was emphatically announced this afternoon at the office of the medical health officer. There had been a suspected case here last week but the announcement today indicated that it had turned out to not be poliomyelitis.

PACIFIC COAST SALMON PACK

British Columbia coast canned salmon pack for the season up to August 7 totalled 499,330 cases, the largest for the corresponding period of any year since 1945, according to the latest bulletin issued by the Chief Supervisor of Fisheries, Vancouver.
The pack on the Naas and Skeena Rivers was 210,802 cases, also the largest since the 1945 season.
Total sockeye pack for the coast to August 7 was 196,198 cases, of which 100,420 came from the Naas and Skeena.
Heaviest proportion of the season's catch to date has been sockeye, with pinks providing the second largest pack of 152,752 cases.
Salmon pack in the Naas and Skeena areas by varieties is as follows:
Sockeye, 100,420; pinks, 59,319; chums, 27,929; coho, 16,392; springs, 5,385; steelheads, 1,357.

B.C. PACKERS' PROFIT

VANCOUVER—British Columbia Packers Limited and subsidiary companies had a net profit of \$1,578,897 in 1947, it was shown today in the annual report. The profit was the largest in the ten-year history of the packing company and compared with the previous year's profit of \$644,346.

RETAIL PRICES HOLDING

VANCOUVER—Lifting yesterday of the ban on export of beef and veal to the United States sent Canadian market prices up 2c to 6c a pound Monday but indications were that dollar conscious housewives would not feel the pinch for a day or so.

KODIAK CANNERY FIRE

KODIAK, Alaska—A strong offshore wind today aided fighters in controlling a fire at the Kodiak Fisheries cannery at Port Bailey, 40 miles northwest of Kodiak. A United States Coastguard plane which flew to the scene reported no casualties. The fire broke out last night and the extent of damage is not yet clear. The pier area, where the cannery was located, was said to be in flames but the blaze was put under control. Fuel tanks and barracks were spared, it was indicated.



GILLNETTING—A gillnetter hauls in a catch of fine sockeye salmon. A typical scene during the sockeye river season. (Photo, Journal of Commerce)

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver	
Bralorne	7.00
B. R. Con.	.02 1/2
B. R. X.	.09 1/2
Cariboo Quartz	1.05
Dentonia	.01 1/2
Grull Wihksne	.03
Hedley Mascot	.37
Minto	.01 1/2
Pend Orelle	3.90
Pioneer	2.35
Premier Border	.02
Privateer	.17
Recevs McDonald	1.75
Reno	.08 1/2
Salmon Gold	.12 1/2
Sheep Creek	1.18
Taylor Bridge	.31
Taku River	.32
Vananda	.31
Congress	.03
Pacific Eastern	.05
Hedley Amalg.	.05
Spud Valley	.08
Central Zeballos	.01
Silbak Premier	.27
Oils—	
A. P. Con.	.15 1/2
Calmont	.39
C. & E.	5.60
Foothills	2.75
Home	7.95
Toronto	
Athona	.06
Aumaque	.15 1/4
Beattie	.60
Bevcourt	.37
Bobjo	.10
Buffalo Canadian	.07 1/2
Consol. Smelters	112.00
Conwest	1.20
Donalda	.62
Eldona	1.23
East Sullivan	2.55
God's Lake	.56
Giant Yellowknife	4.40
Hardrock	.21
Harricana	.06
Heva	.10 1/2
Hosco	.36 1/2
Jackknife	.04
Joliet Quebec	.41
Lake Rowan	.07
Lapaska	.04 1/2
Little Long Lac	.70
Lynx	.06
Madsen Red Lake	2.30
McKenzie Red Lake	.35
McLeod Cockshutt	.85
Moneta	.33
Negus	2.10
Noranda	49.00
Louvicourt	.56
Pickle Crow	1.87
Regcourt	.04 1/2
San Antonio	3.25
Senator Rouyn	.48

RATIONING OF BUTTER

Vancouver Wholesalers and Retailers Limit Sales—Hoarding in East
VANCOUVER—Butter rationing has been launched by city wholesalers in an effort to avert what experts fear may be a critical shortage here by December. City retailers are being rationed on a percentage of normal purchases. Customers are being limited to a pound a person. Otherwise stocks would disappear quickly.
A Toronto newspaper said today that "disreputable brokers" were preparing to hoard millions of pounds of butter in order to sell at \$1 on a black market.
The Prices Board at Ottawa said it would welcome any information in regard to butter hoarding.

LOCAL TIDES

(Standard Time)

Wednesday, August 18, 1948	
High	0:19 19.2 feet
	13:20 18.1 feet
Low	6:59 3.4 feet
	19:02 7.5 feet