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She already is being held without bond by immigration authorities who ordered her returned to Canada.

The dancer, also known as Ruth Friedman, was arrested Wednesday at a night club.

Douglas P. Illis, immigration agent, said she claimed Minneapolis, Minn., as her home but added she was born in Prince Rupert and entered the United States at St. Vincent's Minn., in 1949.

She said she claimed U.S. citizenship on returning from vacation in Cuba last June.

Another Douk Burning

Eden Seeks Agreement Over Suez

LONDON (CP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden said today that Britain wants to reach an agreement on the defence of Suez Canal which "would meet Egyptian aspirations."

Mr. Eden told the House of Commons that Britain's offer to negotiate with Egypt still stands.

NELSON (CP)—Royal Canadian Mounted Police are trying to determine if Doukhobor terrorists started a fire which last night destroyed a one-storey community hall at Brilliant near here. Gasoline-soaked sacks were found near the ruins of the hall which was owned by orthodox Doukhobors.

The building was destroyed in 1950 by Sons of Freedom fire raiders.

Change Secrets

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CP)—Dean Gogdon, dean of the Energy Commission, disclosed Monday night that exchange of atomic secrets "beneficial to the United States" has been carried out with Canada. He did not say what information was exchanged.

Information immediately arose that the exchange might involve Canada's famed "water" reactor described in most advanced design in the United States in the bomb project.

Mr. Gogdon said that "interchange" of information which has been made in the past few weeks, first with any since the United States Energy Act was amended to permit of somewhat restricted exchange of atomic secrets with "friendly nations."

Atomic Energy Commissioner emphasized, however, before letting down its bars the United States must be satisfied that "security of other nations is adequate" and that the exchange is "beneficial to the United States."

The law still prohibits giving information, he said, on the design and fabrication of atomic weapons.

In Ottawa the significance of the announcement at Washington that there has been an "exchange" of secret atomic information between the two countries is believed to be that the States information exchange is of importance in the United States hydrogen bomb project.

One big feature of it is that the river's unique heavy water or atom-splitting substance is likely to serve in many ways as a model for the H-bomb project.

Information Canada gets in the river project and may, in turn, be used to new facts and discoveries of value to United States in the H-bomb project. Canada is interested in because it might advance her military studies.

Three Hundred Million Aid Grant to Britain

Would Support Great Defence Program—Original Bid Cut in Half

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Canadian Press)—A \$300,000,000 aid grant to Britain "to support the United Kingdom defence program" was announced Monday night by Mutual Security Director W. Averell Harriman. Funds from the new \$7,328,903,976 mutual security act will be used almost entirely for "raw materials and components" purchased up to next July 1.

Britain had asked for \$600,000,000, pleading that, because of her current financial plight, the British defence program might have to be curtailed unless United States aid is forthcoming.

Harriman told the Senate foreign relations committee that, without a grant, "it would be necessary for the United States to reduce its defence program by more than twice as much." In the light of the fact that the British are now producing more military equipment than all other European NATO countries combined, it is considered particularly important that such reduction in its defence program should not have to be made, he said.

Mr. Harriman added that, as part of the arrangement for a grant, Great Britain had agreed to supply an equivalent amount in sterling currency to maintain her defence production program.

Parents Held For Killing

WINNIPEG—A verdict holding a Winnipeg couple responsible for bludgeoning and strangling their seven-year-old foster-daughter was returned Monday night by coroner's jury.

Witnesses told of strange events surrounding the death of Martha Louise McCullough, 51, former office manager for the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, and his wife, Lillian, 51, were jointly charged with murder.

The body of the girl was found last Friday surrounded by religious tracts in McCullough's Elmwood district residence.

A heavy squat bottle was found nearby.

A statement given the police by McCullough was read at the inquest, revealing how he and his wife allegedly beat and strangled the child to death "to drive the devil out of her."

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Charges Red Burma Strike

PARIS (CP)—Russia charged today that two American generals are commanding a shock force of Nationalist troops poised in Burma for striking against Communist China.

Jakob Malik, Soviet United Nations delegate, made the accusation after the United States had formally denied it had aided Chinese Nationalists in Burma.

Malik claimed seven American colonels and twenty seven majors were also attached to the Chinese Nationalist troops which took refuge in Burma after the fall of Chiang Kai-shek.

Vancouver Ship Fire

Looked Bad for While for Danish Freighter

VANCOUVER (CP)—The 4,666-ton Danish freighter Serampore was endangered Monday by a fire which smouldered for more than two hours in the cotton-laden hold. There was coughing from acrid smoke over the water front area.

Firemen prevented the flames from spreading to several hundred tons of copra stacked in the adjacent hold after they had located the flames by aiming a spotlight into the blinding curtain of smoke.

Assisted by the captain and first mate, the firemen blocked the smouldering flames by lifting scores of 500-pound wire bales of cotton to the deck. B.C. Johnson Walton Ltd., agents for the vessel, said damage done to 200 tons was not extensive.

The blaze is believed to have started from the sparks of an acetylene torch used in the hold by workmen repairing a ladder.

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Soviet Russia Makes Protest

LONDON (CP)—Russia, protesting for the second time in two months against formation of a Middle East defence command, charged last night it is a western attempt at the "encirclement of the Soviet Union and her Communist allies."

The Soviet deputy foreign minister, Andrei Gromyko, summoned representatives of the United States, Britain, France and Turkey, the four countries sponsoring the middle east proposal, to the foreign office in Moscow at half hour intervals and handed them identical notes.

"Formation of a middle east command is aimed at encirclement of the Soviet Union and peoples democracies, and is further widening plans for preparation for war," the note charges.

Housing Plan For Air Force

OTTAWA—Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation announces a \$9,000,000 project to provide accommodation for Royal Canadian Air Force training stations at various points on the prairies. About 870 units are planned and the estimated cost of each is about \$10,000.

Elizabeth on Her Way Again

LONDON (CP)—Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh arrived at the week-end from a visit to Sandringham and will leave Thursday for Nairobi, Kenya Colony, where they will spend a week before embarking from Mombasa for their tour of Australia.

67 Dead In Cairo

And \$100,000,000 Damage In Cairo Burnings

CAIRO (CP)—Five more bodies were found in the British Turf Club and Shepherd's Hotel today. High police sources bring to at least 67 the total of dead in Saturday's rioting and burning by mobs.

Fire brigades still play hose on ruins. Flames still flare from Shepherds.

The dead include J. McLeod Boyer, Canadian Trade Commissioner.

Business sources estimate fire losses will amount to \$100,000,000.

Cairo, still under martial law, was quiet today.

Strong squads of soldiers and police patrol the streets where charred debris from dozens of fires still stay untouched. Barbed wire barriers keep crowds back from major damage areas. Tanks and armored cars patrol the streets.

Apartment Fire Kills Seventeen

MINNEAPOLIS (CP)—Using axes to break apart ice-caked debris, firemen recovered today four bodies from the ruins of a four story business apartment house, razed by flames Monday.

Fire Chief Reynold Malmquist said his men expected to find the bodies of thirteen others from the tangled wreckage. That many are missing.

Braving thirteen below firemen worked throughout the night in the glare of a blazing battery of flood lights. Missing are six adults, two teen agers and nine young children.

Discount Alexander Named British Defence Minister

LONDON (Canadian Press)—Field Marshal Mount Alexander, former Governor General of Canada and one of Britain's most famous soldiers, was named today to assume the post of Defence Minister from Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Mr. Alexander will take over the ministry March 1. Meanwhile, Mr. Churchill will continue to hold the post.

Mr. Churchill returned to London Tuesday from his visits to Washington and Ottawa.

The sixty-year-old hero of World War II, whose grand strategy led the way for the defeat of the Axis in North Africa, returned Monday night from his Canadian post after holding the position for six years.

He has been replaced as Governor General by Vincent Massey, first native born Canadian ever to represent the crown in Canada.

The defence ministry appointment for Alexander had been expected.

Churchill took the portfolio when his Conservative government was returned to power last October. But it was predicted that because of the Prime Minister's age of seventy-seven and the pick some other candidate.

Mr. Alexander also has an honor coming, the Prime Minister's official residence said today. The King will elevate him from the rank of viscount to that of earl.

More Austerity in Britain; Imports Further Slashed—10,000 Civil Servants Out

LONDON (Canadian Press)—Great Britain will slash imports by another \$150,000,000 a year in an effort to solve its money troubles, Richard Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced today.

With cuts announced last November, this would represent total savings of about \$500,000,000 a year.

In a statement, heralding more austerity for near-bankrupt Britain, he said the allowance for foreign travel up to next November will be cut from \$50 to \$25.

Butler said that Britain's economic plight is so grave it threatens the stand of the free world against Communism.

"If we are to maintain our position and independence and stand on our own legs, we must pay our own way," Mr. Eden said.

Tobacco imports will be cut and restrictions placed on imports of clothing, shoes, toys, fruit and games.

About 10,000 civil servants will be dismissed and will have to find jobs elsewhere, probably in defence industries.

Today's Stocks

VANCOUVER	
American Standard	26
Bralorne	6.00
B R X	.04
Cariboo Quartz	1.20
Congress	.05
Cronin Babine	54 1/2
Giant Mascot	.98
Indian Mines	.22
Pend Oreille	8.50
Pioneer	1.82
Premier Border	.34
Reeves MacDonald	5.60
Reno	.04
Sheep Creek	1.67
Silbak Premier	.63
Vananda	18 1/2
Salmon Gold	.04
Spud Valley	.20
Silver Standard	2.56
Western Uranium	3.45

TORONTO	
Athlona	.09 3/4
Aumaque	21 1/2
Beattie	.20
Bevcourt	.74
Buffalo Canadian	.22
C M & S	200.00
Conwest	4.08
Donald	.49
Eldona	.20
East Sullivan	9.10
Giant Yellowknife	11.40
God's Lake	.38
Hardrock	.12
Harricana	.15
Heva	.10
Joliet Quebec	.51
Little Long Lac	.71
Lynx	11 3/8
Madsen Red Lake	.44
McLeod Cockshutt	2.75
Moneta	.36
Negus	.70
Noranda	83.50
Louvicourt	.28
Pickle Crow	1.57
San Antonio	2.50
Senator Rouyn	.20
Sherritt Gordon	4.55
Steep Rock	7.25

Prince Rupert Ship Loading Found Fast and Efficient

Grain loading on deep-sea vessels in Prince Rupert is more efficient and considerably faster than in Vancouver, a well-known grain loading specialist said here today, following departure of the French freighter Jean L. D. with more than 300,000 bushels of wheat.

The freighter was loaded in 17 hours "and we could have done better than that," said S. "Sandy" MacDonald, stevedore superintendent in charge of grain loading for Empire Stevedoring Co. Ltd. in Vancouver, average loading time is 26 hours, he said.

The Prince Rupert elevator is equipped with three "shippers." Most loading facilities in Vancouver have only two spouts. A slight breakdown in one of the shippers here delayed loading a few hours.

Mr. MacDonald arrived here to supervise loading for Pacific Stevedoring Co. Ltd., a local firm. He said the local men and elevator operators were "very efficient" both in loading and lining the ship.

The Jean L. D. was the first of three freighters to arrive here this winter unlined.

The freighter left early this morning with her cargo for Japan. The first French ship to dock in Prince Rupert, the Jean L. D. was built in Dunquerque 15 years ago and during the Second World War played an important role in British convoys.

She made more trips than any other freighter in the fleet and was awarded a military medal for meritorious service, said Capt. J. Batas.

Only one of her crew still on board who sailed with the ship during the war is Boatswain Eugene Le Henaf. On one occasion he was 19 months without leave, sailing continuously.

The freighter is operated as a tramp and on her previous trip made 14 calls which took her completely around the world which lasted nine months. After a short rest she sailed again last November. The 6500-ton tramp freighter arrived here from Japan.

Says Second Officer Amand Vasseur:

"I think we are about the only ship in the French merchant navy which is always on the run. But we meet a lot of nice people and I know we will take with us a very pleasant souvenir of Prince Rupert."

"The kindness of your people is most gratifying," he said eloquently.

Nine Dead in River Rampage

MARIETTA, O. (CP)—The rampaging Ohio River, which has already flooded out 8,000 persons and caused nine deaths, was held down a bit yesterday by freezing temperatures. But, while the freeze kept the river from reaching its expected crests, many persons who had planned to stay in the upper floors of their homes were forced to evacuate for loss of heat.

It is estimated 30,000 workers could not get to their jobs.

Production losses are expected to run into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"Areas where floods hit the hardest were from Steubenville, south to Wellsburg in West Virginia, where more than 2,000 fled from their homes; Wheeling in West Virginia where 2,000 more were chased out and in Marietta where another 2,000 were evacuated."

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"Because lots of Prince Rupert people fly in and out of here I think it is to our interest to see what can be done to get greater safety measures installed along coast airports."

Council agreed with Ald. Gomez and authorized City Clerk R. W. Long to write to DOE chief inspector of airways for further details regarding safety measures.

Ambulance Rates Here Increased

A substantial boost in ambulance rates was approved by city council last night, following a request by Prince Rupert Firefighters' Recreation Association.

Local rates are raised from \$5 to \$7.50 a call. Trips to Port Edward remain at \$10 but Miller Bay calls are increased from \$7.50 to \$10. City will deduct \$1 from each call to cover collection expenses and losses through bad debts.

Money from the calls goes into the firemen's recreation fund. City supplies the ambulance and its upkeep, but firemen answer calls on their own time.

By comparison, Vancouver rates are \$8 for calls within a five-mile limit.

More Defence Orders For British Columbia

Minister of Production Sees This as Canada's First Province in Expansion

VANCOUVER (Canadian Press)—British Columbia can expect an increase in defence orders during the coming year, Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe said in an interview here Monday. He said British Columbia had received defence orders totalling more than \$50,000,000 in the last nine months.

To line up further contracts and see what British Columbia industry will be able to produce, T. N. Beaupre, executive assistant to the minister of defence production and director of small industries, is accompanying Mr. Howe here.

Mr. Howe said that British Columbia is Canada's first province in expansion. "This is the brightest spot in the country and it has everything," he said.

With the continued flow of mild Pacific air into the province, temperatures will remain mild in all sections through both days. Regional forecasts valid until midnight Wednesday:

One Body Now Left

Only one body of the 36 people who died in the recent air crash at Sandspit is still unrecovered. RCMP here said today six more bodies had been found washed up on the beach yesterday. Prince Rupert based RCMP are conducting the search.

It is the searchers' belief that some of the bodies may have been washed from the plane wreckage which is reported breaking up by continued heavy seas and tides. It was believed that all but 13 of the lost crew and passengers had been able to leave the wreck which crashed into 15 feet of water off the Sandspit airstrip January 19. Seven passengers were saved.

Announcement On Milk Control

VANCOUVER—The Milk Board had no decision to announce regarding the dropping of retail price controls following a meeting here yesterday. It has authoritatively stated that the intention to drop the controls.

Lot Sales Approved

Following property sales were approved by city council Monday night:

Lot 18, block 30, section 8, to Leroy Becker for \$135.

Lot 7, block 1, section 2, to R. E. Mortimer on behalf of Kenneth F. Harding for \$400.

City Urges Crash Boats

Prince Rupert will seek to have crash boats located at Port Hardy, Sandspit, and at the water landing field here. Such a request will be forwarded immediately to the Department of Transport, city council decided last night.

Referring to the recent Sandspit DC4 crash in which 36 people lost their lives, Ald. Darrow Gomez said some safety precautions should be installed at airports "in case of another accident."

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Twelve Dead in Fiji Hurricane

SUVA, Fiji Islands (CP)—At least 12 Fijians and Indians were killed and hundreds injured in a 150-mile an hour hurricane which ripped across these South Pacific Islands yesterday. This is indicated in incomplete casualty lists.

This battered capital city on Viti Levu, largest of the British colony's 322 islands is without newspapers, electricity or industrial activity or radio service. Property damage is believed to total about \$3,000,000.

Mayor to Attend Course at Ottawa

Mayor Whalen was authorized by city council to attend a Federal civil defence orientation course at Ottawa from March 3-8. The offer, made by the Federal government, is open to candidates in official civil government positions of target areas.

All "out-of-pocket expenses" will be reimbursed by the government.

Library Asks \$6618 Grant

Prince Rupert Public Library will ask for city grant of \$6,618 this year. The request was referred to the finance committee for consideration in the estimates.

Following trade licenses were granted: T. J. Gowan, jeweller, and D. L. Jones, cleaning and mothproofing upholstery.

Legion Gets More Lots in Cemetery

Canadian Legion was granted 50 plots in the extension of Fairview Cemetery Monday night, and 50 more will be held in reserve. Loyal Order of the Moose will be allowed to purchase 50 plots.

President of Iceland Dies

REYKJAVIK, Iceland—Sveinn Bjornsson, President of Iceland, died yesterday at the age of seventy-one years. He was first elected in 1944 and was re-elected in 1945 and 1949 for a four-year term.

Weather

Synopsis
A series of Pacific storms moving from the southwest toward British Columbia are expected to cause fresh to strong winds and rain along the coast both today and tomorrow. Cloudy skies with only a little precipitation is looked for in the interior.

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GALE WARNING
North Coast Region—Gale warning continued. Nearly continuous rain today and tomorrow. Continuing mild. Winds—Southeast (40) becoming south (25) near noon today, increasing to southeast (40) and decreasing by morning to south (20). Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—At Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 40 and 45.