

# Key Growth-City Planning

## Girl, 23, Disappears From Flat

WELLINGTON (N.Z.) Sunday. — No trace has been found of 23-year-old university graduate Miss Alison Dinah Dunningham, who mysteriously disappeared nine days ago.

Police were informed on Thursday that she was missing from her flat in Wadestown, a suburb of Wellington.

The road in which the flat is situated runs parallel to the bush-clad slopes of Tinakori Hill and a full-scale search has been launched by police.

Her flat-mate left on October 25 for a Labor day holiday week end in the South Island.

The flat-mate returned last Tuesday and when Miss Dunningham had not appeared by Thursday police were notified.

Miss Dunningham, considered a brilliant scholar, already has her B.Sc.

## on Canberra Lines Urged

CANBERRA, Sunday. — A policy of concentrating public investment and planning skills at key growth points was advocated by the Australian Planning Institute convention today.

The policy was put forward as part of a national programme of urban development and decentralisation.

Mr. George Clarke, a Sydney consultant town planner, said the results of the past five years of planning and concentrated investment in Canberra could serve as an example to be emulated and bettered in other key locations.

For a start, three new city development projects could be considered. These might be at Townsville (Queensland), Tamworth (N.S.W.)

and Portland (Victoria).

Mr. Clarke said the United States Government had, in the past few months, officially recognised and adopted the long-urged policy of concentrating public investment at what economists and regional planners called "growth points."

"If Australian Governments follow this lead, then we may expect the creation of new and expanded cities that will play a part in some such national urban development and decentralisation plan and programme," Mr. Clarke said.

"When the need for such a programme is recognised, we will know we should follow Canberra's example and set up a body, or bodies, with powers, duties and personnel like those of the National Capital Development Commission.

"The commission should by now be more widely recognised as being of a similar quality, in its special field, to the Snow Mountains Authority.

"People commonly advocate, very persuasively, that the Snowy Mountains Authority should be transferred or enlarged to deal with northern problems. The same could well be argued for the N.C.D.C."

Mr. Clarke said planners in all Australian States were envious of the Canberra situation.

It was a system which reflected the highest current aspirations of community planning and design.



## Lonely 16,000-mile Sail to Home Port

Lonely voyager Mr. W. E. "Bill" Nance has arrived at his home port of Melbourne after sailing more than 16,000 miles from England.

Mr. Nance, aged 25, of Wallaby Creek, Kinglake West, said yesterday his passage from Albany, W.A., to Melbourne had been the fastest and most pleasant leg of his entire voyage.

A few weeks earlier, however, when rounding Cape Leeuwin, a gale capsized and "knocked down" his 26-foot yacht, Cardinal Virtue, and seven of his ribs were broken.

But the sloop, already famous because of the trans-

from Cape Town to Melbourne direct, but his yacht was dismasted in the Indian Ocean.

He sailed 2000 miles to Fremantle under jury rig.

["The Age" yachting writer Murray Davis will discuss Cardinal Virtue and Bill Nance's voyage in the column Boats on Friday.]

## Greek Ship Sails With Cuba Wheat

PERTH, Sunday. — The Greek freighter Yanxilas sailed from Albany, 260 miles south of Perth, about 5 p.m. today without incident for a port in Portuguese East Africa.

The Yanxilas is bound for Cuba with 12,000 tons of Australian wheat. She called at Albany for bunkers.

About two weeks ago at Newcastle, N.S.W., her master, Captain Antonios Natzigeorgiou, and crew refused shipping agents' orders to divert the wheat to Cuba.

Captain

## Entry Ban on N.Z.