



At the Charlottetown Y.M.C.A. circus last night Connie Davies (above left) and Marlon Clark (above right) are the centerpiece of the "Tableau of Physical Education" which serves as the finale. The opening performance was last night. And left Ginny Vessey performs a shoulder balance atop Janet Cerry, who does a knee and handstand on the shoulders of Jack Turner (left) and Bill Kingston.



Young Gov't Of Ancient China Crashes Diplomatic Big Time Next Week

By FRED HAMPSON
HONG KONG, (AP)—The peoples' republic of China—the Communist gargantuan of the East—crashes the diplomatic big time at Geneva next week as the very young government of a very old nation.
 China was old when Greece was in her glory. But Peiping is a new five years.
 The Chinese Reds praise Marx and Engels, Lenin and Stalin. But they also claim Sun Yat-Sen in their political ancestry. Sun led the revolution that overthrew the Manchus.
 Sun's revolution started in 1911. Once it split into loose federations, the war lords. That was where Chiang Kai-Shek came in. He headed Sun's armies and partly defeated the war lords and unified the country.
 Chiang made use of the Communists while doing this. That's about the only solid link Mao Tze-Tung's regime has with Sun Yat-Sen.
 But Sun is the great modern

restless, fat man. Mao looked at China's 400,000,000 peasants, many working for landlords. Instead of promising to strike off the chains of the industrial proletariat, he promised to give land to the landlords.
 Once in power, Mao turned into a bloody practitioner of the classless creed. The 1951-52 purge of counter-revolutionaries, the slaughter of the landlords, the crackdown on private owners, along with lesser eliminations, resulted in political killings possibly up to 15,000,000.
 A Chinese Red probably would say Peiping's greatest works were the purge of "the people's enemies," division of the land and the start of the five-year plan.
ROADS REBUILT
 A neutral observer in the Far East probably would give highest rating to the reconstruction of roads and railroads and the start of flood and erosion control, benefits that outlast politics.
 People looking at China from America or Europe are most impressed by the armed strength created by the Reds.
 The five-year plan is to build heavy industry and at the same time create a worker class. Every

ounce of strength goes into it. Even so, Peiping had to cut back targets by 30 per cent only two months after it started the plan last year.
 Russia is helping China build 141 key factories. The country is full of Russian technicians.
 If communism were thrown out of China tomorrow, three lasting benefits would be left behind.
 One is the railroads. The Japanese war and the civil war ripped up so many lines so thoroughly that in 1949 you couldn't even locate some of the roadbeds. Rail and ties had disappeared. Yet the Reds built them back in a few months and operate them well.
 They restored roads just as quickly and reduced China's chronic bandit troubles so that they could be safely used.
FLOOD CONTROL
 Peiping's flood control work is another undeniable boon. No land suffers so much from floods. The Reds tackled the toughest rivers with self-confidence. They say they have tamed the vicious Hwei, between the Yangtze and the Yellow. The Communists have possibly

Suggest Need For Disarmament Talks Urgent

By DAVE McINTOSH
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OTTAWA, (CP)—Disarmament talks are a matter of the "greatest urgency," Canadian officials said today.
 For that reason, the government is pleased that a sub-committee of the United Nations disarmament commission will start private talks Friday, even though Russia has given no indication that it has retreated from its year-old position which has made previous disarmament discussion fruitless.
 The sub-committee comprises representatives of Canada, Britain, the United States, France and Russia. The Canadian representative will be David Johnson, Canada's permanent delegate to the UN.
 External Affairs Minister Pearson said recently that private discussion within a sub-committee should present a better chance for progress. Canada is also a member of the 12-nation disarmament commission.
 Canadian officials regard disarmament discussion as particularly urgent now in light of the recent hydrogen bomb explosions and President Eisenhower's call for an international pool of atomic energy materials for peaceful purposes.

Won't Predict Chances
 But they declined to predict the chances of success. It was the same as any East-West meeting; if there was a will to make progress, something might be done.
 "We feel that the time urgently requires that a real attempt be made to see if any progress can

Brown Co. Pioneering In Finding Use For Wasted Hardwood Sulphite Liquor

PORTLAND, Me., (AP)—Stockholders of the Brown Company were told Tuesday that the big paper and pulp company is pioneering in furfural recovery—use of now-wasted hardwood sulphite liquor.
 President Laurence F. Whittemore said at the annual meeting that furfural, a synthetic chemical derived from natural sugars in hardwood, is used in manufacture of nylon and in purification of lubricating oils.
 A pilot plant has been operating for several months for study of recovery of the "absolute waste" product.
 All directors of the company were re-elected. Stockholders also voted to reduce the capital stock by 20 per cent.
 "It was hard to get down to cases while the Korean war was going on. Now there seems to be general agreement that there might be a better chance of something being done."
 Mr. Pearson has said Canada's views on disarmament tally exactly with those of other western nations; effective international control and inspection are essential to any disarmament agreement. Russian refusal to accept international inspection has been the great stumbling block to any agreement.
 "Inspection has the same importance today as it has always had," an official said. The West now will see whether Russia will change its mind on inspection.

by erasing 27,800 shares of \$3 stock—preferred cumulative stock, retired since April, 1952.
 The company reported a 1953 net income of \$3,050,896, compared with \$4,396,967 in 1952. Earnings per common share were \$1.04 in 1953 and \$1.09 in 1952.
SELLING PRICES DOWN
 Whittemore reported that in the last fiscal year the Brown Company and its Canadian subsidiary, Brown Corporation, showed a sale of 324,363 tons of pulp and paper products, compared with 297,336 in the previous year.
 "Average selling prices in the industry, however, were lower than in the preceding year, particularly for Canadian production," he said.
 "Consolidated dollar net sales, therefore, did not fully reflect the increase in tonnage sales, though they rose to \$67,197,203 from the \$65,638,483 of the preceding year."
 Whittemore said sales of the Canadian subsidiary were sharply affected by the continued low price prevailing for bleached kraft pulp.
 Leopold A. Renaud of Montreal, who said he represented 80,868 shares of common stock, expressed hope that in the future common stockholders might have a stronger voice in control of the company.
 The company has mills at Berlin, N. H., and La Tuque, Que.
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Sales In Simpsons' Stores Show Small Increase

TORONTO, (CP)—Sales in Simpson's department stores in the first quarter of 1954 showed a small increase over the same period last year. E. G. Burton, president of Simpsons, Ltd., said Tuesday at the company's annual meeting.
 The increase was in spite of a late Easter and late winter weather. It is estimated, however, that earnings for the first three months will be down slightly from last year, "mainly due to higher wage cost."
 The new Montreal store, an addition which doubles the size of the previous store, is expected to be completed in September.
 The London, Ont., store, opened this month, should also contribute greatly to future operating profits, and the Lawrence avenue service building in Toronto, now substantially in use, should bring economies in the latter half of the year.
 Recent excise tax reductions, Mr. Burton stated, should stimulate sales through lower prices, although price cuts made on goods on which tax had already been paid, would result in some immediate loss.
 Capital expenditure provision this year is \$1,785,000, compared with \$6,779,000 last year, and no further substantial capital expenditures are immediately contemplated.
 Mr. Burton said retail expansion of Simpsons-Sears, Ltd., in which Simpsons, Ltd., has a \$20,000,000 investment, is progressing rapidly and the first large store will be opened in Burnaby, Vancouver suburb, in May. Twelve other stores are being planned or built at present, seven of which probably will be opened this year.
 The last year had been one of considerable development expense in Simpsons-Sears, and a benefit from the expenditures could not be expected until a number of the new stores were in operation.
 G. Allan Burton, general manager of Simpsons' Toronto store, was elected a director, succeeding H. G. Colebrook, retired, and other directors were re-elected.
 Shares represented at the meeting totalled 2,232,000 out of 3,000,000.

HUNTER RIVER UNITED CHURCH W. M. S.

Mrs. S. S. MacLeod was hostess to the members of the Auxiliary of the W. M. S. at her home on April 1. The theme for this meeting was: "New Life Through Love."
 Mrs. MacLeod presided and opened the meeting with the call to worship. Hymn, "O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea," was sung. Scripture reading Matthew: 28: 1-10 and 16-20 was read. Meditation and prayer by the members in union.
 The Easter Thank offering was received and dedicated and Hymn, "When I survey the Wondrous Cross" closed the devotional period.
 The program in the Missionary monthly: "Relief for Korea" was carried out with Mrs. MacLeod as leader, assisted by Mrs. Lloyd Carew, Mrs. Ripley and Mrs. Seaman. It was decided to pack a box for Korea. Anyone wishing to donate to this worthy cause to bring same to the next meeting. Seventeen members and two visitors were present, one new member welcomed.
 Mrs. Matheson read an article on Temperance. Mrs. Carey read a letter from Mrs. Tait, Literature Secretary.
 A letter from Alma Inman was read by Mrs. Christie and one by Mrs. Bernard from Mrs. Howard. This letter was asking to send a name suggested by the Auxiliary of a member who would be suitable for a delegate to Berwick Camp, 60 home and four Hospital calls made. Five books were read. The May meeting is at the home of Mrs. John Craswell. Study for this meeting is the Book of

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