

Records Broken At Weightlifting Trials For Games

MONTREAL (CP)—Three provincial records and one Canadian record were broken Saturday at the eastern zone weightlifting trials for the forthcoming British Empire games in Vancouver.

In a 4 1/2 hour program that saw seven weight divisions compete, heavyweights Dave Baillie of Nova Scotia, Que., in the press movement lifted 321 1/2 pounds to better his previous provincial record by 10 pounds.

Later in the clean-and-jerk division he topped by 5 1/2 pounds a Quebec record by lifting 370 pounds. Octobere 1953 by lifting 370 pounds. In all Baillie totalled 980 pounds. Gerry Brillon of Quebec, Que., holder of all British Empire games middleweight, lightweight and middleweight records, established a new provincial clean-and-jerk light-heavyweight record, lifting 351 1/2 pounds, breaking his last year's effort of 347 pounds.

CANADIAN RECORD

Gratton, with a total of 900 pounds was 170 pounds ahead of his closest competitor. In the featherweight division Jules Sylvain of Quebec in the clean-and-jerk movement lifted 269 1/2 pounds, 1 1/4 pounds better than his earlier Canadian record of this year. He reached a total of 585 pounds.

Rosaire Smith of Drummondville, Que., took the bantamweight division with a total of 600 pounds, 10 pounds ahead of the second place winner Jean Croteau of Chicoutimi, Que.

The lightweight division saw promising Jean Dube of Quebec take first place with a total of 705 pounds. His closest competitor, Jean Fortin of Verdun chalked up 570 pounds.

In the middleweight division airman Rene Lake, attached to the RCAF at St. Johns, Que., with 725 pounds, while Keevil Daly, also with the RCAF at St. Johns, took the mid-heavyweight division with a total of 855 pounds.

Two Leading Red Playwrights Fall From Grace

MOSCOW, (Reuters)—Two leading Russian playwrights have fallen from the Kremlin's graces.

An announcement published in the Literary Gazette and Komsomol Pravda Thursday said Anatoli Surov and Nikolai Virta, who are in the top echelon of Soviet dramatists, were expelled by the writers union praesidium April 28. The expulsion followed the publication of newspaper articles severely criticizing their conduct.

Surov is best known for a bitter satire on former President Harry Truman called "The Mad Haberdasher from Missouri" and Virta is the author of a celebrated series of plays on anti-American themes. The announcement said that they and two minor writers, T. Gaisanov and L. Koborov, "committed a number of immoral and anti-social acts incompatible with the name of a Soviet writer." Gaisanov and Koborov were also expelled.

ANTI - SOCIAL CONDUCT

The writers union announcement declared that "neither high titles nor merits can justify the anti-social or immoral conduct of literary people. Soviet writers, guardians of the authority of their collective organization, will henceforth exclude from their ranks people who have stained the high name of a Soviet writer."

Expulsion from the union of Soviet writers means that no theatre is in future likely to accept any work submitted by either Surov or Virta.

The action follows a recent Soviet press campaign against both writers. Surov was named as "a habitual drunkard" recently by Literary Gazette, the Soviet writers' newspaper.

Komsomolskaya Pravda, Soviet youth newspaper, carried a long article recently hitting Virta's "cavalier way of life."

It described how Virta settled in a village in his native district and built a magnificent mansion. The youth newspaper pictured Virta regarding himself as "the squire" of the village, bullying local officials and taking no part whatever in local activities.

The moorlands of Montgomeryshire, Wales, were centres of habitation before the Bronze age.

Newsman Sees West Losing Decisive Cold War Battle With Fall Of Fortress

(William L. Ryan, Associated Press foreign news analyst, is touring Southeast Asia. He was in New Delhi when Dien Bien Phu fell. Ryan, who flew over the fortress while in Indo-China last month, tells here of the impact its fall has for Southeast Asia—and its implications.)

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

NEW DELHI, (AP)—The Western world has lost a decisive battle in the cold war with the fall of Dien Bien Phu. It marks the successful end of one phase of the Communist drive in Southeast Asia and opens a new one. But the outcome of the historic battle also raises the serious question of whether the West has not already lost the political war on the continent of Asia.

The fall of the isolated fortress, whose heroic defence has been watched anxiously by all leaders and governments in Southeast Asia, must exert a tremendous psychological effect. Those who are friends of the West in this vast strategic area now will be less and less willing openly to assert such friendship. For opportunists, and Southeast Asia has its full quota of political opportunists, Dien Bien Phu may well be the signal for a jump to what appears to be the winning side.

ENDS ONE PHASE

In Indo-China, Dien Bien Phu marks the end of one military phase. Monsoon rains have come. But the whole area of the Tonkin delta, nominally French controlled, remains in grave danger. All through the rainy season the Communists can harass the delta defenders at will in preparation for a rising which will come when and if the Communists find it politically expedient.

In the Delta area, there are 80 battalions—about 30,000 troops—of Vietminh, 15 provincial battalions which handle local defences and provide a pool for regulars; about 100 "district companies" of jungle fighters and infiltrators; some 50,000 Vietminh guerrillas.

HIDING UNDERGROUND

In Hanoi—and this by French high command calculations—there are several armed battalions in hiding underground waiting the signal for action. Thus the French hold on the vital area is most tenuous.

So far as Indo-China is concerned the Communists now are in the driver's seat. Any truce, cease-fire, or arrangement for ending the shooting leaves the Vietminh in a favored position. Ho Chi Minh's smashing victory can only enhance his political standing throughout Indo-China, where careful observers are certain he already could command a voting majority as a nationalist rather than a Communist leader. At the moment Ho seems a predestined winner in any political settlement reached in Indo-China.

GRAVE RESULTS

But the broader effect of Dien Bien Phu's fall is likely to be grave.

First, the fall of Dien Bien Phu clears the Communist decks for completion of the shift over from violence and military tactics to political and psychological, not only in Viet Nam but in all southeast Asia.

Second, the fall of Dien Bien Phu gives a boost to the morale of Communist movements elsewhere throughout southeast Asia and will make Red leaders bolder. They are certain to turn their full attention toward defeating any attempt to bring about a defensive grouping of southeast Asia states.

WEST DEFEATED

Dien Bien Phu meant this: the West as represented by France, a colonial power, chose to stand and invite a battle with an anti-colonial force, which is how Vietminh is widely regarded in Asia despite its obvious Communist domination. The challenge was met and the West was defeated.

Short of another Korea now, and all Asia dreads another Korea on this continent, it will appear to Asians that nothing can be done to stem the tide of Vietminh in Indo-China.

What can be expected now? All over Asia, except in Indo-China, Communist parties have been lying doggo, pulling in their horns, presenting themselves as champions of "united national fronts" against "imperialism."

This phase of the Communist drive began in 1952 when instructions went out to all Communist parties to transform themselves into the appearance of "patriots"

Smallwood Calls Fisheries Plan Biggest Job

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., (CP)—Premier Smallwood Wednesday described "the biggest job the government has ever tackled" as he spoke in a legislature debate during second reading of a bill to establish the fisheries development authority.

The proposed fisheries development, said the premier, "is the one big job left me in this life to lead the government that will make our fisheries and fishermen prosper." The bill, when passed, will enable the establishment of a three-man development authority with full control over developing, modernizing and centralizing the now-languishing fisheries.

The plan is for big modern plants at key points around the islands where towns will grow up. The authority, in many cases, will have control of community planning, churches, schools, hospitals and housing. As a result of this, said Mr. Smallwood, about 300 of the 500 settlements along the provinces northeast coast will disappear as the fishermen and their families move to new central points.

GREAT CHANGE

"The fisheries development program means economic rehabilitation for one-third of our entire population... the biggest change in the 450 years of the fishery." "Our fishermen today are the most backward of the whole globe, with the exception of parts of Asia... Our salt cod industry is doomed."

He said the northeast coast of the province was in the worst condition as far as fisheries were concerned and this new modernization scheme "would free them from centuries of slavery." The project, financed jointly by the federal and provincial governments, will begin this year at Lacle. Later other new centres will be established, he said.

agreed to shorter seasons on Atlantic salmon as one way to restore that fishery. His department believed the fishery could be revived as the salmon industry was on the west coast.

EAST BUSINESS IMPROVED

The east coast fishing industry was in a depressed condition last year but business had picked up. The market for salt cod had been strengthened with sales to Korea and Greece and it was hoped that sales in the Mediterranean area would result in further improvement.

Canada was anxious that territorial waters be extended beyond the present three-mile limit. It was for this reason the government kept trawlers 12 miles out and permitted dragnets to fish inshore waters.

He said Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Quebec have

Sliced Bacteria May Be New Aid In Cancer Study

PITTSBURGH, (AP)—Sliced bacteria, cut something like baloney, may be a new aid in the study of normal and cancerous growth, a Princeton University scientist said today.

Dr. George B. Chapman, describing the first successful preparation of germ slices thin and stable enough to allow real study with an electron microscope, said the technique already has provided new information on cell division — one of the basic mechanisms of all growth.

He told the Society of American Bacteriologists in a prepared paper that bacteria only 1-25,000ths of an inch around and only three times that long have been sliced lengthwise, as thin as 1,250,000th of an inch.

The bacteria, imbedded in plastic, were attached to a rotating wheel brought to bear against a stationary knife. That's the reverse of most butchers' meat slicers and while, in effect, the bacteria are sliced like baloney, the slicing is done lengthwise instead of crosswise.

PARTIONING CLARIFIED

Chapman said studies of these slices with science's super-sleuthing electron microscope disclosed new information. When a single-celled bacterium, for instance, undergoes a kind of pinching — in process which eventually results in there being two germs instead of one, only a single layer of material is involved in the "partitioning" process. Formerly it was believed there were two such layers.

The scientist declared such findings represent contributions towards better understanding of the basic nature of the growth process — a process he said holds the answers to such questions as "what makes a cell divide when it does divide and what makes some cells divide faster than others, as in cancer?"

And with the new technique, "we hope to learn more about the bacterial nucleus central core so that ultimately there might be better means of attacking bacteria."

SOUTH GRANVILLE W. I.

Misses Alexandra and Annie Keir were hostesses to South Granville W. I. on Wednesday evening, May 5.

Sven members and three visitors were present. Members decided to present variety concert again, practice to

Harpooning Whales From Helicopters To Be Discussed

OTTAWA, (CP)—Canadian fishermen soon may be harpooning whales from the air.

Fisheries Minister Sinclair said in the Commons Friday that the possibility of harpooning whales from helicopters will be discussed in Tokyo at the next meeting of the 17-country international whaling convention.

He said during discussion of his department estimates that helicopters now are used to spot whales but international regulations prevent harpooning. Any decision to permit harpooning from helicopters was expected to help Canadian whaling operations at the Cold Harbor, B.C., station.

Members of all parties representing east and west coast constituencies complimented the minister on his 50-minute review. Angus MacInnis (CP—Vancouver Kingsway), among others said it was the best speech he had heard by a minister in a long time.

Mr. Sinclair said the government is trying to promote new markets for Canadian cod in the Mediterranean area. A likelihood also appeared that another Commonwealth country—he did not mention which—would buy British Columbia salmon.

Space Driven Thru Solid Matter by U. S. Scientists

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP)—Two University of California scientists announced Saturday they have driven space through solid matter, the reverse of what usually takes place.

The space was an electron, which in this case was simply the absence of an electrical charge where one should be. They moved this blank space or hole from one orbit to another around the nucleus of a germanium atom.

It was done by Prof. Charles Kittel and Prof. A. F. Kip of the physics department. The experiment may be of value in learning more about the fundamental properties of matter.

LYTTELTON RETURNS HOME

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SOVIET TRAWLERS SAIL

CUXHAVEN, Germany (AP)—A flotilla of 19 new Soviet fish trawlers, just completed in a Baltic yard, passed this North sea port Sunday en route to the Black Sea. German shipping authorities reported. The trawlers were built in the Soviet-controlled port of Koenigsberg Lainingrad, the former German shipping base.

YORK ALPHA W. I.

The regular meeting of the York Alpha Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Frank Watts on May 4. Meeting opened with the Island Hymn followed by collect in union.

Roll was answered with "my most embarrassing moment" by 15 members. Four visitors were also present. Discussions were held on entering the School in the Rural Beautification and what new work should be undertaken and of hiring the Music Teacher for another year. A committee of five women were appointed to attend school

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