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CANADA NEWS:

The Atomic Energy Development Centre at Chalk River, Ontario, is visited by the Duke of Edinburgh during his short tour of Canada. This huge plant is the most closely guarded project in the country, and few details have been released about its work. Visitors usually have to wear rubber boots and special white coats, but, for the Duke's visit, the whole plant has been scrubbed with soap and water to an accepted degree of safety. The Duke, whose knowledge of atomic science is considerable, spends three and a half hours touring the centre.

After a glimpse of the man isotope-production laboratory, the royal visit ends, and His Royal Highness is checked by geiger-counter for atomic radiation. Then begins the return journey to Ottawa.

Meanwhile at Vancouver, the British Empire Games are to be opened. 352 athletes - these are the Australians - march in a great parade past the former Governor-General of Canada, Earl Alexander, now Britain's minister of Defence. This is the Canadian team.

A crowd of 25 and a half thousand cheer the English team who provide some of the biggest star-athletes taking part in the Games. 24 Commonwealth teams are entered. Wearing their traditional shirts are the Fijians. Other long distance travellers are these from the Gold Coast.

As the teams assemble in the centre of the arena. Earl Alexander declares the Fifth Empire Games open. His short speech is followed by a triumphant fanfare -

And now for the sport. Here's the women's hundred yards with Australia's Marjorie Jackson quickly jumping into the lead on the far side. Marjorie who won two gold medals in the Olympic Games at Helsinki, is followed home by fellow-Aussie Winsome Cripps. Marjorie's time was only 10.7 seconds, a strong following wind prevents it being accepted as a new Empire Games record. High-spot of the men's racing is the six-miles. Although England's Gordon Pirie can't be here, three countrymen, Peter Driver, Frank Sande and Jim Peters, look the best of a brilliant bunch. Content to keep at the back for the moment, is Jim Peters.

Now Peters has moved up into fourth place. Driver and Sande are setting the pace in front. The order's now Driver, Sande, and Peters, with the rest way behind. As they come round into the last lap, Peter Driver opens up - he's almost sprinting it. Sande's clocking fast time, but Driver's pulling away even faster. It'll be a record time all right.

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And it's Driver victory. His time of 29 minutes, 9.4 seconds smashes the previous Empire Record - a glorious triumph for England.
