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TOMORROW'S TIDES—

November 2, 1952	(Standard Time)
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Large Northern Rail Link Completed After 40 Years

Old-Timers Drive Home Silver Spike

Giant Celebration Tops Prince George Ceremony

Special to The Daily News

PRINCE GEORGE.—The last spike was driven today in the government-owned Pacific Great Eastern Railway to link Prince George with Quesnel.

The ceremony took place at Ahbau Bridge, tiny flagstop named after an old Chinese placer miner.

Completion of the 82-mile link brought to realization a connection started 40 years ago and brings closer the day when the grain and oil riches of the Peace River and the coal and ore of northern B.C. and the Yukon will pour through this city on the way to world markets.

On hand to witness the history-making ceremony by two colorful pioneers were Premier W. A. C. Bennett, his cabinet, J. A. Kennedy, general manager of the PGE, and a crowd of more than 500.

SILVER SPIKE

The \$13,000,000 link was completed when smiling John Anderson Fraser, 86-year-old Quesnel resident, and L. C. Gunn, an exploratory engineer who has lived in this district since 1907, hammered home a silver spike to make the link official.

A special train carrying 300 oldtimers and city residents left here early this morning for the "last spike" ceremony and joined the government officials at Ahbau.

Mr. Fraser, who came to the Cariboo 61 years ago, is a former member of the B.C. Legislature, serving two terms as a Progressive Conservative party member.

After brief speeches at Ahbau following the spike-driving ritual, the two trains—one bringing the official party, the other with oldtimers and other "PGE fans"—returned to this city to join an estimated 10,000 citizens in a giant celebration.

GIANT CELEBRATION

More than 1,000 visitors were in the city. There were three brass bands which met the inaugural train at the CNR station here.

Premier Bennett and his party were first to alight and after a spontaneous welcome, the Junior Chamber of Commerce-sponsored parade moved up First Avenue and headed through the centre of town to the Civic Arena for the official

Miners Sign New Contract

WASHINGTON (CP)—John L. Lewis and hard coal operators signed a new contract today raising the wages of 65,000 anthracite miners at \$1.90 a day, effective Nov. 16.

The new contract is subject to approval by the Wage Stabilization Board which recently chopped 40 cents off a similar agreement reached by Lewis and the soft coal industry.

Welterweight Fighter Scores

NEW YORK (CP)—With blood streaming from his left eye, Johnny Bratton overpowered Joe Miceli in a sizzling welterweight brawl last night to score a technical knockout in 18 seconds of the eighth round at Madison Square Garden. Bratton weighed 148; Miceli, 146.

This Report on Flying Saucers Has Authority, Says Relative

MONTREAL (CP)—A man telephoned the Montreal Star today to report seeing five flying saucers at 7:45 a.m.

They were flat, shiny and travelling like jet planes but without sound.

They were up about 10,000 feet.

"Have you ever flown?" asked the reporter on the Star end of the telephone.

"No, but I can judge height," came the reply. "I had a brother-in-law in the air force."



TORONTO PUBLISHER—Harry Comfort Hindmarsh started as a reporter with the Toronto Star in 1911 and rose to become president on the death in 1948 of the paper's founder, Joseph E. Atkinson. He began his career with the Detroit News and was with the Toronto Globe before joining the Star. Made city editor in 1913, he became managing editor in 1928. He was born of Canadian parents in Bismark, Mo., Jan. 13, 1887, and lived for a time in St. Thomas, Ont. He was educated at the University of Toronto. (CP Photo)

Loggers Want Drink in Camps

Call For Canteens, All-Night Liquor Stores

VANCOUVER (CP)—A brief presented Friday to the Liquor Inquiry Commission by the "Loggers Local," 171, of the IWA, asked for all-night liquor stores, light lunches in beer parlors, liquor in cafes and canteens in most logging camps.

It was read before the commission by union secretary Fred Fieber, who said he spoke for 5,000 loggers.

"The loggers drink in excess, not because they are loggers, but because they are isolated for long periods from access to liquor," he said.

WANT CANTEENS

For this reason, loggers wanted canteens serving liquor in all except specially isolated camps. At these camps, they believed the question of canteens should be studied by management and labor.

"All-night liquor stores are essential, Mr. Fieber said, because "loggers often arrive in town after the liquor stores are closed and they have no alternative but to go to the bootleggers."

"Canteens in camp would cut down the logger's tendency to overindulge when he hits town," he concluded.

NO NEW LICENCES

In Victoria, the provincial government announced it will not issue any new club liquor licences until after the new liquor legislation is framed at next year's session of the Legislature.

Attorney-General Robert Bonner said the ban on issuance of club licences will continue. The ban was instituted in April, 1951, by the former government.

"Until the new liquor legislation is framed, the government feels it would be improper to grant any further licences," Mr. Bonner explained.

Power Lack Shuts Down B.C. Smelter

TRAIL, B.C. (CP)—Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company laid off 120 men Friday as a direct result of low water in the Kootenay River which has cut power available to the smelter.

The company announced a 25 per cent reduction in zinc production and reported mines shipping zinc concentrates to Trail have been advised a similar cut in concentrates which will be accepted.

The company expects the power situation to remain serious for several months.

Man Who Joined Police Here Returns to Head Detachment

A hefty six-foot man who joined the old B.C. Police force in Prince Rupert 20 years ago returned today to take over as head of the city detachment, RCMP.

He is Sergeant H. L. (Harry) Norman, who arrived on the Princess Louise to take over from

Cars Derail, No Injuries

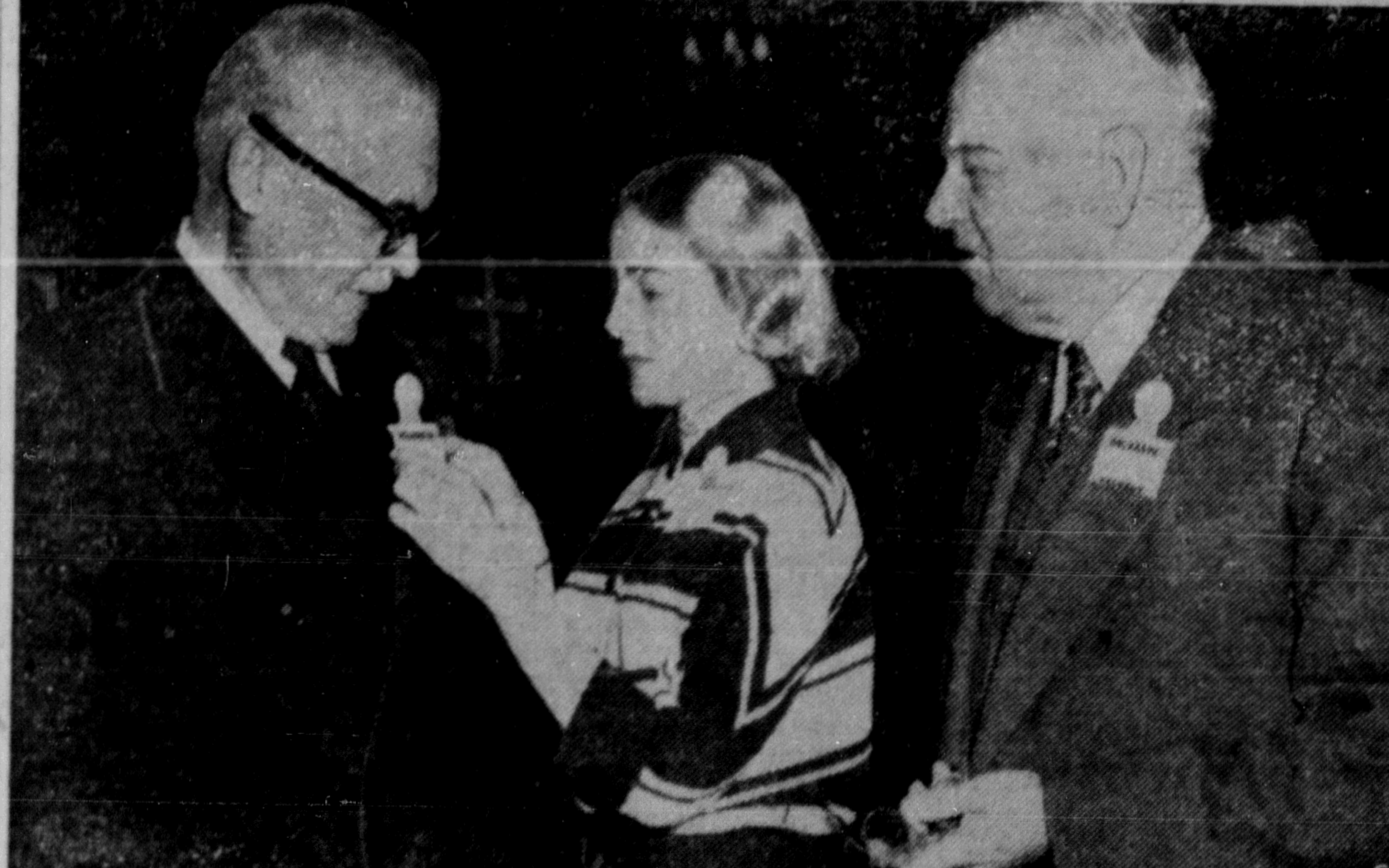
VANCOUVER (CP)—An engine and two passenger cars of Canadian National Railways train were derailed with Vancouver city limits Friday. Company officials said no one was injured.

Deralement occurred where the CN and Great Northern lines join on a single track used by both lines between Vancouver and New Westminster.

HOCKEY SCORES

WIL: Tacoma 6, Vancouver 3; Saskatoon 3, Edmonton 6; Seattle 4, Victoria 8.

OSHL: Vernon 3, Penticton 6.



AT CONVENTION—Prime Minister St. Laurent receives his badge for the annual meeting of the advisory council of the National Liberal Federation of Canada at Ottawa. Huguette St. Amand, 28, of Hull, Que., pins the badge on his lapel. At right is Allan L. Woodrow of Toronto, who presided at the meeting. (CP PHOTO)

German Man-Wife Journalist Team Tours Canada to Debunk Travel Folder Stories

A German man and wife freelance journalist team currently on a six-month tour of Canada say this country is the "foremost land of opportunity."

But Mr. and Mrs. Vitalis Pantenburg of Cologne, who stopped briefly in Prince Rupert yesterday en route to Kitimat and Kamano Bay, deplore the practice of transportation companies who paint "too rosy" a picture of Canada.

Many of the pamphlets put out by shipping companies lead us to believe that immigrants can pick dollars off the street in this country," said Mr. Pantenburg last night in an interview at the home of Hugo Kraupner, city business man.

"It is our intention to illustrate to the people in West Ger-

many by our articles in newspapers and magazines, radio lectures and public meetings just what Canada is like.

"I mean," Mr. Pantenburg added hastily with a grin, "what we can see of this huge country in our short trip of six months."

The Pantenburgs, both authors of many literary works in German, are widely travelled. They are in Canada under a special permit of the Department of external affairs.

They are making their cross-country tour by car, a four-cylinder German-made Ford, followed by a trailer.

The car they left in Vancouver, arriving here by plane yesterday. Last night they left by

boat for the site of the new Alcan project where they expect to stay for a few days.

Their trailer is at Edmonton, from where they made the circuit of the Alaska highway, returning to Prince George via the new Hart highway, then to Vancouver.

TAKE MOVIES

As well as taking many notes of their impressions, the man-wife team is taking 35 mm. motion pictures. This particular phase of the trip is sponsored by the department of education of West Germany and the films will be shown in that nation's schools, as well as public theatres "to show graphically how you people live."

IMMIGRANTS

Mr. Pantenburg said West Germans are "very keen" on migrating to Canada.

"We believe that Canada is in the forefront as a country of development.

"It is a young country which needs much more population. People of northern and central Europe are especially fitted to be integrated within the present Canadian nation."

He said, too, that immigration authorities should be very careful to get only the best of immigrants to the country—people of high standards of education and living.

Mr. Pantenburg, who is 51, but looks much younger, has recently published two books for boys, one being fantasy-realism story of the Arctic, translated title being "The Shortest Paths Across the Pole."

ROBUST WIFE

Mrs. Pantenburg, who writes under her maiden name of Kattwinkel, is a big, robust woman who started a career in medicine but gave it up to become a journalist and work with her husband, to whom she has been married 15 years.

Neither of them have ever worked for newspapers, but have written for many of them.

"We are free-lancers and we enjoy our freedom," Mrs. Pantenburg said. "We travel together as much as possible. We have no children."

The authoress said that during the Second World War, the two were separated most of the time; following war's end, "there were such hard times that we were mostly starving. I lost 60 pounds in a year."

LIKES B.C.

Mrs. Pantenburg, who with her husband has picked up a very understandable English in their four months' stay here, has her heart set on British Columbia.

"We hope very much to be back here. We love your mountains and tall trees, the moderate climate."

The gathering at Mr. Kraupner's home included J. C. Glicker, president of Prince Rupert Citizenship Council and J. A. McNaughton, inspector in charge of immigration here.

Both found it easy and most interesting to converse with the Pantenburgs.

The couple will tour Vancouver Island before heading east on the last leg of their journey.

City Celebrates Witches' Night Safely and Sanelly

The youth of Prince Rupert received praise from all sources today for the safe, sane celebration of Hallowe'en.

There were no reports of vandalism. The fire department was not called out all night. The ambulance remained in readiness without receiving a call.

No one was taken to hospital and the police did not have to arrest one juvenile.

Only activity at the police station concerned arrest of two men on charges of over-imbibing and two others for selling liquor.

Otherwise the city celebrated happily with dozens of parties and dances.

BONFIRES

The Kinsmen Club bonfires were a huge success. As one member said: "There were so many kids, I don't know what happened. All I know is we lit off a lot of rockets and aerial bombs and still they clambered for more."

Most noticeable sign that Hallowe'en had been enjoyed by the young citizens were the soap-marked windows all along Third Avenue and many places on Second.

The WEATHERMAN Says

Synopsis

Storms and gales are developing on the north coast. These strong winds herald the approach of an active Pacific storm. Rain will spread slowly southward along the British Columbia coast today, reaching the lower mainland early tomorrow. Cloudiness will decrease throughout the interior today but will return tomorrow as the storm moves inland. Temperatures will be somewhat warmer tonight in most regions, with little change expected in maximums tomorrow.

Forecast

Gale warning in effect. Rain today, cloudy with showers tonight and Sunday. Little change in temperature. Wind southeast 20, except 35 in exposed areas, shifting to southwest 25 by evening. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 40 and 50.

Rocket Kills Wife

Old Mother By Fireworks

PRINCE GEORGE.—A sky rocket exploded over after a fuse ignited Friday night, killed a 27-year-old woman who stood, her baby in her arms, watching a Hallowe'en display.

The woman died on arrival at the hospital. She was Mrs. George A. Smith, a Canadian dressmaker who was standing beside her when the explosion occurred and caught her in the arms.

She and the six-year-old child were uninjured. There were reports of other persons watching in Central Park, in Burnaby.

The sky rocket exploded, penetrating the woman's skull.

The woman was carried to the ground here and pronounced dead at the speed of light, called to her attention to you, dear?"

FOOTBALL

Results of soccer matches in United Kingdom to-

British League

- Barnley 3, Port Vale 2
- Blackpool 2, Liverpool 2
- Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, Manchester City 2
- Sunderland 5, Charlton Athletic 1
- Charlton Athletic 1, Newcastle United 1
- Preston North End 0, Wolves Wanderers 2 (tie)
- Chelsea 1, Wednesday 1
- Sheff Wed 1, Aston Villa 4
- Manchester City 1, West Bromwich Albion 0
- Birmingham City 1, Bury 0
- Sheff Wed 3, Everton 0
- Hull City 1, Doncaster Rovers 4
- Lincoln City 3, Swansea 2
- Southampton 3, Rotherham 1
- Rotherham 1, Birmingham 3
- Huddersfield 0, Huddersfield 3
- Ham United 3, Ham United 3

Scottish League

- Aberdeen 5, Motherwell 2
- Partick Thistle 2, Raith Rovers 3
- Dundee 2, Hearts 3
- Rangers 3, Queen of the South 1
- Mirren 1, Celtic 0
- Hibernian 0, Hibernian 0

B.C. (CP)—A fire started Aug. 27 at a bakery here was extinguished by 38 inside emitters and 38 outside emitters.

Return to work on Monday was announced by Donaldson, bakery manager.

Will receive a wage increase of 40 cents a week. They are demanding an increase of 50 cents a week and the company has offered 33 cents.

Elephants Decide Winner in Tug-of-War Draw

PRINCE GEORGE (AP)—A jungle tug-of-war between a giant elephant and a fully grown python drew villagers from miles around in the Manchik forest reserve near here, tribesmen had seized the elephant by a hind leg and, himself to a tree, started a fight to the death.

The python "swallowed" the elephant's leg, came a deadlock. The elephant couldn't move and couldn't swallow any more.

When the python stepped in, hacked the python to pieces and freed the elephant. Years ago in the same forest, villagers watched a tug-of-war between a giant python and a fully grown elephant. The outcome was the same that time.