

### Two IRA Deaths In Latest Raids On Northern Ireland

BROOKBOURGH, Northern Ireland (AP) — Police said two Irish Republican Army men were fatally wounded Monday night during a heavy machine-gun and grenade attack on a police barracks in Northern Ireland. The attack took place only four miles from the home of Prime Minister Lord Brookeborough. The second and third fatalities suffered in the latest outbreak of shootings, bombings and dynamiting near the border of Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic. Ulster district Police Inspector Jim Walsley said the bodies of the two raiders were found near their abandoned truck about six miles from the police barracks where the 10-minute attack took place. Walsley said none of six constables inside the barracks was injured. About 25 raiders struck with Sten guns and grenades and police answered with Bren guns. Police struck two truck loads of men stopped in front of the barracks. The men, with their faces blackened, jumped out and began spraying the building with bullets. More than two dozen hand grenades were thrown at the building but many failed to explode. After the attack the men drove away.

Latin America (AP) — In many Latin American lands, 1957 will be a year of trial. Bolivia is in economic straits. In Argentina Gen. Pedro Aramburu's regime has set elections for the last quarter of 1957. Gen. Alfredo Stroessner's strongarm regime in Paraguay recently shipped scores of opponents into exile. Brazil had a healthy surplus in foreign trade but inflation is out of hand. Mexico's dollar reserves are the largest in years, and foreign trade is nearer balance than since war days.

SCOTTISH SCENERY — The Glenasmole Falls in the Scottish highlands, which drop 370 feet, are the highest in the United Kingdom.

TIMES SQUARE PACKED — NEW YORK (AP) — A boisterous crowd of an estimated 450,000 persons jammed into the Times Square area to greet the arrival of 1957. Chief Police Inspector Thomas A. Nielson said the figure topped last year's crowd by 50,000.

TAKEN FOR I.R.A. — BELFAST (AP) — Four persons returning from a New Year's church service were wounded by gunfire Tuesday when their auto ran into a road block set up to trap Irish Republican Army extremists. Police said the driver failed to heed warning signals.

China-Southeast Asia — HONG KONG (AP) — Weak nations of Southeast Asia who put their trust in Red China face a year of troubled decision. Indonesia's situation is one of uncertainty and confusion. Malaya can look forward to independence by next August. Singapore will probably engage in new independence talks with Britain in February. Hong Kong, another Crown colony, enters the new year booming with confidence. Thailand will remain in the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO). It wants more trade with Red China.

Japan, Korea — TOKYO (AP) — Japan in 1957 emerges again as one of the world's leading nations. Its voice under a new premier is heard for the first time in the United Nations. A drive for markets is certain to pound doors of nations restricting Japanese imports. A strong defence posture will continue in the republic of Korea. No reduction in the 21 Korean and two U. S. divisions is expected.

South Asia — NEW DELHI (AP) — The countries of South Asia dream of a bright economic future and hope the world situation won't spoil it. Economic planning in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Burma, Afghanistan and Ceylon covers such things as steel mills and railroads, sanitation and plentiful food, commerce.

REGENT — TODAY 2:00 - 7.15 - 9.15  
TROUBLE ALWAYS CLUNG TO JUBAL... LIKE A WANTON WOMAN!  
GLENN FORD ERNEST BORGNINE ROD STEIGER  
CIVIC STADIUM  
Hockey Tonight (Doubleheader)  
8:00—ALBANY vs. R.C.A.F.  
9:45—ALBERTON vs. FREETOWN  
(Sudden death playoffs)  
Admission 50 and 25.

### Dr. Valdmanis Paroled After Serving Term In Fraud Case

MONTREAL (CP)—Mr. Smith, a silent figure with an interesting past, stepped from an aircraft here early Tuesday when the city was celebrating. There was a slight mix-up in arrival time, so no one was at the airport to greet him. He made a telephone call, then carried his briefcase and small suitcase to the door of the terminus and waited for friends. Trans-Canada Air Lines passenger lists showed the arrival simply as A. Smith. But he was Dr. Alfred Valdmanis, 49, who Monday was paroled from the Newfoundland and prison where he was serving a \$200,000 fraud sentence. "I have no statement whatever," Dr. Valdmanis told a reporter. "Please don't ask me questions because I won't answer them." Plans? "I have no plans now," said Dr. Valdmanis, in a polite but firm voice. Then he wished the reporter a hearty happy New Year—it was only an hour past midnight—as he stepped from the aircraft.

### Damage To Timber From Storm Heavy

TRRO (CP) — Nova Scotia's largest private woodlot owner says timber damage from Sunday's 100-mile an hour gale "will be heavy." Senator C. G. Hawkins of Millford Station, who owns nearly 40,000 acres of woodland, said following a survey of his property that while losses won't be disastrous they will still be heavy. However, it couldn't be compared to the 1954 hurricane Edna which destroyed 200,000,000 board feet of standing timber. There has been no estimate yet on the overall damage suffered in the forest storm that whipped up the province in a sneak attack. Lobster fishermen are still surveying damage to set traps and shore equipment that was battered—and often splintered—in the gusts.

### Saar Becomes Part Of Germany On Historic Day

S A A R BRUECKEN, Germany (AP) — Chancellor Konrad Adenauer received the Saar and its wealth of coal mines and steel mills back into the Fatherland Tuesday and said it was an example of how Germans in the east and west may some day be reunited. It was a historic day for nearly 1,000,000 Saarlanders who at the stroke of the New Year became German citizens for the second time in 21 years. They celebrated Tuesday night with rockets and firecrackers. The West German Chancellor saluted the occasion in a speech in which he called the return of the rich industrial area to Germany "an example to the world" of how a divided people can be reunited. The chancellor, who will be 61 Saturday, said he had not given up hope that East Germany, now under Communist control, some day would also be reunited with West Germany. Adenauer himself is not generally popular in the Saar. In 1955 he refused the Saarlanders to vote for "Europeanization" of the land, something urged by the French.

### Salvage Vessels Busy In Canal

CAIRO (AP)—A fleet of United Nations salvage vessels moved southward in the Suez Canal Tuesday to tackle one of the biggest jobs in clearing the waterway—removal of the Ferdan bridge 51 miles south of Port Said. At the same time the Egyptians acted to put pressure on Israel to speed up withdrawal of its invasion forces from the Sinai desert and the Gaza Strip. The Cairo government sent a special emissary to the United Nations headquarters in New York to discuss the question. The Ferdan bridge was one of many obstructions sunk in the canal when Israeli, British and French forces invaded Egypt. The salvage fleet was made up of two big German ships, accompanied by tugs and an Italian floating winch.

### Closing Exercises At O'Brien School

O'Brien Road School, Dock Road, held its closing exercises on Tuesday evening in the school. The interior of the building was suitably decorated for the Christmas season with a well decorated tree laden with gifts for teacher, children, friends and relatives. The programme showed great preparation and training on the part of both teachers and pupils. Mr. Adon Hardy was the master of ceremonies for the following programme: Chorus: "Christmas Time Has Come Again"—by school chorus. Opening—by Sheldon Henderson. Welcome—by Laverne Henderson. "The Mail Order Hat"—Dialogue by the girls. "Contagious"—by Doreen Henderson. "Unfair To Us Kids"—by Grace Brennan. "Where Do You Live Santa Claus"—Quartette. "An Explanation"—by Laverne Henderson. "Disappointed Dinah"—Negro love affair. "Surprises"—by Reggie Murray. Intermission—sale of fudge and selections by Messrs. Alton Hardy, violinist, and Gerald O'Brien, guitarist. "A Duet"—by Gerald and Alton. Carol Singing—Group of girls costumed as typical white and red gowned carollers. "A Bright Idea"—Jean Barnett and Laverne Henderson. "Drawing the Line"—by Newell Henderson. "The Party Line"—Dialogue of "Snoopers on party line telephone." "Tight Quarters"—by William Murray Jr. "Pageant"—Manger scene with costumed angels. "In Brief"—by Loman Henderson. "Santa Is Late"—School chorus. Jolly old St. Nick then appeared with treats and gifts for everyone.

### Eastern Europe

VIENNA, AUSTRIA (AP) — clanking of Russian chains in the Soviet Union's eastern European satellite empire will be the dominant sound in this region through 1957. The Soviet concessions to Poland and the disastrous repercussions of the Russian assault on rebellious Hungary a point to a prompt and far-reaching revision of the Kremlin's medieval approach to the satellites. The Kremlin must now decide where to loosen and where to tighten the chains. There have been reports of student unrest in Romania, but so far the main impact of the Polish-Hungarian developments has been on the Communist leaders, who are frightened.

### The Soviet Union

MOSCOW (AP)—The Kremlin is facing the gigantic problem in 1957 of trying to make its own people happy at home while playing Big Brother to the Communist family of nations plus a great segment of the Middle East and South Asia. Putting aside world politics, the biggest problem that Soviet rulers face in the new year appears to be a solution of questions produced by the Hungarian revolt. Probably they must compromise to permit the satellites to choose their own future path as long as it stays within the general confines of Communism as established by the Kremlin. Any attempt to stray out of

CRAPAUD RINK  
Hockey Tonight  
Crapaud Heartbreakers vs. Fairview Aces  
8:30 sharp  
Skate after  
Hockey meeting will be held after game to form BNC League.

### CIVIC RECEPTION YESTERDAY



During a New Year's Day reception at the Civic Building in Summerside yesterday afternoon, Mayor W.A. Currie (center) and Mrs. Currie (right) were one of many visitors who exchanged New Year greetings with Mayor Currie and members of the Summerside Town Council at the Civic reception.

Photo By Wotton



Mr. Henry W. Wedge, former mayor of Summerside, who retired from civic administration last January after serving as Mayor of Summerside for many years, is seen at yesterday's civic reception, where some of the ladies who assisted in serving during the afternoon, are from left to right, Mrs. W.E. MacCausland, Mrs. H.E. Clark and Mrs. J.A. Brophy.

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### New Year Given Traditional Greeting By S'ide Citizens

Summerside greeted the New Year in the traditional manner with parties, dances and reception at various centres and with the good fortune to having no serious accidents to report up until a late hour last night. Dancing was enjoyed at the various messes at the R.C.A.F. Station to celebrate the advent of the New Year, as well as at the dinner, where a large crowd was in attendance. The Curling Club and private parties in homes and other locations.

### Prince County Hospital's Admissions 500 Over Record

This New Year review is from Austin A. Seales, chairman of Prince County Hospital Board of Trustees. On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Prince County Hospital I take pleasure in submitting a brief review of the hospital's activities during the year 1956. Admissions exceeded all previous years by over five hundred for a total of 4,450 in-patients and 4,300 out-patients, which indicates that 8,750 citizens received services in the different branches of our hospital. In addition our chronic care unit looked after a daily average of seventeen older residents. The following statistics, prepared before the year end, and subject to final verification, portray the hospital as an important centre for care and treatment of patients: Admissions: adult and children, 3,760; newborn, 690. Surgical operative procedures, 1,289. Laboratory procedures, 18,700. X-Ray procedures, 14,000. Meals served, 130,000. Average daily in-patients: Adults and children, 73. Newborn, 13. Chronic care, 17. The School of Nursing has shown spectacular growth enrollment at the year end, being: Intermediate students, 7. Junior students, 15. Preliminary students, 17. For a total of 39. It is a pleasure to advise that all six graduates of the 1956 class are now employed on our staff or are taking post graduate studies at her home in St. Nicholas, guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Gaudet. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Doucette returned to their home in Halifax after having spent the Christmas holidays in Miscouche at the home of Mrs. Doucette's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Perry. Mrs. Louis McMillan and Eric Gallant of Miscouche, recently left for Montreal, where they will spend the holidays. At midnight, Christmas morning a high mass was celebrated by Rev. J. D. Kelly, in St. John's Baptist Church, Miscouche. The church was filled with capacity with parishioners as well as people from surrounding parishes. The church was tastefully decorated and a large creche placed by the side altar added to its beauty. The choir sang appropriate hymns during offertory and communion. Mr. and Mrs. Jackie McNeil and son of St. John's, New Brunswick, are spending the Christmas holidays in Miscouche at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNeil and Mr. and Mrs. Fred McKinnon. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dacey and family, George, Joan and Jack, of North Reading, Mass., spent the Christmas holidays in Miscouche, at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. DesRoches and Mrs. Mary DesRoches. Estelle DesRoches, who is attending Notre Dame Convent, Charlottetown, arrived at her home in Miscouche, where she is spending

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Maurice Gaudet who is in the R.C.A.F. arrived at his home in Miscouche, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Gaudet. Doreen DeCoste of Montreal arrived at her home in Miscouche on Saturday, December 22. To spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeCoste. Helen Gallant, Mrs. Ernest Gallant and daughter Sophie of Wellington spent Christmas day in Miscouche at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Gallant. On Friday, December 21, a Christmas party was held in the convent auditorium in Miscouche for the pupils of Grades one to eight, also the pre-school children. Santa Claus distributed treats to all, and games were played by the pupils. Mona Gallant, R.N., returned to Charlottetown to resume her duties at the city hospital after having spent Christmas in Miscouche, guest of her parents. Andre Poirier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poirier, St. Nicholas, recently spent some time in the hospital under an operation. Della Gaudet, student at Prince of Wales College, recently arrived

# Report Nasser Abrogates 1954 Treaty With Britain

LONDON (Reuters)—Cairo radio reported Tuesday that President Nasser has abrogated Egypt's 1954 treaty with Britain providing for civilian maintenance of British bases in the Suez Canal zone. The agreement, signed in Cairo October, 1954, called on all British forces to evacuate the Canal zone in the following 20 months and gave Britain permission to leave 4,000 British technicians in the zone to maintain British bases. The radio said the abrogation of the treaty took effect from Tuesday. A British foreign office spokesman said his government had not been previously informed of Nasser's decision. He declined immediate comment on the news which he said is being studied on the highest level. Nasser, who was chief Egyptian signatory of the 1954 pact, also agreed that Britain should be allowed to return to its canal zone bases in the event of any armed attack on Turkey or any of the Arab League nations.

# Two New Year Babies Born In Prince County

Baby girls were in the spotlight in Prince County yesterday, as annual attention was centred on the new year babies, with two births, one at Summerside and one at Tyne Valley being reported. A baby daughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Greenan of New ton, at 7:19 a.m. yesterday in Prince County Hospital at Summerside, was the first 1957 baby in the county. Mr. and Mrs. Greenan have seven other children. The new baby, weighing 8 lbs. 2 1/2 ozs. Will be the recipient of a number of lovely gifts donated by several merchants. Dr. L. K. Zielinski was the attending physician.

# Everyone Has Sea Legs On Carrier

By JACK BRAYLEY  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
ABOARD MAGNIFICENT (CP) — This modern liner at her stern this year-bound carrier on United Nations duty, and its company of navy, army and air force personnel, were celebrating New Year's with traditional naval ceremony. Nearly everybody found their sea legs and the only soldier in sick-bay was being treated for sprained ankle received when he leaped on the deck to get to the hangar deck from his third tier bunk. It was a double celebration for the ship's navigator, Andy Collier of Dartmouth and Salmon Arm, B.C. His name was included in the navy's New Year's promotions and he is now a commander. SEAS, FIREWORKS  
Meanwhile natural fireworks for the New Year's celebrations arrived 24 hours early. On Sunday there was a violent electrical storm. Added to this was a rare show of St. Elmo's fire. This is the popular name of an electric appearance sometimes seen during thunder storms in the form of a star of light on the tips of the ship's masts, and veteran hands with a healthy regard for superstition say the appearance of St. Elmo's fire is a good omen for this floating section of the UN Emergency Force.

# Home Destroyed By Fire Monday

The home of Mr. Carmen Costain at Huntley, near Alberton, was destroyed by fire which was first discovered about eight o'clock Monday night. Mr. Costain, who lives alone, had been away during the day and had lit a fire in the kitchen stove on arriving home about 7:30. Shortly after he discovered the house was on fire and alarmed the neighbours who called the Alberton Fire Dept. The blaze was extinguished with water from the fire truck but not before the interior of the small house had been gutted. Several hours later the flames broke out anew in the unattended house burning it to the ground. All contents of the home, including the owner's clothing, were lost.

# Arrest Made In Break At S'side

A Summerside man has been taken into custody as the result of a break into the wholesale firm of Rogers and Arnett, Summerside sometime Monday night, when a quantity of cigarettes and tobacco were stolen, two cases of which, valued at approximately \$200 have been recovered. The arrest was made by Constables Matheson and Berry about 10:30 a.m. yesterday shortly before they learned the locations of the two stolen cases, which had been concealed in an alley on Water Street West. It was not known last evening how great a quantity of goods had been taken in the break.

# Taxi Collides With Train But Driver Uninjured

A taxi, driven by Bill Maxfield was in collision with a west bound train about 9:30 Monday evening at the crossing leading to Queens Wharf, with fairly extensive damage to the front end of the vehicle, and a shaking up for the driver. The taxi, a 1956 Chevy sedan, was proceeding to Queens Wharf to pick up a fare at the factory, when the driver noticed the train's headlight beam as he approached the crossing and attempted to stop. However the street was very slippery and the vehicle slid into the engine of the slow moving train and was spun around facing the opposite way. Damage is estimated at approximately \$500.

# WESTERN GUARDIAN

REGULAR Thursday night dance, Kensington Legion Home. Music by Melowaires Orchestra. Dancing from 9:30 - 12:30. Admission 50 cents.  
KENSINGTON Rink, Wednesday Jan. 2, Farmers League, Spring field versus Rink, 8:30. Skate after. Free school skate 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
BEDEQUE Rink, today. Afternoon: Free School skate, 2:30 - 4:30. Evening: Junior hockey. Bede que vs Albany, 7:30. Kinkora vs Fernwood, 8:45. Games must start on time. Admission to games 25 cents to all.  
ON HOLIDAY — Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dawson left Monday for Alderwood, Ontario, to visit the former's mother Mrs. A. M. Dawson, his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Jeffrey; also their daughter Joan and son-in-law J. Cyril Gaudet and son Paul. They were accompanied by their son Billy Dawson who will be stationed in Penhold, Alberta, with the R.C.A.F. Billy has been home on leave since Dec. 1st.  
PERSONALS  
J.S. TAYLOR Optometrist will be in Alberton office this Saturday, January 5th.  
Miss Eleanor Reeves, Summerside has entered Prince County Hospital where she will undergo a tonsilectomy today.  
Miss Annie Leard, Alberton, is a patient in the Western Hospital having suffered several fractured ribs in a fall at her home on Monday.  
Mrs. Colin Love of Borden is convalescing at her home and best wishes for a full recovery to health are extended by her many friends.  
Miss Mary E. Campbell, employee at the Bank of Montreal, St. John, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Campbell, Park Corner, P.E.I.  
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