S'side Greets New Year In Traditional Manner

Ideal weather conditions prevailed in Summerside for the ushering in of the new year 1956 with a number of parties and dances and receptions held in Summerside and at R.C.A.F. Station, Summerside. No accidents were reported as the new year dawned.

At R.C.A.F. Station on Saturday evening the annual new year's dance was held at which Don Messer and his Islanders supplied the music. Dancing was also the order of the evening at the sergeants mess with Ted Ahern's orchestra, the corporals mess with Lowell Huestis and his band and at the airmens mess where Sgt. Ford and his station orchestra held the spot light.

In Summerside at the Curling Club members and their guests held a most enjoyable dance at which music was supplied by an orchestra under the capable leadership of Dolor DesRoches. During the evening a buffet lunch was served to about 150 couples.

Yesterday morning the traditional new years reception was held at the officers mess at R.C.A.F. Station when Group Captain W.H. Swetman D.F.O., D.F.C., C.D., officer commanding and senior officers of the station were at home to a large number of invited guests.

Mayor Henry W. Wedge and Mrs. Wedge also received during the afternoon from 3.00 to 5.00 o'clock when Mayor Wedge was assisted in receiving by his son Richard and at which a delightful buffet lunch was served. Mrs. Wedge was assisted by Mrs. (Dr.) Mark Delaney who presided at the tea cups and by their daughter Carol who served.

At number 200 wing R.C.A.F. Association the new years reception was held, presided over by president Hickey who extended a welcome to a large number of visitors including Group Captain W.H. Swetman and a group of his senior officers.

Other than these there were a number of private house parties held to usher in the new year.

S'SIDE COUNCIL FACED DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

Perhaps no council in the history of Summerside faced so many problems, made so many difficult decisions, and accomplished so much by way of municipal progress in any year as the present town council. Above, from, left to right, seated, Councillor Clarence Steele, chairman of the property, school and parks committee; Councillor Wm. Jenkins, chairman of the finance and assessment committee; His Worship Henry W. Wedge, Mayor of Summerside; John E. Cameron, town clerk; Dr. Hillard Clark, chairman of the water and sewerage committee; standing, James Mac Dougall, chairman of the police, fire and abattoir committee; Donald Lidstone, chairman of the electric light committee; and Andrew Perry, chairman of the streets committee.

This group of men began the year by facing a civic disaster which occurred when the Town Hall building was destroyed by fire early on the morning of February 2, 1955.

It is perhaps ironical that while providing adequately for almost every other civic need, the administration of town affairs since the fire, has been conducted by the councillors at meetings held around a reading table in the Public Library and by the Town Hall staff working in a small office that is most inadequate in size.

These handicaps, however did not deter the Council from the gigantic tasks with which they had to deal, and the hours they spent at regular meetings were as minutes when compared with the countless hours of caucus meetings, special meetings, and committee meetings during the year.

MUCH BUSINESS

These meetings were necessary mainly because of the unprecedented business accomplished by the Council, and which included (1) the conversion of the High School auditorium into six classrooms; (2) the purchase of the property known as the Brennan estate, on which (3) construction of a new high school, and (4) construction of a new auditorium were immediately begun; (5) the acquisition of the Summerside Civic Stadium, in which (6) an artificial ice plant was installed and other major improvements made.

The fire which destroyed the Town Hall simultaneously destroyed the town offices, the police offices, the Magistrates court, the Council chamber, the Mayor's office, a committee room, and a firemen's room, which were all located in this building.

All records previous to 1945, with the exception of legal documents kept in the vault, were destroyed.

The vault remained intact, except for water which penetrated the walls leaving a condensation of moisture which caused damage to some of the documents.

Following the fire the town office set up temporary headquarters in the Armoury building for a few days until office facilities were prepared in the unoccupied office of G.R. MacQuarrie of Lower Summer Street. While these quarters are far from being adequate, nevertheless it is still being used as a town office, and here the business of town administration, electric light and water and sewerage accounts is conducted by eight men and women in a congested working area measuring about 21 X 13 feet, and a public lobby measuring about 15 by 7 feet.

NOW PARKING LOT

What remained of the burned-out Town Hall was demolished and the land is presently used as a temporary parking lot.

After the fire the police offices were moved into quarters in the old Post Office building that had been acquired by the town a year or so previous, and since that time the town Magistrate has had to conduct court in the office of the Police Department.

The matter of providing additional school facilities together with the need for a civic auditorium had been obvious for some time and the first step taken by the Council was the conversion of the auditorium into six classrooms.

This, however, did not meet the number of classrooms that were required and after a long study of the situation it was decided that an extension of the present school was inadvisable for several reasons including those which indicated that an extension to the east would eliminate the school playground, while an extension to the north would cut into Queen Elizabeth Park.

It was also noted that the present school includes a section which was part of the old school and this older section might have to be rebuilt in future years, and any addition to the present school would create a sprawling, cumbersome unit of architecture.

With these thoughts in mind, the Council decided to procure additional land which would be a suitable location for the construction of both a new high school and an auditorium.

CONTRACTS LET

In autumn they were fortunate in obtaining the large and ideally located Brennan estate for the modest sum of $21,000 and shortly afterwards the M.F. Schurman Co. Ltd., who had submitted the lowest tenders were awarded a $231,630 contract for the construction of the new auditorium and work was begun immediately on both buildings and continued until last week when, due to inclement weather, construction work was discontinued until the present prolonged period of cold weather has moderated.

The High School, which fronts on Summer Street, will contain eight classrooms and two labs. The auditorium will have a seating capacity of about 1,400 and will contain the Public Library and provision for other facilities.

Hardly had these large projects been dealt with when at the request of the directors of the Summerside Exhibition and Raceway Ltd., to protect their mortgage investment of $65,470 as well as a grant of $35,000, the town assumed ownership of the Raceway Stadium and named it the Summerside Civic Stadium "the sports center of Prince County".

ARTIFICIAL ICE

Realizing that in this day and age, and for a progressive town, the facilities for sports activities were not adequate, they immediately took steps towards the installation of an artificial ice plant and eventually a contract for $27,800 was awarded to the Creamery Package Company of Canada Ltd., Toronto, and the most modern recirculating ammonia system was installed, as well as up to date facilities for office, canteen, dressing rooms, players rooms were provided with a new heating system and lavatories.

Previous to the installation of the ice plant considerable ground work was done on the space used for the ice and excavations had to be done to a depth of four to six feet, tiled for drainage and filled with gravel and sandstone.

Within 14 days from the time this work was commenced everything was completed and civic stadium was officially opened by mayor Wedge on Monday December 26th.

In addition to these large projects the normal town work has been efficiently conducted, and the construction of more than 30 new homes in the town during the past year and the remodelling of many others, necessitated additional water and sewerage extensions.

While street paving was not a large item, due to the necessity for other capital expenditures, nevertheless the contracts approved during the previous year were completed, and maintenance of paved as well as city streets was continud throughout the year.

RURAL LINES

The municipally owned Electric Light Department continued to construct rural lines in cooperation with the Provincial Governments' program of rural electrification and completed at least 40 miles of line construction, serving upwards of 200 new rural homes.

These extensions were made in the general areas which included Malpeque, Sea View, Park Corner, Irishtown, Baltic, St. Chrysostem and Cape Egmond.

Weather conditions halted work on a line leading to the Long River area.

TAX RATES

In spite of rising costs of civic administration there has been no increase in the Summerside tax rate since 1951. The presnet tax rate on real estate and personal property remains at $22.00 per thousand of assessment, said to be among the lowest in Canada for a town of this size. It is possible, however, that some revision may be made in the tax rate in the coming year and an indication of this thought is indicated by a reference made by Mayor Wedge in his New Years proclamation in which he pointed out that the citizens must pay for the facilities of various kinds which have been provided for their protection and enjoyment and which made the town a better place in which people like to live.

Future Councils will undoubtedly have problems that are ever present in civic administration but it seems unlikely that any Council for several years to come will face the necessity of so many major capital expenditures in one year.

It is, however, equally a certainty that history will show that the personal sacrifice of time and work which the present Summerside Town Council have given to their responsibilities will be a lasting memorial to their community service that will be enjoyed and appreciated by present and future residents of Summerside and surrounding areas.

Year-End Review Of Canada During 1955

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

January

4—Ontario Highways Minister Doucett resigns, succeeded by James N. Allan. 6—Eight dead in Saskatchewan government airways plane crash at Buffalo narrows. 10—Harbor of St. John's, Nfld., pounded by worst storm in memory. 12—Canada, Japan agree on trans-pacific air routes. 13—Ottawa parliahent approves bill extending winter unemployment insurance benefits. . . . . 15—Robert Saunders, chairman of Ontario Hydro Commission, 51, fatally injured in London, Ont., plane crash. 19—Last of Doucet quads, born Oct. 18, dies at Bathurst, N.B. 21—Federal government approves Canadian Pacific Airline's Vancouver-Amsterdam air service. 22—Charles Snelling, Toronto, and Carol Jane Pachl, Montreal, win Canadian men's and women's figure skating crowns at Toronto. 24—Plan for first Canadian atomic power plant announced by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. 26—House of Commons approves protocol of admission of West Germany to NATO. 27—UAW 109-day strike at Toronto Ford plant settled.

February

1—Prime Minister St, Laurent marks 73rd birthday. 8—Alan H. Harvis, 39, appointed director of National Gallery. 11—R. Howard Webster, 45, Montreal, purchases Toronto Globe and Mail. 17—Report on Ontario highways department probe says former Minister Doucett and former Deputy J. D. Miller unaware of irregularities. 18—B.C. Supreme Court dismisses libel action by former attorney-general Gordon S. Wismer against Maclean's Magazine and Blair Fraser after Maclean's published apology. 23—Chrysler Corporation and UAW at Windsor reach contract agreement. 26—Seven rescued after forced landing near Churchill.

March

2—First Patterson medal awarded Dr. John Patterson at Toronto for services to meteorology. 9—TLC and CCL adopt basic principles for merger. 11—Defence department announces new yarn process for stronger textiles; Saskatchewan's Campbell rink wins Canadian curling title at Regina. 15—Frances Dafoe, Norris Bowden, retain North American figure skating pairs title at Regina. 16—Maurice Richard, Montreal Canadiens, suspended. 17—Montreal riot sparked by Richard suspension. 18—Open inquiry into reported thefts within B.C. command. 19—Celebrate centenary of Sault canals. 20—Detroit wins seventh NHL title. 21—Fire destroys 35 buildings at Nicolet, Que., damage $700,000. 22—Malton airport at Toronto suffers $5,000,000 fire in violent storm.

April

1—New criminal code in effect. 2—Angus L. Macdonald bridge between Dartmouth and Halifax opened. 5—Federal budget reduces some sales taxes. 9—Judy Carter, 8, Toronto, missing since Feb. 25, found strangled at Markham, Ont. 11—Clement Attlee arrives at Montreal for tour. 14—Detroit wins Stanley Cup four games to three over Montreal. 16—Alberni, B. C., wins Canadian men's basketball title three straight over Sault Ste. Marie.

22—W. Ross Thatcher (CCF—Moose Jaw Centre) resigns from party; fire destroys two Maid of Mist boats at Niagara Falls. 24—CPR and CNR start faster Montreal - Vancouver schedules. 26—Prime Minister St. Laurent offers sliding scale of unemployment relief at Dominion-provincial conference; Sir Lyman P. Duff, 90, former chief justice, dies at Ottawa. 28—Kitchener-Waterloo Dutchmen win Allan Cup, beating Fort William four games to one. 29—Toronto Marlboros beat Regina Pats four games to one in Memorial Cup final.

2—Ferry John Cabot burns at Port Hawkesbury, N.S. 3—Cities, farms flooded in Saskatchewan storm. 5—Shawinigan Falls Cataracts win Edinburgh Trophy by five games to two over Edmonton Flyers. 9—Unity committee approves TLC-CCL merger. 10—Hamilton Harbor Commission announces multi-million-dollar port expansion plans. 11 — Alberta Opposition leader J. Harper Prowse charges Social Credit members with violating Legislative Assembly Act. 12—Premier Manning of Alberta announces legislature dissolution. 14—Ontario nomination controversy ends with James Dempsey named PC candidate in Renfrew South. 17—Toronto Metropolitan Council approves water fluoridation. 18—$800,000 project for training mentally-retarded opens at Moose Jaw. 20—Commons told U.S. will pay full cost ($250,000,000) of DEW radar line. 25—Liberal government returned in P.E.I.

JUNE

2—Ontario Hydro Chairman Richard Hearn announces plans for des Joachims, Que., atomic power plant. 3—Canadian Pacific Airlines starts Vancouver-Amsterdam air service. 6—Air Vice-Marshal John L. Plant relieved as chief of RCAF technical services after "scrap the army" speech. 8—Maj.-Gen. H. D. Graham succeeds Lt.-Gen. G. G. Simonds as army chief of staff; announced government to discontinue sponsorship of International Trade Fair at Toronto 9 Progressive Conservatives returned in Ontario general election. 11—96th Queen's Plate at Toronto won by Larkin Maloney's Ace Marine.

17—Walter L. Gordon, Toronto, named to head royal commission on Canada's economic prospects. 19—Tornado wrecks buildings at Vita, Man., one death. 20—Social Credit retains seat in Battle River-Camrose federal by-election. 22—Laying of first trans-atlantic telephone cable begins at Clarenville, Nfld. 22—Senate narcotics committee recommends long prison terms for trafficking. 24—Chief Walter Mulligan suspended pending investigation of Vancouver police. 28—Canadian Supreme Court rejects challenge to legality of federal labor code by Ontario, Quebec and Alberta governments. 29—Social Credit government wins Alberta general election. 30 — $19,000,000 grain deal with Poland reported at Ottawa.

July

1—Centennial celebrations open at London, Ont.; W. A. Mofatt's Loyalist wins Canadian Derby at Winnipeg. 2—Charlottetown marks centennial. 5—Royal commission opens inquiry into police corruption charges at Vancouver. 11—Ten-day fight in Parliament ends when government agrees to three-year limit on emergency powers in Defence Production Act; seven of nine U.S. youths killed while mountain climbing near Banff. 12—Mrs. Albert Chamberland and five children die in fire at St. Simeon de Charlevoix, Que.; Prince Albert federal penitentiary riot; three buildings destroyed by fire. 13—Brig. Sherwood Lett, 60, appointed B.C. chief justice.

16—Murray Tucker wins Millar Golf Trophy. 20—Revenue Minister McCann resigns trust company directorship. 21—Ontario closes big forest area to public because of fire hazard. 23—James Amyot first to swim across Lake St. John, Que 25—Federal agriculture department refers to central Canada drought as worst since 1914. 28—Mrs Florence Inman, Montague, P.E.I., among 13 new senators. 29—Announce resumption of anti-polio immunization program will be delayed until 1956. 30—B.C. wins Willingdon Golf Cup; St. Catharines Rowing Club wins points leadership at Canadian Henley. 31—Australians beat Canada 5-0 in North American Davis Cup zone final at Montreal.

August

1— Canada-Russia parcel post resumed. 2—Premier Manning of Alberta assumes attorney-generalship. 6—Marlene Stewart retains Canadian women's close golf title at Victoria. Ontario wins Canadian cricket championship at Vancouver. Moe Norman, Kitchener, wins Canadian amateur golf title at Calgary. 7—Seven Toronto area men drowned in undertow at Wasaga Beach, Ont. 12—Al Balding wins Canadian pro golf title at Winnipeg. 13—Canso causeway opened at Port Hawkesbury, N.S. Marlene Stewart retains women's open golf title at Victoria. Lt. Gil Boa, Toronto, wins governor-general's gold medal at Ottawa. 14—Bob Bedard, Sherbrooke, Que., wins Canadian singles tennis championship; Hanna Sladek wins women's title. 15—Acadians mark expulsion bicentennial at Grand Pre, N.S.

17—Raft l'Egare (The Lost One) ends attempt to cross Atlantic on Gull island point, Nfld. 19—Toronto crowd of 100,000 welcomes Marilyn Bell home after she swam English channel. 20 — Governor-General Massey opens World Scout Jamboree at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. Arnold Palmer, Latrobe, Pa., wins Canadian open golf title at Weston, Ont. 25—Russian delegation arrives at Montreal for farm tour. 27—Stratford Shakespearian Festival ends with record 126,500 attendance. 2 — Quebec CCF changes name to Social Democratic Party of Quebec. 31—Church of England in Canada changes name to Anglican Church of Canada.

September

2—Royal commission to investigate Opposition charges of maladministration in Alberta government. 3—Manitoba's royal commission on liquor recommends overhaul of laws. 5—Prime Minister St. Laurent addresses Saskatchewan golden jubilee celebrations at Regina. 9—Cliff Lumsdon, Toronto, only swimmer to complete 32-mile CNE swim at Toronto.

19—Buses replace streetcars in Winnipeg. Seventeen thousand General Motors of Canada employees on strike in Ontario. 21—Hurricane Ione causes wide damage, no fatalities, at St. John's, Nfld. 23—Reporter Ray Munro cleared of contempt charges in Vancouver police hearings. 25—Fisheries Minister Sinclair returns after Russian and Far East tour on which he was acidentally injured. 26—Federal by-elections: Liberals retain Timiscouata, Quebec South and Bellechasse; Progressive Conservative gain from Liberals in Restigouche-Madawaska. 30—Operation Franklin, largest geological survey of Canada's Arctic islands, completed.

October

5—Government discloses plans for big power plant in Pakistan under Colombo plan. Lester B. Pearson arrives in Moscow. 6—Dominion-provincial conference on fiscal matters adjourns at Ottawa. 9—Princess Royal arrives at Ottawa for Canadian tour. 12—CCL convention at Toronto approves merger with TLC. 14—Federal cabinet refers case of Wilbert Coffin, convicted of murder, to Supreme Court of Canada.

19—Bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kirk, who disappeared in 1940, found in car in St. Mary River near Sault Ste. Marie; Supreme Court of Canada nullifies Montreal by-law for store-closing on religious holidays. 32 — Princess Royal leaves Vancouver for return trip to England. 24—Charles Rea, PC, wins Toronto-Spadina federal by-election from Liberals; Vancouver Police Chief Mulligan dismissed, effective Oct. 31. 31—Bill Braden in Miss Supertest II sets Canadian speedboat record of 154 m.p.h. at Belleville, Ont.

November

2—Ven. G. B. Snell elected suffragan Anglican bishop of Toronto. 3—Veterans Minister Lapointe assumes postmaster - general portfolio. 5—Edward Brooke, Montreal fencer, named Canada's outstanding male athlete by A.A.U. of C. at Saskatoon. 6—Seven of 11-man crew drowned in dredge sinking in St. Lawrence at Rimouski. 10—Robert Cochrane, Grande Prairie, Alta., wins world wheat crown at Toronto's Royal Winter Fair. 11—Four-month strike at de Havilland aircraft plant, Toronto, ends. 12—Riverbank landslide at Nicolet, Que., kills four persons, damage $5,000,000.

15—Supreme Court of Canada rules 1953 Saskatchewan Monatorium Act ultra vires. Supreme Court orders three Quebec Provincial police officers to pay $2,000 damages for breaking up house meeting of Jehovah's Witness. 19—Kitchener-Waterloo Dutchmen beat Sarnia Imperials in ORFU final, two games to one. Winnipeg Rods beat Windsor AKO 19-13 in junior football final.

21—Federal and Ontario governments agree to build northern Ontario section of trans-Canada gas pipeline. 22 — Premier Duplessis threatens pulp and paper companies with controls unless price consideration given to Quebec newspapers. 25—Dispute between railways and non-operating unions referred to federal conciliation. 26—Edmonton Eskimos beat Montreal Alouettes 34-19 for Grey Cup before record sports crowd of 39,417 at Vancouver. Crew of 21 rescued by helicopter from Greek freighter wrecked on Cape Breton island.

December

2—Federal government appoints royal commision on radio, television. 4—Russian prelates arrive at Montreal for Canadian visit. 9—Hoodlum riots following student demonstration at Montreal heavily damage streetcars, buses. 12—Heavy blizzard hits Saskatchewan. 14—Vancouver plebiscite favors Sunday sports. 15—New Brunswick Supreme Court rules fluoridation of water supplies illegal. 16—RCMP Sgt. G. J. Archer appointed new Vancouver police chief. 17—Sorel, Que, business block fire, damage $350,000.

Complete Piping At Alberton Curling Rink

The work of laying the piping for the artificial ice plant in the Alberton Curling Rink was completed last weekend and the project is presently held up waiting the arrival of a diesel engine and other equipment needed to complete the job. Mr. Thomas Cope of the Frigid Equipment Co., Moncton, N.B., supervised the preparation of the rink floor and placing in position of the miles of plastic pipe. Most of the labor was done by members of the curling club and when completed will be the only curling rink east of Montreal having plastic pipe to carry the freezing solution.

Mr. Cope expressed himself as being highly pleased with the pure sand base of the rink floor and the way in which the plastic pipe went down and stated that with such a good foundation the job was equal to one using steel piping.

The balance of the equipment has all been shipped and the work is expected to be resumed shortly.

F-L PAUL POIRIER, DFC

S'side Officer Is Promoted

R.C.A.F. Station Summerside recently announced the promotion of F-O Paul Poirier, DFC to the rank of Flight Lieutenant. F-L Poirier (above) assumes his new rank on January 1st, 1956.

F-L Poirier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Poirier of Miscouche P.E.I., and is married to the former Lorraine Daigle of Moncton, N.B. The couple reside at Slemon Park with their children, Adrena, Carmella, Paul, Bernadette, Maurice, and Louise.

F-L Poirier entered the R.C.A.F. in October, 1941 following several years at Laval University. Receiving his pilot wings in December of 1942 he proceeded overseas where he flew 36 operational sorties in Halifax bombers. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross as a result of one of these sorties when he displayed extreme valour in bringing home his badly shot up bomber.

F-L Poirier re-entered the R.C.AF in early 1951 and proceeded to R.C.A.F. Station Greenwood where he took Maritime reconnaissance training on Lancasters. After a short time with 404 Squadron he joined the Maritime Operational Training Unit as a pilot instructor, a position in which he is presently employed.

S'side Station Promotions And Commissions

R.C.A.F. Station Summerside has announced that several staff and student officers were the recipients of promotions and permanent commissions. Promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant were Flying Officers Ivan Webb of Kamloops, B.C., William Romain of Noranda, Que., Lloyd Graham of St. Andrews, N.B., Paul Poirier of Miscouche, P.E.I., Melford Gummer of Warkworth Ont., and Fred Schulz of Calgary, Alta.

Those receiving permanent commissions were F-O Erwin Rose of Halifax, N.S., F-O Douglas M C Grath of Whiterock, B.C. and F-O Ivan Webb.

HEALTHY HERDS

Denmark in 1950 was the first country to certify itself free of bovine tuberculosis.

Western Guardian

MONTHLY meeting Canadian Legion branch number 9, Kensington, tonight, January 3rd at 8:30 o'clock.

WEEK OF Prayer services, Bedeque district, Tuesday January 3rd, North Bedeque Wednesday, Central Bedeqque; Thursday, Bedeque. All services at 7:30 p.m.

BEDEQUE RINK, South Shore League game, Albany St. Pats vs. Lot 16 Rangers tonight. Tuesday, January 3rd. Freetown Royals vs. Wilmot Aces, Wednesday, January 4th. Game time 8:30.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICE — At Alberton Presbyterian Church Sunday evening the postponed Christmas service was combined with thoughts for the new year. The service was preached by the minister, Rev. George Killen. Music included Christmas carols and new year hymns. A trio, Mrs. Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie, Mrs. Frank Carpenter and Miss Loraine Campbell sang "Fairest Lord Jesus."

FUNERAL MONDAY — The funeral of Miss Annie Gordon of Alberton, held Monday afternoon, was conducted by Rev. George Killen, minister of the Presbyterian Church. Hymns were "The Lord's My Shepherd" and "O God Of Bethel". Pall bearers were cousins of the younger generation and sons of long time neighbours and friends Messrs. Leigh Weeks, Herbert Matthews, Henry Oliver, Norman Hardy, Frank Weeks and Henry Clarke. Interment was in the family plot in the old Dock cemetery.

GUEST PREACHER — Rev. Earl Leard of Fortune Cove, missionary on furlough from India, was guest preacher at Alberton United Church Sunday morning and assisted the minister, Rev. Murray Gardner, in conducting the service of holy communion. The theme of Mr. Leard's New Year's message was "The Unchanging Yet Ever New Christ". With illustrations from his experiences in India, Mr. Leard showed how Christ is supplying the need of people in that land. During the service Mrs. John H. Wells sang "God Bless Your", and Mrs. Walter Wells and Miss Helen Bryan sang "Have Thine Own Way Lord".

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS — Among the list of distinguished visitors from Charlottetown in attendance at R.C.A.F. Station Summerside yesterday morning at the new year's levee of the commanding officer, Group Captain W. H. Swetman, were Lt. Gov. T.W.L. Prowse, Premier A.W Matheson, Mayor J. D. Stewart, Brig. G.G.K. Peake, W-C A.G. Macmillan, Lt Col. J. H. Shaw, Lt. Col. A. W. Rogers, Commander, J.N. Kenny, Lt Col. K.M Johnson, Brig W.W. Reid, Dr. L. E. Prowse, S. M. McInnis, and Reg Howard. Those from Summerside included Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell, Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, M.P., Hon. E. P. Foley, Judge, W. E. Darby and Mayor Henry W. Wedge.

Personals

Friends will regret to learn that Mr. Jim Hunter, of Bell's Book Store, in Summerside entered the Prince County Hospital on Thursday.

Miss Margaret Forsyth, R.N. has returned to her duties at the Prince Edward Island Hospital after spending several months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Hardy, Alberton.

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PRINCE COUNTY'S FIRST 1956 BABY

A baby son born to Cpl. and Mrs. Carl Ryan, of Slemon Park, R. C. A. F. Station, Summerside, at the Prince County hospital at 1:20 a.m., January 1st, became Mr. 1956 for Prince County, and also it is believed for the Province of Prince Edward Island.

This lovely baby boy, named Warren Leigh, weighed 7 lbs. 13½ ozs., and will be the recipient of many appropriate gifts which are donated each year by the merchants of Summerside to the first baby born in any hospital in Prince County.

Mrs. Ryan, seen yesterday in hospital with her baby, is a native of Kingston, N. S.; her husband, who has been with the R. C. A. F. for six years, is a native of Halifax. Cpl. and Mrs. Ryan have been residing at R. C. A. F. Station Summerside for the past two years, and they have three other children: Lynn Marie, William, and David.

There were no babies born on New Years day at either the Stewart Memorial Health Centre at Tyne Valley, or the Western Hospital in Alberton, however, there were three babies born at the hospital in Summerside on New Years day in addition to the baby seen above. The other three were a son, to Mr. and Mrs. George Jollimore of Kensington, R.R.; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Denzel Delaney of 16 Eustane Street, Summerside; and a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Watson, 174 Central Street, Summerside. (Photo by Wolton).

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CARDS OF THANKS

We wish to expres our sincere thanks to all the rural box holders on Summerside R.R. 1 for all the lovely gifts and good wishes given to us at Christmas.

Sincerely,
Nelson and Ruth Compton.

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