

Auxiliary holds annual meeting

Mrs. John McIsaac was re-elected president of St. Charles Auxiliary at the annual meeting held recently in the meeting room at the Charlottetown Hospital.

Other officers elected are: honorary president, Mrs. Frank McCarron; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Joseph Costello; secretary, Mrs. James Lawlor and treasurer, Mrs. H. Doiron. Councilors for 1966 are: Mrs. Willard Dunn; Mrs. Preston Ellsworth and Mrs. Gilbert Richards.

Visiting committee chairman is Mrs. Reginald Villard and committee members are Mrs. Andrew Arsenault, Mrs. Inadore Doucette and Mrs. Agatha Prunty.

BIRD HAS APPETITE
The rare wood ibis of Florida, North America's only native stork, eat more than a third of its own weight every day.



PRESIDENT of the Junior Ladies' Aid of the P.E.I. Hospital when first organized 20 years ago, Mrs. A. J. Haslam is photographed

with one of the more recent projects of the club, equipment for that all important first photo of infants.

Junior Ladies Aid provides added service for parents

May 7 of this year marks the 20th anniversary of the Junior Ladies' Aid of the Prince Ed-

ward Island Hospital, for it was on this date, 1945, that the first meeting was held at the Cundall Home. Mrs. Charles Marshall, presently of Halifax, brought in the report of the nominating committee which was as follows: president, Mrs. A. J. Haslam; vice-president, Mrs. L. E. Prowse; secretary, Mrs. H. J. A. Brown and treasurer, Mrs. W. G. Barbour.

Early in the fall, Mrs. J. A. Likely became vice-president, following the resignation of Mrs. L. E. Prowse, and this enthusiastic slate of officers instituted a program that has been the foundation for all succeeding activities of the Aid in the ensuing 20 years.

In March, 1947, the first "Parade of Spring Fashions" was held at the Charlottetown Hotel, with two luncheon sittings - in 1965, the 19th annual "Parade of Spring Fashions" was held at the Confederation Centre Theatre with two showings to capacity audiences - the Junior Fashion Show having long since become one of the Spring traditions of Charlottetown.

Early in 1949 a mobile canteen, staffed by Junior Aid members, made its appearance in the hospital corridors, and in minutes reporting on its first operational tours it is noted that "the castors have been replaced by rubber-tired wheels," and one wonders at whose urgent request this change was made! "The Cart", as it is familiarly known, continues to make its rounds, bringing reading material, confectionary, and neces-

sary "notions" to the patients, and the pink-smocked Aid members are considered integral parts of hospital scenery.

For some years the Junior Aid convened the annual League of Mercy Tea and Display, giving ladies of the community who are not affiliated with a hospital auxiliary an opportunity to assist in providing necessities for the hospital and patients.

In November, 1960, a "Business Men's Luncheon" was held in the YMCA, and was received with such enthusiastic support from the men of Charlottetown that it has become another annual project of the Aid.

These projects, together with an innovative last August, that of sponsoring the opening night of Wayne and Shuster in Charlottetown, have provided the monies which have made it possible for the Aid to supply much needed equipment, furnishing for the hospital, and extra comforts for the patients and the nurses in training. At the annual meeting in 1956, the Aid pledged \$10,000.00 dollars to the campaign for funds for the construction of the "new wing," and the list of articles supplied over the past 20 years is long and varied, but a few of the outstanding contributions are worthy of note. The first major purchase of equipment was an incubator bassinets for the nursery, and it is interesting to note that the first occupant of this bassinets was the prematurely-born daughter of one of the charter members of the Aid. Since that time additional incu-

bators have been provided. The furnishing of the recovery room was another early undertaking as well as the more recent draperies and furniture provided for the waiting rooms in the main section of the hospital. Wheel chairs, walkers, a resuscitator, a pace-maker, and, what is often referred to as their "pride and joy", a fully toy-stocked and decorated play room for the wee patients are among the contributions to the hospital proper.

For the student nurses, desks were purchased, a scholarship fund established, television sets installed and swimming classes at the "Y" provided in conjunction with the Senior Aid.

The latest addition to the nursery is a special camera for taking pictures of newborn infants. These photographs are sent directly to the family and may be used on announcements or as family gifts. The parents are under no obligation to buy the pictures but if they decide to do so a percentage of the price realized is returned to the Junior Aid and will be used for further hospital improvements.

The present slate of officers of this energetic organization is president, Mrs. L. S. Cox, Jr.; vice-president, Mrs. R. D. Drysdale; rec. secretary, Mrs. John Bond; cor. secretary, Mrs. H. H. Kelly and treasurer, Mrs. Maurice Blake.

Under their leadership the members of the Aid look forward with confidence to coming of age in the traditions so well begun by the members of 20 years ago.

FEW STAY FOR WINTER
U.S. research stations in Antarctica have about 1,300 personnel in the summer and 300 in the winter months.

Tignish women are interested in youth work

The Women's Auxiliary of the Tignish Sports Recreation Ass., working entirely for the youth of the area with Mrs. Reg. Eldershaw as chairman and Mrs. Alcide Boudreau, Mrs. Mike MacPhee, Mrs. Lester McAlduff and Mrs. John Haackett making up the active board, has 40 members.

During the year members helped organize and sponsor summer and winter activities for the youth. They supported a Red Cross Water Safety Swimming program for well over 100 and an Ice Carnival and Sports Day when they had crowned by popular vote Jo-Ann Perry, with her lady-in-waiting Rena Eldershaw.

They arranged a winter broom ball game that proved enjoyable. They held a supper for the Midget B Island hockey champions when each player was presented with a sports jacket. A platform was erected in the arena during the summer, a pi-

ano was purchased and a local orchestra hired. A Lobster Bonanza and Picnic headed by the Women was successful, along with a Halloween party for the younger children. The Women are making plans for a busy year that includes the running of a canteen in the arena during the skating season.

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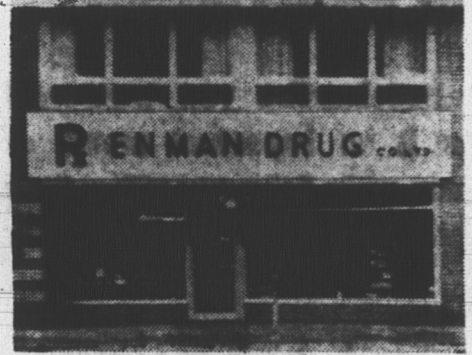
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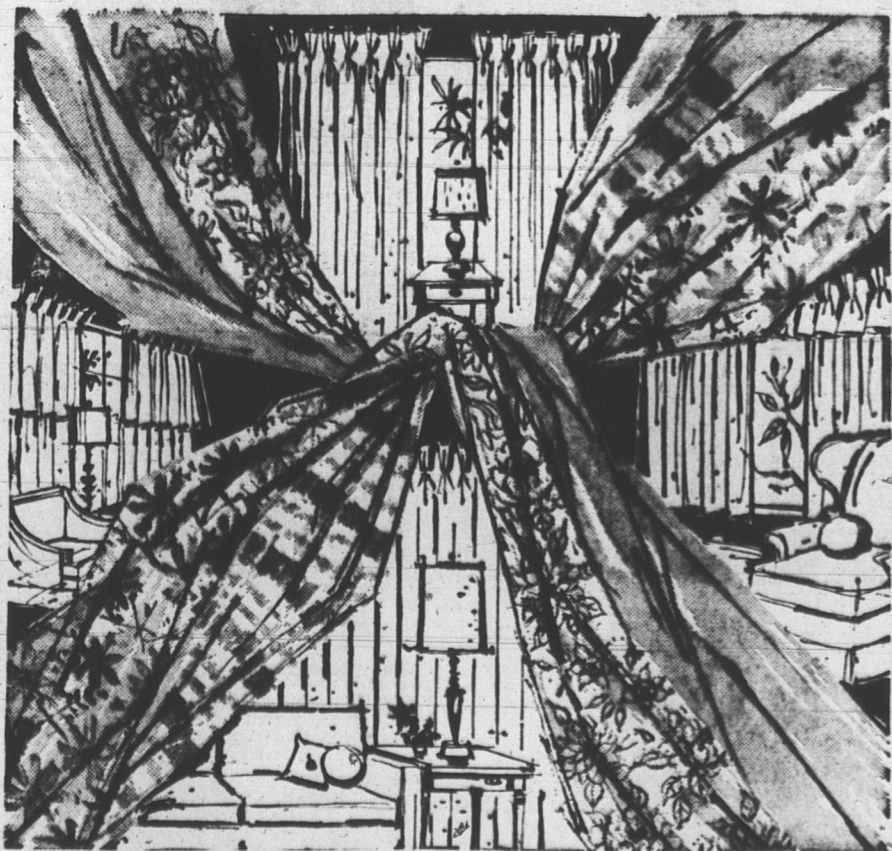
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