

# Charlottetown's New Store Opens Sat. March 17th

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## United Church FRIDAY

1:00—Choir rehearsal.  
4:00—Young People's Department.

## Manitoba Minister Discusses Grasshoppers

The life story of the grasshopper is today an open book to the men of science. A grasshopper cannot lay an egg without Mr. McKenna, the minister of agriculture, knowing about it and laying plans to frustrate its progress.

In the House yesterday Mr. McKenna with great solemnity expounded his programme for combating the grasshopper menace. Millions of eggs lie embedded in Manitoba soil, awaiting the call of summer. No entomologist, it seems, has been bright enough to think of a way to sterilize the eggs. They must be allowed to hatch.

A mistake made last year by the farmers in their poisoning operations was to lay it on too heavily. A deep layer of poison was laid down. Mr. McKenna says, "gives off an odor repellent to the hoppers."

## LAUNCHING SCHOOL

Roster roll for February—  
Grade IX—1. Lucy Christian; 2. John McDonald; 3. Aggie McLean; 4. Grace McDonald; 5. Florence McPherson.  
Grade VII—1. Florence Morrison; 2. Lucille McLean; 3. Catherine McCormack.  
Grade VI—1. Bernadette McDonald; 2. Joseph McCormack; 3. Michael J. McCormack; 4. Patricia Christian.  
Grade II—1. Mary F. McCormack; 2. Frances McDonald; 3. Joseph Johnston.  
Grade I—1. Paul McPhee; 2. Donald McPherson; 3. Francis McDonald.  
Teacher, Florence Christian.

Board's Unanimous Action Green.

## \$22,000,000 BENEFIT TO CANADIAN BACON PRODUCERS UNDER EMPIRE TRADE PACTS

Further Profit of \$12,000,000 to Farmers if British Requirements are Met, Says President of Canada Packers Limited in Evidence Given at Ottawa Before Stevens Committee. Hog Marketing Methods Exhaustively Probed.

(Following is a continuation of the evidence submitted by Mr. J. S. McLean, president of the Canadian Packers Limited, before the Stevens Committee on March 7. Mr. McLean was questioned exhaustively as to the effect of the Canadian trade pact on the British market as well as on every phase of the hog marketing situation.)

**Bigger Merger Might Be Better**  
Q—Is that correct?  
A—Yes.  
Q—Your competitors must have done the same?  
A—The competitors, perhaps, did not make a profit.  
Q—You think you have put them in a position where they are making larger losses?  
A—Well—  
Q—You do not know?  
A—I do not just follow that thing through. If the competitors are making a profit, they must be operating as cheaply as I say.  
Q—The thought that comes to me is, would still further combination be of any advantage to the pork producers, the farmers of Canada? If you can effect such economies that by the merging of four companies, why should not all the companies be merged?  
A—If you could depend upon getting adequate management—a permanent adequate management—it would be a great advantage to the farmers to merge all the operating companies.  
Q—What proportion of the business does your company do in Canada?  
A—Oh, it is a pretty small proportion of the total business.  
Q—I see according to this statement, you have a profit of 5 per cent since the merger on the shareholders investment?  
A—Yes.  
Q—Owing to the carrying of the plants at their old value?  
A—At their old value, less depreciation. At the depreciated value at the time of the merger, less the depreciation that has been written off since.  
Q—Is there an item in your consolidated balance sheet of land, buildings, plant, equipment and so on based on appraisal 1919 to 1927, \$18,870,900.40, and you are only using five out of nine plants?  
A—That is reduced by the depreciation item.  
Mr. Sommerville: That is reserve?  
A—No, it is not reserve.  
Mr. Hays: Your 5 per cent is based on a lot of useless plant?  
A—Oh, yes, because we bought those plants, and it is a good deal better to have a plant that is not needed than to keep operating it.  
Mr. Sommerville: But your overhead does include a large quantity of useless plant, is it not?  
A—Well, one useless plant.  
Q—And it also covers other operations of the plants that are not needed at the present time?  
A—Well, that is true in every business.  
Mr. Hays: But you think this speaking of it now as purely operating problem, and I am not speaking of the difficulties of management because management is developed by competition, but if you eliminate those factors, if you do not consider them, you could probably operate the packing industry of Canada on 80 per cent of the cost of the plants that are now operating.  
Mr. Sommerville: And that would mean that 60 per cent of the overhead and expenses would be saved?  
A—No, it would not mean that.  
Q—40 per cent?  
A—No, because you still have to carry your plants, but you would not have the unnecessary expenses that are entailed to operate an unnecessary number of plants.

**How Prices Are Fixed Daily**  
Q—Now, Mr. McLean, one of the questions asked by the committee is who fixed the price of hogs each day, the price that you will pay each day?  
A—My answer to that would be 10,000, and I don't know who they are.  
Q—Well, who instructs your buyers each day as to the price they will pay?  
A—The general manager and our provision manager have a discussion every day, perhaps three or four times a day with the hog buyers.  
Q—The chief hog buyer?  
A—The chief hog buyer and they discuss the situation and what the price is, and so on.  
Q—What then fixes the price that they will pay for hogs that day?  
A—Oh, no, it is not quite so simple as that, but they decide what price they think they should pay for the hogs under the existing conditions.  
Q—And then that is subject to the competition they meet on the open market?  
A—Yes.

**Unfair Tactics Are Denied**  
Mr. Sommerville—So that when the suggestion is made that your buyers deliberately withhold from buying until late in the day, that is not for the purpose of affecting the price of the market?  
A—That is not a fair statement, or a fair resume of what I have been saying at all.  
Q—I was not attempting to make a resume?  
A—The statement has been made a million times, ever since I have been in the business, that the packers adopt tactics that seem to be unfair tactics. Now, these tactics are not unfair. All these buyers don't want cattle, and that is easier to get cattle, and that is easier than what they will do, they will

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**Amendments On Insurance Act Approved**  
(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
OTTAWA, March 14—Against the arguments of E. Ewen Gray, Toronto, counsel for a company of Chicago, the Senate Committee on banking and commerce approved today amendments to the insurance statutes which require that companies to seek judgment in the Exchequer Court of Canada to enable it to continue to do business in the Dominion.  
The amendment would make retroactive to May 1932, a clause which authorizes the superintendent of insurance to refuse license to a company if the name of which is likely to be confused with that of a company already doing business in this country.

**Card Of Thanks**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Power and family, Elliottvale, wish to thank all their neighbors, relatives and friends who so kindly attended the funeral of their dear and beloved son, William Power, who passed away on Saturday, February 24th, 1934, at the age of 21 years. The family received many comforting messages of sympathy as well as numerous Mass Cards and Spiritual Bouquets from many friends far and near.  
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## Local Branch Agnew-Surpass Co. Here

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The Agnew-Surpass Shoe Company is by no means an organization of recent establishment. The company has been doing business in Western Canada for 50 years, gradually increasing its business from year to year, and expanding its territory. During the last few years, the number of shoe stores, as well as the Agnew-Surpass chain has continued to increase until at the present time, practically every city and town in Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritime Provinces has a branch store under the management of Mr. W. A. Woodley, who has been manager in the King Street Store, Saint John, N. B. Mr. Woodley's experience in the shoe business qualifies him to manage what will undoubtedly be one of the outstanding shoe stores in a very large district. We have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. H. J. A. Brown and Mr. Oscar Diamond, formerly on the sales staff of Goff Brothers, who will be glad to meet their old friends and customers at their new location on Saturday, March 17th.

## IN MEMORIAM

**STELLA POWER**  
We shall miss her but we shall miss her there will be one vacant chair.  
The Angel of Death visited the home of Mrs. Stella Power, 1000, on Wednesday, March 7th, and claimed for its own her youngest daughter, Stella Power, at the early age of nineteen years, just on the verge of young womanhood.  
The deceased had been in perfect health until about a week ago, when she was taken ill, and died peacefully in her bed, surrounded by her family, and her friends. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a true Christian.  
Stella, as she was familiarly known, was a favorite with all who knew her, and in the home where those estimable qualities of usefulness, cheerfulness and devotion to parents, brothers and sisters were commented on by all, she will be sadly missed.  
During her short illness she was frequently visited by her pastor, Rev. F. D. McQuinn, and the Rev. Ernest T. Hynes, who administered the last rites of the Holy Catholic Church, of which she was a faithful member.  
The funeral, which was unusually large, was held from her parents' home, Friday morning to the Vernon Home Cemetery, where interment was tenderly made, there to await the glorious resurrection. Requiem Mass was celebrated by her cousin, Rev. Phalen McCormack, at the service at the grave was conducted by Rev. P. D. McQuinn. The pall bearers were: William Gill, Herman Gill, Michael McLean, Edward Power, George Walsh and Joseph Cronin.  
There are left to mourn the loss of a loving and dutiful daughter, a kind and devoted sister, her sorrowing parents, two sisters, Mrs. Peter McCormack, Baldwin's Road, Laureate at home; three brothers, Joseph, Emmet, Louis and one young nephew, Melvin, all at home. The family received many comforting messages of sympathy as well as numerous Mass Cards and Spiritual Bouquets from many friends far and near.  
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## Net Earnings Of Hollinger Highest In Yrs.

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
MONTREAL, March 14—Substantial advance in the price of gold on world markets in 1933 resulted in the highest net earnings of the company since 1927, annual report of Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, issued here today, showed.  
Net earnings available to shareholders amounted to \$5,737,176 compared with \$3,962,886 in 1932 and \$3,121,825 in 1930. In 1928 and 94 in 1928.  
Features of the report were a sharp expansion in recovery and earnings. An increase in tonnage and value of ore reserves, continued successful development in the mine, commencement of a new shaft below the 3,900 foot level building up of cash and net working capital, larger disbursements to shareholders, further writing down of plant, writing down of investment in international bond and share corporation to year-end market value and success in development of outside properties.  
A gentleman wishing to settle a point of view on art approached the information desk of a certain public library. "Where," he asked, "will I find something on Correggio and his 'Flight Into Egypt'?"  
"Everything on aviation in Room 121," responded the clerk.

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## IN MEMORIAM

**MRS. JOHN L. MILL**  
There passed away at Ghermont on Saturday morning, February 24th, at 6 o'clock, Lois Annie, beloved wife of John L. Mill. Born at South Rustico, August 10, 1880, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William O'Connell. She had been ill